

In our July Executive Board Meeting we introduced Shepherd's Way Church Plant to the association. They are located in Pleasant Hope and desire membership in Mid Lakes Association. They come as a church plant out of Greene County Baptist Association and are highly recommended to us from Greene County Association. Please pray for the Personnel/Church Relations Committee and Shepherd's Way as they walk through the process of Shepherd's Way becoming part of our Mid Lakes Family.





Missions and Ministry Together By John Rhodes AMS (Associational Missions Strategist)

Hello Mid Lakes Family.

Some of the most treasured times we have in life are from the little things we encounter. So often we measure life by the big events that we plan and love, but how often do we stop and look at the blessings God gives each day in the little things? Recently I have been blessed to visit a number of churches who have had VBS. I apologize to those that I was unable to attend. As I visited each VBS event, I saw some of the greatest blessings you can see. To see a teacher or helper just taking the time to minister to a child in the spirit of godly love is so wonderful. So often we think, well they are just kids, but guess what, Jesus loves the little children just as much as He loves us, and when we invest in them, I believe it makes Him smile. You see, the time we invest in others can impact them more than we will ever realize.

I think back to the days when my family drove to TN and visited my grandparents. There are things there that I will never forget. Things like sitting on the front porch of my grandparents house and counting the boxcars that came by. By the way, did you know that 100 box cars equals one mile? It does. My grandpa, who used to work for the railroad, taught me that.

Now I find myself being the grandpa and making memories with my grandchildren. For them, there will be certain things they will never forget, such as Grandpa's famous (it's famous because I told them it is famous, and that is because we have the only one in existence),"Slide Ride" They all love riding the mower with me, but I can't carry all ten at once,

but with the "Slide Ride", I can come close lol. that the spiritual things I pass along will as much as their memory of the "Slide Ride".



It is also my prayer remain with them just

the influence we can

As churches, we must never underestimate

have, and should have, on those around us. Remember to make every moment count for Jesus. Each of us has 24 hours in a day, let's not waste it on vain worldly things, but let's turn every opportunity into an opportunity for Jesus!

Be sure to pray for our camps the 6-14 of August. Pray that God will take our little and make much of it!

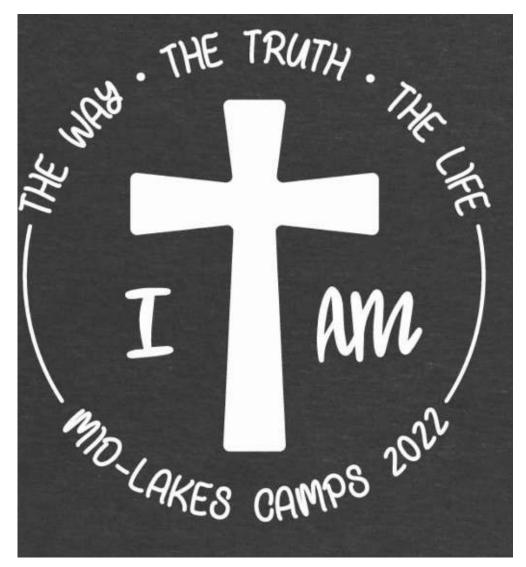
God bless and we love all of you, Bro. John & Gayle Rhodes Phil. 1:6

Mid Lakes Camps 2022

At Camp Niangua

Children's Camp: Saturday, August 6th - 9th

Youth Camp: Wednesday, August 10th - 14th



To register and for more information: www.midlakescamps.weebly.com



MID-LAKES SUMMER CAMP





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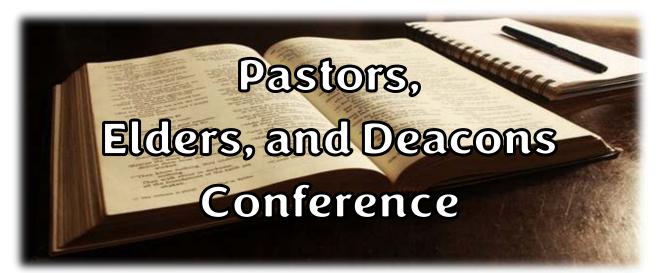
(7627 State Highway M, Niangua, MO 65713)

After much thought and prayer, we are excited about the new opportunities this camp offers and the room it has for us to expand!

For more information and to register

www.midlakescamps.weebly.com

For more information contact: Tim Cossins (417) 327-5395 or Bre Piper at (417) 912-1152



Saturday, September 10th

First Southern Baptist Church

Stockton, MO

Meal 5 PM

Breakout Session 6 PM

Combined Session 7 PM

Main Speaker: Rev. Bill Jetton, DOM Ozark Prairie Baptist Association,

Deacon Breakout Leader: Bro. Craig Cunningham,

Former Deacon Chairman for FBC, Huntsville, MO



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Please RSVP to midlakessba@gmail.com or call John Rhodes, AMS at 573-579-5993.



Annual Church Profile

IF YOUR CHURCH HAS NOT FILLED OUT AND SENT IN THEIR ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILE, PLEASE COMPLETE THIS ASAP. THIS NOT ONLY HELPS THE SBC WITH INFORMATION FOR PLANNING, IT HELPS THE ASSOCIATION IN MANY WAYS. IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CONTACT BRO. JOHN RHODES.



