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“Holding Forth The Word of Life”

Philippians 2:16

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## *An Overview of the 2014 BMA of Missouri Annual Meeting*

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Landmark Baptist Church  
DeSoto, Missouri*

*by Don Burke, Assistant Editor*

It was a blessing to join together in worship, fellowship and business as the 87th annual session of the BMA of MO met at Landmark Baptist Church in DeSoto last month. The Enrollment Committee reported fifty-one messengers representing twenty-four of our churches; seven churches represented by letter alone; and \$2,030 sent in for the Minute Fund.

Highlights of the day included a morning devotional by Bro. Tom McCanless. After the sounding of the gavel the Association approved the re-petitioning for membership by Antioch at Oxly (Bro. Larry Edwards Sr., pastor).

Bro. Jamie Jones reported on the continued growth of the North Lake congregation in Smithville. The Association voted to give North Lake \$1,000 from the missions fund to go towards acquiring a new meeting place (which Bro. Jones is currently investigating).

Other highlights included the approval to give Camp Garwood \$5,000, earmarked for capital improvements. (This money is to come from the 2014 interest earned on CD's held by the Loan Association.) Also the Association voted to give Bro. James Hoffmann a \$2,000 “appreciation offering” as combined Christmas bonus and recognition for his 25 years of service.

The following were elected or appointed at the meeting:

1. Bro. Brian Meade elected as Association President for 2014-15; Bro. Jerry Adams elected as Vice President;

2. Bro. Brad Banderman to service on the Alive Committee (term ending 2018);

3. Bro. Matt Bolen to serve on the Encampment Committee (2019);

4. Bro. Tom McCannless to serve on the Special Missions Committee (2021);

5. Bros. Randy Zinn, Lee Miller, and Roy Callahan as the 2015 Resolutions Committee;

6. Bros. Russell Chitwood, Denver Page, and Matt Bolen as the 2015 Enrollment Committee.

Bro. David Erickson from the BMA Seminary gave the an-

nual message on the subject of “Why We Come Together as an Association.”

The Association approved the Resolutions Committee report:

“Jesus is the light of the world. Just as He exposed and reprovved sin during His personal ministry here on earth, we who are partakers of His great light, are called to shine as lights in this dark and sinful world in which we live.

“Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we stand united in our commitment to one another and to the Great Commission that we’ve received from God to faithfully proclaim the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ – His virgin birth, His sinless life, His cruel death, His temporary burial and His literal physical resurrection;

2. That we reaffirm our commitment and uncompromising stand to preach without shame all biblical truths to all the world;

3. That we pray for our country and our country’s leaders, and that we vote for leaders who support biblical values, such as:

a. The unwavering support and protection of the nation of Israel.

b. The sanctity of life. That life begins at conception and is to be protected at all stages.

c. That we stand firm for the civil rights of all citizens, but believe that the creation of so-called “gay rights” for same-sex marriage and homosexual adoptions are a threat to the stability of our country’s foundation by the destruction of the traditional family.

“Be it further resolved that we give a standing vote of thanks to pastor Wayne Gibson and the Landmark Baptist Church for their gracious hospitality in hosting this annual meeting.”

## *Alive Student Conference 2014*

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## *Thanksgiving Day Prayer*

*A reminder to be careful that we do not substitute busyness for  
GIVING THANKS!*

*Lord, so often times, as any other day  
When we sit down to our meal and pray*

*We hurry along and make fast the blessing  
Thanks, amen. Now please pass the dressing*

*We’re slaves to the olfactory overload  
We must rush our prayer before the food gets cold*

*But Lord, I’d like to take a few minutes more  
To really give thanks to what I’m thankful for*

*For my family, my health, a nice soft bed  
My friends, my freedom, a roof over my head*

*I’m thankful right now to be surrounded by those  
Whose lives touch me more than they’ll ever possibly know*

*Thankful Lord, that You’ve blessed me beyond measure  
Thankful that in my heart lives life’s greatest treasure*

*That You, dear Jesus, reside in that place  
And I’m ever so grateful for Your unending grace*

*So please, heavenly Father, bless this food You’ve provided  
And bless each and every person invited Amen!*

*--Scott Wesemann*

*May you have a blessed Thanksgiving!*

*Editor & Mrs. Hoffmann*

**Charity at Bismarck will host the 2015 annual meeting. Mt. Zion at Poplar Bluff will be the meeting place of the Missions Symposium and Semi-Annual meeting.**

***Thank You!!  
for the very generous gift marking my 25 years as editor and for the 2013 Christmas Bonus.  
Bro. Hoffmann***

# +++ NEWS BRIEFS +++

**Stony Point, Mineral Point**, has been blessed over and over during the past month. During our morning service on October 12, Arnold Stivers was saved and is a candidate for baptism. Scarlet Nelson also came forward requesting baptism. In the evening service on the 12th the Church went into revival being preached by Bro. Dillon Harper. The revival continued through the 15th with the church focusing on herself as a fellowship of believers and her mission in this community to spread the gospel. On October 18th the Washington County Association held its annual meeting at Stony Point. October 19th saw the graduation of 6 of our young people from children's worship to adult worship. Jack Henry, one of the graduates, was recognized for his quick response in alerting his family to a fire in their home in the early morning hours. On October 26th the church held a hayride to Bro. Gary and Sis. Deb Coleman's home with games, food and the church membership showing their appreciation to Bro. Claude and Sis. Bea. November 2 the church recognized Sis. Lorene Douglas for her faithfulness to the church. Sis. Lorene is the longest tenured member of Stony Point and Bro. Claude indicated he believed Sis. Lorene had been around so long she taught Sunday school to Moses....and if that were actually the case....I believe that would make Sis. Lorene a VERY GOOD Sunday school teacher. The Lord continues to bless and we give thanks to Him.

