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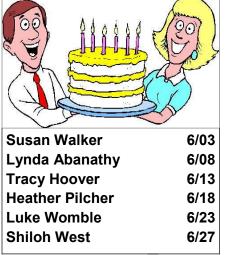
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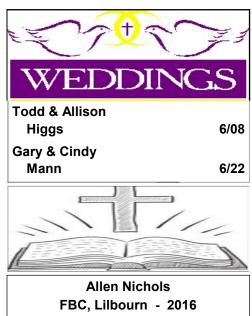
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JUNE, 2022

FOCUS ON LOCAL AND STATE MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES MONTH

5 Disaster Relief Appreciation Day

6 Executive Board Meeting, Mission Center, Hayti 7:00 p.m	6	Executive Board Meetin	g, Mission Center.	, Hayti 7:00) p.m.
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12-13 National WMU Missions Celebration, Anaheim, CA

13-14 Southern Baptist Convention, Anaheim, CA

19	Father's Day/Baptist Men's Day
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20-21 Caruthersville Food Pantry

26 Mission Dignity Sunday



July, 2022

FOCUS ON CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP MONTH

- 3 Citizenship and Religious Liberty Sunday
- 4 Independence Day
- 17 Children's Ministry Day and Send Relief Sunday
- 18-19 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 18-22 Youth Camp in Van Buren
- 24 Parents Day and Southern Baptist Media Day
- 25-28 Associational Children's Camp in Van Buren

GENERAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT April, 2022

	April	2022 Total	Ар	ril
Boekerton	\$398.05	\$833.50	DOM Salary \$1,33	3.34
Braggadocio	\$326.37	\$753.67	DOM Mileage Reimb. \$19	4.81
Caruthersville, FBC	\$145.22	\$661.53	DOM Housing Allow. \$56	2.50
Catron	\$0.00	\$500.00	DOM Health Insurance \$1,67	9.99
Cottonwood	\$343.89	\$1,684.51	DOM Retirement \$	0.00
Hayti, FBC	\$160.62	\$659.81	Secretary Salary \$46	8.85
Hayward	\$449.08	\$1,300.72	Secretary Taxes \$9	9.45
Holland	\$777.00	\$3,449.28	Custodian Salary \$23	8.86
Holly Grove	\$753.04	\$2,973.21	Custodian Taxes \$8	5.10
Kinfolks Ridge	\$91.08	\$91.08	Utilities \$6	7.71
Lilbourn, FBC	\$0.00	\$1,308.24	Telephone \$41	7.93
Living Stone	\$480.00	\$1,908.00	Office Maintenance \$76	6.90
Oak Grove	\$100.00	\$330.00	Postage \$15	5.34
Pascola	\$199.50	\$732.15	Insurance \$10	2.00
Portageville, FBC	\$1,356.16	\$5,417.95	Miscellaneous \$8	0.05
Steele, FBC	\$0.00	\$3,757.25	Volunteer Meals \$18	1.84
Temple	\$874.61	\$2,060.74	Missions Development \$5	3.68
Wardell	\$834.56	\$3,744.72		
Total	\$7,289.18	\$32,166.36		
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$674.80		
Now Interest	\$0.00	\$1.59		
SMBA Camp	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Income	\$7,289.18	\$32,842.75	Total Expenses \$6,48	8.35

Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 3 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 6 tablespoons chilled unsalted butter, cut into tiny cubes

Strawberry

- 12 small strawberries , hulled and diced
- 3/4 cup half and half

For the glaze

- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1/4 cup half and half
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

<u>Instructions</u>

- Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
- In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, sugar, and salt. Add butter and cut in with a pastry blender (or your hands) until mixture resembles crumbs. Toss in strawberries and coat lightly with the flour mixture.
- Add half and half and fold together gently until the mixture just begins to come together and forms a soft dough. It will be wet. (Do not knead or over mix the dough.)
- Turn dough out onto a floured surface and pat into a 1-inch thick rectangle or circle. (If dough is very sticky, sprinkle with just a hint of flour.)
- Using a sharp knife, cut into 6 (or 8) triangles.
- Place scones on prepared baking sheet and bake 16-18 minutes or until no longer wet, golden, and cooked through. (All ovens run differently.)
- Place a sheet of parchment on a work surface, then place a cooling rack over top of parchment. Remove scones from pan to cooling rack. Cool about 10 minutes.
- In the meantime, make glaze by whisking together powdered sugar, vanilla, and half and half until smooth. (If glaze is too thick, add a bit more cream. If it's too thin, add more powdered sugar.)
- Gently dunk the tops of the scones in the glaze or drizzle over the top. (Glaze will firm up when scones are completely cool.)

