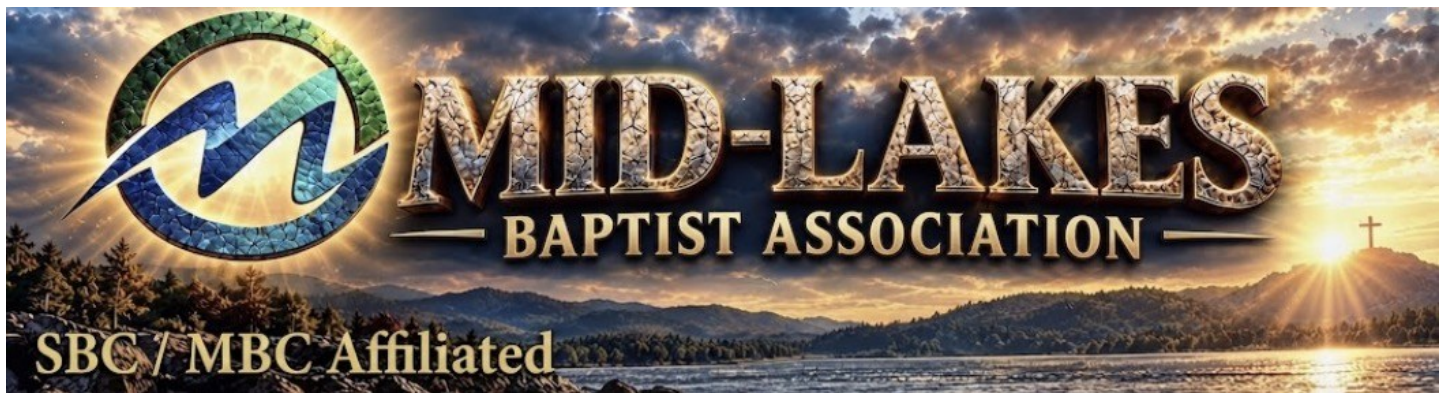




BOLIVAR, MO (WITH CHURCHES FROM POLK, CEDAR, AND GREENE COUNTIES)

October 2026

Missions and Ministry Together

Bro. John Rhodes, AMS (Associational Missions Strategist)

Hello Mid Lakes Family.

Happy Cooler Weather!!!!

October is a busy month for everyone.



Our **Mission Project at Caplinger Mills** is coming along. We could always use more help. Pressure washing and scraping paint is completed and repair work is well underway. Some priming and window work has begun. We need volunteers to help paint window frames, and glaze window panes. After the priming is complete, we will start painting the entire building. Then we will begin the deck, ramp, and steps. Concrete sidewalk and gravel will come after that. So there is still plenty to do.

Our **Annual Meeting is coming up October 12th** at Wellspring Baptist Fellowship Church in Bolivar. Be sure to elect your messengers and make plans on attending. We will be voting on some changes to our Constitution and By-laws. Dr. Ron Mackey will be our guest speaker. Meal starts at 6 PM, and the meeting at 7 PM.

“One Great Day of Evangelism” - The MBC is encouraging churches to take one day in October and have a focused evangelism event of some kind. A way to reach your community for Christ. I would encourage your church to consider something that could be done as an outreach event during the month of October. Use the theme, *One Great Day of Evangelism*, to motivate your members to reach the lost for Christ.

Remember that October is **Pastor Appreciation Month**. We have wonderful pastors and I would like to encourage you to do something special for your pastor. Now I will be honest, there have been times in my lifetime when I have heard someone say, “We need a better pastor”. If that is the case, then here is your answer, pray for the one you already have. Either God will change him, change you, move him, or move you, that is all up to God. Our job is to PRAY and Obey.

1 Thes. 5:12-13

¹² And we urge you, brethren, to recognize those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, ¹³ and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves.

We love you all,
Bro. John and Mrs. Gayle

Local MISSION TRIP Opportunity

Help us fix up
Caplinger Mills Baptist Church.



*We are already hard at work
on this project.*



Call John Rhodes
573-579-5993

or

Phil Beasley
417-399-4839

for more information.

MID LAKES BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 2026 160TH ANNUAL MEETING

BUILDING A FIRM FOUNDATION



**MONDAY,
OCTOBER 12**



**MEAL
6 PM
SERVICE
7 PM**



**PLACE:
WELLSPRING
BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP
2110 S SPRING ST
BOLIVAR, MO 65613**



Guest Speaker:

**Dr. Ron Mackey, Interim President
of the MO Baptist Homes**



August 6th and 20th

8:30 AM

Men's Breakfast and Fellowship

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

at Mid Lakes Baptist Association Office.

