



The Challenger

October 2017



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BAPTIST RESORT MINISTRY

The 107th Annual Meeting of the Bryan Baptist Association
will be held on

Sunday, October 15, 2017.

Business will be conducted at 3:30 p.m. at FBC Cartwright,
with a meal to follow.

Ministry booths will be open 5—7 p.m. at Silo Baptist
and the worship celebration will follow.

If you are a board representative, please plan to attend.

What's Going on in Our Churches

Birthdays

Billie Robinson Oct. 01
 Deana Bartholomew Oct. 12
 Neta Wesley Oct. 12
 Peggy Williams Oct. 13
 Shirley Chambers Oct. 15
 Bob Stevens Oct. 16
 Frances Lewis Oct. 19
 Reba McLaughlin Oct. 23
 Janell May Oct. 25
 Ryan Perry Oct. 25
 Heather Benito Oct. 26
 Carrie Gosnell Oct. 26
 Craig Whisenhunt Oct. 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Andy & Lindy Hanson 10/01/83
 Alvie & Shirley Thornton 10/05/57
 Roddy & Jeana Arnold 10/05/84
 Scott & Billie Hamilton 10/16/93
 Kerry & Kay Groce 10/17/70

Ministry Anniversaries

Preston Burns 10/01/03
 Mack Chambers 10/01/—
 Jacob Toews 10/01/88
 Bethany Dunegan 10/12/09
 Tommy Green 10/12/14



Western Meadows is seeking a P/T Worship Minister. Send resumes to: j6420@yahoo.com

Streetman Rd is in search of a Music Leader/Pianist. If you're interested in leading our services, please contact us! We would love to hear your God given talent.
 Kent Moore 1-405-623-6666

FBC Cartwright is searching for a Bi-Vo Worship Minister.

Send resumes to: stacierphillips@yahoo.com or P.O. Box 264 Cartwright, OK 74731

Utica is seeking a P/T Youth Minister. For more information, contact Leann Bishop. 580-920-9929

Stone Creek is seeking a Bi/Vo Pastor with a family to help us grow in God's grace. Send resumes to: Pastor Search Committee, P.O. Box 1262 Durant, OK 74702



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3. Assists churches in securing funds for expansion, emergencies and ministry challenges.

For more information, contact the Foundation at www.bfok.org or 1-800-949-9998.

—Norman Ford



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From the BBA Prayer Ministry Team Leader

As I write this article for the October Challenger, I am concerned for the church. Perhaps, I am in error, but it seems like the Lord's church, at least in America has lost it's passion. O, I realize there is always a remnant, but as a whole, we are lukewarm, apathetic and down right lazy when it comes to our priorities being the priorities of our Lord Jesus. It seems, the way of the world has more influence on the church than the ways of Christ. We are more interested in our TV shows, sports team, hobbies and so forth that we are in our eternal destiny. We excuse our sinful thoughts, words and actions and compromise with the evil one and think there are no eternal consequences. Our Biblical Core Values are strained by political correctness and as well as standing for righteousness. We are so busy that we don't take time to read the Scripture, much less meditating on the Word. Mostly our prayer life, is a quick thanks for our meal, (maybe) or a distress call out to our Father when we are having trouble. I truly believe the end of time, as we know it is near, it is time to wake up, get up and go forth as a body of Christ, touching souls with His love.

In His Grip, Bro. Anthony



Operation Christmas Child: New for 2017!
No toothpaste/candy;
new requested
donation is \$9 per box.

Have you set a goal for the number of shoeboxes you'll fill? If not, time is running out to get started!

You could have a shoebox party where people bring gifts and stack like items in a pile on a table. Then walk around the table and select gifts for the appropriate age/gender of the recipient. After filling, check the age on the label, tape onto the put and secure with a strong rubber band. When you're through, have each person pray and dedicate them to the Lord's glory in prayer. That's the most important part: that kids will be saved because of the effort!

Help the BBA reach their goal of 3,300 shoeboxes. Just think, we can reach 3,300 souls for Christ!

I thank my friends who have given me supplies!

--Dolores Kiser



**You are invited to celebrate
Alvie & Shirley Thornton's
60th Wedding Anniversary!
Saturday, October 7 at 2-4 p.m.
Armstrong Baptist Fellowship Hall**

Senior Adult Luncheons

**Oct. 11—Hendrix
Nov. 08—Grace**

**Please pray for
our pastorless
churches:**

**Albany, Kenefic,
Brown, Colbert,
Stone Creek**




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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 October 23rd.



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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am at Calvary	4	5	6	7
8		10 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am at Calvary	11 Sr. Adult Luncheon @ Hendrix	12	13	14
BBA 107th Annual Meeting Business @ Cartwright Worship @ Silo	16	17 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am at Calvary	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am at Calvary	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Pastor/Staff Conference 10:30am at Calvary	October is Cooperative Program Focus Month			