If you have a recipe to share send it to: SEMO Baptist Association, P. O. Box 551, Hayti, MO 63851 Or email to semoba@sbcglobal.net

From Your Director of Missions

I would like for you to consider this copy of the VOICE to be the most important one that you will receive this summer. There are several things that are included that need your attention. Remember what Jesus said, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"

There are some victories that we need to win this summer. Victories that can only come with the help of our Heavenly Father. Victories that we may not be able to claim unless we ask Him to intervene.

We need God's help to have successful camps at Van Buren. We need to ask God to touch the hearts of our youth and children to inspire the desire to attend camp. We need God to convict adults to go to camp and be caregivers for our children. We need to ask! What do we want? A camp full of youth, children, and workers? Campers coming to know Jesus as Lord and Savior? It will not happen till it becomes a priority in our prayer life.

Do you want to fill your church with children in Vacation Bible School? Are you struggling to get together enough workers to even have VBS? Are there children in your community that have no clue about the gospel message? How can we guarantee VBS success? It will take more than human effort. It will require intervention by our Father. The priority of prayer!

Can the Southern Baptist Convention survive the struggles that we are going through? Not if we try to figure out everything by ourselves using our own wisdom. Sometimes our problems are bigger that we can handle. However, there is no problem that is too big for our Father. If we honestly ask, seek, and knock, He can intervene.

So, I am asking you to put this issue of the VOICE into your Bible that you read every day. Use it as a book mark. When you pull it out remember that you have a Father that wants to grant your request.

Pray for our camps, even if no one is going from your church.

Pray for Vacation Bible Schools, even if your church is not having one. Pray for the churches that are.

Pray for our convention. Our leadership is made up of men and many times men fail. But God never fails. He can still use our Southern Baptist Churches and our missionaries around the world to bring people to Him. Be faithful where you are and pray for those in positions of leadership.

ASK, SEEK, and KNOCK. Then do it again. God wants to hear from you!

JUNE MISSION REPORT



I hope everyone is having a pleasant start to summertime. A lot of churches will be having VBS this summer. One of the VBS programs is called Spark Studios: Created in Christ – Designed for God's Purpose. The Bible verse is Ephesians 2:10: For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do, This summer, kids will learn that God's creativity didn't stop in Genesis. The

Master Artist is working to redeem, reclaim, and transform us— His creation—to the design He planned for us. Kids will

John 3:16

see the beautiful truth that they are God's workmanship as they learn to use their talents to bring glory to Him.

As you know, I have announced my intentions to resign my position as the Associational WMU Director. We are actively looking for someone to take over this position. At that time, we will schedule a WMU Meeting to vote this person into office. Please pray that God will send us the right person for this position. Thank you for this opportunity to serve you.

Hope you have a Blessed day, *Kim Ferguson*Associational WMU Director



God began doing a good work in you. And he will continue it until it is finished when Jesus Christ comes again. I am sure of that

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IS THE SUMMER TIME **FOR SCHOOLS VACATION BIBLE** ISSUE OF THE VOICE, IN THIS YOU **FIND** THE **DATES** AND **TIMES** FOR THESE **EVENTS** THE LIST ONLY INCLUDES THOSE **THAT** HAVE SENT IN THEIR INFORMATION. PRAY FOR EACH **ONE** <u>OF</u> THEM

