

**CCSBA Focus on Church Growth**

Church grow is directly related to the personal growth of each believer in the church. That personal growth is important all year long, but usually is most thought of and planned for at the beginning of the year. Here are some questions to help you examine your life, where you need and want to grow, and how to get there. Take time over the next few days to prayerfully address each question before making your plan for growth in 2018.

1. What's one thing you could do this year to increase your enjoyment of God?
2. What's the most humanly impossible thing you will ask God to do this year?
3. What's the single most important thing you could do to improve the quality of your family life this year?
4. In which spiritual discipline do you most want to make progress this year, and what will you do about it?
5. What is the single biggest time-waster in your life, and what will you do about it this year?
6. What is the most helpful new way you could strengthen your church?
7. For whose salvation will you pray most fervently this year?
8. What's the most important way you will, by God's grace, try to make this year different from last year?
9. What one thing could you do to improve your prayer life this year?
10. What single thing that you plan to do this year will matter most in ten years? In eternity?

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 NATHAN & KATHY KIRKLEY**
- 5 GREG KIRK**
- 5 ROY DAVIS**
- 5 JAMES & DONNA PAGE**

**CCSBA CHURCH PRAYER FOCUS**

**Doniphan FBC**



**Monty Flanigan, Pastor**

**Third Baptist**



**James Capps, Pastor**

**Twin Springs**



**Roger Mayo, Pastor**

**Friendship**



**Lonny Mittag, Pastor**

**PRAY FOR THESE PASTOR-LESS CHURCHES**

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| <b>Essex</b>            | <b>Trinity</b>     |
| <b>Northside Bernie</b> | <b>Center Hill</b> |
| <b>Emmanuel</b>         |                    |
| <b>Harviell FBC</b>     |                    |

## Calendar for January & February

**Jan. 1 CCSBA Office Closed for New Year's**

**Jan. 8** WMU Quarterly Meeting at Third Baptist in Poplar Bluff 6:30-8:00 PM

**Jan. 13** Gospel Outreach Workshop, Friendship Baptist Church, 9am-4pm

**Feb. 12-18** Focus on WMU Week

**Feb. 22-25** Great Commission Conference

### CCSBA Office Hours

8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday –Thursday

8:00 am – 12:00 pm, Friday

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### Ministry Team

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The week after finals, I was able to take three college students on a mission trip to St. Louis. We partnered with a church in the Affton community that is reaching out to the thousands of (mostly muslim) refugees in their neighborhoods. The students receives an introduction to what life for refugees is like being relocated to America, and the staff at the church gave us training on cross-cultural outreach. We then spent the next two days meeting people at international restaurants and markets. The highlight of the trip, though, was visiting several mosques in the community and talking with the people there. All of the muslim men and women were very friendly and welcomed questions about their life and beliefs. God used this trip to broaden our understanding of the people living in our state and how God has brought the nations to our door. – Daniel



### CCSBA Financial Status on Dec. 31, 2017

Budget Year Sept. '17- August '18

Budget to date	Contributions received
\$38,666.68	\$ 38,129.19

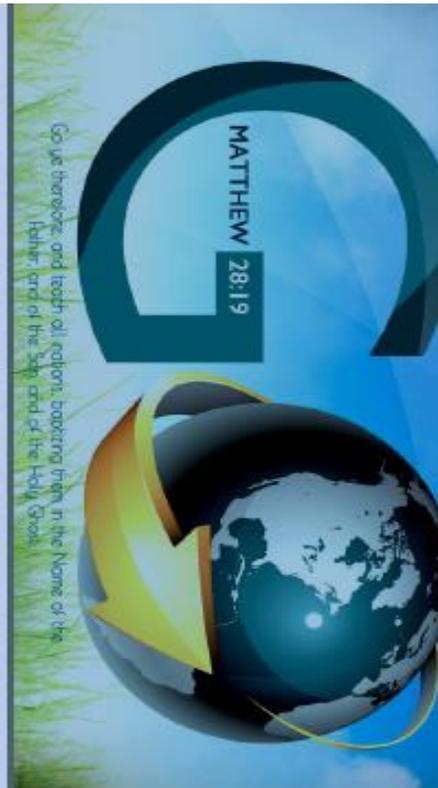
## Gospel Outreach Workshop

**Saturday 1-13-18 9am-4pm**  
**Friendship Baptist – Dexter, MO**

Conversational Evangelism  
Creation to Church  
The 3 Circles approach  
Prayer Walking and  
Evangelistic praying  
Creating Community for a  
gospel witness  
Using Tracts Effectively  
Sharing Jesus Without  
Freaking Out

Our most important task  
is to share the gospel of  
Christ. This training can  
help you get on track to  
do that in 2018. Register  
by email or phone:  
[ccsbaoffice@gmail.com](mailto:ccsbaoffice@gmail.com)  
1-573-686-1115

Lunch provided.  
Workshop sponsored by the  
Southern Baptist  
Associations of SEMO.



If you're ready to obey Christ's commission and get serious about reaching others around you – register for this workshop! I believe this will help every person be better prepared to share the gospel.