

2019 TRI COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION'S CHURCH FAMILY GATHERING and WORSHIP SERVICE

> ROMANS 12:5 so we, though many, are ONE BODY IN CHRIST, and individually members one of another.

**SEPTEMBER 29** FIRST BAPTIST OZARK



# Go into all the WORLD

# and proclaim the GOSPE

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#### A word from our Director of Missions

## You are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God. Ephesians 2:19 We, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Romans 12:5

One of the greatest themes that people are His children. Like a kinddesperate condition of homeless called us by name, taken us in, cleaned us up, adopted us conduct, and made us heirs to His kingdom. He's our Father.

And by making us His children, He's also given us new brothers and sisters—other believers who, like us, call on Him as "Abba, Father". We're family.

Every local church is an expression of God's family. But beyond the walls of our local church, we also have an extended family of fellow children of God.

Tri-County Baptist Association is one part of our Heavenly Father's extended family.

The essence of what Tri-County is, is family. Tri-County is not a convention made up of agencies and institutions. The essence of what Tri-County is, is family.

A diverse family, to be sure—traditional and contemporary, mega– and mini-, rural and not-so-rural.

Yet, we've got much in common—a common faith, a common heritage, and a common Great Commission. And, a common place on the map—three Ozarks counties in southwest Missouri. That means we shop at the same places. We go to the same hospitals. Our high school teams play each other.

It means that nobody knows our counties better than we do. And because we live here, God our Father has given <u>us</u> the task to take what we know about our "good, good Father" to others in our communities who don't know Him.

And we can do more for our Him together, than we can alone. I'm convinced that our heavenly Father is pleased when He looks down and sees His children loving and working and witnessing and serving and sharing—together.



My family this past Spring.

That's what Tri-County is about. Churches in our area, joining forces. Coming together to make our Savior known.

Because we live here. This is <u>our</u> place...<u>our</u> responsibility...<u>our</u> mission.

That's what Tri-County is about.

After all...we're family!

#### OUR HOST PASTOR: Dr. Phillip Burden Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Ozark

**Dr. Phillip C. Burden** is the Lead Pastor of First Baptist Church of Ozark, Missouri. Prior to coming to Missouri, he served Duncan Baptist Church in Holly Springs, NC; Big Stevens Creek Baptist Church in North Augusta SC; and Cropwell Baptist Church in Pell City, AL. Dr. Burden received his Bachelor of Science degree from Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA. He received his Master of Divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, NC and received his Doctor of Ministry degree in Expository Preaching from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY. Pastor Burden and his wife, Natalie,



have four children: Timothy, Alaina, Merritt, and Nathan. Alaina and her husband Matthew have two children: Logan and Cole. Dr. Burden's role at FBCO relates to preaching and vision. His passion is to connect God's word and the gospel of Jesus Christ to each aspect of the life of the church—worship, nurture, and mission so that God's people are increasingly amazed by God's grace, drawn together in meaningful fellowship and equipped to make disciples of Jesus Christ in Ozark and among the nations.



#### OUR SPEAKER: Dr. Grant Ethridge Senior Pastor, Liberty Baptist Church

Dr. Grant Ethridge is the Senior Pastor of Liberty Baptist Church in Hampton Roads, Virginia. He holds six academic degrees, including a Doctor of Ministry and a Doctor of Divinity. He served as President of the National SBC Pastors' Conference, as President of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, as President of the SBC of Virginia, and on many other state and national boards and agencies. Dr. Ethridge became Senior Pastor at Liberty in 2006. Since that time, the church has baptized over 4,400 people and has been frequently recognized in the Top 100 Fastest Growing Churches in the U.S. Liberty is a multiethnic, multigenerational, multisite church, with locations in Hampton, Suffolk, Chesapeake and Williamsburg (coming 2017), Virginia. Dr. Ethridge and his wife, Tammy, have four children and six grandchildren. They have one son, Christian, who went to be with the Lord June 4, 1992.

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# It's better to give than to receive

For the past three years, three TCBA churches—FBC Ozark, LifePoint Church and Selmore Baptist—have joined forces to hold a "Day of Giving", giving back to the community by giving away clothing, food, haircuts and more. Bounce houses, games and face-



painting keep the kids entertained, and a free hot-dog lunch served with a smile are tangible ways folks can see Christ's love in action. Those expressing a need for prayer,



get prayed for, and as the opportunity presents itself, the Good News is shared. A wonderful way to witness—not just telling them about Jesus, but showing them!

Pastors Phillip Burden (FBC Ozark), Lane Harrison (LifePoint Church), and Josh Hall (Selmore Baptist)

#### Section 1: Information and Business Session September 29, 2019 4:00 pm

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### They're having "FITS" in Protem!

When they started the FITS ("Fun In The Son") ministry five years ago, the folks at Rocky Ledge Baptist in Protem (Taney County) hoped to reach 4 kids. Now, 60 children (90% of the student body at Mark Twain School!) enjoy Bible stories,



crafts, games, and a meal provided by loving Rocky Ledge members. Gene Boyce, deacon at RLBC, says **"Our goal is to plant seeds** so that the kids get an understanding of who Jesus is and what the Bible teaches, so that when they go to college they'll have something to fall back on." FITS does that, and more—**it gives church members an outlet to share the Gospel and to "love their local."** Gene says that 90% of the church is involved (and the oldest volunteer is 82 years old!) It just goes to show: **every church has an important part in extending God's Kingdom!** 

#### Agenda for Information and Business Session (4:00 pm) Rev. Bob Long (Billings First Baptist Church), Presiding

• Discussion and decision

Closing Prayer ...... Rev. Brandon Dodd (Pastor, Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, Clever)



Pioneer Pastor Ephraim Wray, current Pastor Jeff Updegraff with former pastor Ed Lassley, of Tri-County's first church: Prospect Baptist Church, founded 1846

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## Sleeping in Heavenly Peace

"We take for granted going home, sleeping in our beds at night, and we just don't realize that there are kids, no fault of their own, that have to sleep on the floor or worse," says Pastor Jeff Hardy of FBC Kimberling City. Seeing the need, FBCKC builds beds for children living in southern Stone County as part of "Sleep in Heavenly Peace", an organization that



builds and delivers beds to children that have none. Their motto: "No child sleeps on the floor in our town!"

#### Administrative Team Recommendations

The Administrative Team recommends the approval of the Resolution of Appreciation found on page 10.

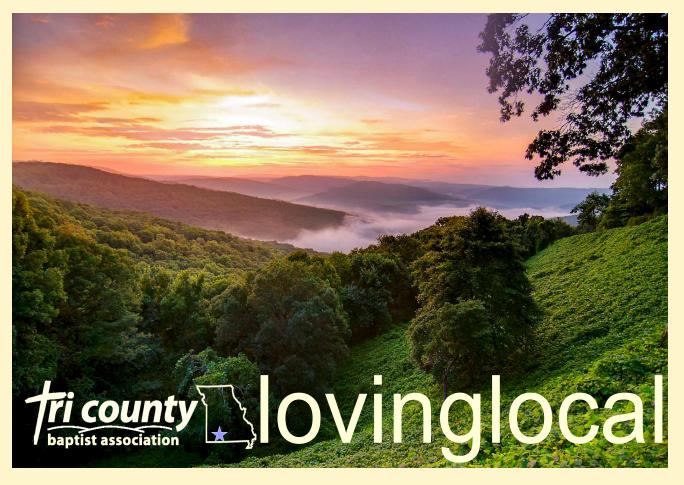
The Administrative Team recommends the adoption of the 2020 Association Leadership as printed in the book of reports on page 11.

The Administrative Team recommends the adoption of the proposed 2020 Financial Plan as printed in the book of reports on page 21.

The Administrative Team recommends the acceptance of the ministry reports, as printed in the Book of Reports.

The Administrative Team recommends that Tri County Baptist Association accept the offer from College of the Ozarks for the purchase of the TCBA property within the gates of the campus (BSU, Mission House, and BSU Director's House) for \$600,000 (page 26).





## Transforming Their Community through Jesus's Love

Bridge of Faith Community Church in Rockaway Beach is focused on, in the words of Pastor Jonathan McGuire, "transforming generations that transform communities." They've



developed a community garden with a greenhouse that allows residents to grow their



own food, instead of needing government hand-outs. And, they're training others to do the same. They're "loving local" by loving God and their neighbors!



#### Minutes from the Forty-Third Annual Meeting of the <u>Tri County Southern Baptist Association</u> September 30, 2018 at First Baptist Church of Crane Theme: "If My People Pray"

Rev. Bob Long (FBC Billings), TCBA President, called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Motion by Mrs. Iva Hodson (FBC Crane), TCBA Clerk: to seat the Messengers as listed in the Annual Church Profile. Seconded and carried without dissent.

Motion by Mrs. Iva Hodson (FBC Crane), TCBA Clerk: to approve Order of Services for evening. Seconded and carried without dissent.

Motion by Mrs. Iva Hodson (FBC Crane), TCBA Clerk: to accept 2017 Minutes as printed. Seconded and carried without dissent.

Motion by Rev. Bob Long (FBC Billings), TCBA President, on behalf of the Administrative Team: to approve Leadership role as printed. Seconded and carried without dissent.

Motion by Rev. Bob Long (FBC Billings), TCBA President, on behalf of the Administrative Team: to approve financial report. Seconded and carried without dissent.

President Bob Long read the Resolution of Appreciation.

Bro. Phillip Shuford gave the Director of Missions report on the Associational business of the churches as printed on page 19 of the Book of Reports.

President Bob Long adjourned the Business session of the meeting and dismissal to the Fellowship Hall for dinner at 5:00 pm.

Pastor Pat Ward, First Baptist Church Crane dismissed in prayer.

Joint Worship service began at 6:00 pm.

Music was led by Dave and Kirsten Hart.

Pastor Ron Adrian, Chestnutridge Baptist Church led in prayer.

Speaker Gregory Frizzell, brought the message from James 5:16, 17.

Dismissal concluded with all of the TCBA pastors present singing "Amazing Grace" at the front.

Annual Meeting concluded at 7:15pm.

Written minutes submitted by Mrs. Iva Hodson. Typed summary by Mrs. Meleta Getman.

#### **Resolution of Appreciation to the First Baptist Church of Ozark**

WHEREAS, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, King David wrote in Psalm 133: "Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity"; and

**WHEREAS,** the Apostle Paul enjoined the believers in Rome to "Practice hospitality" (Romans 12:13); and

**WHEREAS,** the art of Christian hospitality stirs up the souls of God's children to "Let brotherly love continue" (Hebrews 13:1); and



**WHEREAS,** the act of fellow believers coming together serves to encourage all in their walk with Christ, as written in Hebrews 10:25: "Not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near"; and

**WHEREAS,** fellowship among believers is an indispensable aspect of making disciples of our Savior, and thus Christian gatherings such as this are a discipling act; and

**WHEREAS,** the First Baptist Church of Ozark, Missouri has agreed to serve as host church for the 44th annual gathering of the churches of the Tri-County Southern Baptist Association on September 29, 2019; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Phillip Burden, First Baptist Ozark's senior pastor, and the church's fine staff and lay leaders have exemplified true Christian hospitality in the preparation for and hosting of the Association's annual gathering; and

**WHEREAS,** the messengers and guests from the various churches of the Tri-County family have been greatly blessed by First Baptist Ozark's gracious spirit of Christian charity; and

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,** that we, the messengers, representing the congregations of the Tri County Southern Baptist Association family, express our deep and sincere thanks and appreciation to the First Baptist Church of Ozark for their demonstrations of Christian love as they host us in our 2019 annual gathering.

#### Let brotherly love continue. Hebrews 13:1

#### 2020 Tri County Baptist Association Leadership

#### Staff:

Director of Missions: Associate Director of Missions: Ministry Assistant/Financial Secretary: Baptist Student Union Campus Missionary:

#### Administrative Team

President: Vice President: Secretary: Treasurer: Representative: Representative: Representative: At large member: At large member:

#### **Ministry Leaders:**

VBS Director: Tri County Bible Institute Director: Disaster Relief Directors: Summer Camp Directors: Rev. Phillip Shuford Rev. Bob Long Mrs. Meleta Getman Dr. Kyle Rapinchuk

Rev. Bob Long (FBC Billings) Dr. Richard Eakins (FBC Chadwick) Mrs. Iva Hodson (FBC Crane) Mr. Ron Garrison (FBC Ozark) Rev. Mark Zimmerman (Ozark Highlands) Rev. Danny Hartwell (Pleasant Grove) Rev. Josh Hall (Selmore) Rev. Mike Keeter (Cedar Ridge) Rev. Dennis Reynolds (Lampe)

Mrs. Vicky Perkins (FBC Nixa) Dr. Richard Eakins (FBC Chadwick) Tom and Peggy Anderson (Union Ridge) Children: Mrs. Cindy Kinser (FBC Ozark) Junior High: Rev. Bryan Ridenour (North Nixa)

#### **BSU Ministry Team:**

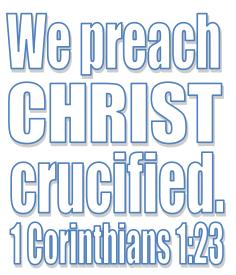
Phillip Shuford (ex oficio) Kyle Rapinchuk (ex oficio) Juston Gates (FBC Forsyth) Jeremy Thomas (FBC Branson)

#### Tri County Representatives for the Executive Board of Baptist Hill Assembly

Rev. Phillip Shuford (DOM) Terri Merritt (Ozark Highlands) John and Mary Fall (North Nixa) Rev. Danny Hartwell (Pleasant Grove)

#### **Tri-County Gospel Proclaimers**











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#### Independent Accountant's Review Report

To the Executive Committee and Members of Tri County Baptist Association 239 Downing Street Nixa, MO 65714

I have reviewed the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities, and association equity-modified cash basis of Tri County Baptist Association as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the related statement of revenues and expensesmodified cash basis for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting (as referenced in Note 1); this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

#### Accountant's Responsibility

My responsibility is to conduct the review in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require me to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance as a basis for reporting whether I am aware of any material modifications that should be made to the financial statements for them to be in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting. I believe that the results of my procedures provide a reasonable basis for my conclusion.

#### Accountant's Conclusion

Based on my review, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting, as described in Note 1.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

I draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. My conclusion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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William P Brandt Certified Public Accountant

August 29, 2019

#### Tri County Baptist Association Statement Of Assets, Liabilities, and Association Equity-Modified Cash Basis For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

		2	2018	_	2017
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
Petty Cash	Note 5	\$	.00	\$	183.67
Cash-General			3,978.38		5,955.21
Cash-Designated			22,051.18		39,055.65
Cash-Undeposited Funds			503.32		.00
Prepaid Expense			.00		.00
Total Current Assets		_	26,532.88	-	45,194.53
Property and Equipment					
Office Building-239 E Downing	Note 6		515,000.00		515,000.00
Accum Dep-Office Building			(184,871.79)		(171,666.67)
Baptist Student Union Building			410,000.00		410,000.00
Accum Dep-BSU Building			(367,948,72)		(357,435.90)
Missionary Residence			316,000.00		316,000.00
Accum Dep-Missionary Residence			(287,272.73)		(275,781.82)
Furn & Equip-BSU Build Content			75,000.00		75,000.00
Accum Dep-BSU Build Contents			(75,000.00)		(75,000.00)
Director's Home			87,000.00		87,000.00
Accum Dep-Director's Home			(87,000.00)		(87,000.00)
Furn & Equip-Office Contents			100,000.00		100,000.00
Accum Dep-Office Contents			(93,333.33)		(86,666.67)
Furn & Equip-Mission Res Cont			42,000.00		42,000.00
Accum Dep-Mission Res Cont			(42,000.00)		(42,000.00)
Furn & Equip-Utility Trailer			5,250.00		5,250.00
Accum Dep-Utility Trailer			(5,250.00)		(5,250.00)
Furn & Equip-Block Party Trail			7,000.00		7,000.00
Accum Dep-Block Party Trail			(5,000.00)		(4,000.00)
Furn & Equip-Mud Out Trail			4,200.00		4,200.00
Accum Dep-Mud Out Trail			(2,400.00)		(1,800.00)
Total Property and Equipment			411,373.43	_	454,848.94
Total Assets		\$	437,906.31	\$	500,043.47

See Independent Accountant's Review Report and Notes to the Financial Statements.