RUNNING WITH JESUS



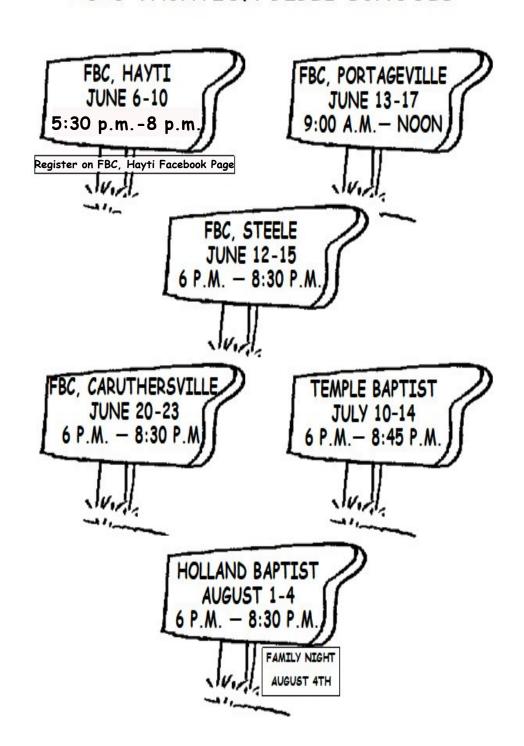
"Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus..." (Hebrews 12:1b-2a)

SEMO CHILDREN'S CAMP JULY 25-28. 2022

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

COST: \$150 per participant

2020 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS



June Church News



HOLLY GROVE: Welcome to June! Not sure what season. We pray that all is well in your world and your needs are met.

This has been a great month. Having the first Sunday on the first day of the month is a good sign. Thank you Jesus. Our deacons met on that day.

We had our business meeting on the 4th, which was followed by our WMU meeting with Mrs. Stacey Robinson.

On Thursday, the National Day of Prayer, some met

at the flag pole at our War Memorial. There was rain on that day and I am unsure of the number that met. I was unable to attend because of a medical procedure at the hospital.

God is good all the time.

We celebrated Mother's Day on the 8th. Every mother got a sweet gift and 3 mothers were honored: Michelle Copeland, youngest mother, Mrs. Peggy Holmes the wisest, and Brooke Alexander, the mother with the most kids in church. These three received beautiful potted plants.

On the 14th, we planned a Fish Fry. The fish were caught, cleaned, and cooked by Mr. Bill Pelts.

Our River Oaks Care Center service was on the 15th with a good group of residents in attendance.

Our church sponsored a blood drive on Tuesday the 17th and the food pantry was on the 19th and 21st.

Prayers are needed now more than any other time in my life. I do believe there are also more people turning to prayer than ever.

Peggy Copeland.

Kinfolks Ridge: Hello everyone! We had business meeting and the Lord's Supper this month. We hope to restart Sunday School soon. Please pray for our church. We think that we are starting to grow and then we have a setback. We know that God is in control.

Pray for us because most of our members are older. We seem to have difficult retaining younger people. Having to work on Sundays is a major issue. However, we are thankful that they have jobs.

Hoping to get WMU started this summer.

I have a good friend that is sick. Please pray for her. Jesus knows who she is.

I miss all the good things we used to do for our Lord. I am so thankful for all the churches that are able to still do them.

Love all of you in Christ. Pray for us.

Jo.Ann Rogers Herren

CARUTHERSVILLE EVANGELISM EVENT:

Wednesday, May 4th - Temple Baptist and First Baptist in conjunction with the Caruthersville Ministerial Alliance and the Missouri Baptist Convention had a community outreach at the Caruthersville High School gymnasium. Real Encounter Ministry, a motorcycle/BMX stunt team, was the visiting group. There were close to 500 people in attendance with 67 decisions made, many being professions of faith in Jesus Christ. Prior to the event on May 4th, the team went to some local schools to perform stunt shows and share a positive decision making message.

We spent the Sunday night prior to the event in evangelism training that was taught by Brad Bennett and Brent Logenecker, both of the Missouri Baptist Convention.

I want to thank the Association for the \$1,000 given to help this outreach event. The money was used to purchase ten \$100 Walmart gift cards that were given as door prizes.

This event shows that when we work hand in hand and trust God, we are able to accomplish great things.

Bro. Jim Pilcher

CHOIR DIRECTOR! First Baptist Church of Portageville, MO is looking to hire a part time choir director to lead the FBC choir each week in learning the selected hymns and songs for the worship service. The director will also direct the choir during Sunday services to facilitate congregational singing and aid soloist's in selecting special songs that contribute to the overall theme and thrust of the worship service. Applicant must be able to read music and be comfortable leading a choir to learn new material. It will require 5-6 hours per week. Compensation is negotiable and will not be less than \$125 per week. These hours will include both Sunday morning and evening services and choir rehearsal either Sunday afternoon or some other time during the week. If interested call (573) 379-5340 or (731) 694-7243.



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