



Harmony Baptist Association

NEWS

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9:00 a. m. - 4:00 p.m.
12:00 - 1:00 (lunch)

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Attention All Veterans and families: Veterans' Sweetheart "Thank You" Event



Friday, February 21
6:30 - 8:30 pm
at New Hope Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
664 East 16th Street

Come join the fun with EZ Toons providing the music, Gary Palmer, Chalk Artist and a free dessert bar. It is our way of saying Thank You!

RSVP will be appreciated 826-2070

Sponsored by Project Parachute & Harmony Baptist Association



The conference is at The Rock Church, 9125 Manchester Road, Brentwood, MO. It begins at 9:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm with registration and fellowship beginning at 8:00 am. There are four main sessions led by Johnny Hunt, pastor of First Baptist Church, Woodstock, Georgia. The cost is \$30 (includes conference registration, conference notebook, lunch, snacks, and \$15 Lifeway gift card). To learn more and register online today at namb.net/revitalization or call 770-410-6388.

The mission of Harmony Baptist Association is to equip churches in partnership to achieve healthy kingdom growth. The tools and knowledge you will receive can help your church get healthy and growing again.

Jon Church, Evangelism Team Leader, is offering a \$30 scholarship to cover your registration fee. Contact Jon at 660-829-0220. I am registered and ready to go. I have 3 open seats in my truck if you want to carpool.

CALENDAR

February

- 3 Adult Bible Study & Music @ Calvary - 10:00 am
Adult Planning - 11:30 am
Associational Coordinating Team - 1:30 pm
- 5 Winter Bible Study - Smithton or Mt Herman - 6:30 pm
- 11 Maplewood Association - 7:00 pm
- 12 Winter Bible Study - Providence or Sedalia Harmony - 6:30 pm
- 13 Church Revitalization Conference, St. Louis
- 17 President's Day (Holiday) Mission Office closed
- 19 Winter Bible Study - Broadway or Camp Branch - 6:30 pm
- 20 NEWS items due
Project Parachute Meeting - 6:00 pm
- 21 Veterans' Recognition @ New Hope - 6:30-8:30 pm
- 26 Winter Bible Study - Lamine or Antioch - 6:30 pm
- 27 Label NEWS

**All meetings at Mission Office
unless otherwise indicated**

Receipts from our churches

Church	December 2013	YTD
Antioch .....	.00	1,589.45
Bethlehem	375.06	4,769.28
Bethany	250.00	3,000.00
Broadway	209.16	2,672.98
Calvary	374.65	4,624.01
Camp Branch	539.48	6,003.37
Cornerstone	122.41	1,747.57
East Sedalia .....	.00	8,293.05
Emmet Avenue	50.00	600.00
FBC, Sedalia	2256.84	21,720.77
Flat Creek	681.20	6745.02
Green Ridge .....	.00	1,028.79
Hopewell .....	.00	4,161.02
Houstonia, FBC	218.93	2,672.94
Hughesville .....	.00	547.89
Katy Park	754.97	8,716.94
Lamine	320.80	3,372.98
LaMonte	228.00	2,275.00
Mt Herman .....	.00	2,050.00
New Hope .....	.00	4,840.52
Olive Branch	137.76	2,025.30
Primera Iglesia Hispana .....	.00	50.00
Providence .....	.00	360.00
Sedalia Harmony	75.00	900.00
Smithton.....	75.00	900.00
Syracuse	100.00	1,200.00

Checking -December 2013

Beginning Balance.....	\$ 289.51
Undesignated receipts.....	6,769.26
Designated receipts	1,537.88
Transfer from Reserve.....	2,000.00
Expenditures.....	10,076.51
Ending Balance	\$ 520.12

Reserve Fund - December 2013

Beginning Balance.....	\$ 7,111.28
Interest earned.....	.30
Transfer to Checking	2000.00
Ending Balance.....	\$ 5,111.58

Mission Trip Fund - December 2013

Beginning Balance.....	\$2,146.17
Ending Balance.....	\$2,146.17

2013 required monthly receipts----- \$ 9,708.25
December undesignated receipts----- (6,769.26)
Amount above or (below) to meet budget (2,938.99)

