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Grand Oaks Update:

SRNB:PPNG Campaign Ticker

Received: \$117,493.29

Overall Goal: \$675,000.00

Fund Bal. toward Multi Purpose Center \$247,285.72

Volunteers are welcome to work on the following projects:

Gable Siding on Riverview Cabins	Trim installation on Nurse Cabin
Demolition of Parker Hall	Adjust/Tweak fence around the lagoon
Painting and Staining	Brush clearing, Dead trees to fell
Stripping paint in the Hilltop Showers	Paint east gable of Dining Hall
Tear out the old water system in the pump house below the lake to make the building more useful for storage.	

The Pathfinder

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The Church exists to glorify God in the Community.

*Churches that are declining have disconnected from their communities.

*Churches that are declining blame the community for their decline.

*Churches that are declining are waiting for the community to come to them.

However, according to Scripture, God's church is established in the community in order to influence the community for Christ. This community influence requires contact with the community for the glory of God.

Jesus tells us in Matthew 5 that we are salt and light. What does he mean?

In Jesus' time, salt was used more for preservation than for taste. Before the invention of refrigerators, food was preserved by either wrapping it in a cloth and placing it in a cool stream or by rubbing salt on it to delay decay. The Greeks called salt "divine." Roman soldiers were paid in salt. Salt was not optional, but a necessity.

Light in Jesus' day was provided either by the Sun, Moon or by oil lamps. Lamps were used only in necessity due to the price of oil. Light was used for illumination.

The application of these two metaphors is simply this: Followers of Jesus are to preserve from decay, that is the decay of sin. Our presence must reflect holiness so that Holy Spirit can produce conviction in lives needing salvation. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world," (John 8:12) Jesus' presence in our lives illuminates God's truth of forgiveness and love.

Church be the influences of our communities God declares we are.

Alan Brock

Strengthening Member Churches through
Cooperative Biblical Ministry"

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Pastor's Prayer & Breakfast

The next Pastor's Prayer time and Breakfast will be Tuesday, March 3. We will meet at the associational office at 7:30 AM for a time of prayer then gather at the Eagles Nest Café at 8:30 for a time of food and fellowship. Hope you will plan to join us.

Pastorless Churches

Please be in prayer for Bethany, Marceline; Chula; Freedom, Brookfield and Laclede Baptist Churches as they seek the man that God has for their pastor.

Disaster Relief Training

Disaster relief training will be offered March 6-7 at Connection Point Church, Raytown; and at the Chillicothe First Baptist Church April 3-4. You may register for either one at www.mobaptist.org/dr-training. The first time cost is \$40; re-certifying is \$20 and Cross-Training is \$5.

VBS Clinic



The Associational VBS Clinic will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at the Marceline First Baptist Church. The evening will begin at 6:30 PM with light refreshments. Joann Mott and her team will lead us through the Construction Zone on our way to exploring a world of concrete and cranes, rivets & rebar, bulldozers and backhoes as we learn to build our faith on Jesus as we uncover the truth that He who began a good work will be faithful to carry it on to completion.

Motto: Jesus! Our strong foundation!

India Trip

Please be in prayer for a team from LLBA that will be traveling to India in March to do some ministry for women. They will be gone March 5-14.



Income/Expense by Category

1/1/2020- 1/31/2020

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Bethany	44.86
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Calvary	625.00
Calvary Chapel	175.00
Chillicothe	1,492.18
Dawn	1,026.17
Faith, Utica	132.05
God's Garden	138.70
Highview	365.69
Int Inc	5.53
Laclede	257.80
Linneus	418.38
Meadville	1,437.00
Mt. Olive	109.00
Park	1,009.86
Pleasant Grove	599.06
Pleasant Ridge	50.00
Rothville	436.19
Utica	308.31
Wheeling	43.13
TOTAL INCOME	8,851.38

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ADMIN Team	106.72
Missions	940.45
Office	1,021.97
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TOTAL EXPENSES	7,537.42

OVERALL TOTAL 1,313.96

Acc't Bal. as of 2/24/2020

Checking:	\$ 5,166.67
MMA Balance	\$ 22,987.11

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