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Philippians 2:16

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*A Word From Our President...*

## Last Minute Reminder

Time is here again to begin plans for the BMA of Missouri annual meeting. I know pastor Jerry Adams has a wonderful worship service planned for the morning service. The annual message will be delivered by pastor Ben Kingston. Special music is also planned.

The annual meeting will be hosted by **Bethel Baptist Church in Sikeston, October 23, 2010, at 9:30 a.m.**

This should be a meeting to remember. The Lord's business is very important. If your church has not been represented at the meeting then make it your business to see that this year will be different.

We hope to see you at Bethel and look forward to working and fellowshiping with folks from all our churches.

May God bless His churches and God bless America.

*Ray Thurman, President.*

## Packages From Home

by *Gary Gilliam,*  
Ozark Heights Baptist Church

Our country has many soldiers serving around the world and many of these are in remote areas such as some who are serving in an outpost in North-east Afghanistan next to the border of Pakistan. They have not PX so packages are more than meaningful to them.

Many people would like to do something for soldiers like this but they have little or no access to addresses. At the end

of this article is the address of the Commanding Officer for Fox Company, 2/506 Infantry 101st. Airborne Division.

Many of us remember a special time in our lives when someone sent us a package from home. I can still remember being in the jungles of Viet Nam on Christmas 1970 and how lonesome we were for our families and friends. You may remember how sometimes it felt. We were so alone, so far from home and felt forgotten. For this reason let us be an encouragement to our soldiers.

Please help our soldiers to feel a little closer to home by sending

## Fall Paintball Retreat

The **Fall Paintball Retreat** is **October 29-30** at **Camp Garwood**. As always, it's sure to be an exciting weekend.

It starts Friday with supper at 7 p.m. followed by a few games of speedball around 9 p.m. and a dorm time of 11 p.m.

Saturday will begin with breakfast at 7 a.m. and the Safety meeting at 8 a.m. This will be followed by a devotional time.

We will begin the woods ball play at 9 a.m. and break for lunch around noon. Following lunch, we will see who's left to play in the afternoon.

Wes and his crew will be here again with co2 and air for bottle fills, and will again be providing field paint and supplies.

Cost to play is \$10 for the weekend or \$15 if you bring your own paint. This includes all the meals and air refills for the weekend.

There are a limited supply of rental guns including everything needed to play for \$ 35.

Please remind your youth to check their equipment before they get here; to be sure to bring a face mask and barrel block; and to leave the air off the guns until they are at the field ready to play.

We are looking forward to another great retreat. See you soon!

cards, letters or packages to the address below.

Thank you in advance for all you will do.

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## DiscipleGuide Gives Sunday Schools New Options

*Kevin W. Clayton, D. Min.*

Some exciting changes in our Sunday School and small group resources are coming, and we want you to know about them. In recent years our curriculum has seen a number of beneficial changes in each age level, but I want to focus here on some significant improvements to be introduced this winter.

### The Victory Series for Children

With the winter quarter 2010-11 we will introduce dual versions of the Victory Series using the King James Version and the New International Version. If a church prefers, it can continue to use the Victory Series based on the KJV, or it can take advantage of the option to order the same material based on the NIV.

### Online Crafts Are Coming

Coloring sheets and other helps have been available online as supplements to the Victory Series lessons for quite some time. These have been very popular downloads among our churches. Now there are new tools coming for churches that use the Victory Series. In the winter we will offer for purchase Online Explorer Crafts to help teachers to teach and review the Explorer Bible lessons. Included each quarter are thirteen craft ideas, one for use with each week's lesson. Each week's materials include full directions and printable patterns. Other age levels will be added later.

### Adult Classes to Be Given an Option

Beginning with the winter quarter 2010-11 Compass Point, which targets young adults 18-45, will be based on the NIV. The Compass adult Sunday School book will continue to be based on the KJV. Our churches are using different versions, so we are attempting to provide resources in both versions so that churches have access to DiscipleGuide products in a version they prefer.

### Web-Based Curriculum for Students

Under the leadership of part-time DiscipleGuide youth editor Steven Carroll, DiscipleGuide has established a long-term goal of developing Web-based curriculum for students and their teachers. As for Bible versions, our youth resources provide the Bible reference allowing the students and their teachers to use the version they prefer.

These are a few of the exciting improvements on the way. DiscipleGuide is constantly evaluating to determine how we can provide more effective resources for BMAA churches. If your church has not seen our Sunday School and small group resources lately, we encourage you to take another look. Order a free sample packet of fall resources online today at [www.DiscipleGuide.org/samples](http://www.DiscipleGuide.org/samples) or call 800-333-1442.

## 50th Anniversary

The children of Howard and Thelma Dunlap are planning a celebration for their Parents 50th Wedding Anniversary October 15th at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Harviell, MO 5:30 -8:30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

# NEWS BRIEFS

**Mt. Zion, Ellington,** says, "it's a joy to visit with you again." September 12th Bro. Melvin and Sis. Carolyn worshipped with us. Bro. Melvin had spent a week in Haiti. He shared his video with us. We were told those people were very sincere in their church service. Bro. Melvin preached a good message titled "Almost" taken from Acts 26:28 and other verses. Sis. Dianna and Sis. Carolyn's special singing was just great. A few of us at Senior Housing helped Sis. Irene Thomason celebrate her 89th birthday with cake, ice cream, coffee and pretty cards. We think you are doing great Irene. We will miss Sis. Rita Ruble as she will be visiting relatives in Kansas for three weeks. We heard that Sis. Betty Clyburn's mother, Carrie Gaede, has gone to be with the Lord. She was 99 years old in June. Sis. Carrie loved the Lord and attended church regularly. September 27th Sis. Irene Thomason's son, Donald Lee, went to be with the Lord after a brief and courageous battle with cancer. We missed the Reese's as they were having health problems. Please keep all of these families in your prayers. Until next time – Contentment is realizing God has already given me all I need. Emory Shelton, Pastor  
Mary Marcher, Reporter

