

September 2024

MID LAKES BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

BOLIVAR, MO

Missions and Ministry Together

By John Rhodes, AMS (Associational Missions Strategist)

The month of August brought with it many blessings.

Our camp directors, camp committee, and many volunteers came together for the purpose of blessing kids and youth, however the blessings we received from the kids and youth were truly wonderful. At the close of camp, I watched as the youth joined together hand-in-hand and prayed to the God of Heaven, for

God to use them as they head Oh if we all had a burning desire for Him to transform us through just imagine what God could do.

We have two churches who will



into the new school year. for God to be real to us, and the power of the Holy Spirit,

be looking for a pastor. Bro.

Josh Lobdell served Bethel Baptist in Pittsburg for the past five years. August twenty-fifth was his last Sunday as their pastor. Pray for them as they begin their search for a new pastor, and for Bro. Josh and Leslie as they follow the Lord's will for their future. The second church is Heritage Baptist Church. Bro. Gary Walton has spent most of the past decade serving as the senior pastor for Heritage. Bro. Gary and Mrs. Hazel have been faithful servants and will be greatly missed. Bro. Gary is retiring at the end of September. Please pray for Heritage and Bro. Gary and Mrs. Hazel through this transition.

Heritage Baptist Church is also expanding their ministry by being the new location for the Middle School and High School for Polk County Christian School. How exciting to see the Christian School growing, and to see Heritage Baptist Church help meet their need. I am so thankful we still have young people who are willing to follow Jesus. However, we have a world full of young people who need Jesus. Pray for and encourage our youth.

The Hispanic Bible Study is going well. The young man we thought would be the new pastor chose to take a ministry opportunity in Florida. That does not mean the Bible Study has stopped. Pastor Rodriguez is teaching the Bible study and attendance is doing well. On August 25th, the first person to be baptized because of the Bible study was baptized at the host Hispanic Church in Springfield. God is still moving and working, so keep praying!

Annual Meeting will be here soon. Be sure to put October 14-15 on your calendar. October 14 is at Southern Hills, and October 15 is at FBC, Humansville. Hope to see all of you there.

We love you all,

Bro. John and Mrs. Gayle



Thanks to all the people who gave generously to this years camp. We had many monetary donations and physical donations of paper goods. Special thanks to the MLBA WMU Group who gathered a large amount of paper goods for camp. What a blessing!

For future events keep up with us at https://midlakescamps.weebly.com/ Plans for the fall retreat will be announced soon.





September 2nd and September 17th.

