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**Bi-Annual Meeting**

HAYWARD BAPTIST CHURCH

**May 16 at 7 p.m.**

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### *Associational Pastors & Family Birthday and Anniversaries*



David House	5/20
Griff Walker	5/24
John Earl Dunavant	5/29



<b>WEDDINGS</b>	
Jim & Cindee Johnson	5/17
Griff & Susan Walker	5/23



Griff Walker Wardell - 1997
Gary Mann Kinfolk Ridge - 2011

# MAY, 2022

## FOCUS ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MONTH

- 1 Senior Adult Sunday
- 5 National Day of Prayer
- 8 Mother's Day
- 8-14 Christian Home Week
- 15 SBC Seminaries Sunday
- 16 Bi-Annual Meeting, Hayward Baptist Church 7:00 p.m.
- 16-17 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 22 Children's Ministry Sunday
- 31 Memorial Day (Mission Center closed)



# JUNE, 2022

## FOCUS ON CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM MONTH

- 5 Disaster Relief Appreciation Day
- 6 Executive Board Meeting, Mission Center, Hayti 7:00 p.m.
- 12-13 National WMU Missions Celebration, Anaheim, CA
- 13-14 Southern Baptist Convention, Anaheim, CA
- 19 Father's Day/Baptist Men's Day
- 20-21 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 26 Mission Dignity Sunday

## GENERAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT

### MARCH, 2022

	March	2022 Total		March
Boekerton	\$0.00	\$435.45	DOM Salary	\$1,333.34
Braggadocio	\$0.00	\$427.30	DOM Taxes	\$2,546.25
Caruthersville, FBC	\$141.21	\$516.31	DOM Mileage Reimb.	\$321.75
Catron	\$500.00	\$500.00	DOM Housing Allow.	\$562.50
Cottonwood	\$553.11	\$1,340.62	DOM Health Insurance	\$1,679.99
Hayti, FBC	\$134.36	\$499.19	DOM Retirement	\$270.83
Hayward	\$287.50	\$851.64	Secretary Salary	\$461.75
Holland	\$705.28	\$2,672.28	Custodian Salary	\$226.62
Holly Grove	\$922.08	\$2,220.17	Utilities	\$457.76
Kinfolks Ridge	\$0.00	\$0.00	Telephone	\$518.30
Lilbourn, FBC	\$1,238.24	\$1,308.24	Office Maintenance	\$178.99
Living Stone	\$440.00	\$1,428.00	Postage	\$152.82
Oak Grove	\$130.00	\$230.00	Insurance	\$1,061.50
Pascola	\$80.25	\$532.65	Youth	\$500.00
Portageville, FBC	\$2,632.96	\$4,061.79	Evangelism	\$500.00
Steele, FBC	\$1,388.75	\$3,757.25	Volunteer Meals	\$168.64
Temple	\$0.00	\$1,186.13	Missions Development	\$74.75
Wardell	\$720.56	\$2,910.16	MO Baptist Children's Hm.	\$93.15
			SMBA Endowment Fund	\$93.15
			SMBA General Fund	\$242.60
Total	\$9,874.30	\$24,877.18		
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$674.80		
Now Interest	\$0.00	\$1.59		
SMBA Camp	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Income	\$9,874.30	\$25,553.57	Total Expenses	\$11,444.69

## From Your Director of Missions

### Ingredients:

12pk King's Hawaiian Original Hawaiian Sweet Rolls  
Ground cinnamon and/or cinnamon sugar

### **Honey Butter:**

1/2 c butter softened  
1/4 c honey  
1/4 c powdered sugar  
1 tsp vanilla extract

### **Cream Cheese Frosting:**

8 oz cream cheese, softened  
1/4 c butter, softened  
2 c powdered sugar  
1/2 tsp vanilla extract

# CINNAMON ROLL SLIDERS

### Preparation:

1. Preheat oven to 350
2. Combine softened butter, honey, vanilla, and powdered sugar in a small bowl until thoroughly mixed
3. Cup off the tops of the 12pk of King's Hawaiian Original Hawaiian Sweet Rolls forming one large sandwich
4. Spread both sides of the cut rolls generously with honey butter
5. Top off with ground cinnamon or cinnamon sugar
6. Bake at 350 for 10 minutes then let cool before adding frosting
7. Make frosting: combine cream cheese and butter and mix until smooth. Then, add vanilla extract and slowly mix in powdered sugar until frosting is a thick and creamy consistency
8. Spread frosting on top of the cinnamon/honey butter as a "filling" to our slider, then add top rolls on top
9. Add another final layer of frosting on top of the top rolls, and sprinkle with cinnamon sugar (optional)
10. Cut and enjoy!

First Baptist Church in Caruthersville celebrated the 125th year of serving the community where God placed them. That means that they began in 1897. There was no one at the service that was a part of the original 16 charter members. However, the church is still in existence. That is God's plan for His church. Death is not an event that should destroy a church.

Those original members of the church recognized the need to reach people with the gospel message. There are many people in Heaven today because of the faithfulness of that small group.

This group laid the foundation, not on flesh or blood, nor on material things, but on the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That resulted in the building of facilities to accommodate the ministries of the church.

But, they also recognized that the ministry of the church goes beyond going and telling people about Jesus. The Great Commission did not stop there. They recognized the need for discipleship. We are commanded to go and baptize, but also to teach them all things that we have been taught.

Many modern churches today are struggling because they have neglected to disciple their membership. We have been warned that Satan is a roaring lion that is roaming to and fro seeking whom he may devour. The Bible declares that he will disguise himself as an angel of light.