#### Tri County Baptist Association Statement Of Assets, Liabilities, and Association Equity-Modified Cash Basis For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

LIABILITIES AND ASSOCIATION EQUITY	2018	<u></u>	2017
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$	00 \$	.00
Credit Cards Payable	÷ 3,688		2,560.24
Fica Payable	4,562		4,089.96
SIT Payable	1,110		1,106.00
Res Acct: Block Party Trailer	2,381		2,160.33
Res Acct:BP Trailer-Contra	(2,381		(2,160.33)
Res Acct:BSU Fund	8,452	,	16,988.85
Res Acct:BSU Fund-Contra	(8,452		(16,988.85)
Res Acct:Disaster Relief	8,708		5,256.89
Res Acct:Disaster Rel-Contra	(8,708		(5,256.89)
Res Acct: Missionary Residence	1,751	'	1,072.78
Res Acct: Missionary Res-Contra	(1,751		(1,072.78)
Res Acct:Mount Country Min	547.		3,143.04
Res Acct:Mt Country Min-Contra	(547.		(3,143.04)
Res Acct: Pastoral Aide	200		.00
Res Acct: Pastoral Aide-Contra	(200		.00
Res Acct: Operating Reserves		00	10,000.00
Total Current Liabilities	9,360.	88	17,756.20
Long-Term Liabilities			
Current Maturities LTD-Offset		00	.00
Total Long Term Liabilities		00	.00
Total Liabilities	9,360.	88	17,756.20
Association Equity			
Association Equity	482,287.	27	533,105.72
Net Income (Loss)	(53,741.	84)	(50,818.45)
Total Association Equity	428,545.	43	482,287.27
Total Liabilities And			
Association Equity	\$ 437,906.	31 \$	500,043.47

See Independent Accountant's Review Report and Notes to the Financial Statements.

#### Tri County Baptist Association Statement of Revenues and Expenses-Modified Cash Basis For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

		Dee	One Year Ended cember 31, 2018	De	One Year Ended cember 31, 2017
Revenues					
Association Church Revenues		\$	258,484.23	\$	260,363.03
Baptist Hill Revenues		Ŷ	.00	•	4,472.10
J&J Wells Scholarship Revenues			2,890.60		.00
BSU Fund Revenues			36,223.75		39,172.55
Church Outreach-Camp Revenues			24,625.00		.00
Mountain Country Min Revenues			7,876.01		7,578.10
Missionary Res Upkeep Revenues			11,392.82		15,307.10
Block Party Trailer Reveunes			1,306.85		1,642.80
Disaster Relief Revenues			5,963.97		16,229.24
MBC Missouri Missions Revenues			2,069.14		1,921.22
Pastoral Aid Revenues			200.00		.00
Other Revenues			10,053.00		504.73
Interest Income			.00		.00
Total Sales			361,085.37		347,190.87
Operating Expenses					
J&J Wells Schollarship Expense			2,890.60		.00
Baptist Hill Exp			.00		5,314.46
Block Party Trailer Exp			1,085.69		708.98
BSU Care Packages Exp			.00		2,266.29
BSU Fund Exp			41,394.33		38,376.21
Church Outreach			37,980.94		13,174.37
Church Strengthening			2,279.32		4,042.39
College Min-BSU B & G			.00		783.01
College Min-Director's B & G			.00		6,892.41
College Min-Director's Util			4,883.14		.00
Disaster Relief Exp			2,512.16		14,185.41
Depreciation			43,475.52		43,475.53
Director's Benefits	Note 8 & 9		25,287.32		30,856.32
Staff Benefits			13,943.84		10,731.40
Director's Housing & Utilities			25,000.00		25,000.00
Flowers & Gifts			2,683.41		500.00
Insurance			9,058.31		8,809.34
Leadership/Vision			10,798.95		10,751.90
MBC Missions Exp			2,069.14		1,975.64
Missionary Residence Exp			24,507.74		26,615.92
Mountain Country Ministries Ex			10,471.95		6,721.95
Office Expense			15,078.29		13,684.82
Omaha Missions Exp			1,219.94		5,915.37
Outside Services			2,300.00		2,200.00
Professional Exp-DOM			8,740.39		8,689.72
Payroll-DOM			48,478.81		40,000.08
Payroll-Assistant			37,184.03		35,612.62
Payroll-Temporary			.00		969.00
Payroll-Bonus			6,000.00		6,844.14
Payroll Taxes			2,966.98		2,913.64
Payroll-Other			.00		3.68
Reeds Spring Church			4,448.72		.00
Repairs & Maintenance			5,792.62		5,528.55
Staff Reimbursements & Housing			10,517.65		8,754.96
Training & Meetings			3,885.61		6,730.82
Utilities			7,891.81		8,980.39
Union Chapel Church			.00		.00
Total Operating Expenses			414,827.21		398,009.32
Net Income from Operations			(53,741.84)		(50,818.45)
Net Income (Loss)		\$	(53,741.84)	\$	(50,818.45)
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See Independend Accountant's Review Report and Notes to the Financial Statements.

#### TRI COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2018

- Modified Cash Basis of Accounting: The Association's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the Modified Cash Basis of Accounting. Consequently, assets are stated with accompanying accumulated depreciation values based on federal taxation schedules and limited accrual is utilized. In addition, revenues are generally recorded when received and expenditures are generally recorded when paid.
- 2. The Association operates as an *exempt* organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code beneath the Missouri Baptist Convention's certificate. Covered organizations are not required to file Form 990 unless they receive unrelated business income during the year, in which cases they must file Form 990T. The Association operates under Federal EIN 43-1073320. Tri County Baptist Association is an organization made up of Southern Baptist Churches from Christian, Stone and Taney Counties in southern Missouri. The Association acts as a supporting agency on behalf of its members for various ministerial and financial needs. Revenues collected by the Association from the body of Churches in Tri County Baptist Association are generally designated at the Church level for either the Association's financial benefit or other ministerial missions related to Christian and Southern Baptist efforts.
- 3. Management has considered subsequent events through August 29, 2019.
- 4. Risks & Uncertainties: Due to the Association's major property and equipment items being free of any debt, no significant Risks & Uncertainties exist.
- 5. Cash and Cash Equivalents: The Association considers deposits that can be redeemed on demand and investments that have original maturities of less than three months, when purchased, to be cash equivalents. As of December 31, 2018, the Company's cash and cash equivalents were deposited in one financial institution. Cash-Designated is restricted for various missions and activities that Association members contribute with the intent for the Association to pass through to the intended causes. The Cash-Designated balance also includes amounts that the Association's Executive Board has set back for future Association financial needs.
- 6. Property and equipment are recorded at costs estimated by association leaders. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the related assets using the straight-line method for financial statement purposes based on federal tax schedules. Accumulated Depreciation for the periods ending December 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$1,150,076.57 and \$1,106,601.05, respectively. In addition, Depreciation Expense was \$43,475.53 for the years ending 2018 and 2017. Major asset classes and accumulated depreciation are listed as follows:

#### **Property and Equipment**

	Stated	Accumulated	
	Balance	Depreciation	
<b>Buildings &amp; Contents</b>	1,403,000.00	(1,002,093.24)	
Furniture & Equipment	158,450.00	(147,983.33)	

7. Changes in Association Equity for the years ended 2018 and 2017 are as follows:

These notes are an integral part of the accompanying financial statements.

	 2018	2017
Change in Association Equity	\$ (53,741.84) \$	(50,818.45)
Beginning Association Equity	482,287.27	533,105.72
Ending Association Equity	\$ 428,545.43 \$	482,287.27

- 8. As a part of the Director's benefit package, contributions to an annuity are made on a monthly basis. Total contributions to the annuity for 2018 and 2017 were \$7,088.28 each period. The Association also provides certain medical, dental, and life insurance benefits for the director. These benefits are provided at the Missouri Baptist Convention level. As such, monthly payments are made to the Missouri Baptist Convention and other associated third party administrators to fund these benefits.
- 9. Related Party Transactions: The Association maintains a policy that allows its staff to purchase items on behalf of the Association and then present receipts for reimbursement.

These notes are an integral part of the accompanying financial statements.

#### Church giving to TCBA: January 1 – August 31, 2019

CHURCH	UNDESIGNATED	DESIGNATED	CHURCH	UNDESIGNATED	DESIGNATED
Beacon of Hope	0	0	New Beginnings	0	0
FBC Billings	\$1,865.36	0	FBC Nixa	\$1,479.00	0
FBC Branson	\$15,563.30	\$8 <i>,</i> 000.00	North Nixa	\$10,575.00	0
Bridge of Faith	\$800.00	0	Oakwood	\$100.00	0
Calvary	\$1,670.25	0	FBC Ozark	\$19,510.97	0
Cedar Ridge	\$3,033.05	0	Ozark Highlands	\$391.64	0
FBC Chadwick	\$2,234.51	\$525.69	Ozark Mountain	\$1,949.99	0
Chestnutridge	\$727.35	0	Pleasant Grove	\$900.00	\$658.29
FBC Clever	\$13,913.86	0	Pleasant View	\$900.00	0
FBC Crane	\$11,862.00	0	Ponce De Leon	0	0
FBC Elsey	\$905.33	0	Prospect	\$1,870.53	0
Fairview	\$200.00	0	Riverdale	\$1,300.00	0
First Central	\$1,238.00	0	Rocky Ledge	\$867.57	\$173.52
FBC Forsyth	\$7,250.00	\$4 <i>,</i> 250.00	Selmore	\$5,300.00	0
Fremont Hills	0	0	Shady Grove	\$3,245.15	0
Friendly	\$2,981.31	0	Shiloh	\$440.00	\$400.00
FBC Galena	\$225.00	0	Skyline	\$2,641.94	0
Garrison	\$660.00	0	Smyrna	0	0
Grace Bible	0	0	FBC Sparta	\$7,696.58	0
FBC Highlandville	\$2,960.41	0	FBC Spokane	\$3,034.91	\$1,600.00
FBC Hollister	\$3,045.38	0	The Bridge	\$1,276.18	0
Hopedale	\$14,349.00	0	Union Ridge	\$3,210.70	\$779.73
Hurley	\$175.00	0	Victor	\$787.41	0
Jamesville	\$904.60	\$90.72	Victory	\$2,000.00	0
Keystone	\$300.00	0			
FBC Kimberling City	\$10,220.50	0	TOTAL -JANUARY		
FBC Lampe	\$7,318.94	0	AUGUST 2019		\$16,477.95
LifePoint	\$3,600.00	0			
McCord Bend	\$70.87	0			
Morning Star	\$814.95	0			
Mt Sinai	\$529.09	0			
Mt Zion	\$759.47	\$810.81			

#### 2019 TCBA FINANCIAL MID-YEAR REPORT January – June 2019

MINISTRY INCOME						
General budget	Anticipated	Actual Jan-	Designated accounts	Received	Balance	
Churches gifts	2019 259,000.00	June 132,778.27	Missouri Missions Offering	2,565.39	2,115.39	
	200,000.00	102,110.21	Mountain Country Ministries*	4,465.68	4,766.78	
			Disaster Relief	4,405.00 2,160.00		
					9,739.98	
			BSU Fund	24,244.11	11,923.64	
			Block Party Trailer	700.00	729.66	
			Mission House	2,699.42	1,628.20	
			*includes \$2,250 gift from FBC Forsyth's Global Impact Conference			
MINISTRY EXPENSES						
	Budget	Actual		Budget	Actual	
	2019	Jan-June		2019	Jan-June	
Church outreach support			Administration			
VBS training/assistance	1,300.00	1,219.59	Property insurance	9,100.00	5,352.78	
TCBA Camps	7,000.00	11,588.44	Repairs/maintenance	5,600.00	2,852.25	
Church outreach projects	5,000.00	1,476.10	Office utilities	9,000.00	4,337.30	
Omaha Mission trip	500.00	1,411.25	Mileage for assoc. business	900.00	597.74	
Philadelphia Mission trip	500.00	1,863.31	New equipment/repairs	1,500.00	293.73	
			Office operations/inventory	9,800.00	5,367.40	
Church Strengthening			Administrative concerns	700.00	562.49	
Church Strengthening projects	1,000.00	876.40	Accounting Services	2,300.00	0	
			Exec Board/Annual Meeting	1,500.00	45.66	
Church leadership and vision support			Mission House expenses	8,000.00	3,418.05	
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#### 2020 TCBA FINANCIAL PLAN Tri County Baptist Association exists to encourage, assist and resource churches to fulfill the Great Commission.

#### **MINISTRY INCOME**

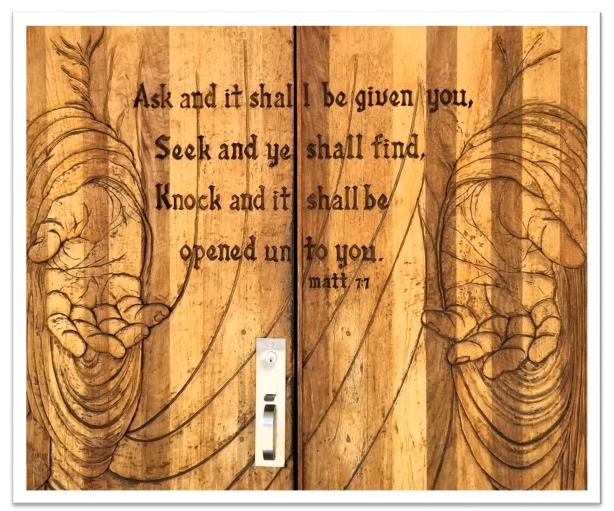
Anticipated undesignated gifts from churches in 2020

\$265,300

#### **MINISTRY EXPENSES**

CHURCH OUTREACH		ADMINISTRATION	
Vacation Bible School training/	\$ 1 <i>,</i> 500.00	BSU facilities upkeep	\$3,000.00
support			
Summer Camps	8,000.00	Mission House upkeep	8,000.00
Community outreach projects	3,707.00	Property insurance	9,100.00
Mission trips	1,000.00	Repairs/maintenance	5,600.00
		Office utilities	9,000.00
CHURCH STRENGTHENING		Mileage for assoc. business	900.00
Church strengthening projects	\$1,200.00	New equipment/repairs	1,500.00
Student Ministry Projects	1,500.00	Office operations	9,800.00
		Administrative concerns	700.00
CHURCH LEADERSHIP		Exec Board/Annual Meeting	2,000.00
Church leadership projects	\$500.00	Accounting services	2,300.00
Pastor/staff care	7,500.00	Employer FICA	2,500.00
Tri County Bible Institute (Seminary	2,500.00	Employer Medicare Tax	560.00
Ext.)			
		Temporary Personnel	1,000.00
PERSONNEL			
DOM mileage/professional expense	\$9,000.00		
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DOM salary	44,800.00		
Ministry assistant salary	37,966.00		
DOM housing	24,240.00		
ADOM retirement	9,474.00		
DOM Health	8,552.00		
Ministry assistant health	13,580.00		
DOM retirement	21,511.00		
DOM Life	2,310.00		
Staff Christmas gift	7,000.00		
Conventions/conferences	2,000.00		
Temporary Personnel	1,000.00		

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door artwork at First Baptist Church of Kimberling City

#### Director of Mission's Report to the Tri-County Baptist Association of Churches October 2018-September 2019

Brothers and Sisters of Tri-County Southern Baptist Association,

Thank you for the privilege of serving our Savior in one of the most beautiful parts of the world! I want you to know how the Lord has been working in our association in general, and in the ministry of your Director of Mission specifically.



## Between last year's annual meeting and today, your Director of Missions...

- Preached 19 times in TCBA churches;
- Taught about or trained pastor search committees in 2 churches, consulted with several others about their pastor and staff search, sent resumes to various TCBA churches, and assisted prospective pastors develop their resumes;

• Participated in the ordination of Rev. Lee Walston at Ponce de Leon Baptist Church;

- Spoke on congregational lifecycles at Hopedale Baptist Church;
- Met with one church personnel committee;
- Provided insight for churches and lay leaders for a wide variety of church-related topics, ranging from "Who can perform a wedding ceremony in the State of Missouri?" to "How can we do background checks on children's workers in our church?"
- Met with TCBA worship leaders, to plan a first-ever "Senior Saints Celebration" in our churches;
- In June 2019, led TCBA's mission team to Omaha, Nebraska;
- In August 2019, served as interpreter for a mission team from FBC Ozark to Guatemala;
- Met with and prayed for pastors countless times; and
- Drove 7,093 miles for association-related ministry.

## Between October 2018 and September 2019, your association of churches:

- Hosted 14 minister's breakfast prayer fellowships in Ozark, Branson and Spokane.
- Hosted a Ministers' and Wives Christmas Banquet at LifePoint Church in December 2018.
- Hosted a Church Secretaries' Christmas Luncheon at The Bridge—December 2018.
- Trained 149 leaders for Vacation Bible Schools through our VBS Preview and VBS Training
- Clinic— April 2019.
- Organized two Summer camps, for children and youth—June 2019, with a combined
- attendance of 286.
- Trained local pastors for ministry through the Tri-County Bible Institute: taught 3 classes.
- Our Disaster Relief ministry donated over \$1100 to Hurricane Florence relief, and spoke on DR ministry in three TCBA churches.
- Distributed \$5,750 to churches for various ministry projects.
- **Baptist Student Union at the College of the Ozarks** met on Monday nights at 9 pm for worship during the school year, with up to 200 students attending.



In addition to the above, I want you to know about an exciting development that shows how God is bringing new life where things looked hopeless. Your Association has been very involved in laying the groundwork for a new ministry that will grow out of the old First Baptist Reeds Spring property, under the direction of FBC Kimberling City.

