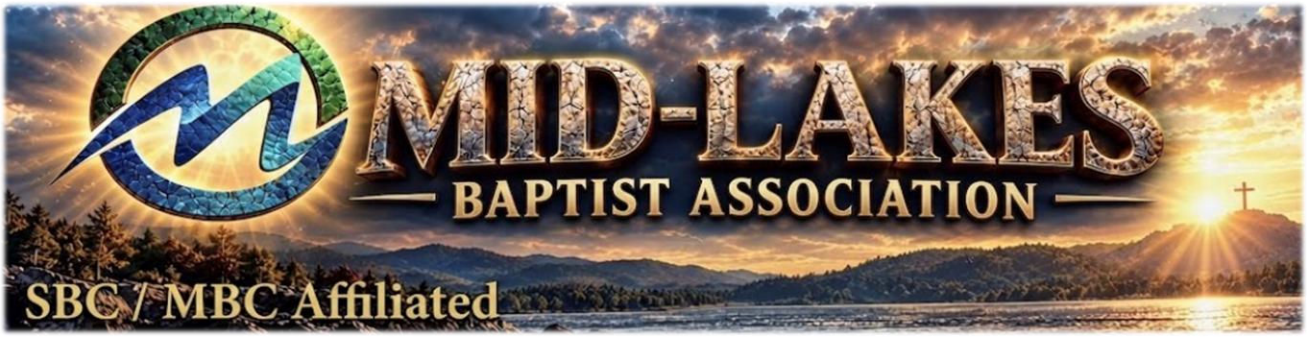


Bolivar, MO (With churches in Polk, Cedar, and Greene Counties.)



Missions and Ministry Together

By Bro. John Rhodes, Associational Missions Strategist

Hello Mid Lakes Family,

What a blessing it is to see God working in our churches. First, we want to welcome Bro. Corey Casey to our association. Bro. Cory is the new pastor at FBC, Morrisville. He lives in that community, and I believe God has great things in store for him and the church. Recently, FBC, Bolivar called Bro. Jacob Conner to be their pastor. He is on the field and going strong. Welcome Bro. Jacob.

Bro. Lindell Shelden filled the position at Mt Etna and is doing a great job. At the time of me writing this, Heritage Baptist Church has a candidate coming on 10/8 in view of a call, and Caplinger Mills has extended the call to a candidate who will give an answer soon. So, it is exciting to see God at work. FBC, Humansville is the one church we have left who is looking for a pastor.

The work at Caplinger Mills Baptist Church is coming right along. Our Mission's Committee has done a wonderful job working and organizing the work there. The main entrance deck is complete, except for the stairs, porch covering, and new front doors. They are going to pour a concrete sidewalk and place the steps on top of the concrete. After the concrete work, doors, steps, and porch cover are complete, they will be ready for new gravel around the building for parking. The church would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who has helped and given to this project. The association gave the last two years MMO Offering return to this project which was $3290.84 and two other churches have given $5,000 total. They also had someone from their community give $2,000 to the project. They took a step of faith and God is providing. What is exciting is the reaction from the community. God is literally bringing prospects to their front door. It is amazing to see God at work!!!

I pray you have a blessed Thanksgiving season.

Bro. John & Mrs. Gayle

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The church says, "THANK YOU" for all your help and support.





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Men's Fellowship Meeting

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the MLBA Office.

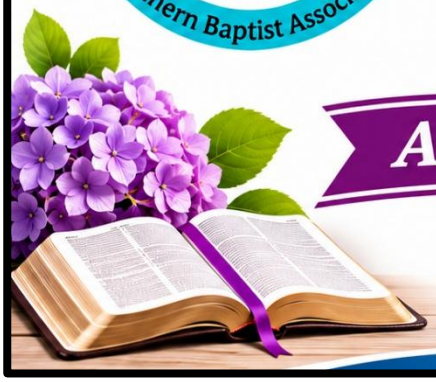
All men are invited.

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Mid Lakes Baptist Association

Evangelism Conference



Sunday evening,
February 28th
6–8 pm

Speaker:
Bro. Rob Pochek,
MBC Prayer and Evangelism Church Leader.

Place:
Heritage Baptist Church

Setting a goal for each church to have at least one baptism in 2027, and how we can accomplish that mission.



MLBA Evangelism Director,
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An Invitation to Churches, Ministries, and Ministry Leaders!

My name is Luke Stockton, and I am the Associate Residence Life Director here at Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, MO. I want to invite you and any of your staff to our Ignite SBU Conference as an exhibitor.

This conference is made for both male and female students as well as seniors in high school, where we can give them the opportunity to grow in their faith through community as well as by giving them a place to get plugged into serving opportunities at the local church, serving with our MBC partners, serving in summer missions, and even within our own community. In this conference, we will have **Ronni Kurtz**, a professor of Theology from Midwestern, joining us and will be teaching about ***Anxiety and our Faith.***

Along with our conference, we want to include an exhibit hall full of local churches and ministries that our students can get plugged into and involved with, and we would love for you to be a part of this. ***The dates for the conference are February 26-27th.***

Our exhibit hall will happen on the night of the 26th and all day on the 27th, along with a direct time frame in the schedule for our students to interact with you. There are three tiers of sponsorship that would secure your spot, but also help cover expenses, so that we can have the most students attend this conference.