**MID LAKES ASSOCIATION
WMU GROUP MEETING**

Monday, October 26 @ 2:30 PM

Last Monday of each month at 2:30 PM.

All ladies are invited to join in.
Mrs. Leidra Stunkel is leading the group



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BROWN BAG LUNCH
CHILDREN'S WORKERS MONTHLY MEETING
OCTOBER 15th AT 1 NOON
at the FBC, Bolivar Rose Building

**ALL CHILDREN'S
WORKERS from
from ALL churches
are invited to attend!**

Contact Mrs. Julie DuVall at jduvall@fbcbolivar.org for more information.

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MISSOURI BAPTIST
Disaster Relief Training

FIRST TIME: \$45 | RE-CERTIFYING/CROSS TRAINING: \$25

NEXT OPPORTUNITY:

**TEMPLE
BAPTIST CHURCH**

POPLAR BLUFF

October 9-10, 2026

SCHEDULE ONLINE

DINNER, BREAKFAST, & LUNCH
INCLUDED. LODGING AVAILABLE

TRAININGS WE OFFER

- CHAPLAINCY**
- MASS CARE/FEEDING
- ASSESSMENT**
- FLOOD RECOVERY
- CHILDCARE
- CHAINSAW
- COMMUNICATIONS
- SHOWER/LAUNDRY
- HEAVY EQUIPMENT SAFETY**
- INCIDENT MANAGEMENT (IMT)**
- ADVANCED IMT**

** PREREQUISITES REQUIRED



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ADDITIONAL TRAINING INFORMATION AND
ONLINE REGISTRATION CAN BE FOUND ON
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CAN BE EMAILED TO

DISASTERRELIEF@MOBAPTIST.ORG
OR BY CALLING 1-800-736-6227 EXT. 317

Missouri Baptist Convention Annual Meeting

October 26-27, 2026 – St. Charles

When God's Presence Falls.

2 Chronicles 7:3



ONE GREAT DAY OF EVANGELISM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

THE MISSOURI BAPTIST CONVENTION INVITES
EVERY MISSOURI BAPTIST CHURCH
TO GATHER IN THEIR COMMUNITIES

for *One Great Day of Evangelism*.

One Great Day is an event inspired by
the Southern Baptist Convention's Crossover

In Missouri, we want churches from around the state to host intentional outreach opportunities in their own communities, even as the churches in the St. Charles area do so prior to the MBC Annual Meeting.



Mid Lakes Association Church News

Berean: Held their End of Summer Picnic with a great turnout.

Caplinger Mills: Renovation on the church exterior with the help of Mid Lakes Association Churches has begun!!!

FBC, Bolivar: Has called Dr. Jacob Conner as their new Pastor.

FBC, Fair Play: Pastor David Stunkel is celebrating 25 years as their pastor.

FBC, Humansville: Is continuing their pastor search.

FBC, Morrisville: In the pastor search process.

First Stockton: Are now livestreaming their sermons on YouTube: FSBC Stockton.

Heritage: Still searching for a Senior Pastor.

Hispanic Ministry: Bible Study every Monday evening at 7 PM at the Rose Building. Currently 11-18 people are attending.

Mt Etna: Called Bro. Lindell Shelden as Pastor.

Mt Olive: Will be baptizing in October!!!

Noble Hill: Ordained their youth pastor, Noah Taylor into the ministry, and is re-joining over recent baptisms.

Shepherd's Way: Is looking to the future and some new steps of faith.

Southern Hills: Our Sunday sermons will now be uploaded as podcasts to Spotify in addition to the website!

Wellspring Fellowship: Will be hosting the MLBA Annual Meeting October 12th.

MLBA Men's Fellowship and Breakfast: October 6th & 20TH at the Association Office .

MLBA WMU Meeting: 2:30 PM Monday, October 26th at the Association Office.





Hispanic Bible Study

Every Monday Evening at 7 PM

At FBC, Bolivar's Rose Building.

Everyone is invited.



Berean 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; Heritage Baptist; Mt Etna Baptist; Mt Olive Baptist; Noble Hill Baptist; Rondo Baptist; Shepherd's Way Church; Southern Hills Baptist; Wellspring Baptist Fellowship. Plus our Hispanic Ministry meets on Monday evenings at 7 PM at the FBC, Bolivar Rose Building.



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