

# Harmony Baptist Association News

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**Executive Board Meeting** 





Robert's Ramblin's

The end of another year in the history of mankind and our churches always brings me to a place of remembering and reflection. I can't help but think about the joys and pleasures God has allowed me to experience. I am blessed to live in America where I have freedom to worship God freely. And the freedom to work for the Kingdom through Harmony Association is a tremendous and fulfilling. HBA has the world's best pastors and church workers in the world, as far as I'm concerned. Considering all the joys God has allowed, I still feel there is room for improvement in the new year. We have been called to do the most important work in the universe, that is the proclamation of the gospel. Our world is in turmoil and needs Jesus. Some of our homes are in trouble and need Jesus. And some of our churches could use a good dose of Holy Spirit enthusiasm! So let us consider the admonition of the writer of Hebrews in 10:24: "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds." May our love and good works inspire us believers to help individual church members and leaders to do their best for Jesus. And may our love and good works cause lost people to seek the Lord. Have a blest New Year, everyone!

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# January 2025

Anniversary dates are Pastor anniversary with each respective church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Emmet Avenue BC Anniversary 1/3/1960		PPY EW ARI	I Larry Chappell, LaMonte Anniv. Jason Kindle, Bethlehem, Anniv. Andrew Forshee, FBC, Sedalia, Anniv	2 Richard DeFord, Katy Park Anniversary	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Building & Grounds, 5pm	14 ACT Meeting , 9am	15	16 Project Parachute, 5pm	17	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Day	21	22 News Item Deadline	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Nick Gray, Broadway Birthday Newsletter Mailed	31	

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2025 Monthly Requirement \$7,550.33 Church receipts for December \$2,304.83 Net Budget difference (\$5,245.50)



Feb 3 Feb March 9 March 25 April 20 HBA Executive Board, 7pm Winter Bible Study Daylight Savings Time M & M Banquet, 6:30pm

### DEACON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

First Baptist Church Sedalia would like to welcome all ordained men within the Harmony Baptist Association to joyfully join us for the ordination and installation of three prospective deacons on Sunday, February 16, at 6PM. Please contact the church office at 660-826-2160 should you have any questions.







**Broadway:** At Broadway Baptist, we celebrate the Advent Season of the Church Year. Members read appropriate Scripture and light candles representing the work of Christ through Peace, Love, Hope, and Promise. Besides this Advent Wreath, we have a Jesse Tree with 28 wooden ornaments representing God's salvation work throughout the Old Testament. Adult Sunday School Quarterly comes from David C. Cook/Scripture Press and covers both selected Old and New Testament books. We will have our traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight service with the Lord's Supper. Our Haiti missionaries The Routons visited us in November, and we are participating in the Lottie Moon offering.

Calvary: Wow! What a year 2024 has been here at Calvary. Some sad moments with losing 11 members this year. But also, happy moments that they are with our Lord. Happy moments with accepting new members this year. What a blessing. We end the year with our Christmas program on December 22 and caroling that evening. A beautiful way to What a joy to see the faces of our Nursing Home patients and shut-ins when we sing the Christmas carols about the birth of Jesus. We will also have Candlelight Service on December 24th at 5 pm. We pray for all to have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! We look forward to what God is going to bless us with in 2025 as we continue to serve Him and tell others about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Blessings to all.

East Sedalia: We participated in the Lottie Moon offering. We were happy to fill 54 Good Samaritan Boxes. We assembled 1,152 invitations that told about activities at our church also the candy cane story with candy canes on them, and these were passed out at the Christmas Parade on December 7. The Kids Christmas Party was held on December 11 and the Youth Christmas Party was held on December 20. Christmas Eve Service will be held on December 24 at 6:00 P.M. Emmet Avenue: We collected 46 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child program. We had our holiday meal Dec. 8 after morning worship service. We wish our former Pastor Steve Cardwell and his family God's blessings in the next chapter of their lives as he resigned Nov. 24. We ask for prayers for our church in seeking a new bi-vocational pastor who will be a blessing to our church.

Mt. Herman: December is always a busy month for the saints of Mt. Herman. We worshipped Jeus on Dec. 15 with a Christmas program based on "Name that Tune" during the morning service. And several Mt. Herman people helped present "'T'was the Night Before Christmas" at the HBA Ministers and Wives Christmas Dinner. Bro. Robert was blest to be able to share Christmas week with family in California.

Olive Branch: We had a Hayride in October and a Christmas party on December 7th.A good time was had by all.The Speakers for Saturday Night Cross Connect for January are as follows:

January 4th- Pastor Jason McClain

January 11th-Aaron Roberts

January 18th-No Cross Connect to support the Revival at Antioch Fellowship

January 25th-Anna Miller

## HARMONY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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As we begin another new year and are quickly approaching the Lord Jesus' return, we need to hear and heed Paul's words to the Ephesian Christians.

First, we are called to walk circumspectly and wisely. As Christians we are called to walk in a way that honors Christ by a life that guards against anything that would hinder us in our walk and witness to Jesus so people may clearly see Jesus in us and the salvation He offers. So, in the new year God calls us to redeem the time because the days are evil. In 2025 we as Christians must use every opportunity to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with all people that we come in contact with. We must let God work through us to overcome the evil in our world. Finally, we are called to wisely understand the will of God and live it out through the Holy Spirit's empowering and direction. Have a Blessed New Year!

Be very careful, then, how you live—
not as unwise but as wise . . .

making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

THEREFORE DO NOT BE FOOLISH WHAT THE WILL OF THE LORD IS

EPHESIANS 5:15-17

Penned by John Barrett