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Emily Womble	8 - 04
Barbara Dunavant	8 - 07
Rachel Compere	8 - 29

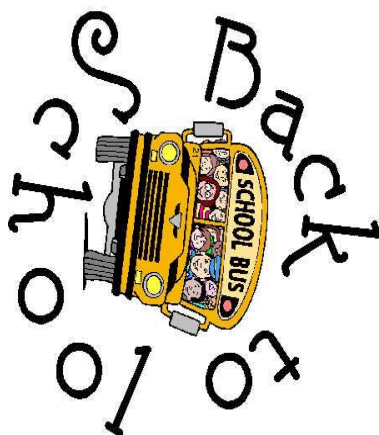


David & Darla Britt	8 - 09
Jeff & Cindy Womble	8 - 13



Rev. John Earl Dunavant
 Holland Baptist Church
 1988

Rev Dave Lewelling
 Holly Grove Baptist Church
 1999



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AUGUST, 2015

- 8 Back to School Youth Event, Location and time TBA
- 9 Student Evangelism Sunday
- 11 Pastor's Prayer Meeting, FBC, Portageville 10:00 a.m.
- 17 & 18 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 22 Regional Sunday School Clinic, FBC, Sikeston, 8:30 a.m.—11:45 a.m.
- 25 Executive Council Meeting, Mission Center 6:30 p.m.



Pray for:
 Our Children
 Our School Teachers
 Administration
 Our Bus Drivers
 Our School Boards
 The Parents of our school children
 Prayer Walk, Prayer Drive or just Pray

September, 2015

- 1 Executive Board Fish Fry 6 p.m. Board Meeting 7 p.m. Mission Center
- 7 Labor Day — Mission Center closed.
- 12 Associational WMU Meeting, Location to be announced
- 13 Grandparents' Day
- 14 Associational Annual Meeting, Catron Baptist Church 7:00 p.m.
- 15 Associational Annual Meeting, Cottonwood Baptist Church
Potluck Meal (meat is provided) at 6:00 p. m., Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 17 Senior Adult Fellowship, 11:00 a.m. Location will be announced
- 18 & 19 Disaster Relief Training at the Cape Girardeau Baptist Association
- 21 & 21 Caruthersville Food Pantry

GENERAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT

JUNE, 2015

	June, 2015	2015 Total		JUNE
Boekerton	\$0.00	\$232.56	DOM Salary	\$1,333.32
Braggadocio	\$178.55	\$903.45	DOM Taxes	\$2,546.25
Caruthersville, FBC	\$756.93	\$4,730.10	DOM Mileage	\$431.25
Catron	\$0.00	\$500.00	DOM Housing	\$562.50
Cottonwood	\$233.40	\$1,570.68	DOM Health Insurance	\$2,317.55
Glass Memorial	\$129.30	\$586.22	DOM Medical Reimb.	\$464.01
Hayti, FBC	\$2,386.24	\$6,081.00	DOM Retirement	\$375.00
Hayward	\$767.72	\$1,719.14	Secretary Salary	\$443.28
Holland	\$1,233.00	\$5,045.00	Custodian	\$65.83
Holly Grove	\$933.92	\$4,506.45	Utilities	\$218.30
Kinfolks Ridge	\$58.12	\$428.79	Telephone	\$248.17
Lilbourn, FBC	\$1,291.54	\$6,249.25	Print Supplies	\$71.85
Living Stone	\$472.00	\$2,397.00	Office Maintenance	\$230.45
Oak Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00	Postage	\$214.37
Pascola	\$310.00	\$1,131.00	Brotherhood	\$198.00
Portageville, FBC	\$1,316.48	\$6,266.47	Annual & Brd Mtng Exp	\$7.49
Steele, FBC	\$578.21	\$3,330.09	Volunteer Meals	\$79.82
Tyler	\$0.00	\$0.00	MO Bapt. Children's Hme	\$174.81
Temple	\$0.00	\$1,613.12	SMBA General Fund	\$349.62
Wardell	\$1,008.91	\$5,721.35	SMBA Endowment Fund	\$174.81
Total	\$10,645.41	\$47,290.32		
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$131.00		
Now Interest	\$0.32	\$1.81		
Total Income	\$10,645.73	\$47,423.13	Total Expenses	\$10,506.68

JULY 1st, 2015 General Fund Balance \$6364.81

Cheeseburger Soup

½ pound ground beef (use 1 pound)	¾ cup chopped onion
¾ cup shredded carrots	¾ cup diced celery
1 teaspoon dried basil flakes	1 teaspoon dried parsley
4 tablespoons butter, divided	3 cups chicken broth
4 cups peeled and diced potatoes	¼ cup all purpose flour
2 cups of Velveeta processed cheese cubed (I used 16 ounce) or- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese	
1½ cups milk	¾ teaspoon salt
¼ to ½ teaspoon pepper	¼ cup sour cream

