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# SEPTEMBER, 2020

## Rheubin L. South Missouri Missions Offering Emphasis Month

- 1 Executive Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Missions Center in Hayti
- 6 Single Adult Sunday
- 7 Labor Day, Mission Center Closed
- 12 Associational WMU Meeting, Mission Center in Hayti 10:30 a.m.
- 13 Anti Gambling Sunday
- 14 Annual Meeting, FBC, Hayti at 7:00 p.m.
- 15 Annual Meeting, Wardell Baptist Church 7:00 p. m.
- 20 Baptism Sunday
- 21-22 Caruthersville Food Pantry

**We will be sending information to our pastors regarding the scheduled meetings: Board Meeting, WMU, and Annual Meetings**



**PRAY FOR A  
PHYSICAL  
AND  
SPIRITUAL  
HARVEST  
THIS YEAR**

# OCTOBER, 2020

- 2 Social Issues Sunday
- 9 Student Evangelism Day
- 19-20 Caruthersville Food Pantry
- 16-20 Worship Music Week

## GENERAL FUND TREASURER'S REPORT

**JULY, 2020**

	JULY	2020 TOTAL		JULY
Boekerton	\$798.97	\$1,835.28	DOM Salary	\$1,291.66
Braggadocio	\$148.65	\$1,405.60	DOM Mileage Reimb.	\$308.08
Caruthersville, FBC	\$465.20	\$3,063.33	DOM Housing Allow.	\$562.50
Catron	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	DOM Health Insurance	\$1,397.02
Cottonwood	\$504.06	\$1,722.58	DOM Retirement	\$270.83
Hayti, FBC	\$168.74	\$1,118.88	Secretary Salary	\$809.39
Hayward	\$407.73	\$2,549.48	Secretary Taxes	\$143.39
Holland	\$718.00	\$5,936.00	Custodian Salary	\$223.23
Holly Grove	\$451.92	\$5,134.81	Custodian Taxes	\$81.48
Kinfolks Ridge	\$0.00	\$351.99	Utilities	\$336.40
Lilbourn, FBC	\$0.00	\$5,040.06	Telephone	\$250.60
Living Stone	\$469.00	\$3,559.00	Print Supplies	\$84.89
Oak Grove	\$0.00	\$625.00	Office Maintenance	\$300.00
Pascola	\$0.00	\$984.50	Postage	\$144.30
Portageville, FBC	\$1,473.00	\$13,522.66	Insurance	\$1,215.00
Steele, FBC	\$740.73	\$2,934.63	Miscellaneous	\$11.25
Temple	\$0.00	\$1,421.26	Volunteer Meals	\$133.44
Wardell	\$898.99	\$6,937.89	MO Baptist Children Home	\$116.17
			SMBA General Fund	\$232.34
			SMBA Endowment Fund	\$116.17
	\$7,744.99	\$59,142.95		
Miscellaneous	\$750.00	\$2,061.50		
Now Interest	\$0.68	\$3.76		
Total Income	\$8,495.67	\$61,208.21	Total Expenses	\$8,028.14

**August 1, 2020 General Fund Balance \$14,204.31**

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**MISSING: RECIPE PAGE**

**WE HAVE SKIPPED THE PUZZLE FOR THE**

**LAST FEW MONTHS. SO, HERE IT IS!**

**WE WELCOME RYAN, RA'SHELE, GRYFFIN,**

**SYLAS, AND SHILOH TO FIRST BAPTIST**

**IN STEELE.**

**WATCH YOUR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR**

**INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING**

**ASSOCIATIONAL EVENTS.**

## From Your Director of Missions

I am concerned about the mentality that many of us had slipped off into during the trying times in which we live. We have been instructed by the scripture that we have not been given the spirit of fear. Yet, it seems that there are so many things going on in our world that the outcome for our lives, our families, our churches, and our communities is in doubt.

However, there is one thing that we can state with confidence and great assurance. God knows what is going on and is in control of the outcome. When the disciples saw Jesus being led away from the garden, they fled in fear. When Peter followed at a distance, he denied knowing Jesus. When we are limited by our abilities to understand everything completely we become like the disciples.

However, there was a third day coming. They found an empty tomb and Jesus met them in an upper room. He prepared them for the ministry ahead. A ministry that led to persecution and lives that seemed to be difficult. But Jesus promised to be with them, even to the end of the world.

So, you and I have that same promise. The promise of Shadrack, Meshack, and Abednego. In Daniel 3:14-18, Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, *Is it true*, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up? Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of music, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; *well*: but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who *is* that God that shall deliver you out of my hands? Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we *are* not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be *so*, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver *us* out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

So, regardless of what may happen in this world, we serve a God that is able to deliver and protect us according to His purposes. We cannot be defeated unless we give up. Our strength is not in the government nor in our numbers. Our strength comes from the one that walks with us. It is the confidence of Paul when he found peace in even the worst of circumstances and declared that all things are possible through Jesus.

I would like to express thanks to the extra help that we had in delivering food for our pantry in Caruthersville. Pete and Emma Marshal had a doctor's appointment were not able to help us. Ricky Taylor, Jim Brent, Griff Walker, Dave Lewelling, John Earl Dunavant, and Raymond and Kathy DePriest stepped up to help.

# SEPTEMBER MISSION REPORT

I hope everyone is having a good month. School has started back and the holidays will be here before we are ready. I thought this would be a good time to remind everyone about the WMU Mission of "WorldCrafts". World Crafts is a division of WMU and began in 1996. Their vision is: an income with dignity and the hope of everlasting life offered to every person on earth. This ministry helps impoverished and exploited people obtain a better way of life. If you or your WMU is interested in hosting a WorldCrafts<sup>SM</sup> party, there is downloadable information on their website <http://www.worldcraftsvillage.com>. The Associational WMU also has some materials. Please contact me if you would like help coordinating a WorldCrafts party.

Remember that September is the month to collect for Rheubin L. South Missouri Missions Offering. Resources are available through [mobaptist.org/mmo](http://mobaptist.org/mmo) or you can call 800-736-6227 ext. 303.



I have announced my intentions to resign my position as the Associational WMU Director. If you or someone you know would be interested in this position, please contact Bro. Tim Abanathy or me. Thank you.

Depending on how the status of COVID-19 proceeds, our next Associational WMU meeting will be September 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at the Mission Center in Hayti. Please mark your calendar and come support your Associational WMU. If a Church would like to volunteer to host this 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



*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

*2 Corinthians 9:7*



## CHURCH NEWS

**KINFOLKS RIDGE:** Hello there! We have a lot of good things to say about our Lord. He just showed up and showed out and blessed us in a special way for the last three weeks.

We have been having around 50 people at church. We had a young lady ask Jesus to come into her heart. She has a 1 year old baby boy. We are so excited to have her join our church. Especially since we have been having less than 20 in our services

Our preacher is doing a great job. One Sunday he preached about husbands and wives loving one another. It was so good and a little funny also.

Saying hello to shut-ins in our church: Mrs. Marie Tarpley and Steven Willbanks. We love them a lot.

Mrs. Cindy has all of the children from 3 years old and up in class. The have a good time in the Lord. She prepares well to teach them.

Your church can send church news and announcements about activities for the VOICE. Please send the information in by August 15th for publication in the September VOICE.

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