Claude Evans, Pastor • David Hughes, Reporter

Greetings from **Bethlehem, Doniphan!** The month of October started out busy and stayed busy all month long. Praise the Lord! On October 3rd & 4th we were privileged to host the Cane Creek Annual Association Meeting. On Friday, October 3rd we heard a wonderful message from Bro. Brian Whitlock called "Why Are You Here?" And then on Saturday morning we heard another awesome message from Bro. Ernie Cate on "A Weary Warrior." The main thing from both sermons was don't stop, finish the race! On Saturday, October 11th we met at Piney Woods State Park for our annual Walk for the World. Even if it was a little wet and chilly a good time was had by everyone who attended. Bro. Mike Mueller brought the devotional at the walk. It was quiet interesting the things he taught us about the common household tape measure! On Saturday evening October 11th a group of 15 of us went to see "The Judgment House" in Minor, MO. Bro. Leon Peeler brought the information to our church concerning the Judgment House. We also met up with Bro. & Sis. Matt Baker from Black River MBC at McDonald's in Minor and had dinner together. Then 3 of Bro. Leon's coworkers with some of their family members joined us at the church where the Judgment House was held. Three of our youth rededicated their lives back to the Lord. Several that attended brought back something to share with the church on Sunday. In fact, there was so much information shared that Bro. Russell didn't have time to preach that morning. The next Saturday, October 18th, we had our annual Fish Fry at the home of Bro. & Sis. C. H. Colburn. Twenty seven people were in attendance. Good food and fellowship was had by all who attended! On Sunday, October 19th, we went to the Third Sunday Singing with Providence MBC in Puxico, MO. Everyone there had a good time fellowshiping and singing with our brothers and sisters in Christ. The last weekend of the month of October was spent at the State Associational Meeting with Bro. Russell Chitwood, Bro. Mike Mueller & Bro. Leon Peeler representing all of Bethlehem. Now after having such a busy month of October you would think we might slow down in the month of November but don't count on it as Saturday, November 8th we will be hosting our 3rd annual Fall Festival. But by the time

you are reading this that will be a thing of the past so you will have to wait until next month to see how it turned out. The Lord willing it will be a huge success! Happy Thanksgiving and May God help each of us to be mindful of everything that He has blessed us with! Until next month, may God bless us all! Russell Chitwood, Pastor  
Yvonne Hill, Reporter

Greetings to all our brothers and sisters from **Ozark Heights, Potosi**. What an amazing transition as God brings the colors of the Fall season upon us. It is so beautiful to see His artwork painted across the hills and valleys. We praise Him for the glory He shares. We began our month with a baptism of Sis Addison and end the month with another profession of faith by Sis Aubree; we praise His glorious name and thank Him for His saving grace. Walk for the World was scheduled at Elephant Rock State Park on October 12th after morning services but due to the weather it had to be canceled. Sis Judy Wells said "We will just have to walk twice as far next year" and "now break out that checkbook and show your love for world missions!" On Friday October 24th we enjoyed a wonderful time at Bro. Butch and Sis. Loretta Wilkinson's home where we had our annual bonfire, hot dog roast and hayride. Everyone appreciates their willingness to open their home and provide a wonderful evening.. Thank you Bro. Butch and Sis Loretta for all you do! We enjoyed Talent night on Sunday evening October 26th with songs, praise, readings and poems followed by food and fellowship. The weather turned cold on October 31st when we hosted the annual Trunk or Treat for the neighborhood so we had to bring the treats inside so we could stay warm this year. I am so thankful my husband Bill is again able to attend church with me after a time

of illness, truly God has blest us with his recovery. Bro. Floyd Lawson has been going through some troubling health issues for some time now, please keep him and others on our prayer list in your prayers.

We had been planning and working to have our Harvest Dinner on November 2nd with Bro. Wendell Johnson providing the music, followed by an amazing dinner in our fellowship hall. We are thankful to all who came out and shared the blessings and bounty that God has provided. Until next time may God bless and keep you safe and well!

Brian Meade, Pastor • Georgie Brokaw, Reporter

**Oak Hill, Alton**, says "Hello to All!" We are still PRAISING THE LORD Heaven has gained another soul on October 26th Sis. Tina Bates joined the family of God. Dakota Shaw re-dedicated her life to the Lord on November 2nd. Dakota is one of our growing youth group. We had a great time at our Walk-of-Faith fish fry on the eleventh of October. We raised a lot of money to spread the gospel on the radio in different countries in thirty-four different languages. Events in November include Saturday November 8th which is our hayride and hot dog roast at 5:00 p.m. On our hayrides you will never know what could happen; you could be scared by someone jumping out at you as we are driving by, but we always end up singing and having a really good time. We usually go on one or two different hayrides; it just depends on the number of people wanting to ride. All are welcome to our hayride and hot dog roast. Sunday November 30th is our fifth Sunday dinner. We have our morning services then we go over to our Fellowship Hall and eat lunch, then we have our evening service in the afternoon. Everyone is welcome to our fifth Sunday dinner. God Bless!!

Edward Casey, Pastor • Jennifer Williams, Reporter

**First Baptist, Potosi** sends greetings to our brothers and sisters in Christ. Jack Walls, a long time member, went home to be with the Lord on the seventh. If you need something to fill the void in your life, we have just what you need. The women's Bible study is every Tuesday at 9, GMA is every Monday after school, meetings for women and men in the evenings are at least once a month and sometimes more. Wednesday night services are led by Brother Leonard Compton while AWANA and COW are meeting. The big event for AWANA was the scavenger hunt at the park and for COW it was the Judgment House (My grandson was saved that night). The Kairos group was here this past weekend for the prison ministry at Potosi

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## FINANCIAL REPORT BMA OF MISSOURI MISSIONS • October 2014

### General Fund:

Balance September 30, 2014		\$	21,841.57	
October Receipts:	\$	<u>2,842.90</u>	\$	<u>2,842.90</u>
Total Available		\$	24,684.47	

### Disbursements:

Director's Salary	\$	900.00		
Office Equipment	\$	124.47		
Bank Fees	\$	3.00		
Director's Expenses	\$	9.37		
Lap Top Computer	\$	1,039.98		
Advisory Committee	\$	<u>429.04</u>		
Total Disbursements	\$	2,505.86	\$	<u>2,505.86</u>
Balance October 31, 2014:		\$	22,178.61	

### Savings:

Certificate of Deposit	\$	67,217.55
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ING Direct Savings	\$	<u>11,149.01</u>

## Mission Director's Annual Report

Our partnership work with the Meramec Association and the BMA of America continued this year as we graciously extended our financial support to church planter Jamie Jones and the North Lake Church at Smithville, MO. God blessed the congregation with a larger and more visible facilities to meet in this past year. We rejoice with the folks at North Lake as several more people were saved and baptized this past year. With the addition of 17 souls this past summer, the church is well on its way to being firmly established. This past year, the BMA of America continued their financial support of an associate missionary for North Lake, Jared Kathcart. Jared is doing a great job hosting a small group and working with the youth at the church.

