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SHOAL CREEK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Tom's Thoughts

Well, summer is almost over. Many of our churches have already had VBS and in the next two weeks almost every church will have completed VBS. I am hearing great reports from these VBS experiences. Praise God for all blessings.

Please keep Rod Van Gorkom and family in your prayers. Rod is the pastor at FBC Seneca, MO. Rod's brother, David was killed in an accident last week. His funeral service in Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at the Fohn's Funeral home in Cassville, MO at 2:00pm. Visitation will be at 1:00pm.

We also need to keep Jarel Burnside in prayer as he is experiencing some heart difficulties and may be facing heart surgery. His wife's name is Margaret. Our office will keep you posted as Jarel shares with us.

4-8th—BSU Collegiate Week @ Falls Creek

14th—Neosho Schools start

19th – Crowder Classes start

21st—Back to school BBQ @ Crowder 10:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

28th—Sweetwater serve BSU lunch @ 11:30 a.m.

Lisa, our secretary, brought the following information to my attention from your ACP letters. In 2009 total Baptisms reported were (**225**) in 2018, (**116**), this is a 48.4 percent loss. Worship attendance in 2009 was reported at (**3,027**) and in 2018 the attendance reported was (**2,356**) which is a **22.2** percent loss in attendance. In 2009 mission project participants was reported at (**334**) but in 2018 your ACP letters reported (**954**). This is an increase of **185.6** percent. This is a significant increase. WOW. In 2009,the Annie Armstrong offering was reported at (**$33,959.00**) and the 2018 Annie Armstrong Offering was reported at (**$35,200**) a **3.7** percent increase. However, the Lottie Moon Christmas offer did not fare so well. In 2009 the Lottie Moon Christmas offering reported was (**$63,651.00**) but in 2018 our ACP report only (**$48,443.00**) a minus of **23.9** percent. So what does this information tell us as an association? It tells us that as an Association we must keep the message of Jesus first and foremost in front of a lost world. All of our churches must work harder in all areas of church life to continue to grow and honor our God.

Perhaps you do not know that my wife, Karen, has been experiencing a severe attack of Osteoarthritis in her left foot and has been down all of June and July. She also spent two days is the hospital in July. Thank you for your prayers and cards of encouragement. She is still wearing a boot on her left foot to give support. I know there are probably others who need our prayers other than these mentioned. Please forgive me for not listing them.

Have a great day.

Aaron's Article

Crowder BSU

July is an amazing month, not just because it's amazingly hot. When we come to the month of July it means that camp season is over and a new school year is right around the corner. 2019-2020, it's hard to imagine that 20 years ago everyone thought the world was coming to an end with Y2K. But everything continues to move forward despite what we think the world has become or is becoming. Before we know it our children are adults and we look back and wonder where it all went.

Next month August will bring back school and college. More kids will move that much closer to adulthood, and they will soon find their place and roles in society. What are those roles going to be? It's something that many of us complain about. How the new generations just don't do it way we used to do it. Well who they become depends on the influencers that they have in their lives. From parents, mentors, coaches, friends or even just acquaintances. We all play a role in molding someone into who they will become.

It breaks my heart when I read in the papers that a child loses his or her life. It's tragic and many times (not all) it's a direct result of what someone else may or may not have done. I can't help but wonder how God feels when he sees his children being led astray or making bad choices. Ultimately the responsibility falls on the person who is making the choice but that doesn't mean you and I don't have a role in their lives. Every day we have that opportunity to influence someone. It's called making disciples.

I wanted to encourage you to find that someone in your sphere of influence that you can encourage or direct in a positive way. Remember, you will always influence them in one way or another. Even if you do nothing.

Here are some upcoming dates for the new school year. Crowder starts back August 19 which means our big back to school BBQ will be August 21st from 10:30-2.

