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A graphic with the words "Happy New Year" written in a red, cursive script. The text is set against a soft, glowing red circular background.

Great Commission Conference

Formerly known as the State Evangelism Conference, The GCC is an expanded multi-generation event to equip and encourage Missouri Baptists in all facets of gospel ministry.

The Great Commission Conference will be held at the First Baptist Church Harvestser, 4075 Old Hwy 94 S, St. Charles, MO 63304.

For more information you may contact Eric Barb at the MBC at 1-800736-6227 ext 365. Registration for this conference is now open online. To register online go to <https://mobaptist.org/gcc>.

The Pathfinder

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HOPE

After spending 15 days in Southeast Asia with Rob Hurtgen, I saw the value of having hope.

We were in a country that is 80% Hindu. Amrutur V. Srinivasan helps us understand the Hindu religion. He says, "Hinduism is not an organized religion and has no single, systematic approach to teaching its value system. Nor do Hindus have a simple set of rules to follow like the Ten Commandments. Local, regional, caste, and community-driven practices influence the interpretation and practice of beliefs throughout the Hindu world."

They believe that truth is eternal, and that their god, Brahman is the one true god who is formless, limitless, all-inclusive and eternal and encompasses everything and everyone. The Hindu "scriptures" are "The Vedas" which are revelations by ancient saints and sages that are eternal. Everyone should strive to achieve dharma which is right conduct, righteousness, moral law and duty. Their souls are neither created nor destroyed and are involved in the cycle of reincarnation until they are liberated when they unite with Brahman by realizing its true nature.

Hindus live with images of their idols in their businesses, homes and visit temples to offer prayers and sacrifices to the thousands of gods to appease them. Their "hope" is to move up in the reincarnation process.

Their "hope" is in personal effort without set standards to measure their efforts. Real hope is in the finished work of Christ.

Col 1:13-14, "For he (Christ) has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

Pray for India.

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Strengthening Member Churches through
Cooperative Biblical Ministry"

Pastorless Church

At this time, we have no pastorless churches.

Teaching Classes

The teaching classes taught by Alan Brock will resume on Monday, January 15 at 7 PM at the associational office and on Thursday, January 18 at 7 PM at Park Baptist Church, Brookfield.

Pastor's Breakfast

The Pastor's Prayer time and Breakfast will be on Thursday January 4. The prayer time will begin at 7:30 AM at the associational office and the breakfast will be at 8:30 AM at the Eagles Nest Café at the Meadville junction.



Income/Expense by Category 11/1/2017- 11/30/2017

INCOME	
Uncategorized	0.03
Bethany	121.74
Browning	116.88
Calvary	1,877.19
Calvary Chapel	175.00
Dawn	392.47
God's Garden	131.17
Highview	406.99
Int Inc	5.21
Linneus	595.10
Marceline	324.50
Meadville	657.00
Mt. Pleasant	225.00
Park	655.40
Rothville	93.20
Utica	684.28
Wheeling	30.60
FROM LLBA Gen 2	654.53
TOTAL INCOME	7,146.29
EXPENSES	
Misc Exp.	219.04
Missions	-2,267.8
Office	762.41
Pers.	4,781.69
TO LLBA Gen 3	654.53
TOTAL EXPENSES	4,149.83
OVERALL TOTAL	2,996.46

Income/Expense by Category 1/1/2017- 11/30/2017

INCOME	
Uncategorized	0.03
Bethany	1,210.15
Browning	1,237.24
Calvary	14,934.19
Calvary Chapel	1,050.00
Chillicothe	11,316.20
Dawn	5,124.54
Faith, Utica	2,049.49
God's Garden	1,289.56
Highview	3,505.99
Int Inc	59.44
Laclede	821.51
Linneus	3,980.71
Marceline	4,222.00
Meadville	6,831.00
Misc. Inc.	140.00
Mt. Olive	347.10
Mt. Pleasant	2,675.00
New Hope	75.00
Park	7,205.58
Pleasant Grove	4,688.73
Pleasant Ridge	500.00
Rothville	1,290.65
Utica	1,115.40
Wheeling	290.66
FROM LLBA Gen 2	5,654.53
TOTAL INCOME	81,614.70
EXPENSES	
Convention	55.00
Misc Exp.	38.54
Missions	6,938.47
Office	11,843.44
Pers.	53,277.94
Programs	2,472.99
TO LLBA Gen 3	5,654.53
TOTAL EXPENSES	80,280.91
OVERALL TOTAL	1,333.79

Recent Southern Baptist Disaster Relief Efforts

Data from November 7, 2017,
NAMB Disaster Relief Situation Report

Hurricane Harvey Activity	Hurricane Irma Activity	Send Relief Activity	Hurricane Maria Puerto Rico	Hurricane Maria Virgin Islands
Professions of Faith 437	Professions of Faith 80	Professions of Faith 45	Professions of Faith 21	Professions of Faith 2
Gospel Conversations 2,340	Gospel Conversations 594	Gospel Conversations 318	Gospel Conversations 55	Gospel Conversations 32
Chainsaw 1,554	Chainsaw 683	Properties Cleaned 955	Ministry Contacts 549	Ministry Contacts 977
Total Meals 2,180,126	Total Meals 562,375	Total Meals 65,793	Chainsaw 21	Chainsaw 67
Volunteer Days 55,468	Volunteer Days 14,908	Volunteer Days 14,489	Total Meals 16,376	Total Meals 9,454
Shower 39,206	Shower 6,807	Shower 3,400	Volunteer Days 874	Volunteer Days 747
Laundry 24,993	Laundry 2,813	Laundry 2,463	Mold Remediation 0	Mold Remediation 31
Shockwave 5,046	Shockwave 98	Shockwave 2,035	Repair Jobs 34	Repair Jobs 91
Recovery 9,771	Recovery 2,415	Tree and Yard Clean Up 242	Assessments 29	Assessments 49
Children Cared For 943		Crisis Buckets Given 846	Water Purification 1,020	Water Purification 0