I was very happy that Larry Barker, John Herring, and Jamie Jones spoke at our annual Mission Symposium last May. Many of you shared with me that you really enjoyed the panel format and Q&A discussion that we had with the three missionaries on the blessings and challenges of planting a church in today's culture. This year the mission symposium offering was designated for the Missouri Baptist Paper. Individuals and churches gave a gift of over \$4400 to keep the paper solvent this year. Thank you! On a sadder note, it seems

that attendance at the mission symposium continues to drop each year and we may need to make some determination in the near future concerning its effectiveness and its continuation.

The new church plant at Nixa, MO continues to flourish under the leadership of John and Alisha Herring. Our association provided a \$1000 love offering last year to this project. Thank you for praying and for supporting this fine couple!

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as your Director of Missions for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
Danny R. Kirk

## "That's A Good Question!"

by *Danny Kirk*

I remember an experience from my youth when I was watching my Dad do some repair work on an automobile. He had his head under the hood and ask me (quite urgently) to get him a crescent wrench from his tool box. I ran over to the tool box and began digging around looking for a crescent wrench. My problem was I didn't have a clue what a crescent wrench was. I had this hope that I would recognize it when I saw it. This of course did not happen, and soon my dad asked me what was taking so long. With trepidation I told my father, I could not find it. He came over to the tool box, looked in, and said, "It's right there, right on top!" He then said, "Son, you don't know what a crescent wrench is...do you? Why didn't you ask me?" I had great respect for my dad's mechanical abilities, and I simply didn't want him to know that I had very

little knowledge of tools. I attempted to figure out what a crescent wrench was on my own. One good question on my part would have saved both my dad and me some time and energy.

From an early age, we are often taught "not to ask too many questions", whether it be at home, school, or church. Sometimes questions are considered rude, inconsiderate, nosy, or a demonstration of a lack of faith in the other person. We therefore grow up with a fear of asking ques-

## Attention All BMA of MO Churches

The following note was just received from our Association Clerk, Bro. Don Burke:

"I have caught up on the church letters that were sent in this year (as always, some come in after the meeting.) Well, as of the moment we have **20 of our 58 churches that have not reported**. That is 1 out of 3 churches! It would be great, if there is room in this paper, to remind folks to send their letters in. I plan to take them through the end of the month."

Our By-laws state "Any church not identifying with this Association either by messenger or letter for three consecutive years shall be considered as having terminated her membership in this Association."

For more information contact Bro. Don at 573-438-8899 or [potosipastor@gmail.com](mailto:potosipastor@gmail.com),

tions and find ourselves asking fewer and fewer questions as time goes by. We begin to develop the strategy of "I'll figure it out myself".

This fear can be particularly troublesome to leaders. Many leaders believe they must have all the answers to the questions that are asked of them and must never respond with another question. This belief may lead them to respond based on past and even irrelevant experiences. The answer/decision may be made without the input of those on the front line, closest to the problem. The quick answer provided may continue to promote an atmosphere of fear...the fear of asking good questions like: "Why do we do it this way?"

Successful leaders will not only ask questions, they will build a culture of encouraging others to ask questions. Michael Marquardt, in his book, "Leading With Questions" states that people who work in a questioning culture exhibit the following six hallmarks:

1. People will be willing to admit, "I don't know."
2. People will go beyond allowing questions, but also encourage questions.
3. People will be assisted in developing skills to ask questions in a positive way.
4. People will focus on asking empowering questions and avoid disempowering questions.
5. People will emphasize the process of asking questions and searching for answers rather than finding the "right" question.
6. People will accept and reward risk taking.

Some leaders have yet to experience the power that a question can unleash. There are many benefits not only for the leader, but for others as they work together in a questioning culture. The following are just a few:

1. Asking questions of others will broaden our own perspective and escape the confining paradigms of our own past experiences and viewpoints.
2. Asking questions will help leaders let go of the own ego-driven need to have all the answers or to "always be right".
3. Asking questions will help develop leadership in others by providing opportunities for others to search for answers and solutions that work.

One of the primary skills of a good coach is his or her ability and willingness to ask questions. During the coaching conversation, he or she will ask open-ended questions, clarifying questions, stimulating questions, probing questions, questions from multiple perspectives, and summarizing questions. The questions are designed to help the coachee find insight, discovery, and options which lead to an appropriate plan of action. In any conversation, I love to hear the words- "That's a good question".

If you would like to know more about Christian coaching, please visit my website at [www.youneedcoaching.com](http://www.youneedcoaching.com)

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Correctional Facility. New members this month are Dawn Eaton, who joined by statement, and Aaron Wright, who professed his faith and joined the church to be followed by baptism the first Sunday in November. Norman Forbes, Allan Joe Wilkerson, and new missionary to the Philippines, Sam Freeman, have been blessing us in the evening services. Our former youth pastor, Jamie Jones, filled the pulpit one Sunday morning. There was good attendance at the pastor appreciation luncheon for Brother Jim Ainley as he is filling in while continuing his regular duties. Sign ups for Upward Sports have been extended to Kindergartners. The children are really excited about this program. Pray with us that it will be the outreach program that we desire it to be. The White Elephant Sale and soup/chili supper for our youth will be November 7. Two couples participated in the baby dedication ceremony: Jared and Alis Politte with twins Liam and Asher and Michael and Jessyca Rice with Drake. On the last day of the month, Shane and Audrey Johnson were blessed with the birth of Sterling Simpelo Johnson. Great-grandmother to Sterling is Sister Midge Johnson. Over the last three or four years, our church has been blessed with the birth of many babies. How wonderful that we will be able to teach and watch these children grow in Christ.

Jim Ainley, Associate Pastor • Deborah Rauhut, Reporter

Greetings from **Lighthouse, Malden**. "I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth", Psalm 34:1. We who are Christians in America have much for which to praise God and be thankful. "Thank you, Lord, for your blessings on me." In the month of October, we as a church body observed the Lord's Supper. My wife, Melissa, and I attended our State BMA meeting at Landmark, Desoto. It was good to see many of our brethren and Landmark did a great job hosting the meeting. They, also, served us a delicious meal. Thanks Landmark and Bro. Gibson! In October we were blessed to have many visitors who are interested in our church. Also, a man came one Sunday with one of our church families and he asked Christ to save his soul. Praise God! I, also, had the privilege of offering the Bread of Life to a young man and his girlfriend. Both of them prayed and asked the Saviour to come into their hearts and lives and to save them. Praise God! We have a young lady named Mona Thomas who is ready for Baptism. Praise God! Amen. Our attendance is still up and down, but God is still working in hearts and lives for which we are truly thankful. Until next time, because He lives--  
Randy Zinn, Pastor

