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# MEADOWBROOK NEWS

*September 2015*

*Newsletter of Meadowbrook Baptist Church*

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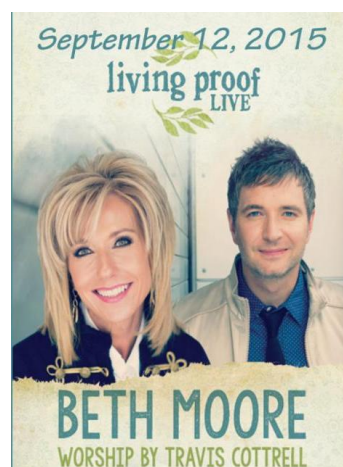


Saturday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>  
Dennis Swanberg @ IBSA  
"How to be a Man of God"  
Free Men's & Boys Event  
Let Pastor know by Sept 13<sup>th</sup>  
if you plan to attend.

CELEBRATE  
AMERICA

Family Style  
Friday, Sept 18, 7:00pm  
The Lesters  
and  
The Chosen Ones  
Grace Southern Baptist Church, Virden  
\$10/person  
To order tickets: 217-899-0000


Dennis Swanberg  
A Night of Laughter for everyone!  
Saturday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, 6pm  
Springfield High School  
\$10/person at the door



Saturday, Sept 12<sup>th</sup>  
IBSA Building, Springfield  
Check-in- 8:30am  
Simulcast- 9:30am-4:30pm  
Cost- \$10/person, includes lunch  
Register: [www.IBSA.org/women](http://www.IBSA.org/women)

Auburn Community Food Drive  
Sunday, Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, 1-4pm  
If you will be able to help collect food, please  
meet at the Catholic Church at 12:45pm

September Breakfast  
Sunday, Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 9am

*From My Heart  
to Yours*  
  
*By Pastor  
David Van Bebber*

Fourteen years ago this month we moved to Auburn from Minnesota. Sarah was just turning five and began attending pre-K at Auburn. I can still remember her walking down the sidewalk with her Winnie the Pooh backpack. I couldn't believe she was already starting to school. I couldn't imagine her one day being a senior in high school. But that year came and went like a flash and there she was walking across the stage to get her diploma. When we left Sarah last week, after getting her settled in at college, I thought how proud I was of her and I knew in my heart that she is where God wants her to be. In just a few years Rachel and Rebekah will also be in college and of course I am very proud of them as well. But it seems like just yesterday I was buying them Barbies & Veggie Tale videos and now they are driving. Our kids grow up fast! As parents and as a church we must realize the sacred trust and the tremendous impact that we have the few short years they are in our midst. As a new year of school begins this fall, I want to challenge each of us to look for how we might pray for, mentor, teach, and be an example to the preschoolers, children and youth in our midst. I was so impressed by how everyone helped for the week of VBS, but how might we team together to impact kids throughout the year. Would you be willing to help out with a preschool, children or youth class? Would you be willing to help work with our youth group? Would you volunteer to help Lori and Sherri with TeamKID? Let's join together in making an eternal investment in these young lives. Let me know where you can help make that difference. I love you, I love being your pastor and I love investing my life in Christ in making a difference in these young lives.

**Al's ½ Note** 

CCBA 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Choir  
 During the Annual Meeting  
 October 18<sup>th</sup> at Living Faith,  
 Sherman  
 Practices at FBC Riverton  
 Sept 27, 2-3:30pm  
 Oct 13, 7-8:30pm  
 Those wishing to participate  
 email John Keyes @  
 preacherman.84@sbcglobal.net

We attend church and worship services hopefully, to have an encounter with our Creator, Sustainer, our Lord, Savior and God. I have covered, in previous articles, that we must make preparations prior to our coming to church. We must come fully rested with an adequate amount of sleep, be ready for worship physically and mentally, be yielding to the Word and Spirit of God, and to lay aside any problems or negativity that we may have in our life. But another thing that is of utmost importance for us to do is to have a genuine desire to encounter God. A genuine desire to encounter God will precede and enhance a true worship experience. Our attitude is vital to our worship. We must correct our attitude before anything positive will happen. Do we focus on the Lord, sermon and the music, or are we thinking about everything under the sun? Jesus tells us in Matt 5:6 that "we need to hunger and thirst for righteousness". We have to possess the attitude and desire to truly have an encounter and worship God. When entering the sanctuary, do we have a "hunger and thirst"? The Lord promises that when we do, "we will be filled"! Let us get out our screwdriver, whatever that may be, make an adjustment on ourselves, and truly have a worshipful encounter with God. See ya'll in worship! I WILL BE READY, WILL YOU?

Luv Ya'll  
 Al

**Mission Illinois  
 Offering**  
 "Together, In Concert"  
 Sept 13-20  
 Help support the work Illinois Baptists are doing across the state through mission projects, children's camps, VBS training, and equipping church leaders as they focus on making disciples.

