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Cory Davis	7 - 05
Benjamin Davis	7 - 06
Candyce Tims	7 - 11
Karissa Green	7 - 15
Mary Lewelling	7 - 20
Ross Pilcher	7 - 22
Andrew Davis	7 - 31

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Nathan Funderburk



Dave & Mary Lewelling

7 - 16



Rev. Doug Boyd First Baptist Church, Caruthersville 2008



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JULY, 2014

- 1 Youth Committee Meeting, Mission Center 7:00 p.m.
- 4 Independence Day, Mission Center Closed
- 8 Pastor's Prayer Meeting, FBC, Portageville 10:00 a.m.
- 10 Budget Committee Meeting, Missions Center 7:00 p.m.
- 14 Program Committee Meeting, Mission Center 7:00 p.m.
- 14-15 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 17 Nominating Committee Meeting, Mission Center 7:00 p.m.
- 21 25 ASSOCIATIONAL CHILDREN'S CAMP, VAN BUREN



Our nation was founded
upon freedom and
a Trust in God!
Pray for our country
that it will return to the
principles upon
which it was
founded!

August, 2014

- 1 Back to School Youth Rally, FBC, Portageville 7:00 p.m.
- 10 Student Evangelism Sunday
- 12 Pastor's Prayer Meeting, FBC, Portageville, 10:00 a.m.
- 16 Associational WMU Meeting, Mission Center 10:30 a.m.
- 18 & 19 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 21 Executive Council Meeting, Mission Center 6:30 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT of the GENERAL FUND MAY, 2014

INCOME

EXPENSES

	May, 14	2014 Total
Boekerton	\$0.00	\$1,161.85
Braggadocio	\$168.40	\$695.09
Caruthers ville, FBC	\$775.30	\$3,915.41
Catron	\$0.00	\$500.00
Cottonwood	\$267.14	\$1,199.63
Glass Memorial	\$215.76	\$723.72
Hayti, FBC	\$1,042.66	\$5,884.07
Hayward	\$359.64	\$949.94
Holland	\$920.00	\$3,903.00
Holly Grove	\$719.84	\$4,051.48
Kinfolks Ridge	\$87.52	\$435.71
Lilbourn, FBC	\$743.15	\$4,299.79
Living Stone	\$406.00	\$1,697.50
Oak Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pascola	\$331.10	\$1,126.20
Portageville, FBC	\$2,253.10	\$6,844.27
Steele, FBC	\$619.90	\$3,337.27
Temple	\$1,291.71	\$3,450.04
Wardell	\$842.39	\$4,569.54
	\$11,043.61	\$48,744.51
Miscellaneous	\$21.61	\$50.94
Now Interest	\$0.50	\$1.80
Total Income	\$11,065.72	\$48,797.25

	MAY
DOM Salary	\$1,333.32
DOM Mileage	\$771.68
DOM Housing	\$562.50
DOM Health Insurance	\$2,076.55
DOM Medical Reimb.	\$30.00
DOM Retirement	\$187.50
Secretary Salary	\$554.10
Custodian	\$117.70
Utilities	\$303.13
Telephone	\$328.92
Office Maintenance	\$218.28
Postage	\$193.31
Insurance	\$73.00
Vacation Bible School	\$93.95
WMU	\$23.67
Annual & Brd Mtng Exp	\$175.00
Miscellaneous	\$360.67
Volunteer Meals	\$92.23
MO Bapt. Children's Hme	\$165.65
SMBA General Fund	\$331.31
SMBA Endowment Fund	\$165.65
Total Expenses	\$8,158.12

JUNE 1, 2014 - General Fund Balance \$12,319.88



YOGURT-SAUCED PEACHES

Serves 8

1/4 C. lowfat cottage cheese1 T. sugar substitute1/8 tsp. ground cardamon8 fresh peaches or 2-16 oz.cans lite sliced peaches

½ C. skim milk1 tsp. lemon juice¾ C. plain lowfat yogurt

In blender combine cottage cheese, skim milk, sugar, lemon juice and cardamon. Cover; process till smooth; fold in yogurt. Chill. At serving time, using paring knife, peel, pit and slice peaches. If you are using canned peaches; drain. Divide peaches among 8 sherbet dishes. Spoon sauce over peaches.

