

Kilgore BSM News

We are already several weeks into the Spring semester, and we are encouraged by how God is at work among students at Kilgore College. Even early in the semester, we are seeing meaningful connections, spiritual curiosity, and open doors for gospel conversations.

Currently, five students are prayerfully considering participating in Beach Reach during Spring Break. This is a significant step of faith for each of them, as it requires fundraising, training, and a willingness to be used by God. Please join us in praying for these students as they discern God's leading and prepare for this unique ministry opportunity.

We are also excited to share a few staffing updates. Abigayle Jonse has joined our team as Assistant Director. Abigayle recently graduated from ETBU and desired to serve in a ministry context where she could pour into students. She is assisting with many of the day-to-day responsibilities of the BSM and is also planning and leading student-led worship experiences. Her presence and leadership have already been a blessing to our ministry.

In addition, Matthew Wong is serving on our campus two days a week. Matthew comes to us from the BSM at UT Tyler, where he serves as a Campus Missionary. His primary assignment is student engagement with the goal of gospel conversations, and he has been especially active during our free lunch outreach.

One example from this past week's free lunch highlights the impact of these efforts. A first-year student arrived near the very end of lunch. Our Assistant Director and Intern took time to connect with her, and after lunch concluded, the three of them continued talking throughout the afternoon until our Bible Study began at 4:30. She accepted the invitation to stay for Bible Study. During the discussion, she openly shared that she is not a Christian and has many questions. We are grateful for the opportunity to build trust, walk alongside her, and trust God to continue working in her life.

We still have several free meal dates that have not yet been adopted by a local church or small group. These meals are a vital part of our outreach and provide consistent opportunities to build relationships with students. If you have questions about this ministry or would like to sign your group up to serve one of these meals, please feel free to contact me at 903-374-5485.

Thank you for your continued prayers and partnership. Your support allows us to be present on campus, build relationships with students, and create opportunities for them to ask honest questions and encounter Christ.

Bailey Harris, Interim Director

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An invitation to the men of our ETBN churches

Please come to Christian Men's Job Corps' opening session of our 2026 Spring semester at Hiway 80 Rescue Mission on February 17 at 6:45 pm.

Meet with the men who are signing up to participate in our classes. Our hope is to have a mentor for each participant. You can have a part in walking alongside men who could use some encouragement.

For more information, please call J. T. Ramsey, 903-658-0464, or John McInnis, 706-851-5046.

**Christian Women's Job Corps
Spring Semester Classes**

Start date: February 16, 2025 (10 weeks)

Tuesday – Friday 8:30a.m.-2 p.m.

Graduation May 2, 6 p.m.

Fellowship Bible Church on McCann Rd.

Lakeview Summer Camps

NetXtreme Youth Camp — June 4-9

RA's and Girl's Mission Camp—July 10-13

Faith Explosion Kids Camp #1— July14-17

Faith Explosion Kids Camp #2—July 27 –30



2026 TBMA Conference
April 23—25, 2026
Menger Hotel, Austin

Conferences include:

Microsoft Excel, Word, Publisher, Power Point, ACS, Annual Church Profile, Bible Study, Time Management, General Finances, Tax Issues, Office Procedures, Newsletters, Financial Procedures, Organization, Prayer, Leadership, Family



ETBN Calendar February 2025	
5	Ministry Prayer Lunch, 11:45 a.m., Calvary Baptist Annex
12	NLT Meeting, Noon, Calvary Annex
14	Valentine's Day
15	Focus on WMU Sunday
16	President's Day
21	Girls' Missions Mid-Winter Retreat

Ministry Prayer Lunch
Thursday, June 5
11:45 a.m.
Calvary Baptist Church Annex

Join in prayer with other church leaders.

Send your prayer requests to greggba@gmail.com



February 23—February 24
Irving Convention Center
500 W Las Colinas Boulevard
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