



The Challenger

July 2016

From the Desk of the DOM:

By the time you receive this copy of the Challenger, summer 2016 will be half-way complete. No, I'm not making predictions or promises about the end of hot weather! I'm speaking of the summer activities in our churches. Please don't fade in praying for Falls Creek, Kiamichi Baptist Assembly, other youth camps, VBS, and the mission trip endeavors by the association and various individual churches throughout the association.

Associational Children's Camp was a huge success this year! It was the largest attendance in the history of the camp. There were 7907 total registrants for the two sessions combined of which 6087 were full time campers or sponsors. We praise the Lord for this great turnout. We praise the Lord more that there were 576 people who prayed to receive Christ and 275 people who came forward to obey the Lord in other ways! The latter included 30 who felt God calling them to missions or some other area of ministry! God did an amazing work at ACC this year and each and every one of you had a hand in it through the support of your local body of believers. Thank you for allowing yourselves to be used by God in this manner.

Once again I wish to remind everyone about the associational mission trip to Grand Island, Nebraska this month. We will leave on Saturday the 23rd and return Friday the 29th. Cost is \$75 per person to cover food purchases. If you or someone you know are interested in knowing more, feel free to call the BBA offices and give me a shout.

I love you all,

Tim Bowen, DOM

Remember when I wrote about a college student asking a child in India what he'd like most in the world? The boy wanted a pencil. That pushed the college student to get school supplies into the hands of children. The story impressed me so much that I determined to put more pencils in shoe boxes. Now that school is out, I'm going to be looking for back-to-school sales and stocking up on pencils. I hope you will start buying pencils and other school supplies to pack in OCC shoe boxes. Children are introduced to Jesus through these gifts.

Dolores White-Kiser



What's Going on in Our Churches

Birthdays

Troy Phillips	July 01
Jim Hodson	July 08
Tammy Wood	July 17
Cindy Bunch	July 18
Wes Schreier	July 20
Philip Wesley	July 21
Shirley Thornton	July 24
Bill Horn	July 27
Ida Peevhouse	July 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Greg & Sunny Thralls	July 05
Bob & Adine Stevens	July 09
Craig & Sherri Whisenhunt	July 09
Charles & Peggy Williams	July 10
Charles & Zona Loyd	July 15
Jeremy & Bethany Dunegan	July 19
Bill & Sharon Ledbetter	July 22
Tim & Robin Bowen	July 29

Ministry Anniversaries

Billie Robinson	07/00/2000
Troy & Stacie Phillips	07/03/2012
Charles Williams	07/07/1988
Scott & Billie Hamilton	07/24/2011
Frankie Holmes	07/27/2005

From the BBA Prayer Ministry Team Leader

A few weeks ago I brought a message on "Guaranteed Answers to Prayer." For the next few issues of the Challenger I will share the verses used in the message and make some

comments on them. We will start off with: **Matt. 18:19-20 Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.** I understand there could be many

insights on these verses, but here is my take: First I see that it is a powerful tool to pray in agreement. I see here the importance of unity in the church, in the association, yes even in the home. For if the husband and wife are not getting along, it will severely affect their prayer life. Even if husband and wife are not carrying out their God given roles in the family, it will affect their prayer life. That is a whole message within itself.

Certainly, if there are factions within the church or even the association, those factions will affect the anointing of the Spirit and the prayers of the church or the association as a body.

Another thing that sticks out to me is the fact that when we come together, it should be to worship Him, when we meet our Lord should be the focus. We will look at other verses in future editions. But rest assured if we line up with God's Word, our prayers will be answered, it is guaranteed!

In His Grip, Bro. Anthony

Senior Adult Luncheons

July 13 at Reynolds Chapel

August 10 at Calera



Concerts & Singings

- Stonecreek Baptist invites you to join Sunday, July 24th for Grandpa's Neighbors. Concert will follow morning worship & lunch.
- Grace Baptist invites you to a 5th Saturday Singing, July 30, 6 p.m. Featuring The Williamsons, a nationally known gospel band.
- Join FBC Durant for the McNeill Family from Garland, TX on August. 7, 6 p.m. in the Student Worship Center.

Bobby & Kerry Hatcher and Jerrie Goforth recently returned from a mission trip to Latvia with the Singing Churchwomen. If your church would be interested in hearing about their trip, contact the BBA Office.



Ahoy from LTBRM!

We have several weeks open this summer! Open dates are listed below (booked dates are marked with an X). If your church would like to host a retreat or mission trip, call :
Pete Richards
580-579-1671

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17 X	18 X	19 X	20 X	21 X	22 X	23 X
24 X	25 X	26 X	27 X	28 X	29 X	30 X
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Vacation Bible School

June 26-July 1 FBC Colbert
 June 27-July 1 FBC Durant
 July 10-13 Grace
 July 11-15 Kenefic
 July 24-28 FBC Calera
 July 24-28 FBC Platter
 July 24-29 Blue

Streetman Rd Baptist Church is prayerfully searching for a pastor. If the Lord leads you, please send your resume to:
 Pastor Search Committee,
 Streetman Rd Baptist Church
 26 W Turner Rd.
 Mead, OK 73449.

Streetman Rd Baptist Church is currently in search of a Music Leader/ Piano player. If you are interested in leading our morning worship and evening service, please contact us! We would love to hear your God given talent.
 Kent Moore
 1-405-623-6666

FBC Platter is seeking a Bi-Vo Music/Worship Minister. Please send resumes to:
 P.O. Box 1078
 Platter, OK 74753
 Or call: 580-965-4977
 (calls will be returned)

Western Meadows is seeking a part time Music/Worship Minister. Send resumes to:
j6420@yahoo.com

FBC Cartwright is searching for a Bi-Vo Worship Minister. Please send resumes to:
 P.O. Box 264
 Cartwright, OK 74731 or
stacierphillips@yahoo.com.

Please pray for our pastorless churches:
 Albany Baptist Church
 Streetman Road



The Great Physician's Pharmacy is in need of volunteers to wash pill bottles and RNs. If you are interested in helping with our pharmacy ministry, contact **Karen Horn at 580-434-2379.**

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We love to have your church's events in the Challenger. If you or your church have any announcements or news you would like to be included in next month's Challenger, please contact the BBA office before July 20th.

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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3	 BBA Office Closed	5	6	7	8	9
Falls Creek Youth Camp Week 5						
10	BBA Exec. Comm. Meeting 5:30 p.m.	12	\$8 Adult Luncheon @ Reynolds Chapel	BBA Budget & Finance @ 5:30 p.m.	15	
Falls Creek Youth Camp Week 6 (Associational Week)						
17	Serving Your Community Sunday	BBA Exec. Board Meeting @ Primera Durant	19	20	21	22
Falls Creek Youth Camp Week 7						
24	25	26	27	28	29	
Mission Trip to Grand Island, Nebraska						
Falls Creek Youth Camp Week 8						
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Falls Creek Indian Week						