Your Director of Missions organized meetings with interested pastors and lay people to begin to discuss and pray about how the Lord would want us to use the property; organized 2 prayer walks in the Reeds Spring community; and organized a clean-up day at the property. When FBC Kimberling City's leadership felt led of the Lord to express interest in the property to begin a new ministry center that would eventually become a new church in Reeds Spring, I met with their pastor and church members for discussions that led to transferring the property to FBC-Kimberling City. Please be in prayer for this project!

One area of deep concern I have for our churches is the need for revival and revitalization in many of our churches. The very fact that TCBA churches voted to close their doors in the past few years, is an indication of a desperate need for renewal—and **Tri-County has tools and resources to assist churches develop a plan to re-discover God's purpose.** 

As I look at the statistics provided by our churches on the Annual Church Profile, **there is some good news, but there are also troubling trends.** I know that numbers don't tell the whole story. But they do tell part of the story. And the story they tell is a "mixed bag"—some bright spots, other areas of significant concern. So let's look at TCBA numbers over the last 10 years, from 2010 to 2019.

- Sunday morning worship attendance is up by 22%. More people are coming to church on Sunday morning.
- It's probably not surprising, then, that **giving in our churches is up**. Significantly. Total receipts in our church during that 10-year time period increased 37%.
- However, in spite of those 2 facts, it's curious that **we're not gaining members**—in fact, there has been a decrease of 2% in resident membership over the past 10 years.
- More troubling is that **fewer people are attending Bible study today than they did 10 years ago**. Sunday School/Bible study participation is down—from 5,028 in 2010 to 4,648 in 2019—a decrease of 7%. They're coming to worship service—but not to Bible study.
- And especially concerning is an indication that while, as a rule, we may be doing well in getting people to come to church and give, we are losing ground in a key indicator of disciple-making—
  "baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit." In 2010 we baptized 584 new believers; in 2019, we baptized 250 <u>fewer</u>.

I wonder if one way to interpret these numbers is, that we're pretty good at "having church"—but we're struggling with making disciples of those who are coming?

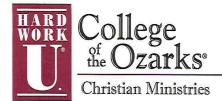
Brothers and sisters, I believe that God has a plan for His churches, and that He's placed <u>within</u> His church all the resources needed to fulfill His purpose <u>for</u> the church. Could it be that "we have not because we ask not?" **Would not our Savior Jesus be glorified by vigorous, vibrant congregations whose only reason for existence is to proclaim His gospel and share His love within their communities? Whose great passion is not "the Great Nostalgia" but "the Great Commission"?** 

Tri-County exists to partner with churches to do just that. There is much to be done for the Savior before He returns. We can do more together than we can alone. Let us continue praying and serving together for our King!

Phillip Shuford Director of Missions, Tri-County Baptist Association Would not our Savior Jesus be glorified by vigorous, vibrant churches... whose great passion is not "the Great Nostalgia" but "the Great Commission"? Association Trend Profile, 2010 - 2019 Membership & Program

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#### Tri-County Baptist Association 10-Year Profile 2010-2019



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May 1, 2019

Rev. Shuford,

I am writing this letter to express our interest in purchasing the property owned by the TCSBA, located on Old Entrance Rd, Point Lookout in Taney County, MO. After our conversation a few weeks ago, the College has obtained an appraisal of the property and the buildings on it. The appraisal, produced by Anglum Appraisal, believes the current market value of the property is \$600,000.00. The College of the Ozarks is offering \$600,000.00 to purchase the property, which includes the land and all of the improvements (all buildings). We will also pay all related closing costs in the purchase of the property. You are welcome to review the appraisal, just let me know and I can send it to you.

I have also sent this letter to your email: phillip@tcsba.com

Looking forward to your response to our offer.

Thank you,

- Currel

R. Justin Carswell, Ph.D. VP for Christian Ministries Dean of the Chapel



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Bridge of Faith Community Church owns and operates the Paxton Home in Rockaway Beach, designed to give rest to pastors and families in ministry. On Facebook: The Paxton Home

#### **Ministry to Pastors and Church Staff**

#### TCBA ministry to pastors' goal is to encourage pastors and train them for greater service in their ministry.

"And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding." Jeremiah 3:15

Tri-County Baptist Association ministers to pastors because healthy pastors are necessary to lead healthy churches. Pastors have a high calling and shoulder tremendous spiritual responsibility in our churches. It is sometimes difficult for pastors to find other like-minded men with whom they can share and just "be themselves."

For this reason, TCBA places high emphasis on creating opportunities for pastors to fellowship and pray together.



In 2018-2019, TCBA

- Prayed with and for our churches' pastors on countless occasions.
- Ministered to and strengthened pastors and staff members from our churches by providing for them opportunities for fellowship and mutual prayer, at no cost to them.
- Hosted a Minister and Wives Christmas Banquet in December.
- Continued training local church leaders for ministry through TCBA's Seminary Extension program.
- Provided tuition scholarships for men studying for the ministry.
- Provided counsel and assistance to churches searching for their next pastor.
- Through the Mission House, provided low-cost short-term housing for missionaries, pastors, church staff and other Christian workers.



"The Counseling Conundrum": Terry Kendrick, LPC leads TCBA pastors and others in a conference that gives insight on how pastors and other church leaders can effectively and biblically counsel those in their churches.



"Stewards of Children": To help TCBA pastors and church leaders better serve their churches, David Burch of the Missouri Baptist Children's Home leads a training to help churches guard against sexual abuse.

"Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you." Hebrews 13:17

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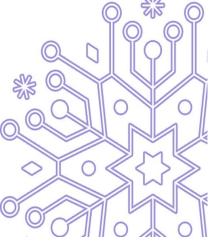
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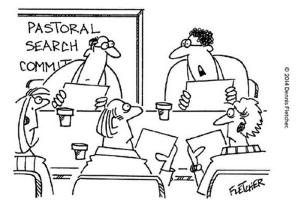
#### **Pastor Search Assistance**

## TCBA assists churches that are "between pastors" find the man God has called to lead them, by

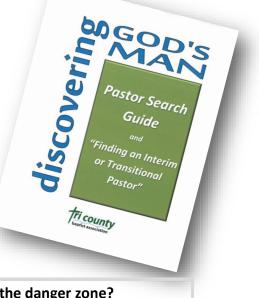
- Helping churches find supply preachers and interim pastors
- Training and coaching pastor search teams
- Receiving resumes from potential pastors and distributing them to churches
- Performing background checks on potential pastors, on behalf of seeking churches

Tri-County has developed a guidebook with information compiled from many different sources for pastor search teams' use, including

- Common mistakes Search Committees make (see below)
- Steps in the pastoral search process
- How to organize a pastor search team
- Questions to ask a pastoral candidate
- Questions the pastoral candidate may ask the church
- Compensation worksheet
- How to check references
- Listening guide to evaluate sermons
- and much more



"Basically, we're looking for an innovative pastor with a fresh vision who will inspire our church to remain exactly the same."



#### Is your Pastor Search Committee in the danger zone? Common mistakes churches and search committees have made.

- Forming a search committee that does not represent all the church.
- Having too many or too few members on the committee.
- Not using the readily available denominational resources.
- Not training the committee to identify and develop a search process appropriate for the church.
- Not keeping confidences within the committee.
- Not doing a congregational self-study.
- Allowing an interim pastor to become an applicant (in most cases)
- Having more than one committee member contact the prospect.
- Not being honest with the candidate about your church situation.
- Considering only the pulpit skills of the prospect.
- Not preparing well for the interviews.
- Not doing in-depth background checks and thorough reference checks.



- Not allowing enough time for the candidate and the church to interact and get to know each other.
- Moving the process too quickly, being impatient.
- Conducting the search process in human power alone, not actively seeking God's direction constantly.

#### TCBA's Children's Camp 2019

Cindy Kinser (First Baptist Ozark), Director

TCBA's Summer Camp ministry's goal is to assist our churches with their evangelistic and discipleship efforts with children and young people.



Tri County Children's Camp was yet again a huge success this summer. We were at capacity again and saw many children and adult lives impacted greatly. We give all the glory to God! This summer's theme was "Survivor" with our scripture reference coming from 1 John 5:4-5. **"For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world---our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?"** What a blessing this verse was to our Camp staff and throughout the camp. It was a constant reminder of the "WHY" for camp. We are there to make sure each and every child gets to not only hear the good news of Jesus, but are given the opportunity to grow in their relationship or make that first step into a relationship with Jesus.



Our camp Pastor this year was Landon Young, assistant at College of the Ozark BSU. It was so great to have Landon not only serve as Camp Pastor, but also have him at the camp the entire week to hang out and "play" with the campers. We were also extremely blessed by our other leaders at camp including Eric Carter of Hopedale Baptist church leading our worship time with his amazing sidekick Maddie Carpenter, youth member also from Hopedale Baptist church. Brittany Matthews of First Baptist church Ozark served as our Bible study

leader this year and was also there the whole week creating strong relationships with the children. Our mission leaders this year were Director of Missions, Phillip Shuford and his lovely wife Elsy. We continued to have our time in archery led by the fantastic Mr. Rick Jones of First Baptist Sparta. My husband, Jimmy, led our recreation time yet again and did an amazing job...even when we were faced with some inconvenient circumstances. We were also blessed by the help of JD and Becki Shadel of First Baptist church Ozark. Becki led our children in crafts this year and JD was working non-stop on whatever was needed. What a blessing! Behind the scenes was Kristina Humble of First Baptist Sparta helping us with publication



and promotions...thank you! We have the best camp medical team Joe and Bonnie Farley of North Nixa Baptist church, thank you for always serving with such a sweet spirit. Terri Merritt led our kitchen staff again and yet again...we were fed very well! What a vital role Terri and her crew serve in camp... we are truly blessed. Another thank you goes to Danny and Janie Hartwell for their continued leadership. This year they took on the role as camp "Grandpa and Grandma"... and Danny even handed out Lifesaver candies. We are so blessed to have them in our camp family.



We started camp a day early this year for our leaders. We met for a time of prayer and worship and let me tell you...it was so powerful! It was a time for us to all join our hearts and minds for what was to come and we were all greatly blessed by this time. Theme nights continued this year with 80's night, Scavenger hunts and our newest addition the "Dive-in Movie night"! We have so much fun at

camp...but when it comes

down to it the best times are always those quiet times where we get to simply focus on the real meaning for camp...to help children draw closer to their Lord and Savior. The enemy was trying to steal our joy several times... but you know what...he didn't win! We saw so many great things come from camp. There were 11 salvations, 4 baptisms, 2 decisions for ministry and 18 + dedicating to spend more time in God's word reported.



I can't say it enough...but camp is one of my greatest joys! We have the BEST camp team. Thank you Philip Shuford for being our "UBER" director and for Bryan Ridenour and Meleta Getman for all you do throughout the year as we prepare for camp. What a blessing it is to serve with all of you.

Caring cabin leaders (like Addie Shivler here) love on kids and point them to Jesus!

Now you've heard how great camp is... sign up to be a part of it in 2020! So...now you've heard about how great camp is...Aren't you ready to sign up to help us in 2020! We can only be effective with the help of our Tri-County churches. As we continue to see camp grow, we need more leaders to make sure we can make camp as successful each year. Are you ready to serve? You will be blessed...trust me! Thank you for trusting me in this position. I've loved every minute of it!

Blessings, Cindy Kinser Children's Camp Director Children's Director First Baptist Church Ozark

#### TCBA's Junior High Camp 2019 Bryan Ridenour (North Nixa), Director

TCBA's Summer Camp ministry's goal is to assist our churches with their evangelistic and discipleship efforts with children and young people.

This year, the children's camp and junior high camp shared the same theme, "Survivor." Playing upon the theme of a hit television show, campers learned how to spiritually survive in a world with temptations on every hand.



In the Junior High camp, 77 campers and 23 leaders called Baptist Hill home the first week of June.



Several young people accepted Christ as personal Lord and Savior; others recommitted their lives to Christ, pledging to live out their faith in a society filled with temptations. Some of the highlights of camp included: "Find the Crawdad", archery, 80's night, field day, two-Liter bottle rocket launching and Heno Head the Science Guy. This year we added a movie and night swim which seemed to be a hit with all the campers. Young people attended a morning Bible Study each day led by Selmore Baptist's Pastor, Josh Hall.

Each evening, the camp gathered for worship. This year's worship leader was Joel Ridenour and messages were brought by Pastor Bryan Ridenour. Bryan Ridenour also served as Junior High Camp Director and was assisted by North Nixa Baptist Pastor, Travis Edwards.

I want to thank every leader for their service at Camp and ask that everyone begin praying for Camp in 2020.



# JUNE - 4, 2020 at Baptist Hill

**CHILDREN** who have completed **3rd-6th Grade**  **YOUTH** who have completed **7th-9th Grade**  NEWI



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#### **Disaster Relief**

#### Tom and Peggy Anderson (Union Ridge), Directors

### TCBA's Disaster Relief ministry's goal is to mobilize our church members to bring help, hope and healing in Jesus' name to people who have experienced natural or man-made disasters.

The past year has been a busy one for Disaster Relief. We've had several of our Tri County volunteers involved in several responses since Hurricane Florence hit last September. Amazingly, many of these responses have been right here in Missouri. Our volunteers have worked in the areas of flood recovery, as assessors, as chaplains, on chainsaw teams, and as part of the incident management team. Wallace, NC and Bristol, FL (hurricanes) were the most distant places we sent volunteers in the past year. We also took a team to NW Missouri this spring, where we worked mostly in the small town of Craig, which was completely devastated. And a little closer to home,



our unit was called to assist after the flash flooding hit in SW MO. It's such a blessing to be able to provide some help, hope and healing to those who have lost so much. When schedules just didn't mesh with our unit, or the work that needed done didn't involve recovery units, our people still responded. Volunteers from Tri County served in Fremont, NE (flooding), as well as in Seymour (ice storm), Jefferson City, Rogersville, Carl Junction (tornadoes), Neosho, Anderson, and Granby (flooding).

This summer we had the opportunity to attend VBS at three of our churches and share a little about disaster relief with the kids, and even some of their parents, since a couple of these coincided with family night. What a blessing that was!!!



One of our greatest needs is MORE TRAINED VOLUNTEERS! There are always four trainings each year and these are listed at mobaptist.org/dr/. Next year there is a training in Springfield! If this is something that might interest you, please pray about attending and becoming a part of disaster relief. WE NEED YOU!!! Training is offered in chainsaw, mud out (flood recovery), child care, mass care (feeding), shower/ laundry, communications, chaplain, incident management and assessment. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you are interested, or just have questions.

Tri County DR has faced some changes this year. Some health issues have kept Tom from being able to respond, so that has put me (Peggy) in a bit of a new role. I'm determined that these units will not set idle, but I am not comfortable pulling the units. Other people travelling on the roads are probably thankful that I'm not driving a truck pulling a trailer too. I have been fortunate to find other volunteers who have used their own vehicle to pull the unit for me. These people have come from other associations, because we have no one who has a vehicle able to do that. (Again, please consider becoming involved in DR). Our vision is to obtain a truck that would be owned by Tri County DR, so that there is a way to pull the units. But that is still a ways down the road. I know God will provide what we need in His own time and way. We are very thankful to the churches that send in financial support! Without that, this ministry wouldn't exist. Most importantly, your prayers are vital. None of this would be possible without the prayers offered up as we serve. Thank you!

# Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief 2020 Training Dates





For more information: http://mobaptist.org/dr/

#### Vacation Bible School Training and Support

Vicky Perkins (FBC Nixa), Director

TCBA's Vacation Bible School ministry's goal is to assist our churches with their evangelistic outreach by providing leader training, resource sharing and financial assistance to member churches in Christian, Stone and Taney County.

For many churches, Vacation Bible School is their #1 evangelistic outreach effort of the year, and **TCBA assists our churches do VBS through** 

- Leader training
- **Resource sharing** (*curriculum*—*decorations*—*popcorn, snow cone, cotton candy, bubble machines*—*block party trailer*)
- Financial assistance

TCBA hosted two training events this year:

- VBS Preview Conference (February 26th) <u>19</u> Pastors and VBS Directors from <u>26</u> churches were equipped.
- VBS Clinic and Tailgate party (April 29th at FBC Sparta) where <u>125</u> leaders <u>17</u> churches were equipped.

**Special thanks** to Vicky Perkins of FBC Nixa, TCBA VBS Director and the VBS team (from 6 TCBA churches!) for all their hard work that has born fruit of new souls in the Kingdom! **You are Appreciat**ed!!



