



MAY 2024

MID LAKES BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

BOLIVAR, MO

Missions and Ministry Together

By John Rhodes, AMS (Associational Missions Strategist)



Hello Mid Lakes Family,

The first Thursday in May. This year that is May 2, 2024. To be honest, most churches and their congregations do not realize there is a special designation for that day. Before you read farther, do you know what is special about that day? It is the National Day of Prayer. The National Day of Prayer is an annual day of observance designated by the United States Congress and held on the first Thursday of May, when people are asked "to turn to God in prayer and meditation". The President is required by law to sign a proclamation each year, encouraging all Americans to pray on this day. Regardless if the President signs a proclamation or not, God's children should take seriously the topic of prayer. May 2nd is just a reminder of how important prayer can be.

This year we are going to do something we have not done before as an association. On May 5th we are asking our churches to have a Day of Prayer for Mrs. Barbara George. I realize this is unusual, but I had a dear sweet saint of God call me personally to ask if we could have a Day of Prayer for Mrs. Barbara. How could I tell her no? Actually, I thought it would be appropriate that we lift up a sister in Christ in prayer immediately following the National Day of Prayer. Mrs. Barbara is a member of Noble Hill Baptist Church, and she and her family have many dear friends in our association. Mrs. Barbara is facing serious health issues that are life threatening. So I ask you and your church to join me in lifting her up in prayer on May 5th. 1st - Pray for God's will to be done in her life concerning her health conditions. 2nd - Pray for the doctors and nurses who are caring for her. 3rd - Pray for her family as they take care of her. 4th - Pray that God will receive honor and glory from this and that this special times of prayer brings us all closer to the Lord. God still answers prayers. *James 5:16-17 NKJV* "Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

Also, allow me to encourage you to pray each week for our churches, and each Sunday for our pastors. Continue to pray for the Hispanic work that is happening in the association. Pray daily for yourself. Pray that God will grow you spiritually and that His perfect will in your life will be done. Pray for personal Revival!!! Some exciting things are happening, and I can't wait to see what God has in store this summer.

Another item of prayer is to pray for those in Nebraska and other states who were hit hard by the recent outbreak of tornadoes.

Thanks for all you do and for the encouragement you give us.

We love you all,

Bro. John and Mrs. Gayle

MidWest March For Life

WEDNESDAY
MAY 1, 2024

To honor and glorify Jesus Christ
and defend innocent life.



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South Lawn • 201 W. Capitol Ave. • Jefferson City, Missouri
Activities planned from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Capitol Grounds
Over 30 life-affirming exhibitors!



Fundraising lunch 11 am to 1 pm sponsored by
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8:00 am - Prayer Walk in Capitol

8:00 am - Rosary and Divine Mercy
North Lawn

8:15 am - Book Signing • Melissa Ohden

8:45 am - Live Performance • Claire Huntley
Capitol South Steps

9:15 am - Announcements and Rally
South Lawn

MARCH BEGINS FOLLOWING RALLY

11:00 am - Book Signing • Melissa Ohden
Outside St. Peter's Selinger Center

11:45 am - Live Performance • Claire Huntley
Capitol South Steps

12:15 pm - Youth Rally
Capitol South Steps

12:15 pm — Ballot Initiative Update and
What You Can Do — Capitol Rotunda

1:30 pm — Holy Mass • St. Peter Church
Bishop Edward Rice

1:30 pm — Ecumenical Prayer Service
Dr. Wes Fowler — MBC — Capitol Rotunda



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Southwest Baptist
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COMMENCEMENT

Friday, May 3

Meyer Wellness Center

Bachelor's 11:00 am

Master's & Doctoral 3:00 pm

Associate's 7:00 pm



MID LAKES BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Sunday, May 5th, 2024

MLBA
Day
of
Prayer

for

Mrs. Barbara George

From Noble Hill Baptist Church

By Special Request for life threatening health conditions.



LIFT UP THE WORD LIGHT UP THE WORLD

2 SAMUEL 22:29-31

THE 73rd ANNUAL NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024





May 7th & 21st

Men's Breakfast and Fellowship

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month at 8:30 AM.

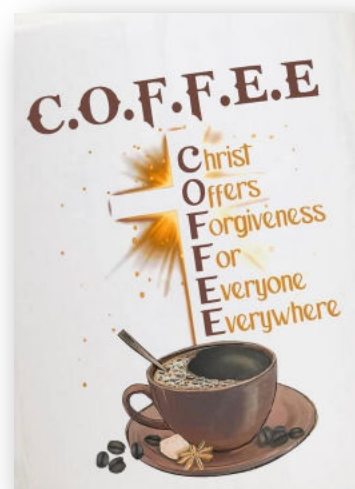
at Mid Lakes Baptist Association Office.

Bring your own Breakfast and a Bible.

We will provide the coffee!

All men are invited to join us.

