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MAY 2019

The Voice

The Lord has surely blessed us with a beautiful Spring! The dogwoods this year have been more spectacular than usual. As we approach May there are some important items everyone needs to be aware of . . .

First is the mission trip to Rochester, Minnesota. The trip is scheduled for July 19 – 26, but we really need people to commit to participate by May 31. This will allow us to plan more effectively. We will need VBS workers, painters, people to do landscaping, and some who can lay ceramic tile. A cook or two would be great! By the end of May if we do not have enough people to do everything that is planned we will need to contact the folks in Rochester and begin scaling back those plans. So get your commitment forms in to the office by May 31. If you have questions or need additional information about this trip, see other places in this issue of the Voice, or check out our website at www.lakeoftheozarksba.com.

May 31st is also the registration deadline for younger Children's Camp. Younger Children's Camp is June 13 – 15 at Camp P-82 in Rocky Mount, but you CANNOT wait until then to register your child for camp. In order to have enough cabin counselors, and groceries, and everything else, we need to know ahead of time how many we are planning for, so be sure to get your child(ren) registered no later than May 31. Older children's camp registration forms need to be in by July 9 . . .

A few other thoughts I would like to share with you – One thing I have known before but have been reminded of lately – when trials come into a person's life we can see where their heart really is. Over the past month I have observed several individuals who have had trials come into their life.

One is Brother Kevin Blackburn, who was recently diagnosed with cancer. When I visited him in the hospital he almost always had other visitors there. On one side of the coin this shows that the Ulman Baptist Church, facing the trial of their pastor being hospitalized, reveals a heart of love for their pastor. On the other side of the coin, Bro. Kevin revealed a heart for God and the people he has been called to shepherd. Rather than being concerned about his own health, he was concerned about the people he was not able to minister to and pouring himself into the Word so that he would have fresh truths to share with them when he returned. Another example is a situation where people lost their leadership. There is anxiety, impatience, and a bit of angst. While some within this group have patience and are working while they wait others are ready to jump on the first opportunity.

These examples remind me of the example of coffee, eggs, and pasta. Coffee beans are no good by themselves, but you put them in hot water and they create a popular beverage. Eggs can be eaten raw, but they are also better after spending some time in hot water. And Pasta is rather hard and tasteless unless it spends some time in hot water. So remember, God allows us times of being in hot water . . . allow him to shine through at those times rather than complaining about the trial you are facing, or trying to control it. Use your times of trial and hot water for growth and improvement rather than steaming and stewing.

Your Fellow Servant, Timothy



Unlocking Biblical Truth: Religious Liberty Friday, May 3, 2019

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Riverview Baptist Church
989 Highway 42
Osage Beach, MO 65065

For more information, call Bev Ehlen at 314-608-0168

“America didn't create religious liberty. Religious liberty created America.” Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal, 2014 Religious Liberty is under attack in the country that knew to protect it in the very first right listed in the Bill of Rights. The Christian Life Commission of the Missouri Baptist Convention will be holding conferences on the issues of the day across Missouri. This first conference will focus on our First Amendment Rights. Dr. Clint Bass, former assistant professor of church history in the Redford College of Theology and Ministry at Southwest Baptist University, will present the role that Baptists played in religious liberty in history. He will also explain the importance of defending our religious liberty today. Rep. Suzie Pollock will update us on the bills making their way through the Missouri General Assembly that are either protecting religious liberty or threatening religious liberty. She will speak about the threats to the religious liberty of Missourians across the state. Finally, Don Hinkle, MBC Pathway, and Bev Ehlen, member of the Christian Life Commission, will present the call to action. Please make plans to join us. There is no charge to attend. Please register via Eventbrite so we can guarantee your seat.



