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NEW!

“Peter’s Perfect Prayer Place”
By Stephen & Alex Kendrick

War Room Coffee Mug

2016-2017 Pocket Calendars

“Through the Eyes of a Lion” by Levi Lusko

This book shares about facing impossible pain and finding incredible power. What will you do when the unthinkable happens. Whether you are going through adversity or want to prepare yourself... this book helps to look at your life through Jesus eyes. The author lost their 5 year old daughter 5 days before Christmas.

SALE

October 5-16– Boxed Cards 15% off

October 12-16– DVD’s & CDs
10% off

COMING SOON

Preorder your copy now
DVD- “Matter of Faith”

This movie is by Rich Christiano who also has brought other great movies including “The Secrets of Jonathan Sperry” and “Amazing Love”. This movie deals with evolution being taught in our schools and universities. The gospel is proclaimed in this movie and opens the door for you to share with others Jesus.

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Seminary Extension

“Romans”

2 Hour Course

Classes Begin Thursday, October 8th
7:00 pm at the Mission Center

This study will be led by Rev. Dan Wilford. This is a study of the book of Romans in which the writer tries to put Paul’s thought in language that can be more easily understood today. The basic objective is to gain an understanding of Paul’s exposition of salvation by faith.

Contact the office if you are interested.



There will be no Men’s Prayer Breakfast
for this month



2 Ann Schreffler
7 Dianna Crawford
22 Steve Dennis
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The Encourager

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

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“Churches working together to fulfill Jesus’ Great Commission.”
Matthew 28:18-20

October- Pastor Appreciation Month

Thank you to all the pastors and their wives serving in NGR.



NGRBA Churches

Alpha
Edinburg*
Gallatin
Galt
Jameson*
Jamesport
Laredo
Lineville
Medicine Valley
Mercer
Modena
Princeton*
Ravanna
Rural Dale*
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Trenton First*
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Alpha– Jim & Cathie Whitley
Edinburg–
Gallatin– Garrett & Jennifer Trunk
Galt– Gene & Ann Schreffler
Jameson–
Jamesport– Rich & Chris Neeley
Laredo– Deryl & Linda Niffen
Lineville– Kenny & Judy Wilson
Medicine Valley Ministry– Lewis & Mabel Rogers
Mercer– Ron & Bobbie Helton
Modena– E.J. & Diann Barnes
Rural Dale–
Ravanna– Earl & Rebecca Nance
Princeton–
Salem– Tim & Cyndy Munday
Shelburne– Aaron & Michelle Stark
Spickard– Charlie & Cloris Bullman
Tenth Street- Ron & Iva Gail Ratliff
Trenton First– Interim– Shawn Allee &
Steve Dennis
Union- Doug & Dianna Crawford
Sparrow Ministry- Earl & Rebecca Nance
Director of Missions– E.J. and Diann Barnes



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



Missouri State Evangelism Conference
"Desperate for JESUS"
February 4-5, 2016
Crossway Baptist Church, Springfield

"Desperate for Jesus," the 2016 State Evangelism-Discipleship Conference, is for Missouri Baptists, particularly pastors, church staff, evangelism church leaders, Directors of Missions, and spouses.

- Join God on His mission despite uncertain circumstances.
- Be certain of your own "Macedonia" call.
- Lead your church with new zeal for making disciple-makers.
- Churches are encouraged to participate in 21 Days of spiritual preparation conducted Jan. 14-Feb. 3 to prepare for personal revival. Those who register prior to Friday January 1, 2015, will be given a free guide.

"Forward" is theme of Missouri Baptists' 181st Annual Meeting

October 26-28 in Springfield, MO

The theme is "Forward," taken from Philippians 3:13-14, where the apostle Paul writes, "But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead. I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (ESV).

The annual meeting begins with pre-session music at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 26 and concludes with the benediction at noon on Oct. 28. The Missouri Baptist Pastors' Conference also is held at the Springfield Expo Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. October 26.

Show Me Sunday
Sunday School High Attendance Day
October 25th, 2015



October 6, 2015
6:00—9:00 pm

Location

First Baptist Church
 202 E. Ford Street
 Cameron, MO 64429
 816-632-7251

Northwest Missouri Regional Sunday School Leader Training

Age-graded conferences for Pastors, SS Directors, Adult, Youth, Children and Preschool Leaders.

No admission fee, but registration is requested by September 25, 2015.

