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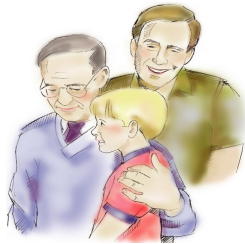
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A Father's Heart  
 Reflects  
 God's love for his  
 Children

Happy Father's Day  
 June 16, 2013

**June**

- 3 Rich Neeley
- 3 Tim & Cyndy Munday
- 4 David & Barbara Robertson
- 11 Denny & Carolyn Chesnut
- 14 Ron & Bobbie Helton
- 16 Rich & Chris Neeley



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**Rural Dale Baptist  
 Church**

invites you to listen  
 To the Quartet  
**"Lasting Legacy"**

Saturday June 1, 2013  
 6:00 pm

Freewill offering will be taken

**Shelburne Baptist Church  
 June Sunday Homecoming  
 June 9, 2013 10:55 am**

**"Glory Road" Southern Gospel Band**  
 Short Concert & Reminiscing  
 Following Carry in Dinner

Come and Join Us!



**Shelburne Baptist Church**  
**Saturday, 8:00 am**  
**June 15, 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



- Alpha
- Edinburg\*
- Gallatin\*
- Galt
- Jameson
- Jamesport
- Laredo
- Lineville
- Medicine Valley
- Mercer
- Modena
- Princeton\*
- Ravanna
- Rural Dale
- Salem
- Shelburne\*
- Spickard
- Tenth Street
- Trenton First
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*The churches of North Grand River Baptist Association Express their Congratulations to First Baptist Church, Trenton on celebrating their 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary.*

Dr. John Yeats, Executive Director of Missouri Baptist Convention will be speaking at the morning service on June 2nd as the kick-off for the celebration. Friday night (June 7<sup>th</sup>) will be a Singspiration featuring talent from the church family. Saturday night (June 8<sup>th</sup>) FBC will be hosting a reception with former ministry staff members as well as showcasing different mission endeavors FBC church family is involved in. Sunday morning (June 9<sup>th</sup>) there will be skits emphasizing important events that have occurred in the 175 years of our ministry. Sunday afternoon FBC will focus on the future with presentation of the many ministry opportunities presently in the church. Please join us in our celebration.



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



## From My Heart to Yours

"A son honors his father..." Malachi 1:6

THOUGHTS  
FROM THE  
HEART

June is the month we traditionally honor our fathers. This year it will be on June 16th. This year is the first year that I will not be able to honor my Dad personally. He went on to be with our Lord on January 16, 2013. But, I do feel led to honor him in this column today.

When I was about 8 months old, my Dad devoted his life to Jesus Christ on an Easter Sunday morning. By the Spirit of God he was transformed from an alcoholic who liked to fight in bars or wherever to a compassionate Minister of the Gospel who had the patience of Job. But, still one of the characteristics that people said Dad had was this: that he was tough. In fact one of his medical doctors said that he was CHUCK NORRIS TOUGH. He was tough "physically" and "spiritually." I am going to use the acrostic T-O-U-G-H to characterize Dad- and his relationship to Jesus Christ and others:

- (1) He was a man of **T**ruth (Ephesians 4:14-15).
- (2) He was a man of **O**bedience (1 Samuel 15:22; Acts 5:29).
- (3) He was a man of **U**ncompromising convictions (Ephesians 4:14; 2 Timothy 4:2-4)
- (4) He was a man of **G**odliness (1 Timothy 4:8; 1 Timothy 6:6)
- (5) He was a man of **H**ope (Romans 5:3-5; 1 Timothy 1:1)

He was tough, but he devoted himself (and encouraged others to devote themselves) to the toughest person to ever impact plane Earth- Jesus Christ. I want to thank our Lord for transforming my Dad, and I thank my Dad for influencing me to live for Jesus!

For His Glory-

*E.J. Barnes*

P.S. Remember the mission teams that are going to Haiti and to Canada!



Pastors Prayer & Fellowship Time at Pizza Hut

2nd Monday of each month

**Pastor's Luncheon**

Be in prayer for the committee's that have started meeting and preparing for the Annual Meeting. Pray for the Nominating Committee as they seek people that God is leading to fill positions. If God is calling you, call Debbie at the Mission Center.

