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The Voice

I have seen wind farms many times – I have seen them stretching across Iowa, Indiana, northern Missouri, and on previous trips across Kansas. Each time I have seen these wind farms it has been daytime and I could see the individual windmills scattered about for miles. And in the light of day it was easy to see that each windmills seemed to be doing its own thing - I have always been curious about why some would be turning slowly, others turning more quickly, and still others would not be turning at all.

Coming across Kansas at night, recently, as Teresa and I topped a hill I saw something I had never seen before. I said “Whoa! That’s awesome!” I was mesmerized. The whole horizon was light up in red light. Then darkness. Then again the whole horizon was lit up in red. The red lights at the tops of the windmills (for warning aircraft) were all blinking in sync with one another!

No longer were they individual windmills each spinning at their own speed. No indeed. Now they were all one. In unison they were blinking the message “We’re here! We’re here!” Apart from the energy they produced, they were letting everyone in the area know they were there. If they didn’t, someone might crash into them and be hurt, or killed. I Peter 2 speaks of Jesus as a precious cornerstone – but for those who do not believe, a stone of stumbling and a rock of offense.

That is how it is supposed to be in the church – we each move at our own pace, according to our calling, but to those traveling in darkness the church should be flashing a unified message . . . “We’re here! We’re here!” The church is to be shining the light of the gospel, pointing others to Jesus, to Life, to freedom from guilt and sin.

Jesus said, “Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in Heaven.”(Matthew 5.16 NASB). Many think that means we are to shine brightly, and there is truth in that, for the light must be bright enough to be seen. But notice how the NASB brings out the nuance of what Jesus was saying . . . “in such a way . . .” If the church does not have a unified message and its members are not working together, its just a bunch of busy light noise, like a city. Perhaps you have driven past a city on the interstate after dark... all the lights vying for attention to the point that nothing is clear or distinct. But with a unified message, with genuine fellowship (working together) of the members, the message to the weary traveler is “here we are”, just like the lights of the windfarm.

Is the message you are proclaiming with your life in sync with your fellow church members? Is it in sync with Christ and His gospel? Is your light shining in such a way that others see Jesus?

Your Fellow Servant, Timothy



Pot
Luck
Supper

Pastors and Wives Potluck Fellowship

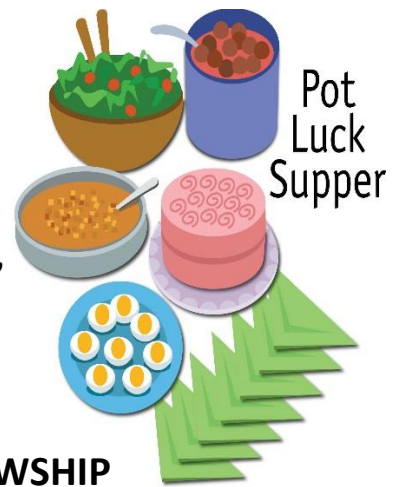
Thursday, June 6, 6:30 PM

Blue Springs Baptist Church,

Hwy Z, Eldon

**Please call 392-7074 with
questions or RSVP**

COME ENJOY THE FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP



Pot
Luck
Supper

Blue Springs Baptist Church to Celebrate 175 Years



Blue Springs Baptist Church

Hwy Z, Eldon MO

**Invites you to come share in their
celebration of 175 Years**

Saturday, June 22

1:00-4:00

The Lesters will be in concert at 3:00

Reception to follow

Lonnie Simpson, Pastor

LAKE OF THE OZARKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 9, 7:00 PM

LOCUST BAPTIST CHURCH

**9277 WEBB ROAD
VERSAILLES MO**

Associational Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 18,

6:30 PM

Association Office

401 W. Champaign

Eldon MO



Lake of the Ozarks Baptist Association Camp 2019

@ Camp P82, 27407 Montrose Rd., Rocky Mount, MO 65072

Younger Kids Camp, Completed 2nd - Completed 3rd grade,

June 13th- 15th Cost \$30

Kindergarten and 1st Grade Day Camp

Saturday June 15th Cost \$15

REGISTRATION FORM AND FEES DUE MAY 31st

Older Kids Camp, completed 3rd grade - completed 6th grade,

July 29th- August 2nd, Cost \$75

REGISTRATION FORM AND FEES DUE JULY 9TH

Camp forms are available on the Lake of the Ozarks Baptist Association website
www.lakeoftheozarksba.com

Youth Camp, Grades 6-12

July 22-26 Cost \$100

Pulaski Baptist Camp, Waynesville MO

Will need to contact Pulaski Association Directly for Registration Forms
pulaskibaptistassociation.com

**CAMP COMMITTEE
MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 4,
10:30 AM**

Mark Your Calendars!

Missions Opportunity!

As part of the partnership between the Missouri Baptist Convention and the Minnesota-Wisconsin Baptist Convention, our missions committee is planning a mission trip to Rochester Minnesota for July 19 – 26. This mission opportunity involves helping the Emmanuel Baptist Church with Vacation Bible School, and also doing some work at the convention offices. There will be painting, removing vinyl flooring, installing ceramic tile, and some landscaping work. To accomplish all that needs to be done we will need at 15-20 people. Having someone accompany the group as a cook would be a great blessing and allow the other workers more time to do the painting and other work.

The trip is open to anyone who is at least 18 years old and a member of an LOBA church. Those under 18 may also participate as long as a parent or other responsible adult accompanies them.

Each person will be responsible for their own meals and transportation in-route to Rochester, but carpooling is encouraged. While on the field, we will have lodging in the facilities of the Emmanuel Baptist Church. Meals will be together as a team and the cost for groceries is \$75 per person with a maximum of \$150 per family.



