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August

- 7 E.J. Barnes
- 12 Aaron Stark
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- 18 Carolyn Chesnut
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Gospel Concert by Walter Plant

Shelburne Baptist Church
August 18, 2013 10:55 am
Fellowship meal to follow

Come and enjoy the wonderful music of Walter Plant featuring great Gospel music. You will enjoy his unique blending of four keyboards. Walter does not use any sound tracks or tape recorded music. His accomplishments are performed live.

Revival

Alpha Baptist Church

Begins Sunday Morning at 10:30
August 25-28- evenings at 7:00 pm

Evangelist- Richard Green



Princeton First Baptist

Saturday, 8:00 am
August 10, 2013
All Men Invited!

North Grand River Baptist Association

The Encourager

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

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"Churches working together to fulfill Jesus' Great Commission."
Matthew 28:18-20



NGRBA Churches

- Alpha
- Edinburg
- Gallatin
- Galt
- Jameson
- Jamesport
- Laredo
- Lineville*
- Medicine Valley
- Mercer
- Modena
- Princeton
- Ravanna
- Rural Dale
- Salem
- Shelburne*
- Spickard
- Tenth Street
- Trenton First
- Union

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Remember to Pray for

- Students as they return to school for their safety, that they may be alert and ready to study and learn.
- Pray for the students that know Jesus as their Savior, that they can be strong with peer pressure and a good witness.
- Pray for the teachers. Pray for their safety, what they teach and that they can be an inspiration to students for their educational growth.

Seminary Extension Class OT 3104
"Old Testament Survey" Part II a 3 Hour Course

This is a survey of all the prophetic books of the Old Testament, as well as miscellaneous books known as the Writings. Rev. Dan Wilford is the teacher.

If you plan to enroll in the course, please contact the North Grand River Association Office indicating your interest. We need early registration so materials may be ordered for you. Thank the Lord, your \$125 registration fee will be paid by an interested party. We do require that you pay for the textbooks if possible since they will be yours, although, scholarships are available to cover the cost of books if necessary. The price of the books is \$90.



North Grand River Baptist Association's Purpose- "To mutually and prayerfully support, encourage and challenge one another as churches to exalt Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, to edify and equip His disciples to serve him and one another, and to evangelize those who have yet to come to know Him personally." Matthew 28:19-20



Summer Mission Project

Our associational ladies' mission's project of collecting school supplies for missionaries Jon and Mindy Jamison, Director of the Friendship Baptist Center in Des Moines, has been extended to September 20th to be brought to the Mission Center. For those able to attend the WMU Regional Training at Grand Oaks on September 26th, school supplies can be taken there. Mindy Jamison will be one of the special guests at the training. School supplies for the center in Des Moines will be the missions project at Grand Oaks.

Churches should already have received information regarding the WMU Regional Training at Grand Oaks on September 26th. If your church has not received the information, let me know. I hope many of our ladies are able to attend.

For women who work or have young children and find it difficult to attend missions meetings and programs, there is a new missions opportunity on line called myMissionfulfilled.com. Your church may want to have its own online group or join others online.

Shelly Sims and I were blessed by our visit to Edinburg's WOM group on Wednesday Evening, July 3rd. What a joy to hear about their various missions projects.

We will resume our monthly associational programs/luncheons with the September 17th "New Year" Celebration announcing our officers for the coming year.

Hope you're having a great summer!

Bev Martin
WMU Director

NGR 172nd Annual Meeting
Saturday, September 28th
Coon Creek Baptist Church
Morning Session followed by lunch

Please submit Reports & Calendar items
by September 6th

Don't forget to elect your messengers at your
August business meeting.

ACP's delayed due to printing problems
with Lifeway.

The Story Lives On

Celebrate · Connect · Commit

"As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard." Acts 4:20

Northwest WMU Retreat
Grand Oaks Baptist Assembly, Chillicothe
Thursday, September 26, 2013

Cost: \$15 that includes lunch

Mail registration form to Virginia Stephenson
by Thursday, September 19th

Mission Project: Friendship Baptist Center, Des Moines, Iowa- Soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant. Winter Items- gloves, hats, scarves, coats and sweaters. School supplies- paper, notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, markers, scissors, glue and erasers. Also need diapers.

