Children, a Gift from God!

Children are a blessing from the Lord. As parents and grandparents, we love and care for them. On a daily basis, we are nurturing, teaching, training, helping, leading, equipping, encouraging, and trying to protect them. In midst of busy lives, we have to ask ourselves, “Are we praying and seeking God’s will for their lives?” Folks, I mean—are we really praying specific, powerful prayers. Are we praying God’s powerful Word and promises over their lives? I encourage you to pray with your children. Read the Word in front of them. Children need to see adults standing up for Christ and making a difference.

There’s a spiritual battle going on in our families today, and the enemy would love nothing more than to destroy all that we hold dear to in this life. Satan’s plan is to kill, steal and destroy. He’ll attack us when we’re not watching. He’ll do everything he can to lure our children his way. Don’t let him win.

Folks, this is serious. Satan is a great deceiver. He would like nothing more than to have us belittle our precious little children. I want to share something that is heavy on my heart. I believe that the Lord would have us call our children “children” not kids. This fad started back in the 60’s and 70’s when the slang term “Kids” was introduced in certain circles. People were trying to be cool. The word kid was being used to refer to children. You would not hear a pastor or teachers use the word kids when referring to our children. Parents with any grain of culture did not call their children kids. The media, TV, radio, newspaper, and magazines shunned the term, “kids.” I remember a sixth grade school teacher correcting our speech if we called a classmate kid. She would tell us that a kid is a baby goat. What used to be vulgar jargon is now being accepted. Restaurant signs say “Kids Eat Free.” Our Christian magazines published articles like “Teach your kids how to pray.” – This needs to be addressed. The first place that we need to start is with Life Way. Call them and let them know that you appreciate their dedication in the ministry and all that they do. Then, in a loving way, share with them the importance of calling our children “Children” not kids. The term kids is filtered through our material. Life Way does a great job. They just need to understand how vital it is to call our Children “Children.”

Folks, we are being very disrespectful to our children when we call them kids. What if every time a child addressed us as an old goat? When Jesus addressed the young people, He called them children. When Jesus was referring to the way to hell, He used the term goats on the left. There is nothing more that Satan would like to do than have us degrade our young people. Over two thousand years ago, a child was born in a manger. Jesus, the Christ Child. He walked the earth setting our example. He never once called our children kids. Jesus wants the best for our children. Let us follow His example and address our little ones by calling them children and let us address our older mature folks as Yes, Sir, No, Sir. Yes Mama or No Mama. This sounds much better than “You old goat.”

God’s children deserve what’s best. He said, “Let the little children come unto me.” Christians, help me lift up our children in prayer to the Lord. Prayer is very essential over our children and families. Folks, we should never underestimate the importance of speaking blessing and truth over the lives of our family and friends.
Prayer is very powerful and God’s Words are true. Here is a prayer for your family.

Dear Jesus,
Thank You, Heavenly Father for Your love and faithfulness. We thank You for Your daily protection and care over our families. Thank You that You give us the power to overcome; and the wisdom to lead and teach our children Your truths. You are our friend, healer, redeemer, restorer, shelter, and we believe in Your Word. We confess our faults. Some days, it’s easy to feel anxious or overwhelmed. We ask that You would make us more like You, more aware of Your constant Presence in our lives. Let us be a reflection of You to others. Help us to release our children to You, so that You are free to fully accomplish all that You desire in their lives. Please fill my family with your Holy Spirit and lead us in Your truths. Lord, let us speak blessing over our children each and every day. Lord, as I follow Your example, allow me to lead in a way that would be pleasing unto You.
In Jesus Name, Amen.

School is approaching quickly for this 2019-2020 school year. Please keep our children and youth in your prayers.

In Christ’s Love,
Bro. Frank Welch

Children’s Camp— August 5th-9th
SRBA Office will be closed (August 5th– 9th)

Children’s Camp has a need for fresh fruits and vegetables. If you would like to donate, please send them with the campers from your church. We appreciate your support!!!

Family Picnic Day

Date: Sunday, September 8, 2019
Time: 3:00– 5:30 p.m.
Place: Bowling Green City Park

Join us for BBQ hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, soda, water and cookies.
Please bring your lawn chairs!

You will enjoy fantastic music, games (including a bounce house), and fellowship.
Sign up for door prizes!!!

For more information, call our SRBA Family Ministries Director Vickey Nutt at 573-975-3821 or 573-324-6420.

AUGUST 17th 2019
NEWSBOYS IN CONCERT

FROM THE CREATORS OF WAR ROOM
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August 5th-9th
AT CAMP INLOW
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Forms due in SRBA office on July 8, 2019

Pike County
FREE RELATIONSHIP COURSES

Couples
Learn how to build a healthy friendship, manage conflict,
and work as a team to improve the relationship. Open to
couples in a committed relationship.

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Learn how to choose the right partner for a
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Who: Anyone aged 18 and
over who wants to
grow better
relationships.