#### **TCBA 2018 VBS TRAINERS:**

**VBS Director:** Vicky Perkins, FBC Nixa Snacks: FBC Sparta Crafts: Renee Hodges & Kathy Watts, FBC Sparta Prek-K: Vicky Perkins, FBC Nixa 1st-2nd: Cheta Currence, FBC Ozark 3rd-4th: Jessica Bumgarner, FBC Sparta 5th-6th: Nicole Humble, FBC Sparta Youth: Lisha Walston, Ponce De Leon Missions: Tiffany Clevenger, Pleasant View Adults and Pastors: Gordon Dawley, FBC Nixa and Phillip Shuford, DOM Directors: Autumn Radford, Pleasant View Recreation: Julie Clonts, FBC Sparta Music: Elsy Shuford & Cindy Kinser and kids from FBC Ozark Registration: Crystal Jones, FBC Sparta Promotion, Decorations and Graphics: Kristina Humble,



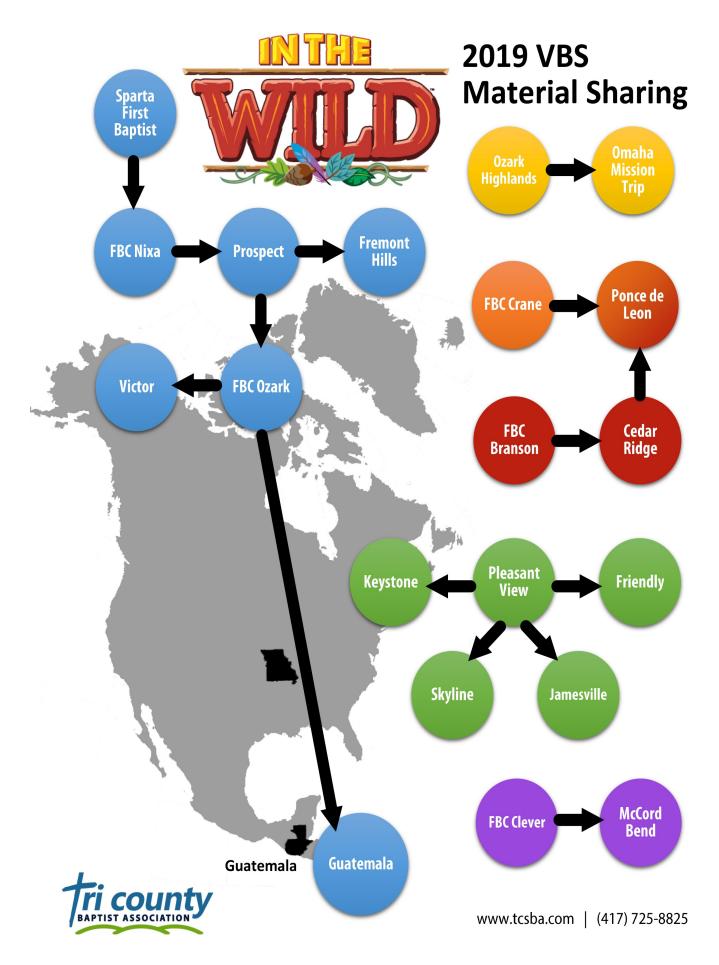
TCBA VBS 2019 Enrollment church reports through September 2019

FBC Branson	457
Bridge of Faith	163
Calvary	111
Cedar Ridge	52
FBC Chadwick	65
FBC Clever	239
FBC Crane	151
Fremont Hills	103
Friendly	26
FBC Galena	18
Garrison	44
Hopedale	292
Jamesville	44
Keystone	41
FBC Kimberling	268
LifePoint	322
McCord Bend	56
Mt Zion	69
FBC Nixa	182
New Beginnings	354
North Nixa	144
FBC Ozark	419
Ozark Highlands	73
Ozark Mountain	30
Pleasant Grove	46
Pleasant View	51
Ponce	39
Prospect	36
Selmore	105
Skyline	74
FBC Sparta	213
FBC Spokane	125
Victor	73
Victory	98



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#### **The Mission House**

TCBA's Mission House's purpose is to strengthen churches by providing affordable short-term lodging and meeting space for TCBA churches, pastors and other vocational Christian workers.



TCBA's Mission House, located just off the campus of the College of the Ozarks in Hollister, is truly a unique resource set aside to enhance the ministries of TCBA churches and provide a place for renewal and refreshment for pastors and other vocational Christian workers.

The Mission House features:

- Five motel room type accommodations
- One 1-bedroom studio apartment with queen sized bed, sitting area, kitchenette, full bath
- Large furnished common area for relaxation or meetings
- Full kitchen with appliances, microwave, cooking utensils, flatware, plates, bowls, and glasses
- Laundry facilities
- Wireless internet
- TV in common areas

Since last years Annual meeting we have seen the Mission House used or scheduled to be used <u>27</u> times, including <u>6</u> TCBA churches, <u>6</u> TCBA pastors and staff, and <u>14</u> Christian ministry groups from as far away as Texas.

The year has also seen various repairs and improvements, mostly done by volunteers from TCBA churches. Thank you!

The Mission House is truly "God's house"—and, TCBA churches, it's YOUR house too!









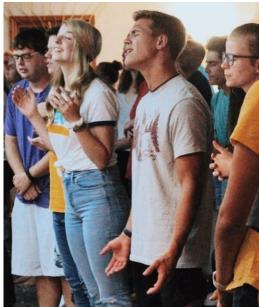


### Ozarks BSU—College of the Ozarks

#### Kyle and Kristin Rapinchuk (FBC Branson), Campus Missionaries

The Ozarks BSU goal is to disciple believers at the College of the Ozarks through experiences in worship, leadership development and service.

#### Ozarks BSU—Fall 2019 Update



As we enter into a new school year and a new season of ministry, we also look back on the past year. It's been a tough one, but God has done some amazing things through Ozarks BSU. In the summer of 2018, we hired Landon Young to be our Assistant Director. Our ministry was in a place where there were so many areas to extend our influence and expand our impact, yet Kristin and I were simply not capable of doing it all alone. For one, Kristin's long-term health battles continued throughout the year, making her largely unavailable for our Sunday leadership meetings and Monday Gather. I, too, was dealing with some health issues, and the fatigue both physically and mentally that came along with it was a struggle. Landon jumped in and did amazing work, but the process of training someone in ministry doesn't happen overnight. On top of these challenges, we faced some serious situations with our students this past year, and we were feeling like full-time counselors on many occasions.

We had students in our ministry who were dealing with family issues, financial struggles, a history of physical and sexual abuse, family sickness and death, and a number of other issues. We had current students who were sexually assaulted, kidnapped at gunpoint, another whose roommate died in a car accident, and a myriad of other situations that required long hours of counseling. We also faced several unnamed struggles during this same period.

Meanwhile, Landon and I were working full-time, I was completing the Bonhoeffer Project (a yearlong intensive discipleship training program), Kristin was struggling with serious health issues, and we still had all the responsibilities of our Sunday leadership and Monday Gather meetings. These challenges may sound like a good reason to move onto something else, but God has clearly called us to this mission field and He is doing amazing things through our ministry. The outflow of many of these challenging situations has been significant spiritual growth for our students and for ourselves. We have seen students step up and lead, disciple others, and love on our family. We have seen over 150 students actively and consistently involved in our worship gatherings, and around 300 different students attended at some point last year. Our game nights have brought together students with

faculty and administration to build relationships, and our new Gospel of John Discipleship Study went well with a pilot group, and we will be starting two new groups through this study in the fall.

This fall semester we will be preaching on the Foundations of the Church. I will begin with Acts 2 and then we will take a different topic each week drawn from the practices



#### **Ozarks BSU—College of the Ozarks**

of the early church listed in verses 42-47: sound doctrine, community and service in and out of the church, Lord's Supper, baptism, evangelism, missions, and more. We have several pastors of local congregations coming to preach in an effort to help connect our students with the local church. And as always, we have a growing number of students who spend significant time in our home and have become family to us.

As we enter the fall, Kristin is healthier than she has been in a long time, though she still has a long way to go. I have seen improvements in my health as well, and many of the other obstacles we have been facing in ministry seem to be coming together to set us up for a great year. Nevertheless, it is by God's power and wisdom and not our own that we will see this ministry succeed in making disciples who make disciples, love God, and love others. Please pray for us to stay close to God, love our students well, and disciple a generation who will lead the church in ushering in God's eternal kingdom.

In Christ,

Kyle, Kristin, and Landon



#### Tri County Bible Institute (Seminary Extension)

Dr. Richard Eakins (FBC Chadwick), Lead Instructor

TCBA's Tri-County Bible Institute's goal is to provide accredited and academically challenging theological and ministry training to prepare the called to serve in TCBA churches and beyond.



offering a Diploma in Ministries/Pastoral Education through the Seminary Extension program of the six SBC seminaries

# "Study to shew thy self approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15

"Give me six hours to chop down a tree, and I will spend the first four sharpening my axe."

Abraham Lincoln

One way to fulfill this injunction is Seminary Extension. Bible study methods, sermon preparation, Christian history. Church administration books of the Bible and ministry itself can be enhanced through study. These classes are designated for the person who has not had the opportunity for college or seminary in a formal sense.

One way for you to evaluate how you might be helped is to ask any student about how these courses have helped them. In my own ministry I

have found I do a better job when I'm growing. I don't want to stand before my Lord without having taken every opportunity to grow in Him.

Seminary Extension can help.

Dr. Richard Eakins Seminary Extension Lead Instructor

#### Courses taught since 2013:

- Genesis Part 1 (Chapters 1-11)
- Old Testament Survey Part 2
- New Testament Survey Part 1
- New Testament Survey Part 2
- First Corinthians
- 1 and 2 Timothy
- The Bi-Vocational Pastor
- Principles of Church Administration
- World Contemporary Religions
- History of Christianity
- Contemporary Christian Preaching





# SEMINARY EXTENSION



# How to Understand the Bible

# Begins January 13, 2020

An introduction to the doctrinal, historical, and literary nature of the Bible and other general questions involved in reading the Bible with understanding. The course also deals with the authority, purpose, and message of the Bible; the history reflected in the Old Testament; and principles of biblical interpretation.



# **Pastoral Care**

# Begins August 10, 2020

A study of the work of the pastor as "shepherd of the flock." Counseling, comforting, worship leadership, and conflict resolution are some of the topics covered.

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#### **Revitalizing Churches**

#### TCBA revitalizing churches ministry's goal is to restore plateaued and declining churches to vitality.

#### **Report on the Reeds Spring Project**

Reeds Spring, Missouri is a community of 900 people located 35 miles south of Springfield and 12 miles northwest of Branson. Reeds Spring is in Stone County, a county where 72% of the population claim no religious affiliation.

After several years of struggling, First Baptist Church of Reeds Spring, the only Southern Baptist church within the town limits, voted to close its doors in September 2017. The property was passed to Tri-County Baptist Association.

Tri-County Association began to gather interested pastors and laypeople together to pray and to explore what should be done with the property. Among the possibilities discussed were to start a new church in the building, establish a community ministry center, or both. The association organized prayer walks in the community. Volunteers came to clean the building to make it usable again (a leaky roof and mold were persistent problems).

In November 2018, Tri-County's Director of Missions was contacted by First Baptist Kimberling City, asking about what plans the association had for the property. It seemed that the Lord had laid the town of Reeds Spring, and the former FBC Reeds Spring's property, on the hearts of FBC Kimberling City's pastor Jeff Hardy, children's ministry director Shirley Funk, student pastor Sean Gaspar and others.

Over the course of several meetings, it became clear that God was leading FBC Kimberling City to not just assume ownership of the Reeds Spring property, but to lead in new Gospel outreach to the Reeds Spring community (located just 7 miles north of Kimberling City). Tri-County Baptist Association passed the property on to FBC Kimberling City in early 2019.



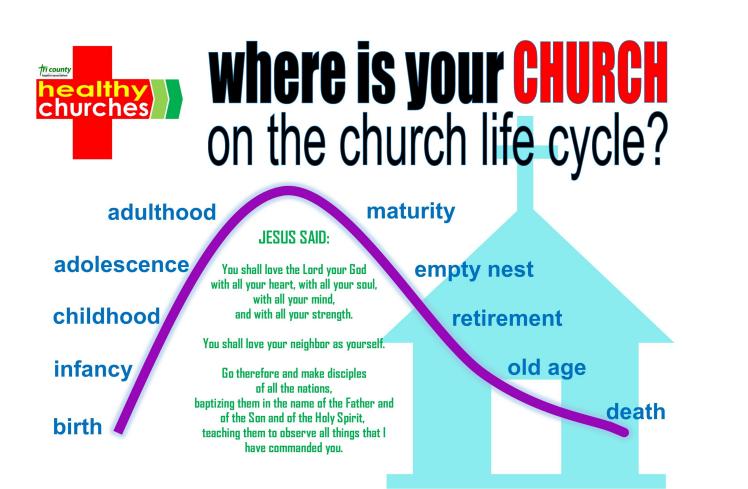
It became evident that the old church building's condition was such that demolishing it and building something new would be better stewardship than trying to fix the old building's many problems. The building was torn down in the summer of 2019.

FBC Kimberling City is the ideal church to take on the Reeds Spring project. The two communities share a common school system. Many folks who attend FBC Kimberling City live in and around Reeds Spring. Natural social connections already exist between the church and the town that give FBC Kimberling City a tremendous advantage for developing community ministries that would eventually lead to a new Gospel-proclaiming work. The church has a gifted senior pastor and staff, and excellent lay leadership. I am thankful that Tri-County has had a minimal role in what God is doing there, and pray that God will use FBC Kimberling City as the catalyst to start a new thing in Reeds Spring, that will result in more souls for the Kingdom.

Phillip Shuford, Director of Missions

# FIVE QUESTIONS for any church

- 1. Where are we?
- 2. How did we get here?
- 3. What would God want us to change to be the kind of church He wants us to be?
- 4. How do we get there?
- 5. Are we willing to do whatever it takes to fulfill God's vision for this church?



To learn more or schedule a consultation with your church leadership contact TCBA.

#### **TCBA-sponsored Mission Trips**

#### TCBA organizes mission trips for our churches because of Jesus' command to take the Gospel to all the world.

In the summer of 2019, Tri-County sent out 2 mission teams on Kingdom-extending work, to Omaha, Nebraska and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. A total of 23 people from 5 different TCBA churches took part in this Kingdom-extending effort! The Philadelphia mission trip was from June 21-29 and included 14 people from 3 churches. The Omaha trip was from June 22-29 and included 9 people from 2 churches. Both trips were in support of church planting efforts in these pioneer mission fields. The trips were led by David Pearson from The Bridge (Philadelphia) and our Director of Missions Phillip Shuford (Omaha).

#### Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The Philadelphia Metro area has over 6 million people. Our mission team supported the work of Horizon Community Church and Watershed Community Church by doing community service projects.

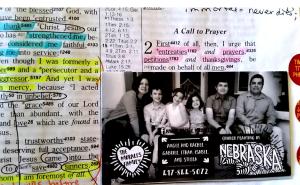




#### **Omaha**, Nebraska

The Omaha Metro area has very few evangelical churches. Our mission team supported the work of church planters Angel and Rachel Morales, who planted Camino a la Cruz (Way to the Cross) Church two years ago. The church is located in a Hispanic community, where there is much drug activity. Our main task was to lead the church's first-ever Vacation Bible School.

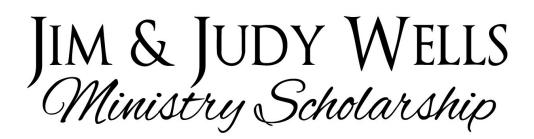














The Jim and Judy Wells Ministry Scholarship exists to extend God's Kingdom by providing tuition assistance for Tri County Baptist Association church members who are pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in Christian ministry.

The scholarship is named for Jim and Judy Wells, who served God together in marriage and ministry for five decades.

With Judy by his side, Jim served with distinction in Tri-County Baptist Association in southwest Missouri as Director of Missions from 2000 to 2012, and as interim pastor at three Tri-County churches. In addition to his associational service, Jim served the Southern Baptist Convention for fifteen years as Registration Secretary; the Missouri Baptist Convention for four years as Strategic Partners Catalyst; and served nine churches as pastor. Jim was a friend to pastors and Christian servants all across the United States and was known for his integrity, humble leadership style and Christlike spirit.

Judy Wells served alongside Jim as the consummate pastor's wife and humble Christian servant. Their love for pastors and churches and their legacy of dedicated service to the cause of Christ is perpetuated through the ministry of this scholarship.

#### **Eligibility**

This scholarship is available to persons who:

- Are pursuing an undergraduate or graduate ministry degree
- Are a member of a Tri-County Baptist Association church;
- Have not previously been a recipient of this scholarship more than two times. (Priority is given to first time recipients.)

#### **Scholarship Amount**

The amount of individual scholarships and number of scholarships awarded each year is determined annually by the Scholarship Committee, and is dependent upon the number of applicants and the funds available to be disbursed.

#### More information and to apply

More information and the Ministry Scholarship application can be found at www.tcsba.com, or by calling Tri-County Baptist Association at (417) 725-8825.



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#### Jim and Judy Wells Ministry Scholarship Application

Tri-County Baptist Association has established the Jim and Judy Wells Ministry Scholarship to honor the Wells' love for pastors and to extend God's Kingdom by providing tuition assistance for Tri-County Baptist Association church members who are pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in Christian ministry. The amount of individual scholarships and number of scholarships awarded each year is determined annually by the Scholarship Committee and is dependent upon the number of applicants and the funds available to be disbursed.

This scholarship is available to persons who:

Are pursuing an undergraduate or graduate ministry degree;

- Are a member of a Tri-County Baptist Association church;
- Have not previously been a recipient of this scholarship more than two times.

