

**CCSBA DOM Focus**

Oh how marvelous to be part of the family of God. Oh how blessed to be brothers and sisters by faith in Christ. Oh how beneficial to be part of an association of believers and churches which truly focus on glorifying the Lord Jesus through word and deed. I am so thankful for each of you, and for all you are doing to build up His family.

Many in our CCSBA family are already thinking about upcoming events during the summer. One of those events, VBS, is dear to many of us. VBS is a great tool for assisting in outreach to the community, sharing the gospel with children from your community, and meeting families who so need a relationship with Christ.

March 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:15 am, at Dexter First Baptist Church there will be a VBS training – which is open to everyone. Please make plans to attend or have someone from your church attend. You can see more info about this at [www.ccsba.com](http://www.ccsba.com) (look for the VBS tab to click).

Another training – which will help you turn any simple Bible study into a true discipleship session – will be happening on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 pm at Friendship Baptist Church in Dexter. This is the third part of the Healthy Multiplying Disciples/Churches training. In this next session we will focus on the 3/3 model which includes many components underutilized by churches – but which can assist in building true disciples in Christ. A duplicate training will be March 11, at 9:00 am, if you can't make it on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Come and bring a friend.

My earnest prayer for you all is that Christ would be the center of your life, and as a result of that you would be compelled by His great love to share Him with all around you and lead them to be His disciples.

**CCSBA CHURCH PRAYER FOCUS**

First Liberty Missionary Baptist Church



Nathan Kirkley, Pastor

Memorial Baptist Church



Dennis Ward, Pastor

Doniphan First Baptist Church



Monty Flanigan, Pastor

Third Baptist Church



James Capps, Pastor

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 CHRISTINE COLLINS
- 6 EDNOR SEBAG
- 8 SANDRA MAYO
- 10 DAVID EDWARDS
- 13 SHELVIE STEPHENS
- 17 RANDY & JOY MILLER
- 22 PAM KIRK
- 28 KEITH BOYER

**PRAY FOR THESE PASTORLESS CHURCHES**

- Dexter FBC
- Northside Bernie
- Stringtown
- Harviell FBC
- Center Hill
- Lone Hill

## Calendar for March and April

March 5-12 Week of Prayer for NAMB and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

**March 7 CCSBA Executive Board Meeting  
7:00 PM at the Association Office**

**March 9** VBS training, FBC Dexter

**April 7-8** WMU Missions Celebration in Lebanon, MO

**April 10** WMU Quarterly Meeting at Black River Baptist Church 10:00- 12:00

**April 14- 15 RA** Conference Sedalia, MO

*April 13 CCSBA Office closes at Noon*

*April 14 CCSBA Office closed for Good Friday*

### CCSBA Office Hours

8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday –Thursday

8:00 am – 12:00 pm, Friday

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## CCSBA BSU Focus

Thanks to all of our churches which have provided lunch for us on Monday this year, and to all which have already signed up for one of the remaining Mondays this semester. This lunch, and the devotional which precedes it, allows us to have much needed contact with students, many of whom are seeking to have a better relationship with Christ. Please pray that this and other BSU activities will help students have a deeper relationship with Jesus.

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, during our Executive Board meeting, the association will vote on our next BSU Director. This is an extremely important time in the life of our association and especially the BSU. We have supplied the candidate's credentials on our web site – and sincerely ask that each church review these and then attend the meeting next Tuesday. It is vital that we have association wide participation for this vote and other business matters next Tuesday.



### Ways to Pray For Our Mission Field

1. Pray for yourself and other believers – that you would have hearts and lives prepared for His service in reaching the lost around you, and that you would be sensitive to the Spirit's leading in reaching others.

2. Pray that God would prepare the hearts of those around you to be open to the gospel. Those in your neighborhood, at your work, at school, and places you visit.

3. Pray that the church's priority would be the salvation of all within their community.

4. Pray that God would raise up more laborers to enter His kingdoms work.

5. Pray that new believers could quickly start the discipleship process in growing to be healthy multiplying disciples of Jesus.

6. Pray with a goal, a vision, that by 2020 every person within our associational area would have heard the gospel and had an opportunity to begin following Jesus.

### CCSBA

Financial Status

Sept. '16 – Feb. '17

Budget to date

\$59,400.00

Contributions received

\$59,536.85

Thank you for your faithful partnership!

To God be the glory!