**Abundant Life in Christ, Charleston**, reports that the Master's Builders were with us for eight working days in October and did most of the rough-in for our new building, including a vast majority of our rough-in wiring and setting our two boxes.  
Rodney Dunlap, Pastor

**Landmark, DeSoto, says**, We've had sadness among our members this past month. Bro. Bowerman lost his sister, Leona Hand, and Sis. Jean Haderlein lost her brother, Dwain Dodd. But, I understand that their loss is Heaven's gain in both cases. Praise the Lord for assurance that for the Christian it is a wonderful step into Glory when they leave this earth. Bro. & Sis. Gibson's nearly 2 year old grandson has been a very sick little boy. I just received word tonight that it looks like he is finally getting good news from the doctors and a prognosis of 100% recovery. God is good. We held our Walk for the World on the 18th at St. Francois State Park. It started out as a cool morning, but we had 19 people show up and 14 of those walked a total of 59.3 miles. We took up our offering for LifeWord on the 26th with a good showing. I'm hoping that before it is sent off, we will meet our goal. On the 23rd, we

(21-22 people) went to Judgment House in Potosi. We had one of our group saved and is now awaiting baptism. Landmark hosted the annual BMAA meeting with approximately 60 in attendance. I understand it was a very good meeting and it certainly was good to see some folks that we don't get to see often. The Gibsons and the Pages attended the Senior Adult Conference in Branson. It was a wonderful meeting and everything is much more casual than in some other meetings that we attend from time to time. The weather was cooperative, which was a plus. We all went to see "Jonah" at the Sight and Sound Theater. So very good. Bro. Randy Causey was in charge of the Wednesday night service while we were all gone. We still have some sick among our number, so when you remember Landmark, just lift up any who may be ill among our number. Thank you. Until next month or the Lord's Return

Wayne Gibson, pastor  
Sharon Page, reporter

**Black Creek, Poplar Bluff**, had a wonderful three-night revival. Wednesday night Bro. Bill Davis preached on "Who Am I." Thursday night Bro. Robert Randolph's sermon was "Go Further." Friday night Bro. Jerry Adams preached on "An Ambassador." Pam Snyder and Mildred Alford joined by letter and Curtis and Debbie Hendrick joined by baptism.

Troy Sisk, Pastor  
Bessie Ray Gaines, Reporter

**Lower Doe Run, Ellington**, is blessed to meet in a rural community, in Missouri's southern Reynolds County within a few miles of Clearwater Lake. Members drive from far away places. We are so blessed and thankful to see that our young couples take the lead and follow through the Fall Festival activities. They provided games, tie-dye tee shirt decorating, face painting, even putting out fires with our local firemen and truck. Young and old enjoyed the bonfire, roasting

hot dogs and marshmallows (and keeping warm!) Young and old also enjoyed the hayride compliments of Bro. Albert and his tractor and trailer. The young boys especially enjoyed listening for the local mountain lions and bears. We sang and watched the awesome display of stars. A Sunday School room was decorated as The Gift Shop where the plan of salvation, the greatest Gift was presented. We pray God will bless as the seed is planted in receptive hearts. The church represented at the BMA of MO at Landmark. We are thankful for those who lead in this association. We are thankful for our editor. We pray for the new slate of officers. The church held a dedication service for our youth. What a blessing to see thirteen kids with their parents, grandparents and sponsors of the church taking part in this ceremony. Following the morning service we had lunch at church then those who could participated in the Walk for the World (3 adult women and 3 young girls). The creek was cold as we walked across. Of course the young ones had to play in it a bit. The month of October closed with the observance of The Lord's Supper. What a blessing. We are also thankful that Bro. Jack is home and feeling better. We look forward to two Nursing Home Services in November. Sis. Thelma will host our WMA meeting at 2 p.m. November the 8th. The church building is under repair as we try to put on a new roof. The workers say it is worse than we had hoped. Pray that we take care of it before cold, rain and snow!!!  
Melvin Meade, Pastor • Carolyn Meade, Reporter

**Bethany, St. Louis**, sends Greetings to all! We have been blessed beyond measure since our last article. Bro. Hoffmann is recovering from successful hip surgery. We praise God for providing doctors that are trained to help those who need help and for healing. Bro. Danny Kirk, Bro. Caleb Houston, and Bro. Thomas Neas have filled in for Bro. Hoffmann while he is unable to fill the pulpit. We are so thankful for these God-called men who are willing to share God's Word. Music Director, Ed Eveland, is also recovering from surgery. Thanks to Sis. Kathy Chapman and Sis. Pam Viehland for filling in for him. We want to lift several families up in prayer as they have said farewell to loved ones that have been called home. Sis. Debbie Morgan was called home along with Bro. Charles Stephen's step-daughter, Lois Warner, Sis. Imogene Smith, and Bro. Matt Hauk's dad in this last month. Also, pray for the family of Sis. Ruby Robinson, who worked steadily and faithfully along side her husband as they served here at Bethany for ten years, and several years before that at Lindsay Lane Baptist Church as well as other places of ministry. She was reunited with Bro. Robinson, many friends and our Savior recently. Our hearts grieve for these, yet the angels are rejoicing as these saints came home! Praise God for the truths and promises in His Word. We are looking forward to the busy holiday season ahead. Please keep Bethany in your prayers as we endeavor to keep serving the Lord in the Overland area.  
James Hoffmann, Pastor • Kathy Chapman, Reporter

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## **Plan NOW for 2014 Year End Giving**

As we approach the end of another calendar year, are you planning special year end contributions to your church, or favorite charity? Why not add the BMA Foundation to your list this year?

Your contribution will never be spent. It will be invested and only the earnings will be used to help the departments of the BMA of America spread the gospel to a growing number of people around the world. Please send your contribution to: BMA Foundation, P.O. Box 1188, Conway, Arkansas 72033. Contributions must be received by December 31 to be tax deductible for 2014 income tax purposes. If additional information is needed please call 501-329-6891.

## Camp Garwood Annual Report

Given at the BMA of Mo meeting October 25, 2014

I'd like to start by sharing a story from Sunday evening before camp started. I was working on the slide. It was around dusk when a lady from my church came looking for her grand daughter. The little girl is three. They had looked in their camper, in our hut, and at the playground. The grandmother wasn't panicky. But was beginning to be concerned. After another hour of looking, it was getting dark, and concern was giving way to fear when the little girl came out of a camper where she had been coloring with her little friend.

