

FEBRUARY

- 1-28 "True Love Waits"
2-4 Church Music Workshop, SBU
11-18 Louisiana Mission Trip
11 Evangelism Conference, Springfield
17-18 SW Region Disaster Relief Training
19 Children's Ministry Day
28 E3: Exalt, Equip, Evangelize
28-29 DOM Retreat, Branson

MARCH

- 1 DOM Retreat Ends
2
4-11 Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer
10 Wood Car Races, Bolivar First
11 Daylight Savings Time Begins
19-23 Spring Break
1-20 Great Commission Conference
30-31 Acteens/Challengers Hoop Fest.

APRIL

- 1 Palm Sunday
6 Good Friday
6-7 RA Congress
8 **EASTER SUNDAY**
8 Cooperative Program Sunday
10 Executive Board Meeting, New Hope, 7 pm
14 Youth Bible Drill
20-21 WMU Annual Meeting

Praying For the Association

Month of February 2012

We are asking you to stop where you are and lift up the Association in prayer:

- > Pray for the churches and leaders.
- > 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 Stockton First and Humansville First
- > Pray for Mission trip to Walker, LA
- February 11-18, 2012

NEWSLETTER

MID-LAKES

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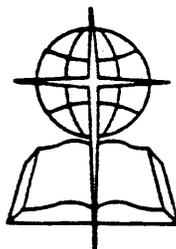
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February

2012

WOOD CAR RACE 2012

Our races will be held at

**First Baptist Church
Bolivar, MO**

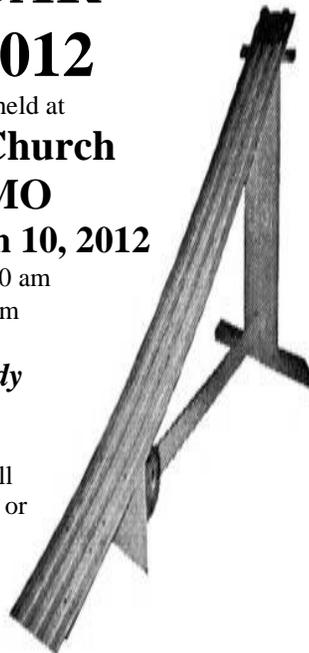
Saturday, March 10, 2012

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

*Get your car ready
and let's race!!*

For more information call
MLBA Office 326-4667 or
Jamie Root, 777-6178

Boys and Girls, Youth
and Adults



WMU

The missions team leaving for Louisiana on Feb. 11 needs cookies! Home made is great! Individually wrapped please. These are used to minister to public servants in the area where the team is working. Please have them to the Mid-Lakes Office by Feb. 8.

Build-A-Doll Workshop, Feb. 11, 9:00-3:00 at Grace Fellowship. Bring a sack lunch, beverages will be provided. This should be a fun day for all ages. These witnessing dolls will literally be going around the world to help tell children the good news of Christ.

Council meeting on Feb. 10 was well attended and several plans were made for this year.

Feb. 12-18 is WMU Focus week. This is a good time to tell your churches about WMU and Missions and invited them to be involved with us.

March 4-10 is the Week of Prayer for North American Missions and promotion of the Annie Armstrong Missions Offering.

Working Beside You in His Name,
Jill McCracken



**Louisiana
Mission Trip
Ministry
Needs
Cookies to eat
and give away
to local
organizations**

Please get the cookies to Southern Hills Church or someone on the mission team before the 11th.

Disaster Relief Training

First Baptist Church

Mount Vernon, MO

Feb 17-18, 2012

**Let's get a group together to go 417-326-4667
Chain saw, mud out, mass feeding, child care,
Communication, Chaplaincy**

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR
North American Missions
March 4-11, 2012

Whatever It Takes



National Goal: \$70 Million
www.AnnieArmstrong.com



DIRECTOR'S NEWS

First, I wanted to say **THANKS** for all the calls, prayers, cards, visits, and support during my recovery from broken ribs and oral surgery. I am much better and feel I might live now! There for a while I was beginning to wonder. I don't do well dealing with pain!

The new year is off and running. The new format for the annuals we are publishing is moving right along and should be done before long. This has taken longer than I first thought but I am very pleased with the results and excited about getting it to you. Just keep using your current annual and you will have the new one soon. Thanks for being patient with us while we change over to a new format and hope next year should be easier and faster.

Plans for the mission trip to Walker, Louisiana are right on schedule. We leave on the 11th and return on the 18th. David and Evelyn Barker have done another great job of leading us. It looks like we will have 25-30 planning to go. Don't forget you can participate by praying and making **COOKIES**. The team really enjoys cookies but remember, we use them to minister to local groups as well.

Camp Committee had their first meeting of the New Year on January 31st. I am amazed at how many are already signing up to help. We are praying that Camp 2012 will build on the success at Baptist Ridge last year. We have seen God move by His Spirit in many areas such as staff, preaching, Bible Studies, finances, salvation, friendship, fun, and just all around fellowship. The campers are still talking about it and making plans to attend again.

The Churches of MLBA all seem to be fairing pretty good. We live in challenging times but I know and you know God is able. Freshwater moved into their new building and it is awesome. Heritage continues to make plans to be in new building by March. Stockton and Humansville are praying and seeking God for new pastors. Caplinger Mills is putting up with an interim pastor who has broken ribs and new smile! Dan Blakeslee recently resigned Noble Hill and we need to be praying for leadership and church family. Continue to pray for Pastor George Colbert as he deals with heart problems. Thank you, Brighton Church for being so supportive of Pastor George. I can assure you that I pray for you all regularly and am thankful to work alongside you all.

Missouri Baptist Children's Home
Presents

Night With The Stars

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Yakov Smirnoff Theater

Branson, Missouri

Tickets Now on Sale

For Information Call

1-800-264-6224

Saturday, April 21, 2012

Yakov Smirnoff's Theatre

470 State Hwy 248,

Branson, MO 65616

Associational VBS Director's Meeting

March 26, 2012

Mid-Lakes Baptist Association Office

7:00 pm

A sample of all VBS material will be on hand

This is for VBS Directors

information call office 417-326-4667

or Jamie Root at 777-6178

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we receive a 15% Discount)**