Birthday

Chris GuffeyFebruary 2
Pastor - Cornerstone

Pastor Anniversaries

February

Jon Church16 years, February 15
Pastor - Katy Park

Jon Hanson6 years, February 24
Assistant Pastor and Youth - FBC, Sedalia



Ted Francis3 years, February 27
Pastor - Calvary

In Memory of Donald Jean Allcorn, MD

June 26, 1934 - January 4, 2014

Pastor at Smithton 1952 - 1954
Interim and Pastor at Broadway 2003 - 2010

Ordained 5-24-1953

“Bless the Lord, O my soul;
And all that is within me, bless His holy name!
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And forget not all His benefits:
Who forgives all your iniquities,
Who heals all your diseases,
Who redeems your life from destruction,
Who crowns your lovingkindness and tender mercies,
Who satisfies your mouth with good things,
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.”
~ Psalm 103:1-5



“NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES”

Bethany: We gathered at the Lord's Table on Sunday, January 12. Our men met for breakfast and Bible study on the 11th, then travelled to Emporia, Kansas for the annual Ironmen Summit. We began planning a May Mission Trip to the Haiti Home of Hope orphanage, our fourth mission to this ministry. We observed Sanctity of Life Sunday on the 19th. Our Ladies Fellowship met for a meal on the 23rd. We celebrated our 2013 new members with a Chili Fellowship on the 26th, then stayed around for our first quarter congregational meeting. We served a meal at the Community Café on the 30th.

Broadway: The ladies prepared boxes of cookies and candy which were distributed to our senior church members along with Christmas carols. We deeply regret the recent loss of Becky Whittaker, church organist, and Dr. Don J. Allcorn, a former pastor of the church. Our sympathy is extended to their families and loved ones. The Transition Focus Team will continue their work in the coming weeks.

Calvary: The men's breakfast was held at a local café due to a wedding reception. We were very happy to report we exceeded our Lottie Moon Offering goal again this year. We will have our regular Forever Young carry-in dinner, for adults over 50. The choir have been working on the Easter Celebration. This year the theme is “THE KING IS COMING.” We have several of our church family in the hospital. Pastor Ted has been busy ministering to all the sick. Pastor Ted has started a new Bible Study on Wednesdays.

Camp Branch: The men had their Saturday morning breakfast. A Valentines Dinner is planned for February. We are planning the Winter Bible Study, Colossians, “Christ is all you Need.” It will be a great study with a snack supper planned. As a “Missionary Moment,” people in our congregation are sharing about their experience with mission work.

East Sedalia: “A Year Toward An Authentic Gospel Community” is our theme for this year. We are encouraged to spend time in prayer each week examining how well we know each person we greet in Sunday morning services. The idea is to get to know more people in our congregation. Youth and adult basketball is held every Sunday at 3:00 pm. in the gym. Everyone is welcome to come and shoot some hoops. On January 12, the clothing closet was open during AWANA on Sunday night. Many Hands Quilters meet every Thursday at 5:00 pm. They have made many quilts for children in hospitals, newborns, full size quilts for sick and needy and diapers for Haiti. Several church members attended a 100th birthday party for long time member, Don McFarland, held at Winchester Meadows on Saturday, January 18. A “Disciple Now Weekend” is being held January 31-February 2 for students grades 6-12. We will host the young men that attend. We extend an invitation to men and women (adults 50+) to X Y Z Group on Thursday, February 27, at 10:30 am at the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy a fashion show presented by Nancy Richmond of Encore Apparel. If you need a ride, please call the church office 826-3887. Please call two days before the meeting to make arrangements. Hope to see you there.

Emmet Avenue: We will have our winter bible study each Sunday morning in February. On February 23, after morning worship service there will be a soup/chili dinner.

FBC, Sedalia: We had 12 join by letter in December. Several of our folks went to Chico, California for a mission trip to Orchard Baptist Church January 8 – 13: David Rhoads, Alan and Linda Allmon, Shelly Hare, Cheryl Preuitt, and Cara Harrington. Upward Basketball and Cheerleading started on January 10. Games will be held each Friday night and Saturday morning through February. Our youth group attended “Winter Jam 2014” in St. Louis on January 19 and 20. The Men's Ministry held their monthly breakfast and program on Saturday, January 25.