Church Giving

Church Service Times

June 2013 Reports	Monthly Inc.	BSU Inc.	SS	AM	PM	Weds.
Alpha	\$ 154.55	\$ 25.00	9:30	10:30	6:30	7:00
Edinburg	\$ 937.32	\$ 104.14	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00
Gallatin	\$ 696.58	\$ 50.00	9:30	10:40	6:00	7:00
Galt	\$ 164.00	\$ 25.00	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00
Jameson			9:30	10:30		
Jamesport	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	9:45	10:45	7:00	6:30
Laredo	\$ 271.78		9:30	10:30	6:30	6:30
Lineville	\$ 358.74	\$ 119.58	9:45	10:45	6:30	7:30
M. Valley	\$ 33.73	\$ 25.00	9:30	10:30	6:00	
Mercer	\$ 166.00	\$ 25.00	9:30	10:30	6:30	6:30
Modena	\$ 151.62	\$ 150.00	10:15	9:00	7:30	7:00
Princeton	\$ 609.51	\$ 50.00	9:40	10:40	7:00	7:00
Ravanna	\$ 88.90	\$ 38.10	9:30	10:45		
Rural Dale	\$ 611.29	\$ 75.00	9:45	10:35	7:00	7:00
Salem	\$ 161.99	\$ 25.00	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00
Shelburne	\$ 498.06	\$ 75.00	10:00	10:55	6:45	7:00
Spickard			9:30	10:30	6:30	
Tenth St.	\$1,008.12	\$ 168.02	9:30	10:30	6:00	7:00
Trenton FB	\$1,004.07	\$ 223.27	9:30	10:40	6:00	6:30
Union	\$ 276.82	\$ 100.00	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00

Total	\$7,218.08	\$1,303.11				
Chilli, FBC		\$ 45.00				
MBC		\$ 460.00				
Gilman BC		\$ 200.00				
Highview BC		\$ 80.49				

Seminary Checking	\$450.21
Seminary Savings	\$2,067.81
Benevolent Savings	\$744.39
NGR Savings	\$433.78

BSU- June- Income to Expense	
Beginning Balance	\$7,211.20
Income	\$2,788.96
Total	\$10,000.16
Expenses	\$2,921.44
Ending Balance	\$7,078.72
General BSU Fund	\$5,902.81
Designated BSU Fund	\$1,175.91

Join any of these churches in worship

June 2013 NGR Account	
Beginning Balance	\$4,411.43
Income	\$10,287.03
Total	\$14,698.46
Expenses	\$9,941.03
Ending Balance	\$4,757.43
Line Items in General Checking	
Designated Funds	\$4,394.85
General Fund	\$362.58
Checking Balance Total	\$4,757.43
NGR October- June 2013	
(Does not include designated funds)	
Income	\$101,903.82
Expenses	\$9941.03
Difference	\$2,424.90



Edinburg- The average attendance for June was 36 for Sunday School; 64 for Morning Worship; 52 for Evening Worship and 22 for Wednesday.

Medicine Valley- In September we will be doing our annual food drive in our local communities. We plan to distribute grocery sacks to homes throughout the area on September 7 and then pick up the donated items on the following Saturday September 14

Area churches are being invited to collect food, particularly vegetables, during the month of September. We would also welcome the support in this of churches throughout North Grand River Baptist Association. Donations may be left at the Associational Office or with prior scheduling brought to us at either Humphreys or Newtown.

In July we have provided assistance to 287 individuals in 89 families. As distribution continues to increase at both points of distribution, Newtown and Humphreys an increasing amount of food products are needed.

Funding support for this as well as our other ministries is also an area of growing need. We make one trip to Unionville per month, meeting a Food Bank truck there and either one or two trips monthly to pick up food at the Food Bank in Columbia.

Other costs include office and computer supplies, transporting food from Newtown to Humphreys for distribution there and attendance at quarterly and annual Food Bank/Food Pantry meetings and freezer, refrigerator purchase and maintenance. Any help will be greatly appreciated and put to good use.

