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# THE SOUTHEAST MISSOURI VOICE

July, 2017

- 2      Citizenship and Religious Liberty Sunday
- 4      Independence Day
- 10     Program Committee Meeting, Mission Center 6:30 p.m.
- 13     Nominating Committee Meeting, Mission Center 6:30 p.m.
- 16-23 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHILDREN'S CAMP
- 17-18 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 20     Budget Committee Meeting, Mission Center 6:30 p.m.
- 23     Love Loud Sunday and Parent's Day
- 24-28 Associational Children's Camp, Van Buren



AUGUST, 2017

- 6      Social Issues Sunday
- 13     Student Evangelism Day
- 21-22 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 20-26 Worship Music Week

## GENERAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT APRIL, 2017

	May	2017 Total		May
Boekerton	\$386.60	\$1,292.55	DOM Salary	\$1,250.00
Braggadocio	\$210.75	\$945.10	DOM Mileage	\$181.37
Caruthersville, FBC	\$587.12	\$2,755.26	DOM Housing Allow.	\$562.50
Catron	\$0.00	\$500.00	DOM Health Insurance	\$1,817.55
Cottonwood	\$307.66	\$1,465.99	DOM Medical Reimb.	\$1,391.30
Glass Memorial	\$86.33	\$522.09	DOM Retirement	\$187.50
Hayti, FBC	\$811.58	\$4,803.40	Secretary Salary	\$443.28
Hayward	\$453.88	\$1,250.12	Custodian Salary	\$117.70
Holland	\$1,132.00	\$4,510.00	Utilities	\$329.41
Holly Grove	\$0.00	\$2,946.22	Telephone	\$191.73
Kinfolks Ridge	\$59.88	\$334.47	Print Supplies	\$232.83
Lilbourn, FBC	\$0.00	\$3,388.51	Office Maintainance	\$253.47
Living Stone	\$340.00	\$2,094.00	Postage	\$175.97
Oak Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00	Annual & Brd Mtng Exp	\$150.00
Pascola	\$98.00	\$684.00	Volunteer Meals	\$155.57
Portageville, FBC	\$1,382.73	\$7,296.73	Missions Development	\$28.88
Steele, FBC	\$482.86	\$2,368.65	MO Baptist Children's Hm	\$107.78
Temple	\$0.00	\$1,595.83	SMBA General Fund	\$215.55
Wardell	\$845.71	\$4,401.71	SMBA Endowment Fund	\$107.78
	\$7,185.10	\$43,154.63		
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Now Interest	\$0.31	\$1.31		
Total Income	\$7,185.41	\$43,155.94	Total Expenses	\$7,900.17

# Creamy Pecan Crunch Grape Salad

**Prep time: 20 mins**

**Total time: 20 mins**

**Serves: 15-20**

You're just 7 ingredients away from this Creamy Pecan Crunch Grape Salad recipe that will be a big hit at office potlucks, BBQ's, holiday dinners & parties!



## Ingredients

- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 pounds seedless red grapes
- 2 pounds seedless green grapes
- 4 tablespoons brown sugar
- 5 tablespoons chopped pecans, plus a handful extra for sprinkling on top

## Instructions

1. In a large mixing bowl, beat the cream cheese, sour cream, sugar and vanilla with a hand mixer until blended.
2. Add grapes and stir to coat.
3. Transfer to a serving bowl. Cover and refrigerate until serving.
4. Just before serving, add brown sugar and pecans and mix in.
5. Sprinkle with some extra pecans on top and serve.

## From Your Director of Missions

I was reading a book with Liam the other day and it stated that the footprints of man, along with those of the moon vehicle that they used, were more than likely still on the moon. This TIME book stated that the reason for believing this is the lack of atmosphere on the moon. Therefore, there is no wind to stir the dust and blow the prints away.

When you think about something like that, it should cause you to think about what God has done for man. He put us in a position to have everything that we need to live. Too often we take God for granted. These things did not come about by accident.

Do you believe that over a period of many millions of years that things just developed into what we have today? That each species of animal come from some other animal and just adapted into a new form. That a peach tree came from an oak or vice versa. It takes a lot of faith to believe that this universe in which we live just simply evolved into the world we know today.

So, as a Christian, what do you believe? Did God make everything? Is He still in control? Does He really know how many hairs are on your head? Does He know when a sparrow falls to the ground?

Have we made God smaller than He is?

What is God capable of?

David examined the universe as he sat on the hillside taking care of his father's sheep. As he saw the stars, he realized that there were more than he could count. As he experienced the weather, he realized that he had no control over the rain, storms, or a perfect day. He recognized that God was in control and had put all of these things into place. He then recognized how small he was in God's universe. It amazed David that God was mindful of a young man watching sheep on a hillside in Israel.

This God that was mindful of David is also mindful of you. Jesus promised a full and abundant life. It is God that feeds us. It is God that provides the air we breathe and the water we drink. It is God that numbers our days.

So, if God has done all this for you, what have you done for Him? Have you expressed your gratitude? Have you truly given yourself to Him? Are you expecting God to do anything in your life?

This God that created everything and put you and I in His world wants to accomplish great things with and through us. We need to walk with confidence knowing that "greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world". We need to understand and take the challenge of Paul when he said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me".

Don't shrink God down to a size that fits you. Let us challenge each other to experience what God is capable of and move forward together to claim the victories that He has for us right here in the Bootheel of Missouri.