**Ozark Heights, Potosi,** sends greeting to all this cool October month; I'm so glad to see the cooler weather! We are thankful to have Bro. Brian back home and in the pulpit. You miss your leader when he is away! Sunday evening, September 5th, we observed the Lord's Supper; a great way to praise our Lord! Bro. Melvin Meade paid a visit to our church and gave us a very interesting message on his trip to Haiti. We are thankful for the country we live in, our soldiers at war to protect us, our missions helping those in great need. Every Sunday Bro. Gary Gilliam has a message for all in Butch's Corner of the bulletin; a heart felt laugh, but with a serious thought. Our teen group

gave us a food for thought this past Wednesday evening, as four gave short devotionals. They have been learning how to create outlines and the need to take their place in the church. They are our future and we are so thankful for all them. Bro. Brian attended the Meramec Associational meeting on the 24th and gave his report the last Sunday of September. We are planning a great revival October 31st through Nov 3rd. Bro. Tony Crocker will be our evangelist. We extend an invitation to all to come and join us. *From our youth corner this month a very beautiful girl wrote this:* "I sure do miss the church and church services. When I started my job there was a point where I was unable to attend church for 3 months. Now my schedule is that I can come back, it is great; I see new faces and my church is growing. Teens are working on their personal testimonies and devotionals. Realizing what God can do to them when they accept him into their heart." We are looking forward to the Ordination service at 5:00 p.m. October 16th for Bro. Ron Eye, who has accepted the call to be pastor at Bates Creek Missionary Baptist Church. I am so happy to report my husband and I celebrated our 63rd wedding anniversary and Sis. Sharon Lawson sang a special for us on talent night. Thanks to all our great members; we love you all! Please remember our shut-ins in your prayers; Sis. Geraldine Warden and Sis. Gurlean Lawson.  
Brian Meade, Pastor  
Georgie Brokaw, Reporter  
Heather Brakefield, Teen reporter

**Bethany, St. Louis,** reports an unusual number of church members being hospitalized for various surgeries at the end of September. We pray they will receive healing and peace. We had some walkers participate in the LifeWord Broadcast Ministries annual "Walk/Run For The World." Many members have signed to sponsor them. Thanks to those who walked

and thanks to those who sponsored them. Our GMA's are having a garage sale on the parking lot on October 9. Our newly elected officers and teachers are doing a great job and we are looking forward to great times and growth in the months ahead as everyone does their best to serve the Lord and His church.

James Hoffmann, Pastor  
Carol McDonald, Reporter

**Friendship, Harviell,** sends Greetings! The Lord has been pouring out His blessings on us this past month. We have baptized two and received one by letter. We were honored to have one of the baptisms at Little Black River. This was such a beautiful service. October 2, a group of 30 traveled to St. Louis for a Cardinals Game, which was a new experience for several of our youth. It was a great time of fellowship enjoyed by all. The ladies are looking forward to the WMA ladies retreat.

Ernie Cate, Pastor  
Thelma Dunlap, Reporter

**Bethlehem, Doniphan,** had a fish fry and time of fellowship on September 25. It was a beautiful day and I believe everyone enjoyed it. We had a guest speaker on September 5. Bro. Chitwood had a family reunion to attend, and Bro. David Grubb filled in for him. We enjoyed he and Sis. Linda being with us. Two of our members, Bro. Herb Dale and Sis. Geneva Colburn, have been in the hospital. Bro. Herb is staying with his son and daughter-in-law (Hugh and Gwen) until he can get his strength back. Sis. Colburn is in the Current River Nursing Home for therapy. Please pray for them as well as others in our congregation that have some health issues.

Russell Chitwood, Pastor  
Janice Colburn, Reporter

**First, Potosi,** sends blessed greetings to all. We felt like celebrating when we had Bro. Jamie home from the trip to Bolivia, and we know some other churches celebrated with

their pastors home, also. Each pastor his own way of presenting himself to his people as he preaches and teaches. Some are like evangelical, some are teachers, some are more social as they preach, but Bro. Jamie reminds me of the way Jesus gathered the people around Him on the hillsides after he had fed them and said, "Come let us look at the Word together," and He sat down and they studied His ways and His will together. The men are beginning a fraternity study "THE QUEST" to help the men pull together in our church. We are planning to have a new directory with a bio of family and two pictures of other members of the family. The community-wide ladies bible study is starting a study of part I Genesis. The mini-conference with the editor of the new DiscipleGuide children's series, Ami Beasley, was held this month. It was good to see folks from other churches join in this study. The JOY group went on their trip to Branson. New teachers and committee members were selected this month. Women starting on a study of "Jonah, A Life Interrupted" is underway. NAOMI & RUTH began again this month with scriptures to share and study. Awana is off to a good start with 130 present the first night. Sunday School teachers of 4th and 5th graders met at Crockers for fun and fishing. Grades 7-12 went to Skyzone. A Youth hayride is being planned this month. The

GMA's are planning a lock-in. The big day for LifeWord Walk/Run For the World will be the 16th at Bro. Jamie's with a Pork Roast after the walk. Bro. Frank Thompson's funeral was held last week at Stony Point Baptist Church. Bro. James Simpson was asked to take a small choir to their church to help celebrate Bro. Frank's life in song. It was a very inspirational service showing the love so many had for him. We were privileged to have an artistic display by Sis. Jessica Philpot on canvas with music. The canvas is to be framed and displayed in the church. We invite you to come visit and view this picture of Christ.

Jamie Haguewood, pastor  
Beverly Simpson, reporter

**Landmark, DeSoto,** says, "Hello again friends and neighbors." September was a wonderful month. Beautiful weather and the Lord was at work. Two of our youth were saved and one, Tristan Stallings, was baptized. Praise the Lord and pray for them as they begin their Christian lives. October 3rd was Landmark's 78th year and we had a great Homecoming. Bro. Dover brought the morning sermon from Romans 1 on The Wrath of God. Dinner in the basement followed, and as always there was plenty of food. Entertainment was provided by the Harpers and what a blessing they were. If you haven't heard the Harpers,

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## In Memory of Mark Scott

Missions lost a good friend this week...and so did I. Early in the morning hours on October 1, I lost a dear friend due to an unexpected, but fatal heart attack. My wife, Carolyn and I were called to the hospital before midnight and were told that one of my deacons, Mark Scott, had been brought to the ER after collapsing. We waited with two of his sons, his sister and other family members as they prayed and waited the results of a cardiac catheterization procedure to stabilize his heart. The heart doctor returned too soon to tell us that despite their heroic efforts, Mark had gone on to be with his Savior. The immediate deluge of cries and tears were natural as they reflected and amplified the sense of our great loss. At only age 44, Bro. Mark leaves behind three fantastic sons: Josh, John Mark, and Jonah; along with his mother, Faye, and sister Nancy. Pray that God's peace will stand guard over their hearts.