NOTE: You can substitute your favorite fruit for the peaches. Only 90 calories per serving.

Sweet 'n' Spicy Corn Relish Makes 4 cups

- 4 ears fresh corn, husks and silk removed and kernels stripped (about 4 cups kernels)
- 1 green bell pepper, seeded and chopped
- 1 habanero chile, seeded and chopped
- ½ cup apple cider vinegar
- 2 Tbs. granulated sugar

In medium saucepot over medium-high heat, bring corn kernels, chopped green pepper, chopped habanero chile, apple cider vinegar, sugar and 1½ tsp. salt to a boil. Reduce heat; let simmer 20 min., stirring occasionally. Transfer to bowl; let cool before serving.

Per serving: Cal. 41 Pro. 1g Carb. 9g Fiber 1g Chol. 0mg Sod. 224mg Total fat: 0g Sat. 0g Trans. 0g

From Your Director of Missions

The farmers have sown the seed.

The crops are growing.

Cultivating, weeding, watering, and praying are in process.

A harvest is anticipated.

All of the above activities were used by Jesus to teach us about harvesting people into the Kingdom of God. Paul stated in 1 Corinthians 3: 6 - 8, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour."

Jesus said, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth."

There are many hindrances to producing a good harvest. Bugs can invade the field and destroy the plants. Weather can be too dry or too wet. Other things can happen that are out of the farmer's control.

However, one thing that will probably never happen to the harvest is for the farmer to decide to just leave it in the field. Even in instances where the health of the farmer will keep him from harvesting his crop, the neighbors will join together and harvest it for him. No one spends all the time and effort to produce a crop and decide to let it rot in the field.

How does this relate to the church? Jesus said that the harvest is great and workers are needed for the harvest. The Holy Spirit has planted the seed of conviction in the hearts of people around us. The Lord has said for us to be a part of His plan for Kingdom expansion. Our churches will grow in number and strength when there is obedience to the Lord's command to make disciples.

New Christians are many times the motivating factor for new work in the church. They can be a motivating factor to return all of us to our first love. A love for the Lord that reaches outward and pulls into the fellowship of the church those in our community that need Jesus, not to make them like us, but to make them like Jesus.

Can your community see Jesus in the life of your church? If not, your church is not an effective part of the Body of Christ. Jesus' statement was, "If I be lifted up, I will draw all men unto me".

Look at the harvest, celebrate its existence, and volunteer to bring it in.

July Missions Report

Happy 4th of July. I pray everyone enjoys their holiday and spends some time praising God for the freedom we have to worship Him. We tend to forget that this holiday is set aside to celebrate our country's freedom from religious tyranny. We are "One Nation Under God". The closer we get to the Lord's second coming, the more our religious freedom and Christian values are no longer being honored. I am sure our "founding fathers" would never have dreamed that prayer would no longer be allowed in our schools, that people in our country would want "In God We

Trust" removed from our money or that Church and State could no longer be intermingled. In some ways we have allowed our rights as Christians to slowly be taken away. Please pray for our Country and our leaders. Pray that God will be honored in our government and our schools. Pray that we, as Christians, will make a stand for our God and our religious freedom.



Remember: SEMO Children's Camp has been scheduled for July 21st to 25th at South Missouri Baptist Assembly, Van Buren. Once again, I encourage you to help with this Church Camp. There are many ways to be involved in Church Camp - prayer, financial support, and attending Church Camp. Our children are our future, please take the time to invest in the future.

