

APRIL

- 1 **Easter**
- 6-7 M-Counter WMU/Women's Ministries Annual Meeting,
- 8 **Cooperative Program Day**
- 10 Executive Board, 7 pm, Pleasant Hope FBC

MAY

- 3 National Day of Prayer
- 13 Mother's Day
- 18-20 Angola Prison Ministry, Angola, LA
- 19 National Armed Forces Day
- 20-27 **ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS WEEK**
- 28 Memorial Day, **OFFICE CLOSED**

JUNE

- 10-11 WMU Conference, Dallas, TX
- 12-13 Southern Baptist Convention: Dallas, TX
- 17 Baptist's Men's Day
- 17 Father's Day

"But who do YOU say I am?" Mat 16:13

Praying For the Association

Month of April 2018

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

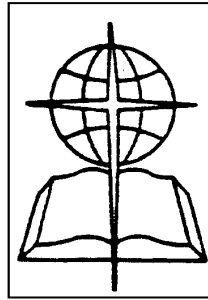
- >Praise for the pastors of MLBA churches
- >Pray for the Disaster Relief Ministry
 - *Wisdom
 - *More Trained Volunteers
 - *Finances to fund the ministry
- >Pray for the Shuttle Ministry
- >Pray for the churches and leaders.
- >Pray for the Missions Committee
- >Pray for the needs of those struggling 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 Joe and Judy Coppedge (Peace)
- >Pray for the New Year 2018
- >Pray for Wisdom as we face major decisions

NEWSLETTER

MID-LAKES

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April

2018



April 14, 2018

\$40.00 (Ticket and riding in shuttle)

Loading up at 11 am at MLBA Office

(eat before you load)

1:00 PM — 4:00 PM

Clay Cooper Theater-Branson



MID-LAKES MISSIONS NIGHT

This is an opportunity to get acquainted with IMB Missionaries, who will soon return to their field of service. Bring the family for food, fun and fellowship and Missions Information with Mid-Lakes friends.

FBC Fair Play, MO
April 9, 2018 6:30p.m.

Please send reservations by April 2, so we can have enough food. jmccracken1944@gmail.com or 417-326-5099 message

I hope you have been watching the North American Missionary videos as we are collecting the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering to help support these missionaries. If you have a means to show the video, it's not too late. I'll burn you a disk if you don't have one. Challenge your church family to increase their contributions to missions.

I'm praying you will join us on the 9th and continue to pray for and support both IMB and NAMB missionaries.

Don't forget Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Our NAMB missionaries depend on it.

**HERE
I AM SEND
ME.**

ISAIAH 6:8

Jill McCracken, WMU Director

Community Outreach Ministries

Salvation Army, Food Pantry, & Thrift store
Needs Volunteers

If interested or more information
Call Kim Wilson 417-326-2769

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

APRIL 10, 2018

7:00 PM

at

First Baptist Church

705 N. Main

Pleasant Hope, MO



(This is very important meeting as we discuss
the future of the Association and receive reports
from officers)



This worth going to prison for!!

We need to hear from you if you want to go!

This Year is Different!

Returning Hearts Celebration

Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola, LA

May 18 - 20, 2018.

The cost is \$100

sign up at MLBA Office

This trip is for Saturday only

We will travel down on Friday, Serve on Saturday and
drive home Sunday

We must have at least 15 people going for the trip.

For info please contact

Jamie 417-327-3652 or Joe 417-770-4667

<https://youtu.be/OFz2l00Dfq8>

Learn more clic on link and I dare you not to cry!

Director's Note

The **Executive Board Meeting** at Pleasant Hope First Baptist Church, **April 10 at 7 pm** is a very important meeting. I am asking you the board members to put forth an extra effort to be at this important meeting.

Several went to the **DR training** at Riverview Baptist Church on March 16th -17th. The DR Ministry is a great opportunity for everyone to put hands and feet to helping people in Disasters. We still need more trained volunteers but we have a good core group. Many will say they can't work like they use to and I tell them every hour given is an hour of help to those in need. We continue to help locally with needs as well. We were recently called on to build a ramp but were put on hold for now.

Spring break was a time for students to enjoy a time away from learning and several mission trips went out from SBU. It was also a time for families to take a little time off and spend time together. I had the joy of filling in for Pastor Gary at Heritage Baptist Church while he took some time off. I have been blessed to fill in several churches and always glad to help. On very positive note **Brighton Baptist Church** has called **Keith Coons** as pastor. Pastor Keith wife's name is Kim. We want to welcome them as they begin their new ministry with the Brighton Family. **Noble Hill** has called Pastor **Mark Milioni** as interim pastor and his wife's name is Barbara. They are serving the Noble Hill Family and we welcome them. I believe the rest of churches of MLBA are happy with leadership and getting ready for RESURRECTION SUNDAY!

It pleases me to inform you that **Freshwater Church** has agreed to host the **Annual Meeting in October 2018**. Freshwater is a new church plant; they are doing well and very supportive of Missions.

I have been studying on the life of Elisha. It has been said that many of miracles of Elisha in the O. T. are like the miracles that Jesus did in the N. T. The most important lesson to me was that God has not changed he is just as awesome today as HE always has been! With this in mind let us reach out to our lost World and share the Good News that Jesus is Lord! He died on a cross and placed in a tomb. But on the Third day he arose and is seated on the right hand and God and is willing to save anyone who will repent of their sins and believe in HIM and RECEIVE HIM as their Lord and Saviour! That **"whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life"**. John 3:15 **"He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.** Matt 28:6

