

### Brotherhood/Men's Ministry

There will be no Men's Breakfast this month.

The position of Brotherhood Director remains open in the association. Please pray about this position and the man God is calling to be Brotherhood Director. If you know of someone or if God is calling you, please contact the office.



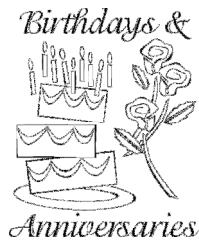
The Mission Center will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holidays November 24th-25th

The 175th Cups are still available at the Mission Center. These are very nice clear mugs with the NGR logo "Looking Back with Humility, Looking Forward with Hope" on them. They are \$3.00 each.

If you did not receive a History Book of NGR we still have some available here at the Mission Center.

### November

- 4 Doug & Dianna Crawford
- 4 Mabel Rogers
- 10 Jennifer Neill
- 15 Earl Nance
- 26 Gene & Ann Schreffler



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### Special Purchase on Selected Bibles Limited Supply



NKJV Giant Print Reference Bible– 40% off  
SRP of \$29.99– Sale Price \$17.99

KJV UltraSlim Reference Bible  
SRP- \$19.99- Sale Price \$11.99

NKJV UltraSlim Reference Bible  
SRP- \$24.99- Sale Price- \$14.99

### Gifts for OCC Boxes

Small items available include:  
Dish sets, small cars and trucks, pencils,  
Erasers, color books, 2 piece tool sets  
And many more items

### Plush Animals:

Plush Praying Bear with Sound- \$8.50  
Lamb with large blanket inside- \$17.00



Going Bananas for  
Jesus Monkey- \$8.50

Love Bears All  
Bear- \$9.00



### Board Games

Operation Noah  
Bible Scrabble  
Duck Dynasty



Ministry Assistant  
Debbie Dickinson  
BSU Interim Director  
Christina Boatright

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  
Jamesport  
Laredo  
Lineville  
Medicine Valley  
Mercer  
Modena  
Princeton  
Ravanna  
Rural Dale  
Salem  
Shelburne  
Spickard\*  
Tenth Street  
Trenton First  
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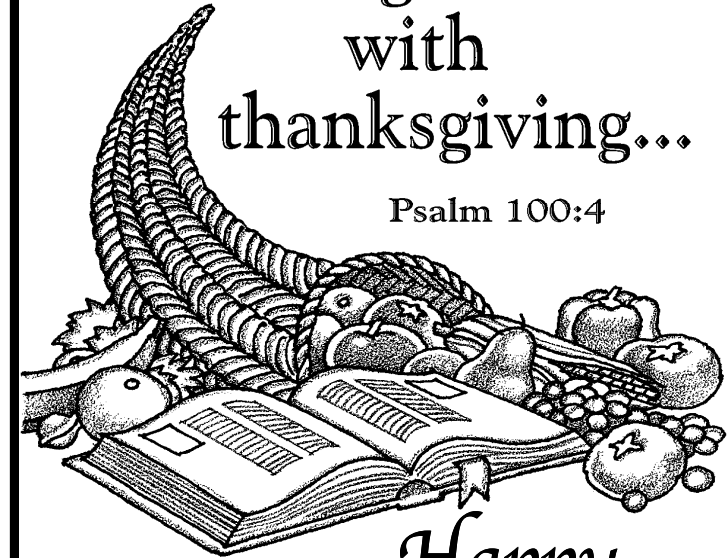
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COOPERATIVE PROGRAM  
Love In Action

Enter  
his gates  
with  
thanksgiving...

Psalm 100:4



Happy  
Thanksgiving

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



WMU Associational Meeting on October 18th, 2016 was called to order at 10:30 with prayer needs given for surrounding churches and the association. Bev Martin offered up the prayer with special mention of the persecuted churches around the world, our nation and our local association.

Shelly Sims read "A Love Letter From Jesus", an encouragement to pray and talk with Jesus daily. This leads up to the upcoming Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer on November 7th,

The group discussed spending some of our money on Gospel Tracts and dispersing them locally. All approved the idea. Shelly will look into this.

Belinda Hogan gave a program on the up-coming Shoebox Ministry. Now is the preparation time. She gave insight on how to properly pack a box and the items that should be in every box. She also reported on her experiences at the distribution center. The most important thing is that every child hears about Jesus before they get a box. The goal is that every child in the world will get one box in their lifetime.