Our next Associational WMU meeting will be August 16th at 10:30 a.m. at the Associational Mission Center in Hayti. Our Theme will be a World Crafts Party (http://www.worldcrafts.org/) and some of our GAs will be presenting information on some of the artisans around the world that participate in this mission. Please make arrangements to attend this special meeting. Thank you so much for this opportunity to serve you.



Hope you have a Blessed day,

Kim McCarty

Associational WMU Director



Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 2 Corinthians 3:17

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<u>OUESTIONS</u> <u>FOR</u> <u>THOUGHT</u>

HOW MANY OF YOUR FRIENDS ARE ON THE ROAD TO HELL?

WHO HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEM?

WHAT WILL YOU TELL GOD ON JUDGEMENT DAY REGARDING

YOUR WITNESSING TO THEM?

WILL THEIR BLOOD BE ON YOUR HANDS?

EVANGELISM IS EVERY CHRISTIAN'S JOB!!!

find THE UNDERLINED WORD/words IN THE PUZZLE



THINGS TO BRING TO CHURCH CAMP

FRIENDS

PILLOW, SHEET & BLANKET,
OR PILLOW & SLEEPING BAG
TOWELS & WASH CLOTHS
TOOTHPASTE & TOOTHBRUSH
SHAMPOO, SOAP, DEODORANT
BIBLE, NOTEBOOK, PENCIL OR PEN
CLOTHES FOR 4 DAYS AND NIGHTS

NO short shorts (boys or girls),

tank tops, muscle shirts, spaghetti strap tops,

or any article of clothing that promotes non-Christian values,

JACKET OR SWEATER

SWIMMING SUIT - Girls MUST wear a 1 piece or a dark shirt over a two piece suit.

(Girls & Boys must wear a shirt, robe, or towel over swim suits to & from pool.)

SPENDING MONEY

INSECT REPELLANT

SUN SCREEN

Registration for Children's camp will be on Sunday July 20th.

Email a list of your caregivers & campers to semoba@sbcglobal.net or bring the list to the Mission Center after 2:30 p.m. on Sunday. Camp forms and money will be taken to camp with you on Monday.

Don't forget to do the background check form for caregivers.





semo children's camp 2014

Join us for a fun-filled week of worship, games, friends, and learning about jesus

WHEN: Monday-Friday, July 21-25

WHERE: South Missouri Baptist Assembly, Van Buren

Any child who has completed grades 3-6

must have signed permission form to attend!

Cost is \$125.00

Registration forms, camp rules, camp schedule and what to bring are on the associational website semoba.org on the info center link under 2014 Children's camp.

2014 Vacation Bible School Schedule

Holland Baptist Church

July 7 - 11 July / - 11 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. DISCOVER DECIDE D



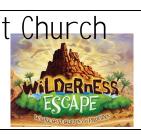
Living Stone Baptist Church



Temple Baptist Church



Oak Grove Baptist Church July 20 - 25 6:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.



Catron Baptist Church, Steele, First Baptist Church, and Wardell Baptist Church are planning VBS in July or August, information will be printed next month

Church News Continued

HAYTI: The FBC of Hayti kicked off VBS on Sunday Morning, June 22nd, during the Morning Worship Service. We began VBS on Monday, June 23rd. We gathered together as a church and prayed that the Lord might save some children during the week and to the praise of His glory we had one saved Monday before we even began! That's God! We are looking forward to many other activities this summer. Some time in July we hope to have a Celebrate America Cantata with the expressed purpose of lifting up our country in prayer and ministering to those around us. Pray for your VBS and let's get serious about winning and making disciples of our children. If we do not do it the Devil will! Pray for your churches and ask the Lord to reveal to you where He is working so that you can join Him.

> Glass Memorial Baptist Church welcomes a new pastor.

Rev. Richard Thompson and his wife Judy 165 County HWY 468 Steele, MO 63877 Phone: 573-359-7521

> **Hayward Baptist Church** welcomes a new interim pastor.

