



Harmony Baptist Association

NEWS

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12:00 - 12:30 pm (lunch)

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At Jesus' birth, the heavenly host declared 'peace, goodwill to men'. It would be nice if everyone accepted the gift that Jesus brought to all mankind, but, alas, we have let self interests, greed and prejudice enter our hearts. We sometimes live in fear about what could happen to us by the evil around us. But the Christians obligation to live as Christ instructed still should be our #1 goal. This year (and every year) at Christmas, let us offer peace to our family, friends, and even our enemies. Let us offer goodwill to everyone by living Christ-like examples before them. Maybe this would be a good time to share time and fellowship with another church or two. Invite your neighbor church to share/help in your Christmas celebration or other event. Because of the "busy-ness" of our lives, we have lost some of the "togetherness" among our churches. Let's get together for Christ's sake, and really be Harmony Association!

Robert's Ramblin's

Thanks to the hard-working crew preparing Christmas boxes for military men and women!

Eight men attended the Prayer Breakfast on November 17 at the HBA office. There will be another on January 19.

We are still waiting for churches to participate in Winter Bible Study January 30 – February 27. Let us know soon. Call the HBA office or Bro. Robert.

Looking forward to the Pastor/Staff and Spouse Christmas Dinner at the office on Dec 7. Fun, fellowship, food and gifts. Please RSVP by November 29.



Project Parachute Crew

CALENDAR

December

- 12/2-9 Week of Prayer - Lottie Moon Offering
- 12/3 Adult Bible Study 10:00 am @Calvary
- 12/3 Pastor-Staff Lunch, noon @ Best Western
- 12/7 Pastor/Staff and Spouse Christmas Dinner 6:30 pm @HBA office
- 12/11 Maplewood Association, 7:00 pm
- 12/13 News Deadline
- 12/20 Label News
- 12/24-1/1 Christmas Holiday - Mission office closed

Birthdays

- 12/4 Don Satterwhite
Calvary
- 12/20 Efrain Baeza
Primera Iglesia Bautista



December 13, 2018



Adult Bible Study

December 3, 2018

10:00am @ Calvary Baptist Church

Guest Speaker: John Streit
Christmas Carols
Christmas Dinner (Meat Provided)

PROJECT PARACHUTE

The next Project Parachute Meeting is Thursday, January 17th, at 6:00 pm.



Financial Reports

Church	October 2018	YTD
Antioch	225.00	2073.92
Bethany	0.00	2250.00
Bethlehem	437.77	3395.53
Broadway	187.98	1685.34
Calvary	846.14	7401.67
Camp Branch	467.20	5037.77
East Sedalia	76.79	818.94
Emmet Avenue	100.00	1000.00
FBC, Sedalia	1264.21	13742.00
Flat Creek	654.81	6271.68
Green Ridge	250.00	1000.00
Hopewell	547.78	4260.45
Houstonia, FBC	0.00	2436.83
Hughesville	32.72	356.88
Katy Park	3228.38	11973.11
Lamine	136.62	2035.61
LaMonte	0.00	116.28
Memorial	144.60	2441.28
Mt. Herman	300.00	2815.00
Mt Olive	732.72	4195.24
New Hope	0.00	5130.36
Olive Branch	287.56	1832.50
Primera Iglesia Hispana	75.00	750.00
Providence	0.00	750.00
Smithton	225.00	1125.00
Syracuse	0.00	900.00
Vision	84.15	628.76

Checking - October 2018

Beginning Balance	\$ 11,606.09
Undesignated receipts	10,304.43
Designated receipts	430.92
Less Expenditures	(6,806.04)
Ending Balance	\$ 15,736.31

Reserve Fund - October 2018

Beginning Balance	\$ 17,334.62
Interest earned	1.47
Ending Balance	\$ 17,336.09

Mission Trip Fund - October 2018

Beginning Balance	\$ 35.00
Receipts	
Less Expenditures	
Ending Balance	\$ 35.00

Designated Funds - October 2018

Beginning Balance	\$ 9,865.48
Receipts	1,169.00
Less Expenditures	(371.00)
Ending Balance	\$ 10,462.57

2018 required monthly receipts	\$ 8,832.58
October undesignated receipts	10,304.43
Amount above to meet budget	\$ 1,471.85

Pastor/Staff Lunch

The next meeting is on December 3rd, at Best Western at noon.