Bro. Mark is one of those guys who had a sweet, compassionate, and helpful spirit. There was nothing that he would not do for you...you only had to ask and he would say, "Let's do it!" The thing I will



remember most about him was his love for mission work in Haiti and Honduras. Due to Mark's exuberance and leadership, myself and many of our church members at Lindsay Lane Baptist made our first mission trip to Honduras two years ago. He was our experienced leader on this whole mission trip. He led in the fund raising, in laying out the itinerary, in the food preparation, etc. He did everything but pack our own personal bags, but like a good leader, he told us what to pack. I believe that Bro. Mark was the catalyst that turned a dream of visiting a foreign mission field into a reality for many of us. Without his ministry in our lives, it would still only be a dream. Thank you, Bro. Mark!

The picture on this page is one of Bro. Mark taking a cool drink of water as we dug a trench to lay a water line in the hot 95 degree Honduran heat.

I chose this picture because it reflects what Mark was to me. He was a deacon who faithfully supported me, but more importantly, he was that friend who was always a "cool drink of refreshing water" when I needed it. The Bible tells us in Proverbs 17:17, "A friend loves at all times, And a brother is born for adversity." That verses just begins to describe my friend, Mark. No matter the need, he was always there, a true friend...and like a brother, you could count on him in hard times!

After learning of his father's death, Mark's oldest son, Josh, lamented that he still had so much to learn from his father. Josh, you are not alone...we all had much to learn from your father and our dear brother. Our loss is so great. Yet, we will wait a while and one day in Eternity, we will sit down with Mark and pick up where we left off. Thank God for forever friends!

*Pastor Danny Kirk*

## Russian Coordinator Resigns

The BMAA Department of Missions wishes to inform all churches and ministry partners, upon the request of the Missions Advisory Committee, North American Russian Coordinator Fiodor Baraniuk has tendered his resignation. Bro. Fiodor's resignation is effective October 1, 2010. Churches who have directly supported Fiodor's ministry will be sent letters of explanation. The BMAA missions leadership wishes to express our appreciation to Fiodor for his years of service, and we pray for God's blessings on his future ministry.



The "Children" of North Lake Church, Smithville in the "Garage"

## From Our Missionary...

We've been having lots of fun here in Smithville. The atmosphere for Sunday Worship and Wednesday night "Life Group" has been really good as of late. We have been going through the book of Acts on Sunday, and the book of James on Wednesday nights. It seems as though I find myself saying that.. "this is an awesome chapter" each week, and then saying "like every chapter in the Book isn't awesome"... right after. The discussions and interactions have been good and discipleship continues to take place.

We have also seen lots of visitors and returning visitors for this past month. Our children's class is really growing, and the garage is packed on most Wednesday night's, and Sunday's. This brings about much chaos when the kids first come in, but we can handle a little chaos for an opportunity to minister to the neighborhood kids.

Please continue to pray that God expands our reach in this community through new neighborhoods and friends.

May God Bless,  
*Jamie Jones*

## DiscipleGuide Conference...

### 11th Annual National Senior Adult Conference November 16-18, 2010

at  
*Hiltons of Branson, Missouri*

\$125 Per Person by October 18, 2010.  
Late Registration is \$135 & Off-site is \$145.

You may register online at  
[www.DiscipleGuide.org/conferences](http://www.DiscipleGuide.org/conferences)  
or print the form and mail it with your check to the DCM office.

Make your reservations at the Hilton Convention Center Hotel or the Hilton Promenade by calling 1-800-445-8667 or direct at 417-336-5400.

The parking garage is \$8 per day and there is limited free parking. Group rate is \$122 per night with the meeting room on site.

## Friends Day

*Mt. Zion Baptist Church*  
Poplar Bluff

**October 24, 2010**

Everyone Welcome

**Former Pastors and Member Expected!**

### FINANCIAL REPORT BMA OF MISSOURI MISSIONS • September 2010

#### General Fund

Balance August 31, 2010		\$ 22,337.32
September Receipts:	\$ 1,179.14	<u>1,179.14</u>
Total Available		\$ 23,516.46
Disbursements:		
Director's Salary	\$ 700.00	
BMAA Partnership	1,500.00	
Director's Expenses	367.29	
Postage	6.96	
Office Supplies	<u>18.65</u>	
Total Disbursements	\$ 2,592.90	\$ <u>2,592.90</u>
Balance September 30, 2010:		\$ 20,923.56
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 65,879.00	
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 22,794.67	
ING Direct Savings	\$ <u>10,782.48</u>	
Total in CD's:	\$ 99,456.15	

## Greater Metropolitan St. Louis Area Walk/Run For The World

Walkers from five churches (Bethany, Emmanuel, Landmark, London Hill, and Zion) met at the Arnold City Park on Saturday, October 2, 2010, to participate in the LifeWord Walk/Run for the World.

The Arnold City Park has great paved level walking trails, and is a great place to meet for a walk. In spite of the wind and dreary skies, the rain held off and we enjoyed our time of fellowship.

The pot luck lunch was diverse and enjoyed by all. The concert presented by The Harper Family was toe-tappin' and uplifting.

Thanks to all who participated in this event.

Don't forget to send your pledges and offerings to LifeWord by their deadline (December 2010).

Make plans to attend the walk next year.

No matter what the weather brings, this is always a great opportunity to fellowship and contribute to the spread of the gospel throughout the world.

LifeWord Broadcast Ministries is the voice of the BMA around the world.

*Connie Reifsteck, Area Coordinator*

## Called Home

**Sis. Ruby Carter**, a former, longtime and faithful member of Bethany Baptist Church in St. Louis was called home to be with the Lord September 10, 2010. She was a residence of the Baptist Home in Ironton, Missouri, at the time of her death.

**Bro. Frank Thompson**, retired minister and member of Stony Point Baptist Church of Mineral Point was called home September 22, 2010 at the age of 84. He is survived by his wife Dorothy and many other family members. He was a resident of Georgian Gardens Nursing Center at the time of his death.