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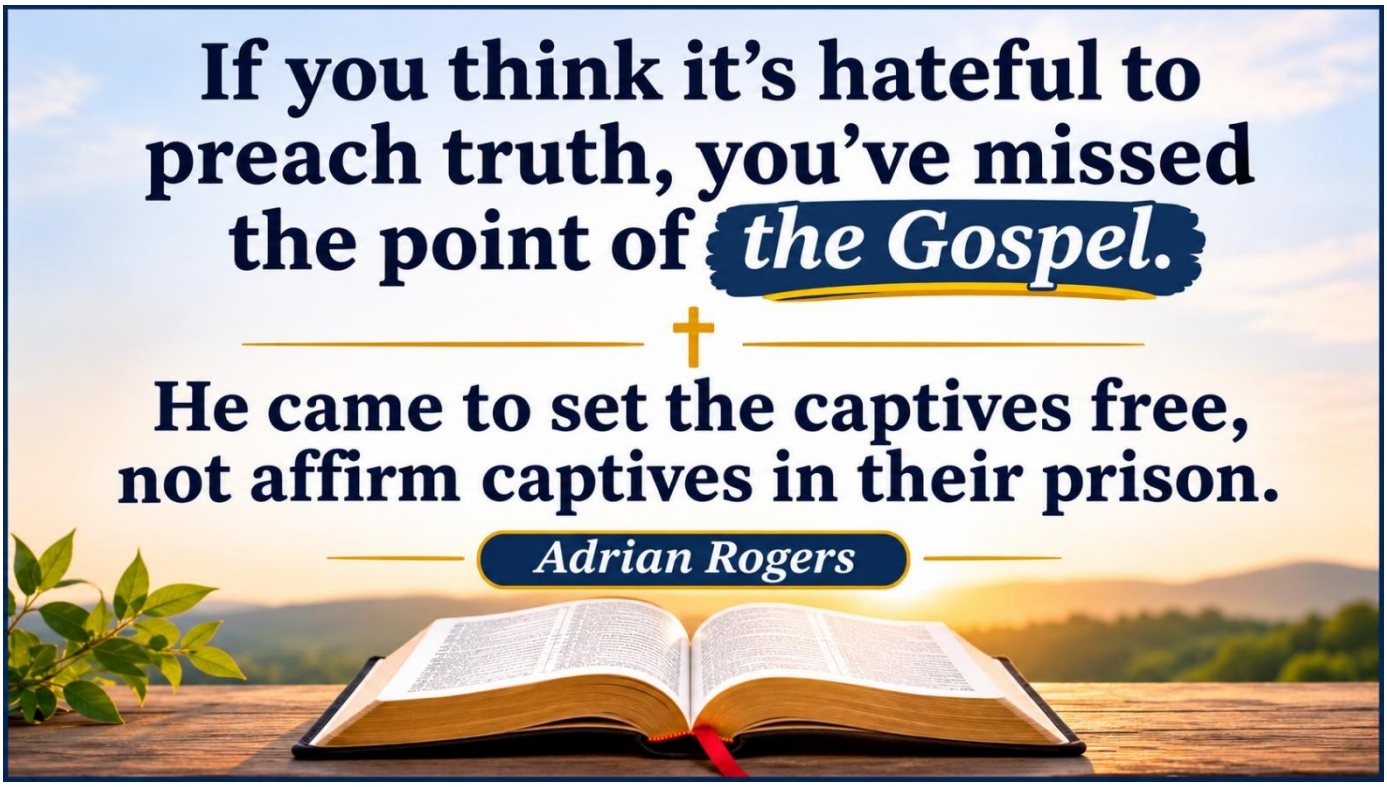
We hope that you will consider this opportunity and join us for this conference!

We thank you for your service to the Lord and your prayerful consideration in joining us at Ignite SBU. If you have any further questions, please let me know.

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Choose kindness every day and let your light shine, even in the small moments.
Trust God's plan. His timing, and His love that never fails.
Offer grace to yourself and to others. We all have a story, and kindness always matters.
Be thankful for the blessings you have and the ones still on the way.
Embrace change with a hopeful heart. Every season brings something beautiful.
Remember you are; loved, you are enough, and God is always with you.
Made With Love, Jesica


If you think it's hateful to preach truth, you've missed the point of the Gospel.
He came to set the captives free, not affirm captives in their prison.
Adrian Rogers



Caplinger Mills: In the process of a complete remodel of the outside of the church.

FBC, Bolivar has called Jacob Conner to be their Senior Pastor.

FBC, Fair Play: Will be gearing up for their annual Bethlehem Village Presentation.

Mt Etna: Called Bro. Lindel Shelden as pastor.

Mt Olive: Recently Baptized three people. One was a 90 year old.

Rondo: Will have their 5th Sunday Singing November 29th.

Shepherd's Way: Has sold their building by the cemetery and have broken ground on a new building situated on 20 acres they own next to the school.

Camp Committee: Will host their Annual Youth New Year's Eve Party at FBC, Bolivar. More information will be in December's newsletter.

Churches: Berean Baptist, Brighton Baptist, Caplinger Mills Baptist, Fender Chapel Baptist, FBC Bolivar, FBC Fair Play, FBC Humansville, FBC Morrisville, First Southern Baptist Stockton, Heritage Baptist, Mt Etna Baptist, Mt Olive Baptist, Noble Hill Baptist, Rondo Baptist, Shepherd's Way, Southern Hills Baptist, Wellspring Fellowship, and a Hispanic Bible Study.



Office Hours:

Mon, -Thur. 9am – 4 pm.