



# Harmony Baptist Association

## NEWS

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### Office Hours

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

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January 2022



Wishing you Praise, Glory & Abundance this  
New Year 2022.



### Robert's Ramblin's

*"Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." It seems almost unbelievable that 2022 is here! So many ups and downs, mandates and arguments over mandates, information about vaccines and misinformation about the same, who to believe or not to believe, to wear a mask or not, the list of confusing circumstances and situations goes on and on! So base your New Year's intentions and resolutions on the scripture above:*

- ✘ Be sure you are 'in Christ.' Many people in this world believe they are Christians but have never made the one-on-one commitment to repent of sin and accept Christ as Savior. Even many church members have never really given themselves to Christ. He wants us to be totally sold-out to serving Him.*
- ✘ Remember saved persons are new creations! Not in ourselves, but what He has done for us. When we fully give our lives to Jesus, we receive a complete make-over because of His gift of salvation.*
- ✘ 'The old has passed away.' Just like the year 2021, it is gone never to be relived again. So our lives should be in Christ. We should never keep doing the old sinful habits we acquired in a life before salvation. In fact, the Bible uses the past tense in this verse. The old HAS passed away, we are no longer bound to keep doing the old sinful habits.*

*So where are we as Harmony Association Baptists? Will we be more and more 'new creations' for the cause of Christ and the church, or will we be doing the same-old-same-old this year? Please, make your life and your church and the Association a new progression in 2022!*

# January 2022



**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**



**1**  
 Ryan Stone, Katy Park Anniversary  
 Larry Chappell, LaMonte Anniversary

<b>2</b> Richard DeFord, Katy Park Anniversary	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Pastor/Staff Lunch, noon Kid's Kamp Meeting, 6:30pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> Sanctity of Human Life Sunday	<b>17</b> Building & Grounds, 7:00pm Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	<b>18</b> ACT Meeting, 9:00am	<b>19</b> News Due	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
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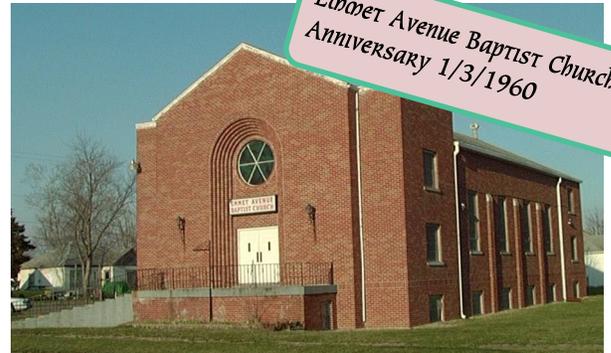
2021 Monthly Requirement \$7,447.97  
Church receipts for December  
Net Budget difference

# UPCOMING Events

- Feb. Winter Bible Study Month
- Feb. 7 HBA Executive Board, 7:00pm
- March Deacon's Day
- March 12 VBS Training Day, Ozark, MO
- March 29 M&M Banquet, 6:30pm
- March Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- April 17 Easter
- May 5 National Day of Prayer

**Creating new landing fields. Come join us.**

Project Parachute needs you to send Valentine cards by Jan. 26, 2022



Ebenezer Avenue Baptist Church Anniversary 1/3/1960



Adult Bible Study Will be canceled the next 2 months for the winter



## MIDWEST LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



LEADING CHURCHES IN THE MIDWEST IS CHALLENGING. COME THE SUMMIT FOR THREE DAYS OF EQUIPPING FOR OUR UNIQUE MISSION FIELD.

MIDWEST LEADERSHIP SUMMIT IS JANUARY 18-20, 2022. AT THE CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL IN SPRINGFIELD, IL.

