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NEWS

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HOW TO REACH US

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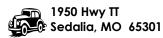
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Administrative Assistant's Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a. m. - 4:30 p.m. 12:00 - 12:30 pm (lunch)

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COME JOIN THE FUN AND SAY THANK YOU

VETERANS' CELEBRATION



Date: Saturday, November 14 Time: 8:30 am to 1:30 pm Place: North 65 Café

Thank you to those who gave so we may live free.

Free slice of pie and coffee to each veteran.

Sponsored by Project Parachute volunteers

Reservations Needed

Pastor/Staff and Spouse Appreciation Dinner

Saturday, November 21, at Calvary Baptist Church at 6:30 pm

Reservations are needed by <u>November 5</u> for the catered dinner from Little Big Horn Restaurant.

Cost is \$5 per person.

Childcare provided.



Constitution Discussion

At the Annual Meeting on September 13, 2015 the Constitution was amended. Several articles were added that address marriage, sexuality, and facility usage. The Associational Leadership Team would like to make additional updates to the Constitution.

The proposed revisions will be mailed or emailed to Executive Board members in early November. Two evenings have been set aside to discuss to proposed changes:

Thursday, November 19 7:00 pm Mission Office Thursday, January 7, 2016 7:00 pm Mission Office

We hope to see you on one of these evenings.



CALENDAR

November Daylight Saving Time ends 1 2 Adult Bible Study & Music - 10:00 am Pastors Fellowship @ Best Western - noon Associational Coordinating Team - 1:30 pm 10 Maplewood Association - 7:00 pm 11 Veteran's Day Veterans' Celebration @ North 65 Café - 8:30 14 am to 1:30 pm 17-18 Fall DOM Conference Project Parachute - 6:00 pm 19 Constitution Discussion - 7:00 pm 20 NEWS items due 21 Pastor/Staff & Spouse Appreciation Dinner @ Calvary - 6:30 pm 25 Label NEWS Thanksgiving Day (Observed Holidays) 26-27Mission Office closed

Anniversaries

All meetings at Mission Office unless otherwise indicated

John Barrett	1 years, November 9
Pastor - Smithton	
Bill Boatman	5 years, November 14
Pastor - Flat Creek	

A Tale of Two Churches

Dave Hague

This is a story of two churches. One homeless but hopeful; the other struggling to understand what God had planned for their future. They were both wrestling simultaneously, yet blissfully ignorant of each other's struggles. But in His perfect timing, God brought them crashing together in a "perfect storm" for the advancement of the gospel and for His Glory!

A great story, and it happened here in our midst. The common denominator was trust. And when both abandoned themselves to trust God, up sprang victory!

Sedalia Harmony Baptist Church, Vision Church shall be forever in your debt, for your forward thinking, your dedication to missions and outreach, and your willingness to "leave it all on the field" even when conventional wisdom cried NO!

We are humbled by your example to us and every other local congregation as to what it looks like to truly "give it all," to "lay it all down" in obedience for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

God bless you Sedalia Harmony Baptist Church!

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Birthdays	
Richard DeFord	November 5
Richard DeFord Associate Pastor - Katy Park	
Marlin Brown	November 20
Administrator Pastor - FBC, Sedalia	

"NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES"

Bethany: Several teen girls and their moms attended Dannah Gresh's "Pure Freedom" seminar in Springfield on the 4th. Our ladies collected cookies for the Pettis County Jail ministry and continued their study of Mary Jo Sharp's "Why Do You Believer That?" We hosted a midmonth fellowship luncheon on the 14th. Our men met for breakfast and a couple of Saturday workdays. We held a quarterly congregational meeting on the 25th, followed by a pastor appreciation fellowship. We served a meal at the Community Café on the 29th. Pastor Bowen continued his exposition of Romans on Sunday mornings and we returned on Sunday evenings for a video series on "Meaningful Manhood" by Pastor Tony Evans.

Broadway: On October 4, Darryl Berry and Tim Mosier were ordained as Deacons. They completed the SBC Deacon Training Course. Darryl and Tim have been members for over ten years and have served faithfully in many church positions. Children's Church is studying the Armor of God and presented a song and skit to the congregation. For "Trunk and Treat," we gave Salvation tracts, glow-in-the-dark buttons ("Jesus is the Light of the World"), a Gospel of John, and candy. OASIS group attended the "Preachers Quartet" Concert at Parkview Christian Church. The October 24 meeting was "Get Acquainted with Each Other." The pastor and deacons completed the Constitution and By-Laws update primarily to reflect church liability. We updated our user-friendly website with pictures, sermons, and activities. www.broadwaybaptistsedalia.org.