This is a perfect example of why we needed a Child Protection Policy. And it's a perfect example of why we must train every adult of the do's and don't's. The grandmother later thanked me that we had started the policy. Was the little girl ever in danger? No! But the potential for risk was there. Risk of inappropriate behavior and risk of false accusations.

The biggest change at camp this year was no doubt the most unpleasant one. The Child Protection policy. While we still have some work to do on it. I am very impressed at the response we received.

There were a few who questioned, complained and even refused to participate. But, the overwhelming majority welcomed it and commended us for initiating the policy. We had 84 applications completed; 78 background checks; 76 adults trained.

Our next biggest change was getting the boys dorm remodeled. Along with all the dirt work around the boys dorm, girls dorm and slide area. We also added some camper sites and a backstop to the ball field. While all of these are great, None of them are totally completed. Hopefully we can finish up over the winter.

Depending on how the Winter and our finances go. We hope to start on the tabernacle next. It needs a new roof and gutters.

Our last count was 299 campers with 14 professions of faith. Caleb Houston from Kewanee did an excellent job presenting the gospel of Christ during our morning services. While Brother Jordan Bowen challenged us to prepare for Christ's return in the evening services.

The Harper Family lead our worship services stirring hearts and preparing us to hear the Word.

Our theme was Preppers for Christ taken from 1 Corinthians. 15:58.

We had roughly 30 at the Paintball retreat last weekend. It was beautiful weather and we had a great time.

Our 2015 camp will be July 27-31. With Shawn Hammon-tree as our evangelist.

Beginning balance:	\$	9,148.59
Total received:	\$	80,879.52
Total expenses:	\$	79,535.02
Ending balance:	\$	10,693.14

Camp borrowed \$10,000 in July from the Revolving Loan Fund. With the dorm remodel expenses we were running a little short. We were able to pay \$2,000.00 back in August and the remaining \$8,000.00 in September, thanks to a special gift of \$15,000.00 from Walnut Grove Missionary Baptist Church and a \$5,000.00 gift from the Washington Co. Association.

But they are not the only ones who deserve recognition. Camp is very graciously supported by numerous churches, individuals, groups and local associations. Please take the time to say a prayer of Thanks for those who continue to improve your camp by their financial support.

After we paid off the loan we were able to receive our mileage and compensation checks from camp. Thank you. We have traveled nearly 6000 miles and spent 30 Saturdays at camp so far this year.

We plan to winterize next weekend. Then we'll see about

## DiscipleGuide Winter Curriculum Focus

### Winter Compass Curriculum to Focus on Attributes of God

This winter, your church's adults will be blessed by the Compass literature from DiscipleGuide. This quarter's study, "What we believe about God," will focus on God's attributes.

The Winter lessons are the second in the four-part, "What We Believe" series written by Dr. E. Harold Henderson. To order, or to learn more, call 800-333-1442, or go to [discipleguide.org](http://discipleguide.org).

### DiscipleKids Focuses on Jesus and Others

The Winter focus of DiscipleKids children's literature will focus on two themes: Jesus Gives and Help Others.

In Jesus Gives, kids will celebrate Jesus' birth, hear about God's plan through Jesus to save people from their sin, and learn about the encouragement, forgiveness, and protection that can only be found through Him.

In Help Others, boys and girls will discover people in the Bible who served God and others. Kids will learn that God is with them. He helps them do what is right and show love to people in need.

DiscipleKids literature is geared toward children between two-years-old and sixth grade.

Resources include a leader guide, kids pages download, visual packs, enhanced cd's, and video dvd.

finishing up some of those unfinished projects.

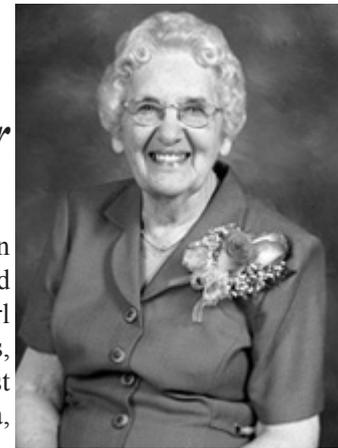
Some of our Expenses for the year.

Food	\$	8,716.01
Insurance	\$	8,124.00
Background checks	\$	1,740.00
Mileage	\$	3,879.89
Compensation	\$	3,600.00
Runoff Dirt work	\$	8,202.75
Fuel (rental equip. & Mowing)	\$	844.44
Electric	\$	5,417.71
Recreation	\$	2,388.21
Ballfield Dirt	\$	1,910.00
Dorm remodel	\$	12,640.10

Chris Polk, Camp Superintendent

## Dear Friend, Servant, Mother, and Grandmother Called Home

Ruby Mae Penrod was born on June 6, 1918, the oldest child of William T (Bill) and Pearl Blanks Penrod in Flatwoods, Missouri. She entered into rest October 24, 2014 in Marietta, Georgia.



Ruby Mae (Penrod) Robinson

She was married to Osmond A (Ottie) Robinson on September 23, 1936. They enjoyed seventy three years of marriage, when he preceded her in death.

They were the parents of three children, Daughter Janet Ridlen of Marietta, Georgia, Son Kenneth Robinson of Meridian, Idaho who survive. A Daughter Karen Anlauf of Boise, Idaho passed away on October 24, 2009. She leaves nine Grand Children, eighteen Great Grand Children and four Great Great Grand Children.

Ruby was a faithful helpmate to her Pastor husband during thirty eight years of pastoral work in Missouri and Idaho, plus a number of years of interim and supply pastoral work. She always took an active part in the churches where they worked, participating in Choir, teaching and women's ministries in local and state associations. She will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved her.

## Daniel Springs 2015

by Jason Prewitt, Camp Director

Have you ever been so excited about something and you just could not put it into words or you could not explain it to someone else? That's how I feel when I think of what is going on at Daniel Springs.

This summer is the 50th anniversary of the camp opening. I don't know about you, but it excites me to think about the thousands of people who have come through the gates of Daniel Springs Camp and been transformed by God during there camp experience. Testimonies are heard all over the world of how God has moved in lives because of the ministry and leadership of Daniel Springs.

We have been so blessed to have had Bro. James Speer lead in amazing ways over the last 35 years. I count it a huge blessing to have been a student and then a Student Pastor under his leadership. His servant heart and willingness to take the camp in new directions to reach countless lives for Christ have made an impact on the Kingdom.