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make plans to do so. It was so good to see old friends. Bro. Jim Ford, a former Pastor of Landmark, was able to be with us. So many wonderful blessing, just can't wait to see what God has in store for October. Till next month, God Bless. Wayne Gibson, Pastor  
Kathy Hawkins, Reporter

**Charity, Bismarck**, welcomes you to our services anytime you are in the area or if you are looking for a home church. There is always something going on at Charity. October 1st, we hosted a Youth in the Harvest with guests Francois and Margueritte Norcilus. You should have seen their faces when our singers started singing "I'll Fly Away" in Creole. He laughed out loud and slapped his leg. What a thrill. October 3rd we had dinner at the church then went to the Big River to baptize Michael Dornin and welcome him into the full fellowship of the church. What a beautiful day. Sunday evening the whole church decided to go with Bro. Francois to Ozark Heights. We sang "Mop Vole Tea Shay" in Creole again with Bro. Francois and Sis. Margueritte joining in. What a time we had. Melvin and Carolyn visited the hospital in Poplar Bluff last Sunday afternoon. The call came on Monday that our long time friend, Donald Lee Thomason, had died at 7

the next morning and the family asked Melvin to do a eulogy at the funeral in Van Buren. We never know when the call will come. Let's give our flowers while they live. Don't forget, the Fellowship Choir will sing at the District Association at London Hill on the 16th. Charity's GMA will host a "Trunk or Treat" on the church parking lot on the 30th. We plan to distribute gospel tracts along with candy.

Lee Miller, Pastor  
Carolyn Meade, Reporter

**Kewanee, Kewanee**, sends love and greetings to all! September was quite a busy month for us and we enjoyed it all. When God's people work together, God sends His blessings and we have been truly blessed! Our rummage/bake sale for LifeWord was a great success. We raised a little over \$2800. Everyone had a great time of fellowship and Bro. Dan passed out information on the church. We pray that these pamphlets will reach the unsaved and give them a little more knowledge of Christ and about our church. We are also doing penny marches and potlucks for the walk/run for the world. So far, we have raised about \$8300!!! Thanks to Sis. Vera Strickland, the church coordinator, for all her hard work on all the activities for LifeWord. She keeps us all motivated! She is doing a won-

derful job and we appreciate all her hard work. Three young girls were added to the church by baptism: Maddie Crockett, Alexa Garner, and Allyson Garner. Please pray for them as they start their new life in Christ. We celebrated our 75th anniversary on the 26th. There were about 165 in attendance for the a.m. services. We had a lot of visitors and were especially glad to have Bro. Tom and Sis. Janice in the services. Special music for the a.m. services was provided by: Macy McCanness, Lisa Cox, JoAnn Dillion, and the trio (Rhonda Bickerstaff, Debbie Nowell and Jenni Duckworth.) Bro. Tom and Sis. Janice also sang a special. Sis. Pam Wisely made the decorations for the fellowship hall and YES, now she is designated #1 decorator. She did a great job! Several stayed and helped with the decorating after Wednesday night services. It was beautiful. Bro. Jason Redden smoked the turkey breasts and boston butts and they were delicious. Thanks Jason for a job well done!!! The fellowship hall was full and some had to sit in a classroom. We had around 80 to stay for the afternoon services. Sis. Vera had fans designed to pass out as souvenirs. They featured a picture of the first building where services were held, the first church building and the current building. God has truly been in this church throughout

the years. Kewanee has been blessed for 75 years and we look forward to the next 75 years to see what God has in store for us. We are thankful for the members who have been faithful throughout the years. We have several new members and others who are visiting on a regular basis and are excited about what we can do in God's name as a church working together to spread the gospel. The ladies are planning their annual Make, Bake and Take sale Sunday, October 24. We extend an invitation to all the ladies of our sister churches. You can contact any lady of the church for more information. I would like to thank Sis. Pam for doing the report for me last month. She was handed the minutes from the business meeting and asked to write the article 2 days before it was due. She did a great job. Rocky and I thank all our sister churches for their prayers and phone calls during his heart surgery. He is on the road to recovery. It is great to be a part of Kewanee church, our association and most of all to be a part of the family of God. We are blessed to be depressed!

Dan Wisely, Pastor  
Debbie Houston, Reporter

**Faith, St. Charles**, sends greetings to all our sisters and brothers. We have been very busy the past few months doing work for the Lord. AWANAs started September 15th and the kids were all glad to see us. We have been putting Shepherd's Bags together for the EIM. We had a great "assembly line" going in the Fellowship hall several times in the past few weeks and have assembled over 100 bags each time. These items were given by our members who love the Lord and want to help those who are taking His Word to those that need to know Him. Special thanks to the pastor's wife, Connie, for keeping a close eye on the items on hand and a count of all needed to complete the task. A special offering was also taken for the EIM and our devoted members gave over \$900 to help purchase Bibles in the language of the areas these bags

will be sent. Thanks to all! We request your prayers for those who have lost a loved one recently. We all know the pain of such a loss and ask Christ to give them strength. Several members have been unable to attend services the past few weeks due to illness. We pray for them and hope the Lord comforts and heals them and brings them back soon! Until next month, remember:

**"In God we still trust."**

Tim Boatright, pastor  
Chris Pruett, reporter

**Mt. Zion, Poplar Bluff**, will have Friends Day October 24th. We invite as many as can, to come visit with us, especially former members and pastors. We enjoyed Bro. Matt Johnson's messages during our revival. We had visitors each night. Bro. Matt is our Interim Pastor and brings such uplifting and inspiring thoughts from God's Word. We pray that hearts will be touched and lost souls will come to the Lord and accept the free gift of salvation. Sis. Grace Fondren celebrated her 90th birthday September 4th with her very first birthday party, given by her niece and family in the Fox Fellowship Hall. There were 118 present, including her sister Alberta Henthorn and her two brothers, Carl and Norman Emery. She has been a member of Mt. Zion since 1982, when she and her husband, Clarence, retired and moved from St. Louis, where they had been members at Bethany for several years. She is still an ardent worker in the church and WMA and meets everyone with a smile. Bro. Cloyd Cook and his wife, Opal, enjoyed their 60th Wedding Anniversary recently with their family. They have several grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren. Bro. Cook rings the church bell each Sunday morning. We replaced our baptistry curtain, as the old one was over 40 years old and was falling apart. We thank God for all the blessings He has given our church and pray that others will be saved soon.

Matt Johnson, Interim Pastor  
Dorothy Goldschmidt, Reporter

# Family Ark Ministries

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## E.N.C.O.U.R.A.G.E. Others

Romans 15:2 *"Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good to edification."*

As I travel around the country, I have never seen a greater need for brothers and sisters in Christ to encourage one another. Our society, as a whole, is so discouraged, that if we start encouraging lost people in their life; I believe it gives us a window of opportunity to witness and hopefully lead them to Christ. By us reflecting encouragement to others, it gives them cause to listen to this hope that is within us. That lays the ground work for them to listen to the Word. Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word. So, encouragement is good to build up our family, friends, and the body of Christ. Encouragement is also good to pave the way to opportunity to witness about the hope of Jesus Christ. All of this is good.