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Missouri: Stacy Seaton  
[sseaton@mobaptist.org](mailto:sseaton@mobaptist.org) 800-736-6227 ext. 336

## Church DEACONS

Calling the church of God for good Deacons. Do you need a workshop? How about calling Robert Sisney for a Deacon Day in March. 660 631-3331

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**Philippians 4:11-13 "I don't say this out of need, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I find myself. I know both how to make do with little, and I know how to make do with a lot. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being content whether well fed or hungry, whether in abundance or in need."**

**CONTENTMENT**

**Contentment means being satisfied and at rest about where God has you, despite what's happening around you.**

**It's not natural or automatic; it must be learned. God teaches us "contentment" through the ups and downs of changing circumstances. He wants us to learn to depend on Him no matter what. Many times, it seems that God doesn't come through for us until we can't take one more step. Then He provides at just the right time, strengthening us.**

**You see, the lesson of contentment is most effectively learned during times of suffering and need. Here are a few illustrated examples:**

**Contentment is being just as happy driving that Mercedes as you would be if you had to drive that Jalopy from work or college. In both cases you'd have a ride.**

**Contentment is taking as much pleasure in that big three-hundred-thousand-dollar house as you would a two-bedroom apartment. In both cases you'd have a roof over your head.**

**Contentment is being just as satisfied with the designer outfit as you would with an outfit from the thrift store. In both cases you have clothes on your back and you're not naked.**

**The point is this. Contentment is realizing that God has met your needs.**

**By: John Streit**



**FAITH**  
  
**MOVES MOUNTAINS**





# IN REVIEW

**A Holiday Thank You --**  
Thirty of our Pastors/Staff/Wives enjoyed an evening of fun, fellowship and food at FBC on December 11. A great meal was prepared by Cindy Decker and crew and Lonnie DeVorss brought Christmas games and prizes to the group and Andrew Bryant from FBC brought Christmas music for our enjoyment. 30 of our Servants of God, their spouses/dates, and families attended and made for a great evening. One person told me the next day, "We ought to do this more often". ☺



Congratulations, Katy Park Church for **1<sup>st</sup>** place in the Christmas Parade!!

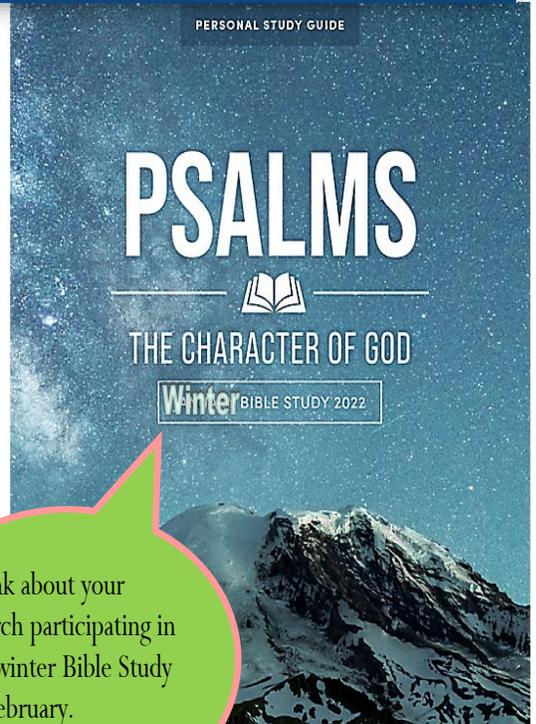


January 10, 2022  
6:30pm, HBA Office

# Meeting

The First meeting for Kid's Kamp in 2022 please plan to attend. This is a fresh start come with your new Ideas.

Thank you to all who gave to the Lottie Moon Offering!



Think about your church participating in the winter Bible Study in February.

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Contact Jamie for Volunteer opportunities:  
email [jharker@opendoorservicecenter.org](mailto:jharker@opendoorservicecenter.org)

Pantry Monday-Thursday 9-1  
3rd Monday of the month late serve 3-6  
Kitchen Monday-Saturday 9-2  
Thrift Store Monday-Saturday 9-2

Open Door  
Needs your  
help!

**Bethlehem:** Blessings from Bethlehem Baptist Church. Celebrating the birth of Jesus, our favorite month. We got to celebrate with by starting the month with three baptisms. We have adopted two local families to give Christmas to along with our shoe boxes we filled last month. Our women's group gathered together at Bandanas for a wonderful evening of fellowship. We will be having a Christmas eve service at 6pm and all are welcome. We are also starting on the third Saturday of each month fun activities for anyone age 5 and up at the church.