What: Free $100 to all par-
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Where: Louisiana, MO
First Baptist Church

When: Mondays, 6pm-8pm
August 5th—Sept 9th

1-844-739-0846

Ralls County Crusade
September 1-5
6:30-8:00 Nightly

Evangelist Jess McCabe

Youth & Children's Events Nightly

Mark Twain High School Center Missouri
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Saturday, Aug. 17, 2019
3 PM Socializing Begins
4 PM Smoked Meat & Fixin's
5 PM Local Musicians on Stage
6 PM Worship Concert Begins

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Dear Church Families,

Thank you so much for all your love and care for John in his five year journey with cancer. In the last few years, we have not been able to do some of the projects we had done for years. One important one is taking our SRBA used literature over to "Love Packages" at Butler, Illinois to a ministry that distributes these much needed pieces of literature all over the world. Second Baptist in Bowling Green is taking over the ministry for which John and I were very thankful. A group took what we had collected the last couple years over to Butler a few months ago and it was such a blessing that they are planning on another trip in September (I believe). Anyway, ALL USED LITERATURE NEEDS TO GO SECOND BAPTIST FROM NOW ON. Second Baptist's office is open each weekday mornings and the secretary will tell you where you can put the literature. They will be storing it and transporting it. I would encourage other churches to go and spend a day there at "Love Packages"--There is no available food there, so you need to take a sack lunch or buy something on your way there. There just is hardly buildings or anything in "Butler". This is one of the projects that meant a lot to John, and he kept worrying that it wouldn't be continued. “Thanks” to Second Baptist Church and the rest of the association for help to be a part of a much needed ministry. (You can look up "Love Packages, Butler, Illinois" on the internet and learn more about their ministry.) Thanks to all of you for making this possible. Eleanore Warner

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Community Spirit Day
First Baptist Church Louisiana, MO

We would like to personally invite your church congregation to join us, either by attending or praying during this time.

We will start the day at 10:00 am in the church parking lot with a “tailgate party” serving muffins and juice until the time of services at 10:40 am.

The Louisiana Middle School and High School coaches, faculty and students have been invited to be part of this service. As part of this service, recognition will be given to all coaches, athletes, band members, cheerleaders and fans (which will allow everyone to be included)!

The purpose of this day is to “kick-off” the 2019-2020 school year by showing the coaches and all students that the church community is supporting and praying for their success, safety and futures.

We have asked the coaches, faculty and students to dress in sports attire such as jerseys, t-shirts, or uniforms. Please feel free to do the same.

Also, at this time, we would like to announce that we will be hosting “5th Quarter” nights after the following home football games for all high school students: August 30th, September 6th, September 20th, September 27th and October 18th. This will be held in the Ministry Hall at the church from 8:30 pm to 11:00 pm. This will be a safe and fun option for students to attend after the games. It will include snacks and several games to choose from or just a place to sit and visit. We will have several adults chaperoning each night.

We are extending the invitation to join us in helping chaperone, donating food or again praying over these events. Please reach out to us if you are interested in participating.

We appreciate your time and support!
Laura Ince and Marta Ince Jines
First Baptist Community Youth Group Leaders
573-560-2042 or 573-795-2773
THE LeFevre QUARTET

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BE OUR GUEST AND VISIT IN PERSON!
SATURDAY, AUG. 17, 2019
3 PM SOCIALIZING BEGINS
4 PM SMOKED MEAT & FIXIN’S
5 PM LOCAL MUSICIANS ON STAGE
6 PM WORSHIP CONCERT BEGINS

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Save the Date so ya don’t miss the First Annual...

Pro Life Hootenanny

Saturday, October 12th
4:00pm -7:00pm
Family Resource Center
Edgewood, MO (Hwy 61 & WW)
21208 Hwy WW Bowling Green, MO 63334

There will be lots of wonderful Gospel Pickin’ & Grinnin’ music
...and tasty food available for purchase!

This family friendly fund raiser is for two Awesome Pro-Life Ministries

Options for Women
Options for Women, Bowling Green, MO

The Missouri Baptist Children’s Home

For more information or to volunteer to sing please call/text/email Amy Land
Cell: 573.470.9340 Email: srbaaland@gmail.com

Hootenanny

Sponsored by God’s House of Ministry, The Family Resource Center and The Salt River Baptist Association
COME JOIN US
Ralls County Crusade
SEPTEMBER 1-5
6:30-8:00 NIGHTLY

Evangelist Jess McCabe

Youth & Children’s Events Nightly

Music Evangelist Ben Kendall

Mark Twain High School Center Missouri

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Our campers will be learning about the greatest gift we could ever receive. The gift of salvation through the birth, death and resurrection of our Savior.

We will be packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child as a part of that learning time. But we need your help! We are going to try to pack at least 50 shoe boxes.

