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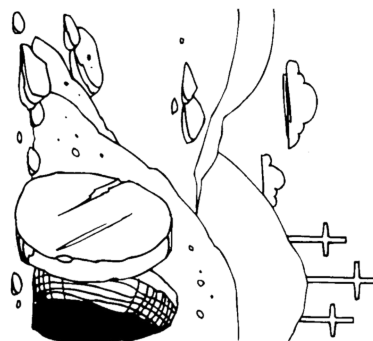
***Associational Pastors & Family
 Birthday and Anniversaries***



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APRIL, 2019

Baptist Doctrinal Study Emphasis Month

- 2 Pastor's Fellowship, McDonald's in Portageville, 8:00 a.m.
- 5-6 WMU Missions Celebration/2019 Annual Meeting
- 7 Cooperative Program Sunday
- 9 Pastor's Fellowship, McDonald's in Portageville, 8:00 a.m.
- 15-16 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 19 GOOD FRIDAY
- 21 EASTER SUNDAY, SBC Seminaries Sunday
- 23 Pastor's Fellowship, McDonald's in Portageville, 8:00 a.m.
- 30 Pastor's Fellowship, McDonald's in Portageville, 8:00 a.m.



MAY, 2019

Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong North American Missions Offering March 3 - 10

- 4 Church Health Conference, FBC, Hayti at 10:00 a.m.
- 5 Senior Adult Sunday
- 7 Pastor's Fellowship, McDonald's in Portageville 8:00 a.m.
- 12 Mother's Day
- 12-18 Christian Home Week
- 18 Armed Forced Day
- 14 Pastor's Fellowship, McDonald's in Portageville 8:00 a.m.
- 20 Bi-Annual Meeting, Boekerton at 7:00 p.m.
- 20-21 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 27 Memorial Day
- 28 Pastor's Fellowship, McDonald's in Portageville 8:00 a.m.

GENERAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT

FEBRUARY, 2018

	FEBRUARY	2019 TOTAL		FEBRUARY
Boekerton	\$648.76	\$648.76	DOM Salary	\$1,291.66
Braggadocio	\$0.00	\$272.26	DOM Mileage	\$444.86
Caruthersville, FBC	\$602.76	\$1,449.11	DOM Housing Allow.	\$562.50
Catron	\$0.00	\$0.00	DOM Health Insurance	\$1,257.33
Cottonwood	\$290.95	\$616.44	DOM Health Reinburse.	\$100.00
Hayti, FBC	\$210.46	\$583.86	DOM Retirement	\$229.16
Hayward	\$255.94	\$483.74	Secretary Salary	\$497.28
Holland	\$605.00	\$1,499.00	Custodian Salary	\$63.47
Holly Grove	\$530.88	\$1,195.36	Utilities	\$301.00
Kinfolks Ridge	\$69.32	\$322.54	Telephone	\$55.90
Lilbourn, FBC	\$0.00	\$2,542.68	Office Maintainance	\$5.48
Living Stone	\$335.00	\$768.00	Postage	\$198.99
Oak Grove	\$110.00	\$225.00	Insurance	\$266.03
Pascola	\$112.00	\$735.00	WMU	-\$33.00
Portageville, FBC	\$1,066.03	\$2,920.94	Volunteer Meals	\$170.60
Steele, FBC	\$0.00	\$317.03	MO Baptist Children Home	\$84.06
Temple	\$0.00	\$0.00	SMBA General Fund	\$168.12
Wardell	\$766.64	\$1,654.72	SMBA Endowment Fund	\$84.06
	\$5,603.74	\$16,234.44		
Miscellaneous		\$0.00		
Now Interest	\$0.63	\$1.20		
Total Income	\$5,604.37	\$16,235.64	Total Expenses	\$5,747.50

March 1, 2019 General Fund Balance \$14,536.30

STRAWBERRY BANANA FLUFF SALAD

Ingredients:

- 8 ounces cream cheese room temperature
- 3 ounces banana pudding (just the dry mix)
- 8 ounces cool whip
- 1/2 cup milk (I used 1%)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup chopped strawberries
- 1 banana sliced
- 10 ounces mini marshmallows

Instructions

Beat the cream cheese until smooth.