Be in prayer for the Finance Committee as they prepare the Budget.



### Church Giving

### Church Service Times

April 2013 Reports	Monthly Inc.	BSU Inc.	SS	AM	PM	Weds.
Alpha	\$ 196.86	\$ 25.00	9:30	10:30	6:30	7:00
Edinburg	\$ 615.67	\$ 68.41	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00
Gallatin	\$ 911.86	\$ 50.00	9:30	10:40	6:00	7:00
Galt	\$ 356.00	\$ 50.00	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	\$ 327.25		9:30	10:30	6:30	6:30
Lineville	\$ 265.68	\$ 88.56	9:45	10:45	6:30	7:30
M. Valley	\$ 25.00	\$ 20.89	9:30	10:30	6:00	
Mercer	\$ 202.00	\$ 25.00	9:30	10:30	6:30	6:30
Modena	\$ 110.32	\$ 200.00	10:15	9:00	7:30	7:00
Princeton	\$ 768.68	\$ 50.00	9:40	10:40	7:00	7:00
Ravanna	\$ 102.55	\$ 46.95	9:30	10:45		
Rural Dale	\$ 734.80	\$ 75.00	9:45	10:35	7:00	7:00
Salem	\$ 138.38	\$ 25.00	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00
Shelburne	\$ 836.02	\$ 75.00	10:00	10:55	6:45	7:00
Spickard	\$ 120.00		9:30	10:30	6:30	
Tenth St.			9:30	10:30	6:00	7:00
Trenton FB	\$ 815.64	\$ 181.25	9:30	10:40	6:00	6:30
Union	\$ 586.40	\$ 100.00	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,138.11</b>	<b>\$1,106.06</b>				
Chilli, FBC		\$ 45.00				
MBC		\$ 460.00				
Gilman BC		\$ 200.00				

Join any of these churches in worship

<b>Seminary Checking</b>	\$450.21
<b>Seminary Savings</b>	\$2,067.81
<b>Benevolent Savings</b>	\$744.39
<b>NGR Savings</b>	\$7,067.09
<b>BSU- April- Income to Expense</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$6,337.65
Income	\$2,538.37
Total	\$8,876.02
Expenses	\$2,009.77
Ending Balance	\$6,866.25
General BSU Fund	\$5,566.75
Designated BSU Fund	\$1,299.50

<b>April 2013 NGR Account</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$3,999.40
Income	\$15,052.56
Total	\$19,051.96
Expenses	\$15,057.96
Ending Balance	\$3,994.00
<b>Line Items in General Checking</b>	
Designated Funds	\$3,536.68
General Fund	\$457.32
Checking Balance Total	\$3,994.00
<b>NGR October- April 2013</b>	
(Includes all NGR funds)	
Income	\$92,046.61
Expenses	\$91,585.79
Difference	\$460.82



**Edinburg-** Our attendance for April was 31 for Sunday School, 51 for Morning Worship, 29 for Evening Worship and 24 for Wednesday Bible Study.

**Medicine Valley Community Ministry-** On Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, we had 35 people present for breakfast and 30 present for Worship Services, our largest attendance in some time.

There was no food distribution in April due to lack of personnel for leadership. Mabel and I were in Kansas City the regular week of distribution, normally the third Thursday each month. We stayed at Hope Lodge that week, a facility provided by the American Cancer Society for those undergoing treatment. A very fine facility staffed by considerate and helpful individuals.

The following week I attended the Annual Brannon House Christian Worldview Weekend Conference in Branson.

Our May Food Distribution on the 16<sup>th</sup> provided food assistance to 127 people in 45 households from the food pantry in Newtown and to 114 people in 35 households from the Community Center in Humphreys.

On Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> Mike Dennis of Tenth Street filled the pulpit in the pastor's absence. He also led an introductory session to Celebrate Recovery during the Sunday School hour. Mike and others from Tenth Street continue to assist with our Friday night Celebrate Recovery Services.

This Saturday, May 18, I will be attending a Regional Seminar in Des Moines for leadership development in the Celebrate Recovery Program. No doubt this will be a benefit to our work here.