PROCLAMATION
CHOIR CONFERENCE

August 5-10, 2019

Youth & Young Adults, Ages 12-25
First Baptist Church - Carthage, MO.
$25 per person
Registration ends: July 26, 2019

A conference for youth and young adults, ages 12-25 years old, filled with solid teaching and robust singing. Join us for evening conference sessions Monday-Friday, 6:00-8:00 pm. The conference attendees will then become the choir for a night of worship on Saturday, which will be open to the public.

To register or find out more information:
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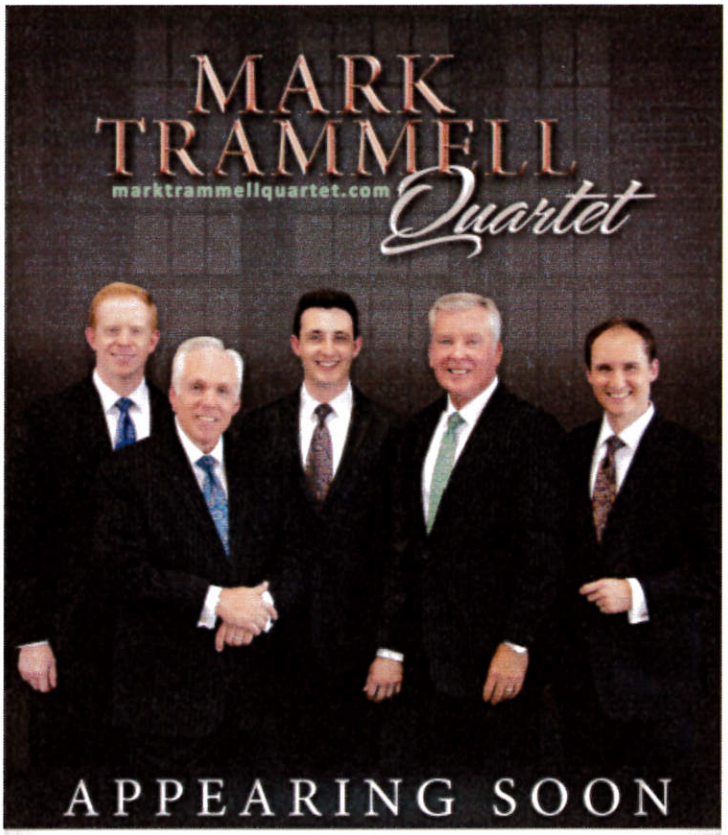
417-389-7426



LIVE IN CONCERT:
Sunday, September 8th, at 6:30 P.M.
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,
SOUTHWEST CITY, MO
A love offering will be received.
For more information please call 417-762-3570
Email: fbcswc@outlook.com

HOMECOMING
And Dedication

Crossroads Baptist Church
Sunday October 13th
Church service @ 11 a.m.
Homecoming and Dedication to follow

Fellowship Neosho
ARK ENCOUNTER
FALL SENIOR TRIP
September 30-October 4

We are excited to get our Fall excursion sign-up sheet filled up! We have an itinerary printed for you to see what we have in store over the 5 days of the trip.

**Please contact Dale (592-0843) or Mary Bond (592-0853) with any questions. You may call the office to be added to the guest list on this trip!

Cost of the trip is $325

FBC SENECA invites you to attend our

150th Anniversary Celebration!

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019

7:00 PM

Worship Service—Todd Decker

(FBC, Neosho)

Music-Josh Simpson

(Northside Baptist, Neosho)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2019

7:00 PM

Worship Service-Aaron Weibel

(New Site Baptist, Monett)

Music-Josh Simpson

(Northside Baptist, Neosho)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019

7:00 PM

Worship Service-Todd Decker

(FBC, Neosho)

Music-Josh Simpson

(Northside Baptist, Neosho)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

10:00 AM

Worship Service-Aaron Weibel

(New Site Baptist, Monett)

11:30 AM

Church Dinner

(Meat Provided by Church)

1:30 PM

Testimonies

As summer vacation is winding down for some, there are still many doing outreach and missions in our community. Through your VBS programs, I am hoping that you were able to share about missions and even bring missionaries in to share with the kids. WMU can help you continue missions studies with your kids through a number of new resources and curriculum on their website.

