



Harmony Baptist Association NEWS

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12:00 - 12:30 pm (lunch)

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July 2023



Here are ways you can participate in the State Fair Ministry:

- 1. People from around the state have been helping make salvation bracelets for the tent. You are welcome to help. We need 1,000 made.*
- 2. Witnessing teams are forming now. If you have a church or a group willing to help please call and reserve your slot of time today.*
- 3. Pray for people to visit the tent and will hear the gospel of Jesus Christ.*
- 4. Pray for those who will be presenting their testimony.*
- 5. Pray for protection from the elements.*

***Call the office for any questions you have. Robert 660-631-3331.*





Robert's Ramblin's

The hot summer weeks bring a number of challenges to our churches. People are vacationing, ball teams are playing full swing (no pun intended), and distractions for maintaining faithful attendance in church services and activities keep us wondering what the outcome will be. We have been called of God to keep on doing the work before us. We have some encouragement from the Word: James 1:2-3 tells us, "Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance." It goes on to say that these trials will bring us to maturity and completeness. So I say to myself and other church leaders, keep on keeping on. Even when attendance is uncertain and people don't seem to care about the church, we have a mandate to preach and teach and love and care just like we do in good times. Be true to your calling to serve Christ. Romans 8:37 tells us we are on the winning team when hardship or persecution comes: "No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."

July 2023

Anniversary dates are Pastor
anniversaries with each respective church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3 Adult Bible Study @Calvary, 10am	4 Holiday office closed	5	6 Staff Recommendation Team, 7:00pm	7	8
9	10 Building & Grounds 7:00pm	11 ACT Meeting 9:00am	12	13	14	15 Bonnie Griffith, Memorial birthday
16	17	18 Bill Johnson, Mt. Olive, Anniversary Peggy Barrett, Smithton Birthday	19	20 News Item Deadline	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Newsletter Mailed	28	29
30	31					

2023 Monthly Requirement \$7,323.15
 Church receipts for June
 Net Budget difference



UPCOMING Events

Aug 1 Annual Church Profiles Due
 Aug 10-20 MO State Fair Ministry
 Aug 24 Start of school for Sedalia
 Sept 24 Annual Meeting @ New Hope Baptist Church, 1:15pm

Project Parachute
 Creating new landing fields.
 Come join us.
 Next meeting August

Adult Bible Study Meeting
 July 10, 2023; 10am
 @Calvary Baptist Church



HARMONY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
2023 Fall WOMEN'S RETREAT
 Featuring
 Jamie Hoos, Speaker
 Randy Davis, Branson's Chalk Artist
 Sept 22, 6:30-8pm & Sept 23, 9am-2pm
 Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Warsaw, MO

In the Potter's Hands

Costs per person: Retreat only, lunch, Gift bag \$50
 Overnight Parkfield Inn
 Booking includes: Room, Retreat, Lunch, Gift Bag
 4 per room: \$75 each
 3 per room: \$85 each
 2 per room: \$102 each
 Single room: \$155
 For reservations call:
 Ruth @ 816-682-1824
 Deadline Sept. 1st, 2023
 Pay & Check in for room keys at Cedar Grove Baptist Church after 2pm on Friday, Sept. 22

HOSTESS:
 LONNIE DEVORSS

It's Time for
Vacation Bible School...

Churches that had VBS in June
 Bethany
 Bethlehem
 Calvary
 Camp Branch
 New Hope
 PIB

Churches having VBS in July
 East Sedalia
 First Baptist Church
 Flat Creek
 Green Ridge
 Katy Park
 Memorial
 Smithton
 Syracuse



Join us at VBS!
 AS WE SEARCH FOR Things Hidden
 IN THE KINGDOM PARABLES OF JESUS

July 17-21
 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
 FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

First Baptist Church of Sedalia
 200 E 6th St,
 Sedalia, MO 65301
 K (COMPLETED)-6TH GRADE

Call (660) 826-2160 OR scan the QR code to register

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"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:8

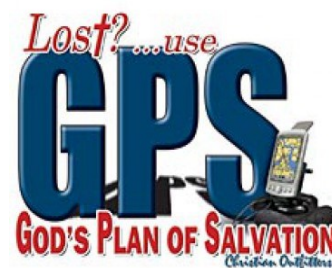
Nation of Nations

As we celebrate the birthday of our nation we as Christians must remember the opportunity and responsibility God has given us to be a witness to all nations.