Now, you may be feeling that you need a little more encouragement. You may need a lot of encouragement. One thing for sure, I have never met anyone that says they are over encouraged from their family. I have never heard someone tell me they need to talk about a problem followed by the statement, "I am too encouraged at work. I also am overwhelmed with encouragement and appreciation at home." Encouragement is something we can all use more of. I want to exhort you to give it away freely.

You see, if you encourage others, you will be encouraged. What goes around, comes around. Or, as scripture teaches in Galatians 6, we reap what we sow. If you need some more encouragement, don't hold back. Don't be petty and say, I will encourage my spouse when he/she give me some encouragement; or whatever relationship you are speaking of. If you want encouraged, give it away.

Senior adults are often lonely and have a lot of problems. They need someone at church to say something encouraging to them.

Teens growing up today are discouraged. Can you imagine trying to live for Jesus in a public school today! They must meet with a lot of discouragement along the way. An encouraging word from an older person at church might spur them on to keep the faith. 99.99999% of marriages need more encouraging words to flow between each other. And if you don't like your pastor or youth minister, try encouraging them some Sunday and you might just get a new preacher. You'd be surprised how little some ministers are encouraged. People might think it is a calling full of encouragement and thankful people. In most churches today, it is just the opposite.

I hope you are getting the idea that we all need more encouragement and we all need to give it more. Let's don't sit around waiting for it to come to us. As Christians, one of the easiest and fastest ways to let our light so shine before others is to be a person of encouragement. This world is hurting and looking for some encouragement. Let it be found in the people who follow Jesus Christ.

Here is what encouragement stands for:

**E - Edify.** Edify comes from the same root word of edifice which is a building. We should build each other up by our words. Find one thing nice to say each day to everyone you meet.

**N - Nurture.** Nurture means to cause to grow. Our words of encouragement can cause people to grow in the Lord. Did you know that the number one way to keep kids off of drugs is to encourage them? Discouraged kids are like an injured rabbit to the roaring lion known as Satan. The jaws of the drug culture peer

group are ready to devour discouraged kids.

**C - Courage.** It takes courage to speak up to someone you don't know very well at church. It may take some courage for a senior adult to speak to a teenager. It takes courage for a co-worker to stop the work day long enough to listen and encourage someone. It takes courage for a spouse to put their arm around their mate and encourage them after a hard day. Ask God for the courage to encourage others.

**O - Opine.** It means to give your opinion. Sometimes encouraging someone is making a statement like, "Well, I think you are doing a good job and I am proud of you." Others may not be saying that. It is encouraging to others to show you believe in them even when they don't believe in themselves. While it is just an opinion, it is that shot in the arm of energy that we really need some days. But be sincere.

**U - Understand.** It is encouraging to others if you just understand where they are coming from. There are many times in my life when I can't know how it feels for this person to be going through something, because I have never had their experience. But we can all show that we understand they are in pain, or lonely, or hurting. It is empathy. Understanding the point of view that your spouse is trying to make to you can be very encouraging.

**R - Restore.** Galatians 6:1 *"Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted."* When someone makes a mistake, when someone sins, when someone does something wrong; it is extremely encouraging to have a family member or a friend, co-worker or fellow church member come up and offer encouragement. It starts the healing process. It is the beginning of restoration. Notice in this verse that if someone is overtaken in a fault, it does not say "retaliate." It says "restore." Christians are to be about the business of reconciling and restoring. Not retaliating and destroying.

The church can be one of the loneliest places on earth when you have done something wrong. People part away from you like the Red Sea for Moses. Maybe someone could actually stop their sinning and have a complete life change for the glory of God if someone from church, just once, came up and offered some encouragement to them. We'll never know unless we try it.

**A - Acknowledge.** To be an encourager, you need to acknowledge the person. That means notice them. Pay attention to them. Do not ignore them. There are a lot of wives that would have a jump start to their life immediately, if their husbands would just start paying some attention to them! I hear this over and over. "Here I am, notice me."

How many teenagers would have a different attitude towards their parents, if their parents would just pay some attention to them. Sometimes children act out in bad behavior because they want their parents to notice them. Even sibling rivalry is oftentimes an attempt to get the parents to pay some attention to them. It is negative attention. The parent may scream at the kids, but at least they acknowledge the child exists. The worst thing families can do for one another is to ignore each other.

Finally, one of the saddest things to me is when someone comes to visit our churches and no one acknowledges them. A person is hurting, lonely or even lost without Jesus. They come into the midst of His followers and leave without any encouragement or acknowledgment. How sad. Our window of opportunity may have just been lost with that person. If you go to a church where people are not given over to warmly interacting with visitors, then appoint some people and make it their job. Greeters, if you will. Don't fake it though. Make it genuine. Don't overwhelm them. But for heaven's sake, please acknowledge those around you. God put you into a world of people. Interact with them.

**G - Grateful.** There are two sides to this one. We should all be

grateful to God for the opportunities He gives us to encourage others. It is an easy witness tool, a great reflection on His glory that works in us, and it is bringing honor to His name. Be grateful for chances to encourage and watch for them.

We should also be grateful towards others who have done things for us. This acts as an encouragement tool for these others to keep doing their good deeds. Faith without works is dead. Christians are suppose to work, serve and give to the church and others around them as their faith comes to life. People might be inclined to do more of it if they received some encouragement. Yes, we all need to do it as unto the Lord and not as unto men. Our motivation of good works is to please God. But I am telling you it spurs you on and puts a jump in your step, if when doing good; you receive some thanks from the people you serve. That can be family, friends or fellow church members. It is encouraging to receive thanks and accolades for a job well done. Many weekends, I can see a handful of people work so hard to make sure a conference goes off well, with food, decorations, and other comforts. All the people come and love it. Few, if any, give encouragement through thanks to the people that worked hours ahead of time. An attitude of gratitude feeds our faith.

**E - Enlighten.** Enlighten another life through encouragement.

You can open up worlds of possibilities to a child when they are enlightened through encouragement.

There you have a breakdown of what encouragement is.

We know we need to do it. We know we all need some more of it.