Flat Creek: Several youth attended the Extreme Youth Conference in Branson at the end of December. We went caroling at three nursing homes on December 23. On January 19, the men prepared a delicious breakfast for the church family prior to Sunday School.

Hopewell: Our study on Wednesday evening is “Gods at War.” We are planning a Children's Valentine Party on February 16.

Katy Park: The Senior Adult Group met for a meeting and luncheon on January 10. Royal Ambassadors and Girls in Action members were recognized in morning worship service on January 12 followed by a Pot Luck Lunch. We conducted a Sunday morning church service at Fairview Nursing Home on January 26. The Youth Group attended the Winter Jam Concert at the Sprint Center in Kansas City on January 31.

Lamine: In December we had “Hanging of the Green,” gave a Christmas basket to a family, enjoyed a Christmas Eve program with lighting of candles, fellowship and songs. On January 12, we had our Business Meeting lunch, planning meeting, and took down Christmas decorations. On January 26, we had our Singspiration and fellowship following. The L.O.L. (Ladies of Lamine) Meeting will be February 8. The ladies will prepare welcome baskets for the new neighbors. A Kids Party is planned for February 15 and Couples Party on February 16. Many members will attend the Winter Bible Study.

Memorial: We hosted Southern Baptist Home Missionaries, Will and Jan Ruthven, on Sunday, January 12. They manage the Appalachia Reach Out in Inez, Kentucky which is a ministry to the very poor in that region. After service we had dinner on the grounds. Many of folks from the Smokey Mountain Mission trip team were present for this occasion.

New Hope: We are participating in Lifeway's Winter Bible Study of Colossians during January and February. Each Sunday is a quick soup and sandwich lunch followed by the WBS. We will host the Sweetheart Recognition Banquet for veterans on February 21. Sponsored by Project Parachute, the dessert bar with coffee and tea will be held from 6:30-8:30 pm.

Providence: We were able to have our Children's Christmas Program on December 29. There was good attendance; 12 children in the cast and three narrators, plus all their parents and relatives! The church presented generous gifts of money to the Pianist, Volunteer Custodian and the Pastor. Attendance at Worship Services has continued to increase, with a growing number of children for Sunday School during the adult worship time. We are looking forward to the Winter Bible Study in February. We will host the second session on February 12, with supper at 6:30, and Bible Study led by Brother Gary Payne at 7:00. Our Pastor is scheduled to lead the third session at Broadway Baptist on February 19. Our weekly Wednesday evening Home Bible Study will be suspended during the month of February. God has Blessed us; and we are so grateful to Him!

Sedalia Harmony: The congregation enjoyed a pot-luck meal on December 29. New Year's Eve was celebrated with a family movie night.. A business meeting was conducted on January 12. Several members volunteered their services at the Open Door Thrift Store on January 18. The church is participating in the Soup-er Bowl VII project sponsored by the Pettis County Ministerial Association.

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Report from Executive Board Meeting January 13

29 people attended from 14 churches

Heard reports from:

- * Treasurer
- * Director of Missions
- * Church Ministry Teams (Discipleship/Life Stewardship, Prayer, Leadership Development)
- * Missions Ministry Teams (Evangelism, Missions Activities)
- * Children's Camp

A recommendation passed that the Orval Woolery Mission Offering be used to purchase a new copy machine.

Guest speaker: Will and Jan Ruthven, Appalachia Reach Out, Inez, Kentucky



Adult Bible Study and Music at Calvary

Contact Person: Elvis
Durrill – 281-3420

Monday, February 3, is the date for the Adult Bible Study and Music at Calvary Baptist Church, 1015 W. 16th Street, from 10:00 to 11:00 am. Gary Payne (Broadway) will be lead the Bible Study. Marty Walkington (Katy Park) will lead the music and Judy Francis (Calvary) will play the piano.

Refreshments will be provided by Sharon Wasson (Mt Herman) and Elle Duggan (Mt Herman).

As an ongoing project, attendees are encouraged to bring paper products for The Embassy. This mission project is open to the entire association.

Kids' Kamp

The Kamp theme for 2014 is...RU4 REAL?
Romans 12:2

Kamp is again at Heit's Point and the dates are:
June 16 - 20, 2014.