Beat in the banana pudding

Then the cool whip, and then the milk and vanilla extract.

Stir in the strawberries, marshmallows, and banana.

***IF YOU HAVE A RECIPE THAT YOU WOULD
LIKE TO SHARE WITH OUR READERS,
PLEASE SEND IT TO:***

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From Your Director of Missions

In 2 Peter 3, verses 8 and 9 Peter wrote: "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

We should learn from scripture that God has His own timetable for doing His work on earth.

In Ezekiel 26, God pronounces His judgement on the city of Tyrus. He states because of their rejoicing over His punishment of His people, they will be destroyed permanently from the face of the earth. Babylon attacked the city but was unable to conquer it. So, it seemed that Ezekiel didn't know what he was talking about. However, almost 200 years later God fulfilled His Word. Alexander the Great destroyed the city and left the area so barren that we are unsure of where it was located even to this day.

Over 700 years before the birth of Jesus, Micah told that the Savior would be born in Bethlehem. When the wise men were looking for Him the scholars had to search the scriptures to find His birthplace. It had been so long that people were not looking for what God had promised. However, there were 2 people, Simeon and Anna that had not given up on God's promise.

So, when Jesus did come, people rejected Him because He was not the conquering king that they expected. They had forgotten the prophecy of Zachariah in chapter 9 and verse 9. Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he *is* just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

Jesus has promised He will return. Most of our world today does not even think about what He said. They have no clue that the next major event in the history of the world, that will change things forever, is His return.

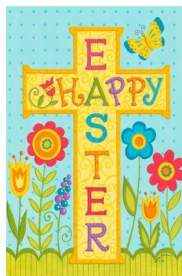
Most of us have fallen into the pattern of the Jews before He came the first time. We are living as if the only things that matter are us living what we think is a normal life from day to day. We are caught up in the cares and trials of this life. We have begun to believe that only way that we will leave this life is through death.

Paul states that the dead in Christ shall rise first and then we that remain will be caught up in the air to be with them for eternity. So, there will be Christians living on earth when Jesus returns.

So, let us snap out of our indifference and lack of concern about the coming of Christ. Let us understand that it will happen and it will be at the timing of the Father. I believe that He is lovingly and patiently waiting, giving us the opportunity to bring more people to salvation through His Son. How many people do you know that need to come to salvation before God says, "Time is up"?

APRIL MISSION REPORT

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter. I don't know about you but I'm glad spring is here. Hopefully, we will have warm weather and a little less rain for a while.



I would like to share my happy news with you – As some of you know, I have been engaged to Terry Ferguson for a few years. On March 8th, we finally got married. We had a double ceremony with my sister and her new husband. What a blessing, God is so good.

The 2019 RA Congress will be April 19th & 20th in Sedalia, MO at the Missouri State Fairgrounds. All boys 1st through 6th grade are invited to attend. They do not have to be in a RA group. Pre-Registration is through 4/11/19 and is \$12. Onsite Registration is \$17. T-Shirts (With online registration by 4/11/19) are \$8. RA Congress provides an opportunity for boys to connect with adult men as they participate in campcraft, sports and other activities. Worship rallies will include music and stories from a missionary and other mission leaders focusing on God's call in our lives to salvation, a relationship with Him, and our part in missions. For more information go to: <https://mobaptist.org/wmu/ra-congress/>

Missions Celebration & Annual Meeting is scheduled for April 5th & 6th at First Baptist Church, Kearney, MO. The theme is Unshakable Pursuit to know God more, show His love unconditionally, and make disciples who make disciples.

Our next Associational WMU meeting will be May 4th at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Hayti. We will be a breakout session of the Associational Church Health Conference. Please mark your calendar and come support your Associational WMU.

If a Church would like to volunteer to host future meetings, please let me know. Thank you so much for this opportunity to serve you.

