

LCBA CALENDAR

3/28/14 Men and Boys Wild Game Supper at Summit Baptist Church 6:30 (L)

4/4-5/14 - Missions Celebration 2014 Annual Missouri WMU at Second Baptist in Springfield, MO (M)

4/22/14 WMU MISSION BANQUET at FBC Aurora at 6:00. Cost \$10 call Barbara Wommack at 417-678-3669 by April 14 (L)

4/25/14 TRUTH STICKS TRAINING at FBC Mt. Vernon 8:30-4:30 (L)

MBC state hosted events noted with (M)

Associational hosted events noted with (L)

Baptist Hill ministries will noted with (H)

Upcoming LACOBIA Worship Schedule

March 9-	New Hope
March 16-	Chesapeake
March 23	Purdy
March 23	Miller FBC
April 6	Hopewell
April 13	Aurora Baptist Temple
April 20	Easter
April 27	Aurora, FBC
May 4	Mt. Vernon, FBC
May 11	Mother's Day

CHURCH UPDATES

FBC Pierce City has called a new full-time pastor. He is Ryan McMillian the former youth pastor of FBC Mt. Vernon. His wife is Jenny and they have two little girls Emery and Eladie. They started March 1.

Centro de Alabanza pastor Melvin and family left February 18 for a new ministry with Louisiana Baptist Convention as their multi-culture church leader. The pastor taking over for Melvin is Noel Mendoza.

FBC Mt. Vernon will be hosting a TRUTH STICKS TRAINING on April 26 from 8:30 to 4:30. Lunch is provided and the Cost is \$5. Mark Snowden MBC Evangelism leader is the Workshop Leader. This is for Pastors, Church Staff, All Sunday School Leaders, Children's Ministry Leaders, Evangelism Leaders, and Disciple Makers. Please registered by April 22 at lcba@centurytel.net or call the office at 461-5880.

Pastorless Churches

None! PTL

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Thoughts from your DOM

I have been reading through the book of Acts in my personal devotionals and there are two prominent attitudes among the early church. First: they love the Lord God with all their heart and Second: they had a healthy fear of sin.

Because they **loved** the Lord they did not compromise on the message of the gospel. Acts 4:12 says "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." Peter, Stephen, Phillip, John, Paul, and others preached repentance of sins and belief in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Even when they were told by the government or the religious authorities to stop or be killed.

Second, they had a fear of sin not in the way that they would lose their salvation but in the way that they would disappoint a Holy God. They did not have the attitude "let's see how close we can get to sin." They wanted to please God in **everything** that they did.

WOW! What a difference from our society today. How about you? It's easy to talk about God in this world but not about Jesus who is the only way to heaven.

As our thoughts turn to Easter (I prefer to call it Resurrection Sunday). Let's remember what it cost our Savior. Dying on that cruel cross for our sins. Then on the third day, Sunday, rising as our hope of eternal life in Him! That is why we as Christians celebrate Easter. Let's say with Paul "O Death, where is your sting? O Death where is your victory. But thanks be to God who gives us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." I Corinthians 15:55,57

In His Service, Bro. Ken

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Monthly Cash Receipts
Lawrence County Baptist Association
Fiscal Year 2014
10/01/2013 to 02/28/2014

Cash Receipts	10/13 - 2/14
Aurora, FBC	416.65
Buck Prairie	300.00
Centro De Alabanza	-
Chesapeake	1,173.36
Covenant Baptist	500.00
Curtis Chapel	-
Ebenezer	447.84
Faith Baptist	254.43
Halltown Baptist	1,550.00
Hopewell	627.00
Living Water Fellowship	581.58
Marionville, FBC	3,242.95
Miller, FBC	1,500.00
Monett Community	1,100.00
Monett, FBC	750.00
Morningside	-
Mt. Olivet	299.42
Mt. Vernon, FBC	2,231.06
New Home	838.39
New Hope	826.65
Pierce City, FBC	720.00
Pilgrims Rest	300.00
Round Grove	2,500.00
Southside Baptist	400.00
Stotts City, FBC	246.20
Summit Baptist	1,984.58
Valley View	154.17
Verona	2,153.65
Subtotal	25,097.93

Designated Offerings	10/13 - 2/14
Baptist Hill	188.00
Hispanic Missions	680.00

Designated Fund Balances	10/13 - 2/14
Women's Retreat	3,188.30
SW Regional WMU	1,056.37
Children's Camp	2,903.05
Youth Camp	889.16

Expenses for Oct '13 - Feb '14 (27,666.51)

Checking Acct. Bal. as of 2/28/14 \$ 47,343.67
Undesignated amount: \$ 43,781.79

WMU NEWS

Our next event in the association will be a **MIS- SION BANQUET** on April 22, at 6:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Aurora. This is for anyone inter- ested in missions (including the men). The speaker will be Mindy Stewart who works with Nightlight Min- istries in Branson. She will be sharing about her work with Human Trafficking in southwest Missouri. The cost will be \$10.

Reservations need to be made to Barbara Wom- mack at 417-678-3669 (bwommack@centurytel.net) by April 14. Checks need to be made out to First Baptist Church of Aurora. Barbara's address is 1204 Meadowood Dr., Aurora, MO 65605. You may also pay at the door.

This is the time for the Prayer emphasis for North American Mission Board missionaries and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. I hope you will encour- age your church to pray for and to give to NAMB.

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WEEK OF PRAYER FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS AND THE ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

FIRMLY PLANTED

Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23

ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL

GOAL: \$70 MILLION

NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING anniearmstrong.com

DID YOU KNOW...

•That the Missouri WMU is celebrating 125 years at the Annual Meeting at Second Baptist Church April 4-5, 2014.

•Baptist Hill **Day Camp** for 3-5 year old is May 31. BH **Intro to Camping** for K-2nd graders is June 13-14.

•It is less than 90 days to Youth and Children's camps!

•Our **Youth Camp** is on June 6-8 a Friday through Sun- day. We'll be doing missions at FBC Stotts City by put- ting on a VBS, help with cleaning up, and small con- struction projects. The cost will be \$50 before May 15 and \$60 after May 15.

•Our **Children's Camp** is June 9-13 at Baptist Hill for current grades 3rd - 8th. The theme this year is "The Way of the Wise". The cost is \$90 if registered by May 23, \$105 if registered by June 4 (final date).

•VBS is the **biggest evangelist tool the church has today**. I would like to know the dates of your VBS and also if you need some help.

•That there were 38,634 people in Lawrence County (reported in 2010). Of those number 2,600 people attend one of our 28 churches every Sunday. An- other 2,600 may hear the gospel of Jesus Christ in other churches. In-other words, there are at least 85% of the people we meet who do not hear the gospel nor the teachings of Jesus. There could be 33,000 lost souls in Lawrence County. **WHAT ARE WE DOING TO REACH THEM?**