Why don't you pray and ask God to give you a tidal surge of encouragement, so you can give it away.

Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you every day to others that are around you that just need a little pick up by a hug, smile or word.

You reap what you sow. If you need encouraging, first go give it away!

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## "As It Turned

### Out..."

by *Tony Cleaver*

*(The phrase stuck with me this morning as I read from Ruth. I thought about it and had to write this.)*

What do you do when all around you people are doing exactly as they please? And you, yes you, are trying to serve the living God with all your heart, mind, and soul. Lawlessness abounds. Chaos and disorder are tandem in strength. Political and economic disarray overflow in the life of your nation. What do you do when in a supposed religious and Godly nation, the true and living God is pushed aside for the now, popular, convenient, and expedient? Exhausted religion holds no hope for the hopeless nor do exhausted euphemisms encourage ethical existence.

What do you do when there is even more to the narrative than moral decadence, political upheaval, and paganism in national, traditional religion? Add the ravages of famine to your daily existence. To top it off, throw in the death of all the males in your family—husbands as well as sons. Now what do you do? There is no social safety net to rescue the women. There is no relative to help. I guess you go back home to a place near Bethlehem—at least that is what Naomi and Ruth did in the Bible story.

I find irresistible the words in chapter two verse three of Ruth, "...As it turned out, she found herself working in a field belonging to Boaz..." What a great and grand rest of the story! Young lady, whose life has been turned upside down by infidelity or divorce, there is hope. Middle aged lady whose life is marred by disease rampant, there is hope. Older lady who is deprived of a loving mate due to death of spouse, there is hope. Read again those words...as it turned out!

God put Ruth in the field of Boaz where help was on the way. She didn't know it nor did she expect it. But God planned it all along...as it turned out. Ruth could not imagine what the outcome of her life was to

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## Ministers Resource Services

### Retirement Agency of the BMA of America

*Ron Chesser, Executive Director*

God has blessed MRS beyond our expectations. September 24, 2010, our BMA Retirement portfolio passed 10 million for the first time, closing that day at 10.1 million. We have been praying for a long time that God would continue to bless this ministry by allowing us to reach this milestone. We are so thankful to our Lord for the outstanding growth we have experienced in recent years. Our BMA Retirement portfolio was at 3.2 million just 10 years ago, so we have more than tripled the portfolio during the past 10 years.

Get on board. October is "Pastor Appreciation Month" throughout the BMAA. Show your appreciation to your pastor and church staff by enrolling them in the BMA Retirement at Ministers Resource Services. Our Long Term Growth retirement returns have averaged a growth of 8% each year for the past 8 years. We are only a phone call away, 870-774-2654.

We would also be encouraged by a love offering in October from your church to assist us in continuing to "Serve the Servants of God." October is our special emphasis month, by vote of the association, for such an offering. What can I say that I have not already said about this retirement ministry, except to pray, "Lord, let it continue to grow so it may minister in meeting the needs of your servants for your honor and your glory. Amen."

be in just a few short days...as it turned out. Circumstances triggered a transformation in Naomi to spin her from bitterness to uninhibited celebration...as it turned out.

Boaz, Ruth's husband and Naomi's son-in-law, became the father of Obed, who was

the father of Jesse, who was the father of David, who was the forerunner of the Messiah...as it turned out.

Lady, I don't know your circumstances, but God is holding you close in His loving care...and it will turn out!

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## Washington County District WMA

The Washington County District Womens' Missionary Auxiliary met September 10, 2010, at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Lemay, MO.

There were 17 ladies from five (5) churches: Charity (Bismarck), Emmanuel (Lemay), Landmark (DeSoto), Stony Point (Mineral Point), and Zion (St. Louis County).

We held the annual election of officers at this meeting. Our officers for 2010-2011 are as follows:

President	- Janet Widger, Zion
First Vice	- Bea Evans, Stony Point
Second Vice	- Janet Price, Charity
Sec./Treas.	- Tracy Goede, Zion
Asst. Sec./Treas.	- Barbara Williams, Emmanuel
Historian/Reporter	- Connie Reifsteck, Zion
Youth Promoter	- Carolyn Meade, Charity
Asst. Youth Pro.	- Becky Leija, Charity
Advisory Council	- Ladonna Baker (Zion), Norma Womble (Zion), Ruth Gibson (Landmark)
Project (6 mos.)	- 75% Missouri Baptist paper 25% general fund

Installation of officers was conducted by Sis. Bea Evans.

The next meeting will be held at Landmark Missionary Baptist Church in DeSoto, Missouri, November 12, 2010.

Please join us and plan on receiving a blessing.

*Connie Reifsteck, Reporter*

## National GMA

### Camp Planning Meeting

by *Olivia Erkhart, National GMA Secretary*

Hello Girls and Counselors:

I'm very excited to share with you the news of our upcoming National GMA Camp! August 20-21, 2010 our National GMA officers met to discuss the 2011 camp. All elected officers were present and this meeting was very productive.

The camp dates are June 14-17, 2011. The theme is "*The Great Physician*," and the theme verse is Mark 2:17. We agreed that our theme song will be "Healing Begins" by Tenth Avenue North.

We planned our daily themes which will be:

Tuesday-physical,

Wednesday-emotional,

Thursday-mental,

Friday-spiritual.

Our attendance goal for camp is 500 and our project goal is \$25,000. The project for 2011 is 45% Nikki Prickett, 45% Sarah Hebert, 5% GMA summer missions fund, and 5% general fund.

We will meet again in February to complete camp plans. I am very delighted to serve as your National GMA Secretary, and I know that this year will be a wonderful turn out. Please be praying for all the officers, girls who will attend, counselors who will attend, camp pastor, and the overall camp.

# Meramec Banner

News of one of the oldest local associations in the BMA of Missouri

## Mission Director's Annual Report given at the annual meeting of the Meramec Landmark Association September 24, 2010

I want to thank the association for allowing me to serve as your director of missions for another year. During the past year we have seen God at work in and through our association. Allow me to highlight some of our accomplishments:

1. After last year's successful Out-of-School BASH mission trip to Smithville, some of our churches and their youth volunteered to go back again this year and help church planters, Jamie and Rebekah Jones. Jamie and Rebekah had once again organized several service projects in the area. One of the service projects was very "eye opening" for our young people as they went to downtown Kansas City and assisted the Hope Faith Ministries with renovation work on their newly acquired building to provide services for the homeless. The young people worked hard at completing the tasks at hand and at "making Jesus famous."