We have a couple of opportunities that I would like to share with you and hope that you will be able to encourage your WMU groups and church to join in!

Community Baptist Church in Noel will be a part of the Sole Mission outreach on Wednesday, August 28th at Noel Elementary at 8 am. There will be a short training and then sizing for shoes! Noel Primary will begin at 12:30 with training followed by sizing. On Friday, August 30th they will be at McDonald County High School. This will take some time, so pack your lunch if you are available to volunteer! This isn't just about getting kids new shoes-but supplying the students with biblically sound tracts and getting a new Bible in the hands of about 2,000 kids!! What an amazing opportunity for our association to step out and serve in this way. You can contact Lauren Manning on their Facebook page for the church and let her know that you would like to volunteer. I am praying that we have groups that will be able to serve at least one of the days with them.

We also have another team heading to Ghana on September 13th through the 22nd. It will be a medical mission along with a pastor's conference and discipleship training. We have a few churches coming together and going out on the field to build His kingdom! We can be a part of this mission by helping supply some of the items needed for the clinics they will be having.

I would like to challenge your church to choose some items from the list to collect and bring to the Association Office on Tuesday, August 20th at 6:30. Please bring your items and we will organize and pack into a few totes for the team. I am hoping to have a team member share with us about the trip as well. We will have light refreshments.

Please pray where God would have you help with the items needed for this trip.

General items for the clinic: pens, trash bags, latex gloves, alcohol swabs, cotton balls, band aids, tongue depressors, flash light, Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Aleve, Naproxen, multivitamins, and nutritional supplements for children and adults, antacids and laxatives, toothpaste, toothbrushes and personal hygiene products, small soaps and lotions, reading glasses, soccer balls, soccer jerseys for kids.

I am praying about our new year with WMU! We have been so blessed to come together and do kingdom work. Now, my prayer is to see where He will lead us to **go out together** and do missions. There are many opportunities of service to look at. Please join me in praying for what God would direct us to do as an association team.

Enjoy these last days of summer before school is back in session and vacations are ending!

God Bless,

Kim

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"Mobilizing churches for kingdom growth" Ephesians 4:16

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Giving Report
2018
January 1 thru July 23rd

August

Anderson	$2,291.84
Baptist Revival Center	$200.00
Belfast	$460.57
Bethany	$600.00
Burch	$356.24
Burch - BSU	$175.00
Calvary Neosho	$5,950.00
Community Baptist	$1,472.78
Cross Roads	$568.43
Fairview	$19.35
Fairview - BSU	$9.67
Fellowship	$5,764.38
Fellowship - BSU	$375.00
Goodman	$1,385.52
Goodman - BSU	$195.68
Granby	$3,233.78
Hart	$441.10
Hart - BSU	$180.00
Hilldale	$2,520.00
Hmong Baptist Mission	$436.28
Honey Lake	$579.00
Iglesia Bautista Noel	$350.00
Iglesia Bautista Noel - BSU	$350.00
Lanagan	$1,060.98
Lanagan - BSU	$143.18
McNatt	$250.00
Mill Creek	$1,988.31
Mill Creek - BSU	$795.33
Mission Bautista Palabra	$321.26
Monark	$1,200.00
Monark - BSU	$150.00
Neosho First	$14,062.50
New Salem	$120.00
Newtonia	$1,379.85
Newtonia - BSU	$275.97
Northside	$7,000.00
Patterson Heights	$445.01
Patterson Heights - BSU	$90.00
Pineville	$380.35
Pioneer	$450.00
Pleasant Grove	$1,513.63
Prosperity	$2,157.00
Ritchey	$7,249.00
Seneca	$2,691.95
Splitlog	$3,353.06
Stella	$689.00
Swars Prairie	$3,760.00
Swars Prairie - BSU	$374.00
SWC First	$3,647.97
Sweetwater	$9,975.96
Total General Budget Income	$93,438.93