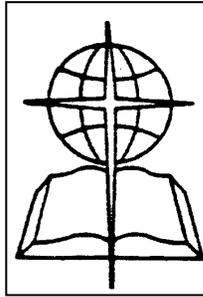


NEWSLETTER

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“BY ALL MEANS” SOUTHWEST REGIONAL WMU CONFERENCE AND TRAINING EVENT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017, 9:30 - 3:30

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF BOLIVAR, 316 N.
Main Ave

You are invited to join us in a day of inspiration, motivation, and information concerning Missions in Missouri and around the world. You also will not want to miss the fellowship of meeting with other leaders.

WMU Training for all age level organizations

Two General sessions with missionary speakers ... three Break-out sessions
Ideas to Spark Missional Focus
Bob Kitchin and Disaster Relief
International Book Study 2017 on Russia
Ideas for Operation Christmas Child
John and Mary Fall with Campers on Mission/ Volunteer Christian Builders
Randy and Melissa Swearengin, IMB in southern Brazil
Calendar of Prayer—Special Music – and more
We will have a Book Store with discounted prices on WMU materials

We will take up an offering to be divided between Madge Truex and Alberta Gilpin Funds.
Registration fee - \$15 per person (includes lunch and registration)

AUGUST 2017

On Mission

To

Sedalia State Fair

August 15th

WANTED: 8-10 Adults

Who are willing to share their personal testimony in three minutes to help with:

Evangelistic Outreach.

You will be sharing your testimony in three minutes to those who are willing to listen. The team will direct them to you in the tent and you will share with them.

This is an all day event. We will be leaving the Associational office as a group.

We will pay your general admission:
(You will need meal money)

417-326-4667 Office

Please call Pastor Gary Urich for more information 326-7015

AUGUST

10-20 Missouri State Fair, Sedalia
18 Bolivar School Begins

SEPTEMBER

1-30 Missouri Missions Offering Emphasis
4 Labor Day Holiday, OFFICE CLOSED
16-17 Worship Leadership Conference

OCTOBER

1-31 COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MONTH
Pastor / Staff Appreciation Month
1-2 RA Congress: Sedalia
2-3 MID-LAKES ANNUAL MEETING,
Mt. Etna, Bolivar, MO
15-16 GA Retreat, Warsaw
23-25 Missouri Baptist Convention: Raytown,
MO
26 DOM Fall Conference,

“And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.” 1 John 2:28

Praying For the Association Month of August 2017

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 Camp Committee Follow up
- >Prayer of Thanksgiving for great Trip Joe and Judy
- >Pray for Pastor Larry Clarkson
- >Pray for Annual Meeting at Mt Etna October 2-3



Please pray about taking up an offering for MMO. All the dollars raised will go to support Missouri Mission projects and your association.

*We Love Camp
Here is a chance to show that love!*

A Big

THANK YOU!!

to
Tim Cossins
and Ezra and Breanna Piper for Directing both Camps.
What an awesome job they did along with numerous other volunteers. Camp will not happen without those willing to give of their time and talents.
Thanks to all who helped!!!

Mid-Lakes Southern

**Baptist Association
Annual Meeting**

October 2-3, 2017



Mt. Etna Baptist Church
Take D North of Bolivar to N highway
Bolivar , MO

Meal 6:00 pm
Meeting begins at 7:00 pm

Annual Sermon: Pastor Larry Clarkson
**Theme: "Life is a journey,
Which way are you headed? "**
I John 2:28

**Theme Interpretation: Gary Urich,
Retired**

**Start making plans now to attend! It will be great time in the
Lord with great music and preaching.**

Director's Notes

Judy and I want to thank you from the bottom of hearts. We had a great time traveling to Oklahoma to see family off to Texas Panhandle, and from there to visit with my Brother Bill Coppedge and wife Anita in Las Vegas, Nevada. We stayed with them 4 days and it was over a hundred degrees each day. We love our family but Judy and I were anxious to get on our way to the mountains and cooler weather.

We left Las Vegas and headed to Yosemite National park. Once we drove up high enough the temperature was 70 during the day and 45 at night. I

could get use to this. Yosemite is worth your time and effort; we truly enjoyed our day at the park. We camped just before going in and camped after driving thru the park. It was beautiful!

From Yosemite we traveled up North and made our way to Idaho Falls and spent several days just resting and enjoying the cooler temperature. It was now time to head to the Grand Teton Mountains. We stayed in and around the Teton Mountains for about 10 days; which was Long enough to see a black mama bear and twin cubs along with many other animals. We finally left the Tetons and head to Rocky Mountain National Park and Estes Park in Colorado. It was as well pretty and the temperature was perfect. I told Judy I was ready to head home after all this and wanted to see family and friends. So we left Colorado and made that long journey across Kansas on Interstate 70!

When we pulled in and entered our house we were pleasantly surprise; a newspaper with our wedding day and a current picture of us in the paper announcing our 50th Wedding Anniversary. But there was more, over 60 plus Anniversary cards from Churches, Relatives and friends. We had over 100 hits on blessings and greetings from friends all over the country on Facebook; thanks to our Daughter Jeanie and Grandson Jose' along with Pam Caudle. It truly was such a blessing to hear from so many. It made our coming home even sweeter than I imagined! *What is the conclusion of the Matter?*

WE WERE BLESSED AND SO THANKFUL FOR ALL WHO MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO GET AWAY.

Thankyou!
THANK YOU!!

WE LOVE AND APPRECIATE YOU ALL