

VISION

Webster County Baptist Association

Thank You!

1 Paul and Timothy, bond-servants of Christ Jesus, To all the ^[a]saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, ^[b]including the overseers and deacons: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, 4 always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, 5 in view of your ^[c]participation in the gospel from the first day until now.

Phil. 1:1-5

Greetings once again from the WCBA office. This passage from Philippians is such a favorite. I love it that Paul starts this letter with words of gratitude, love and encouragement. I am particularly impressed with his appreciation of this church's 'participation in the gospel.' To say it simply, this church was working together with other churches to advance the kingdom of God, and as an association, that is exactly what we strive to do as well. Look at the list below and you can see just a few of what you have done together to tell people about Jesus since March of this year.

- ⇒ Association wide revival held at the auditorium at Marshfield High school.
- ⇒ National Day of Prayer Events around the county.
- ⇒ Mission trip to work on a church addition by Hannibal MO.
- ⇒ Kids Fishing Day.
- ⇒ Water Give Away ministry at the Webster County Fair.
- ⇒ Open building and free snow cones at 4th of July parade.
- ⇒ Prospect Baptist Church celebrates 180 years of ministry.
- ⇒ Kid's Camp and Youth Retreat.
- ⇒ Multiple VBS weeks in our churches.
- ⇒ AND...A few more things that I am missing!

It is impossible to count the number of people impacted in some way by the churches of WCBA over the last three months, but I say with assurance, at the least, several hundred, and I suspect, that a more accurate number will be in the thousands!

So, to say the least, you all have been busy, and I am grateful for your commitment and ministry to our area. Please look over the schedule of events listed in the newsletter to see more opportunities to serve. We have another mission trip opportunity just around the corner to Paducah KY working on a church that was damaged by a tornado. We also have the Outdoor Sportsman Event that always brings about 1000 or so people. These people will encounter several people from our churches and therefore, will be impacted by the Gospel!

As I close this note, let me simply say Thank You and yes, your efforts have produced fruit, lives have been changed and people who may never step inside a church building are seeing 'The Church' in action. They see it and thank you for your faithfulness in reaching our community.

Thank you as always for letting me serve as the Director of Webster County Baptist Association, and I pray God's blessing on all of you.

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Homecoming

July 14, 2024

We will celebrate what God has done and is doing at Friendship, followed by a wonderful lunch immediately after the service.

Friendship Church

As many of you know this is my home church my family attends whenever we are not visiting other churches in the association. This church has meant a great deal to me over the years. I'll got longtime friendships with many of the members. They are a loving ,giving ,supportive and God serving group. Gary and I were even married there. Among Friends and both actual Family and very dear Church Family. They are a busy group this year they won Bible Trivia, Walked in the walk for life to support the choices pregnancy center, and also sent a group of 4 from the church as missionaries to Knoxville ,TN. Their VBS was a great time of fun and learning for the community children. They will be helping with the Outdoor Sportsman Event by providing a comfort station. Also helping with the Cup Of Cold Water Ministry. Also this year the church bell was repaired by Tristan Loveland as his eagle scout project. So now it rings weekly to start church services and it rang to start the Church Homecoming Celebration on July 14th. We celebrated 179 years as a church, however we didn't join the association until 1871. We are BLESSED to have Pastor RICH JENKINS as our Blessed leader sent from God. We were prayerfully seeking a new pastor for over 18 months when God sent Pastor Rich to us. He has really stepped up, he even got us through covid by preaching from the front steps through a system that allowed us to listen on our radio's while staying in our cars. We would flash our lights and honk our horns to amen during the service. Becky (his wife) will step up and lead the song service whenever she is asked, she has a great voice and does a beautiful job. Appreciate them both so very much!

If you would like us to feature your church ..Please send a picture and any news you wish to share to leannterr5@gmail.com . If you have already been featured but have news call 417-859-5346 leave msg or email me.