Our team is excited about your kamp this summer. Cameron Tucker is coming back to lead our music and Becca Cate is coming back to teach Bible Study as well as Ray Layne. There will be other surprises for you when you come to camp. One thing I will share the pool will be open this year. Each night after our services we will have activities that will be new for this camp!!! I have heard that there might be Kabin Leaders planning something one night...oops, it is our secret. We also will be having our 2nd Junior Olympics. And....oh I am getting so excited.

In the next month or so I will be sending out the registrations packets to your Kids Kamp promoters. Also I will be sending out a video to your church (and you who were at camp... you are in it). So find out when your pastor is showing it and watch for yourself.... Wow, you will love it.

The kamp staff is willing to come to your church to share and answer any questions about kamp.

This year the association will not be able to offer scholarships like we have in the past. There is a possibility that there could be some scholarships available from other churches and individuals.

Please feel free to contact me at:
jmcrow01@aol.com or cell # 816-853-6069 or call the Mission Office.

Please make your plans to come!!!! Jan

Pastors/Staff and Spouse Appreciation Dinner

On January 3, Harmony Baptist Association held its Pastor/Staff and Spouse Appreciation Dinner at East Sedalia. We had loads of fun, laughter, and fellowship along with a delicious meal.

I wish to thank all the folks involved that made this so successful.

Bill McDowell, Leadership Development Team Leader

Project Parachute

Our next Project Parachute meeting will be Thursday, February 20, at 6:00 pm at the Mission Office. Plans for the Easter boxes, Christmas parade walking entry, and Summer "Sail" box are to be discussed. All are invited to attend.

Churches to Elect Messengers

In preparation for the April 14 Semi-Annual Meeting to be held at Sedalia Harmony Baptist Church and the September 14 Annual Meeting to be held at New Hope Baptist Church, churches need to elect messengers at a business meeting. According to the associational constitution, the formula is: *The voting members of this association in its Annual/Semi-Annual Meeting shall be composed of messengers elected by the churches, which they represent. Each church may send its pastor, and mission pastors, and three other messengers, and an addition messenger for each fifty members or fraction part thereof, above seventy-five, provided that no church sends more than twelve messengers.*

Week of Prayer for
NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS
and the Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering*

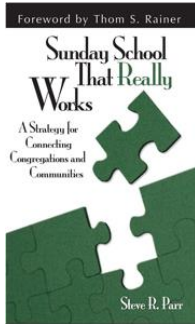
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March 2-9, 2014

AnnieArmstrong.com

“Sunday School that Really Works” Conference

Special Guest Speaker: Steve Parr, author of the book “Sunday School That Really Works”



Saturday, March 22, 2014

Macedonia Baptist Church, Springfield

Steve Parr encourages churches to reenergize traditional Sunday school by making it intentionally evangelistic, using proven methods and strategies already implemented in hundreds of growing churches. He guides churches through the process of analyzing their present programs and moving in a new direction to fulfill the Great Commission.



Registration begins at 8:00 am
Sessions start at 8:30 am - Dismiss at 3:00 pm

Cost (includes lunch and a copy of the book):

\$15/person early registration (before March 7, 2014)
 \$20/person after March



Register online at mobaptist.org/sunday_school

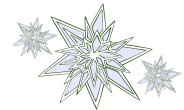
For more information call Pam Jeffries at (800)736-6227 ext. 337 or email pjeffries@mobaptist.org

Annual Women's Retreat



Be humble ... **Be BOLD** ... Be *Uniquely* HIS ...

March 14 (Friday - 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm)
 March 15 (Saturday - 9:00 am to 2:30 pm)



Place: Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Warsaw
 Motel: Parkfield Inn, Warsaw

Guests Presenters:

Rod Snow - Chalk Artist and Ventriloquist
 Mary Ann Randall, MBC “Bible Storying”

Daren Belardo, MO Highway Patrol Officer, Personal Testimony

“For as the rain comes down and the SNOW from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater... Isaiah 55:10

Cost; \$60.50 per person (2 per room)
 \$40.50 per person (4 per room)
 \$22.50 conference only

Room Reservation due February 13, 2014

Call Harmony Baptist Association Mission Office @ 660-826-2070 for reservations