Rev. Jimmy Russell and his wife Shirley 3182 E County Road 262 Blytheville, AR 72315 Phone: 870-776-1240

Church News Continued

HOLLY GROVE: We hope that all the storms are gone for this year and send all of the victims our prayers. School is finally out and there are busy families everywhere. On June 1st, we hosted Witness and Evangelism Training. Included in the training were FBC, Steele, Holland, and Cottonwood churches. We had a very nice group and everyone was ready to learn. Several went out in the community after the training to share what the Lord has done for us. Our celebration for Bro. Joe and Mrs. Rose Smith and their family on May 31st was a great time of celebrating and making new memories. On June 1st, after our morning service, we all enjoyed leftovers and a fellowship lunch. June 7th, we had a One-Day VBS from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Our VBS Director, LeiAnn Odem, reported over 30 children, preschool through 6th grade and 20 workers. Everyone had a great time. On Sunday, the 8th, we enjoyed a little musical and fun show from some of the children and a report about VBS. A big Thank You to everyone that made our VBS a success. That same morning our guests were Michael and Emily Welch and their 3 sons. Michael sang a beautiful song and played the piano for us. We are praying about God's will for Michael to come to our church to be in charge of the music and youth. The afternoon of the 8th we had our River Oaks Care Center service. We had a wonderful time on Father's Day. Our fathers and men made us proud to be a part of God's Family. We took up a special offering for the Associational Mission Center in Hayti in June. We continue to minister through the food pantry and The Haven in Blytheville. We hope everyone has a great summer and gives God the glory for all we enjoy here in the USA. Have a Happy & Blessed 4th!

OAK GROVE: We can't say that we are "high and Dry" here, but we know that there is a reason for God sending us all this rain. We seem to be in the phase of lazy summer days. Our attendance is down and our only big plan right now is for the trip our youth will have gone to Fuge camp at Union University, June 23 - 28. Our VBS will be the week of July 20 -25. The theme will be "Wilderness Escape". Our emphasis will be on Moses. Pray that families will be reached as we minister to their children. June marks the 4th anniversary of the coming of Bro. J. R. Davis and his family to us here at Oak Grove. Bro. J. R. and his family have blessed us in many ways. We thank God that He sent them to us. Pray for our churches, our country, the sick, the lost, and for one another on a daily basis.

Save This Date!!!

May 2, 2015

South Missouri Baptist Assembly in Van Buren.

You always get these notices "Save the date" well here's one you really do need to save:

Saturday May 2, 2015 10 am - 4 pm

Put it on your calendar, put it in your phone, put it wherever you need to so you will remember it. We will be having a

100 year celebration out of this world.

Contact all those kids who have grown up and moved away, all those leaders, pastors, workers, you know, people like Bro. Bill Wehmeyer. I'm really looking for him and his wife Sylvia to attend, if possible.

We will have food, music, games, and lots of fellowship.

A few years ago, our association had these park parties. Each church had games, something to drink, and small items to give away. I would love for the churches to get out those games, along with any new ones, so we can use them at the Celebration.

We have some really good singers and musicians in our association. If you would volunteer to be a part of our entertainment, please give me a call at 317-966-8414 or e-mail me at vlsnelling@yahoo.com

Thanks I'll keep you updated

Vonnie Snelling

Braggadocio: On Sunday, May 25th, we celebrated Memorial Day. The church was decorated with a Patriotic Theme. The youth choir marched into the church with the American flag, Sophie Dudley led the congregation in the pledge of allegiance, and then McKenzie Boone and Riley Gilmore played "America" on their band instruments. It was a wonderful service. Bro Joe and Mrs. Rose drove to Dallas for another treatment on May 27. They returned on Friday and were honored at the Holly Grove Baptist Church on Saturday, May 31st for their many years of service. Many people attended from several churches in our association. Many from Bro. Joe's family along with friends from Texas attended our services on June 1st. Bro. Dale Ballard brought the morning message. We are having Vacation Bible School, June 23 - 27 from 9:00 a.m. till Noon each day. Anyone from age 3 to 13 years is welcome to attend. It will be an exciting time. God Bless!

