



Mid-Lakes WMU Ladies are GREAT! You have lead your churches to participate in MISSIONS of mercy numerous times. Joplin's families in need are on our minds. I have delivered two loads of items to Forest Park Baptist Church's distribution center. You have also helped your own church families with school supplies and supported MISSIONS other ways.

We had a good brainstorming session at our September council meeting as we made plans for the rest of this year.

We will be supporting the **Reuben South Missouri Missions offering**, and **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** and **teaching in our churches about the Cooperative Program**.

Mark your calendars for The Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer is Nov. 7 at 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Etna.

Current needs for Joplin include dishes and other kitchen items, bedding and cleaning supplies. There is an urgent need for childrens, especially boys, size 10-12 clothing and men's pants, waist size 32 and larger. **Items must be clean!** They can be left at the Mid-Lakes office.

Four of our Associational members attended the Southwest Regional WMU meeting at Mt. Vernon. The Dallas County WMU Director and I met there and are working together with Forest Park Baptist Church to see about needs for larger items for families. I will let you know more as the plan develops.

Working Beside You in His Name, Jill McCracken



TRAINING

Waynesville, MO
September 23-24, 2011
- South Central Region

Pulaski Baptist Association Camp,
[26224 Silver Lane, Waynesville, MO 65583](http://26224SilverLane.Waynesville.MO.65583)

Registration fee for volunteers trained for the first time will be \$40. For those previously trained and who do not need the clothing items, the charge is \$20.

Disaster Relief Training Schedule

Friday

5:00 p.m. Registration

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Intro to Disaster Relief (*required for ALL new trainees and retraining every 3 years*)

Saturday

7:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:00 a.m.--12:00 p.m. Mud Out

Noon Lunch

1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Chain Saw Safety (*hands on training*)

MISSOURI MISSIONS OFFERING

Sharing Christ's love in Missouri ... 7.73%;

Sending Missouri Missionaries ... 64.93%

Starting more Missouri churches ... 27.33%

A percentage of this comes back to the association to use on local mission projects.

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LEADERSHIP TRAINING CONFERENCE

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Ridgecrest Baptist Church

Springfield, Missouri

5:30 - 8:50 p.m.

Registration Information

417-326-4667

Pre-Register Between August 1 and September 9: \$15 per person at The Door: Ticket Prices are \$20

DIRECTOR'S NEWS

Yes, it is that time of the year again. Our *MLBA Annual Meeting* will be **October 3 & 4 at First Baptist Church of Fair Play**. I had mentioned to several of running behind well I am glad to report things are back on schedule and I am looking forward to our 145th Annual Meeting. Start making plans now to attend. Remember we start off each evening at 6 pm with a meal and meeting starts at 7 pm sharp. This year's theme is: **"Pure in Heart."**

The camp figures are coming together and it looks like we are going to be well inside the budget again this year. Be sure and thank Bill Rose, Lisa Barber, and Renae' Roller for their hard work in planning and putting together another great camp. We are already making plans for CAMP 2012 where again we will be going to Camp Baptist Ridge in Warsaw. The Camp Committee needs to hear from you if you have any input on how to do camp better. We need your help in getting out the information and letting our kids know that our camps are awesome.

Continue to pray for Rondo and Grace Fellowship as they seek God's Will for their next pastor. The economy and uncertainty of jobs keeps our churches looking at doing a better job with available funds and making each dollar count. I can assure you we are doing the same her MLBA.

Mid-Lakes Annual Meeting at FBC of Fair Play Schedule:

6 pm meal that is provided by host church and MLBA.

Registrations starts at 6:30 to 7 pm.

The Meeting starts at 7 pm sharp and around 9 pm we will adjourn to Tuesday with same schedule. See you there!

"They even asked us and begged us to have the joy of giving." 2 Cor 8:4 (CEV)



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