

# NEWSLETTER

## MID-LAKES

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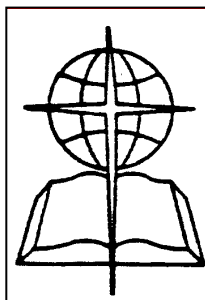
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Springtime! I like the new life that comes at spring. Yet my allergies don't like it. It is a give and take process that I put up with.

New life! If you did not make it to the recent revival at Mt. Olive, you missed out big time! Those that were either there every night, or most of the week were challenged to rededicate or revive our spiritual lives. To revive this land and get the U.S. turning to God, it must begin in our lives. I expected to see far more people turn out for revival. The auditorium should have been packed out and flowing to extra seating, or out in the foyer. Numerous folks I've talked to say we need revival. So where were you? Folks, we are in a serious spiritual battle. Ephesians 6:10-20 speaks of the church's warfare and what we need to do. Smack dab in the middle of that word REVIVAL is I, which is personal. Where are you, the "I", in the need for revival?

#### APRIL EVENTS:

**8-9** Missions Celebration/WMU Annual Meeting--  
Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas  
City

**10** Cooperative Program Sunday

**15-16** RA Congress--MO State Fairgrounds, Sedalia

Sewing dates are on hold until I speak with Jennifer Smith.

**Upcoming Event: June 12-13** National WMU  
Missions Celebration, St. Louis *All WMU leaders  
need to attend this annual meeting.*

Barb Studt, WMU Director  
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

On behalf of all the folks at Mt. Olive I want to express my sincere thanks for allowing us to host the Associational Revival. It was a joy to serve you all and to fellowship together. It was a beautiful thing to worship together in such harmony and unity. Thank you even more so, for your kind and gracious love offering. It was truly that, an offering given out of love and support for a sister church and we are humbled by your loving kindness, May the Lord richly bless you all.

Pastor Lindell Shelden,  
Mt. Olive Baptist Church

- APRIL**
- 8-9 M-Counter WMU/Women's Ministries  
Annual Meeting,
  - 12 Executive Board, 7 pm, New Hope
  - 10 Cooperative Program Day
  - 23 Children's Bible Drill/Southwest, Springfield

#### **MAY**

- 5 National Day of Prayer
- 8 Mother's Day
- 12-15 Angola Prison Ministry, Angola, LA
- 15-21 **ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS WEEK**
- 21 National Armed Forces Day
- 30 Memorial Day, **OFFICE CLOSED**

#### **JUNE**

- 12-13 WMU Conference, Columbus, OH.
- 14-15 Southern Baptist Convention: St. Louis, MO
- 19 Baptist's Men's Day
- 19 Father's Day

*"Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead." James 2:17*

### **\*Praying For the Association\***

**Month of April 2016**

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

- >Pray for the Angola Prison Ministry 5-12-17,2016
- >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 Family Mission Trip 7-9-16, 2016
- >Layton Avenue Baptist Church their New Building
- >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
- >Pray for VBS plans
- >Pray for Sister Churches looking for a Pastor
- >Unspoken

April

2016

(Very important that we elect a new Moderator)

# EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 12, 2016

7:00 PM

New Hope Baptist Church

Stockton, MO

We will be discussing the plans of the mission trip and  
Disaster Relief and updates on Committees

*First Baptist Church of Bolivar*

is planning a return Mission trip to

## Baptist Ridge Campgrounds



On April 29<sup>th</sup> thru  
May 1<sup>st</sup>

Leaving North Parking  
Lot around ??

Plans are to do more  
cleanup and prepare  
campgrounds for summer  
camps.

Call Chad Mitchel for info  
at 417-298-2216

## Softball Co-ed Tournament

Noble Hill Baptist Church

June 18<sup>th</sup>



Hot Dogs and all the trimmings  
We will put together a schedule  
as teams sign up

Break for supper at 6 pm

Gospel Singing and preaching  
around 7 pm

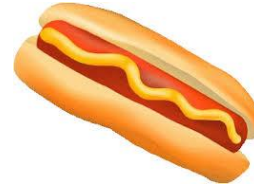
So get your teams together  
and let's have some clean  
Christian fun in the Sun.

Register Teams by  
emailing

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Or

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## Mid-Lakes Baptist Association

FAMILY MISSION CONSTRUCTION  
TRIP

Dates: July 9 -16, 2016

Cost: Shuttle \$175.00 Traveling on your own \$100.00  
Approved Plans! We are heading for

## Layton Avenue Baptist Church

Greenfield, Wisconsin

(Please be praying for the plans for this trip)

And the work has started and moving along



Few things are as important as a baptistery in a Baptist church. One of the features of our new building is an in-ground baptismal pool to the right of the platform. It will be nicely appointed with stone work. Here's the work that's been done, even before the slab is poured.



## You Should Go To Prison For This!

Returning Hearts Celebration

Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola, LA

May 12 - 15, 2016.

The cost is \$100 at sign up on

[www.awanalifeline.org](http://www.awanalifeline.org) and \$75 to the association  
for shuttle expenses has been donated. We must  
have at least 20 people going for the trip. For info  
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### DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

Praise the Lord! What a great Revival! It has been a long time since I have seen such outpouring of God on a service. Each Pastor and Church was truly in sync with the Holy Spirit for that is the only way you could have such harmony and unity. We started off Sunday; with Knowing God's Will, Monday; Wake up and do God's Will; Tuesday; Be available to do God's Will; Wednesday; The Victory of Doing God's Will; Thursday; The Judgement of not doing God's Will; Friday; It is TIME to Do God's Will! The Friday night service ended with a time of prayer for individuals and corporate prayer for all churches and the Association. We had several rededications, 1 for salvation, and 1 young man surrendered to preaching the Gospel! Many said to me do we have to stop? Tuff call but we completed the course and I believe it was time to rest and prepare for the power of RESURRECTION Sunday! I can assure you we want to do this again in the future.

The Work on Layton Avenue Baptist Church has begun and we are looking forward to working on their New Building in July. Please start making plans to go with us and remember Kids are welcome of the Family Mission Trip.