Instructions

1. Brown the ground beef in 3 quart saucepan. Drain and set aside.
2. In the same saucepan add 1 T butter and add onion, shredded carrots, parsley flakes, basil and celery. Saute until tender.
3. Add the broth, potatoes and beef and bring to a boil. Reduce heat, cover and simmer 10-12 minutes or until potatoes are tender.
4. In small skillet melt remaining butter (3 T) and add the flour. Cook and stir for 3-5 minutes or until bubbly. Add to the soup and bring to a boil. Cook and stir for 2 minutes. Reduce heat to low.
5. Stir in the cheese, milk, salt and pepper. Cook and stir until cheese melts. Remove from heat and blend in sour cream.

Southern Strawberry Punch Bowl Cake!

- 1 yellow cake mix
- 1 (6 oz.) pkg. instant vanilla pudding
- 1 lg. can crushed pineapple, drained
- 2 (10 oz.) pkgs. frozen strawberries
- 2 bananas
- 1 (16 oz.) carton Cool Whip

Bake cake in two round cake pans and set aside to cool. Make pudding and set in refrigerator to get cold. Cut one layer of cake in small chunks; put in punch bowl. Spread half of pudding on top; then add half of pineapple and one package strawberries. Slice one banana on top; half of Cool Whip, spreading to cover completely. Repeat with the other layer the same - ending with Cool Whip. Let set in refrigerator overnight.

From your Director of Missions

It is that time again. School will be beginning in the middle of this month. There is a estimated number that I would like to share with you. There are over 4,500 children in our public schools within our associational geographical area. This does not include any students from the New Madrid County School District which would include the churches of Lilbourn and Catron. The number is more likely around 5,000 when you include New Madrid and the Catholic schools.

How many of those children are hearing about Jesus from a Southern Baptist church on any given Sunday? Jesus gave the disciples some instruction that is important to the church today. Mark 10: 13 & 14 And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God."

What is your church doing in the area of ministry to children?.

Ministry will always cost money. For our week of camp at Van Buren, for the children of our association, we will spend between 3 and 4 thousand dollars above what is paid in camp fees. However, if just one child accepts Jesus as Lord and Savior, we will have put our money to good use. We have even had at least 1 young man to enter the ministry as a result of going to camp.

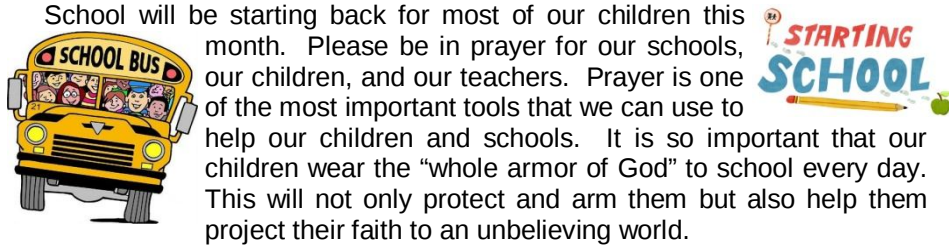
Ministry will always take time. If we do not show concern and develop a relationship with children, we will never reach them. However, if we don't spend that time, Satan will provide them with other opportunities that will lead to their harm and ultimately eternity in Hell.

Ministry always requires volunteers. No one is too old to reach out to a child. As I watch the interaction of adults with children, it seems that those of grandparent age seem to click better than some younger adults. With children they need someone that is in their life because that person wants to be there, not because they have to be. Someone may have to pick them up and bring them to church. Someone may have to sit by them. Someone may have to teach them how to act in church. That someone may be you.

Look at your church and ask if Jesus would approve of your ministry to children.

Church letters will be hand delivered to each of our churches this month. They are to be returned by August 15th. The information for the church letters is the numbers from August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015

AUGUST MISSION REPORT



School will be starting back for most of our children this month. Please be in prayer for our schools, our children, and our teachers. Prayer is one of the most important tools that we can use to help our children and schools. It is so important that our children wear the "whole armor of God" to school every day. This will not only protect and arm them but also help them project their faith to an unbelieving world.

The National WMU and North American Mission Board partner this month to sponsor Christmas in August. Your missions group can directly help a North American missionary with items needed for ministry and outreach.



There is a detailed set of instructions on the National WMU Website (wmu.com). Go to the "calendar", scroll down to August and click on Christmas in August for more information.

