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Please join us at the 2019 Great Commission Conference, and prayerfully consider bringing your church staff and lay leaders. Your MBC missionary staff is organizing an event that features renowned evangelists, theologians, multi-generational breakout sessions, and great opportunities for networking and fellowship. Register now and make your accommodations. Together, we'll become better equipped to transform lives and communities with the gospel. You may register at www.mobaptist.org. The conference will be held at Midwestern Seminary February 21-24, 2019.

The Pathfinder

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GOD'S SURPRISE

On December 8-15, a team from Linn-Livingston and North Grand River Baptist Associations traveled to South Asia for a mission trip. The team members were Alan Brock, Brad and Courtney Prater (pastors of Rural Dale Baptist Church outside of Trenton), Melissa King (member of Tenth Street in Trenton), and Erin Christopher (member of Calvary Baptist in Chillicothe). Originally, the team was scheduled to meet with one church and spend three days discussing John 3:16. The week before the team left, the church cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. Our missionary in South Asia contacted a pastor to discuss ministry alternatives. This local pastor knew of three "Christian" groups south of the city in which we were originally scheduled to serve. (The groups contained some Christians and some that had yet to express faith in Jesus). If the original plans had not changed, we would have spent three days with about 20 members of a church. Because of God's "interruption," we had the privilege of spending three days with more than 100 people!

The team prayed three months before we left. We asked God for clarity in mission and to do something that would cause us to say "Wow!" We believe he answered our prayer. The gospel of Christ is spreading in a country dominated by Hindu and Muslim false religions. God is raising up men and women with a passion to make the good news of Jesus known to their families and friends.

Another trip is in the process. A date will be arranged with the original church hopefully for a time in July. The trip will cost about \$2,000 which includes flight tickets, hotel and food during our time in South Asia. The ideal team is made up of 2 men and 2 women. Prayers are being offered for a women's conference in October or November. I am asking you to pray for the church in South Asia and for what God would have you do. Hear Him. Obey Him. Expect His surprise.

In His Love,

Alan Brock
660-707-2485

Suicide Prevention Seminar

The Association will host a suicide prevention seminar on Sunday afternoon, February 10 from 4-7 PM at the Meadville First Baptist Church. Rev. Ken Parker, pastor at First Baptist Church, Kearney, will be the guest speaker.

The first session will begin at 4 PM; supper break from 5:15-5:45; and second session will begin at 6 PM. Reservations are needed for the supper break by 12 noon on Tuesday, February 5.

For more information , please contact Alan at the Associational Office.

Mental Health First Aid

A person you know could be experiencing a mental health or substance use problem. Learn an action plan to help. You are more likely to encounter someone in an emotional or mental crisis than someone having a heart attack. Learn how to help a friend, family member, coworker or neighbor in need.

The First Baptist Church, Chillicothe, is hosting a Mental Health First Aid seminar on February 14, 2019 from 8:30 AM to 5 PM. The cost is \$25 per person. Jessica Trussell from the University of Missouri Extension Office-Livingston County will be leading this seminar.

For more information or to register please call 1-660-646-0811.

Teaching Classes

Alan's teaching class will continue on Monday nights at the Associational Office at 7 PM. They will be studying Genesis 1-11.

FYI...

The associational office no longer has a fax machine. If you need to send something to the office, it will have to be sent by email to llba@grm.net

Pastorless Church

We have no pastorless churches at this time.

Pastor Prayer Time & Breakfast

The monthly prayer time and breakfast for pastors will on Thursday, February 7. The prayer time will be held at the associational office at 7:30 AM.

The breakfast will be held at the Eagles Nest Café at the Meadville junction at 8:30 AM. We hope that you will plan to join in for this time of prayer, food and fellowship.

Camp 2019

Camp dates for 2019 are:

Youth Camp June 17-21

Children's Camp July 29-Aug 2

Youth Camp & Youth Camp Worker registration forms will go online Feb 4. **This is the website you must use to get a form: www.fbchilli.com.** We are using a google doc form this year. I will still have some available in the office.

Begin praying now as to how you can be involved.

Income/Expense by Category 12/1/2018- 12/31/2018

INCOME	
Bethany	82.35
Brookfield FBC	55.59
Browning	114.39
Calvary	625.00
Calvary Chapel	175.00
Chillicothe	969.57
Dawn	206.57
Faith, Utica	154.25
God's Garden	159.00
Highview	414.74
Int Inc	8.94
Marceline	762.96
Meadville	567.00
Mt. Olive	59.50
Mt. Pleasant	225.00
Park	560.08
Pleasant Grove	426.12
Pleasant Ridge	50.00
Rothville	80.23
Wheeling	16.38
TOTAL INCOME	5,712.67
EXPENSES	
Misc Exp.	48.50
Missions	-12.68
Office	411.34
Pers.	5,235.76
Programs	570.24
TOTAL EXPENSES	6,253.16
OVERALL TOTAL	-540.49
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MMA (12/31)	26,885.33

Income/Expense by Category 1/1/2018- 12/31/2018

INCOME	
Bethany	1,294.89
Brookfield FBC	526.01
Browning	1,740.81
Calvary	9,442.30
Calvary Chapel	2,100.00
Chillicothe	13,427.86
Dawn	5,223.10
Faith, Utica	2,614.40
Freedom	100.00
God's Garden	2,003.35
Highview	3,891.77
Int Inc	104.33
Laclede	812.52
Linneus	3,515.30
Marceline	5,530.88
Meadville	8,234.00
Mt. Olive	446.05
Mt. Pleasant	2,700.00
New Hope	75.00
Park	6,755.58
Pleasant Grove	6,070.14
Pleasant Ridge	600.00
Rothvill	1,123.26
Utica	570.40
Wheeling	301.74
FROM LLBA MMA	5,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	84,203.69
EXPENSES	
Convention	30.00
Misc Exp.	314.00
Missions	17,355.20
Office	10,019.86
Pers.	60,975.28
Programs	2,092.89
TO LLBA Gen 3	5,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	95,787.23
OVERALL TOTAL	-11,583.54