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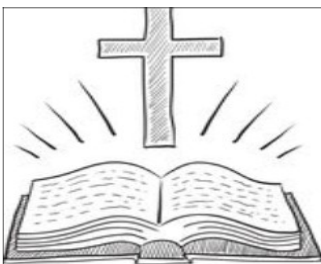
**Mary Lewelling**

**7/20**



**Dave & Mary  
Lewelling**

**7-16**



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# JULY, 2019

- 4 Independence Day (Missions Center Closed)
- 9 Pastor's Fellowship, 8:00 a.m., McDonald's in Portageville
- 14 Send Relief Sunday
- 15-16 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 22-26 Southeast Missouri Baptist Assoc. Children's Camp, Van Buren, MO
- 30 Pastor's Fellowship, 8:00 a.m., McDonald's in Portageville



**Our Nation  
needs the Prayer  
of God's  
People  
as much NOW  
as it ever  
has in our  
HISTORY!!!**

# AUGUST, 2019

- 4 Social Issues Sunday
- 6 Pastor's Fellowship 8:00 a.m. at McDonald's in Portageville
- 11 Student Evangelism Day
- 13 Pastor's Fellowship 8:00 a.m. at McDonald's in Portageville
- 19-20 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 18-24 Worship Music Week
- 27 Pastor's Fellowship 8:00 a.m. at McDonald's in Portageville

## GENERAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT

**MAY, 2019**

	MAY	2019 TOTAL		MAY
Boekerton	\$573.23	\$1,221.99	DOM Salary	\$1,291.71
Braggadocio	\$298.74	\$1,044.10	DOM Mileage	\$429.78
Caruthersville, FBC	\$478.11	\$2,847.42	DOM Housing Allow.	\$562.50
Catron	\$0.00	\$500.00	DOM Health Insurance	\$1,257.33
Cottonwood	\$280.32	\$1,455.58	DOM Health Reinburse.	\$728.58
Hayti, FBC	\$281.71	\$1,453.90	DOM Retirement	\$229.16
Hayward	\$421.00	\$1,583.57	Secretary Salary	\$621.60
Holland	\$776.00	\$4,026.00	Custodian Salary	\$126.94
Holly Grove	\$624.32	\$3,238.76	Utilities	\$328.40
Kinfolks Ridge	\$73.79	\$450.18	Telephone	\$289.41
Lilbourn, FBC	\$3,098.96	\$5,641.64	Print Supplies	\$213.27
Living Stone	\$370.00	\$2,004.00	Office Maintainance	\$829.66
Oak Grove	\$150.00	\$595.00	Postage	\$214.53
Pascola	\$0.00	\$1,102.50	Evangelism	\$450.00
Portageville, FBC	\$1,408.26	\$7,764.87	Camp Board Expense	\$64.10
Steele, FBC	\$491.47	\$2,407.48	Volunteer Meals	\$182.18
Temple	\$2,648.48	\$2,648.48	Missions Development	\$59.94
Wardell	\$677.80	\$4,299.18	MO Baptist Children Home	\$189.78
			SMBA General Fund	\$379.57
			SMBA Endowment Fund	\$189.78
	\$12,652.19	\$44,284.65		
Miscellaneous		\$0.00		
Now Interest	\$0.67	\$3.03		
Total Income	\$12,652.86	\$44,287.68	Total Expenses	\$8,638.22

**JUNE 1, 2019 General Fund Balance \$15,662.60**

# BEACH SAND

## INGREDIENTS:

- ♦ 12 OZ PACKAGE VANILLA WAFERS  
Crushed and divided
- ♦ 8 OZ PACKAGE CREAM CHEESE  
Softened
- ♦ 1/2 CUP POWDERED SUGAR
- ♦ 8 OZ CONTAINER FROZEN WHIPPED TOPPING  
Thawed and divided
- ♦ 2 - 3.4 OZ PACKAGE INSTANT FRENCH VANILLA PUDDING MIX
- ♦ 3 CUPS MILK

## DIRECTIONS:

- ♦ Place 3/4 of crushed vanilla wafers in the bottom of a clean plastic pail or other serving dish.
- ♦ In a bowl, blend cream cheese, powdered sugar and half of whipped topping; set aside
- ♦ In a separate bowl whisk together dry pudding mixes and milk for 2 minutes, until thickened
- ♦ Add cream cheese mixture to pudding
- ♦ Spoon over crushed wafers
- ♦ Spoon remaining whipped topping over cream cheese mixture
- ♦ Sprinkle with remaining crushed wafers
- ♦ Chill until set

## From Your Director of Missions

I had an experience on June 18th that I have experienced only one other time in my life. We were delivering food from our pantry to Caruthersville after a rain shower and the sun had come out. After about 45 minutes, I realized that I had not drank enough fluid. I was sweating profusely and my energy level was dropping. Then I had something happen that has never happened before. When carrying a box of food I had a charley horse in my upper left arm.

