

Mission Digest

March-April 2018



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Gasconade Valley Baptist Association
Proudly presents

Music and Testimony Service

April 29, 2018
2:00—3:30 p.m.

Faith Baptist Church
Belle, Missouri

Join us for an afternoon of singing popular hymns and praise choruses. A portion of the program will consist of testimonies from various individuals. Bring finger foods and enjoy a time of fellowship following the program.

Pray for Mission Team Headed to Ukraine

Gasconade Valley Baptists helping to train young Christian leaders.

On March 1–13, a team of four individuals will be traveling to Ukraine to provide training for pastors at the Ukraine Baptist Theological Seminary located in L'viv, Ukraine. The team members are Jason Gentry (First Baptist Church, Hermann) Kevin Sullivan (First Baptist Church, Owensville), David Krueger (First Baptist Church, Linn) and Phillip Rector (Gasconade Valley Baptist Association). Pray for God's leadership for this trip and their safety as they travel.

This trip is part of our association partnership with Ukraine to help train church planting pastors to serve in this former communist country.



Did You Know?

- **Children's Camp** for Boys and Girls who completed grades 3–6 is scheduled for June 24–28.
- **Youth Camp** for Boys and Girls who completed grades 6–12 is scheduled for July 8–13.
- Camps have Facebook Pages

Begin Making Plans for Vacation Bible School Now We Have Materials Your Church Can Use

Ramblin Road Trip

(LifeWay)
Summer Travel Vacation Theme

Truth Trek

(LifeWay Club VBS)
Desert Adventure Theme

Saddle Ridge Ranch

(LifeWay)
Western Theme

Beach Blast

(LifeWay Club VBS)
Beach Theme

Big Apple Adventure

(LifeWay)
New York City Theme

Jungle Jaunt

(LifeWay Club VBS)
Jungle Theme

Agency D 3

(LifeWay)
Spy Theme

Solar Express: Empowered by the Son

(Child Evangelism Fellowship)
Racing Theme

Great Global Adventure

(Adventures in Odyssey)
Explorer Theme

Son Harvest County Fair

(Gospel Light)
County Fair Theme

Amazing Wonders Aviation

(LifeWay)
Airplane Theme

Gasconade Valley Association would like to help your church plan for Vacation Bible School. We have the above materials for your church to use this summer. We also gladly welcome contributions of materials for other churches to use.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

March 14—Diane Berry,
Associate Pastor's Wife,
Owensville Church.

March 15—Linda Krueger,
Pastor's Wife, Linn Church.

March 18—Gina Smith,
Pastor's Wife, Liberty Road
Church.

March 19—Scott John,
Pastor, Broadway Church.

March 23—Stacey Goodwin,
Pastor's Wife, Pilot Knob
Church.

March 30—Glen Duncan,
Pastor, Pin Oak Church.

April 12—Lisa Kellogg,
Pastor's Wife, Chamois
Church.

April 13—Kevin Sullivan,
Pastor, Owensville Church.

April 27—Alex Kellogg,
Pastor's Son, Chamois
Church.

Wedding Anniversaries

March 3—Dan and Debbie
Bauder, Pastor, Solid Rock
Church.

Church Anniversaries

March 2010—Dan Bauder,
Pastor, Solid Rock Church.

April 2000—Phillip Rector,
Director of Missions,
Gasconade Valley Baptist
Association.

April 2011—Jason Gentry,
Pastor, Hermann Church.

April 2012—Kevin Sullivan,
Pastor, Owensville Church.

**Remember your
church leaders in
prayer and some
special way on their
birthday or
anniversary.**

Calendar of Events

- **March 1–13—Ukraine Mission Trip.**
- **March 1—Pastor’s Fellowship Breakfast, The Dinner Belle, Belle, 8:00 a.m.**
- **March 4–11—Week of Prayer for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.**
- **March 11—Daylight Savings Time Begins—Spring Ahead One Hour.**
- **March 15—Nominating Committee Meeting, Mission Center Office, 7:00 p.m.**
- **March 20 –21—Spring Directors of Missions Conference, Jefferson City**
- **March 22—Prayer Journey, Belle area.**
- **March 30—Good Friday, Mission Center Office Closed.**
- **April 1—Easter Sunday.**
- **April 3—Association Ministry Planning Meeting, First Baptist Church, Owensville, 7:00 p.m.**
- **April 3—Election Day.**
- **April 5—Pastor’s Fellowship Breakfast, The Dinner Belle, 8:00 a.m.**
- **April 8—Cooperative Program Day.**
- **April 10—Prayer Journey, Linn area.**
- **April 14—Trustee’s Meeting (Open Camp), 9:00 a.m.**
- **April 17—Children’s Bible Drill, First Baptist Church, Vienna, 7:00 p.m.**
- **April 29—Music and Testimony Service, Faith Baptist Church, 2:00 p.m.**

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Our Stewardship

November 2017-January 2018

Belle	\$1,438.55	Hermann	\$1,666.00	New Salem	\$428.25
Beulah	\$83.42	High Gate	\$719.04	Owensville	\$6,892.73
Bland	\$0.00	Liberty	\$208.86	Pilot Knob	\$1,207.00
Broadway	\$998.00	Liberty Road	\$257.21	Pin Oak	\$331.24
Chamois	\$328.26	Linn	\$1,255.74	Solid Rock	\$328.00
College Hill	\$289.53	Little Flock	\$62.05	Union Hill	\$237.18
Crossroads	\$863.90	Maranatha	\$61.42	Vienna	\$2,165.00
Faith	\$315.89	Mt Pleasant	\$397.81		
Gasconade	\$598.00	Mt Zion	\$500.00		

"We appreciate the prayers and financial support of our churches"

News From Our Churches

Broadway Church

Pray for Weng Bruner as she leads a mission team to Kenya on February 21 through March 5.

