

CBA News

"He is Risen." "Christ is risen indeed!" I did not grow up with this Easter exchange. In Catholic and Orthodox communities it is known as the "Pascal greeting," but I grew up Baptist. My first meaningful interaction with the phrase was in Eastern Europe. I was on a mission trip to Romania during the Orthodox Easter season and as a way to engage gospel conversations I learned the phrases in Romanian. I cannot describe the joy I feel, even now, as I think about proclaiming my Savior's resurrection in another language. Since that mission trip I have joined millions of others in celebrating Christ's victory over death by using this exchange during the Easter season.

The greeting ultimately comes from Luke 24:34 when the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus reported to the eleven and those gathered with them, "The Lord has risen indeed...!" There is a tradition in the Eastern Orthodox Church that the saying was made popular by Mary Magdalene when she supposedly addressed the Emperor Tiberius in Rome with the words, "Christ is risen." Regardless of its origins, when one believer exclaims to another, "He is risen!" and the other responds, "He [Christ] is risen indeed!" it is a joyful affirmation of our Lord's death and resurrection. This exchange serves as a reminder of the certainty of our salvation, the hope of resurrection, and the promise of eternal life.

So, "He is risen!" And you say... Bro. Harry

(Background information came from www.gotquestions.org.)

Mission Trip to Latvia July 26 - August 3, 2019

Mission volunteers are needed to provide a VBS and do community ministry with the Baptist church in Jaunjelgava, Latvia. We may also have opportunities for conversational English in American style picnics and make in-home evangelistic visits with church members. Bro. Harry will be the team leader.

The estimated cost is \$2,000 per person (based on current airfare, which could change). There will be an **Interest Meeting at the CBA office on Thursday, April 25, at 6:45 p.m.** A \$250 deposit is due by May 1st.

CBA Family Mission Trip to Phoenix, AZ June 8-15, 2019

We will work with Church At Estrella doing VBS and ministry projects. The estimated cost is \$150 per person and the deadline to register is May 3rd. For more information contact Team Leader Jeremy Smith at jsmith@eastwoodmwc.net.



Pray for Pastorless Churches:

Please pray for the following Pastorless Churches and their search committees, as they seek God's direction in calling a new pastor:

- MWC, First Newalla, Countryside OKC, Bethel OKC, Chinese OKC, Kentucky Avenue OKC, Northwest Mandarin
- Piedmont, First Yukon, Trinity

For more information on events listed here, visit

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I Can't Breathe!!!

Do you ever sit back and wonder at some of the events that were SEARED into your brain/memory as a child? Those things that if you spoke about it to anyone else that was involved in that moment with you, they would have absolutely no idea what you were talking about? Yes? No?

I do. I was seven years old. How can I remember a day from so long ago? It was my birthday! I was sooooo excited the night before I couldn't get to sleep; I'm sure I drove my parents nuts. Eventually, the tiredness won out, and I fell asleep.

I must have overslept because of my late night, because when they woke me up, everyone was up and dressed. My issue from that morning so long ago was **HOW** they woke me up.

My family, (dad, mom, and older brother) snuck into my room. My dad leaped through the air, with a BLOOD-CURDLING Happy Birthday scream.... My eyes opened. I saw this huge mass coming at me, it was screaming, and it landed on top of me!!! But more startling than all of that, I realized that my mouth was open, yet no noise was coming out of it...? How can this be, my mind said in a nanosecond? I clearly **turned on the screamer**, but **it's not screaming!** Right behind that thought came a second issue that was equally disturbing... I'm awake. I'm



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conscious. Yet, somehow overnight, I've lost the ability to breathe... and it wasn't coming back when my mind told it to! Slowly, (eternally slowly) the edges of panic began to shrink back, and I gulped the first breath of air I'd breathed in what seemed like hours.

You may think this is a cruel thing to do to a child (On His Birthday), and you'd be right! Why do I mention this? Well, my birthday is next month, my bedroom door has a lock on it, and my dad lives in Florida (and at his age he doesn't jump)...check, check, and check. Just kidding - well no, not really.

The purpose for my story is this: I have a friend here at the mission. I've mentioned Tom before. He was our maintenance man for several years. He got a job in Indiana as a facility manager. Cancer struck during those years and eventually his doctors had to remove his voice box and leave a permanent stoma for him to breathe. He lost his job because communication is key in that position, so he came back to us. With the help of a valve button, he can speak now in short sentences. Last week he went to

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Pillows, razors, shaving cream, and pillows

see his Primary Care Physician. She sent him to the emergency room. They found another 2"x 2" mass in the upper left lobe of his lung. The biopsy is done and we are now waiting on the pathology report.

