



Harmony Baptist Association NEWS

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January 2023



Robert's Ramblin's

Another year is behind us. I wonder if the churches of HBA have accomplished what they desired in 2022. Some of our churches have made positive strides in the work of the kingdom. Creating good worship environments, teaching the Word in many ways to all ages, and loving one another in Christ. Several churches reported baptisms this year and that's glory to the Lord! We enjoyed mission trips, mission celebration, leadership training, deacon training, and other events that helped us grow in wisdom and knowledge. So let's make some positive plans for the 2023 to help make our churches stronger.

The center of our ministries needs to be a strong prayer life, both for churches and individuals. Make sure the worship experiences in your church are just that, and not only attendance. Your tithing is a sign of your worship of God, who gives us all things. The sweet fellowship among church members is of most importance. When we don't get along with each other, the whole world knows and we drive people away from God. And don't forget supporting the work of Baptist missionaries here and beyond. We may not have much time to reach the lost of our communities and the world before time is up.

Please remember your Associational Office is here for you for resources and encouragement. If nothing else, we can pray for you and our churches and love you in Christ's name. Keep in touch!

January 2023

Anniversary dates are Pastor anniversaries with each respective church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Ryan Stone, Katy Park Anniversary Larry Chappell, Lamont Anniversary Jason Kindle, Bethlehem Anniversary</p>	<p>2 Richard DeFord, Katy Park Anniversary</p>					
<p>8 </p>	<p>9 Law Enforcement Appreciation Day</p>					
	<p>16 Martin Luther King Birthday Building & Grounds meeting 7pm</p>	<p>17 ACT Meeting 9am</p>				
		<p>24 News Deadline</p>				
	<p>30 Nick Gray, Broadway Birthday</p>	<p>31 Newsletter Mailed</p>		 <p>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</p> <p><small>www.thelearningste.info</small></p>		

The Financial section can be found on the web site.
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2022 Monthly Requirement	\$7,317.92
Church receipts for December	\$5,903.83
Net Budget difference	(\$1,414.09)



UPCOMING Events

Feb. 1,8,15&22	Winter Bible Study
Feb. 6	HBA Executive Board Meeting, 7pm
March 27	M&M Banquet



Adult Bible Study Meeting

Next one will be in March



Project Parachute will send out valentine cards to soldiers overseas. Please provide cards to the office by Jan 24, 2023, so we can mail them out.

Announcing Anniversary

Emmet Avenue Baptist Church
Anniversary 1/3/1960



Executive Board Meeting

February 6, 2023, 7pm
@ Harmony Baptist Office



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Have faith that the Lord can move the mountain of forgiveness.

First, our sin may seem insurmountable. We may believe that we are beyond saving, beyond forgiveness. If you truly knew what I've done, we think, you would understand. You would see that I am beyond rescue. But if we have the tiniest bit of faith — faith the size of a mustard seed — and we put that faith in Jesus, our sins are wiped out forever.

Psalm 103:10-12 tells us, "He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us."

Second, we may find it impossible to forgive others. Humans do truly atrocious things to each other — things that do not deserve forgiveness. However, Jesus is very serious about forgiveness. In Mark 6:14-15, He says, "For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins." Others may not deserve our forgiveness. However, neither do we deserve the Lord's forgiveness. Yet, Jesus died a brutal death that we might be forgiven. He commands that we also forgive. By human logic, this is nonsensical, even impossible. But by faith, forgiveness is possible. Through prayer, through faith, we are able to forgive those who have sinned against us.

How Can We Continue to Grow Our Faith? As we've discussed, moving mountains is not accomplished by mustering up enough faith. It is done by trusting God to move the mountains by His power. However, it should be our desire to draw ever closer to Him, to grow deeper in faith. Growing in faith is not about studying or intellect, though these can help. It is not about rigor or discipline, though these also have their place in our growth. Rather, growing in faith is growing in relationship. Taken from internet; excerpts on a sermon "Faith Can Move Mountains", by Alyssa Roat.



Winter Bible Study

Scheduled for Wednesday nights in February.
It is not too late to enlist. Please let Robert know.



Announcing M&M Banquet

This New Year's Mission & Ministry Banquet date is set for March 27, 2023.
Please let Robert know if you would like to participate and help with the festivities.

Oh, by jolly was there fun to be had at the Pastor & Wives Christmas Dinner.

Thank you for your Contribution to the Christmas Dinner...

Wayne Tucker
Jane Henderson
Duane Duchesne
Travis Battershell
& Bethany Baptist Church for Hosting.



Calvary: With tears of sadness and tears of joy, we said goodbye to Pastor Dr. Don Satterwhite as our pastor of Calvary Baptist. We sent him and Marie off with a fabulous dinner and celebration on December 18th. We also celebrated their 50 years of marriage on that date, and we pray for many more wonderful blessed years for them. We pray that God will continue to use Pastor Don and Marie in a mighty way to reach the lost for Jesus. We welcome Pastor Jonathan Wallenbeck as our senior pastor. We pray God will use him and the congregation to continue the great work here at Calvary. We will be having Candlelight Service Christmas Eve at 5 pm. All are welcome. We will also be having Worship Service Christmas Day at 10 am. Jesus is the Reason for the Season! As the new year begins we look forward to many wonderful things to happen here at Calvary in 2023.

East Sedalia: We will not be having Sunday School on Christmas morning, but will have Worship at 9:30. Along with volunteers from the church, the Outreach Committee gave out 600 candy canes at the downtown Christmas Parade. It told the story of the candy cane, and invited people to come worship with us. We took part in the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. A Christmas Celebration was held for the children and youth on Dec. 14. Home bound members were remembered with a card and gift for Christmas.

Emmet Avenue: We had great food and fellowship celebrating our Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday with a meal Dec. 11. We have set our Lottie Moon offering goal. Plans are to deliver Christmas baskets to our shut-ins a week before Christmas. We have postponed our Sunday and Wednesday evening services until March with winter weather upon us. We wish everyone a Blessed and Merry Christmas! And also Happy New Year!

Flat Creek: On December 4th after morning worship we enjoyed our Christmas Holiday Dinner with much good food and fellowship. We continue our annual food drive for Open Door Food Pantry and have delivered 4,480 cans of vegetables so far.

Katy Park: We handed out Christmas tracks and walked in the Sedalia Christmas Parade on December 3rd, We went Christmas caroling on December 14th, Our Children's program put on a Christmas program December 18th, Our youth and children's program had Christmas parties December 21st, We celebrated Jesus' birth with a Christmas Eve service on December 24th, the youth had a New Year's Lock-in December 30th.

Mt Herman: Mt. Herman has been without our pianist, Deana Nelson for a couple of weeks due to illness. Michael Sproles graciously and professionally took on piano duties for us. Our "Blue Christmas" Program was on Dec. 18. On Christmas day, a ten o'clock a.m. service was enjoyed by attendees. We are anticipating a happy and productive New Year.