

Cape Girardeau BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Partnering Together to Advance God's Kingdom



*Week of Prayer for
 North American Missions
 March 1—8*

Every year we honor the life and work of Annie Walker Armstrong (1850-1938) when we give to the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions. As a tireless servant of God and a contagious advocate and supporter of missions efforts throughout the world, Annie rallied churches to give more, pray more and do more for reaching people for Christ.

2015 National Goal
 \$60 Million

OUR CHURCHES

Advance First Baptist	Lithium
Allenville	Lynwood
Bethany	Marble Hill First Baptist
Bethlehem	Millersville First Baptist
Brushy Bible	New Bethel
Brush Creek Missionary	Oak Ridge First Baptist
Burfordville	Perkins
Calvary	Perryville First Baptist
Caney Fork	Red Star
Cape County Cowboy	Rock and Roll Biker
County Line	Saline
Delta First Baptist	Scott City First Baptist
Fellowship	Sedgewickville
Fruitland Community	Shawnee Hills
God's Country Cowboy	Southside
Iona	Trinity
Jackson First Baptist	Whitewater First Baptist

CHURCH PLANTS

North American church plants:
 Anchor, Sikeston
 Lamplighter Cowboy Church, Patton
 Rock and Roll Church, Herrin IL
 New Hope, Rock Falls IL

El Salvador church plants:
 Santa Catarina Metapan
 Apaneca Las Marias

Even with the snow, February has been an encouraging and productive month! Just before the snow fell I was privileged to participate in a missions conference at First Baptist Church Macon MO. This particular conference focused specifically on missions among muslim peoples. You can watch the sermons and panel discussions at their website: <http://www.hopeformacon.com/focus-2015.html>. I would encourage you to take some time to check this out!

The trip to El Salvador was successful in moving us toward the fulfillment of our end-vision for that work. We continued training 3 groups of leaders in the country for a total of 41 people. They continue to remain faithful to being equipped and we were able to identify six who are able to teach others. We trained these six pastors, along with 10 leaders from another church network, in becoming teachers of the Bible Training Center for Pastors/Leaders. These six will serve alongside us in each consecutive training, gradually assuming more and more of the teaching as they show themselves competent and faithful. We also made known to them that it is our desire for some of them to join our team and go to another people group to equip leaders there. This will complete the discipleship process among them as they will become obedient to Christ's command to make disciples among all peoples.

Every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. we continue to meet as pastors and leaders. During this time we are looking at biblical answers to life questions. It is a means for us to sharpen our understanding of a biblical worldview and where it intersects with our society's worldview. I would encourage those who are able to make a point to attend.

I am looking forward to taking a week of vacation March 9-15. I plan to take the next step towards acquiring horse: fencing our property. This resumes the plan my wife and I began back in 1992 but put on hold when God called us to international missions. We are excited that God is allowing us to move forward in fulfilling this desire at this time!

May the Lord richly bless you.....Bro. John

What a joy it is to see God move. Just a few weeks ago we got to celeb rate another student who has surrendered their life to Christ!There is nothing like seeing another added to the Kingdom. This is what we are about...seeing students reconciled to God and connect in a way that fosters spiritual growth! Would you take a moment and pray for this young man, and the countless others on our campus that need to hear and respond to the message of the gospel?

This semester we have been studying 2 Timothy with the theme "Entrusted to Entrust." It's been encouraging to cast a vision for disciple making on our campus by helping Christian students come to terms with the fact that the faith given them is to be in motionl. Pray for our students as they begin to entrust the gospe l to those around them.

Also, be praying for our Spring Break Mission Trip. This year we are traveling to southern Louisiana. As of now we have around 15 students who are planning on going March 14-28th. May this be a God glorifying trip! The following week we will have a team of approximately 40 students from Northwest Missouri State University serving here over their Spring Break. If you know of any projects in our region that this group could help with please let me know!

Because of Jesus,

Andrew Abbott



It's time to start planning for VBS. The Association will again partner with Lifeway and give you an opportunity to order your materials through the associational office. The VBS Sampler Kit will be available for viewing March 30—April 17. April 17 is the last day for you to place your order through the association. You will pick up your orders at the Lifeway Store in Cape which will save you shipping charges. The association receives a 15% commission of the total orders. Lifeway Store carries several different VBS themes. They are all available for this opportunity. **ORDERS CAN BE DROPPED BY THE OFFICE, EMAILED TO office@capebaptist.net OR FAXED TO 573-334-3511.**

Regional VBS Team Training Institute
 Saturday, March 21, 2015
 Lynwood Baptist Church
 8:15am-2:30pm
 Registration Fee: \$8.00 if registered before 2/16
 \$12:00 if registered on or after 2/16 including at the door
 Register online at mobaptist.org
 Fee includes materials, light breakfast and lunch
 Conferences for all ages including Youth and Adults

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY NEWS

Kathy Blevins, Assoc. WMU Director

"ALL FOR YOU Surrender. Sacrifice. Serve" is the WMU motto this year with the challenges presented in Mark 8:34 NIJ, *"Then He called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said, 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me'"*.