Tom is a simple person with few needs. However, I see him getting weaker each day. He's confined to his room with a large O2 concentrator most of the time. When he leaves his room, he must pull cumbersome tanks behind him, and with a stoma its hard to keep things in place. As a child, I knew for a moment the kind of panic you get when you can't breathe. Tom lives with this every day.

Somewhere in the Oklahoma City Metro Area (beyond Brother Scott's extensive network of contacts) is a lightweight **PORTABLE** O2 concentrator just waiting for Tom. If you've seen this item, please call me at 232-5756. I will drive to wherever it is and pick it up. Please, help me help Tom! Thank you so much!

I Love This Ministry!!! Bro. Scott

It's our month to bring food for the Food Pantry at the Baptist Mission Center!

May	June
Bethel	Arcadia, First Southern
Brookwood	Camille Ave
Council Road	Church at the Village
Fuego Abrazador	Crosstown
Henderson Hills	Northwest
Jesus es el Camino	Nueva Vida
Korean Lighthouse	Portland Avenue
New Bethel	Rockwood
Oakdale	Sharon
Trinity OKC	Vietnamese Community
Trinity OKC Chinese	Village
Trinity OKC Laotian	Vision Community
Western Avenue	Woodcrest

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VBS Leader Trainings

Tuesday, April 23

6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Portland Avenue
1301 N. Portland Ave
OKC, OK 73107



Sunday, May 5

2:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Southern Hills
8601 S. Pennsylvania
OKC, OK 73159

SCHEDULE

Worship Rally 6:00-6:30
Core Conference 6:40-8:30

SCHEDULE

Worship Rally 2:30-3:00
Core Conference 3:10-5:00



SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the **50th Anniversary of Worship Arts Camp for Kids (W.A.C.K.)**, August 5-7 at Chisholm Heights Baptist Church in Mustang.

Capital Baptist Association Bible Drill and Sword Drill Sunday, April 28 at 3:00 p.m. (change in time) Quail Springs Baptist Church, 14613 N May, OKC

Participants must register for the Bible Drill **no later than Monday, April 22nd** by sending the following information to Lynn Jordan at lynn@cbaokc.net or (405) 942-0244:

- Name:
- Grade:
- Church:
- Bible Version (KJV, HCSV, or CSB):

** Please specify whether participating in **Bible Drill** or **Sword Drill**



Upcoming Events

April

- 9 11:00 a.m.**
Pastors' Conference
Association Office
- 21 Easter Sunday**
- 23 11:00 a.m.**
Pastors' Conference
Association Office
- 23 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.**
VBS Leader Training
Portland Avenue Baptist
- 25 6:45 p.m.**
Latvia Mission Trip - Interest Meeting
Association Office
(See first page)
- 28 3:00 p.m.**
Associational Bible Drill
Quail Springs Baptist
(See this page for more information)

May

- 2 9:00 a.m.**
Finance Committee Meeting
Association Office
- 2 9:00 a.m.**
Church Revitalization Team Meeting
Association Office
- 2 6:30-7:30 p.m.**
Missional Thursday
Association Office
- 5 2:30-5:00 p.m.**
VBS Leader Training
Southern Hills
- 6 10:00 a.m.**
Community Ministries Team Meeting
Association Office
- 6 12:00-12:45 p.m.**
Missional Monday
Association Office

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Church News:

Highland Park Baptist Church, Edmond, Joe Rhodes, pastor, is hosting "Christ in the Passover," presented by Jews for Jesus, on Saturday, April 13th at 7:00 p.m. Service will include music, love offering, and Communion. Everyone is invited.

Soldier Creek, Midwest City, has called Nathan Hurlburt as their new pastor.

Sunnylane Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Revival featuring Master's Voice, Sunday April 14 at 6:00 p.m., Monday-Wednesday April 15-17 at 6:30 p.m.

Living Proof LIVE Leader Gathering

May 2, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. (Doors open at 11:30 a.m.)
Quail Springs Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall

Lunch is free. Join us to learn more about the upcoming Living Proof Live event and how you can get involved, spend focused time praying for God to move in your area, enter to win a VIP prize that includes two front-row event tickets, one-night hotel accommodations, and more. All women leaders from churches and ministries are invited.

If anyone fills up a table of eight that represents three different churches/ministries, that host will receive two free tickets to the living proof conference in October. Please rsvp at <http://lifewaywomen.com/leadergathering>.