(Priority is given to first time recipients.)

#### Award procedure.

The scholarship will be awarded annually.

The Wells Scholarship Team will meet in April-May of each year, review applications, and make a determination as to award.

The Scholarship Team makes the determination on which applicant (s) will receive each year's award, and for what amount.

Recipients will be notified no later than June 1.

TCBA will forward the awarded funds to the academic institution on the student's behalf.

Recipients will be recognized at TCBA's Annual Meeting.

#### Application procedure:

Fill out application and submit to Scholarship Team in care of the Director of Missions. Applications are available from TCBA or can be downloaded at www.tcsba.com.

Applications and essays are due no later than March 31<sup>st</sup> of the academic year for which the applicant is requesting support.

#### **Application Instructions:**

1. Complete the application.

The application is a writable PDF. Applicant will be able to save and edit responses if using Adobe Acrobat, otherwise, must print the application after completion. Applicant may also print the application and fill it out by hand. Handwritten applications with illegible handwriting will not be considered.

2. Submit the essay.

The applicant must also submit an essay on the following question/topic: "My Call to Ministry—Past, Present and Future." Submissions may be either a "hard copy" via paper mailed to TCBA's Director of Missions, or submitted electronically to TCBA's Director of Missions with the subject line heading: scholarship essay.

The essay should be written in 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced, with one-inch margin. The essay body should be of no fewer than 750 words and no more than 1000 words and include the following on the title page:

Essay Title: "My Call to Ministry-Past, Present and Future"

Author's name, mailing address, phone number, email address

College applied to or attending

Church membership and Pastor's name

Date Submitted

The applicant agrees to allow and gives Tri-County Baptist Association the right to copy, print, distribute, sell or otherwise use the essay in whatever form it deems appropriate without any compensation to the author. The author also certifies that the work is original and any copyrighted material is attributed. The author retains the right to copy, print, and sell the essay after the decision on the scholarship is announced.

The Wells Scholarship Committee will verify all information on this application and may conduct an interview with the applicant, before announcing the outcome and awarding the scholarship. All information submitted will be held in confidence and used solely for the purpose of scholarship administration.

### Jim and Judy Wells Ministry Scholarship Application

Personal Information			
Name (first/MI/last)			
Mailing Address			
		Date of Birth	
Church Membership (church	name/city/state)		-
Current Employment (place/	position)	Full-time Part	time
Ministry Information			
Ministry Objective			-
Current Ministry Responsibil	lities		-
Academic Institution Inform	nation		
Academic Institution			
Mailing Address			
Student Status (check all tha	it apply) 🔲 New 🔲 Co	ontinuing 🔲 Full-time 🔲 Part-time	
Degree being sought	Major/Cc	oncentration	
Current GPA Anticipated	Graduation Date (MM/Y	Y) For high school seniors: ACT or SAT score	_
References			
Applicant's Pastor			-
		Email	
Professor or teacher			-
How long acquainted	Phone	Email	
Personal Reference (non-far	nily)		
How long acquainted	Phone	Email	
Applicant's Certification			
The information reported is	true, correct and comple	te, to the best of my knowledge.	
Applicant's Signature		Date	

#### 2019 Prayer Tour of TCBA Churches

#### Every Tri-County church prayed at and over before Easter!

In the weeks before Easter 2019, groups of Tri-County pastors traveled over 400 miles through Christian, Stone and Taney Counties to pray at, for and over every Tri-County church.

WHY A PRAYER TOUR? three reasons: 1) Because Easter was coming, and we wanted God to greatly bless our churches on this most holy of days 2) Because there is power in prayer, and all Tri-County churches need it, and 3) TCBA churches are family-and "families that pray together, stay together!"





"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison-- that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak." Colossians 4:2-4



One of the several groups of pray-ers on the Prayer Tour. There's power in prayer, and joy in Christian fellowship!



#### TCBA Ministry Partner Grants to Our Churches October 2018-September 2019

#### One unique way TCBA partners with member churches is through ministry partner grants. Any

Tri-County church can request funds to help make their vision for ministry possible. Mission gifts to TCBA's general budget and designated accounts are pooled and ministry grant funds are distributed as available.

It's a way all contributing Tri-County churches can be part of church-based, Kingdom-extending ministries all across our three counties.

# For example, from October 2018-September 2019, TCBA has been able to assist churches in all three counties in the amount of \$5,750.00.

#### Through ministry partner grants, our churches helped each other make these ministries possible:

- a summer program at Rockaway Beach;
- helping a large church put on a Back to School Bash that drew thousands;
- assisting with a Fall Fest/Trunk or treat event;
- helping a church put on a Parenting Conference
- assisting a church with a church plant

Tri-County joins churches together to do what God has called them to do.

#### We're stronger together!



Through ministry partner grants, TCBA churches pool their resources to assist their sister churches share Christ in their communities, like FBC Branson's annual Back to School Bash.

### TRI COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MINISTRY GRANT REQUEST

**Please complete and return to Tri County Baptist Association's office at least 2 months prior to the event/ministry,** via: (1) Mail: P.O. Box 370, Nixa, MO 65714 or (2) Fax: 417-725-8835 (3) Email:meleta@tcsba.com or (4) by hand to our office at 239 E. Downing St. Nixa, Mo.

#### **REQUESTING CHURCH INFORMATION:**

Church requesting funds:	
Church address:	
Contact Person/Person Requesting:	Phone(s):
E-Mail Address:	
Pastor's Signature (required):	

#### **ACTIVITY/EVENT/RESOURCE IINFORMATION:**

Activity/Event/Resource for which you are requesting funds	Activity/	Event/	Resource	for which	vou are re	equesting	funds:
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#### Date of the Activity/Event:

<u>ON A SEPARATE SHEET</u>, please share (1) How this activity came about and (2) How it helps you achieve the vision God has given you for your church. Be as specific as possible. (3) What other activities need to be planned on either side of this event to ensure its success?

#### FUNDING SOURCES FOR EVENT/ACTIVITY

amount requested from TCBA	\$		
other funding sources			
	\$		
	\$		
	\$		
Total anticipated cost of activity/event/resource:	\$		

PLEASE REPORT! Upon completion of event, please send a follow-up letter/email (with photos, if possible), describing how the event went. Your feedback to the appropriate team is extremely important to them as they resource the mission of our churches.

OFFICE USE ONLY: Request approved by team?	□yes □no	Amount Approved:	\$	_ Date approved:	
Check if approved by fax/ph	one/email 🗆	Team leader's signat	ure: _		
DOM Signature:			-	Date:	
Budget Acct: CO/ CS/CLV	Date Check(s) S	Sent:	Check# _		

Tri County Baptist Association exists to encourage, assist and resource churches to fulfill the Great Commission.

#### Evangelistic Block Party Trailer... and other fun stuff!

TCBA's Evangelistic Block Party Trailer's purpose is to enable TCBA churches to hold fun events that will attract people to Jesus.



TCBA's Evangelistic Block Party Trailer is an amazing resource available to all Tri-County churches! For a modest usage fee of \$50, TCBA churches have use of a large bounce house, small bounce house, snow-cone machine, popcorn machine, carnival games, portable sound system, pop-up tents, tables, chairs and a portable generator.

In 2019, the trailer has been or is scheduled to be used <u>20</u> times by <u>16</u> churches. With <u>3</u> profession of faith! <u>1700</u> people in attendance!!

The block party trailer is one more way that Tri-County partners with churches to help them to ministry and extend the Kingdom of God!



The block party trailer in action at a Fall Festival at a Tri-County church.

In addition to the block party trailer, these resources are available to TCBA churches—free of charge—to use for church and outreach events: snow-cone machine, popcorn machine, cotton candy machine, bubble-making machine, and a giant inflatable movie screen.











#### Media Resources Media resources available to loan to TCBA churches (call for complete list)

#### **Evangelism:**

Share Jesus Without Fear Acts 1:8 Challenge Life on Mission Resource kit w/ book and DVD Do you believe DVD based study A.D. 12 week study DVD and book Tell someone (Greg Laurie) Outreach Teams that will Grow (Jerry Tidwell)



#### **Bible teaching:**

Sunday School Done Right

Jumpstart your Sunday School (preschool, children, youth, adults), Gospel shaped Worship, Gospel Shaped Living, Church Essentials

#### Discipleship:

MasterLife bookset The Love Languages of God (Gary Chapman) The Truth Project DVD Believe, Randy Frazee

#### Women's studies:

James, Esther and Sacred Secrets, Children of the Day, Daniel, Patriarchs, A Women's Heart, (Beth Moore) The Power and the Glory (Anne Graham Lotz) The Armor of God (Priscilla Shirer)

#### **Counseling:**

The Joy of Repentance-(Kerry Skinner) Heart of the Problem (Henry Brandt and Kerry L. Skinner) The Bible and Counseling (Henry Brandt and Kerry L. Skinner)

#### Family ministry:

I Want to Enjoy My Children (Henry Brandt and Kerry L. Skinner) Marriage God's Way (Henry Brandt and Kerry L. Skinner) Fireproof (DVD)

#### **Deacon ministry:**

*The Deacon I want to Be* (Johnny Hunt) *Deacons: Growing in Character and Commitment* (Jim Henry) *Autopsy of a Deceased Church* (Thom Rainer)

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#### **Baptist Hill Assembly**

Baptist Hill Assembly is owned and operated by eight Baptist associations in SW Missouri—including Tri-County.

The Hill has been a very busy place as we begin our second 100 years of serving God and changing lives. The gates have been opened to over 3100 individuals since the beginning of the year. Lives have been changed, seeds have been planted, seeds have been watered and the Holy Spirit has moved in a mighty way. The staff has been blessed to be able to watch these lives changed and experience God's movement among His people.

We have also been blessed by a large number of volunteers from several different groups. These individuals are true warriors that make our ability



to serve the campers with a wonderful opportunity to experience God in a natural setting. The list of tasks that were completed by these individuals is both long and important to Baptist Hill. This mission opportunity is close to home and is important to the continued effectiveness of the ministry. Your church or group might consider putting together a group that would come and serve God through their efforts at The Hill.



God has been opening many doors in terms of donations, both financial and materials, which allows us to keep costs of repairs and updates under control. These churches, companies and individuals are true blessings to this ministry and these blessing are being received by our visitors.

Prayer support is of utmost importance to the continued efforts of this ministry. This

allows for everyone to be an important part of The Baptist Hill ministry. Each of us has a direct communication line with our Heavenly Father which means that even if you cannot volunteer or donate you can be a part of this ministry with your prayer support. I would encourage each of you to add The Hill to your daily prayer time and help place a hedge of prayer protection around God's Hill.

Thank you for your continued support of The Hill ministry. We will work until Jesus comes to reach more people of all ages as we strive to add to His Kingdom.

James Lovercamp Camp Director at Baptist Hill

#### **Missouri Baptist Foundation** Dr. Neil Franks, CEO

The Missouri Baptist Foundation (MBF) staff helps advance the gospel by partnering with churches, entities, families and associations. With more than 940 accounts and \$138 million under management the 73 year-old Foundation continues to grow its partnerships. These partnerships strive for the highest financial

### With der BAPTIST FOUNDATION

return on resources to which it has been entrusted today for the benefit of tomorrow and 10,000 tomorrows.



Investment services include FDIC insured cash management, short-term strategies, and long-term options for endowment. MBF staff help ministries develop plans for funding God given ministry dreams.

The MBF can assist individual clients as they consider wills, powers of attorney, and the creation of trusts. By serving as a personal representative or successor trustee, the Foundation helps people plan their giving. This makes sure their generosity receives the greatest tax benefit and the possibility of income over their lifetime.

Seven new scholarships valued at \$14,000 were presented to students wanting a Christian education by the MBF board before the start of this school year. As a show of their commitment to Christian higher education, the board awarded all applicants \$250.

To learn more about how you and/or your church can benefit from the personalized services of MBF, visit www.MBFN.org.

#### Missouri Baptist Children's Home Jeff Hicks, Regional Representative

For more than 133 years, Missouri Baptist Children's Home (MBCH) has shown God's love to hurting children, youth and families. Originally founded as an orphanage, MBCH has grown into a multifaceted agency providing therapeutic group homes, family foster care, treatment family care, pregnancy services, transitional living programs, family resource development, human trafficking rescue and group homes for adults with developmental disabilities. Campuses care is provided in Bridgeton, Mt. Vernon, Peculiar, Kansas City and Springfield. MBCH is constantly assessing the needs of children, youth and families in Missouri and working to design



responses to those needs. Regardless of the growth and changes in ministries, MBCH strive to provide the best professional care within the context of an unapologetically Christian environment.

In 2018 your ministry at MBCH –

- 4,729 families, children and youth were impacted for the gospel
- 114 babies were born in 2018 who may have been aborted without the Pregnancy Services ministry of MBCH and The LIGHT House with 172 clients served through Pregnancy Services
- 10,368 diapers used, 6,144 other items distributed
- 67 children/youth served in therapeutic group homes
- 58 youth served through transitional living
- 131 children/youth served in treatment family care
- 383 children/youth served in foster care
- 221 foster/adoptive homes maintained
- 89 kinship homes maintained
- 40 new foster families trained and licensed
- 666 home studies
- 14 clients served through developmentally disabled services
- 177 permanencies: 74 children reunited with family, 22 assigned permanent guardians, 29 adoptions by relatives, 22 foster parent adoptions
- 25 rescued from human trafficking with 3 safe houses now available

God continues to work as we restore hope and restoration to the hurting children and youth of our state. This is YOUR children's and family ministries. The Co-Operative program covers 8 days of expenses and operational cost each year; for the remainder of the year we are dependent upon the generous giving and prayers of God's people! Consider holding a fund raising event in your church this coming year to assist us as we make a difference in the lives of children and youth!

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Hicks, Regional Representative 417-708-1906

#### **The Baptist Home**

When The Baptist Home opened its doors to its first "inmates" (as all residents of institutions were called at the time) in May 1913, it was the culmination of a dream and a calling for Dr. Milford and Mary Riggs. He had been a Baptist pastor in Missouri since 1890 and an early pioneer in Baptist development causes in our state. While he was serving as a development officer for the Orphans Home, the plight of elderly Baptists—especially retired Baptist ministers, their wives and widows—began to weigh heavily on his shepherd's heart. After a lifetime of service to congregations, many of the Baptist preachers of that day lived in extremely meager circumstances, being dependent on family, churches or county poor farms.



The heart of Dr. and Mary Riggs can still be seen in this ministry as The Home cares for our residents even when their assets are depleted, and they no longer can afford the full cost of their care. Benevolence which was so significant in the founding of The Home a hundred years ago remains a vital factor today. In 2018, The Baptist Home provided approximately \$1.6 million in benevolent care to our residents with about half of our residents receiving benevolent support.

Another tradition which has lasted a century is that The Home does not receive direct government funding for room and care. This lack of dependence on government permits The Home to minister according to historic Christian values in a Christ-like manner. Since 1997 The Home's benevolent care costs have been \$38,785,046.00. Our ministry has grown from one rented house in Ironton to three continuum of care campuses at Arcadia Valley (Ironton), Chillicothe, Ozark each offering three options; active (independent) living, assisted living and nursing care. Our newest facility at Ashland has seen significant growth this year and the first seven Independent Living Duplexes are complete, and we are in the process of receiving our first residents. Currently, we have two residents who have made The Baptist Home at Ashland their home.

A change in our admissions policy in 2006 removed the "Missouri Baptist Only" restriction and opened the doors to Baptists beyond the confines of the state lines and to Christians of denominations.

Active living is the most popular living option on all three campuses where demand keeps the active living apartments full and the waiting lists long. Nursing care units on each campus operate at near capacity. We do work diligently to find availability for nursing care residents on a timely basis. Master plans for future remodeling and expansion are in place on each campus so we can maintain efficient and quality living arrangements for our residents.

Dr. Riggs was a man of vision but perhaps even he could not have fore seen this ministry being extended as far away as Belarus in Eastern Europe, where an old Soviet Army barracks has been transformed into the House of Mercy for the elderly of Belarus. Through The Baptist Home Foundation the ministry of The Baptist Home now extends from China to the eastern European nations of Moldova, Ukraine, Belarus, and Poland and even into Central America where we have supported aging causes in Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Cuba and most recently in the

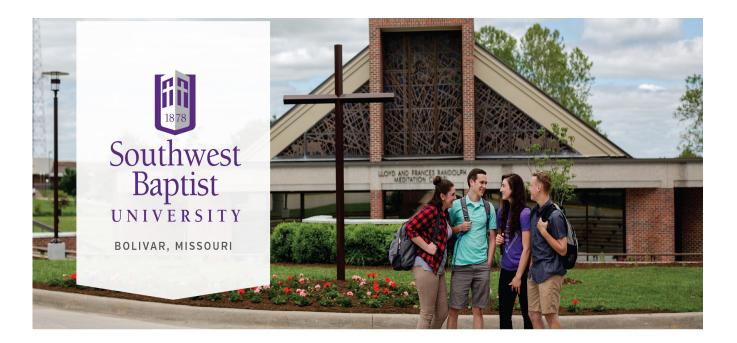


Caribbean in hurricane-ravaged Puerto Rico.