<u>Calvary</u>: The Teacher's Appreciation Banquet was well attended with guest speaker, Mike Cooper. We honored all past teachers and current teachers. A Free Garage Sale was held Saturday, October 17. For the beginning of the revival, a Carry-In Dinner was held for Family Night. Ron Herrod, evangelist, was here October 17-19. The exercise class met two times each week and attendees had a fun time. A group went to Fairview Nursing Home to sing and Pastor Don gave a short message to the residents. Pastor Don gave a short concert with his guitar and a short message to the residents of Rest Haven. We had three new members by letter and one joined by baptism. Forever Young met the last Thursday of the month with a Carry-In Supper. The Men and Boy's Breakfast met the first Saturday of the month. Alex Zsolt will have a <u>Piano Concert</u> on Sunday, November 1, at 6:00 pm. Come and enjoy.

<u>Camp Branch</u>: The members enjoyed hot dogs and a hayride on October 18. The men enjoyed eating breakfast together. <u>East Sedalia</u>: The ladies helped at the Open Door on October 6. The Adult Bible Study on Wednesday evenings, led by Rev. Jim Vest, interim pastor, were very informative. "The Refuge" for the youth, "God's Kids" for grades 1-5, and "Mission Friends" for Nursery-Kindergarten also met on Wednesday evenings. We promoted Operation Christmas Child, asking members to fill the Samaritan shoe boxes. We had one profession of faith on October 18.

Emmet Avenue: On October 18, we had a church fellowship dinner to celebrate Pastor's Appreciation Month, Pastor Harvey and Linda's wedding anniversary, and Pastor Harvey's birthday. We continued to spruce up the outside of our church by putting a new coat of sealer on the church ramp.

FBC, Sedalia: The annual Deacon's Banquet was held on October 8 for all ordained deacons, their spouses, and the widows of former deacons. Several of our senior adults had a fun outing on October 14 when they went to the New Theater Restaurant in Kansas City for dinner and a show. The Women's Enrichment Ministry sponsored a "Soup for the Soul" Bunco Night on October 16. Registration has begun for the Upward Basketball and Cheerleading program, for boys and girls in grades 1-6. Cost is \$55 if registered by October 26; \$65 after that, until the final deadline date of November 1. The annual Children's Fall Festival was held on October 31 for all kids birth through 6th grade.

<u>Flat Creek:</u> The MMO offering goal was surpassed. We are in the midst of collecting for the Global Hunger Relief Fund. Cookies for the jail ministry were supplied October 6 and 13. Eleven attended the 2015 Missions Exploration for children at Baptist Ridge camp near Warsaw where they learned about Cowboy Churches.

<u>Houstonia</u>: Our <u>revival</u> is November 6-7-8. Rev. Willie Harlow is the evangelist and the Marks Family will provide the music. Evening services are at 7:00 pm. Sunday service is at 10:00 am with a Carry-In Dinner to follow. Childcare will be provided for all four services.

<u>Katy Park</u>: On October 3, twelve members helped with clean-up efforts at the CASA storage building. We honored our pastors and youth director with a card shower on October 9. We held our 17th Annual Church Fish Fry on October 9. The youth attended "Treasured", the Judgement House presentation at Otterville Baptist Church. We held a Harvest Party and Chili Cook-Off on October 31.

<u>Lamine</u>: We had 35 kids and adults attend our hayride party on October 3. On October 17, the L.O.L. met to finish cleaning the church and prepared a meal for the painters who were doing touch-up painting on the outside of the church. On October 24 we had our Harvest dinner and short program of history of Lamine with special music. Our Trunk or Treat was held on October 31. Looking ahead is the "Hanging of the Green" on November 22 at 6:00 pm. Then the next four Sundays we will observe Advent until Christmas.

Providence: God's grace continues to abound; for his love to each of us flows freely among his people. Our church hosted a Back-to-School Cookout and Fellowship; about 25 people in attendance has led to two faithful attenders. Carolyn Routon from Haiti shared with us the great need for Bibles (2,000) in the Haitian/Creole language. She shared how they are experiencing renewed interest in pastoral training. Several took part in Judgement House at First Baptist, Otterville. A Fall Festival is in the planning stages for November 7. Pray for God's will to be accomplished in all we do; for his glory. Vision: We served at the Open Door food pantry two times this month. We had our Quarterly Business Meeting. We also celebrated the Lord's Supper. We started our first Ladies Bible Study on the 15th! The men had their monthly breakfast. Eight kids attended the Mission Exploration in Warsaw. We celebrated with our pastor all month, and had a surprise dinner for him. A group of ladies went to the Judgment House for their monthly outing and then came back to the church for fellowship and board games. We had our second Trunk or Treat and we served hot dogs, chips, popcorn and hot chocolate.