God is already opening many new doors for this coming camp season. Please begin praying for the impact 2015 will have on young lives visiting Daniel Springs. We want all that is done to be God honoring and the best we have to offer.

Planning is underway for the 2015 camp season. This planning includes some new retreats along with the summer schedule. Keep checking on the website, [www.daniel-springscamp.com](http://www.daniel-springscamp.com) for details of upcoming events and updates. If you have any questions feel free to contact the camp at (903) 685-2433 or e-mail me at [jason@daniel-springscamp.com](mailto:jason@daniel-springscamp.com). We are so excited about the future and all that it has to offer.

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### *It Is The Courage To Continue That Counts*

Success never last forever. Failures come and go in our lives. Life is full of ups and downs. That is life on planet earth. Some days we have smooth sailing. Most people do very well during these time periods. There are a few exceptions. These are the people that have a negative, whining, complaining personality type. They would gripe if they were hung with a new rope. They are negativistic. Even during periods in their life when things are going pretty good; they find a way to tap into misery and pity. The only thing that will change this is when they seek God for a total transformation of their outlook on life. God can do that. I am not really addressing these people now. I am talking about the vast majority of folks who can handle life just fine when it is all going okay. You may not be having a mountain top experience, but things are going pretty good right now. Then, as will happen in life; you enter into a valley period. This is when the depth of your faith, the strength of your mind and the emotional health of your personality is tested. We don't struggle during the good times. Our struggles are when we have trials, tribulations and troubles. It is during these times that we must have the courage to continue on. It is the courage to continue that counts.

I have seen posters in stores and on plaques on people's desk that say heroes are those who stay around 5 minutes longer when disaster strikes. That is probably pretty accurate. That is kind of how it is with courage. Courage is finding the strength to get up in the morning when you don't want to. Courage is going out to hit the ball again even when you strike out. Courage is the faith and fortitude to walk back into work with confidence, holding your head up high with a smile on your face; even after having a bad day the day before. It is not letting people pull you down and stomp on you with their actions and attitudes; but rising above it with resurrection power form Christ. That takes courage. An old West Texas saying is, "when you get bucked off - get back on." Of course it simply means when you get knocked off your horse, don't just lie in the dust. The best way to overcome your future fears of getting bucked off again, and to recover from the current pain; is just to climb back on and ride some more. Don't give up. Don't quit. And it is precisely at that moment, when you climb back up in the saddle that you have found courage.

Courage is speaking the truth in love to someone to resolve and reconcile a relationship problem. It takes courage for a dad to tell his daughter she isn't going out of the house looking like that. It takes more courage when he lovingly speaks to his wife privately and asks her to support him in this decision. Real manhood in the home often times finds the man displaying remarkable acts of courage on a daily basis. Moms too. Parents need to stand on the courage of their parenting convictions. It takes courage to care for an elderly parent or a sick spouse. Pastors need courage to preach the truth regardless of who it might offend. Pastors who will not preach on biblical issues because it might drive people away from the church does not show courage, but cowardice.

So where do people find the courage to continue on in spite of difficulties? Psychologist and the intellectuals of society will say that courage is found deep within. It is pulling yourself up by your boot straps. It is making a decision to tough it out. I do not agree with that assessment. There are tribulations in this world that will so knock you off your feet that you

can't pull yourself up by your boot straps. It doesn't matter how strong you are as a human; we are limited in our ability to accomplish things apart from the Almighty. You don't find courage deep within-- but from On High. If you don't have courage or strength for the storm, then ask for it. God loves us so much that we cannot truly understand the depth of it. As it says in Ephesians, oh if we could only know the depth and width of the love that Christ has for us. We are God's children. He wants us to make it. Jesus said in John 16:33 that we would have tribulations in this world. But we don't give up. We find courage to continue on because we know that He has overcome the world. In our union with Him; so shall we!

Courage is not something you create. It is something you pray and ask for. Then, when God blesses you with an abundance of courage; you use that courage to get up. Get out. Get going. And I also think that courage is more than just getting back up in the saddle again. I think it takes courage to have the right attitude as well. What a great reflection of Christ when we not only keep on going, but we have an attitude of gratitude. We are not selfish, pitiful or whining. We are strong, courageous and have our face to the sun. (SON). The world needs more courageous people in it. Politicians that will do the right thing even if it cost them an election. Preachers who preach the whole Bible even if it cost them a church. And individuals like you, who can impact those around them by showing courage on a daily basis in the little things and great things of life. Joshua 1:9.

People that are emotionally and mentally and spiritually healthy are usually courageous people. It doesn't mean they don't have problems. Everyone does. It doesn't mean they don't have to cope with disasters. It means they find the courage to carry on in spite of their problems.

### *National WMA News*

As part of the BMA of America 2015 meeting in Springfield, MO - the National WMA would like to host a lunch for the wives and widows of our pastors. This would be scheduled for Tuesday, April 21st after the WMA meeting.

We want to honor these ladies who serve so faithfully with their husbands in the ministry and we want to give you the opportunity to be a part of this blessing.

I have contacted University Plaza Hotel and Convention Center. We can host a nice "Soup/Salad Bar" lunch, with tea, water and light desert as well as the cost of set-up for approximately \$15.00 a lady.

The National WMA has budgeted \$500 for this, however depending on how many ladies attend, we will need more. I do have commitments from two individuals as well as the Mississippi WMA for a total of \$300. If you wish to contribute to this in honor of a wife or widow of a minister, or in memory of a minister's wife that influenced you, please contact me.

We need to know approximately how many ladies will attend so we will be posting information in the various state papers after the first of the year with instructions for ladies to respond to me if they will attend.

I do hope that I have answered questions that some of you have had. If not, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you in advance for first of all praying for our WMA's, praying for our ladies who serve with their husbands in the ministry and for any financial assistance that you may feel led to contribute. If you have any questions and/or to RSVP contact me at [jawidger@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jawidger@sbcglobal.net) or 314-566-7794.

*Janet Widger, President WMA of BMAA*

### *DiscipleGuide Partners With BMA Seminary*

DiscipleGuide is pleased to announce a new partnership with the BMA Theological Seminary for the purpose of ensuring theological accuracy in Bible Study curriculum. Seminary faculty have begun reviewing lessons for Compass, DiscipleGuide's adult Sunday school material, and Compass Teacher, the corresponding leader's guide. The first of the Seminary-reviewed materials will be released in the Winter editions. "When it comes to teaching God's Word, accuracy is vital," explains DiscipleGuide Executive Director Scott Attebery. "That's why we are so thankful for the Seminary's willingness to review our lessons. Scripture is the greatest treasure we have been given on earth, and we want to provide literature that is true to God's Word."