Virginia Crumpacker gave the devotion on Ruth 4:13-17, followed by prayers for all the missionaries who had birthdays.

A carry-in meal was shared by all.

Dates to remember:

**Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer---Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 at Trenton First**

**November 14-19 ---Shoebox Ministry Collection week.**

**December---Lottie Moon Offering, set your goal now**

In Christian Love,

*Shelly Sims*

### Pastors Gathering

Monday night, November 7th, 6:30 pm at the Mission Center.

Ron Ratliff will be speaking and teaching on prayer and the Holy Spirit. There will be a time of fellowship and food.

This will be for pastors only.

For further questions contact Garret Trunk, NGR Pastoral Ministry Director.



For the **December Encourager** please submit your articles by November 16th. With the holidays and the office being closed the deadline has been moved up.

Please share what your Church Christmas Events will be. Others like to attend and remember the Encourager is also online.

### Church Giving

| September 2016 Reports | Monthly Inc.      | BSU Inc.          | Church Service Times |       |      |       |
|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------|------|-------|
|                        |                   |                   | SS                   | AM    | PM   | Weds. |
| Alpha                  | \$ 83.94          | \$ 25.00          | 9:30                 | 10:30 | 6:30 | 7:00  |
| Edinburg               | \$ 378.59         | \$ 42.07          | 10:00                | 11:00 | 6:00 | 7:00  |
| Gallatin               | \$ 737.23         | \$ 50.00          | 9:30                 | 10:40 | 6:00 | 7:00  |
| Galt                   | \$ 319.00         | \$ 50.00          | 10:00                | 11:00 | 6:00 | 7:00  |
| Jameson                |                   | \$ 500.00         | 9:30                 | 10:30 |      |       |
| Jamesport              | \$ 25.00          | \$ 25.00          | 9:45                 | 10:45 | 7:00 | 7:00  |
| Laredo                 | \$ 161.00         |                   | 9:30                 | 10:30 | 6:30 | 6:00  |
| Lineville              | \$ 162.50         | \$ 51.17          | 9:45                 | 10:45 | 6:00 | 6:00  |
| M. Valley              | \$ 34.62          | \$ 25.00          | 9:30                 | 10:30 | 6:00 |       |
| Mercer                 | \$ 193.45         | \$ 25.00          | 9:30                 | 10:30 | 6:30 | 6:30  |
| Modena                 | \$ 132.16         | \$ 50.00          | 10:15                | 9:00  | 6:00 | 6:00  |
| Princeton              | \$ 326.45         | \$ 80.00          | 9:40                 | 10:40 | 7:00 | 6:00  |
| Ravanna                | \$ 124.23         | \$ 53.24          | 9:30                 | 10:45 |      |       |
| Rural Dale             | \$ 871.38         | \$ 75.00          | 9:45                 | 10:35 | 7:00 | 7:00  |
| Salem                  | \$ 80.43          | \$ 25.00          | 10:00                | 11:00 | 6:00 |       |
| Shelburne              | \$ 559.99         | \$ 75.00          | 10:00                | 10:55 | 6:00 | 6:30  |
| Spickard               | \$ 70.00          |                   | 9:30                 | 10:30 |      |       |
| Tenth St.              | \$ 744.07         | \$ 124.01         | 9:30                 | 10:30 | 6:00 | 7:00  |
| Trenton FB             | \$1,298.33        | \$ 129.83         | 9:30                 | 10:40 | 6:00 | 6:00  |
| Union                  | \$ 145.39         | \$ 100.00         | 10:00                | 11:00 | 6:00 | 6:00  |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>\$6,447.76</b> | <b>\$1,505.32</b> |                      |       |      |       |
| Chilli, FBC            |                   | \$ 45.00          |                      |       |      |       |
| MBC                    |                   | \$ 460.00         |                      |       |      |       |
| Gilman BC              |                   | \$ 200.00         |                      |       |      |       |
| Harrison Assoc         |                   | \$ 500.00         |                      |       |      |       |
| Milan FBC              |                   | \$ 150.07         |                      |       |      |       |

Join any of these churches in worship

### September 2016 NGR Account

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$26,740.57 |
| Income            | \$11,279.53 |
| Total             | \$38,020.10 |
| Expenses          | \$9,429.89  |
| Ending Balance    | \$28,590.21 |

### Line Items in General Checking

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Designated Funds       | \$8,745.87  |
| General Fund           | \$19,844.34 |
| Checking Balance Total | \$28,590.21 |