Contact: Mark Donnell 1-800-736-6227 x 331 mdonnell@mobaptist.org

Sponsored by Sunday School Ministries, Missouri Baptist Convention
 This event made possible by the Cooperative Program giving of your local Baptist Church

Church Giving

Church Service Times

August 2015 Reports	Monthly Inc.	BSU Inc.	SS	AM	PM	Weds.
Alpha	\$ 82.58	\$ 25.00	9:30	10:30	6:30	7:00
Edinburg	\$ 571.44	\$ 63.49	10:00	11:00	6:00	7:00
Gallatin	\$ 648.35	\$ 50.00	9:30	10:40	6:00	7:00
Galt			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	\$ 199.00	\$ 150.00	9:30	10:30	6:30	6:00
Lineville	\$ 180.84	\$ 60.28	9:45	10:45	6:00	6:00
M. Valley			9:30	10:30	6:00	
Mercer	\$ 155.43	\$ 25.00	9:30	10:30	6:30	6:30
Modena	\$ 80.37	\$ 150.00	10:15	9:00	6:00	6:00
Princeton	\$ 338.62	\$ 50.00	9:40	10:40	7:00	6:00
Ravanna	\$ 99.96	\$ 42.84	9:30	10:45		
Rural Dale	\$ 598.83	\$ 75.00	9:45	10:35	7:00	7:00
Salem	\$ 118.07	\$ 25.00	10:00	11:00	6:00	
Shelburne	\$ 461.86	\$ 75.00	10:00	10:55	6:00	6:30
Spickard	\$ 70.00		9:30	10:30		
Tenth St.	\$1,022.76	\$ 170.46	9:30	10:30	6:00	7:00
Trenton FB	\$ 978.89	\$ 97.89	9:30	10:40	6:00	6:00
Union	\$ 400.72	\$ 200.00	10:00	11:00	6:00	6:00
Total	\$6,032.72	\$1,284.96				
Chilli, FBC		\$ 45.00				
MBC		\$ 460.00				
Gilman BC		\$ 200.00				
Milan FBC		\$ 68.47				
Zion BC		\$ 25.00				

Join any of these churches in worship

August 2014 NGR Account

Beginning Balance	\$12,815.10
Income	\$10,612.57
Total	\$23,427.67
Expenses	\$11,561.77
Ending Balance	\$11,865.90

Line Items in General Checking

Designated Funds	\$6,775.35
General Fund	\$5,090.55
Checking Balance Total	\$11,865.90

NGR October-August 2015

(Does not include designated funds)

Income	\$117,765.54
Expenses	\$113,004.22
Difference	\$4,761.32

Seminary Checking	\$263.21
Seminary Savings	\$2,294.99
Benevolent Savings	\$780.40
NGR Savings	\$436.18
BSU- August- Income to Expense	
Beginning Balance	\$2,855.34
Income	\$3,173.43
Total	\$6,028.77
Expenses	\$3,458.37
Ending Balance	\$2,570.40
General BSU Fund	\$2,450.40
Designated BSU Fund	\$120.00



NGR Church News

Edinburg— On August 30th, we had approximately 69 in attendance for our fifth Sunday. Judy Turley and Judy Wynne were in charge of the event and did an amazing job. Lynn McVay came and gave balloon rides to all the children and the adults, (first time for most of the adults). Robert Kincade grilled the hot dogs. Everyone stated this was the best fun and fellowship day we have ever had. So thanks gang for the great evening!

The Ladies Book Club reviewed "Justified" by Varina Denman.

Bob Manual is still leading Wednesday night Bible Study on Romans.

Jerri Manual, Missions Leader, announced it is time for our 2015 Missouri Missions Offering. Mrs. Manual had a video to jump start the offering. *"They will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ and generosity of your contribution for them and for all others". 2 Corinthians 9:13.*

WMU will participate next year in back to school supplies for the beginning of the new school year. It is now time for the Shoe Box Ministry. Will continue to sponsor Ronald McDonald House, Tree House at Liberty Hospital and the Children's Home.

Our search committee is working and seeking God's will for a pastor. We thank our sister churches for their prayers.



Medicine Valley- We continue to pray for and await the coming of two or three Christian families to our community and membership. Family members mature in their faith, committed to serving God, winning the lost and supporting worldwide missions.

We pray for leaders to come forth, stable and long term in their desire to help build the family of God who meet at the Chapel at Newtown and presently at the pastor's home in Humphreys.

I am aware that while many of our rural churches are struggling to maintain their existence, others are experiencing a pattern of steady or even rapid growth.

When I began my ministry in 1949 I became a weekend student pastor of 2 churches with twice monthly preaching on alternate Sundays. Each a rural church a few miles from a north Missouri town. One of these I understand is now closed. The other, Zion at Cainsville, when I was pastor there ran, 12 to 18 in attendance. Later they became so few in number they considered closing but did not. Later two committed families moved back into the community and the church gradually developed a larger ministry. Today they run some 65 to 75 in attendance and are in process of building to accommodate a larger and more active congregation.

My hope is this might be an encouragement to pastors and churches that might be considering giving up and closing the doors. We are instructed, when we need workers to help carry the load, we are to pray to God, and He will send forth reapers unto the harvest (In his own good time and in his own way.)

Medicine Valley Community Ministry performs a God given, people serving ministry in our own area of service. While attendance at Sunday services remains relatively small, we have reached numerous people who now serve the Lord in other places.

Our food ministry, done in Jesus name, blesses the lives of a multitude of people for whom we pray regularly. Our mid-week Bible Studies at Humphreys continue to bless and strengthen additional people.

The support of God's people throughout the association by your prayers, financial contributions and hands on assistance, are both needed and appreciated.

We pray God for a special blessing upon all those who give of themselves in support of this "Mission in your own backyard".