Winter Bible Study



Rally Day on January 30, 2018
 6:30 pm
 A study of the Book of James
 Location HBA Office

East Sedalia Baptist Church

Presents:

“Hail, Hail, Immanuel” – Christmas Concert

Featuring Ernie & Jason Couch from Nashville

December 8, 2018, 7:00pm

Love offering will be taken and Refreshments to follow

These guys are known across the United States and Canada for their live music, good humor, and genuine spirit.



- Jan 1 New Years Day
- Feb 21-24 Great Commission Conference 2019, @Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
- February Winter Bible Study every Wednesday
- February 11 HBA Executive Board Meeting
- March 19 M & M Banquet



Pastor/Staff and Spouse Christmas Dinner
 December 7, 2018
 @ HBA Office, 6:30pm

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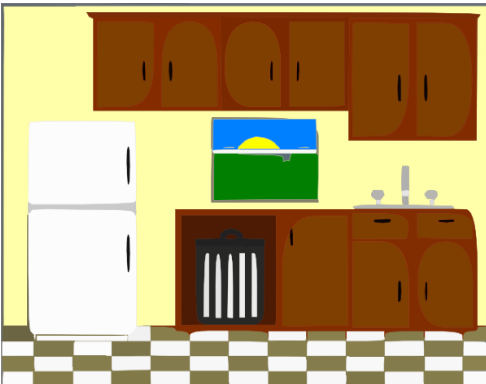
From: Robert Sisney & Ruth Mason



Broadway Baptist Church - Anniversary 1967



Lamine Baptist Church - Anniversary 1874



A Kitchen Project

The Associational office is in a construction phase of a kitchen. We are in need of a sink, stove, and cabinets; amongst other things. There will be a Kitchen shower given possibly in January. This project is being funding through donations. We do not plan to use any Associational Budget money. Thank you to Mt. Herman for your huge donation. If you wish to help please contact Robert Sisney or the Associational Office.

“NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES”

Bethany: The saints at Bethany reached out into the community this month as we partnered with the Central Missouri Food Bank to provide groceries to many families in our neighborhood, then served a meal at the Community Cafe. We came together as a church family to observe the Lord's Supper on the 11th and enjoyed our annual Thanksgiving Fellowship dinner on the 18th. We had a Saturday workday on the 3rd. The Allen Sipe family provided a Christian music concert the evening of the 11th. We also put together shoebox gifts for Operation Christmas Child. Pastor Bowen continued his Sunday morning series in Hebrews and continued to preach through Jonah in the evening. Christmas Music Program, Sunday, December 16, at 6:00 pm. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Monday, December 24, at 5:00 pm.

Bethlehem: We have had a wonderful November with the dedication of a new baby. Our church members went to Branson to see Samson at the Sight and Sound Theater. What a wonderful show. If you have not been, you should get your church together and make the trip. It is worth the drive. Our church feed two families for the holiday, showing God's love. We donated 20 operation shoe boxes this year, with this being our first year to do this mission. Our goal was met and we are excited to watch where they go. We are working on our upcoming Christmas program called “A Baby Changes Everything.” It will be December 2 at 7 pm. We welcome all to come and enjoy. God bless all.

Broadway: At “Trunk and Treat,” Pastor Gray spoke with the adults, gave a brochure of church mission and activities, and invited them to church. Ron took pictures. We put all on the church Information Center and only pictures of children with masks on our website and Facebook page. We plan Advent and Christmas celebrations—Advent Wreath and readings, Jesse Tree, Christmas Eve Lord's Supper. We moved into Book Two of our Sunday evening 5:30 pm Bible study from “Discipleship: The Journey.” The study is helping us become better disciples and have better fellowship in the Body. The sudden death of a member and a regular guest attendee reminds us of our role in the Great Commission. Our current video series at 6:30 pm is “Moody Science Classics” with Dr. Irwin Moon. Check out our info and slideshows at www.broadwaybaptistsedalia.org and watch for our Christmas T-shirts JESUS MESSIAH!

Calvary: We celebrated a 50th Wedding Anniversary for Norm and Sharon Klein in Fellowship Hall. It was great to see old friends and members from the past. In a morning service songs were requested by George Cooper's family as they remembered his favorite hymns. Friends and Family Day was the highlight for our Thanksgiving Celebration with meal after morning service. Attendance of 120 in Sunday School would land a pie in Pastor Jonathan's face and 200 in church would land another pie in Pastor Don's face. Pastor Jonathan, youth and their families held a Hayride and Wiener Roast at the home of Tommie and Loretta Klein. Calvary delivered Meals on Wheels for a week. Calvary's choir presented a Thanksgiving Celebration of Music. A recital was held at Calvary, by students of Michael Sproles, an noteworthy music conservatory. Reception was held after the recital. On November 18, Pastor Don preached an Associational Revival at the First Baptist Church in Lewistown, MO. Regular monthly visits to the nursing homes were enjoyed by the residents. Quarterly Business Meeting was held the last Wednesday of the month with notes on 2019 Budget and revision of by-laws. We will have our Christmas music with the choir on December 16 at 10 am. Christmas Caroling will be on December 23 at 5:00 pm.

