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CCSBA Financial Status

Oct. 01, 2020 - Sept. 30, 2021

Contributions received Budget to date

\$ 31,436.37 \$ 25,925.58

PRAY FOR THESE PASTOR-LESS CHURCHES

New Hope +Emmanuel *Harviell FBC Calvary, Dexter

*HAVE INTERIM SERVING +HAVE A TRANSITIONAL PASTOR SERVING

Calendar for January & February

January 1 CCSBA Office Closed January 9 Strategic Planning Workshop January 17 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday February 1-28 True Love Waits Emphasis February 7 George Liele Church Planting Evangelism and Mission Sunday February 8-14 Focus on WMU February 13 Children's Ministry Day February 27-28 MB Collegiate Conference

"OH COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD! LET US SHOUT JOYFULLY TO THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION. LET US COME BEFORE HIS PRESENCE WITH THANKSGIVING: LET US SHOUT JOYFULLY TO HIM WITH PSALMS. FOR THE LORD IS THE GREAT GOD, AND THE GREAT KING ABOVE ALL GODS....LET US WORSHIP AND BOW DOWN, LET US KNEEL BEFORE THE LORD OUR MAKER; FOR HE IS OUR GOD, AND WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF HIS PASTURE, AND THE SHEEP OF HIS HAND." PSALM 95

CCSBA CHURCH PRAYER FOCUS







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Strategic Planning for Church Leadership

Saturday – January 9, 2021* 9am-3pm

Temple Baptist Church, Poplar Bluff, MO

No cost and lunch is provided

Register at ccsbaoffice@gmail.com or call 573-686-1115

We'll be using this book as our guide: Where Do We Go from Here? Strategic Planning for the Smaller Church, by Dr. Leo A. Endel. Kindle and paperback versions available through Amazon.

*inclement weather backup: Jan.23rd

Moving Forward in 2021

Planning – strategic planning – is vital for the forward movement and growth of every believer and church. Want to reach your potential in 2021 – you'll have to plan strategically and intentionally. Planning can help you be obedient in the vision God gives you for growing in Christ and having a greater impact for His kingdom.

Most churches don't do strategic planning focused on the five primary functions of the church: worship, evangelism, discipleship, ministry, and fellowship. These same functions are primary to the life of every believer and it takes necessary growth in each area to reach one's potential.

You are invited to join us on Saturday, January 9th, for a hands-on workshop focused on helping you gain the insight and tools needed to start the strategic planning process with your own life, ministry, and church. The process is simple, direct, and easy to implement for those who want to plan strategically.

5 Basics for Growth in 2021

Well, we've crossed the threshold – 2020 has passed and we're now in that anticipated 2021. But, has anything really changed? Let's face it; most of the same issues we closed 2020 with will be present with us through 2021. That's why it is so important – vital – that we prioritize and get the basics done.

1. **Bible reading and study** on a daily basis will increase your knowledge of God and His plan, increase your faith and walk with

- Christ, and increase your reliance on the Holy Spirit. Reading 1 chapter of the New Testament each day Monday-Friday will result in completing the NT by years end. Set your goal for daily reading and discover God afresh.
- 2. **Praying daily** is a must for the follower of Christ. Prayer communication with God ushers in communion with God. Prayer is an essential and prepares our heart for what God wants to do in and through our life. Rely and trust Him because He alone is God.
- 3. **Worship** is lifting up God to the highest place in your life and bowing before him in true humility. Jesus prayed toward the Father, "Hallowed be thy name." When our aim is His glory, then we've entered into an attitude of worship. Lift Him up in word and deed.
- 4. **Ministry** is the result in the disciple's life as they grow in Christ-likeness. That growth means they are involved in the mandate of Jesus to proclaim the gospel, make disciples, and love others sacrificially. Their ministry is purposeful and intentionally focuses on the building of His church and kingdom. It is never about them but always about the Savior. Serve Him! 5. **Fellowship** is the result of unity produced by the Holy Spirit at work within the believer's heart. Unity with the Father and His church glorifies God and enables the body of Christ to move forward building His kingdom. Fellowship is broken by self-centeredness, but fellowship thrives when believers are God focused and self – less, being like Jesus. There is One God, Father, Savior, and Lord – strive for fellowship with HIM and experience HIS joy.