We continue to pray the Lord of the Harvest to send forth workers. We need and welcome any who can assist with the Food Ministry and with our Celebrate Recovery Program.

Also much needed are dedicated workers in our Sunday School, Worship and Outreach.

**Medicine Valley Community Ministry Continued-** We thank God for the prayer support of God's people. We remain ever grateful for those who contribute to the work of this "Mission in your own backyard" with your financial contributions, and those who give food for the food pantry. May God bless your service to Him.

**Princeton-** On the first Sunday of each month we have ministries in the Nursing and Residential homes for those that are unable to get out and worship with the churches in our community

The WOM'S 1 & 2 met on May 6th & 7th for their monthly luncheon at the Church. They are collecting items for the Tree House in Liberty- such as paper products, bath essentials, laundry items, kitchen paper products.

Every Wednesday our Youth meet at 5:30 pm, with Adult prayer meeting at 7:00 pm.

Our Youth are giving out tracts in our community going door to door. They have been doing this at least twice this month so far.

On May 09, 2013 at 7:30 pm, First Baptist Church held Baccalaureate Services for the 25 Graduating Seniors of Princeton High School, with Rev. Gary Watkins as speaker and Rev. Dave Dennis assisting. Following services, refreshments were served.

May 11, 2013 the men's breakfast was well attended. They served 21 people and delivered 9 to Shut ins.

We have several youth that will be attending Youth Camp this spring. May they be blessed at camp.

Sunday May 19, our Youth Pastor, Josh Ishmael recognized the graduates for 2013, High School and College.

**Salem-** A group from our church, attended the Revolve Tour in Des Moines, Iowa. The teens really enjoyed it as well as the chaperones. They attended the one last year in Nebraska, and liked it so well they wanted to go to this one. Two of the teens talked about it Sunday morning during services.

We installed a new storm door on the addition to the church. A special thank you to Mike Farmer for all his work.

We are praying for the people in Moore Oklahoma, especially for the parents of all the children lost at the elementary school. We are all saddened by the loss of life and devastation of this terrible storm.

**Trenton FBC-** Our congratulations go out to graduates of all ages. We asked for God's blessings for each one and their families.

We are so blessed to have many opportunities to share the gospel of Jesus Christ. Several have been and are making plans for mission trips to Haiti and Canada. Others are planning for VBS the last week of June 23-28th. Our crafty ladies group and some of our WMU ladies made pillowcase dresses for girls and boxer shorts for boys for the Haiti ministry team to take.

This is a year of celebrating years of ministries at FBC. WMU is celebrating 106 years of ministry at FBC and national WMU 125 years and FBC 175 years of ministry this year.

Saturday, August 10th, we will have our "Helping Hands" clothing and school supplies give away at the activity building. Ages are birth through High School. Questions call Marjorie Keuhn at 359-5354.



**Union-** "Be hospitable to one another without grumbling." 1 Peter 4:9

The Trail Ride will be on June 1st at 10 am; contact Robert Hughs for more information by calling 789-3643. Our services at Eastview Nursing Home will be on Sunday, June 16th. This also falls on Father's Day. Remember your earthly father that day and everyday that you're blessed with his presence on earth. Honor him with your time and attention; learning from his wisdom! June 30th is the fifth Sunday which is Youth Sunday with fellowship meal after Sunday Morning Service.

Every Wednesday night is supper a 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 and Dianna Crawford at 359-3094. Everyone is welcome! Remember if you are looking for a church home to come worship with us; we would love to have you! We are down home folk that love the Lord!



Tenth Street Baptist Church  
1200 E 10th St  
Trenton, MO

Every Saturday  
Worship at 6 pm, Group at 7 pm  
The Rock Café at 8 pm



**REVIVEUS**  
2013 SBC Annual Meeting  
THAT WE MAY BE ONE JOHN 13:34-35

Be in prayer for the  
Southern Baptist Convention  
June 11-12  
Houston, Texas



### Bible Drills

North Grand River Churches express their congratulations to the following in the Bible Drill Competitions. Thank you to the leaders for knowing the importance of youth hiding the Word of God in their hearts.