During the next two years WMU will lead Christ's followers to: surrender completely by denying self; sacrifice willingly by taking up their cross; and serve intentionally by following Christ into their community, state and world. How will your church answer this challenge?

By now you should have heard about the **Bucket Project: Hospice Kit Ministry** and hopefully are promoting this ministry through giving by your church. If you have further questions you can contact the website Baptist Global Response. The associational office will be a collections site for completed buckets. Those attending the state WUM meeting in St. Charles in April are urged to bring fitted waterproof twin sized mattress covers; 2 2.5X6.5" kitchen scrub brushes(with or without handle) and metal fingernail clippers. These items will be used to pack buckets during the meetings. The **deadline** for the first group of buckets to be at the associational office is **MARCH 27**. They will be going to Lesotho.

It is also time to promote the **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** and each church should have received a packet with supplies including promotional videos. I urge each church to register your AAEO goal with the associational office and later report your receipt of the offerings.

I am available to help churches in any way I can. There is still a discount for literature for new mission organization starts in churches. Let me know if you want to use this discount. You may contact me at sane.nurse@charter.net or 573-887-6924.

CHURCH PLANTING CENTER (CPC)

Our Church Planting Center Board has adopted a mission statement which states our purpose is, *To be a catalyst for church planting in Southeast Missouri*. You can keep up with the news and updates by going to our new website: <http://cpcsemo.com>

One exciting ministry in the region is a Filipino work in Doniphan, MO. Pastor Randy Miller and Emmanuel Baptist Church of Doniphan are leading this ministry. Randy shared: *Our contact began about 4 years ago when a member of our church who is Filipino asked to use our building for a gathering. That 1st gathering there were 50 present. This continued for about 2 years. The church & Ruby began to explore the possibility of a Filipino mission. I have married several couples from this group in the past 4 years in addition to praying with couples at the hospital as they were blessed by a birth. There has been at least one conversion & this couple attends a Baptist church in Arkansas regularly.*

The Missouri Baptist Convention has sent folks down to do special projects and lead Bible studies for this people group in the Southeast region. The CPC of SEMO is hosting a meeting in March to discuss this important ministry and will have representatives from the MBC, three Associations, and several churches. Do you know of anyone who would like to be a part of this ministry to Filipinos in Southeast Missouri? Would you pause to pray for this meeting in March and for the work with Filipinos in Doniphan?

For the Kingdom.....Mike Parry

PEACEFUL VALLEY UPDATE....

PVC Project Update
Doug Simminger, Board Chairman

Brrrrrrr.....Despite Elsa (Frozen) making her appearance known during February we did manage to make some progress on the projects.

Expanded parking area:

The gravel has been spread and leveled. We now have room for six additional vehicles behind the Dining Hall. As material and time allows, we will continue to expand this area for more parking.

Cooks Cabin:

1. Vinyl siding is 90% complete
2. Interior stud framing is **COMPLETE!**
3. Rough-in wiring is **COMPLETE!**
4. Insulation for walls is 40% complete.

Shower House:

As soon as weather permits, we will begin on the exterior foundation coating and interior plumbing rough-in.

Camp Manager's House: The house burned to the ground February 5 due to an electrical fire. Decisions will be made by the Camp Board as to the replacement of the structure.

A big thank you and blessing for all those who worked on the projects this month, it's always a joy to work with those who have a sweet spirit and strong back!

Thank you.....Doug Simminger

PEACEFUL VALLEY CAMP DATES

Youth Camp—July 13-17

Overnite Camp—July 17-18

Girl's Camp—July 20-24

Boy's Camp—July 27-31

Cost: \$110.00 per camper

Overnite: \$15 per person

Register online at
www.capebaptist.net



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The Rock N' Roll church is growing and they are asking God to give them the building on the corner of Spanish & Independence in Cape Girardeau. We are asking the churches of Cape Assoc to pray with them about this miracle. We serve an awesome God and He is in the business of answering big or small requests! To God Be the Glory!

FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2015

	MONTHLY TOTALS	YTD TOTALS		
INCOME	17,295.86	17,295.86		
EXPENDITURES	16,994.63	16,994.16		
VARIANCE	301.23	301.23		
DESIGNATED FUNDS	BEGINNING BALANCE	CONTRIBUTIONS	EXPENDITURES	ENDING BALANCE
OPERATING CHK ACCT	40,591.66	17,295.86	16,994.63	40,892.89
DESIGNATED FUNDS	38,924.32	2,104.49	4,328.87	36,699.94
CAMP IMPROVEMENT	3,657.38	0	3,657.38	.00