Seminary President, Dr. Charley Holmes comments, "Even before I was a part of the Seminary, it had an active role with DiscipleGuide Sunday school material. Seminary professors and graduates have written or edited numerous quarterlies and other helps. I am delighted to have one of our grads, Dr. Scott Attebery, as the editor of educational materials. We are blessed by having the privilege of assisting Dr. Attebery with reviewing the theological and biblical content of our BMA educational materials."

To learn more about, or to order Compass curriculum, go to [discipleguide.org](http://discipleguide.org) or call 800-333-1442.

**Brothers....** Dealing with men's issues  
and Promoting the Fellowship & Growth  
of Men in the BMA of Missouri

## Baptist Missionary Association of Missouri Brotherhood Annual Report

by Dennis Baker, Brotherhood President

October 25, 2014

This year many people have worked hard to provide encouragement, fellowship, leadership education, and mentoring to the men of the BMA of Missouri churches.

The spring and fall retreats have been fun and enjoyable. New friends have been made; burdens and concerns have been shared. But for me the blessing has been watching the men and young men grow in the Lord. It is a great encouragement to watch the men mentor the younger men. We have been blessed by the personal testimonies of the older men and the zeal of the younger men to take part in giving devotions and prayer.

We would encourage the men and young men of our churches to watch for announcements in the "Missouri Missionary Baptist" for the dates of the spring and fall retreats. Make plans to attend and bring your friends who are not saved to the retreats.

I would like to thank all the men that have provided articles of encouragement for the "Brothers Page" in the "Missouri Missionary Baptist." I would encourage the men and young men to read these article as they deal with men's issues and promote the fellowship and growth of men in the BMA of Missouri.

We need financial support from our churches to pay for the retreats. The expenses for each retreat are about \$500 to \$600 for food, ammunition, and door prizes.

We would encourage more men and young men to become involved in this great ministry of the BMA of Missouri. Please pray for this ministry.

**Baptist Missionary Association  
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# MISSIONS

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The BMAA Department of Missions is happy to welcome Paige West to our Global Missions Team as the administrative assistant to the directors of missions.

Paige is the wife of Pastor Todd West of Oasis Church in Little Rock, AR. Todd and Paige have two daughters: Addison and Riley, age 12.

Paige comes to the Department of Missions after serving for a number of years on staff at Oasis Church. She will assist the Executive Director, The Director of North American Church Planting, and the Director of International Missions. She will also serve as the office manager for the Missions Department staff at the Global Ministry Center in Conway, AR.

Paige has great people skills in addition to her organizational abilities.

If Paige can assist you in any way, please contact her via e-mail at [paige@bmaam.com](mailto:paige@bmaam.com) or by phone at 501-455-4977 ext. 3848.

## Master's Builders at Abundant Life in Christ, Charleston, MO

The work at Abundant Life in Christ Missionary Baptist Church began with Master's Builders RVs arriving at BoomLand RV Park in Charleston, Missouri on Saturday, Oct. 11th. Thirteen Builder's and their wives were in attendance. Charleston is the birthplace and home town to one of the Master's Builder's wives, Flo Myers! The RV Park was a



Master's Builders outside building

nice place to park the 13 RVs in attendance for this work as it was only about 1 mile from the building site. Pastor Rodney Dunlap had worked hard to arrange to have the slab and metal building ready before the Master's Builders arrived. The work began for all on Oct. 13th with The Master's Builders working on a 4000 sq. ft. new church building which would house a beautiful new sanctuary, kitchen/fellowship room, 3 classrooms, storage room, and 2 rest rooms. The current location for the church is a small 2300 sq. ft. older church building a bit further into town.

The Builders met each morning for prayer before beginning their day of work. This new building site is right off Interstate 55 with easy access for visitors. The Master's Builders use their combined skills and talents to work together in love and fellowship for the Lord. The love of our Lord is evident in all including Pastor Rodney Dunlap who is a general contractor by trade. Pastor Rodney worked very hard each day and was usually the last to leave the building site each evening! His love and commitment to the Lord, and to working hard for this Church flock, was evident in all he said and did each day. Pastor Rodney's family also joined in for clean up each work day. Wife, Debra, home schools their three children Ezekiel (10), Rachel (9), and Elijah (9), so each one was happy to be able to come and help each evening!

Lunch meals were hosted and served each day by several



Working on the inside of the new building in Charleston

of the ladies in the Church and many thanks are extended to each one. Two that were there every day to serve the Builders were Jessica and Rose. The meals were healthy, delicious, and were much appreciated by all. Music Minister, Bro. Darrin Hensley, and his wife Teresa, were both a blessing to the entire group of Builders. Bro. Hensley brought the Sunday school lesson each week and blessed our hearts with his love for the Word and the Lord. The goal from day one for Pastor Dunlap and this church was to be like Jesus and grow a "whosoever will" body welcoming any who would/could come.



The Rodney Dunlap Family

Many of the ladies of the Master's Builders Auxiliary met each morning at 7:30 a.m. to walk the tree-lined park lake across the street from BoomLand. The Lord blessed them with many trees changing to fall colors which became more beautiful with each passing day. Each morning the ladies met for bible study at the church. The study of God's Word, beautiful music, prayer, and laughter were the highlight of each day!

As the end of the work drew near, Pastor Dunlap and the church family said that they were "amazed and so very thankful" for the work that was done. There is still much work to be done on the building and Pastor Dunlap prays for more help in the future.

This was the 133rd job for The Master's Builders, which began their ministry in 1991. The Lord continues to strengthen The Master's Builders to be able to do HIS work and we all are encouraged by just being together. We all love HIM, and each other, and are always looking forward to the next job with prayers for HIS will to allow us to attend.

If you feel you would enjoy this ministry, we would love to have you join us. If your church has building needs or you have questions, you can contact: John Mangum, Office Coordinator for The Master's Builders at 318-205-5155 or (cell) 318-607-4100 or Eddie Sikes, Field Coordinator at 903-725-6549 or (cell) 479-462-1675.

• Rose Bittner, Reporter •

## Thanksgiving Heretics

by Tony Cleaver

### Introduction

The doxology is in most hymn books - praise and thanks to the Lord. All school children are taught the Pilgrim story. Who does not remember the school plays with the costumes of the Indians and Pilgrims? We sing songs of Thanksgiving.

A heretic is one who dissents from an accepted belief or practice or doctrine; a nonconformist.

