

MARCH

- 4-11 Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer
- 4 Wood Car Races, Bolivar 1st
- 7 VBS Workers Meeting, Springfield
- 12 Daylight Savings Time (Begins)
- 21-23 DOM Winter Retreat, TBA

APRIL

- 8-9 M-Counter WMU/Women's Ministries Annual Meeting,
- 9 Cooperative Program Day
- 9 Palm Sunday
- 11 Executive Board, 7 pm, Rondo
- 14 Good Friday
- 16 Easter

MAY

- 4 National Day of Prayer
- 14 Mother's Day
- 11-14 Angola Prison Ministry, Angola, LA
- 20 National Armed Forces Day
- 29 Memorial Day, **OFFICE CLOSED**
- 21-28 **ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS WEEK**

"And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming." 1 John 2:28

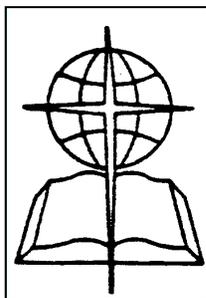
Praying For the Association

Month of MARCH 2017

We are asking you to remember the Association in prayer and lift up the following needs:

- >Praise for the pastors of MLBA churches
- >Pray for the Disaster Relief Ministry
 - *Wisdom
 - *More Trained Volunteers
 - *Finances to fund the ministry
- >Pray for the Shuttle Ministry
- >Pray for the churches and leaders.
- >Pray for the Missions Committee
- >Pray for the needs of those struggling with Cancer
- >Pray that we will see more people saved.
- >Pray that our Sunday Schools will experience growth.
- >Pray for the finances of the churches
- >Pray for the work of MLBA
- >Pray for Camp Committee

NEWSLETTER



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The Story Lives On!

Annie Armstrong Offering. MO goal = 2 million; SBC goal 70 million. Week of Prayer for NAMB Missions Mar 5-12 MO WMU Celebration/Annual Meeting is a FBC Lebanon. April 7-8 MUST REGISTER ON LINE @ mobaptist.org/wmu Need 12 to take the ML Shuttle Pay Driver's Registration by March 24 for best price of \$30 for both days Includes Friday lunch. Saturday box lunch is \$6.00 We need to be "all or none" on Sat. lunch if we use the shuttle We can go early to help with various community projects.

Silent Auction project. Discussed keeping baskets small to get more bids. We may have several. Need to put the word out to those who were not there.

Decided to leave at 7:00 a.m. from paved lot north of FBC to car pool. SW District WMU Meeting, August 19, 2017 FBC Bolivar District Director is Janet Brotherton, retired Missionary from Korea Association WMU many need to help at the meeting. Are you willing to help?

Our Projects: Blankets and bags for DR trailer Meet at Grace to sew on the 2nd Friday in March, April & May 9:00

World Day of Prayer, First Christian Church Mar 3 @ 10:00

Next meeting April 4 @ 10:00 MLBA Office Nov, 2017 : Video @ Mt. Etna. I think we were discussing showing The Insanity of God. Evidently they do a video every so often. Check with Jane. I have the video.

Barb Studt & Jill McCracken, WMU Directors

MARCH

2017

WOOD CAR RACE 2017

Our races will be held at

**First Baptist Church
Bolivar, MO
Saturday, March 4, 2017**

Weigh in 9:30 am
Race at 10:00 am

For more information call
MLBA Office
4667 or
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**For all ages!!
Boys and Girls,
Youth
and Adults**



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**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR
North American
Missions**

March 5-12, 2017 | Goal: \$70 Million



**ANNIE
ARMSTRONG
EASTER OFFERING**

Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief

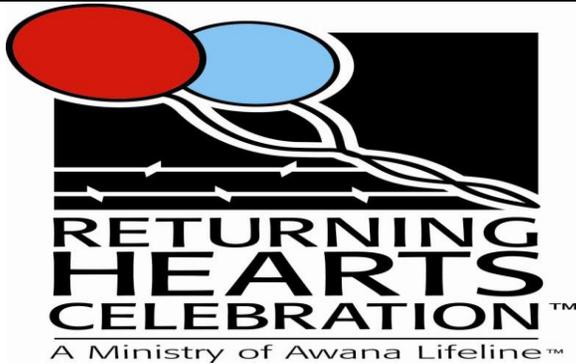


2017 Training Date
March 10-11

Pleasant Valley
In Liberty, MO

Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief
800-736-6227x317 disasterrelief@mobaptist.org

No Sleeping at church, make own plans for sleeping



You Should Go To Prison For This!

Returning Hearts Celebration
Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola, LA
May 18 - 21, 2017.

The cost is \$100 at sign up on www.awanalifeline.org
and \$75 to the association for shuttle expense. There
is no donation for this. Total cost of trip is \$175.00.
We must have at least 20 people going for the trip.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

WOW don't you just love this weather we are having!
Judy and I have been working in our yard and garage
doing things we usually do in late March or April. We
have really enjoyed the warmer temperatures.

I am happy to report that things are off and running
for many of the Ministries of MLBA. The Mission team
just returned from Bonita Road Baptist Church and had a
very successful week of helping this sister church in
building a new sanctuary. All made mention of how
sweet and nice the people were at this church. We were
all impressed in the fact they are planning a Revival and
outreach during their building program. Most churches
start a building program and forget about outreach.

The Camp Committee has been meeting and making
final plans for Camp 2017. I really like the theme this
year because it is asking a serious question about life.

Life is a Journey
Where you headed?
1 John 2:28



Please be in prayer for the
team as they plan and
implement this great camp
for our youth and children. The hours they put in are out
of this world and definitely a praise to our Lord and
Savior Jesus Christ!

I am happy to report that all churches are doing well
and have great leaders! This has been the longest time
that all churches have had pastors. Most often we lose
one or two as we gain new pastors. I am so grateful to be
your DOM and it blesses my heart to see churches
blessed with good leadership.

On personal note Judy and I are continuing our plans
to be gone this summer for our 50th wedding anniversary.
I thank God for Judy every day and know that she is a
true blessing to me from God. She is not only the love of
my life but my best friend as well. We have down sized
our trip some and made it more of a southern route to
west coast and up to Canada and back to the Great
Lakes. Most people don't think we can be gone that long
and will be home earlier than planned. If we do it will be
because of money running out (Grandson). Please be in
prayer about this and remember I have asked the
Executive Board for a 3 month sabbatical starting in
June. This is scheduled to be on the April New Business
section for all to discuss and vote on.

MISSOURI BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME
PRESENTS:
**AFTERNOON
WITH THE STARS
2017**
CLAY COOPER THEATER, BRANSON MISSOURI

April 8, 2017

Cost \$40.00 for tickets & Shuttle
(Call early seats will go fast)

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The Children of God

*And now, little children, abide in Him, that
when He appears, we may have confidence and
not be ashamed before Him at His coming. 1
John 2:28*

*However, I consider my life worth nothing
to me, if only I may finish the race and
complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me-
the task of testifying to the gospel of God's
grace. Acts 20:24*