2. The theme for this year's Jesus Camp was "No More Excuses." All of the pastors did an excellent job in presenting God's Word. There was a lot of excitement when Moses showed up for the first night of camp. He did not look one day over 3000 years old. We rejoice that over 300 people came to camp this year and for all of the souls that were saved. The additional space for bunks upstairs relieved some of the over crowdedness and the new bunks with new mattresses were deeply appreciated. Pray for our camp committee as they make preparations for next year's camp and as they lead us to dissolve our indebtedness over the next two years.

3. This year our association was actively involved in sending missionaries to Bolivia to minister on the River of Blessing Medical Boat. We provided scholarships for 4 of our pastors whose churches first donated \$500 to their trip expense. We also gave funds to provide the eye glasses for the optometry ministry. Sometime soon, we will hear from Brothers Haguewood, Meade, Page, and Banderman as they highlight their ministry in Latin America.

4. Friendship Baptist Church has faithfully made payments with interest to our Revolving Loan Fund over the past 2½ years. This past May, the church repaid the remainder of their loan, increasing our Revolving Loan Fund by \$82,000. We thank God for their willingness to help our association by borrowing from this fund.

5. Despite the severe downturn in the economy, our churches continue to faithfully support missions with their offerings. We show an increase of 4% in receipts over last year (over \$1600). Thank you for giving!

6. And what I think is the best news this year is the progress that has been made at the church plant in Smithville, MO. The Jones family and NorthLake Church has been blessed with professions of faith, baptisms, and many new contacts made in this past year. I will allow Bro. Jamie to give his report of what God has done, but let me say that I am proud to be their pastor and Lindsay Lane Baptist is happy to be the mother church. We continue to expect great things in Smithville because this is God's burden and His work. These missionaries are on the front line of battle and it is imperative that we lift them up in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Danny Kirk, Director of Missions**

## Shepherd Bags Update

by Fonda Norris,  
EIM Shepherd Bags Coordinator

I'd like to take a moment to follow up our last article outlining our new procedure for the Shepherd Bags™ Ministry and EIM's 1.2 Million Campaign for Honduras. We have had calls and emails with questions regarding the changes that we are incorporating and I want to try and clear up some questions that have been raised.

Our first container to Honduras will be shipped in October. We stated that we would like the new procedure to begin before the first Honduras container is loaded. However, we understand that there are churches and individuals that have already purchased supplies to make bags that will not be ready until after that shipment leaves or they have already made bags and wondered if they would be used in Honduras. If you have assembled bags, please go ahead and get them to us as soon as you can. Or if you have purchased supplies and were planning on putting bags together, by all means go ahead and put the bags together. We will continue to work the bags in until everyone is finished with any Shepherd Bags™ that they were in the process of making. Rest assured that all bags that you are presently assembling will be sent to Honduras.

You can start with the new procedure the next time you begin to assemble Shepherd Bags™. We have already used the new procedure with several churches. It worked like this: Churches sent their Shepherd Bags™ offering to the EIM office, EIM ordered their supplies and sent it to the churches for assembly. The entire process worked well and we've had nothing but positive feedback.

Another question that has been asked numerous times

Meramec Landmark Baptist Association Financial Report • September 2010		
Balance August 31, 2010		\$ 5,642.50
Total Receipts:		\$ 2,000.10
Total Available		\$ 7,642.50
Disbursements:		
Danny Kirk	1,100.00	
Director's Expenses & Mileage	171.25	
Jamie Jones Partnership	500.00	
Brotherhood Mutual	493.33	
Bank Chrges	2.00	
Total Disbursements:	\$ 2,266.58	\$ (2,266.58)
Checking Balance, September 30, 2010:		\$ 5,376.02
Revolving Loan Fund Balance		\$ 118,671.25

since last week is, "What can we do if we do not want to make Shepherd Bags™ but still want to help? Can we send money instead of making bags?" YES! One of our greatest needs as stated before will be having the funds to allow us to keep our Warren EIM Warehouse supplied with needed items to assemble bags. We had a church just this week to tell us that they are going to raise money and have some fun with it. They are going to have quarterly contests with all their Sunday School Classes. Whoever raises the most money will choose what the losing classes have to do. Things such as kissing a pig, washing the winners feet, getting duct taped to a wall and have water balloons thrown. Hey teachers that just may bring those Sunday school numbers up!

There are numerous reasons why we must change and adapt to meet the level of ministry that is going to be involved in the Shepherd Bags™. God opened this door and we believe that we're headed in the right direction. We appreciate your faithfulness to EIM and the Shepherd Bags™ Ministry. You have partnered with us since 1999 to get thousands of bags into numerous countries and we are excited to hear many of you expressing to us that you'll be with us to help meet this incredible goal of 1.2 Million Bags to Honduras.

If you have any questions about the Shepherd Bags™ Ministry, visit our website at [www.eimworldwide.org](http://www.eimworldwide.org). You may also contact me, Fonda Norris; EIM's Shepherd Bags™ Coordinator, at 870-226-3626 or email me at: [fnorris@eimworldwide.org](mailto:fnorris@eimworldwide.org).

## 2010 Volunteer Summer Missionaries Basketball Mission

This year's VSM Basketball Mission to Ukraine had a blessed experience supporting new church plants in the country of Ukraine. The team worked under the direction of BMAA International missionary Laura Kanyakina and her husband Andrea. Several tournaments were promoted across Ukrainian cities to help in outreach opportunities for local churches and new church plants. The team also ministered in two Gypsy camps leading in Bible stories, games and singing with hundreds of Gypsy children.

The team members (Zac Whitker/Texas, Jordan Raggion/Texas, Martez Wells/Mississippi, Tyler Eggers/Mississippi, Chris Hamilton/Arkansas, Pat Anderson/Arkansas, Chris Vines/Arkansas, Illya/Russia, Oleg/Russia), hailed from three states, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas, and the country of Russia which sent us two students from the Russian city of Georgiski were we served last year.

Plans are to return to Ukraine in the Summer of 2011. Students interested in being part of this team can apply under the VSM heading of the national BMAA website:

[www.bmaam.net](http://www.bmaam.net). We are looking for students with good basketball skills. Students who love basketball, but love God more.

For more information contact Stan Scroggins at 870-562-9409 or [stan@fbcMagnolia.com](mailto:stan@fbcMagnolia.com).