WCBA Calendar for 2024

July

- 29- Aug 2 Mission Trip (Out of State)
Location : Paducah, Kentucky

August

- 13 Outdoor Sportsman Event Training
- 17 Youth Swim Party 9:30-11:30am
- 24 Outdoor Sportsman Event @ Camp Arrowhead
Starting @ 7am

September

- 12-14 Seymour Apple Festival
- 18 Newsletter Deadline
- 24 Church Development

October

- 10 Annual Meeting @ **MISSION CHAPEL**

November

- 2 Ladies Night Out
- 14 Thankful For You Banquet

Swim Party
August 17th 9:30-11:30
@ Aquatic Center 1490 N Elm
Marshfield, Mo

Call 417-859-5346 to let us know you are coming and how many your bringing to be part of the FUN !!!! If you would rather email you can email leannterry5@gmail.com



Church News

Diggins Church is meeting with people to move ahead with their expansion. And their VBS had 180 kids in attendance. WOW! They also sent a lot of kids and youth to church camp this year.

Fordland Church has hired Tim Johnson as their interim Pastor.

Henderson Church celebrated their 60th year Anniversary. May 5th 1964.

Marshfield 1st is in need of prayer as they are searching for not only a new Paster but also a new Youth Minister. This year they are also having to replace the hvac system.

Mission Chapel

We have had a busy and blessed couple of months. We had a blast during VBS at Breaker Rock Beach with a record number in attendance. It was a joy to watch the kids bring their offering each night along with snacks which were donated to CASA of Southwest Missouri. CASA of Southwest Missouri is a private, nonprofit organization that recruits, trains and supports community volunteers who assist the court in protecting the best interests of abused and neglected children in Southwest Missouri. We greatly enjoyed kids fishing day and want to say thank you to all those who made the day possible. July was a month of celebrations as we had a 4th of July celebration with a worship service, food, and fireworks, 2 weddings, and a baby shower. Several of our kids and youth participated in the local fairs exhibiting their animals, and we are proud of their hard work. We continue to have our quarterly game nights at church which are always a good time. We have several members on the associational mission trip to Paducah, Kentucky right now. Please be in prayer for this trip.

New Beginning Has hired **Pastor Joe Wright** as their **Interim Pastor**. They are having **VBS on JULY 27th** from **10am- 3pm**.

Northview will be celebrating 90th year as a church. Their anniversary date is oct.28th

Prospect Church had their Heritage & Celebration Day, on June 30th to celebrate their 180th year in service to our Lord. They started as a church on June 30th, 1844. It was great celebration service very well attended. Retired D.O.M. Jerry Palmer is their interim pastor & he's helping to guide them through their transition into new leadership. Requesting pray for them as they are in search of a new Pastor.

West Finley will be 140 years old this year. They started as a church on Nov.4th, 1884

WCBA NEWS

Our revival this year was rock solid with 4 different messages but each one POWERFUL , Thought Provoking, and with Challenges to make us better Christians. We have some really GREAT PASTORS in our association... Please take time to pray for each of them. Kids fishing was a great success this year with between 140 & 150 fishing poles giving to kids. This was my first time to get to enjoy this event. Everyone there seemed to REALLY enjoyed it.

Both of our camps this year were both very well attended. With lots of gospel conversations and at least one salvation decision made.

Other activities that we are gearing up for are... Our Mission Trip to Paducah, Ky, Youth Swim Party, Outdoor Sportsman Event, Church Development Meeting, Seymour Apple Festival, Annual Meeting at Mission Chapel. These are all great out reach events so please be in prayer for them ALL.

WE would like to ask you... If your Church has an upcoming event you wish to get the word out about just send us the info..We are going to start putting it into the news letter as CHURCHES UPCOMING EVENTS.

Call us at 417-859-5346 leave msg or email @ leannterry5@gmail.com. Next year we would like to have a separate page in the newsletter and will be sending it out every 3 months. So as you make your plans just plan on sending it in to us also. We would like to share more of what all our churches are doing within their communities so that more can take part in the different actives throughout our association family. WE are here to be of service to each of you so please help us by letting us help you. Proud to be of service to you ALL.

18th ANNUAL OUTDOOR SPORTSMAN EVENT
 Saturday • August 24th, 2024 • 7am - 5pm

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." - John 14:6

Camp Arrowhead
 4202 State Hwy DD, Marshfield, MO
No on-site parking. Catch our shuttles @ ONLY at Marshfield High School

Admission is FREE
Includes: Entertainment, Food, Hourly Door Prizes, Kid's Activities, and Bibles as supplies last.

Shooter fee of \$10 and under are FREE
Over \$10,000 in prizes will be awarded!
 The first Grand Prizes will be drawn promptly at 1:35pm.

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