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Week of Prayer for International Missions is an opportunity for churches to come together in focused, specific prayer for the work of missionaries they send to proclaim the glory of God to the nations. It is also a time to reflect on giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions that supports them.

November 29-December 6, 2015 is the Week of Prayer. The offering goal for MBC is \$4 million. The national goal is \$175 million. We encourage you to pray about setting a challenging goal for your church.

You can order online (offering envelopes, poster, prayer guide bulletin inserts) at www.mobaptist.org/wmu or email sparis@mobaptist.org to place your order. Call Sharon Paris 1-8/00-736-6227, extension 324. For more information see website www.imb.org/main/lottie-moon.



Challenge Project Lighthouse!

How many lighthouses can cover Pettis County?



If you haven't signed up to be a lighthouse in your community, you still can. Just go to the HBA website (**www.hbamo.org**) and look under the Evangelism tab. Read the instructions and fill out the forms below. If you do not have an email, call the office and let them know you want to be a lighthouse in your area.

Here is a suggestion this month.

Your community doesn't have to be just where you live. It can be at your work, school, or network of friends and family.

I want to encourage you to shine your light by praying for those around you. You may want to prayer walk around your neighborhood or work or school while the weather is still warm. Be ready to listen. God is already at work and He wants you to be highly involved in His sowing seed around you. Be quick to reach out when you see a need. Don't hesitate! Be friendly. Greet your neighbors with a smile. Many people are lonely and hunger for acceptance and love.

Finally, put a candle or and electric candle somewhere where you will see it daily to remind you that Jesus, in you, wants to shine.

Continue striving for the Kingdom,

For more information, contact Jon Church, Evangelism Leader, at 660-829-0220 or 826-7497.



A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY

BY THE BALL BROTHERS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2015 7:00 P.M. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 200 E. 6TH STREET, SEDALIA, MO 65301 660-826-2160

FREE ADMISSION/FREE WILL OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN. HOSTED BY LUKE MARKS FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 573-619-2069

Adult Bible Study and Music

Monday, November 2, is our next Adult Bible Study and Music at Calvary Baptist Church, 1015 West 16th Street, from 10:00 to 11:30 am.

Robert Sisney (Mt Herman) will lead the Bible Study. Elaine Bryson (Calvary) will play the piano. Pete Sublett (Calvary) will lead the music.

Gerry Sumners, Janice Daleen, and Claudell Moore (all from East Sedalia) will provide the refreshments.

Invite a friend to come with you.

Pastors Fellowship

The Pastors Fellowship will meet on Monday, November 2, at noon at Best Western State Fair Inn.





The relay center for this area is New Hope Baptist Church.

The hours will be: Monday-Friday (Nov 16-20) 8:30 am to 2:00 pm

Saturday (Nov 21) 10:00 am to 11:00 am Sunday (Nov 22) 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Monday (Nov 23) 8:30 am to 10 am

For questions call David Derden 221-9547 or New Hope 826-6277.

In Memory of

Rev. Donald Lee Bouse

June 23, 1930 - October 13, 2015

Pastor at Bethlehem from July 1984 to July 2007.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord." Revelation 14:13

Looking ahead in 2016

January 11—Executive Board Meeting January 27—Winter Bible Study—Rally, TBA

Early Deadlines

Items for December News are due on **Tuesday**, **November 17**, this should include the date, time, and event(s) of your church-wide Christmas activities.

The items for the January News are due early. The date is Wednesday, **December 16**. This early deadline will allow us to write the articles, do the layout, print, and label before the Mission Office is closed for the holidays. Your help in meeting this early deadline is greatly appreciated.

Project Parachute

"O Holy Night" gift boxes will be packed on Thursday, November 19, for shipment. Homemade cookies, candy, crafts, and Christmas cards are needed.

Please call 826-2070 to let Anita know how many dozen cookies you plan to donate. 100 dozen homemade cookies are needed.

Thank you for your help!



In observance of Thanksgiving, the Mission Office will be closed Thursday and Friday. November 26-27



Psalm 95:126

O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksqiving. and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms. O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD our maker.