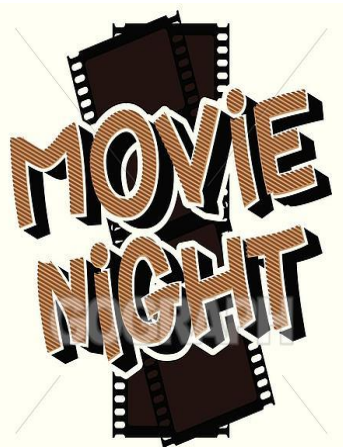
BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY OFFERINGS

Many churches recognize birthdays and anniversaries every week – if not in the worship service they may do it in their Sunday School classes. And many people who are celebrating a b-day or wedding anniversary that week will give a special offering above their tithe. I can remember this practice from my earliest days as a toddler in preschool.

Back in the last century (that's when I was a toddler) the churches would forward these special offerings to some very important ministries in Baptist life. The birthday offerings would be sent to the Children's Home and the anniversary offerings were sent to The Baptist Home.

But all that changed nearly 20 years ago, and for valid reasons churches discontinued the practice of sending the anniversary offerings to the Baptist Home. But things have changed yet again, (discussing such causes and changes are matter for another place and time) and the Baptist Home is once again part of the Missouri Baptist family!

As such, I would like to encourage the churches of the Lake of the Ozarks Baptist Association to once again forward offerings given in recognition of wedding anniversaries to the Baptist Home. Of course, birthday offering should continue to be forwarded to the Children's Home. Both of these ministries deserve our full support. James 1.27



ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT

On June 11, LOBA is hosting an association-wide, youth movie night. We will be watching the movie *Greater*, which tells the story of Brandon Burlsworth, a devoted Christian who exceeded all expectations as a walk-on for the Arkansas Razorbacks football team. All youth from 7th to 12th grade are welcomed. The event will begin at 7:30 at Blue Springs Baptist Church, with the movie starting at dusk. Popcorn and lemonade will be provided, but we are also asking each youth to bring a favorite drink or snack to share. Weather permitting, the movie will be shown outside, so bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.



AMAZING ADVENTURES WITH JESUS

IT'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TIME

Listed below are the VBS that the dates are known. Make plans to attend.

June 2-6: Aurora Springs, 5 Firefly Road, Eldon

June 3-7: Honey Springs, 46 Honey Springs Loop, Brumley

June 9-12: Spring Garden, Olean

June 23-28: Spring Valley, 15474 Hwy H, Henley

July 7-11: FBC Iberia, 3 Bonnie Drive, Iberia, 6:00-8:30

July 8-12: FBC Eldon, 209 S. Aurora, Eldon, 8:30-11:30 AM

July 14-19: Hickory Point, 6 Ponder Slab Road, Iberia

Please call the office, 392-6591, if you would like to have your VBS listed.

WELCOME NEW PASTOR

Marcus "Bubba" Ledford was call as new pastor at Locust Baptist Church on Sunday, May 19. Bubba had served the church as a deacon for many years and has previously pastored in Maryland.

Please welcome he and his family as they continue to serve at Locust.

You're Invited to Our
5TH Sunday Sing
Sunday, June 30, 6:00 pm
Mt. Herman Baptist Church

If you have questions
Call 573-280-4276

Kent Hutcherson, Pastor

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 1: Strawberry Festival, FBC Arnold, 2012 Missouri State Road, Arnold, 9:00-3:00 for Baptist Children's Home
 June 2-6: VBS, Aurora Springs, 5 Firefly Road, Eldon
 June 3-7: VBS Honey Springs, 46 Honey Springs Loop, Brumley
 June 4: Camp Committee Meeting, Association Office, 10:30
 June 6: Pastors & Wives Potluck Fellowship, Blue Springs Baptist Church, 6:30 PM
 June 9-12: VBS Spring Garden,
 June 11: Youth Movie Night, Blue Springs Baptist Church, Hwy Z, Eldon
 June 13-15: Younger Children's Camp (Grades 2-3) at Camp P82, Rocky Mount, Rocky Mount
 June 15: Day Camp for K-3 Camp P82, Rocky Mount
 June 16: Father's Day
 June 18: Associational Council Meeting, Association Office 6:30 PM
 June 22: 175th Anniversary Celebration, Blue Springs Baptist Church, Hwy Z, Eldon, 1-4 pm
 June 22: Locust Baptist Church, 9277 Webb Rd., Versailles, Block Party Event
 June 23-28: VBS Spring Valley, 15474 Hwy H, Henley
 June 28-29: Rocky Mount Food Pantry Open
 June 30: 5th Sunday Sing, Mt. Herman Baptist Church, Hwy FF Olean, 6:00 PM
 July 4: Independence Day - Office Closed
 July 7-11: VBS Iberia 6:00-8:30, 3 Bonnie Drive, Iberia
 July 8-12: VBS FBC Eldon, 8:30-11:30 AM, 209 S. Aurora, Eldon
 July 9: Executive Board Meeting, Locust Baptist Church, 9277 Webb Rd., Versailles, 7:00 PM
 July 13: Pastors & Wives Fellowship Breakfast, Blue Springs Baptist Church, 8:30 AM
 July 14-19: VBS Hickory Point, 6 Ponder Slab Road, Iberia
 July 19-26: Mission Trip to Rochester MN
 July 22-26: Youth Camp, [Grades 7-12], Pulaski County Baptist Association, Waynesville
 July 26-27: Rocky Mount Food Pantry Open
 July 29-Aug. 2: Older Childrens Camp (Grades 3-6), Camp P82
 August 10: Pastor's & Wives Breakfast, Blue Springs Baptist Church, 8:30 AM
 September 14: Lake of the Ozarks Baptist Association Annual Meeting



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Sunday, June 16