Our educational services program has extended the ministry of The Home for churches and individuals throughout the state and beyond. Emphasizing the expertise on aging that The Home has gained in a century of ministry to the elderly, a whole range of educational and inspirational programs is offered to churches and families everywhere.

We have expanded our popular newsletter, The Baptist Home, from 16 to 24 pages and each quarterly issue is available early on our website at www.thebaptisthome.org. That website is being updated on a consistent basis and offers a wealth of information about the history of The Home, how to become a resident, and how to apply for a position on staff. It offers virtual tours of all three campuses. For the first time last year, donors can make a gift to The Home online, and mobile giving is also available.

We have a very active Facebook page with weekly posts from all three of our campuses. Our presence on Facebook, YouTube, and other social media sites have seen a new and creative process for communicating the daily ministry of The Home. This allows family and friends of our residents to stay connected with their loved ones regardless of their own distance from one of our facilities.



<sup>66</sup>The love of Christ is so apparent at SBU and you're constantly surrounded by Him while you're here. From verses on the wall to the prayer said before a test to the dorm hall Bible studies, He is always the focus. It can be so easy to lose focus of Him, but SBU has done a good job of implementing faith into the academic life."

#### SAMANTHA OGHIDE '18

Web Systems and Design graduate Software Developer at The App Pros, Springfield, Missouri

#### MISSION

Southwest Baptist University is a Christcentered, caring academic community preparing students to be servant leaders in a global society.

#### VISION

Southwest Baptist University will be the exemplar Christian university, providing a transformative and holistic educational experience.

#### **CORE VALUES**

- Christian Distinctiveness
- Baptist Heritage
- Compassion and Care for the SBU Family
- Academic Excellence
- · Social and Spiritual Development
- Personal Wellness



students have served in the past five years

mission project participants during the past five years



"As a student, I was provided a great education that has assisted me as a minister in the local church and in my graduate classes. The faculty and staff truly cared about me, as they modeled a life of loving God and loving others."

#### DANIEL GEORGE '18

*Christian Ministry graduate* Student Ministry Associate at Ridgecrest Baptist Church of Springfield, Mo., and student at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary



of students receive financial aid

Average student loan debt of SBU students is about



# Resources for Missouri Baptist churches and associations

#### MUSIC RESOURCES

#### Higher Ground

Higher Ground is a contemporary Christian worship ensemble that tours throughout the entire academic year leading worship, Disciple Now and many mission projects. Comprised of both vocalists and instrumentalists, there are many opportunities for the service to the Lord.

#### Wind Symphony

The Wind Symphony is comprised of the University's finest woodwind, brass, and percussion players. Exploring traditional and contemporary works for winds and percussion, the ensemble is known for its consistently high level of performance. Annual tour stops include schools and churches throughout Missouri, including performances in Branson (Down From His Glory) and the Missouri Music Educators Association Convention at Tan-Tar-A Resort in Osage Beach, and surrounding states.

#### Chorale

The premiere choral ensemble of the University has performed extensively across the state, the country, and the world. This selectively auditioned ensemble also performs regularly for major music education and denominational conventions. The choir specializes in a capella music from the Renaissance through modern periods as well as non-Western European traditions.

#### Music Faculty

Faculty within the Department of Music have some availability for leading worship and giving concerts at local churches.

Contact the Department of Music at (417) 328-1699 for details.

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Student or Children's Ministry internships/jobs Department of Christian Ministry | (417) 328-1760

Discipleship program opportunities University Ministries | (417) 328-1902

On-campus recruiting for camp staff, internships or summer employment Career Services | (417) 328-1741



1600 University Ave | Bolivar, MO 65613 | www.SBUniv.edu | (800) 526-5859

#### Deaf Youth Camp deafyouthcamp.com



The administrative Team attended or sent information to **39** annual association meetings statewide from **August—October 2018**. We set-up Deaf Youth Camp's display, distributed flyers, some of the associations requested a brief presentation. This Fall we will be attending several annual association meetings beginning **August through October**.

During the annual statewide Interpreter Conference on **October 19-21, 2018** Deaf Youth Camp had a folder with DYC information put inside each interpreter bag. The campers had designed some coffee mugs we sold during the Interpreter Conference as a fundraiser. The team will be attending the annual conference at Lodge of Four Seasons at Lake of the Ozarks, MO on **October 11-13, 2019**.

We participated at the statewide Women's Missionary Union mission fair at First Baptist Church in Lebanon, MO.

Our annual staff meeting, was led by our Camp Director. Later that weekend the teacher and teacher assistant training led by our camp pastor, Bob Barker in **April 2019** at Peace Valley Ministries, Rolla, MO.

This year camp was from **June 2—7, 2019** at Baptist Ridge in Warsaw, MO. We had 18 campers and 23 staff (2 kitchen staff and our nurse are included in the total count of staff). We had many new campers coming for the very first time. Lots of seeds were planted.

The annual Fall Retreat for the deaf youth and deaf young adults will be **November 1—3, 2019** at Baptist Hill in Mt. Vernon, MO.

The Spring Retreat for campers 9—high school and deaf young adults is **March 2020** at Baptist Hill in Mt. Vernon, MO.

Next Year Deaf Youth Camp will be at Baptist Ridge in Warsaw, MO from May 31—June 5, 2020.

# International Mission Board, SBC

#### **IMB Report**

At the IMB, we believe every church—regardless of size, location, or resources plays a vital role in taking the gospel to every nation.

#### That includes yours.

Because of your churches and the cooperative work of Southern Baptists, gifts to the IMB through the Cooperative Program and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering are up this year. Currently, there are more fully-funded open missionary positions than candidates in the pipeline. We are excited to partner with churches to fill every open position and create many more.

When you partner with the IMB, you do more than make it possible to send missionaries. You're part of the team that goes. We provide opportunities for your church to:

#### Pray

Join the critical work of praying for unreached peoples.

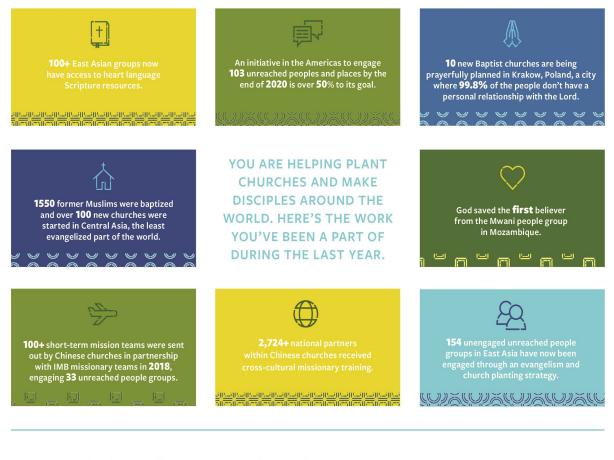
#### Give

Empower IMB missionaries to make disciples.

#### Go

Explore opportunities to take the gospel to the nations.

2019



# Let's talk about how your church can *play a role* in reaching the nations.

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# **Executive Board Staff Reports**

# **Developing Leaders**

# Jim Misloski, Director

The Developing Leaders group cooperates with Missouri Baptists to develop joyful, passionate disciples for Jesus who are learning to lead like Jesus through radical trust in his power in order to transform lives and communities with the gospel in every sphere of influence.

In the last year, director Jim Misloski has overseen a reorganization within the group. Tamara Parry and Eric Barb swapped roles between the Making Disciples Group and the Developing Leaders Group. The complementary talent swap these two individuals brought to their new, respective groups has produced exceptional results. Bill Victor was added to the group, bringing a new set of skills to the group's mission. Bob Bickford has been contracted to launch the Missouri Revitalization and Replanting Network.

Misloski has partnered with the MBC's Gene Austin on an initiative to bring Intent Based Leadership principles to MBC church leaders. This training is especially effective in helping leaders grow to be multipliers of other leaders in their organization no matter the context or size. The Developing Leaders group also has begun work to increase the options of care for MBC church leaders. More information is available at mobaptist.org/helpforleaders.

The following reports cover the major areas engaged by the Developing Leaders Group.

# **Gary Mathes, Church Revitalization**

After 5 years of service at the MBC, Gary Mathes accepted a call to serve as the Clay-Platte Baptist Associations director of missions. Mathes left the MBC with several significant contributions. He led a very effective Transitional Pastor Training Network that continues to bless MBC churches with potential transitional pastors.

He also established the Momentum church revitalization process that incorporated the existing *Vital Sign Health Assessment Tool*. Several state conventions have requested permission to adapt *Vital Signs* to their context. The *Vital Signs Health Assessment Tool* is a free download found at mobaptist.org. With this updated tool, Mathes led churches to undergo a thorough health and needs assessment and discover actionable priorities.

Under Mathes' leadership, the MB125 Pastor's Retreat flourished, and before he left he was working on a significant revision that is scheduled to relaunch in the near future.

# **Bob Bickford, Church Revitalization**

Shortly after Gary Mathes' departure, the Developing Leaders Group contracted Bob Bickford to help launch the Missouri Revitalization and Replanting Network, comprised of experienced leaders competent in leading churches toward health and vitality. The network is comprised of associational missionaries/directors of missions and pastors from Missouri who actively support the MBC and SBC.

Each year, nearly 900 SBC churches close their doors and discontinue holding worship services in their communities. Additionally, it is estimated that between 80-90 percent of SBC churches are plateaued, and another 10-15 percent are at risk of closing within the next 3-5 years.

To address the needs of churches statewide, Bickford has recruited pastors and directors of missions from across the state. They have met during several retreats and begun to hammer out a collaborative process that is accessible and effective for all MBC churches.

They are working to establish five zones across the state. Each zone will cover a large metro area as well as suburban and rural cities. This strategic approach is engaging cross-cultural teams of DOMs and leading pastors from the following contexts for each zone: Urban/Suburban, Town/County-Seat, and Rural.

## **Gaylon Moss, Disaster Relief**

From July 2018 to June 2019, Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief served people in crisis, offering help, hope, and healing in Jesus' name. Tragedy struck in Branson with the Duck Boat incident where team members were available to prepare food and provide spiritual and emotional first aid. During hurricane season, Missouri Baptist volunteers were invited to help respond to Hurricane Florence in Wallace, N.C. More than 26,000 volunteer hours of work resulted in six professions of faith, 57,000 hot meals, 137 homes cleaned, 2,500 showers, 2,000 laundry loads, and 3,700 chaplaincy contacts.

Hurricane response activities continued in Bristol, Fla., after Hurricane Michael. Three thousand volunteer days resulted in one profession of faith, 119,000 hot meals, 274 homeowners assisted, 1,800 laundry loads, and 646 chaplaincy contacts.

Tornadoes, wind events, and flooding provided ample opportunity to serve others. The 2019 spring flooding season began with responses in Nebraska and northwest Missouri.

In addition, DR leaders held four training events around the state with more than 500 attendees. The Collegiate Disaster Relief Intern Program entered its sixth year, with four students led by coordinator Maddy Atwell, a product of the internship program.

#### Joe Ulveling, Family Ministry

Joe Ulveling spoke at several marriage and family events over the last year.

The Minister's Juggling Act, a retreat for ministers and wives, has been

encouraging those in ministry for 14 years. The event in 2018 was at capacity with 59 couples in attendance. Topics covered included leadership, marriage, family and spiritual growth.

Ulveling continues to receive calls from churches that are starting marriage/family ministry, and many leaders are being mentored.

Through the Cooperative Program, all Missouri Baptists have a part in making a difference in marriages and families throughout our state.

# **Higher Education Institution Reports**

# Hannibal-LaGrange University

# Dr. Anthony Allen, President

HLGU received a grant to establish a Moorman Professorship. Mr. Scott Hall, business department chair, has been named the Moorman Professor and will execute programming to expand HLGU's academic and civic engagement on the importance of free market principles in business and society. Additionally, three professors received their doctorate degrees.

HLGU partnered with Passages Israel again, sending 40 students to the Holy Land for just \$1000 per person. Another trip is planned for December 2019. In addition, students participated in seven mission trips both nationally and internationally.

HLGU's athletics department celebrated its best season in nearly 20 years. The department also received multiple awards during the year, including NAIA Champions of Character Gold Status and AMC Coach of the Year. In addition, nine teams qualified for the NAIA Team Academic Award with an average GPA of 3.0 or higher, and five teams qualified for the NCCAA Team Academic Award with an average GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Campus improvements included the addition of a sand volleyball court, trees, scoreboards, a press box, and covered seating for the soccer program.

HLGU continues to offer a 50 percent tuition scholarship for full-time Southern Baptist students. For more information, visit hlg.edu.

# **Missouri Baptist University**

# Dr. Keith Ross, President

Missouri Baptist University made strategic gains in academic fervor and student development throughout the year, and received recognition for the progress made throughout the years.

This fall, MBU is expanding MBU Online degree offerings to include bachelor's degrees in marketing, business administration, information technology with concentrations in cybersecurity and application development, along with an associate's degree in pre-nursing. Additionally, MBU's School of Education pursued and received accreditation from The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation.

MBU continues a new era of technology and student service with the transformation of MBU's Jung-Kellogg Library. The library includes high-tech spaces including study areas, classrooms and a collaborative maker space. The university is also expanding the state-of-the-art Spartan Field to include a track and facilities for fans.

The inauguration of MBU's president, Dr. Keith Ross, was held October 19 in Pillsbury Chapel and Dale Williams Fine Arts Center. He served as senior vice president for Institutional Advancement of MBU before being appointed president. Students combined learning and service when they traveled to work alongside Ghanian nonprofits. Students additionally explored sites of the Christian faith during a trip to Israel, led by MBU professor Dr. Matthew Easter.

# Southwest Baptist University

# Dr. Eric Turner, President

Southwest Baptist University students continue to excel both academically and spiritually through a Christ-centered, caring academic community. Classroom instruction, extra-curricular experiences, mission trips, chapel services, Bible studies, and more prepare students to be servant leaders in a global society.

During the 2018-19 academic year, SBU awarded 817 baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degrees.

SBU has received initial approval from the Missouri State Board of Nursing to begin its first pre-licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. The first cohort of 24 students started this program in January 2019 on the Bolivar campus. SBU now offers nursing degrees on its Bolivar, Salem, and Springfield campuses, totaling about 200 students admitted to nursing programs each year.

In February, the SBU Board of Trustees commissioned Dr. David Dockery to conduct a peer assessment and to make recommendations regarding faith and learning. These recommendations are being implemented in an appropriate manner.

Developing strategies from a comprehensive planning process has been the focus of this past academic year. The formal plan will be submitted to the Board of Trustees in October for final approval.

## **Bill Victor, Bonhoeffer Project**

The Bonhoeffer Project is a year-long leadership development community. The goal is to encourage each participant to become a disciple-making leader. A Bonhoeffer community consists of pastors, ministers, campus missionaries, and lay people learning together and developing personal, intentional disciple-making strategies for their ministries.

The MBC partnered with Bill Hull since 2015 to bring the Bonhoeffer Project experience to Missouri. There have been four generations of communities since then, including six Missouri Baptist Convention missionary strategists and all MBC campus missionaries.

Several trained leaders in Missouri who are ready to begin new communities, known as cohorts. Details about the Bonhoeffer Project may be found at thebonhoefferproject.com.

As a valued partner with The Bonhoeffer Project, the MBC receives a tuition rate of \$1200, which covers intellectual property, curriculum, and faculty/staff. The MBC covers Bonhoeffer Project faculty travel expenses, as well as all expenses related to cohort meetings.

Those who still find the cost prohibitive should contact Bill Victor for assistance.

# **Executive Office**

# Dr. John Yeats, Executive Director

# Don Hinkle, The Pathway

*The Pathway* set another circulation record this past year, approaching 30,000 subscribers, making it the fourth largest paid circulation newspaper in Missouri. Additionally, more than 40,000 Missourians visited *The Pathway* website over the past year, along with another 10,000-plus coming from other states and nations. Estimated total readership of *The Pathway* is approaching 100,000 per year, with about 60,000 coming from the print edition. *The Pathway* is read in more than 115 countries.

In April, *The Pathway* website was selected one of the top websites for news by the Evangelical Press Association.

Copies of *The Pathway* are sent to missionaries around the world. In addition, the newspaper is in three state prison libraries, the Missouri State Capitol, and is provided to every member of the Missouri General Assembly and statewide officeholder.

Don Hinkle completed his 18<sup>th</sup> year as the only editor *The Pathway* has ever had. It has become a nationally respected publication for espousing a biblical worldview approach to issues and to journalism.

*The Pathway* is made possible at no cost to subscribers through the generous support of Missouri Baptists to the Cooperative Program.

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The Commission also provides resources to churches to conduct voter registration.

# **Business Services and Properties Management**

## Joe Ulveling, Group Leader

# Samantha Spencer, Controller

The Business Services Group is the Cooperative Program's entry portal for the MBC. The group accounts for all church receipts, and allocates the monies to the appropriate ministries and missions. Receipts processed by Business Services for the year ending Dec. 31, 2018 are as follows:

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Christ, 54 expressed a call on their lives to serve in ministry/missions, and 54 made other decisions.