Trenton First— Our Keenagers went to Galt Café for breakfast September 2nd. David and Belinda Hogan hosted the Keenagers on September 18th with a very tasty wild game supper. A great evening of fellowship was enjoyed by all.

The WMU ladies hosted a World Craft Party with a brunch on Sept 12th. It was well attended. Our GA's are promoting a World Hunger needs by a video during worship service. We will have a special World Hunger meal on October 11th.

October 26th we will have our annual western dress Sunday School round up beginning with a breakfast. Y All come!



Jamesport Revival October 8-11, 2015

Starts at 7:00 pm on
Oct. 8th-10th

Friday— Pie Fellowship after church

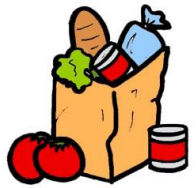
Sunday Morning— 10:45 am

Evangelist Speaker:
Dr. Tom Johnston
Professor of Evangelism at
Mid-Western Baptist Seminary

Volunteers Needed!

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

The food is distributed every month on the 3rd Thursday. The food boxes are put together on the Tuesday prior to the 3rd Thursday at the Newton Baptist Chapel from 9 am to noon.



September dates to help with food distribution at Medicine Valley Community Ministry
October 13th— Prepare Boxes at Newtown Baptist Chapel— 9 am to noon

October 15th— Food Distribution



"It was nice of the church to donate these old pews to the high school."



Cooperative Program Month

What is the Cooperative Program?

The Cooperative Program is the funding process Southern Baptists have used since 1925 to support missions and evangelism around the world. Through CP, the mission of one church is extended to ministries that reach the lost, hungry and hurting.

How does the Cooperative Program work?

It begins with you — your tithes and offerings to your local church. Your church, in turn, gives a percentage of its annual budget to the Missouri Baptist Convention. The MBC invests nearly 60 cents of each dollar in Missouri missions and sends the rest to the Southern Baptist Convention, where CP gifts from 45,000 churches are pooled to support nearly 10,000 missionaries, six seminaries, ethics and religious liberty causes, and more.



Missions Exploration is an opportunity for boys and girls (grades 1-6) to learn about missions in a camp setting. They will enjoy meeting a Missionary and will participate in crafts, games, music, worship and more!

Grand Oaks Baptist Assembly— October 10th

You can register online at mobaptist.org/wmu/missions-exploration/



Missouri Days Festival October 15-18, 2015

North Grand River Baptist Association will be having a booth during Missouri Days.

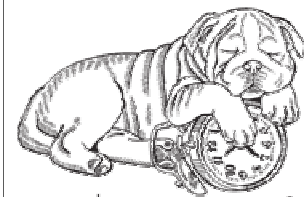
If you would be willing to help in the booth, please contact the office. Your help would be most welcomed.

The Brotherhood and WMU will once again be having hot cocoa and cookies out front of the Mission Center before and during the parade.



NGR WMU will meet on Monday, November 2nd, at Trenton FBC at 10:30 am. This will be a carry in luncheon. We hope you will come

and join us.



Daylight-Saving Time Ends

Sunday
November 1st



The Women's Prayer Luncheon will be on October 20th. Our focus this month will be the Operation Christmas Shoebox Ministry. Following our meeting we enjoy a carry in luncheon. We hope that you will come and join us. We meet in the Osborn Conference Room at the Mission Center and always have a wonderful time together of fellowship, learning of missions and praying together.

Shelly Sims
NGR WMU Director



World Hunger Sunday- October 14

Every October Southern Baptists throughout North America reach deep into their pockets to help those in North America (and throughout the world) who don't have enough to eat. According to statistics collected by the North American Mission Board, hunger is a reality for more than 49 million Americans—that's one out of every six Americans and one in every four American children.

One hundred percent of World Hunger Fund donations given to NAMB goes directly to feed the hungry somewhere on the continent. Every dollar you donate will provide five meals for a hungry family.

About 795 million people globally are undernourished.

BY SUPPORTING GLOBAL HUNGER RELIEF, YOU ARE HELPING OUR PARTNERS FIGHT THE WAR ON HUNGER.

- IMB and BGR are providing food parcels and hygiene kits to Syrian families in desperate need.
- NAMB assists 100-plus backpack programs that help children, from Appalachia to California, as local churches and ministries provide food, love and Good News to people in need.
- The Foundry Church in Pennsylvania (part of the LoveLoud movement) uses Global Hunger Relief funds to develop a community garden producing more than 500 pounds of fresh produce annually.

Fight hunger for \$100 or less

- \$20 feeds five children for a week at Gumdrops Backpack Ministry in Southern Illinois.
- \$50 feeds 250 homeless people in New York City at soup kitchens and sack lunch distributions.
- \$60 provides food for a family for two weeks in the coal mining communities of Kentucky.
- \$75 feeds 400 migrant workers, through the "Feeding Those Who Feed Us" ministry in California.
- \$100 provides 500 meals to the homeless in Las Vegas.

100% OF YOUR GIFT GOES TO HELP HUNGRY PEOPLE