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

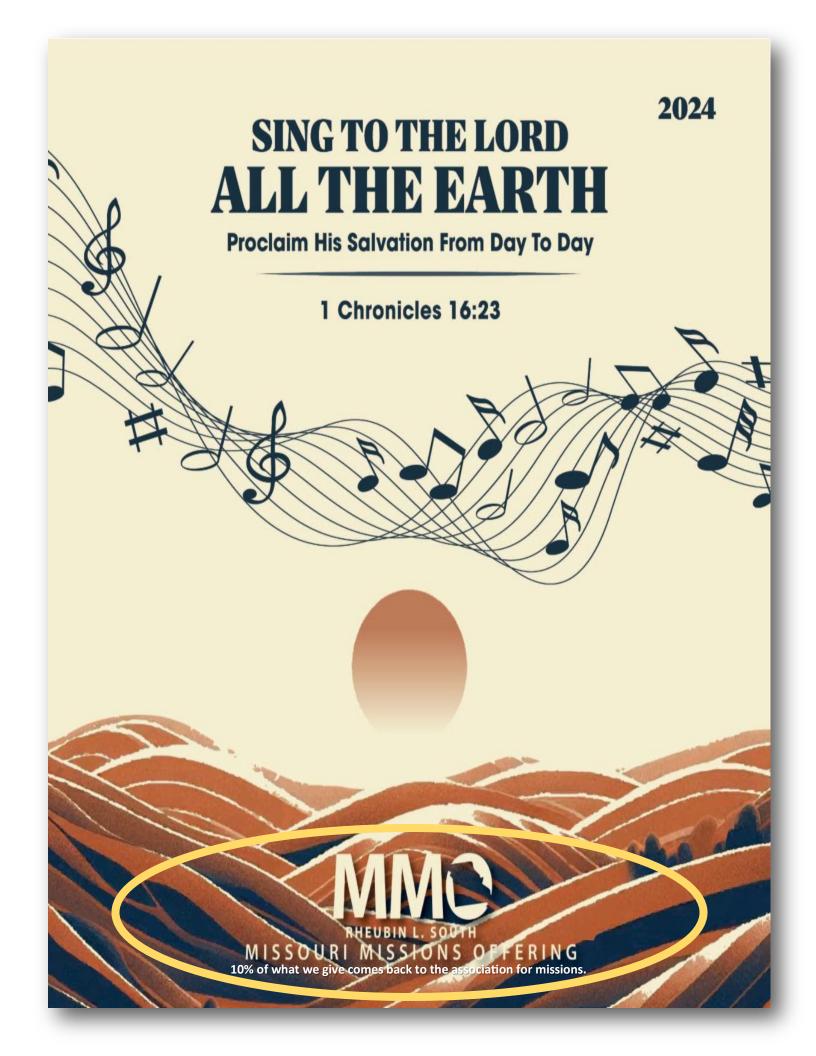




MID LAKES ASSOCIATION WMU GROUP MEETING

Last Monday of each month at 2 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.

New Time





September 7th 9 AM - 4 PM Mount Olive / Mid Lakes Ministry Tent



Come help invite people to God's House.

Bounce House / Face Painting / Tent with chairs for parents to sit and rest while their kids bounce.

Beside the Fire Station (in front of COM) For more info contact Chadd Caldwell or John Rhodes.



MID LAKES BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING MEETING Holiness Matters

Monday, October 14th - Southern Hills Baptist Church Tuesday, October 15th - FBC, Humansville

Meal 5:30 PM

Service 6:30 PM

Please put it on your calendar TODAY!



Sunday, September 8th

If your church has not filled out your ACP yet, PLEASE do so ASAP. Thanks!



Annual Church Profile

The Annual Church Profile (ACP) Forms have been mailed to each association church from the MBC. Please take time to fill out the document and <u>return it to the MBC</u>. This helps us with the record keeping process. If your church did not receive an ACP Form in the mail by mid-July, please let Bro. John know.

Thank You.



Kids Create Craft Show is September 7th from 9am to noon at the Esquire Parking lot! The kids of FBC have been working hard to create products or services to share with YOU as they learn about entrepreneurship with a missions emphasis! Come and support our young entrepreneurs!

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2024

9:30AM

FIRST BAPTIST OZARK 1400 W JACKSON ST, OZARK, MO 65721

FEATURING SPECIAL GUESTS



CHRIS WILLIAMS SENIOR PASTOR, FELLOWSHIP CHURCH



WILLIAM FEDERER HOST OF THE AMERICAN MINUTE RADIO FEATURE



TONY PERKINS PRESIDENT, FAMILY RESEARCH COUNCIL



SETH GRUBER FOUNDER & CEO, THE WHITE ROSE RESISTANCE

REGISTRATION IS FREE

For more information and to register, **visit ciconference.org**

SAVE THE DATE

Serving For God's Glory 2024 BSAAM

ConFerence

September 16-17, 2024

Frederick Boulevard Baptist Church 5502 Frederick Ave. St. Joseph, MO 64507

Keynote Speaker:

Amy Stout Motivational Speaker, Life Coach, and Author

Worship Leader:

Cori Salmons

For more information visit baamissouri.org

UNDERSTANDING MORMONISM DIFFERENT DOCTRINE

Saturday, September 28 at Hopedale Baptist Church 5370 STATE HIGHWAY NN, OZARK

8:30am to 1:00pm

lunch provided but reservation required

CONFERENCE LEADERS

Rob Phillips Missouri Baptist Convention

Roger Sherrer Missouri Baptist Apologetics Network

TOPICS

- An Overview of the LDS Church
- Key Differences in LDS Doctrines and Biblical Christianity
- The Significance of an LDS Temple
- Engaging Mormons in Gospel Conversations

TO REGISTER:

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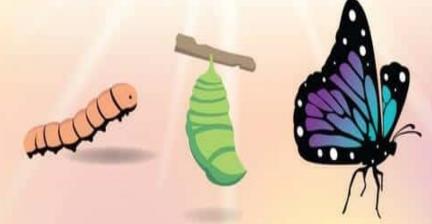