## JULY MISSION REPORT

Happy 4th of July. I pray that everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday. There are so many blessings in this country and our independence to worship our Lord is one of the most wonderful freedoms that we have. I am thankful for the men and women who sacrifice so much that we can continue to have this religious freedom. Let us not take this freedom for granted. Pray for those that make it their life's work so that we can continue to be blessed with religious freedom.



Many churches are still having Vacation Bible School this summer. Please continue to pray for all the people involved in bringing VBS to our churches and the children that will be attending.

SEMO Children's Camp has been scheduled for July 24th to 28th at South Missouri Baptist Assembly, Van Buren. The theme this summer will be "Epic Explorers". This camp is for any child who has completed grades 3-6. The cost is \$130 per participant. Please be in prayer for our church camp. It might be the only opportunity that some of our children have to hear the word of God. Also encourage the "unchurched" children in your community to attend church camp. Our goal is to present the plan of salvation to as many children as possible.

Our next Associational WMU meeting will be September 23rd at 10:30 a.m. at the Mission Center in Hayti. 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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**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**NINETEEN CHURCHES VOLUNTARILY JOINED TOGETHER**

**TO PRAY, MINISTER, AND EVANGELIZE THE BOOTHEEL**

**WE ARE: BOEKERTON, BRAGGADOCIO, FBC CARUTHERSVILLE,**

**CATRON, COTTONWOOD, GLASS MEMORIAL, FBC HAYTI,**

**HAYWARD, HOLLAND, HOLLY GROVE, KINFOLKS RIDGE,**

**LILBOURN, LIVING STONE, OAK GROVE, PASCOLA,**

**FBC PORTAGEVILLE, FBC STEELE, TEMPLE, WARDELL**





"FOR EVEN THE SON OF MAN DID NOT COME TO BE SERVED, BUT TO SERVE,  
AND TO GIVE HIS LIFE AS A RANSOM FOR MANY." (MARK 10:45)

# SEMO CHILDREN'S CAMP

**JULY 24-28, 2017**

South Missouri Baptist Assembly, Van Buren  
***For children that have completed grades 3-6***

**COST: \$130 per participant**

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CAMP JULY 16-23**

## 2017 Vacation Bible School



Please pray for these churches as  
they conduct their

Vacation Bible Schools!

Cottonwood Baptist Church

**July 5, 12, 19**

**6:00 - 8:30 p.m.**

Temple Baptist Church

**July 9-13**

**6:00 - 8:45 p.m.**

Braggadocio Baptist Church

**July 10-14**

**6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

Boekerton Baptist Church

**July 10-14**

**9:00 a.m. - Noon**

Braggadocio Baptist Church

**July 10-14**

**6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

Holland Baptist Church

**July 16-23**

**6:00 - 8:30 p.m.**



# CHURCH NEWS

**HOLLY GROVE:** Hello, from your family and friends in Cooter.

June was a busy month and that is a good thing. Our monthly business meeting and our WMU with Mrs. Pog was on the 7th. All of our ladies continue to work on our WMU projects.

We watched the movie "The Hiding Place" on two different nights. It was a long movie, but very interesting.

We had our monthly service at River Oaks Care Center on Sunday afternoon the 11th.

On Wednesday, the 14th, we had a fellowship supper before our Bible study.

We worked in the food pantry at Steele on the 15th and 17th.

We continue to have our Women's Prayer Meeting every Monday and the men meet on Thursday evenings.

We had a one day Vacation Bible School on Saturday, June 17.

On Sunday the 18th, we celebrated Father's Day. We honored our fathers and all of the men in our church because it was also Baptist Men's Day.

Summer came a little early. So, everyone be careful!

We have several of our members on our sick list. Some are able to attend church and others aren't able to be there. Please continue to pray for our church and community.

**COTTONWOOD:** PRAISE THE LORD!!! After being told that a new building was unnecessary and that the cost would be prohibitive, we have a facility that is built and paid for. We had a note burning service on Sunday morning, June 25th as part of our morning service.

We are continuing to embark on the hardest part of the project. Building the building was easy compared to filling it with people. Pray for us as we try to build the church that will occupy the building. God has blessed us with the building and we believe that He can help us to fill it. Join us in thanksgiving and prayer for all the good things that God has done and praise Him for all the good things that He will do.

We are currently having Vacation Bible School on Wednesday nights. We have 8 children that have already attended. We ask your prayers that we will be able to lead them to Jesus. Numbers are important, but God deals with us as individuals. One reached for Him results in joy in Heaven.

Church News is due into the Associational Mission Center by the 15th of the month. News for the August VOICE will need to be sent in by July 15th.

You can mail your news to the SEMO Baptist Association, P. O. Box 551, Hayti, MO 63851 or email it to [semoba@sbcglobal.net](mailto:semoba@sbcglobal.net).

Why send your news? Many former pastors and members from your church receive the VOICE.

You can view the voice on the associational web site at [semoba.org](http://semoba.org). Current and past copies of the VOICE are on the Info Center link of our page.

## SENIOR ADULT FELLOWSHIP JULY 13TH 11:00 A.M.

Your church will receive a card in the mail as soon as the location has been secured.

This event involves a brief program at 11:00 a.m. followed by a light meal. (probably soup and sandwiches)

Senior adults are all persons over the age of 50.