Pastor's & Wives Breakfast
Saturday, May 11,
8:30 AM
Blue Springs Baptist Church

You are Invited to a
DEACON ORDINATION
for
Tom Lease and Bob Sidell
at
Mt. Carmel Baptist Church
755 Bagnell Dam Blvd.
Lake Ozark, MO

Sunday, May 19,
2:00 PM



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
THURSDAY, MAY 2
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.



www.mbch.org 800-264-6224

Missouri Baptist Children's Home

Strawberry Festival 2019

June 1
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

First Baptist Church Arnold
2012 Missouri State Road
Arnold, Missouri

All Indoor Activities
Plenty of on-site Parking
Lunch & Strawberry Desserts Available

Great Children's Area
Craft "Boutiques"
Quilt & Craft Auctions

Come enjoy the festival and help support children in need of love.

Strawberry Festival 2019

More and more troubled children and youth of today need to find a "place to find love" than ever before. When the first Strawberry Festival was held more than 128 years ago, its main purpose was to raise funds to keep the "Baptist Orphans Home" open. Providing funds to care for hurting children is still an important part of all three of our annual festivals.

Because the needs of children and teens continue to change, the programs and ministries of MBCH have changed as well. Residential programs on 3 campuses, Foster/Adoptive/Kinship programs, Transitional Living programs, Pregnancy Services and Intensive Family Reunification services provide a continuum of care for children as we minister to them. Our newest ministry provides care for victims of Human Trafficking.

Crafts, quilts, entertainment, all kinds of strawberry foods are just a few of the many reasons why the Festival is a day full of fun, food, and fellowship for the entire family. A variety of handmade crafts and quilts are donated to the Children's Home from all over the state to be auctioned and sold at the Festival. Once again this year, in addition to the donated crafts, we will feature "Professional" crafters. (Application forms are available for download at www.mbch.org.)

Hundreds of children and families will enjoy the great (free) children's activities area that will include inflatables, clowns, games, balloons and more. The children's area will be indoors this year.

Join us for a day of family fun while supporting the children at MBCH.

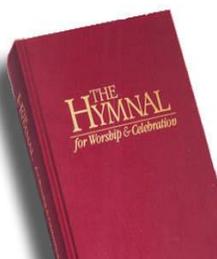
**Please Note that this Year's Strawberry Festival
Will Once Again Be Held at
First Baptist Church, Arnold!**



YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT

Lake of the Ozarks Association is hosting a youth movie night on Tuesday, June 11. The event will take place at Blue Springs Baptist Church, starting with snacks and games at 7:00 and a movie to begin around sunset. We ask that each youth please bring at least a 2-liter bottle of the drink of their choice to share. Any provision of snacks will also be welcomed. The movie will be shown outside (weather permitting) so you should also bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

OLD FASHIONED HYMN SING



**THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2019
10:00 – 11:30 A.M.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
209 S. AURORA ST.
ELDON, MO 65026**

Join Don and Nancy Upton for an informal, uplifting, and enjoyable time of singing beloved old hymns “from the book.” Everyone is welcome and you will have opportunity to choose favorite hymns for the group to sing. “I can’t sing!” you say? You are still welcome and encouraged to come and make a joyful noise for the Lord.

Hymnals are provided.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2: Camp Committee Meeting, Association Office, 10:30 AM
May 3: Religious Liberties Conference - Riverview Baptist Church, 6:30 PM
May 11: Pastors & Wives Fellowship Breakfast, Blue Springs Baptist Church, 8:30 AM
May 12: Mother's Day
May 16: Old Fashioned Hymn Sing, Eldn FBC, 209 S Aurora, 10-11:30
May 19: Deacon Ordination, Mt. Carmel, 755 Bagnell Dam Blvd., Lake Ozark, 2:00 PM
May 24-25: Rocky Mount Food Pantry Open
May 27: Memorial Day
June 2-6: VBS, Aurora Springs, 5 Firefly Road, Eldon
June 3-7: VBS Honey Springs, 46 Honey Springs Loop, Brumley
June 8: Pastors & Wives Fellowship Breakfast, Blue Springs Baptist Church, 8:30 AM
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 23-28: VBS Spring Valley, 15474 Hwy H, Henley
June 28-29: Rocky Mount Food Pantry Open
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

Congratulations to Caleb & Melissa Smith on birth of new daughter, Lucy



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Mother's Day, May 12