Faith Church

Souper Bowl for world hunger held on February 4. Music night on March 4 @ 6:00 p.m. Fellowship with potato bar on March 18. Movie Night on March 25. Easter Egg Hunt on April 1. Music Night on April 8. Movie Night on April 22.

College Hill Church

Becky Lercher Concert held on February 25.

Hermann Church

Gideon Presentation on March 18. Musical presentation on April 1.

High Gate Church

Pray for Michelle and Trey Warth as they travel on a mission trip to Ethiopia. Sunrise service, breakfast, and Easter egg hunt on April 1.

Linn Church

Easter Cantata on April 1.

Maranatha Church

Church Homecoming with worship and fellowship on April 29.

Mt. Pleasant Church

Revival with John Smith on March 14–18. Easter Sunrise Service on April 1.

Mt. Zion Church

Roy Newman thanks everyone for their prayers for his recovery from surgery.

New Salem Church

Sonrise service on April 1. Hymn Sing on April 29.

Owensville Church

Financial Peace University. Classes begin March 7 @ 6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School planned for July 9–13.

Pilot Knob Church

Easter Cantata, “Come to the Cross”, followed by breakfast, Easter egg hunt, Sunday school and worship on April 1. Covenant Quartet concert on April 29 @ 5:30 p.m.

Vienna Church

Chris and Bethany Slocum announced the birth of their daughter, Promise Joy Slocum on February 20.

Your Church Needs a Safety and Security Team

I don't need to write about the risks that churches face in our crazy world. On the other hand, far too many churches are not making preparations for the possibility of trouble. They know they need to do something, but they keep putting it off. Here are some reasons your church needs a Safety and Security Team:

A congregational gathering is a vulnerable place. We've seen evidence of that truth within the past few years. The nature of our work says that the church is open to anyone. It's easy to get into an unprotected church building with an unprepared congregation.

We need to be better prepared for emergencies. A church ought to be as prepared as possible for everything from an injured church member to a heart attack victim to a weather threat to an armed intruder.

Our churches often have qualified people who can serve in these roles. Often, police officers, firefighters, physicians, nurses, and EMT's are sitting in our congregation. Putting them to work gives them purpose in the church and improves the church's safety.

These teams increase security in our preschool and children's areas. Laypersons do a great job here, but trained personnel don't hurt, either. We cannot go too far to protect the next generation.

Church parking lots are especially vulnerable to theft. Left unwatched and unprotected, an empty car during a worship service is an invitation to theft—especially if expensive items are left on the seat.

In most cases, a Safety and Security Team will ease the pastor's mind. Pastors deal with a lot of stuff on a Sunday. Knowing this team is in place helps ease at least one burden for church leaders.

Should something tragic happen, a Safety and Security Team can guide through the chaos. Nothing is guaranteed if a tragedy happens, but this team should help the church respond immediately and wisely.

Mission Trip Opportunities Planned For This Summer

Hannibal-LaGrange University Mission Trip

June 4—8, 2018 are the dates for our Twenty-third Annual Mission Trip to Hannibal—LaGrange University, Hannibal, Missouri.

A significant part of the work will be building construction and renovation.

Delmar and Belinda Branson—team leaders (573.612.8557).

Church Sponsored Mission Trips

A mission trip is being planned to Durfield, Virginia. This mission trip will be held on July 15—20.

Glen Duncan—team leader (573.437.3024).

First Baptist Church, Linn is planning a local youth oriented mission event called Mission 1:8 in Osage County. The dates for this event is July 18—21.

David Krueger—Contact person (573.897.3862).



Join Us on a Church Prayer Journey

Our association will host Church Prayer Journeys this spring to six churches within our association on March 22 and April 10. We will visit three churches each day and spend time in prayer for their ministries. We will spend thirty minutes with each church.

The purpose of these prayer times is to offer spiritual support to the ministries of these churches. You are invited to join us at each of these locations.

Church Prayer Journey Schedule

March 22

- 11:00 a.m.—Faith Baptist Church
- 1:00 p.m.—First Baptist Church, Belle
- 2:00 p.m.—Pilot Knob Baptist Church

April 10

- 11:00 a.m.—Solid Rock Baptist Church
- 1:00 p.m.—First Baptist Church, Linn
- 2:00 p.m.—Maranatha Baptist Church

Pray for This Summer’s Children’s Camp

This year I am going to be doing something a little different as we prepare for camp. I am going to share a specific prayer request for the preparation of camp. I ask you to join me each month in this very focused prayer and let’s see how God works when we all come together! Please share this monthly request with your churches too!

This month please be praying for the theme and focus of camp. We try to tie all we do in camp to this. Pray that the kids can connect to and are interested in learning more about our chosen theme. I know it may sound simple, but when you’re talking about kids who are choosing from a million different ways to spend their summer, having a theme that catches their attention can make an eternal difference!

Amber Hendrix, Children’s Camp Director

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The churches of our association will
join other Southern Baptists in praying
on March 4–11 for our North American
missionaries.

“On Mission HERE & NOW” is the
theme for 2018 Week of Prayer for
North American Missions and the
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