**MISSION PROJECT:**  
 There are many children in our district who are unable to afford school supplies. If you would be willing to help with this much needed ministry, there will be a collection box in the church foyer. Thank you for helping these children!  
**Suggested items:**  
 Plastic 3-hole folders  
 (paper folders will also work)  
 Pens/pencils  
 Cheap earbud headphones  
 1" binders  
 Calculators: TI-30X or 2S  
 Zip binders

**Deacon Ballots**  
 New Deacon ballots have been mailed and the collection box is on the foyer table.

Eastland is looking for volunteers to join their residents for lunch and afternoon games. Please call Mary Ann at 217-891-9896



### Meadowbrook Youth Ministries

#### Youth Events Coming Up:

- Sept 6 Breakfast- 9am
- Sept 9 Back to school
- Sept 18 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter
- Sept 20 Powder Puff game @ the stadium
- Sept 27 Food Drive

Join us weekly for:



#### IGNITE

Wednesdays- 7pm

Sundays

**The Gathering-** 9:30am

**Hang-time-** 5-7pm- selected Sunday evenings

**Calling all youth!!!** We need help collecting food for the Auburn Food Pantry on Sunday, Sept 27<sup>th</sup>. We will eat a quick lunch after church (bring \$\$\$) and then meet at the Catholic Church at 12:45pm.

5<sup>th</sup> Quarter Bonfire



Sept 18<sup>th</sup>

#### Building Cleaning Sign-up

Sign-up sheet for September & October is on the foyer bulletin board.

Thank you for serving with a servant's heart!

### 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Baptist Children's Home & Family Services Fall Festival

Saturday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, 10am-2pm on the Carmi campus  
Admission & lunch are FREE!  
(Horseback rides, auto show, inflatables, entertainment, games, craft demonstrations, food)

COMING in OCTOBER...

### Children's Missions Celebration 2015

"Learning to See What Jesus Sees"

\$15/person- includes T-shirt & lunch  
Children in grades 1-6 will have the opportunity to interact with missionaries, make crafts, and learn about a new culture.  
Friday (Oct 2)  
7-8:30pm Early Bird Activities

Saturday (Oct 3)  
9:30am Check-in  
10:00am Missions Celebration  
3:00pm Dismiss

IBSA Building, Springfield  
Register: IBSA.org/Kids or contact Barb Troeger @ IBSA.org (217)391-3138

#### Financial News Year-to-Date

As of Aug 29<sup>th</sup>:

Receipts to date-	\$ 54,624.26
Needed to date-	\$ 65,432.00
Checking Account:	\$ 3,276.43
Deacon Acct-	\$ 212.95
Building Acct-	\$ 270.45
World Changer Acct-	\$ 400.00
Debit Account-	\$ 56.94
Projector Fund	\$ 1,827.00

Children's Ministry  
Sunday School  
9:30am  
every Sunday  
for all ages

Pre-k  
Thru  
6<sup>th</sup>gr



TeamKID begins  
September 9<sup>th</sup>

Mother/Daughter Retreat  
Sept 18-19,  
Lake Sallateeska  
Baptist Camp  
for daughters ages 8-12  
Register:  
[www.IBSA.org/women](http://www.IBSA.org/women)

**New Projector Fund**  
Special thanks to Jerry Atkinson and Al Crocker for installing the new projector. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously.



To our Family and Friends

#### September

- 9 Morgan Brummett
- 12 Sonny Dudley
- 20 Bob Burton
- 22 Sandy Lancaster
- 26 Grace Driver
- 27 Sarah Van Bebber
- 30 Tracie Lancaster
- 30 Patricia Van Bebber

Please let us know if we have overlooked your birthday. We want to include all of our church family.

†Faithful Servants in September†

Nursery: Babies - Two's

6<sup>th</sup> Cinda Cain  
13<sup>th</sup> Rachel Van Bebber  
20<sup>th</sup> Sherry Dugger  
27<sup>th</sup> Kristi Lancaster

Three's - Five's

Stacey Mitkos  
Jordan Beagle  
Bekah Van Bebber  
Mary Atkinson

Security

Mike Crocker  
Todd Brummett  
John Cribbett  
Nick Rector

Ushers

6<sup>th</sup> Marc Brown, Gale Cockrum, Lonnie Cain  
13<sup>th</sup> Gale Cockrum, Lonnie Cain, Zack Rector  
20<sup>th</sup> Lonnie Cain, Zack Rector, Brian Rector  
27<sup>th</sup> Zach Rector, Brian Rector, Nick Rector

Counting Team

Louise Dudley & Hettie Crocker  
Carol Cockrum & Brian Rector  
Pat Stuhmer & Kim Brown  
Mary Atkinson & Jodi Rector

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON THE DATE INDICATED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE IN YOUR AREA. If you would like to serve as an Extended Session helper, please fill out the form on the foyer bulletin board.

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**Sunday Schedule**

9:30a.m. - Bible Study for all

10:40a.m. - Morning Worship

**Wednesday Schedule**

6:15p.m. - Praise Team

7:00p.m. - Adult Bible Study

- TeamKID (PreK-6gr)

- Youth IGNITE

(7-12 gr)