# Youth Evangelism Weekend

On October 12-13, 2018, youth evangelism weekend was held at Union Hill Baptist Church in Holts Summit, Mo. One hundred and fourteen students and sponsors attended. The event was held to inspire, instruct, and encourage students to share their faith.

# **Youth Ministry Luncheons**

In February 2019, we hosted six unique lunches around the state to connect with youth leaders and share with them upcoming events in which they could get involved. Seventy-three attended.

# **Vacation Bible School**

Christy Nance continues to serve as state VBS coordinator to oversee VBS training for associational VBS directors and their teams. The MBC held four associational trainings in 2019, with 159 people in attendance.

# **Transform Sunday School Conference**

First Baptist Church of Troy, Mo., hosted a Sunday School training event in October 2018, led by LifeWay trainers. There were breakouts for all age groups from preschool to adults. Eighty-five were in attendance.

## Missouri Children's Ministers' Retreat

A minister's retreat for children's ministry leaders was held November 15-17, 2018. Training sessions were led by a speaker, followed by time to relax and recharge. Thirty leaders attended.

# **Great Commission Conference**

This year, the Great Commission Conference was hosted February 21-24 at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, with the theme of "Multiply." More than 400 attendees heard from speakers Dan DeWitt, K. Marshall Williams, Rob Bowman, David Runyon, James Choung, Owen Strachan, and Kempton Turner. Jason Yarnell, Joshua Hedger, Jared Wilson and Chaplain Jose Rondon shared personal experiences highlighting the theme. Ray Jones and his ensemble led worship.

# **Ministry Support**

# **Rob Phillips, Director**

The Ministry Support Group provides the state missionary staff with creative services, media and technology support, and assistance with the staging and production of MBC events.

The group is continuing a Cooperative Program campaign titled, "I'm4CP," which reveals the value of cooperative ministries through the eyes of Missouri Baptists. In

addition, the group has launched promotion of the 2019 Missouri Missions Offering, producing print and electronic resources that show the impact of 16 mission's projects across the state.

Creative Services has launched a new app for Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief; expanded the role of video in MBC ministries; kept the convention's presence on Facebook as one of the most active among the SBC's state conventions; and welcomed new graphic designer Leah England, while celebrating the retirement of 30-year veteran Jim Thorne.

Creative Services also released a new apologetics resource on the Trinity.

In Media, Technology & Events, the staff continues to improve the speed and reliability of information networks, enhance the convention's database, simplify the Annual Church Profile, and lower the cost of IT services.

MT&E also provides audio-visual and set design support for all major MBC events.

# **Multiplying Churches**

# **Rick Hedger, Director**

The Multiplying Churches Group focuses on transforming lives and communities with the gospel in Missouri, across the U.S., and around the world. Reports through the MBC Kingdom Growth Tracking System for Missouri from May 2018 through April 2019 include 27 currently funded church plants, with more than 3,330 evangelistic encounters, resulting in 117 baptisms.

That indicates that every 28.46 times they share the gospel, they are seeing someone come to faith in Christ and follow through in believer's baptism. Current church membership for these churches is 923. That indicates that for every 7.8 members, it took a year to see one person come to faith in Christ and follow in baptism. Cooperative Program giving totaled \$93,000, and \$28,447 was given through associations.

The Multiplying Churches Group is praying for God to call out and send 100 units to the international mission field from MBC churches. Each MBC church is requested to enter this time of prayer. Twenty-five percent of MBC churches are currently engaging in mission through an Acts 1:8 strategy. The desire is to increase that to 35 percent, or 703 churches.

Current MBC partnerships include Minnesota / Wisconsin; Puebla, Mexico; and Northern Italy.

# **Strategic Partners Reports**

# Missouri Baptist Children's Home

# **Russell Martin, President and Treasurer**

The Missouri Baptist Children's Home (MBCH) "Serves God by assisting children, youth and families to make a lasting difference in their lives." Approximately

93 percent of all ministries were provided in community-based programs rather than on a residential campus.

In 2018, MBCH touched the lives of 4,414 children and families.

MBCH served 67 children in therapeutic group homes.

One hundred seventy-seven children found loving, forever families, and 105 babies were born who may have been aborted without the pregnancy services provided by MBCH and The LIGHT House.

One hundred thirty-one children were in treatment foster homes, and 383 children and youth were in family foster homes. MBCH maintained 310 foster/adoptive and/or relative/kinship homes. Forty families were trained and licensed to become foster parents.

Twenty-five young women (18 adults and seven minors) were served through the *Freedom 43:19* human trafficking rescue ministry.

Transitional living programs in Bridgeton, Springfield, and Mt. Vernon served 58 young people as they prepared to leave foster care and become independent.

Fourteen adults with developmental disabilities received care at Country Haven or The Branches at Brookline.

There were 23 professions of faith and/or baptisms among the children served in residential programs of MBCH and The LIGHT House, or in Treatment Foster Homes.

# **The Baptist Home**

# Steven R. Jones, President and CEO

Resident populations on all campuses continue to thrive. Currently, The Baptist Home-Chillicothe campus is home to 64 residents in long-term care and independent living, with 81 at Arcadia Valley (Ironton), and 117 at Ozark.

This summer, construction was completed on the first seven independent living duplexes on the campus at Ashland. Of these new duplexes, three are Patio Homes (three-bedroom duplexes) and four are Bungalows (two-bedroom duplexes). The first residents were welcomed in July.

In 2018, the benevolent care program provided \$1,656,007 in assistance. The Baptist Home has provided \$38,785,046 in benevolent care since January 1, 1997.

The Home continues to partner with churches and community leaders to provide ministries to aging veterans and homebound seniors. We are continuing our efforts to train staff in the techniques of validation therapy to improve resident care and quality of life with those struggling with Alzheimer's or dementia.

We are building partnerships with mission organizations here at home and in 12 countries around the world to provide leadership, consultation, and training opportunities to our brothers and sisters in Christ who seek to "reflect God's love to aging humanity."

# **Missouri Baptist Foundation**

# Neil Franks, President and Treasurer

The Missouri Baptist Foundation (MBF) staff helps advance the gospel by partnering with churches, entities, families, and associations. With more than 940 accounts and \$138 million under management, the 73-year-old Foundation continues to grow its partnerships. These partnerships strive for the highest financial return on resources to which it has been entrusted today for the benefit of tomorrow and 10,000 tomorrows.

Investment services include FDIC-insured cash management, short-term strategies, and long-term options for endowment. MBF staff members help ministries develop plans for funding God-given ministry dreams.

The MBF can assist individual clients as they consider wills, powers of attorney, and the creation of trusts. By serving as a personal representative or successor trustee, the Foundation helps people plan their giving. This makes sure their generosity receives the greatest tax benefit and the possibility of income over their lifetime.

Seven new scholarships valued at \$14,000 were presented this summer by the MBF board to students wanting a Christian education. As a show of commitment to Christian higher education, the board awarded all applicants \$250.

To learn more about the personalized services of MBF, visit MBFN.org.

# **Historical Commission**

# Bart McClaughry, Chairman

The Historical Commission held its annual meeting in April, during which the commission awarded the *Missouri Baptist Heritage Scholarship* to Ethan Bray from First Baptist Church, Macon. He is attending Hannibal La-Grange University. The Commission encourages pastors to help promote the \$2,000 *Missouri Baptist Heritage Scholarship* in order to increase applications for students at the MBC's affiliated universities.

The well is in at our historical treasure, "Old Bethel." Plans are underway with the engineer for restrooms, concrete work, etc. When the plans are completed, they will be submitted to the city. Upon approval of the plans and completion of the ground work, the pre-built Log Structure restroom frame will be taken apart and moved to the site.

At the last annual meeting, the Historical Commission requested that all churches celebrating a milestone anniversary visit baptistparchments.org and register for the MBC historical recognition plaque. Four "Anniversary Plaques" have been sent or delivered, and two more are scheduled to be delivered this fall.

May God bless Missouri Baptists until the Lord returns.

# the Missouri Mission Offen local missions projects such as:

Summer outreach program at Rockaway Beach Counseling conference for church leaders "Pray 10" prayer emphasis in 8 churches Sound system for Baptist Hill Assembly Assisting a smaller church with VBS Back to School Bash in Branson Scholarships for mission trips July 4th outreach events

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# In Memory

For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. 2 Corinthians 5:1

# **First Baptist Church Clever**

Beverly Christian Donnie Eutsler

# **First Baptist Church Crane**

Kevin Williams Jane Williams Joyce Hodges

# **Hopedale**

Doyle Cox Lucille Gregory Pat McGovern Renee Paxton Kay Wilson

# Mt Zion

Vonda Hambelton Flossie L. Krasser Myra Ann Skipper Carol Price

# North Nixa

Caroline Nichols Linda Huggins Wil Edwards Dudley Brown Dixie Wright Archie "Knute" Palmer Ladina Thuman

# **Pleasant View**

Larry Rutherford

# <u>Spokane</u>

Donald Eugene Patrick Anne Swinger

# **Union Ridge**

Shirley (Gold) Johnson Danny Patterson Brenda (Maples) Keithley

# <u>Victor</u>

Verna Hamon Mark Snowden

# Tri County Baptist Association Executive Board (2019-2020)

Beacon of Hope Church: Randy Depew

Billings First Baptist Church: Robert Long, Tenah Long

Branson First Baptist Church: Jeremy Thomas

Bridge of Faith Community Church: Jonathan McGuire

Calvary Baptist Church: Troy Hull

Cedar Ridge Baptist Church: Mike Keeter

Chadwick First Baptist Church: Richard Eakins, Bryan Farris

**Chestnutridge Baptist Church:** Ron Adrian, Doyne Johnson

Clever First Baptist Church: Brian Jump

Crane First Baptist Church: Pat Ward, Bob Hodson

Elsey Baptist Church: David Berryhill

Fairview Baptist Church: none reported

First Central Baptist Church: Wade Bridges

Forsyth First Baptist Church: Juston Gates

Fremont Hills Baptist Church: Art Hicklin

Friendly Baptist Church: Monty Dunn, Marilyn Dunn

Galena First Baptist Church: Jimmy Harriss, Rick Osborne

Garrison Baptist Church: Bally Johnson

Grace Bible Fellowship: Dan Reed

Highlandville First Baptist Church: Les Day, David Hardy

Hollister First Baptist Church: Wil Griswold, Tom Arnold

Hopedale Baptist Church: Mark Arnold

Hurley Baptist Church: Larry Winfree

Jamesville Missionary Baptist Church: Rick Washam

Keystone Baptist Church: Mark Baker, Larry Scobee

Kimberling City First Baptist Church: Jeff Hardy

Lampe First Baptist Church: Dennis Reynolds

LifePoint Church: Lane Harrison

McCord Bend Baptist Church: John Dinger, John Dinger III, Nick Sczenski, Dennis Pendagraft

Morning Star Baptist Church: Lee Parsons

Mt. Sinai Baptist Church: Brandon Dodd

Mt. Zion Baptist Church: Wayne Ferry

New Beginnings Fellowship: Dennis Webb

Nixa First Baptist Church: Tim Haupt

North Nixa Baptist Church: Travis Edwards, Ken Cobb

Oakwood Baptist Church: Jonathan Mitchell

Ozark First Baptist Church: Phillip Burden

Ozark Highlands Church: Mark Zimmerman

**Ozark Mountain Community Church:** Jason Moore

# Tri County Baptist Association Executive Board (2019-2020)

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church: Danny Hartwell Pleasant View Baptist Church: Dave Bowden, Reba Bowden Ponce de Leon Baptist Church: none reported Prospect Baptist Church: Jeff Updegraff, LeRoy Taylor Riverdale Baptist Church: Jamie Bilyeu Rocky Ledge Baptist Church: Steve Bearden Selmore Baptist Church: Josh Hall Shady Grove Baptist Church: Zach Hartgraves, Roy Meadows Shiloh Baptist Church: Brad Wells, Robert Lawrence Skyline Baptist Church: Michael Head Smyrna Baptist Church: Dale Grubaugh Sparta First Baptist Church: David Church, Roger Hackard Spokane First Baptist Church: Randy Harwood The Bridge: Dave Pearson Union Ridge Baptist Church: Mearl Laswell, Peggy Anderson Victor Baptist Church: Kenny Robinette Victory Baptist Church: Matt Howell

NOTE: TCBA's Executive Board is comprised of two representatives from each church: the pastor, and another person voted on by the church. Pastors are automatically members of TCBA's Executive Board. Some churches in the above list only have one person, because the church has not voted on that person other than the pastor.









# 2020 TCBA Calendar

# January

13 16	6:30p 8:00a	Seminary Extension class begins Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark
16	11:30a	Camp Director's Meeting, TCBA
19		Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
20		Martin Luther King Jr. Day, (Association Office closed)
23	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Golden Corral, Branson
Februa	ry	
10	7:00p	VBS Director's Pre-Clinic, Association Office
17		Presidents Day, (Association Office closed)
20	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark
20	11:30a	Camp Director's Meeting, TCBA
21-23		Engage Conference (BSU)
27	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Golden Corral, Branson
March		
6-7	8:30a	Southwest Missouri VBS training, FBC Ozark
12	11:30	Administrative Team Meeting , Association Office
19	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark
19	11:30a	Camp Director's Meeting, TCBA
26	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Golden Corral, Branson
April		
10		Good Friday, (Association Office Closed)
12		Easter Sunday
15	11:30a	Camp Director's Meeting, TCBA
16	11:30a 8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark
16 22	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark Administrative Professional Day
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June		NO Pastors Breakfasts in June
1-4		Tri County Children's and Youth Camps, Mt. Vernon Grade 3rd-9th
9-10		SBC Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida
21		Father's Day
July		NO Pastors Breakfasts in July
3	11:30a	Camp Director's Evaluation Meeting, TCBA
4-5		Independence Day, (Association Office Closed)
25-Aug	gust 1	TCBA Mission trip to Omaha, NE
August	t	
10	6:30p	Seminary Extension class begins
20	11:30a	Administrative Team Meeting , Association Office
20	8:00 a	Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark
27	8:00 a	Pastors Breakfast, Golden Corral, Branson
Septer	nber	Missouri Missions Offering
7		Labor Day, (Association Office Closed)
11-12		Disaster Relief training, Second Baptist, Springfield
17	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark
24	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Golden Corral, Branson
27	4:00p	TCBA Church Family Gathering and Worship Service,
		Friendly Baptist Church (Branson)
Octobe	er	Pastor/Staff Appreciation Month
15	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Village Inn, Ozark
15	11:30a	Camp Director's planning meeting, TCBA office
22	8:00a	Pastors Breakfast, Golden Corral, Branson
26-27		MBC Annual Meeting, St Charles Convention Center, St Charles, MO
Novem		NO Pastors Breakfasts in November
12	11:30a	Administrative Team Meeting, TCBA
19	7:00p	Executive Board Meeting, TCBA
13	5:00p	Staff Christmas Dinner
25-27		Thanksgiving Holiday, (Association Office Closed)
30	6:30p	Ministers and Wives Christmas Dinner w/childcare
Decem		NO Pastors Breakfasts in December
3	11:30a	Secretaries Christmas Dinner
21-Jan	4	Association Closed for Christmas/New Year Holiday,
		(Association Office Closed)

# Tri County Southern Baptist Association Constitution

#### PREAMBLE

We declare and establish this Constitution to govern the Tri County Southern Baptist Association of Churches (Hereafter known as "Tri County Southern Baptist Association") in an orderly manner as established in I Corinthians 14:40, while pursuing its purpose to resource the unique God-given vision of every affiliated congregation in fulfilling the Great Commission both locally and globally.

## **ARTICLE I - NAME**

This Association will be called the Tri County Southern Baptist Association, a Missouri not for Profit Corporation.

## **ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

The purpose of Tri County Southern Baptist Association is to encourage, assist, and resource the local church to fulfill the Great Commission.

#### **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

#### Section One: General principles.

A church may affiliate with Tri-County Southern Baptist Association if its faith and practice are in agreement with the basic beliefs held in common by this Association of Baptist churches. The historic Baptist Faith and Message statement adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention, June 14, 2000, best describes the basic beliefs held in common by this Association of Baptist churches. Each church shall cooperate in spirit, financial support, and involvement with the other affiliated churches in achieving the stated purpose of the Association.

## Section Two: Process for affiliation.

A church may seek to affiliate with the Association by presenting an Application for Affiliation, Statement of Cooperation, a copy of the church's Articles of Incorporation and Constitution and By-laws, and the requesting church's Statement of Faith to the Administrative Team.

The Administrative Team will review the submitted documents and meet with the petitioning church's pastor and after considering the facts, will follow one of two courses:

1. Place the church desiring fellowship in the Association on "watchcare" status for one year. At the end of the watchcare year the Association will vote on the petitioning church's entrance into the Association at the Annual Meeting. Churches shall be received into membership by a three-fourths vote.