Mid Lakes Baptist Association 156th Annual Meeting

"Where Every Church Matters"

Monday, October 10, 2022 FBC, Fair Play

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 Mt Olive Baptist Church

Meal begins at 6 PM. Service starts at 6:45 each night. This Year's Speakers:

Rev. David Stunkel, FBC ,Fair Play (Monday) Rev. Steve Ewing, First Southern, Stockton (Monday) Rev. Joe Rhoads, New Hope, Stockton (Tuesday) Rev. Gary Walton, Heritage (Tuesday)



A sweet couple has donated a gift to the association for us to sell and put the money towards MISSIONS. Especially Disaster Relief, Block Party





Party Trailer Fund

10,000

Block

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\$3,174.00

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Our goal

THANK

YOU!

Summer Missions and Ministries are just almost here.

We will begin our search for a 10'-14' enclosed trailer to purchase for our Block Party Ministry. Please help us be on the "lookout". We are praying for a good deal on a used one. If someone has one you would be willing to part with (or even donate), please let Bro. John know.

Help us reach our goal!

In case you haven't heard or have forgotten, we are fundraising for an ADA Shower Unit in order to be able to provide shower opportunities for those with access and functional needs. Our initial campaign goal which will cover the manufacturing cost of the trailer is \$60,000. Due to a record breaking MMO (Missouri Missions Offering) in 2021, the donated funds will be matched 1:1. Every dollar given up to \$26,500 will be matched by the MMO funds.

As of this morning, we have surpassed 90% of our goal. Meaning if we receive approximately \$3,000 more in donated funds, the matching gifts will put us over our goal!

If you or your church would like to give to the ADA Shower Unit to push us past our goal, check out the information on the webpage (<u>https://modr.org/modr-ada-shower-unit/</u>) or give in any of the ways listed in the Image below!

Caring for the most vulnerable is a value of the MBC and of MODR, and providing ADA compliant shower stalls during times of disaster is just one more way that we can do that.

Please pray for this campaign and praise the Lord for all he has already done!

ADA SHOWER UNIT UPDATE 90% funded!

Help us with our final push! We are so close. You can donate in the ways listed below. Every dollar will be matched until the goal is met!

TEXT: ADA to 573-433-8286 and follow prompts

> Go to www.modr.org/give and select "ADA Shower Campaign" from the fund menu





Mail a check to: MBC 400 E High St. Jefferson City, MO 65101 with ADA in the memo line

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2022 MISSOURI BAPTIST DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING DATES

Southwest

Region

Marshfield, MO

First Baptist Church

October 7-8

Go to https://modr.org/drtraining/2022-marshfield/

To Register TODAY

Mid Lakes Chainsaw / Flood Recovery Unit will be there.



Additional training information and online registration can be found by visiting https://modr.org/dr-training/, emailing disasterrelief@mobaptist.org, or by calling 800-736-6227 ext 317.

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Our Mid Lakes Unit needs more people to "Get on Board"! Pastors and their Families Cookout

> Saturday, October 2200 (Rein date 29th)

Places Bro. John & Cayle Rhodes⁹ House

Time 6800 PM Put it on your calendar today???

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DO YOU LIKE BEING CREATIVE? HOW ABOUT SELLING YOUR HANDMADE ITEMS AT A CRAFT SHOW THAT'S JUST FOR KIDS?

The Kids Create Ministry Team of FBC Bolivar presents:

ENTREPRENEURSHIP WITH A MISSIONS EMPHASIS



- 1. Create a product or sevice to sell. (No food products)
- 2. Complete the online application with a fee of \$15, which includes a t-shirt!
- 3. Attend mentor nights.
- 4. Show up ready to go on September 10th! We'll provide the tents and tables!



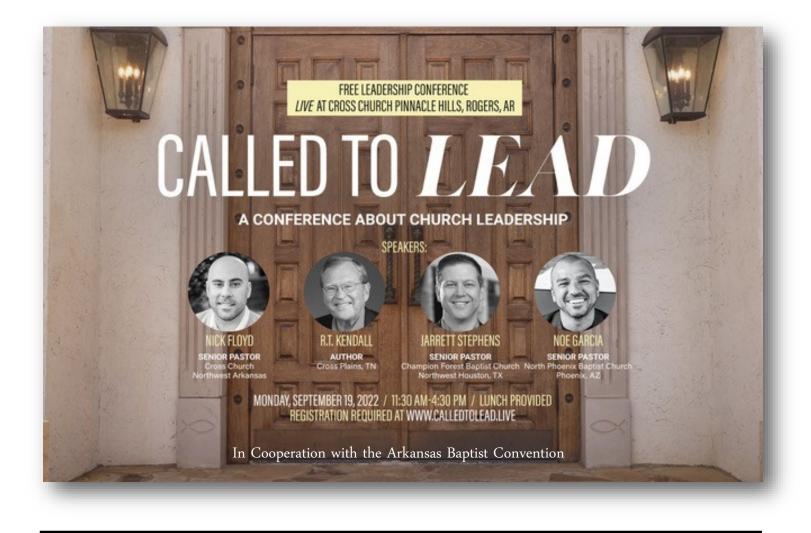
10% of the sales you make that day will go to the missions emphasis from FBC's 2022 Vacation Bible School, Phillip and Brook Sneed.

FOLLOW ON FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION!

GOT QUESTIONS? CONTACT CHERI JONES AT CHERIJONES@WINDSTREAM.NET

THE KIDS CREATE CRAFT SHOW IS HOSTED BY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH BOLIVAR FBCBOLIVAR.ORG







New 988 suicide, crisis lifeline active, ready to help everyone.

You can find this article in the Baptist Press



Monthly Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Men come join us on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at Smith's Restaurant at 8:30 AM!

August 2nd & 16th





Mid-Lakes Baptist Association

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