1st *First, we must see that God gives us the power, His Power, to carry out the call He has given us. The power is through the Holy Spirit residing in our lives providing His presence and working in and through us to accomplish His will and further His Kingdom.*

2nd *Next, we are to be witnesses of Christ. We are to allow Jesus to reveal Himself around us. We are to have Christ and the salvation and life He gives. Salvation is for all who trust in Him as Lord and Savior is our message.*

3rd *Finally, we are to be witnesses to the utter most parts of the earth. God has brought many nations to the United States. We can be international missionaries at home. Let us reach the nations in our nation.*





ACP Survey provides four critical types of information.

1. Affirmation that each congregation is active.
2. Updating organization record – has address, phone, email, or website changed? *New this year you can indicate congregation worship languages and the congregation preferred communication language.
3. Gathering statistics for the previous year.
4. Updating church leaders contact information and updating church leadership.



**C.A.C.T.U.S. is a United Way Agency
2023 Distribution**

Monday, August 7 and Tuesday, August 8 will be the 2023 dates for packing and distribution of school supplies for Pettis County students. Watch for more details throughout the summer.

How Can You Help?

You can support C.A.C.T.U.S. in the following ways:

- *Volunteer to help at one of our events
- *Mail a check to C.A.C.T.U.S. at P.O. Box 1766, Sedalia, MO 65302.
Monetary donations will be used to buy school supplies and backpacks.
- *Call 660-827-0263 to arrange for your donation of school supplies

SEDALIA – Missouri Baptist pastor Russ Slocum gives a gospel bead bracelet to Elsie Kigar, the State Fair queen for 2022. Kigar is from Memphis, Mo. Slocum, pastor of First Baptist Church, Otterville and he is president of Lamine Baptist Association. He was co-coordinator of the fair ministry this year.

Nearly 80 profess faith in Christ in Baptist Tent at Missouri State Fair

Bethany: Bethany Baptist Church will be participating in a week of prayer for international missions in our partnership with The Masters Academy International (TMAI). From July 24th-29th we will pray for the TMAI training centers across the world that are training pastors to preach expositionally and pastor according to the Word of God. If you wish to join in with daily email prompts for prayer, visit tmai.org/togetherwepay

Calvary: WOW! 2023 is half gone, can you believe it? What a June we had, here at Calvary. Busy preparing for VBS. Praise the Lord we had the best VBS! We average 74 in attendance for the week, with our largest night being Wednesday with 81. Stompers and Chompers was a big hit and the church had dinosaurs all over the place. We have all of the material that you would need if there is a church that would like to borrow. It's HOT out there but here at Calvary we are always cool inside. July 2nd our choir will be presenting a Patriotic celebration, looking forward to that. We ask that you be in prayer for our upcoming Mission Trip to Wisconsin July 8-14. We will be assisting in "Hands of Hope" with construction, outreach and a VBS while there.

East Sedalia: We will extend our fellowship from 10:10-10:25 on Sunday mornings between Sunday School and morning worship for the next three months. There were 6 children and 1 helper that attended Kids Kamp June 12-16. One of the children accepted Christ while there. On Father's Day each man present was given a card stating that a donation was being given to Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief in their honor. The two oldest fathers present and the youngest father present were presented special gifts.

We delivered Meals On Wheels the week of June 26-30. Plans are being made for Vacation Bible School July 14-16. Pastors that supplied in June were: Randy Paxton, Eddie Brown, Asher Koebel and Kevin Anstine.

Hopewell: Hopewell Baptist Church is having a "Meet and Greet" event after church on a Sunday in July (date tbd) to welcome their new pastor and wife. The congregation is encouraged to invite friends

Mt. Herman: Some of our faithful people have been enjoying visiting other parts of the world lately. Some to Branson and south Missouri, some to Florida, some to Tennessee, some to Utah. We pray that all travelers will be safe and return home in one piece. Sadly, we laid to rest one of our faithful, Susan Young, a few days ago. She was a generous heart and will be missed by our members. She was instrumental in providing and helping with our ministry at Community Café. We are in the middle of a study of the book of James on Wednesday evenings, enjoying each other's company and a great study.

Olive Branch: The speakers for Saturday Night Cross Connect in July are as follows:

July 1-Brendan Van Winkle

July 8-Minister Gary Huddleston

July 15- No Service -We are attending the revival located at highway 65 and Eagle View Drive

July 22-Gene Mankini

July 29- Jessica Sanders

Bible Study -5:30, Meal - 6:30, Service -7:30.