### NGR October 2015-2016

(Does not include designated funds)

|            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| Income     | \$126,831.65 |
| Expenses   | \$106,644.54 |
| Difference | \$20,187.11  |

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|--|-------------|
| <b>Seminary Checking</b>                   | \$189.21    |
| <b>Seminary Savings</b>                    | \$2,305.08  |
| <b>Benevolent Savings</b>                  | \$783.83    |
| <b>NGR Savings</b>                         | \$463.16    |
| <b>BSU-- September-- Income to Expense</b> |             |
| Beginning Balance                          | \$7,757.30  |
| Income                                     | \$3,471.39  |
| Total                                      | \$11,228.69 |
| Expenses                                   | \$3,105.76  |
| Ending Balance                             | \$8,122.93  |
| General BSU Fund                           | \$7,869.15  |
| Designated BSU Fund                        | \$253.78    |



**Edinburg-** Our Church hosted the music group 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation with a good turnout. There were around 65 in attendance.

We had a baptismal service and are happy to say we have some new Christians to encourage.

The children and youth team held a movie night for the teenagers and we watched "God is not Dead # 2". The teens loved it and it gave a great message. They played games, won prizes. We are considering a movie night once a month.

Our children's team will be having a balloon ride and meal on October 22 at 4 pm and a fall hayride with trick or treating and then trunk or treat at our church on October 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

We will start work on our Christmas program this month and costumes are already in the making.

The WOM will be having a packing party next month to get the shoe boxes ready for operation Christmas Shoe box ministry.

We are starting another team for Older Adults, so we will be reaching the needs of our older adults and those who are in nursing homes and homebound.

The end of the year is approaching fast. Our Sunday school is at 10 am and church at 11 am. Sunday night services are at 6:00 pm with Wednesday Bible Study at 7:00 pm. Come join us if you don't have a church home.

**Princeton-** We had our Annual Church Picnic serving hamburgers, hot dogs with those attending bringing other food, was well attended, the Old Time Hymners played.

Our Youth and TeamKid groups have had good attendance since we started.

Our youth group had a hayride on October 8th. The report given was they had a great time.

We sent delegates to the Missouri Baptist Convention to represent the First Baptist Church of Princeton.

We served lunch to the Awaken Project which generates the impact of our Choices, they spoke to our local school kids about the choices they make in life concerning drugs and alcohol.

**Trenton FBC**— October 1st we had our first free car wash.

October 9th we had our annual emphasis on World Hunger. The offering was divided equally between World Hunger and our local food pantry.

November 9th we will have an all church shoe box packing party. November 13th will be dedication Sunday, when all shoe boxes will be taken to the front of the church by the children. Then prayers will be given for the boxes and the child that receives it. Collection week will be November 14-21 at the Activity Center. November 27-29 a group will go to Minneapolis, Minnesota to a shoe box distribution center and work.

November 20th will be our annual parade of international flags to remind us of our missionaries that share the gospel in that country.

Our Keenagers are having a Coffee at Dino's on November 3rd. Their Thanksgiving dinner will be November 18th.



**O Taste and See**

I've tasted the goodness,  
from God's banquet table  
I've feasted on His Word  
and now its a daily staple.

I've supped on the truth,  
with my Lord and Savior  
and now His Life and Way  
I've come to daily savor.

I've been to the buffet,  
of God's benevolence  
and now I understand  
the meaning of excellence.

I've dined with my Redeemer,  
my healing, Comforter  
and now I know who is  
my daily bread Provider.

I'm blessed beyond measure,  
and I'm loving the fullness  
now that I have tasted God  
I'm filled with all His goodness!

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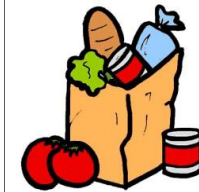
Please be in prayer for the election on November 8th. The Pathway has information online at [m b c p a t h - way.com/2016voterguide](http://m.b.c.p.a.t.h.w.a.y.com/2016voterguide). There is also information about the judges.

<sup>14</sup> if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

**2 Chronicles 7: (NKJV)**

**Volunteers Needed!**

Medicine Valley Community Ministry needs volunteers to help with the preparation and distribution of the Food Pantry Ministry



November dates to help with food distribution at Medicine Valley Community Ministry

November 15th— Prepare Boxes at Newtown Baptist Chapel— 9 am to noon

November 17th— Food Distribution



**NOVEMBER 6, 2016**