This "field service" was conducted Sept. 5 by Chaplain Inman for men who had been on a firing range in Germany for three days, qualifying on weapon systems they will use in Afghanistan. "My 'pulpit time' with these guys is indescribable," said Chaplain Inman.

## Protecting The "Unprotected"

via *The Baptist Trumpet* • Diane Spriggs, Editor

BMA Chaplain Doug Inman is working with military personnel and their families at Grafenwoehr, Germany, while the soldiers go through training. As part of his duties, he was given the assignment to organize and publish *The Vanguard's Roll Call*, a newsletter that is distributed to the soldiers and their families. And he did a great job as shown in the following article he wrote.

### Chaplain's Word

It is my great pleasure to greet the soldiers and families of 2-18 IN in our first edition of *The Vanguard's Roll Call*. I will first introduce myself. My name is Chaplain (CPT) Douglas J. Inman, and I call Arkansas my "where I come from" home. I am an avid Arkansas Razorback and SEC fan. I love to hunt, fish, camp and, most of all, spend time with my family.

I married my wife, Katja, 23 years ago, and we have three great boys - Nathaniel, 13; Jonas, 10; and Caleb, 7. We have been on ground in Germany for a little over 2 months now, and yes we have received our household goods.

With that said, I want to let you know I am very excited about being your chaplain. One thing soldiers and their families might not always know is I am not only a chaplain to the one in the ACUs, but to his/her family as well. I love to help families through those occasional rough spots they may find themselves in, so let the record show that I am here for you.

As we spend our time out here in Grafenwoehr going through some really good training, I can't help but wonder if others may feel as I do at times. Sometimes I feel quite unprotected! In fact, while deployed to Iraq there were several times I felt unprotected. One of the reasons I felt that way is because, as chaplain, I fall under a non-combatant role. That is exactly right - I do not and cannot carry a weapon.

But even though I don't carry a weapon I still go "outside the wire," in other words I go outside the safety of the compound. Without going into great details, I remember there were times when I really felt vulnerable out there!

The chaplain's branch came up with the solution for this dilemma, and that was a chaplain assistant (CA). One of the main duties of the CA is being the chaplain's security force. That's right, he/she is my protection while on patrols and such. I am really blessed to have a good CA, but that is not always enough when it comes down to needing protection from the things of this world.

Bottom line up front - sometimes we need assurance that we are protected from all the things that can cause us pain and suffering. I would like to share a verse with you that brings me comfort and lets me know I am never unprotected! *"The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them."* (Psalm 34:7) I believe whoever truly fears the Lord, has nothing else to fear.

## An Opportunity To Help

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

My name is Jonathan Quillman and I am a youth leader at New Community Church in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

There is a boy in our youth group named Malachi Smith. He is 13 years old and is in the 8th grade in Porter, OK. Malachi suffers from a disease called Cystic Fibrosis. For those of you who are not familiar with this disease, Cystic Fibrosis is a disease that affects the entire body, causing progressive disability. Malachi takes 30 pills and 10 breathing treatments every day, just to function. Over the course of his life, he has suffered from several lung infections, which have significantly decreased his lung function to the point that they will not be able to operate on their own for much longer.

Malachi will undergo a double lung transplant in Houston, Texas. Since the surgery is in Houston, Malachi and his family will need to live there until he is fully recovered from his transplant.

We are planning several fundraisers to help support Malachi and his family. These donations will be used to help with medical expenses that will not be covered by insurance and for living expenses while they are temporarily relocated to Houston. Our major fund-raiser is a donation based benefit concert on November 6, 2010, at New Community Church. The concert will include performances by the Swon Brothers, Josh Tanner, and Me in Motion, with a message brought by Pastor Ryan Gray of Grace Ministries.

If you would like more information, or to make a donation to help support Malachi and his family, please contact Jonathan Quillman (918)781-9895 or Aaron Wright (918)990-0420. Whether or not you are able to contribute financially, please commit Malachi, his family, and our fundraising efforts to prayer.

Thank you in advance for your support and prayers.

## AVAILABLE PREACHERS

The following names are listed as a service to our churches in keeping you informed as to preachers that are available. The publishing of a preacher's availability for preaching appointments or pastoral work should not be considered as a recommendation by the *Missouri Missionary Baptist*. Names are published at the request of the individual and will be published in three consecutive issues unless the editor is otherwise instructed.

**Ray Thurman**, is available for pulpit supply or to serve as an interim pastor as God leads. You may contact him at 573-438-2195. -10-

**Tim Bell**, a member of Bethel Missionary Baptist Church in Sikeston Missouri, is available for pulpit supply. Contact him at 573-471-5063 or 573-475-0517 -9-

**Rocky Houston**, a member of Kewanee Baptist Church, is available for supply or however the Lord leads. Contact him at 573-748-5879 after 4:00 p.m. -9-

**Jerry Jolly** has resigned the pastorate of the Highland Hills Baptist Church at Highland AR effective June 20. He is available for revivals, conferences or Sunday preaching appointments as the Lord leads. He can be reached at 1-870-932-8293 or 1-870-930-4309 or jerryjolly@suddenlink.net. -7-

**Allen Casey** is available for pulpit supply. He is a member of Springdale Baptist Church in Fenton and can be reached at 636-349-5524. -8-

**Jeff Richards** is available as the Lord leads. He is a member of Friendship Baptist Church in St. Clair. Contact him at Home - 636-629-6280 or Cell - 573-210-4965 -8-

**Bob Ayers** is available to be used as the Lord leads. He is a member of Oak Hill Baptist Church in Alton and can be contacted at 573-255-3065. -9-

**James Mills** recently resigned as pastor of Highway Baptist Church in Judsonia, Arkansas, where he had served for the past 11 1/2 years. He is available for pulpit supply, revivals, or pastoring as the Lord leads. Contact him by phone: 501-281-1246 or by email: jamesmills@indco.net. -10-

### Position(s) Available

Calvary Baptist Church in Fayetteville, Arkansas, is seeking a full-time Minister of Music and Minister of Students, or combination of these 2 positions. Interested applicants may send your resume to the church at 1410 Porter Rd., Fayetteville, AR 72703. Attention Music Search Committee. The deadline for accepting resumes is November 5, 2010.

### Camp Garwood 2010



These pictures remind us of the great time we had at Camp Garwood this year. The picture above shows a church group gathered for prayer before the evening worship service. The picture below shows the participants in the Sword Drill during afternoon activities.