East Sedalia: A film, "For Pete's Sake" was shown November 2. Veterans were recognized in the Sunday morning service on November 11. The Deacon's Thanksgiving Dinner with wonderful food and fellowship was enjoyed by approximately 80 people. We filled 31 Operation Christmas Child boxes. On December 1 from 1 to 3 pm will be a "Parents' Afternoon Out" for K to 5th Grade. There will be games, crafts and snacks for the children while their parents have free time doing things that need to be done for the Christmas Season. On December 8, a free concert will be given, "Ernie Couch and Revival" at 7 pm. A love offering will be taken and refreshments will follow. Dr. Eddie Brown, Rev. Randy Festervand and Bro. Jeff Page spoke for us in November.

Emmet Avenue: We have collected items for 75 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. We will have a special service with chalk artist, Gary Palmer, on December 16. Following the service will be our holiday dinner. For Christmas we will fix fruit baskets for our shut-ins. We adopted a family to provide food and gifts. Christmas program in December 23 at 10:30 am.

Flat Creek: The Thanksgiving/Christmas food drive for Open Door is going well. After three weeks we've given over two thousand cans of vegetables. The second Thursday of every month provides a time of service to the people of Pettis County at the food pantry. One hundred fourteen shoe boxes were delivered to Sedalia for the Operational Christmas Child activity. On November 18, was a time of fellowship of enjoying soups, sandwiches, and desserts. It was followed by an informative program on the IMS Mission Study on Refugees.

Hughesville: We are excited for our Christmas plans: December 1, 3:30 pm, “Ariel's Winter Recital”. December 9, in our morning service will be our Christmas program. December 16 after our morning service we will have our Christmas dinner and at 6:00pm. We will go out and sing Christmas carols around the town at 6 pm. December 23, at 7:00 pm we will have a Candlelight Service.

Katy Park: We collected/packed boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Held our annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the Shriners' Hall on November 18. Ministered to those living at Fairview Nursing Home during our HOPE Service on November 25. We began an 8-week Grief Recovery class on November 25, Richard DeFord as teacher.

Lamine: Our LOL group packed and dropped off 12 OCC boxes. We collected about 100 pounders of food for a Thanksgiving Basket for a family of seven and delivered it with a Walmart gift card. We are having a Hanging of the Greens service during worship on the 25th followed by Our Harvest Luncheon. The church will provide roast beef and members are bring dishes to share. Our member participation Christmas Eve worship service will be on the December 24 at 6 pm.

Mt. Olive: Several of our people are recovering from illness. We ministered at the nursing home in Tipton. We are preparing for our Christmas services. Christmas Fellowship Dinner December 2 at noon. International Mission Study on December 5 at 7 pm. Christmas Program December 23 at 10:30 am. Christmas Eve Service at 6 p.m.

Providence: We are so thankful for the opportunity to serve Jesus in the helping of others. God continues to provide a means to worship Him through involvement in ministry. Whether it be in the lives of individuals, or family; other congregations; Kids Kamp; Project parachute; or Operation Christmas Child: The call & vision to see love in action and share Jesus does not diminish. Thank you to God for Your great love as you continue to impact and change lives. Monthly Events: December 1, 7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast. December 2, Holiday Dinner immediately following morning Worship. December 6, Ladies Fellowship 6:00pm. December 23, Christmas Play and Candlelight Service 6:00 pm.

Smithton: We had several shoe boxes filled for Operation Christmas Child. We had our holiday dinner on November 18. During this time we filled and delivered plates for our shut-ins. We collected food for a family in the community. We had the hanging of the greens on November 25. We will collect food for another family at Christmas time. We started a study on Missions led by Pastor John on Wednesday nights. We continue our Acts study on Sunday evenings. We are so thankful for our freedom to worship together and to minister to those God has put in our midst. Looking forward to the Christmas season to celebrate Jesus; He is the reason for the season. If you do not have a church home we'd love to have you join us so we can love you as God loves!