If the church of today is going to exist into the next century, it will be because we teach and stand for the truths of God's Word. We must be in a mode of developing the generations that follow us to be dedicated to the scriptures.

Pastors will come and go. Many great men of our past have gone on to be with the Lord.

Music styles will change. Hymns, choruses, and instruments may change but it doesn't change the command to come into His presence with singing. Make a joyful noise.

Worship facilities may be different to what we are used to. Video projectors and other technologies have made many things available to help our churches in ministry.

But none of these will make a successful church. The best buildings and equipment, the most modern and moving music, nor the most polished pastor can produce what God wants.

Paul stated it best, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase." 1 Corinthians 3:6

Jesus told the woman at the well, "God is a Spirit; and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth".

Discipleship is developing a person in the truth of God's Word and is the only hope for the future of your church.

**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](mailto:semoba@sbcglobal.net)**

## MAY MISSION REPORT

As summer is approaching, please remember that our churches have a lot going on during the summer for our children. Most churches have Vacation Bible School and then Children's Church Camp is in July. These ministries require a lot of helpers. If you are not currently helping with these ministries, consider volunteering to help in some way. Prayer is also important to these ministries. You might be surprised how much you enjoy working with our children. God is always faithful to be present during these ministries, can't you?

May 5<sup>th</sup> is the National Day of Prayer. The theme this year is: Exalt the Lord who has established us. Colossians 2:6-7

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



***But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 19:14***

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OUR ASSOCIATION WILL BE PARTICIPATING  
IN TWO CAMPS THIS SUMMER  
JULY EIGHTEENTH - TWENTY SECOND IS YOUTH  
CAMP WITH CANE CREEK STODDARD AND  
+THE TWENTY FIFTH - TWENTY NINTH IS OUR  
CHILDREN'S CAMP. THE FEE FOR CAMPS  
IS ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS.  
HOW MANY WILL YOUR CHURCH SEND?



We celebrate the graduation  
of all the students in  
the Bootheel of Missouri.

Our prayer is that our churches  
have prepared them for the  
challenges that lay ahead.

Jesus has promised that He  
would be with us even to the  
end of the world.

Pray that our youth will walk with  
Him and follow His direction for their life.

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto  
thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him,  
and he shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:5-6

**Southeast Missouri  
Baptist Association  
Bi-Annual Meeting  
May 16, 2022  
Hayward Baptist Church  
7:00 p.m.**

- ♦ **Come and hear about things that are going on in the association**
- ♦ **Learn about plans for Youth and Children's Camps.**
- ♦ **Hear about plans for SEMO Baptist Associational Prayer Teams.**
- ♦ **Get more information about the Jerry Lindsey Ministerial Scholarship.**
- ♦ **Get an update on the Filipino Missions efforts of the associations in our region of the state.**
- ♦ **Join in prayer, praise, and worship together with sister churches.**



# May Church News



**HOLLY GROVE:** Hello everyone! Our prayers are that all is safe and well at your home.

Our springtime has not made up its mind and all the storms are scary.

Our Deacon's Meeting and Business Meetings all went well.

On Saturday the 9th, a great birthday was celebrated in our fellowship hall. The birthday party was in honor of Mr. Hurtis Strawbridge's 92nd birthday. Lots of family and friends had a great

time.

Food pantry was the Saturday before Easter.

We had an Easter Sunrise Service planed for that Sunday. Our church was joined with the members of the Cooter Methodist Church family. After the service, we had a light breakfast and were back at church for our 10 o'clock services.

During the Sunday evening service, we honored our Savior with a candlelight Lord's Supper observance.

Please continue to pray for our churches, country, our leaders, and our families.

*Peggy Copeland.*

**Kinfolks Ridge:** Hello everyone! We will be having our business meetings again. It has been so few of us that we didn't have our regular meetings.

We are growing at Kinfolk Ridge Baptist Church. We may lose one of our families because of our lack of children. We have about 6 children when they all come, ages 7, 8, and babies.

Please pray for our church. It's like we struggle to get our attendance up and keep it there.

We have around 20 in service in worship service at 11:00. We have Bible study on Sunday and Wednesday nights.

We have had some members sick. One member is in the hospital in Memphis. Please pray for her.

We have set aside a man to be a deacon for a year. He has been speaking for us some on Wednesday nights. He is a good speaker. We have another deacon that is a speaker as well. Both are doing good in service to their Lord.

I wish that I had more good things to share with you. But, we know that we will begin to grow because the Lord is in control and our hearts is upon Him. Pray for us, we love our church and want to stand like a rock for our Lord.

*JoAnn Rogers Herren*

**FBC CARUTHERSVILLE:** The First Baptist Church in Caruthersville was organized on February 14, 1897 with 16 charter members. They celebrated their 125th anniversary on April 24, 2022.

There was a special Sunday morning service followed with a meal during the noon hour.

There was special music and several guests were present. Among them were former pastors, youth, and music leaders. David Ring returned to the church to present the morning message.

More information may be available in the next issue of the VOICE.

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**Jerry Lindsey Scholarship Offering.** If your church took up an offering to support this fund, please send the check to: SEMO Baptist Association. In the memo section of the check write Jerry Lindsey Scholarship Offering. We have a committee that is continuing to work on the details of this scholarship.



Your church can send church news and announcements about activities for the VOICE.



Please send the information in by May 15th for publication in the June issue of the VOICE.



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