Hope you have a Blessed day,

Kim Ferguson

Associational WMU Director



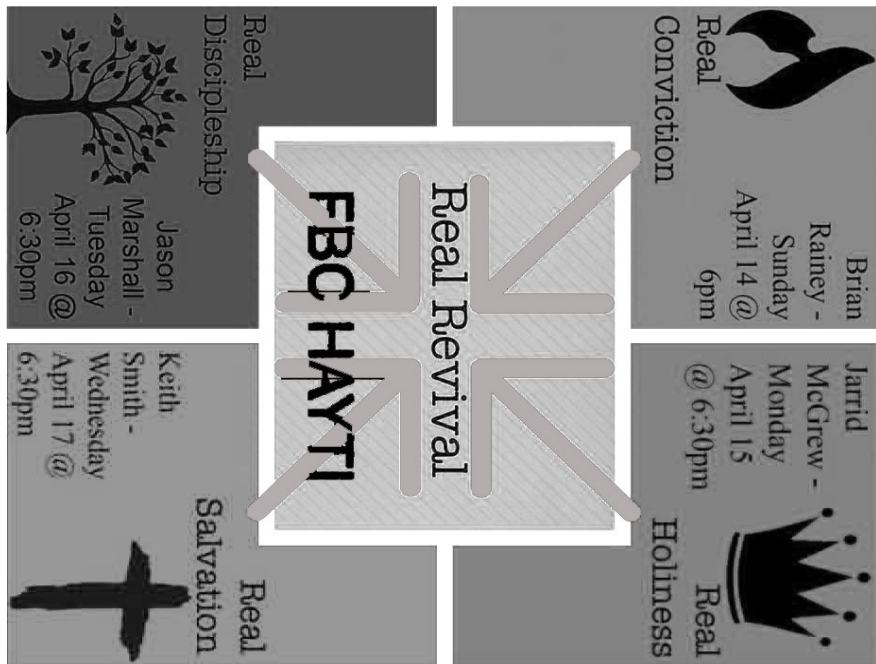
And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up His spirit. Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split. Matthew 27:50-51

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CHURCH HEALTH CONFERENCE

MAY FOURTH, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, HAYTI
TEN O'CLOCK WITH LUNCH SERVED AT NOON
THIS MEETING IS FOR PASTORS, DEACONS,
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS,
AND OTHER LEADERS
IN YOUR CHURCH

(Find the underlined word or words in the puzzle)



SOUTHEAST MISSOURI BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



CHURCH
HEALTH
CONFERENCE
MAY 4, 2019
10:00 A.M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, HAYTI

The meeting will consist of:

Opening session

At least 2 breakout sessions

Closing session with
discussion and questions

**Pastors, Deacons, Sunday School Teachers,
and other church leaders are invited
to not only attend but participate
in this conference.**

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AT NOON



CHURCH NEWS

CARUTHERSVILLE FBC: March has been super busy!!! We began with the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions. We watched the missionary videos and provided prayer guides and offering envelopes. Our goal is \$4,000.00.

The Brotherhood decided to keep their meeting on the last Sunday of each month at 7:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. They hope to have the Billy Crocker Bakeoff sometime in May.

The Women On Mission "Got their green on", March 11th with 15 members, 8 ladies from Holland with their pastor, Bro. John Earl and David Holifield for a total of 25. A devotion was given about cultivating, planting, growing, and giving of ourselves to Missions through relationships out of our comfort zones. Great refreshments were consumed. We had a purse scavenger hunt.

We are moving forward with some needed repairs and a general spring cleaning approved in our meeting on March 13.

We surprised Bro. Phil Barksdale with cake and ice cream on his birthday. We appreciate all he does for our church in addition to his music leadership.

Bro Jimmy Lemonds surprised his wife, Susan, with a very large cake and bouquet of red roses for their anniversary. They shared the cake and an announcement that they are going to be grandparents.

Fifteen of our ladies attended the Ladies Conference at Temple, four short of the crown won by Holland. We will get them next year. It was a wonderful spirit filled meeting with outstanding speaker, great music and testimony time.

Our youth sponsored a St. Patrick's Day Senior Adult Banquet. We had a great time reminiscing about "The Good Ole Days". Door prizes were awarded.

Our youth left for Winter Jam in Southaven, MS. I'm sure they will have much to share on their return.