This experience led to me thinking about what Jesus has said that He would provide for us. In John 4: 14, He said, "But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life." This was a promise that Jesus made to us.

However, many times in our lives we are in the same situation in our spiritual lives that I found myself in my physical experience on that Tuesday. I was dehydrated because we had gotten behind in putting the food together and skipped lunch. Therefore I had not stopped to drink fluid and my body was functioning accordingly.

In our spiritual lives many times we get bogged down with all of the physical activities that are going on in our life and we forget to refresh our spiritual lives with the things that God has provided for us. We are thirsty, not because the water is not there, but because we did not partake of it. We didn't take time to read God's Word. We were too busy to pray. We never stopped and asked our Father what He had in store for us today.

Therefore, we are trying to live a Christian life in our own power and our own strength. When will we learn that it won't work? Satan takes great joy in the struggles of God's people. He puts as many obstacles in our way as he can possibly come up with.

The ability to function as a Child of God comes from God. When we are surrendering to His will and purpose for our life, He will provide the refreshment that we need to keep going.

We are reminded in Psalm 46:10, "Be still, and know that I am God". We can see examples in His Word of the refreshing results of trusting and serving Him. Even in John 4, Jesus said, "I have meat to eat that ye know not of".

So, to be a healthy, functioning Christian we need to guard against becoming spiritual dehydrated.

I would like to personally thank the individuals and churches that sent funds to our South Missouri Baptist Assembly (church camp) to repair the air conditioning units. The units were repaired in time for camp and any extra funds will be used to replace another unit that is on its last leg.

Is your church sending any children to camp July 22-26? Look around your community. Is \$140.00 too much to spend to give a child an opportunity to decide on where they will spend eternity?

IF YOU HAVE A RECIPE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE, SEND IT TO:

Southeast Missouri Baptist Association, P. O. Box 551, Hayti, MO 63851

or email to [semoba@sbcglobal.net](mailto:semoba@sbcglobal.net)

## 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 will be July 22nd - 26th at South Missouri Baptist Assembly, Van Buren. The theme this summer will be "Joseph Genesis 50:20": You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. This camp is for any child who has completed grades 3-6. The cost is \$140 per participant. Please be in prayer for our church camp. It might be the only opportunity that some of our children might 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 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. Watch for text and check our Facebook page for the location of this meeting. Please mark your calendar and come support your Associational WMU. If a church would like to volunteer to host a future WMU meeting, 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



*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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K N K M J A P S E I T I V I T C A P Q W  
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SOUTHEAST MISSOURI BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL

CHILDREN'S CAMP ACTIVITIES

BIBLE STUDY, WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC,

SWIMMING, ROLLER SKATING, WATER SLIDE,

CARPET BALL, GAMES, SKITS, MEETING NEW FRIENDS,

GETTING CLOSER TO GOD AND HAVING

A GREAT TIME. WHAT CHILD IN YOUR

COMMUNITY NEEDS TO BE THERE

JULY TWENTY SECOND THROUGH TWENTY SIXTH

# SEMO CHILDREN'S CAMP

*July 22-26, 2019*



South Missouri Baptist Assembly, Van Buren

*For children that have completed grades 3-6*

COST: \$140 per participant

**YOUR CHURCH WILL BE RECEIVING AN INFORMATION PACKET  
IN THE MAIL.**

**INFORMATION IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE ASSOCIATIONAL  
WEBSITE, SEMOBA.ORG ON THE INFO CENTER LINK.**

## **This month we will recognize our previous Director of Missions: Rev. Bill Wehmeyer**

Resolute Health Hospital recognizes their volunteers on a monthly basis. This is from the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung Newspaper. "Our volunteers come from all walks of life; we have retired superintendents, pastors, teachers, college students — they range from 22 to 90 years old, we have it all," Dietz said.

Their roles in the hospital range from working the front desk and showing people around, to pastoral services or even more select types of work.

This year's winner for the annual Volunteer of the Year Award, which is also given out in April, was 90 year-old Rev. Bill Wehmeyer.

"I'm a volunteer chaplain," Wehmeyer said. "I was a pastor and I volunteered for the Baptist system in San Antonio for a number of years, but when Resolute opened up, I asked to transfer over to volunteer here."

Wehmeyer, a Canyon Lake resident as well, said that, "He was very touched to be named the volunteer of the year".

"My favorite part is seeing patients perk up as I visit with them. I come in and get a list of patients who said they would like to be visited by a pastor and I get to visit with them."