#### Tenth Street High School

Benjamin Young– HS top 10 at State

#### Youth

Christy Young– Competed top 10 at state  
Kail McCarter– Competed in top 10 at state  
Okla Fitzpatrick– State Competitor

#### Children

Royce Jackson– Church Level

#### Lineville Children

Hannah Stark– Competed at State  
Morgan Nordike State Winner

#### Galt Youth

Matthew Halsted– Church Level

#### Children– Church Level

Aubri Gannon, Caden Gannon, Cassidy Targman,  
Emily Spears, Dustin Smiley, Laeloran Rolan



#### Grand Oaks Campaign

When you invest in Grand Oak's Camp, you are doing more than making a donation to build new facilities. You are making a difference in the lives of children and young people that will count for eternity. The goal for our association is \$50,000. Please pray for this ministry and if God would be leading you to make a donation towards the projects of a new swimming pool and activity building.

### Vacation Bible School's

**Laredo** June 3-7 5:30-8:30  
Theme- "Colossal Coaster World"

**Mercer** June 3-7 1:30—3:30 pm  
Theme- "Kingdom Rock"

**Alpha** June 7-8  
Theme- "Hay Day"

**Edinburg** June 10-14  
Theme- "Colossal Coaster World"

**Lineville** June 10-14  
5:30-8:00 pm  
Theme- "God's Backyard Bible Camp"

**Trenton FBC** June 23-28  
6:00-8:30 pm  
Theme- "Colossal Coaster World"

**Tenth Street** June 23-28  
Theme- "Colossal Coaster World"

**Shelburne** July 14-19  
Theme- "Colossal Coaster World"

**Gallatin FBC** July 14-19  
Theme- "Colossal Coaster World"

**Galt** July 21-26 6:15 pm  
Theme– Old Testament Stories

**Salem** July 21-25

**Union** July 22-26  
Theme- "Tell It On the Mountain"

**Princeton** July 28-August 1  
6:00-8:00 pm  
Theme- "Jungle Jaunt"

**Rural Dale** August 5-9  
Theme- "Colossal Coaster World"



### Let' Celebrate!

This year is the one hundredth twenty fifth anniversary of WMU! Let's celebrate at our June 18th Summer Celebration and Luncheon at FBC Trenton at 1030 am. I would like for our WMU Director's /WOM leaders to share with us some history of WMU in their church. We will also have a special guest Virginia Stephenson, our Northwest Mo Regional Consultant. This will be our last opportunity to bring medicine for Haiti for Shelly Sims to pick up. We will also be collecting school supplies in June and July for the Baptist Center in Des Moines. This is our Christmas in August project. A covered dish luncheon will follow our program. A special cake is being prepared.

Those of us who prayerwalked at the May 21st prayer program focused on City Hall, the Courthouse, the Police Station and businesses along the way. Two of our ladies stayed at the Mission Center as our prayer warriors. After our devotional time led by Emma Bankson, what a luncheon we enjoyed!

Ladies the medicine for Haiti needs to be at the Mission Center by June 18th for Shelly to pick up. Wal-Mart has a bin of medicine up near the front that are only 88 cents each. The school supplies for Des Monies can be brought to the Mission Center through the month of July.

There will be no associational program/prayer luncheon in July and August. We will resume on Sept. 17th at 10:30 am at the Mission Center. Details later.

Have a wonderful and productive summer.

*Bev Martin.*  
WMU Director

**Homecoming**  
**The Baptist Home– Chillicothe**  
**June 8, 2013**  
**10 am to 2 pm**

Musical Entertainment, Bake Sale, Guided Tours, Games for Children of all ages, Fishing & Outdoor Barbecue (Freewill offering).

You are cordially invited to  
**Sonrise Children's Home**  
**Annual Open House**  
**Sunday, June 2nd**  
**2:00 to 4:00 pm**



#### Church Camp

**Grand Oaks Camp 2013**  
**Children's Camp–**  
**July 8th-12th**

**Camp forms are available at your church**  
**or at the Mission Center.**

**Children's Camp Form Deadline-**  
**June 7th**  
**Mission Center at 5:00 pm**

Please be in prayer for camp.

**How is God leading you to serve**  
**at camp this year?**

Remember 1 leader to every 5 students