We plan to attend the Senior Adult Fellowship in Holland on March 21.

The church is looking forward to Bro. Phil Barksdale's ordination followed by a meal in his honor on March 24.

Our spring revival will be March 31 through April 3 with Bro. John Earl Dunavant as evangelist and Bro. Phil's "Okie Dokie" Band providing the music. Please pray for our revival and attend if you possibly can.

Extreme Arts will have their 2019 retreat April 26-28, a "Disciple Now" format.

HOLLY GROVE: Hello everyone, we pray that all is well in your home.

Deacon's meeting was on the 3rd.

We were saddened by the loss of another member, Mrs. Betty Isbell. We hosted her "home going" celebration on the 6th after several years of illness. We served lunch for the family before the visitation and funeral. Family and friends returned to the church for an early supper and some sweet Mrs. Betty stories. She was one of those that once you met her, you both were friends forever, just like our Holly Grove church family.

We had our monthly service at River Oaks Care Center on the 10th. Business was the 13th along with the WMU meeting with Mrs. Pog Childers.

The younger adults treated the Keenagers to lunch on the 16th at Reelfoot.

We had 1 adult move their letter to our church on the 10th and several of our

children are asking questions about salvation and giving their heart to the Lord. Bro. Lew is talking with them to make sure they understand what they are doing.

Please pray that our youth group and all of our community will learn how important God is in our lives.

Congratulation to Bro. Lew on retiring after 34 years at the agriculture office. He wants to be able to do more for the church.

We are promoting and supporting the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

We welcome back Tim and Lynda Alexander to our community. Please pray for their health issues. We are praying for all of our church families and our community. Welcome to Spring!

HOLLAND: Greetings from Holland! We have decided to start collecting 2 items a month for our shoe boxes in December.

On March 11th we were invited to come to C-Ville 1st WMU meeting. We had 9 women who went. All of us had a great time.

Temple Baptist hosted their annual women's retreat on March 16th. We had 19 that were represented from Holland so Mrs. Mary Alice Taylor got to be queen for the day. Thank you ladies at Temple for having us and doing such a wonderful job each year.

We still have nursing home services each 3rd Sunday.

Our church hosted the Sr Adult Association meeting on March 21st. Bro. Mike Lofton from Boekerton spoke. Wonderful music and fellowship were enjoyed by everyone.

Bro John will be preaching a revival at C-Ville 1st. Please keep him in your prayers and that someone will get saved.

Several are sick in our church. Please remember them in your prayers as well as our schools, churches, and our country. God Bless

HAYTI, FBC: Greetings from Hayti First Baptist Church. It's been awhile since we've written anything. We want to let everyone know we have found an awesome pastor in Brother Mark Hoover. He has been here for a few months now. He's very genuine, smart, funny and most of all, loves God and His people. We were truly blessed that God brought him and his wife Tracy here from Mississippi.

Church has been amazing and so much is going on. We have a few things planned in April to tell you about. Randy Turnage and the choir will perform "My Easter Story" on April 13 at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendars because we would love to see you. Bring a friend, you won't be disappointed.

Our senior adults will be going to Branson for the Jubilee Conference in April. Our youth group continues to grow and is currently raising money for Centrifuge in June.

On April 14 at 2:00 p.m., we will have an Easter Egg hunt. Kids young and old are invited. That night, April 14th, at 6:00 p.m. we will kickoff our Real Revival with Brother Brian Rainey as he talks about "Real Conviction". Monday, at 6:30 p.m., Brother Jarrid McGrew will continue with "Real Holiness". Tuesday, at 6:30 p.m., Brother Jason Marshall will lead us with "Real Discipleship". Finally, on Wednesday, at 6:30 p.m., Brother Keith Smith will talk about "Real Salvation".

Starting April 28th, on Sunday nights, at 5:00 p.m. we will start the North American Mission Board evangelism initiative "Who's Your One?". This evangelism emphasis asks believers to pray for and focus on just one individual in the hope that person may come to know Christ.

As I conclude, our prayer, here at FBC Hayti, is that we would be the hands and feet of Jesus in our communities sharing the Love of Christ.