

# Cape Girardeau BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Partnering Together to Advance God's Kingdom

## PEACEFUL VALLEY CAMP

(Picture of NEW Cook's Cottage)



### YOUTH CAMP

Grades 7-12 completed

July 13-17

### 1ST & 2ND GRADE OVERNIGHT

July 17-18

### GIRL'S CAMP

Grades 3-6 completed

July 20-24

### BOY'S CAMP

Grades 3-6 completed

July 27-31

### REGISTER ONLINE

[www.capebaptist.net](http://www.capebaptist.net)

Cost: \$110.00 per person

\$20.00 per person—Overnite Camp

## OUR CHURCHES

Advance First Baptist  
 Allenville  
 Bethany  
 Bethlehem  
 Brushy Bible  
 Brush Creek Missionary  
 Burfordville  
 Calvary  
 Caney Fork  
 Cape County Cowboy  
 County Line  
 Delta First Baptist  
 Fellowship  
 Fruitland Community  
 God's Country Cowboy  
 Iona  
 Jackson First Baptist

Lithium  
 Lynwood  
 Marble Hill First Baptist  
 Millersville First Baptist  
 New Bethel  
 Oak Ridge First Baptist  
 Perkins  
 Perryville First Baptist  
 Red Star  
 Rock and Roll Biker  
 Saline  
 Scott City First Baptist  
 Sedgewickville  
 Shawnee Hills  
 Southside  
 Trinity  
 Whitewater First Baptist

## CHURCH PLANTS

### North American church plants:

Anchor, Sikeston  
 Rock and Roll Church, Herrin IL  
 New Hope, Rock Falls IL

### El Salvador church partners:

Santa Catarina      Las Marias  
 Apaneca              El Triunfo

## DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

## BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY



Thank you for allowing me to be away on vacation in June! It was refreshing to spend time with my family and the rest was much needed. Hopefully I will be fully energized for the busy month of July! We are in high gear as we prepare for camps at Peaceful Valley. If you have not registered the kids or youth at your church, please do that now.

I know many of you are wondering about the effect of the Supreme Court's recent ruling on Same Sex "Marriage". We have materials in our office to help you understand actions you need to take, if you have not already done so, in order to protect your church, your business, and yourself. Most importantly, each church needs to think through how they will respond to a same-sex couple that may wish to be "married" at your church. It is critical to not wait until it happens before considering your response. I hope most of you have already done this.

We should not be surprised at the decisions being handed down by the courts; they are a reflection of the broader culture in which we live, a lost, sinful culture. It emphasizes the importance of sharing the gospel with people we know in a gentle and respectful manner. As the Apostle Peter reminds us in 1 Peter 3: 15-18 "Always be ready to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you. However, do this with gentleness and respect, keeping your conscience clean so that when you are accused, those who denounce your Christian life will be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring you to God after being put to death in the fleshly realm but made alive in the spiritual realm."

Paul adds to this by sharing about the proper motivation for sharing in 2 Cor. 5:11, 14-15, "Therefore, because we know the fear of the Lord, we seek to persuade people. For Christ's love compels us, since we have reached this conclusion: If One died for all, then all died. And He died for all so that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for the One who died for them and was raised."

Let us visibly demonstrate the love of Christ as we interact with those God has brought into our lives. Let us pray for His Spirit to work in their lives so that when we share our testimony they will be receptive and desire to know more about Jesus. Additionally, let us have a ready plan to help them grow in Christ, as we believe in faith that they will receive His salvation. We have a variety of discipling strategies/plans in our office to facilitate this. I encourage you to become familiar with such a plan.

May the Lord strengthen and encourage you as you walk faithful in your calling!

John

Greetings!

It's a privilege to minister to the college students of Southeast Missouri State. We've seen God do some incredible things as we seek to make disciples on the college campus. This past semester we have seen many grow in their understanding of disciple making, and others come to know Christ for the first time! Praise God for what He is doing on our campus as we seek to be obedient to His Great Commission calling.