## **Celebrate Recovery**

**We have two churches in our association that are  
offering the Celebrate Recovery program**

**First Baptist Church, Steele**

**Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.**

**First Baptist Church, Portageville**

**Monday nights beginning with meal at 5:30**





# CHURCH NEWS

**HOLLY GROVE:** Hello everyone. Welcome to summer time!

On Sunday morning, the 2nd, we received the phone call that our sister in Christ, Ms. Glenda O'Kane had went to meet her Lord. She passed away during the night after a long battle with cancer. She was well known in our area. Glenda and her sister Charlotte (known as Shot) shared their love of Christ with their singing and faithful service to their Lord. They were workers in any area that they were needed in our church, school, and community. They are now reunited for eternity.

Glenda's homegoing cerebation was at our church on Wednesday the 5th. The funeral service was beautiful and our school (her passion) was a huge part of the service. Our sweet ladies prepared and served a wonderful dinner to the family before the service.

On the 9th we were at the River Oaks Care Center for our monthly service. On the 12th were our business and WMU meetings.

We helped in the C.D.H.S. Food Pantry on the 20th and 22nd.

Everyone is getting ready for Vacation Bible School sometime in August.

Our ladies are working on their many projects for this year: Christmas fund, The Haven, and our WMU Christmas project.

We celebrated Father's Day on the 16th by honoring our fathers on their special day.

We continue to pray for the flood victims in Missouri and Arkansas. We also pray for our churches and communities. We ask God to heal our land.

**KINFOLKS RIDGE:** We met at JoAnn's house on May 18th. We meet twice a month just to pray, fellowship, love each other, share a meal, and just have a good time together. We had a meal of stew, cocktail wieners, nachos, cold cuts, and drinks.

We had our WMU meeting on June 11 with Mayor Sue Grantham as our guest speaker. We had 5 in attendance and the meeting was at JoAnn's house was a great success.

We have several shut-ins in our church and some are in the hospital. Please pray for them, especially for JoAnn's grandson who is home on hospice. God is still in control and after prayer Cody is still with us.

Pray for our church that we can get our bus back on the road and that our members will recognize the importance of the Lord's church.

I am excited about the Convoy of Hope community event that will be in Caruthersville on September 7th at England Park. Plans are for this to be a big event. I pray that our church and other churches will get involved and help in this great adventure for the Lord.

We love all of our church families and may God bless you all. Pray for us.

**FBC, CARUTHERSVILLE:** June has been another busy month. The Annual Church Picnic was held June 4th in England Park. A great time was had by all.

The Women on Mission met June 10th with 14 members and 3 guests. The theme was "Discipleship Where You Live". Jo Ann Manz introduced Susie Hovis of hospice as our guest speaker. She gave an interesting and informative talk about their services, followed by a question and answer time. Her husband Jim and a volunteer attended. The director gave a short devotion entitled "Share and Grow in God's Love". After recognizing the spotlight missionaries and those who had birthdays in June, prayer was offered for them and blessing for the food.

During refreshment time the members discussed the upcoming 9/11 Memorial and Appreciation Dinner to be held 9/9 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Members were informed of the food pantry to supply the Blessing Box and the boxes under the bulletin board in the hall for depositing items for the Southgate Prayer Baskets. The next meeting is July 8th at 6:00 p.m.

We honored our dads on June 16th with gifts for all. Special certificates were given for the youngest, eldest, father with most children present and the father who had been a Christian the longest.

Vacation Bible was June 17-19 with Mrs. Ewanda Young directing. The theme was "Amazing Encounters". Everyone had a great time learning and great snacks were served daily. Various wild animals could be seen around the premises.

We were saddened by the resignations of Phil Barksdale, our music director, and Kristy Riggs, our youth leader.

Our pastor, Bro. Jimmy and his wife Susan recently attended the Southern Baptist Convention and had many things to share with us.

Some of our members attended the Associational Senior Fellowship on June 20th and returned with the attendance banner. Rev. Jim Davis, from Legacy Hospice, presented an interesting program. Thanks to Wardell Baptist for hosting the meeting and the ladies of the church for preparing the good meal. Hope to see you at the next meeting where the banner will again be given to the church with most in attendance.

One of our eldest longtime members, Opal Caruthers went home to be with the Lord recently. She was such a faithful Christian and never missed church or Sunday School unless her health prevented it. Her quick wit, ready smile, and determination will be greatly missed.

God bless all of our sister churches. Please pray for our church and its leaders as we try to fill the vacancies in our staff and deal with the loss of our beloved "Miss Opal".

**CHURCH NEWS NEEDS TO BE SENT INTO THE  
MISSION CENTER BY THE 15th OF THE MONTH  
BEFORE PUBLICATION.**

**(July 15th for August newsletter)**