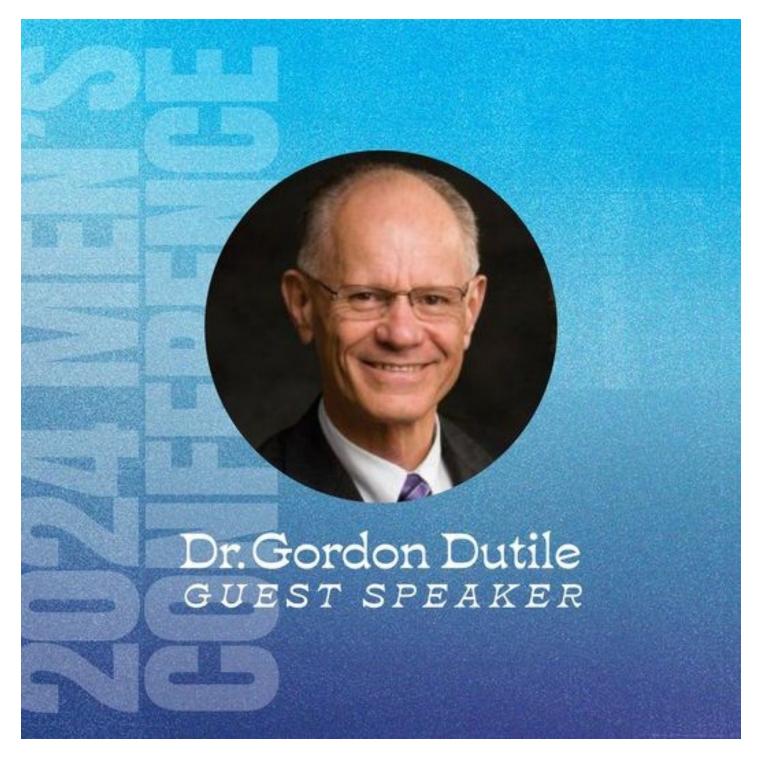
The 2024 Missouri Quilt Festival is September 28th, and we would love to see you there! This event is held to raise money and support MBCH! We are so thankful to them for their years of unwavering support! IF you are in the Independence, MO area come out and join us! We can't wait to see you there!





Girls Experiencing Missions 2024 October 18-19 ~ Waynesville, MO

Girls Experiencing Missions (GEM) is a two day event where girls will focus on pursuing a living relationship with Jesus Christ. Girls will experience hands-on missions in praying, giving, learning, & doing, and meet with a missionary.



FBC, BOLIVAR MEN'S CONFERENCE

Join us for FBC's Men's Conference on September 27 & 28th! Dr. Gordon Dutile will be joining us as our guest speaker and will be sharing lessons learned from scripture! Friday night's meal will be catered by Curly Ques and admission is \$20! Please register at <u>fbcbolivar.org/events</u>

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES MODR

We have two more training opportunities in 2024:

Sifeston Fellowship Baptist September 6-7

O2arF First Baptist Ozark October 4-5



Visit Our Website www.modr.org/dr-training



Bringing Help, Hope, and Healing



FBC, Bolivar: Hosting Men's Conference, September 27-28 with Dr. Gordon Dutile **FBC, Humansville:** Hosting Annual Meeting on Tuesday, October 15th.

FBC, Morrisville: FBC Morrisville has been seeing an increase in attendance.

Grace Fellowship: Held a Celebration of Freedom event at the end of June. VBS July 22-26

Heritage: Pastor Gary Walton is retiring at the end of September. Heritage is hosting the middle school and high school grades of the Polk County Christian School.

Mt Olive: Hosting Ministry Tent at Country Days.

Shepherd's Way: Church Hosts the local Farmer's Market. Ministered to local homeschool group as they started back to school.

Camp Committee: Thankful for all the donations and those who helped with camp.

Hispanic Ministry: Bible Study every Monday evening at 7 PM at the Rose Building.



Dates to remember:

- 9/3 Men's Fellowship 8:30 AM
- 9/6 BP Trailer Shepherd's Way
- 9/7 BP Trailer Country Days Ministry sponsored by Mount Olive (for all churches)
- 9/8 BP Trailer-Berean Baptist

9/15 Deacon Ordination for Kyndle Katzer, Heritage Baptist Church (council 12:40, Ordination 1 PM)

- 9/17 Men's Fellowship 8:30 AM
- 9/20 Hispanic Theater Group Presentation at FBC, Bolivar Esquire Theater
- 9/21 Hispanic Cultural Meal, FBC, Bolivar Rose Building 6 PM
- 9/25 SEE YOU AT THE POLE
- 9/27 Shuttle FBC, Bolivar (Senior group)
- 9/30 DOM Regional Meeting
- 9/30 MLBA WMU Meeting 2 PM
- 10/1 Men's Fellowship 8:30 AM
- 10/1 Alpha House Banquet
- 10/4-5 Disaster Relief Training, FBC Ozark

10/14 MLBA Annual Meeting - Southern Hills

10/15 MLBA Annual Meeting - FBC Humansville

- 10/19 Pastor's Family Cookout
- 10/28-30 MBC Annual Meeting, St Charles, MO



Hispanic Bible Study

Each Monday Night at 7 PM at FBC, Bolivar Rose Building

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.



Office Hours Monday—Wednesday 9 AM - 4 PM

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