**We need some items to fill boxes:**

* Bars of soap  
* Wash Cloths  
* Pencils  
* Notepads  
* Comb/Brushes  
* Small Toys  
* Toothbrushes  
* Crayons  
* Other School Supplies

Whatever we don’t use will be sent with an church for their OCC packing parties. Please no food, toothpaste, liquids, war related items, etc.

Please send your OCC items with your campers or deliver to the SRBA associational office at (573) 324-6420 or (573) 470-9340.
The Revival Anthem Tour  7:00 p.m.  Saturday, October 26, 2019
Hannibal, MO at Hannibal - LaGrange University  Mabee Sports Complex

MERCY ME
I CAN ONLY IMAGINE

November 9, 2019
7:00– 10:00 p.m.
1401 Clark Ave
St. Louis, MO 63103
Please keep our 2020 Crusade in your prayers.
Mark your calendar for these exciting events:

**Tuesday Morning Prayer Meetings** – Time: 6:30 a.m.  Place: Family Resource Center

**Thursday Morning Prayer Meetings** – Time: 6:00 a.m.  Place: Rachel’s Restaurant, Elsberry, MO

**Prayer Gathering for Pike County** – Date: Thursday Mornings  Time: 6:30 a.m.  Place: JJ’s Restaurant 313 Georgia St., Louisiana, MO  For more information, call Pastor Bill Maupin at 573-754-6905.

**Celebrate Recovery Thursday Nights** – Time: 7:00 p.m.  First Baptist Church 608 S. Carolina Louisiana

**Children’s Camp** – Date: August 5th-9th  Place: Camp Inlow  Check-In Time: Monday 2:00 p.m.  Check-Out Time: Friday 11:00 a.m.

**Senior Adult Ministry** – Date: August 12th  Time: 6:00 p.m.  Place: Bowling Green  Second Baptist Church

**Young Men’s Bible Study** – Date: August 13th  Time: 6:00 p.m.  Place: Friendship Baptist Church

**Vacation Bible School Reports** – Remember to submit your VBS report to the associational office as well as including the information on your Annual Church Profile. We would love to hear how God is working in your church. Thank you for serving in this powerful ministry.

**SRBA State Fair Ministry** – Date: August 17th  We will be leaving at 5:30 a.m. and plan to return at 6 p.m.  Please call the associational office if you would like to serve.

**Ralls County Crusade** – Dates: September 1st-5th

**Annual Worship Service** – September 25th

**Annual SRBA Meeting** – September 28th

**Missouri Baptist Convention Annual Meeting** – October 28th-29th

**Attention Flood Victims** – The Angel Wings Program (20389 Hwy W, Clarksville, MO) is available to help those in need. For more information call (573) 242-3261.

**Need Prayer?**  Call our SRBA prayer director, Theresa Trower at 573-324-3814.

**NEED Biblical Counseling?** – Call Bro. Kevin Ford at 573-470-1736

**Pathway Newspaper** – Call Bro. Kevin Ford at 573-470-1736  The Pathway is provided FREE through the Cooperative Program giving of your local Missouri Southern Baptist Churches. To subscribe to the printed edition, call 800-736-6227 or subscribe online at mbcpathway.com

**Church Families** – If you have a special event coming up at your church and would like it put in the SRBA newsletter or placed on our website, please get us a flyer. You can send it by mail, e-mail, or just drop it off at the SRBA office. **Please have information to us by the third Monday of each month.**

**Piano Player Wanted:**  God’s House of Ministry is looking for a piano player. Please call (636) 358-2173 for more information.

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**Pike County Back 2 School Fair**

**August 10, 2019**

Pike Co. Fairgrounds

9 am - 12pm

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**Love Your Neighbor**

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Have you told someone about Jesus this week?
Senior Adult Ministry (Ages 55+)
Monday, August 12, 2019          6:00 p.m.
Bowling Green Second Baptist Church

Young Men’s Bible Study
Date: Tuesday, August 13th       Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Friendship Baptist Church

A Special Prayer For Our Students!!!
Lord, we pray a special anointing on each child. Thank you for the gifts that you have given them as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with fresh enthusiasm and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with Your enduring love. Give them confidence, grace, and equip them with the ability to persevere through trials. Bless their teachers with wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve, as they embark on this journey together!
In Jesus Name, Amen!!!

August Missions: Please go through your cabinets and collect some non-perishable food items to donate to the following outreaches. Your participation is important. Thank you for your generosity.

Angel Wings Program: Phone: 573-242-3261    Address: 20389 Hwy W, Clarksville, MO
The Community Food Pantry: Phone: 573-754-2421    Address: 414 Georgia, Louisiana, MO
The Bowling Green Hope Center: Phone: 573-324-6255    Address: 30 North Court, Bowling Green, MO

Music & Ice Cream Social
Sunday, August 18, 2019      6:00 p.m.
Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Lighthouse Ministries
Dinner & Movie Night
August 30, 2019
6:00 p.m.
203 East Maple Curryville, MO

Door Prizes!!!