**Broadway:** At Broadway Baptist, we celebrated the four Sundays in Advent with prophetic Scripture readings and lighting candles on the Advent Wreath. Fulfilled prophecy is one of the great proofs of the Deity of Jesus Christ. God gave the world about 300 prophecies about the coming of Messiah. The candle of HOPE represents the assurance of eternal life forever with the Lord for those who have accepted Christ as their Savior. The candle representing JOY reminds us that Jesus gives us the joy of salvation in our hearts when we accept Him as our Savior, and we look forward to joy in Heaven. The third candle represents LOVE. God loves us and wants us to love Him and accept His Son as our Savior. The fourth candle is the candle of PEACE. When we accept Christ as our Savior, He brings peace to our hearts and minds. As we wait for the Prince of Peace to return, we will be witnesses for Christ, the Light of the world. On the two Sundays in Christmastide, we focused on Christ's Second Advent.

**Calvary:** Well, here we are. Another year is finished. What a blessed year we have had at Calvary. Sorry to say we have lost loved ones, but God has blessed us with new families and members to our church. A very blessed December we had. AWANA children sang and quoted verse on December 19th morning worship service, church wide Christmas caroling Sunday evening December 19th, Candlelight service on Christmas Eve. Great messages on the true meaning of Christmas and some challenges to remember what the holiday is truly about. Without the birth of Christ we would not be where we are today. One message was "Is Your Christmas Too Crowded For Christ?" Well...? The CHRISTMAS GIFT! What do we do with the greatest Christmas gift that was given? Do we share it, pay it forward, or hide it under a bush? We are looking forward to a wonderful, blessed 2022!

**East Sedalia:** The social committee prepared a wonderful Thanksgiving meal and thirty households received the meals. We donated 60 boxes to Operation Christmas Child. We are participating in the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Women's Ministry was held on December 16th. After the discussion about Advent, each woman made a Christmas Ornament to take home, and refreshments were served. The Kid's Christmas Party was held on December 10th and the Youth Christmas Party was held on December 17th.

**FCB Sedalia:** Blessings, fellow saints. As we're prone to do at the end of the year, we at FCB have been reflecting on God's goodness and faithfulness over the past twelve months. In His sovereign kindness, God has blessed our efforts to be faithful to Scripture in all that we do. We committed this year to follow the full counsel of Scripture in every aspect of church life, and the Holy Spirit has used these efforts to produce spiritual fruit of believers growing in the faith, sinners being led to repentance, and biblical restoration taking place in many homes and families. Through biblical conferences, intentional Bible studies, Biblical Counseling training, theology training, and Scripture infused into all that we do, God has blessed the preaching and work of His Word. All ministry done for the glory of God rather than man results in God's people strengthened in the faith. As we close out 2021 with our final event – Christmas Eve Service December 24th at 6:00PM – we want our sister churches to know we pray for you corporately on Sunday mornings, we're together for the Gospel, you're never alone in the ministry, we're here to encourage and pray for you, and to always remember that biblical faithfulness will be blessed by the Lord all for His glory alone.

Merry Christmas!

**Katy Park:** We handed out Christmas tracks and walked in the Sedalia Christmas Parade on December 4th, We went Christmas caroling on December 8th, Our Children's program made cookies and sweets for our first responders on December 15th, We celebrated Jesus' birth with a Christmas Eve service on December 24th.

**Mt. Herman:** Mt. Herman church worshipped by celebrating the Lord's Supper right after Thanksgiving and started enjoying Christmas carols the next Sunday. We enjoy the music of the season! On Dec. 19, the church Christmas Program was loved by everyone. We are anticipating a good New Year with more spiritual growth and people coming to Christ. One person joined our congregation in Dec. and waiting Baptism.

FEBRUARY 8, 9AM-1PM

# 2022 Statewide Network Summit

Enjoy the King - Love His Bride - Pursue His Target

Join us for worship, breakouts, lunch, and workshops.

Breakout Tracks:

- Training to Serve as a Network Team Member
- Equipping Leaders of Steady or Struggling Churches
- Preparing Strong Churches for Partnership

Location: MBC Building in Jefferson City

Cost: Free

Additional Opportunities for Equipping through Regional Summits:  
SWMO - March // South Central - April // Northeast - May