The Thanksgiving Heretic is one who:

### A. GIVES THANKS FOR FOOD ON THE TABLE, BUT DOESN'T REMEMBER THE BREAD OF HEAVEN

There might be an acknowledgment for the wife who cooked, but no more. Jesus tells us in John 6.35 "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me will never hunger." In communion/Lord's Supper we take the bread that is celestial nourishment for our souls.

### B. GIVES THANKS FOR THE CLOTHES HE WEARS, BUT IS NOT MINDFUL OF THE ROBE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS OF CHRIST

The father of the Prodigal Son in Luke 15.22 says to the servants, "put the best robe on him, a ring on his finger and shoes on his feet..." In Revelation chapter 7 multitudes in white robes are washed in the blood of the lamb. We often sing in our church services: "Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing power are you washed in the blood of the lamb there is a fountain flowing for the soul unclean, O be washed in the blood of the lamb."

### C. GIVES THANKS FOR HOME AND FAMILY, BUT IS NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE FAMILY OF GOD AND LOOKING TO A HOME IN HEAVEN

Jesus tells us in John 14, "I go to prepare a place for you..." last book of the Bible says in Revelation 21.3-4 "God himself will be their God"

### Conclusion

I Thessalonians 5.18 implores Christians to "...give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Some experiences this year we are not happy about. Our lives have had some hard circumstances. Perhaps you feel there is nothing for which you can give thanks. Perhaps the year has been difficult. There have been setbacks, darkness, tragedies, hard times, family crisis, sickness, and even death. Even in sadness the heart can be grateful. David worshiped God after death of his son in 2 Samuel 12.20. In the midst of tragedy and trials, there are friends around. Friends, this is why it is important to be a friend to give the comfort we have all received in times past. 2 Corinthians 1.4 speaks to our souls when it says: "...God...who comforts us in all our troubles, so we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God..." In the circle of gloom remember-Thou art with me! (Psalm 23) The Pilgrims lost lots of people that year to the harsh New England winter, yet they gave thanks. We give thanks to God from whom all blessings flow. Let us sing the Doxology now!

*Gerald Kellar Sermon Outlines;  
revised by Tony Cleaver  
via The Mississippi Baptist*

### Pastor Search

Bethany Baptist Church, St. Louis, in preparing for Pastor Hoffmann's retirement May 17, 2015, is starting a search for a new pastor. Interested preachers may contact the pulpit committee chairman Earl Johnston at 314-426-3780 or johnstonle@att.net

## Revival

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December 4  
7:00 p.m.

Tony Cleaver  
Publishes  
New Book

Tony Cleaver has just published his new book *Scriptures for Today* on Amazon. Amazon provides a free downloadable reader and preview of Cleaver's new e-book. Here is the site to preview and purchase *Scriptures for Today*: <http://www.amazon.com/dp/B00OGIMER4>

*Scriptures for Today* is a devotional commentary on Bible verses designed for anyone to read each and every day of the year. It has some points of evangelism for those who seek Christ and want to be found of Him. It contains some admonitions and encouragements to church workers especially those we call pastor. It has some words of hope for those in hopeless situations. The Word of God speaks for itself to our lives in a marvelous way.

No human being can survive without breathing, drinking, and eating. Reading the Bible on a daily basis is like that for the essence of the soul. We find in the *Scriptures for Today* the very breath of God, the water of life, and the food for which we so desperately long.

It is my prayer *Scriptures for Today* will call each reader to a closer walk with the Lord Jesus who died for us. He invites all of us to a life like His.

## AVAILABLE PREACHERS

The following names are listed as a service to our churches in keeping you informed as to preachers that are available. The publishing of a preacher's availability for preaching appointments or pastoral work should not be considered as a recommendation by the *Missouri Missionary Baptist*. Names are published at the request of the individual and will be published in three consecutive issues unless the editor is otherwise instructed.

**Richard Smith, from Matthews**, is available for pulpit supply or however the Lord leads. Contact him at 573-931-0455 or through his Pastor, Chris Polk at 573-380-1975. -11-

**Jerry Cain**, from Park Hills, is available for pulpit supply as the Lord leads. Contact him at 573-760-6813. -11-

**Rocky Houston**, from Kewanee is available for pulpit supply or however the Lord leads. Contact him 573-521-6385 (cell) after 3:00 p.m. -11-

**Don Adams**, from Kewanee Baptist Church, is available to preach. Contact him by calling 573-380-9215 or by e-mail at TLAdams\_hotmail.com. -11-

**Perrin W. Seay**, from Emmanuel, Lemay, is available for pulpit supply as the Lord leads. Contact him at 411 Passport Lane, Apt. A, St. Louis, MO 63129 or by calling his home 314-200-8362 or his cell phone 314-402-0906. -11-

**Allen Casey**, a member of Springdale Baptist Church in Fenton, is available for preaching appointments. Contact him at 636-349-5524. -11-

**Denver Page**, a member of Landmark Baptist Church in DeSoto is available for pulpit supply or as the Lord leads. Contact him at home 636-942-3503 or by cell 314-283-7243 -11-

**Brian Buckley**, currently serving as youth pastor at Bates Creek Missionary Baptist Church in Potosi, is available for pulpit supply. Contact him for appointments at 573-439-9319 or (cell) 573-854-2251. -11-

**John W. Beardsley**, has sent an update with his correct contact information. His mailing address is 49 West St., Sikeston, MO 63801-7111. Phone 573-703-3860. -11-

**Billy Davis**, from Kewanee and a member of Bethel MBC in Sikeston is available for pulpit supply as the Lord leads. Contact him: cell (573)521-8028 or home (573)748-9652. -11-

**Cory Mathews**, a member of Central Baptist Church in Union is available for service as God leads. Contact him at 817 Melinda Drive, Union, MO 63084; or phone 636-259-0405; or e-mail corydmathews@gmail.com. -11-

**Leonard Knight**, from Bethesda, Park Hills, is available for pulpit supply as God leads. His phone number is 870-932-2966. -11-

**Caleb Houston**, youth pastor at Kewanee Baptist Church is available for weekend youth events, pulpit supply, and preaching appointments. Contact him at 573-521-7826 or [calebhouston@yahoo.com](mailto:calebhouston@yahoo.com). -11-

**Ron Beardsley** of Sikeston, is available to be used as the Lord leads. Contact him at 573-380-3842, -11-

Mt. Zion Ellington has twenty 12 ft. padded pews available. For more information call 573-945-2175.