722 E. South Street, Bolivar, MO



MID LAKES ASSOCIATION WMU GROUP MEETING

Next Meeting: Monday, May 20, 1 PM

All ladies are invited to join in.

Mrs. Leidra Stunkel is leading the group.

The meeting will be at the Association Office.

722 E. South Street, Bolivar, MO.



THANK YOU to everyone who donated items or bought items during the Camp Yard Sale Fundraiser. This year we brought in just over \$1,500 to help send kids to camp and to help make camp possible. This also helps us keep the cost of camp as low as possible. Mid Lakes Camp Committee thanks you for all your love and support!!!!

Camp registration is now available online.

<https://midlakescamps.weebly.com/>

Register for Camp

Kids Camp: Saturday, August 3rd @ 2pm - Tuesday, August 6th @ 2PM.
\$140 per student

Youth Camp: Wednesday, August 7th @ 2 PM - Sunday, August 11th @ 2PM. \$150 per student

Leader registration is also ready. Have you thought about helping at camp????

I Care Day MAY 7, 2024

Say "I Care" by supporting the
MBCH Be a Neighbor Program



mbch.org/neighbor

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SATURDAY, MAY 11



11.00A - 2.00P



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To register scan the QR code or send us an email



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**THE 2024 ANNUAL MEETING &
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JUNE 9-12, 2024**

For more information visit <https://sbcanualmeeting.net/>

The Mid Lakes Baptist Association

Missions Committee

The Missions Committee would like to introduce you to our new (to us) Missions Trailer. This trailer is available for our churches to check out to help meet their ministry needs. It would be great for mission trips, delivery of resources to their needed location, etc. Our goal is to encourage our churches to be on mission for God. Please call the association office to reserve your dates to use it.



The trailer made its voyage trip to OK and did great!
Others are booking it to use. Why not your church!
Go On Mission!!!!

MLBA Church News

Bethel Southern: Bethel continues to make improvements to their facilities, and has seek God bless and provide for them.

Caplinger Mills: Called Bro. Harry Moore to be their pastor.

FBC, Bolivar: Hosting the MLBA Hispanic Bible Study each Monday evening. Recently hosted their Contend and Connect Conference.

FBC, Fair Play: Is gearing up for this year's VBS.

FBC, Humansville: Is still praying for the doctors to figure out what is causing their pastor's wife's seizures. Please continue to pray for Bro. David and Mrs. Karol Cloud and for the church as they navigate this uncertain time.

FBC, Morrisville: FBC Morrisville has been seeing an increase in attendance. They continue to do monthly events to encourage outreach and they are seeing God bless their efforts.

Fender's Chapel: Has been seeing numerical growth lately. The had 50 in church recently.

Grace Fellowship: Grace Fellowship is looking to have VBS this summer.

Heritage: Is already advertising and looking forward to this year's VBS.

Mt Olive: In the process of planned outreach through their church family. They are planning this year's VBS and are looking at setting up a booth at Country Days.

Noble Hill: Just celebrated their 85th Anniversary on April 14th.

Shepherd's Way: Church Has remodeled their sanctuary, and have built a large pavilion on their property next to the Pleasant Hope School. They are now hosting the local farmer's market there.

MLBA: Our association is having a Day of Prayer on May 5th for Mrs. Barbara George. Mrs. Barbara attends Noble Hill and has some health conditions which are life threatening. Please join us May 5th as we pray for Mrs. Barbara.

Camp Committee: The Camp Committee raised over \$1,500 in the yard sale fundraiser which goes towards camp expenses and the camp scholarship fund. Registration for this years camp is now open online.

MLBA Resources: Remember the Block Party Trailer, Missions Trailer, Shuttle, and Kayak Trailer is available for use to our association churches. Be sure to put your request in to the association office. They are on a first come basis.

Dates to remember:

5/2 National Day of Prayer
5/3 SBU Commencement
5/5 MLBA Day of Prayer for Barbara George
5/7 Men's Fellowship at MLBA Office
5/7 MO Baptist Children's Home "I Care Day"
5/11 Foster Family Resource Day
5/12 Mother's Day
5/21 Men's Fellowship at MLBA Office
5/27 Memorial Day
5/28 MLBA WMU Meeting 1 PM



Hispanic Bible Study

Each Monday Night at 7 PM

at FBC, Bolivar Rose Building

How can you help? Pray, Participate, Give

Help us invite our Hispanic neighbors to attend.

Berean Baptist; Bethel Southern Baptist; Brighton Baptist; Caplinger Mills Baptist; Fender Chapel Baptist; First Baptist, Bolivar; First Baptist, Fair Play; First Baptist, Humansville; First Baptist, Morrisville; First Southern Baptist, Stockton; Grace Fellowship Baptist; Heritage Baptist; Mt Etna Baptist; Mt Olive Baptist; Noble Hill Baptist; Rondo Baptist; Shepherd's Way Church; Southern Hills Baptist.

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