We are in Vacation Bible School this week at Humphreys. We are conducting only the one Bible School this year and are providing transportation from Newtown, Harris and Osgood children who wish to attend.

Medicine Valley Continued-

We remain in need of concerned individuals to assist in some basic repairs to our ministry properties as listed in last months Encourager, and in the monthly report to the Advisory Council, and again in the report to the Executive Board. Any help on any of these would be a great blessing as we simply do not have the manpower available to complete these projects.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to all who have shared and who continue to share in these ministries with your donations of time, prayers and funding. God's blessings to all for your support in this *mission in your own backyard*.

Princeton- First Baptist Church of Princeton, welcomes our new Minister and wife, Rev. Dave and Roberta Dennis.

The first Sunday of each month church members go to the nursing and residential homes for their services for those who unable to attend church.

The WOM 1 & II meet the first Monday and Tuesday each month with a luncheon at noon, our mission project for the month of July was collecting pens, pencils, scissors, glue and etc for the back to school fair.

Our youth have been passing out tracts on Sunday evenings, visiting with people in the community and inviting them to Sunday School and Church, and praying for those in spiritual need.

Had 12 of our children go to camp this year at Grand Oaks, with 4 adults attending as well. They left July 8th and returned on July 12th.

On July 13, Men's monthly breakfast was held at 7:00 AM serving breakfast to 14 attending and delivering 7 meals to shut ins.

Princeton Continued-

On July 14, several from the Baptist Church attended the Brush Arbor Services in Lineville, Sunday night.

On July 20th the youth are leaving on a Mission Trip to Wyoming, they will be handing out water and scripture that's on the bottles of water during Cheyenne Frontier Days. There's a total of 13 going and returning on July 27th or 28th, let's keep them in our prayers as they make this journey in the service for the Lord.

Vacation Bible School begins July 28th and runs through August 1, time is from 5:30-8:00 PM each evening. The theme this year is Jungle Jaunt.

Spickard- We would like to thank Diann Barnes and her crew of summer missionaries Christina, Ben, Christy, Gracie, Molly and Bola for putting on a 3 day morning backyard VBS in Spickard.

Each morning averaged 18 children out at 7:30 am to enjoy a pancake breakfast and to learn about the love of Jesus. You just have to believe that God's hand was in this when you have that many children up and at church at 7:30!!!!

Thanks also to the ladies that came out to help with the breakfast Kathy Rorebeck, Janet Brewer, Jennifer Roberts and Georgetta John.

Our average attendance for June was 10 for Sunday School; 22 for Morning Worship; 5 for Evening Worship and 4 for Wednesday.

Worship Leadership Conference
September 20-21
MBC, Jefferson City, MO

Registration fee is \$40 person (early bird by Aug. 20) \$50 after. Register online at www.mobaptist.org/worship

Trenton First- As we reflect on this past summer our church has been so blest with many involved in sharing the gospel through Mission trips to Canada, Haiti, Wyoming, and youth to southern Missouri. At home our own VBS witnessed two accepting Christ as their Savior. They are awaiting baptism. Sunday, July 21st, Richard and Sharon Brummitt shared about their mission trip to Africa working along with IMB missionaries there.

September 4th we will begin Awana and our church choir practice will begin.

Union- Matthew 5:16- *"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in Heaven."*

It has been a busy summer, so we thought everyone needed a rest. There is not much on the calendar to report. We had a great time at the Picnic in the Park to kick-off our VBS 2013: Tell It On The Mountain & enjoyed reaching the children for Christ. So be a good steward of the Word and tell someone about Jesus...Go Tell It On The Mountain & Everywhere: Jesus Christ is King! We also enjoyed a day of fishing; however, the fish made better than we did. The Singspiration was enjoyed by all...so much God given talent...it was truly a blessing.

Every Wednesday night is Supper at 6 pm with Bible Study at 7 pm. Call Ryan Hughs for rides from Brimson at 654-0435 or Mike & Sherry Knapp for rides from Trenton at 789-3841 or Doug & Dianna Crawford at 359-3094. Remember if you are looking for a church home- come worship with us; we would love to have you! We are down home folk that love the Lord!