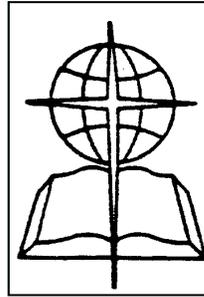


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FEBRUARY

- 1-28 "True Love Waits" Month
- 8 DR Blue Hat Meeting
- 3-9 Mission Construction Trip
- 10 Racial Reconciliation Sunday
- 12-18 Focus on WMU Week
- 16 Children's Ministry Day
- 18 President's Day
- 18 VBS Meeting, Office MLBA
- 21-24 Great Commission Conference 2019

MARCH

- 2 Shuttle Reserved Heritage Baptist Church
- 8 Wood Car Races, FBC Bolivar, 6 pm
- 3-10 Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer
- 10 Daylight saving begins
- 20-21 DOM Winter Retreat, TBA

APRIL

- 5-6 M-Counter WMU/Women's Ministries Annual Meeting,
- 7 **Cooperative Program Day**
- 9 Executive Board, 6:30 pm, Fair Play FBC
- 14 Palm Sunday
- 19 Good Friday
- 21 Easter

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

Praying For the Association

Pray and lift up the following needs:

- >Praise for Annual Meeting and all who helped
- >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 the New Year 2019
 - >Pray for Folks in Florida
 - >Pray for the people in N and S Carolina

FEBRUARY

2019

WOOD CAR RACE 2019

Our races will be held at

**First Baptist
Church
Recreation
Building
Bolivar, MO**

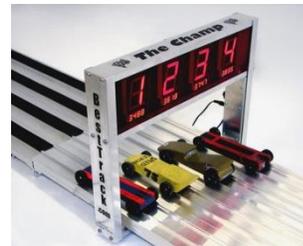
Friday, March 8, 2019

- Weigh in at 6:00 pm
- Race at 7:00 pm

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

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

**For all ages!! Boys and Girls, Youth
and Adults**



New Track!

New Timer!

New Time!

New Day!

WMU News

February is our LOVE Month. Missouri Baptist Children's Home is one of our organizations that shows LOVE not only to children but to un-wed mothers, their children, and victims of abuse. These are sometimes the same persons. One of MBCH ministries is The Light House in Kansas City. The Light House is kind of like a combination of our Alpha House and House of Hope.

When the MBCH representative spoke to us at the SW District WMU meeting and our Mid-Lakes annual meeting, he mentioned the continuing need for diapers—in all sizes. The Lord put a "WE CAN DO THAT" message in my mind. In talking with him I learned that they can get diapers at bargain prices, by the truck load.

At our January WMU Council meeting we voted to ask our Mid-Lakes Churches to show our love for children by raising money for "Diapers for The Light House". The money should be sent to the Association, labeled "Lighthouse Diaper Drive". Please set a goal for your church and let's see what God does to help The Light House Ministry through Mid-Lakes Baptists. For more information see MBCH.org for the link to The Light House (at the bottom of the web page).

WMU Council will meet on Feb. 12 at 10:30 in the MLBA office.

The DR Child Care Unit is still needing blankets and quilts in infant and crib sizes, and bags to hold personal care items.

Serving God with You through MBLA. Jill

Jill McCracken, WMU Director



**Associational VBS Director's Meeting
February 18, 2019**

**Mid-Lakes Baptist Association Office
7:00 pm**

A sample of all VBS material will be on hand
This is for VBS Directors & Leaders
Information call office 417-326-4667
Or Breanna Piper at 417-327-9848

This is great Material and kids will have blast!!

(Materials orders from the MLBA

We receive a 15% Discount)



**Rules for
Wood Car
Association
Races**

Sand, seal, lacquer and wax your car as desired for finished look. Details such as steering wheel, driver, decals, painting and interior detail are permissible as long as these details do not make the car violate the specifications.

The Racer Track is made so that cars are kept in a lane by a lane strip. It is necessary that axles be used as furnished and that car chassis not be lowered below 3/8 inches. Failure to follow these instructions may cause the car to drag on lane strip.

The car shall NOT ride on any type springs. The car must be free-wheeling with no starting devices.

No loose materials of any kind are permitted in or on the car. The car may be hollowed out and built up to maximum weight by the addition of wood or metal only, provided it is securely built into the body or chassis or secured with screws (not taped on). Lead weights may be used.

**Axles cannot be shaved or altered.

MEASUREMENT

Overall width shall not exceed 2 3/4 inches.

Overall length shall not exceed 7 3/8 inches.

Overall height shall not exceed 3 inches.

WEIGHT

Weight shall not exceed 5 ounces.

WHEELS

Wheels cannot be larger than 1 1/4 inches in diameter nor can they be thicker than 1/4 inches (narrow wheels). Wheel bearings, washers and bushings are prohibited.

The distance between the axle grooves (wheel base) cannot exceed 4 1/4 inches

Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief

First time: \$40

Spring Training
April 5-6, 2019
First Baptist Church
Diamond, MO

Fall Training
October 4-5, 2019
Baptist Ridge Camp
Warsaw, MO

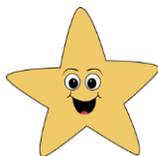
More Information or schedule call or go online.

800-736-6227x317 disasterrelief@mobaptist.org



Afternoon With The Stars

Clay Cooper Theater, Branson, MO
Saturday, April 13th from 1 to 4pm



Cost \$40.00 for tickets & Shuttle

(Call early seats will go fast)

417-770-4667

Great Commission Conference

When: Feb. 21-24, 2019

Theme: Multiply, Making Leaders Multipliers
Where: Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
This Multi-generational event features nationally recognized speakers and offers break-out sessions, fellowship meals, and other networking opportunities

Director's Note

By the time most of you read this we will be on the road to **Tall Timber Baptist Conference, Forest Hill Louisiana**. This is the state campgrounds and they are growing and needing more dorms. We have about 25 signed up to go. We leave on Feb 3 and return on Feb 9, 2019. I would ask you to pray for team as they travel and work on these dorms.

Lisette is settling in to her role as Treasurer. She is doing a good job and I am so thankful she is willing to serve. She has brought some new ways of keeping books and is using quick-books to keep records. The reports are different but again I feel very clear on where we are at with finances. We closed out 2018 and with a fresh start on 2019 it should be easier. It was sort of difficult to start in October and change banks but again all is well and I am excited about the future.

Committees are meeting and making plans for the New Year and we have many new people serving for the first time. We all need prayer as we teach and learn how the Association operates. When I first came to be your DOM I thought I would never get the hang of things but after 20 plus years I think I know pretty much what the association does and accomplishes.

(Be sure and read the rest of the Newsletter.)

In my Bible Study time I have been studying John chapter 16. In John 16:16; Jesus says, *"In a Little While..."* The thought came to me several years ago how long is a little while? It can be defined to mean a few moments, few hours, a few days (as in 3 days) and to the extreme in a little while Jesus will return to this earth as recorded in Revelation 19:11-16; *"And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.*

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."