First, I want to thank all of the churches who supported the CGBA offering. Your gifts have put us on our way to our \$20,000 fundraising goal this summer. Reaching our goal is essential to our ability to effectively minister to the 12,000 + students on our campus. I still have several spots left on my calendar this summer and would live the opportunity to share ways that your congregation can partner with us...both financially and physically. Would you take a moment and pray about your involvement in this life-changing ministry?

We will be having our first annual Baptist Collegiate Ministry Fundraising Banquet on October 12. Our friends at Lynwood Baptist Church will host the event. More information will be coming your way, but I wanted to make sure you put it on your calendar. This will be a great opportunity to learn practical ways that you may partner with us in our disciple making efforts at SEMO.

This past year our students have served all over the world. This summer we have two serving as missionaries with the CGBA and 7 serving in three different countries. God has given us good news to proclaim...and we won't stop until we have been obedient to tell!

Because of Jesus,  
Andrew Abbott  
573-275-5532

"Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the light. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6

## CHURCH DEVELOPMENT TEAM

One of the main components of the Church Development Team is to make our churches aware of the many great resources available from the Missouri Baptist Convention. One such resource is Momentum. From mobaptist.org: "The goal of Momentum is to help a congregation advance from motionless to movement to momentum! It includes how to: 1) Discern strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats 2) Leader and team development 3) Strategic Planning 4) Conflict resolution 5) Problem solving 6) Assimilation analysis 7) Facility assessment 8) Stewardship evaluation. Contact the Association office to find out more.



Cape County Cowboy Church and Fruitland Community Church are partnering to replace the roof on County Line Baptist Church. We would like to invite all carpenters to join us, July 9-11, to assist our sister church. If you can call either church office and let us know you are coming and lunch will be prepared for you. Call 573-266-3570 or 573-204-0724.

## CHURCH PLANTING CENTER

**Mike Parry, Director**

Keep praying for the church planting efforts in Southeast Missouri!

1. There were 51 at the Filipino outreach in Doniphan! Pray for Emmanuel Baptist Church, Ednor Sebag, and Ed Moncada as they lead in this ministry.
2. The Rock N Roll Church has an outreach Bible study in Sikeston every Wednesday. Pray for Billy Garner and the church as they continue to reach out.
3. Pray for the seeds that were sown in the Workers in the Harvest conference.
4. Pray for a new Hispanic Bible study that will begin soon. Details will be forthcoming.

## PEACEFUL VALLEY UPDATE....

**Doug Simminger, Board Chairman**

**ASSOCIATION CAMP FORMS CAN BE FOUND**  
[www.capebaptist.net](http://www.capebaptist.net)  
under Ministries and Peaceful Valley Camp

### COOKS COTTAGE

This month we were able to complete the domestic water service to the cottage, as well as complete the interior plumbing trim out (sink, shower, commode, hot water heater). A granite cornerstone with scripture has been mounted and flowers have been planted across the front of the cottage. Very close to completion, just a few minor items and it will be completed!

### SHOWERHOUSE

The concrete floor has been poured and the interior block walls and shower stall walls are in place. Framing lumber and trusses have been delivered, the main level construction will commence very soon.

### MANAGERS HOUSE

Our concrete contractor is scheduled to pour the foundation in a few days.

### EXPANDED PARKING AREA

A few more loads of chat and it will be complete.

### DINING HALL

The restroom has been completely renovated; the sink, commode, flooring, and walls have been replaced with updated fixtures and modern décor.

### EQUIPMENT SHED

A 300 gallon elevated fuel tank was recently donated and a 24' X 16' Lean-To was built on the south side of the Shed.

The Board would like to thank everyone that volunteered their time and resources to make this happen.



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## FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF JUNE 1, 2015

	MONTHLY TOTALS	YTD TOTALS		
INCOME	18,317.09	81,292.03		
EXPENDITURES	19,049.82	80,003.05		
VARIANCE	-732.73	1,288.98		
DESIGNATED FUNDS	BEGINNING BALANCE	CONTRIBUTIONS	EXPENDITURES	ENDING BALANCE
OPERATING CHK ACCT	42,335.65	18,317.09	19,049.82	41,602.92
DESIGNATED FUNDS	39,620.23	475.00	827.32	39,267.91



Disaster Relief  
 Training

September 18-19

Lynwood Baptist Church

Watch for more info!