Caruthersville FBC: All of our fathers were recognized during the morning worship service on Father's Day. In mid-June more than \$2,800.00 had been donated toward the Harvest Day Offering, the goal is \$3,000.00. We had ten youth and four counselors, Kristy Riggs, Jo Beth Williams, Hope Grooms Duncan and Phil Barksdale attend Jonathan Creek camp June 8 - 13. Plans are being made to attend Children's Camp at Van Buren, July 21 - 25. The cost for this camp is \$125.00 per camper. Drew Darnell, former youth pastor at Temple Baptist Church, was guest speaker on Sunday, June 22. We had another baby dedication on Sunday, June 15th for Madison Claire Cunningham, Sarah Jo Grissom is teaching the new 18 - 25 year old Sunday School class. Beginning June 15, one night each month during the evening worship service, there will be a combined music service with our Praise & Worship team, Common Ground, featuring blended music. Janice Bell, coordinator of VBS activities the week of June 16-20, and her volunteers worked very hard to make this year's Vacation Bible School a success. The theme this year was Wilderness Escape "Where God Guides and Provides". Our commencement festivities were held on June 22. Phil Barksdale and the choir are working hard on a big musical to be presented at the end of this summer called "Bind us Together."

Holland: (May) Good Day, from Holland Baptist Church!! This Month we celebrated the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, He is Risen. Thank you, Mrs. Carol Bray for the always beautiful decorations that you provided for us on this glorious day of the resurrection of Christ. Ms. Kim McCarty and the GA's held an Easter Egg Hunt on April 19th. They provided hotdogs with all the fixings and various delicious desserts. There were 73 adults and children from the community that attended the event. Miss Allison Skaggs presented a devotional about the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Easter Bunny even made an appearance. The kids and adults really enjoyed the day. On the fourth Sunday we had children's church. Justin Daniels started off the services with a scripture reading from the book of Matthew. We were graced with a solo performance from Miss Destine Underwood. Jacob Ireland, Lindsey Hunter, and Mrs. Tony Stewart all performed a beautiful song as well. Miss Allison Skaggs described to us the meaning of John 3:16 and told us to "accessorize ourselves with God every day" and not just the jewelry that we wear. Our Sunday social for the three graduating high school, Kristen Lancaster, Anna Beth Querry, and Danielle Wilson, went wonderfully. Mother's Day was very special this year. Mrs. Barbara Dunavant started off our services with a devotional. All the mothers were presented with a writing tablet and pen. Mrs. Mary and Mrs. Joy each sang a wonderful song; you could feel the Holy Spirit's presence in the room during the services. We have an amazing God.

Holland: (June) Hope everyone is staying cool! I have a correction to make from April issue of the Voice. Cheri Erwin passed away in March. Several of our youth and adults helped put flags out at Mt. Zion Cemetery for Memorial Day. Kristen Lancaster and Owen Mundy will be married on July 18. Lisa and David Lancaster (parents) and Jim and Shirley Skaggs (grandparents) are very proud of this couple. We gave the couple a wedding shower on June 1. Tracy Waldrop and Brian Easton will be married on July 26. Bryan Waldrop (father) and William and Norma Waldrop (grandparents) are pleased to announce this wedding. We are preparing for VBS. We will kick off the week with a parade on June 28th. Mrs. Heather Ireland, our VBS director, has schedule VBS for the week of July 7 - 11 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Parent's Day is July 13th at 5:00 p.m. The theme is Agent D3: Discover, Defend and Decide. We will have crafts for 4 of the days and supper will be served each night for the children that attend. We can't wait to see all those smiling faces wanting to learn about God!