

# MISSION UPDATE

Churches in  
Christian, Stone and  
Taney Counties  
working together  
to extend  
the Kingdom of God

March 2018

## TCBA is... churches helping churches in SW MO!




**MONDAY APRIL 23**  
**TAILGATE PARTY**  
**VBS CLINIC**  
**FBC NIXA**

5:45 pm - Tailgate Party | 6:15-8:00 pm - VBS Clinic  
@ FBC Nixa • 601 Wasson Drive • Nixa, MO

**TCBA IS...spreading blessings!** We were recently blessed to assist a dear saint from a Taney County church that wants to do VBS but was not sure where to start. **TCBA is blessed with GREAT VBS trainers** and we gave her the information she needed, along with the dates and times of TCBA's VBS Spring Training coming up in April. She shared that they don't have much budgeted for VBS--and we told her about TCBA's **VBS Assistance program** where we provide funds to help our churches purchase VBS curriculum (we're finding creative ways to find funds to help our churches!)

TCBA believes in VBS because there are few if any church efforts with the potential "in one package" to #1 reach new people for Christ #2 discover and train new leaders for our churches and #3 make our churches visible in our communities. Thank you for partnering with your sister churches through TCBA! You are spreading blessings!

TCBA VBS leader idea exchange on Facebook: *Tri County Vacation Bible School-VBS Group*



**ministers, churches and**  
**TAXES**

**Monday March 19**  
two options:  
Branson: Golden Corral, 11:30 am (lunch provided)  
Nixa: TCBA Ministry Center, 7:00 pm (snacks)

led by  
**Gene Foster**  
HR/Church Benefits Consultant, MBC  
Liaison, Guidestone Financial Resources

**ONE-ON-ONE CONSULTATIONS:**  
30 minute appointments with Gene for ministers and church staff regarding their Guidestone account are available Monday afternoon from 2:00—4:30 pm. Contact TCBA to schedule 417.725-8825 or phillip@tcsba.com.

**Gene Foster will answer you questions about**

- Current tax issues for ministers
- Crucial issues for churches
- How churches can assist their pastors
- How new tax laws impact your church
- and more

RSVP to 417.725.8825 or phillip@tcsba.com

tri county  
baptist association

**TCBA IS... churches getting out of the "4 walls!"** TCBA's evangelistic block party trailer is ready for another season of serving our churches! Many thanks to men from North Nixa Baptist who spent



hours power washing, painting, repairing, and re-arranging to make the trailer easier to use! For more information: [www.tcsba.com/church-outreach/block-party-trailer](http://www.tcsba.com/church-outreach/block-party-trailer).

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm  
Friday: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

**NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION**

**Permit #33**

**Nixa, MO 65714**

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



**April 6-8, 2018**

**connect with Tri County**

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**Tri County Southern  
Baptist Association**

**SilverDollarCity.com/YCW #YCW2018 1 Thessalonians 4:17**

**TCBA IS...  
churches praying for each other.**



This is Mt. Sinai Baptist Church in the Boaz community of Christian County. It's impossible to calculate the impact this church has had for the Kingdom and in the lives of people from the Boaz community and beyond, over the course of 161 years! Their long-time pastor, Darrell DeVenney, recently announced his retirement. Pray for these dear folks as they serve God and seek His will.

**TCBA is...  
churches spreading God's Word!**

Recently TCBA sent 58 Bibles destined for inmates at the Stone County jail, via a layperson from Hurley Baptist Church. TCBA also sends Bibles to the Taney County jail through a layperson from Bridge of Faith Community Church. Gifts to TCBA's **Mountain Country Ministry** designated account make this blessing possible. Thank you!



**pray for  
LEGACY**  
Psalm 100:5  
**June 4-7, 2018**

Please join in prayer for TCBA's **Summer Camps** this year. It's always a fun week, but also a week of considerable spiritual warfare where we concentrate over 200 kids and youth in one place, some of who are coming out of difficult home situations, all of who the Lord wants to meet on "the Hill" for either a first or fresh encounter. Our camp directors, Cindy Kinser (Hopedale) of our Children's Camp and Bryan Ridenour (North Nixa) of our Junior High Camp are gifted, creative leaders and are planning a great week for our kids. Thanks for your prayers for them, and for every kid who will be at camp this year! And remember, this is **YOUR** camp--every TCBA church is invited!

**Missions in North America  
Week of Prayer: March 4—11**

Kempton Turner, church planter in East St. Louis:

**"The first baptism at our new church was my birth mother. Praise the Lord!"**

**Learn the rest of the story at  
anniearmstrong.com/resource**

**Pray for our churches between  
pastors:**

FBC Branson, Chadwick FBC (interim pastor), Crane FBC (interim pastor), Morning Star (interim pastor), Mt. Sinai, North Nixa (transitional pastor), Ozark Mountain Community, Ponce (interim pastor), Shady Grove (interim pastor), Sparta FBC (interim pastor), Victory.

**Pastors and Church Staff  
Breakfast & Prayer Fellowships  
(all at 8 am):**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday—Village Inn (Ozark)

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday—Golden Corral, motor coach entrance (Branson)

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday—Gateway Café (Spokane)

**TCBA MISSION TRIPS  
SUMMER 2018**

**to assist church plants in**

**PHILADELPHIA**

**June 15-23**

**Cost: \$500**



**OMAHA**

**June 23-30**

**Cost: \$100**

**info and sign-up: tcsba.com**

**tcsba.com** **ozarksbsu.com**

**Thank you for giving to local  
missions through TCBA!**

**Budgeted thru February 2018: \$42,166.68**

**Received thru February 2018: \$50,995.43**

*"They are a fragrant offering, an  
acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God."  
Philippians 4:18*