

JUNE 2019

Dan Lewis, EDOM

Christine Foster, Dir.  
Finance. & Admin.SPECIAL  
POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

## • Ministers'

Conference  
will resume in  
August.Contact Bro. Dan  
if your church  
would like toProject  
**FLOURISH**schedule this  
event and  
**FLOURISH.****Mission Opportunities for You in CMBA Internationally****India:** Contact Cory Nicholas, 918.697.7119.**Edmonton, Canada, and Russia:** Contact Dan Lewis, 918.825.3154.**Nicaragua:** Contact FBC Salina, 918.434.5335.**Ghana:** Contact Shane Culp, 918.783.5531, Big Cabin.**Honduras:** Contact Scott Dickerson, 918.244.6786.**Nationally****Houston:** Working disaster relief. Contact Blake Wallace, FBC Locust Grove, 98-479-5200**Church Milestone**

Bunker Hill Baptist Church will be celebrating the church's seventy-fifth anniversary with special services on Sunday, September 8, 2019. Long time members will be sharing memories in the 11:00 AM service which will be followed by a catered lunch for everyone who wishes to attend. The afternoon service at 1:30 PM will include a review of the history of the church with participation by former pastors and a presentation of a special certificate by the Oklahoma Baptist Historical Commission.

Current church members welcome the attendance of former members and everyone who would like to commemorate this occasion with them. The church is located at 430021 East Highway 60 west of Vinita. For further information please call pastor Scott Dickerson at 918-244-6786.

Celebrate Fathers' Day

June 16, 2019

**POINTS TO PONDER by Dan Lewis****Lessons From Baseball**

"If you can't play catch you can't play baseball." A dear friend of mine taught me this truth years ago. It is as true today as it was then. At the time, I was being recruited to coach my son's coach-pitch team and having little experience with baseball and coaching I turned to my friend for some simple and practical advice. The beginning of each of our practices we played catch. I walked up and down helping the boys practice the art of throwing a baseball. Most threw in whatever way felt natural and so we played chase much more than we played catch. As time went along I felt the piercing stares of all of the parents. I could imagine their comments, "Is this all we are going to do every practice? Shouldn't we be practicing batting, fielding, learning the rules, talking about stealing bases and learning how to run the bases?" In time the pressure got to me and we started doing all of the things that were expected which required less time spent playing catch. I regretted that decision when we played our first game. Just like every other coach-pitch team we couldn't play catch so we couldn't get an out. Routine ground balls turned into home-runs. Routine fly balls turned into home-runs. In fact, any ball put into play resulted in essentially home-run simply because we could not play catch and I as the leader of the team let the pressure of expectations drive the focus of our practices.

I think we can learn some things about church life from this story. "If you can't disciple someone you can't fulfil the purpose of the church." Everything comes down to effective discipleship but the expectations of the congregation will often pressure a pastor to focus on everything but true discipleship. "Shouldn't we be doing some huge outreach event? Why aren't we supporting our youth with a bake sale, pie auction, garage sale, car wash fundraiser for camp?" The list of good activities is endless and they feel good, productive, and meaningful in the moment.

My questions are simple; Are we winning this battle or losing? Are we gaining ground in the cause of Christ or is the world slipping away? Does it seem like our enemy only has to put a ball in play to get a home-run? I have come to believe that we simply cannot play catch and the only answer to our dilemma is to follow



the clear commands of Christ to make disciples by simply following Him and inviting others to join in this pursuit. I pray you have an active and productive summer. I pray all of your activities are meaningful; even life-changing. But don't forget to fulfil the purpose of the church by making disciples. "If you can't play catch you can't play baseball."



# 2019 CAMPS

## GCC KIDS KAMPS

**May 29-June 1**

**Noah Wickham/Jason Taylor**

**GCC kids  
Pre-camp  
meeting  
May 4 10AM**

**June 11-14**

**Rob Dunning/Andy Pilant**

**June 17-21**

**Chad Thompson/Ryland Russell**

**July 24-27**

**Washington Osage Week**

## Summit Camps

**June 4-7 Kids Camp**

**July 8-12**

**Jeremy Fisher/So We May**

**July 15-19**

**Mike Keahbone/Summit Collective**

**June 24-27 FBC Owasso**

**Please be in prayer for all our camps!**

**CMBA**

**Church**

**Giving**

### CMBA Financial Snapshot

Apr. Budget Giving:

\$ 16,591.83

Apr. Expenses:

\$ 15,619.37

Ending Balance:

\$ 34,016.16

2019 Budget giving:

\$ 57,971.20

Full financial reports are available upon request.

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Northeastern Oklahoma

**HOPE**  
Pregnancy Center

Today we made "Daddy Packs" at NEOHPC for the fathers of our clients who have positive pregnancy tests. We believe it is just as important for the men to be involved in the pregnancies, births, and parenting of the babies we are privileged to help nurture. God designed the family unit to be spiritually led by the head of the household and in our culture that is not typically the male. Help us dispel the myth that pregnancy centers are only for women and join us in prayer about God bringing along the fathers to our ministry so that we can include and involve them in the babies' lives.

Thank you for your prayers and support! ---Missy



Please be in prayer for Bro. Dan in June. He will be on a fact finding trip to see how we might partner with an IMB Missionary in Russia who is originally from Oklahoma.

**FBC Chouteau is hosting a Southern Gospel Quartet on June 28 at 7:00 pm at the church.**



**Pray for the Willhite Family**

The Willhite's are church planting in Berthoud, CO. For additional information contact [revjonw@gmail.com](mailto:revjonw@gmail.com).