Our next Associational WMU meeting will be September 12th at 10:30 a.m. If your church would like to volunteer to have this meeting at your church, please let me know. These meetings are informal and would last about an hour. Your church would only need to furnish the place; we will take care of the refreshments and a speaker. Thank you so much for this opportunity to serve you.



Hope you have a Blessed day,

Kim McCarty

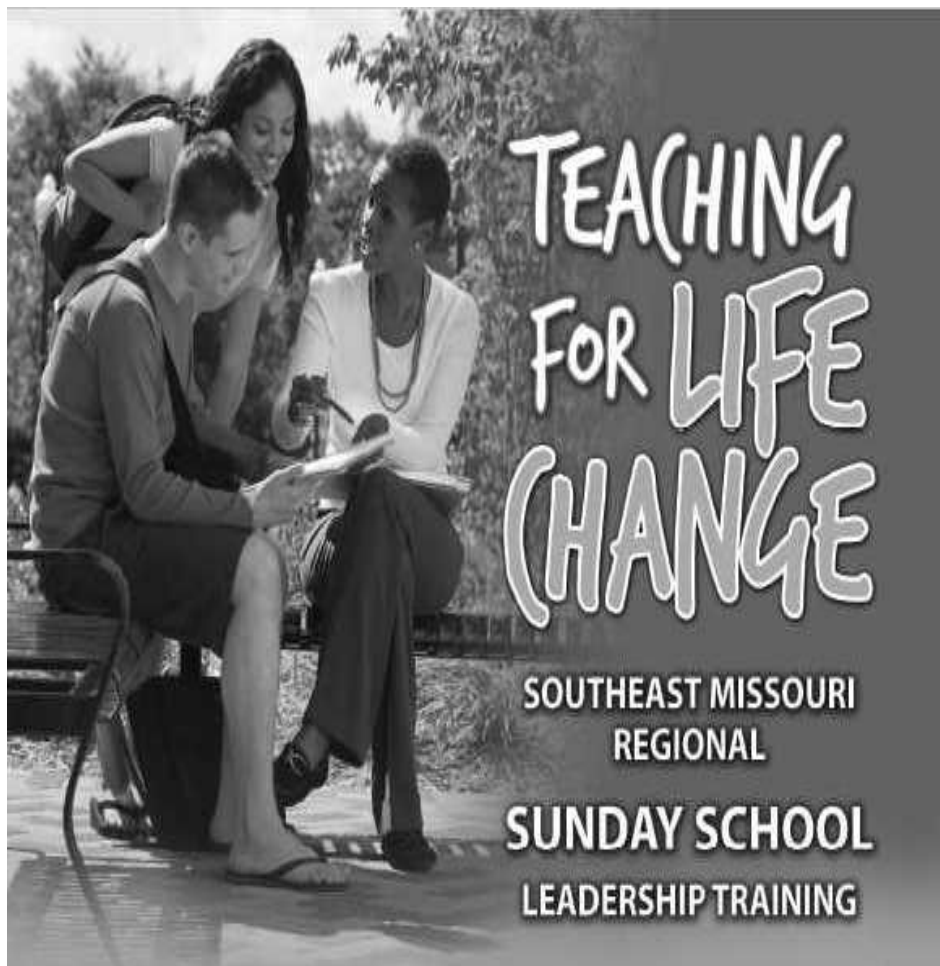
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¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Ephesians 6:10-18

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WOULD YOU CONSIDER PRAYER WALKING
THE SCHOOL WITHIN YOUR CHURCH AREA?
PRAY FOR TEACHERS, AIDES, CUSTODIANS,
BUS DRIVERS STUDENTS, AND
SCHOOL BOARD.

GOD CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE,
IF HE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE



Rev. Mike Nolen, pastor of Belieview Baptist church Paducah KY, will be the Quest speaker for the Morning and will lead the Pastors' session. Conferences will focus On the new Sunday School Resource **3 Roles for Guiding Groups** from Lifeway. Each participant will receive a copy of the book.



Preschool through Adult
Age Graded Break-Out Conferences
Pastors & General Officers
Break-Out Conferences

AUGUST 22, 2015
SATURDAY-- 8:30 - NOON
First Baptist Church
Sikeston, Missouri



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AND SPECIAL EVENTS
WILL BE PRINTED IN THE VOICE
BUT ONLY IF SOMEONE FROM YOUR
CHURCH SENDS THE INFORMATION TO
US. WE MUST RECEIVE THE INFORMATION
BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH PRECEEDING
THE EVENT.

The association does not publish advertising regarding fundraising events.