2. Notify the petitioning church that, in the opinion of the Administrative Team, it does not at this time meet the requirements of the Association for admittance into its fellowship and state the reason (s) for that opinion. If the Team determines that the petitioning church is not ready for admission into the Association, the Team can hear the appeal of the petitioning church.

# Definition of "watchcare" status:

During watchcare the church and pastor are invited to attend Association meetings and send representatives to Executive Board meetings, in a cooperative manner, but as non-voting members.

The church is invited to cooperate with the Association in every way looking forward to full membership. Watchcare shall last for a period of one year.

During this year of watchcare, the Administrative Team will evaluate the petitioning church in matters pertaining to doctrinal integrity, manner of its organization, cooperation, unity with sister churches in the Association, and all other pertinent areas of importance.

The petitioning church may begin its year of watchcare at whatever time designated by the Administrative Team.

- The petitioning church shall have access to all Associational resources upon recommendation of the Administrative Team for watchcare.
- At the end of the watchcare year the Association will vote on entrance into the Association at the Annual Meeting. Churches shall be received into membership by a three-fourths vote.

## Section Three: Cases of disharmony.

If a church requesting affiliation has originated out of "disharmony" with another church in the Association, the Administrative Team will meet with the leadership from both churches try to determine if they can work together in unity. The Administrative Team may suggest conditions to be agreed upon by both churches to bring about reconciliation.

If no basis for unity can be found, the Administrative Team will consider the petitioning church's application for affiliation according to Section Two.

#### Section Four: Receiving mission churches.

Mission churches who have been under the sponsorship of a mother church may apply for membership as a church if the mother church has voted to release the mission church and the mission church has been constituted as a church. The Administrative Team will consider the mission church's application for affiliation according to Section Two.

## Section Five: Withdrawing fellowship.

Neither the Association, the Executive Board nor Administrative Team shall exercise authority over the Association's constituent churches. However, if a church affiliated with the Association engages in doctrinal discrepancies with the Association or ceases to cooperate with the Association, the Association reserves the right to withdraw fellowship from the church. Questions concerning doctrinal discrepancy or Associational cooperation shall be considered by the Administrative Team before being brought to the Association. The determination to withdraw fellowship will be made upon recommendation of the Administrative Team by a three-fourths vote of the messengers present at the Annual Meeting.

## **ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS OF MESSENGERS**

Section One. Meetings: This Association will meet regularly at such time and place as it may determine.

**Section Two**. Annual Meeting: An Annual Meeting of the messengers shall be held at a specified time and place published in the associational calendar. The meeting shall include prayer, praise, proclamation, election of officers, adoption of the annual budget, and any other pertinent business the Association must address. Any new business items must be presented to the Administrative Team at least one month prior to the "Annual Meeting."

**Section Three**. Messengers: Tri County Association shall have one classification of messengers who have been duly elected by the cooperating churches who comprise the association. Each church of one hundred (100) members or less will be entitled to three (3) messengers and one (1) additional messenger for each fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof, provided that no church will have more than (7) messengers. Names of elected messengers must be provided by start of the opening session of the annual meetings. Messengers serve for one year and may be re-elected should the church decide to do so.

**Section Four.** Annual Reports: Each church will be encouraged to make an annual report to the Association, through the current annual MBC/SBC profile giving the financial condition, and statistics of the church and any other information that might be of value in helping the association of churches fulfill its purpose.

Section Five. Voting Rights: Each messenger shall be entitled to one vote on each item of business at an Annual Meeting.

# **ARTICLE V - LEADERSHIP**

**OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION**: The elected officers of this Association will be: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers will be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Association by nomination from the Administrative Team, and by a majority of those messengers present and voting. Each of these officers will take office at the close of the annual meeting.

#### **ARTICLE VI - EXECUTIVE BOARD**

**Section One**. MEMBERSHIP: The Executive Board shall be composed of the pastor and one other person elected by each affiliated congregation, members of the Administrative Team, and officers of the association. Paid staff members of the Association shall have input but do not carry a vote.

**Section Two.** MEETINGS: The Executive Board shall have at least two meetings each year other than the annual meeting. The Administrative Team may call special meetings for a specific purpose by giving at least seven days' notice. Notice shall be given to affiliated churches. These churches are responsible for notifying their Board Members.

**Section Three**. AUTHORITY: The Executive Board is governed by all provisions of this Constitution and established Policies and Procedures. This Board has full power and authority to conduct the business of the Association between Annual Meetings when called upon by the Administrative team to do so.

**Section Four**. REPORTING: The Executive Board shall supply a written summary of their decisions and actions at the Annual Meeting.

**Section Five**. QUORUM: The members of the Executive Board present at any called and noticed meeting shall constitute a quorum for that meeting.

**Section Six**. MANNER OF ACTING: The act of a majority of the members of the Executive Board present at a meeting shall be binding on the association, unless a greater percentage is required by established policies and procedures for a specific vote.

## ARTICLE VII - ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

**Section One**. MEMBERSHIP: The Administrative Team of this Association will include the following members: elected officers, Team leaders of Priority Focus Teams, Director of Missions, and three at-large members. The three at-large members shall be elected at the annual meeting to a three year term, and may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

**Section Two**. DUTIES: The duties of the Administrative Team will be to transact all business of the association between annual meetings, to monitor all monies of the Association, recommends the Annual Financial Plan to the annual meeting, and to make a full report of all the meetings and business transactions to the Association at its annual meeting.

**Section Three**. MEETINGS AND QUORUM: The Administrative Team shall meet as requested by the President of the Association or any two other members of the team, or the Director of Missions. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the Administrative Team.

#### ARTICLE VIII - PRIORITY FOCUS TEAMS

**Section One**. ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIORITY FOCUS TEAMS: The duties of the Priority Focus teams are the responsibility of the messengers to the Annual Meeting or the Executive Board. These Teams shall be empowered to carry out the assignment given to them by the Association and the Administrative Team. The details regarding the name, membership, and responsibility of each Priority Focus Team shall be found in established policies and procedures.

**Section Two**. TERM OF OFFICE: Each member of a Priority Focus Team shall continue to serve at his or her passion. Should a Team Member become a detriment to the Team or the Association that person may be removed by a majority of Team Members voting.

**Section Three**. TEAM LEADERSHIP: Team Members shall select one member of each Priority Focus Team as Team Leader and one member as Associate Team Leader at the first scheduled meeting each year.

**Section Four**. VACANCIES: Since Team Members serve at their passion, vacancies in membership will be filled by others with like passion.

**Section Five**. QUORUM: Unless otherwise specified in established policies and procedures, a quorum shall consist of those members present. The act of the quorum shall constitute the action of the Team.

**Section Six**. RULES/GUIDELINES/PROTOCOLS: Each Priority Focus Team shall establish its own guidelines, protocols, scheduled meetings, and rules. They must be consistent with this document to be considered valid. Any conflict shall be resolved by using this document as the authority.

**Section Seven**. VOTING RIGHTS: Those members of affiliated churches who attend Priority Team meetings have the right to exercise their vote in a Priority Team meeting. Consensus decision-making based upon established procedures and protocols will be encouraged in Priority Team meetings. All Priority team members must be actively involved in an affiliated church of Tri County Southern Baptist Association.

#### **ARTICLE IX - AUTHORITY**

**Section One**. The Association has full authority for carrying on its work to fulfill provisions of this Constitution including the right to receive and disburse funds, own property, and carry on any other activities necessary for implementation of its purpose.

**Section Two**. The Association has no authority over any church or the right to interfere with the rights and autonomy of the churches, recognizing that each church is sovereign and independent in all its matters. Therefore, the Association is not responsible for individual decisions of its affiliated churches. The basis for operation in the Association is in the spirit of voluntary cooperation in work and fellowship.

**Section Three**. The Association is at liberty to consult with any of the churches on matters related to the work of ministry.

**Section Four**. The Association has jurisdiction over the seating of any and all messengers and may refuse to seat messengers from any church that it deems to be unsound in faith, practice, or conduct based on a recommendation from the Administrative Team.

## ARTICLE X - RECORDS

The Association shall keep correct and complete books and records of accounts and shall keep minutes of the proceedings of its meetings and shall keep at the associational office a record giving the names of messengers and their respective churches. Any member of an affiliated church may inspect all books and non confidential records (except identifiable employee, litigation, and other closed records) of the Association for any proper purpose at a convenient time for all parties. The treasurer shall be bonded and the financial books shall be audited annually.

# ARTICLE XI - FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January and close on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December each year.

# ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any Annual Meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present and voting, providing the proposed changes be presented in writing in a previous Executive Board Meeting, or at a specially called meeting for that purpose. The proposed amendments shall be provided and included in the Book of Reports given out at the Annual Meeting.

#### **ARTICLE XIII - PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE**

All business of the Annual Meeting of the Association will be conducted in accordance with *Robert's Rules of Order* (*Revised*).

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Beacon Of Hope - P.O. Box 355, Hwy. 176, Rockaway Beach, MO 65740	Randy and Laresa Depew
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Branson First - 400 S. Sunshine Branson, MO 65616 334-7437 fax: 335-2273 fbcbranson.com	Jeremy and Mandy Thomas
Bridge of Faith - P.O. Box 1059, 296 Lake St. Rockaway Beach, MO 65740 561-0777 www.bridgeoffaithcc.com	Jonathan and Amy McGuire
Calvary Baptist - 4195 E. McCracken Rd. Ozark, MO 65721 224-4910	Troy and Jona Hull
Cedar Ridge Baptist - 742 Buttermilk Springs Rd. Galena, MO 65656 538-2607 fax: 538-2607 www.cedarridgesbc.com	Mike and Colleen Keeter
Chadwick First - P.O. Box 292, 123 S. Rose Ave. Chadwick, MO 65629 838-5067	Richard and Mary Eakins
Chestnutridge Baptist - 11636 State Hwy 176 Walnut Shade, MO 65771, State Hwy. 176 Chestnutridge, MO 65630	Ron and Barbara Adrian
Clever First - P.O. Box 116, 105 Kennedy Ave. Clever, MO 65631 743-2541 fax: 743-3161 www.fbcclever.org	Brian and Jade Jump
Crane First - P.O. Box 414, 30 Hallelujah Ave. Crane, MO 65633 723-5273 fax: 723-5274 fbccrane.net	Patrick and Becky Ward
Elsey First - P.O. Box 440 Crane, MO 65633, 36534 State Hwy. 413 Crane, MO 65633	David and Betty Berryhill
Fairview Baptist - 271 Mountainview Dr. Sparta, MO 65753 634-3892	
First Central Baptist - P.O. Box 44, 794 Hopkins Rd. Highlandville, MO 65669 443-2615	Wade and Ferrell Bridges
Forsyth First - P.O. Box 74, 10000 State Hwy. 76 Forsyth, MO 65653 546-5555 fax: 546-2127 www.fbc-forsyth.org	Juston and Amanda Gates
Fremont Hills Baptist - P.O. Box 1453, 4375 N. Fremont Rd. Nixa, MO 65714 581-7424 www.fremonthillsbaptist.org	Art and Ronna Hicklin
Friendly Baptist - 2751 Kirkland Dr. Branson, MO 65616 338-5321 fax: 338-5323 www.friendlybaptistbranson.com	Monte and Marilyn Dunn
Galena First - P.O. Box 353, 104 W 5th St. Galena, MO 65656 357-6839	Jimmy and Velda Harriss
Garrison Baptist - c/o Zelda Jones 13221 State Hwy. 125 S, 14583 State Hwy. 125 S. Garrison, MO 65657	Bally & Patty Johnson
Grace Bible Fellowship - 162 Industrial Park Drive Suite H and I Hollister, MO. 65673, 1483 Mule Barn Dr Cape Fair, MO 65624 538-1045 www.gbfmo.org	Dan and Angela Reed
First Baptist Church of Highlandville - P.O. Box 156, 3744 State Highway EE Highlandville, MO 65669 443-3334	Les and LeeAnn Day
Hollister First - P.O. Box 266, 136 Hill Billy Lane Hollister, MO 65673 334-6970 fax: 338-8421 www.fbchollister.com	Wilburn and Shirley Griswold
Hopedale Baptist - 5370 State Hwy. NN Ozark, MO 65721 581-3836 fax: 581-7018 www.hopedale.org	Mark and Jackie Arnold, Transitional Pastor

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Jamesville Baptist - c/o Rick Washam, 4660 S. Holiday Springfield, MO 65810, 213 Riverview Rd. Clever, MO 65631	Rick and Eda Washam
Keystone Baptist - P.O. Box 430, 20669 Missouri 413 Reeds Spring, MO 272-8353	Mark and Rozanne Baker
Kimberling City First - P.O. Box 459, 161 Heavens Way and 2 Lakeshor, Kimberling City, MO 65686 739-4736 fax: 739-4824 www.fbckc.com	Jeff and Kim Hardy
Lampe First - P.O. Box 73, Highway H Lampe, MO 65681 779-4215	Dennis and Mary Reynolds
LifePoint - 51 Riverdale Rd. Ozark, MO 65721 581-6572 fax: 581-6578 www.lifepointozark.com	Lane and Christin Harrison
McCord Bend Baptist - 30 Gibson St., Caldwell and Gibson, Galena, MO 65656 357-6439	John and Mary Dinger
Morning Star Baptist - P.O. Box 430, Crane, MO 65633, 69 Butterfield Trail Rd. Marionville, MO 65705 723-0315 fax: 744-2901	Lee Parsons
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Mt. Zion Baptist - P.O. Box 533 Ozark, MO 65721, 877 State Hwy. JJ, Sparta, MO 65753 485-6129 www.mtzionozarkmo.com	Wayne and Merna Ferry
New Beginnings Fellowship - PO Box 534, 151 Elm St. Hollister, MO 65673 334-6392 www.nbfhollister.org	
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Pleasant View Baptist - 174 Stu Circle Highlandville, MO 65669, 242 Pleasant View Rd. Highlandville, MO 65669 844-0456	David and Reba Bowden
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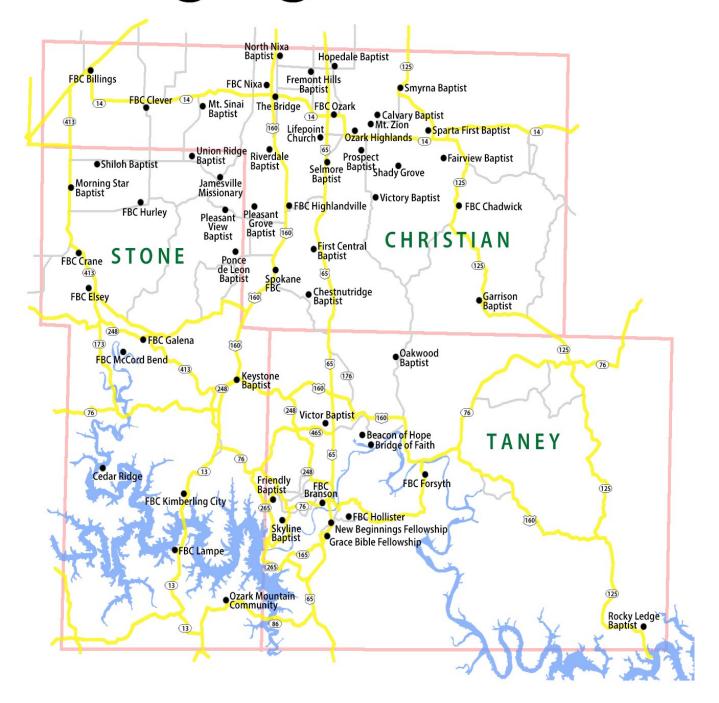
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Rocky Ledge Baptist - 173 Clarkson Road Protem, MO 65733 785-1313	Steve and Tammy Bearden
Selmore Baptist - 4768 Selmore Rd. Ozark, MO 65721 582-6483 fax: 582-6484 www.selmorebaptist.com	Josh and Rachel Hall
Shady Grove Baptist - c/o Roy Meadows 1839 Hodges Rd., 1595 Hodges Rd. Sparta, MO 65753 634-3441	Zach and Michelle Hartgraves
Shiloh Baptist - P.O. Box 245, 1094 Shiloh Church Rd. Marionville, MO 65705	Brad and Amanda Wells
Skyline Baptist - 949 State Hwy. 165, Branson, MO 65616 334-6729 fax: 334-7195 www.skylinebaptist.com	Michael and Jan Head
Smyrna Baptist - 5054 State Highway 125 N, Rogersville, MO 65742 334-7613	Dale and Dani Grubaugh
Sparta First - P.O. Box 190, 330 Millbrooke Drive, Sparta, MO 65753 417-634-0414 www.spartafirstbaptist.org	David and Bev Church, Interim Pastor
Spokane First - P.O. Box 333, 773 Spokane Rd. Spokane, MO 65754 587-3384 www.spokanefbc.org	Randy and Cheryle Harwood
The Bridge - P.O. Box 967, 308 W. Mt. Vernon St. Nixa, MO 65714 724-1443 fax: 724-1457 www.thebridgenixa.org	
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Victor Baptist - 1115 Victor Church Rd. Branson, MO 65616 336-4210 fax: 336-3474 www.victorbaptist.net	Kenny and Carol Robinette
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