Travis Hanna

Travis Hanna was the representative for the Missouri Baptist Children's Home for our area until his retirement. After retirement, he served the Children's Home on a part time basis for several years until he suffered a stroke that forced him to quit.

Bro. Travis passed away on July 22nd of this year and his funeral was Saturday, July 25th.

He touched the lives of many people in our churches with stories of God's work through our Children's Home. Remember his family in your prayers.

FBC CARUTHERSVILLE: Greetings fellow brothers and sisters in Christ from FBC Caruthersville, We hope and pray things are going well in your church. We have had a busy and fruitful month since our last article. We had a workday at church with a huge list to get accomplished. On the top of the list was the cleaning and renovating of the Primary 2 classroom that has been a storage room for many years. Under the direction of Jim and Ewanda young this room has been renovated for our 3,4 and 5 year old Sunday School Classroom and our 4 and 5 year old nursery. We also cleaned and renovated out 0-3 year old's nursery room. Praise the Lord there is a need for more kids rooms!!! The long list was completed except for three jobs and all but one have been accomplished. We had Gideon Day with Lloyd Block as our speaker. Coach Block was my high school football coach. We raised over \$800 for the Gideon's bible ministry. We all participated in our quarterly Observance of the Lord's Supper and that service is always very meaningful. We also had our Quarterly Sunday School Fellowship Meal with the Berean Class hosting. We were blessed to have so many adults and youth helping in Vacation Bible School this year. Our attendance was low compared to other years but there seemed to be a better understanding and growth coming from our kids this year. We are continuing our 3rd Sunday of the month Creative Sunday services with creative approaches to worship from all age groups. Everyone, even the "we've never done it that way before" crowd, seems to enjoy the whole congregation involvement. As of this writing our kids are at church camp and we are looking for great results from their experience. Our kids missions class went fishing and had a great time. They are studying God's Creations this summer. Our kids ministry took our kids to the Safari Park in TN. It was hot, but the kids loved riding the safari bus and feeding all the animals. We are preparing our nominating process for committees and leadership and deacons for the next church year. We are getting ready for our Family Back To School Bash. At this fun event we will have food, fun and backpacks filled with school supplies for any kids that come to this event. We are continuing our Olive Wood Cross give away. These crosses are from the Holy Land and are given to people to help them through the crises of cancer, lost loved ones, or just anything they might need a reminder of that Jesus Christ is their hope and strength. We have given out over 1000 small crosses and 700 large crosses and have many more to give out. We continue to support Dr. Doug Fitzwater with his monthly Free Dr. Clinic in our children's building. If our church can ever help your church in any way, please get in touch with our pastor, if we can and we have the volunteers we will!

COTTONWOOD: June passed us by in a blur. We were able to get the kitchen done just in time for the Brotherhood Fish fry. The countertops were installed on Thursday and the fish fry was on Saturday!! PTL!!! We followed up the next morning with our first baptismal service in the new building

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followed by a fellowship meal. We can finally see light at the end of the tunnel!!!

HOLLY GROVE: Hello to all of our family of churches. As always, July is hot and busy. Our youth were our door greeters for the month. Ms. Lauribeth Childers at the front door and Ms. Jacklyn Lanier at the back.

We are looking for a youth minister. If you know of someone that is interested, contact our church.

On Sunday, the 5th, we celebrated our Independence Day with music, flags, and prayer. On Monday, the 6th, our church hosted dinner for the family of Mike Harden. On Tuesday, the 7th, we had Mr. Harden's funeral. On Wednesday, the 8th, we had supper before our monthly business meeting. We also had WMU that night with Mrs. Mary Lewelling.

Bro. Ricky Taylor filled in for Bro. Lew on the 5th while Bro. Lew and Mary were on a little work vacation.

It's sad to say, but we didn't have any children attend children's camp at Van Buren this year.

On July 25th, we had our "Back to School Block Party". We planned for lots of games, food, fun, and Jesus. All the children attending got a bag of free school supplies. The children and grownups have a great time with this every year.

We did our regular help with the C.D.H.S. food pantry and "The Haven".

We are very proud of a young man in our church that has been with us since birth. He has grown into a fine young adult. He was sworn into the United States Air Force on July 9th in front of our Cooter War Memorial Monument at City Hall. Congratulations to Mr. Seth Childers. We are all very proud of this young man and the way he represents our church and his family.

The church has been very busy getting ready for VBS. They have chosen the date of August 15th for an all day VBS. We are getting the word out to the children and looking for a fun time learning more about Jesus.

Prayers for you and the ones that you love to be safe and secure.

CHURCH NEWS NEEDS TO BE INTO THE
ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION CENTER
BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH