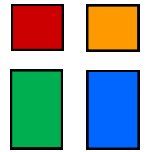


# Concord Covenant

## October 2018



Concord Baptist Association

# 195th Annual Meeting

Saturday, October 13

9:00 a.m. @ Memorial Baptist Church

## Saved!

“There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12 CSB

Featured Speaker: Rob Phillips

MBC leader for ministry support and apologetics



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### Important Dates

#### October

13 Fall Annual Meeting  
14 Global Hunger Day  
15 CBA Staff Prayer Journey  
17 “Protecting the Church”  
22-23 MBC Annual Meeting  
30 Pastor Round Table

#### November

9-17 El Salvador Mission Trip  
21 CBA Office closes at noon  
22 Thanksgiving  
23 CBA Office closed  
27 Pastor Round Table

#### December

3 CBA Staff Prayer Journey  
2-9 Week of Prayer-IMB  
24-Jan. 1 Office closed for  
Christmas holiday

**The following is taken from our Constitution. Take action now to be sure your church is represented.**

## Article IV Messengers

### Section 1

The voting membership of the Association at annual meetings shall be composed of the pastor, Executive Council representative and three messengers, plus one messenger for each hundred members or major fraction thereof per church.

### Section 2

No church shall have less than six voting members.

### Section 3

Alternates may serve in the absence of any of the above.

### Section 4

All other persons who hold membership in the Executive Council as defined in Article VI, Section 2 shall have voting privileges at the annual meeting.

## Calvin's Corner:

### No Quick Fixes



**“Therefore,  
we are  
ambassadors  
for Christ,  
since God is  
making his  
appeal  
through us.  
We plead on  
Christ’s  
behalf: ‘Be  
reconciled to  
God.’”**

**2 Corinthians 5:20  
CSB**

It is a fact that a large number of churches are in decline. When this reality began to be discussed 20 years ago, most denied that it was their problem. Today, decline is the accepted norm as churches scramble for answers. Let’s be honest — the real question being asked is, “How can we survive?” instead of, “How can we thrive?” Many are searching for quick answers to a complex problem. Seeking quick answers is not new. In the ‘70’s and 80’s many churches bought into the philosophy of building a gym to attract more people. Don’t get me wrong, it worked for some but not for many. More recent generations have their quick fixes. Contemporary music has become the quick fix idea for many. I hear this mostly from struggling churches that desire to reach younger families. I like contemporary music. It is the appropriate style for some churches but it is not the quick fix of “If we sing it they will come.” The quick fix idea that I hear most today is “If we get a young pastor we can reach young families.” Thank God we are seeing young men called into the ministry. But to be fair to them and to the church, just because a church has a young pastor does not mean they will reach a younger crowd. The problem with all quick fix ideas is that there is no one-size-fits-all solution for reaching a community.

Dennis Pethers, a Baptist minister from England, spoke to the issue of declining churches and seeking answers to a group of associational missionaries. He said that the churches in England were in decline long before they admitted they had a problem. When they did admit the problem, for years the churches experimented with quick fixes, Pethers said. Some changed worship styles, others began seeker services, and still others held special events. All the fixes had one thing in common, they were attempts to attract people to the church building. At that point in Pethers’ address, he leaned over the lectern and said, “It did not work and you in America are trying to do the same thing.”

If there is no quick fix for a church to survive and thrive, then what is the answer? I’ve discussed this question with a few pastors of churches that are finding ways to reach their community. Those I talked to were from small churches and large churches. A few of them had a gym; some used contemporary music in their services, and some were traditional. The pastors I talked to were Millennial, Gen X, and Baby Boomers. When asked how they are reaching the people around them, not one said their age, their music, or any program or activity was the key to what God was doing. I do also have to say that none felt they were doing enough, realizing much more needs to be done. The one common denominator from these churches is the four-letter word **W O R K**. It takes hard work. There are no shortcuts. Mind you, the work was not just that of the pastor but of church members, as well. Their focus was not on getting people into the building but on getting people out of the building and into the community. It is work to build relationships with people who do not know Christ and care nothing for the church. It takes time, much prayer, personal sacrifice, and often gut-wrenching heartache to reach people. It is often messy and you may question if you are making a difference.

There are many methods of reaching people but no quick fixes. It takes the hard work of being obedient to Christ with the power of the gospel.

*Calvin*

## Baptist Collegiate Ministry

In this month's article let me begin by sharing some sad news and prayer requests. In only a few short weeks of the beginning of this semester, 2 young students in their early twenties have died. A young man was shot and killed a couple of weeks ago and, more recently, a young lady died in a car accident on interstate 70. I attended a wake on campus for both the young man and for the young lady. Of course the families and the friends on campus of these young people are hurting deeply. Please remember these families and the LU community in your prayers.

I continue to be among the students, of course in the recent tragedies, but in the cafeteria and with the football team whom I accompanied on their latest away game in Springfield. I also conducted chapel services before each home game in September.

Thank you for your prayers for our ministry. You can help and be involved by providing financial help, snacks and food, and by hosting a meal for students at the association building. Also, the football team and other students will respond to an invitation to come to worship with or without a meal afterwards.

Your Missionary on Campus,  
Pastor Dave, BCM Director

**Training for  
pastors, staff,  
and leaders**

**Theme: Protecting the Church!**  
**Workplace Sexual Harassment and Child Abuse**  
What can we do to reduce the risk and what should we do if an accusation arises .  
**Date: October 17th**  
**Where: Concord Baptist Church, JC MO**  
**Time: 9 am to 11 am.**  
**Speakers: Tyler Foster and Becky Moyer**

Coordinated by the Missouri Baptist Convention, the Concord Baptist Association, and Concord Baptist Church  
Please RSVP by calling Concord Baptist Church 573-893-2876



Tyler Foster is the Principal / Owner of GLS Insurance Group who serve 1,000s of clients across the Midwest and Western United States. Tyler is an expert in church insurance and has insured over 200 Missouri churches and related Christian organizations including Hannibal LaGrange University. Tyler lives in Springfield, MO and has been married to Dawn for over 14 years. He has two wonderful children. In addition, he is actively involved in ministries with South Haven Baptist Church as a Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, and Committee member. He also serves on the Board of Trustees at Hannibal-LaGrange University and 100Fold. He holds the industry designation of Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow (LUTCF) and serves with numerous other non-profit organizations in his community.

Becky Moyer, co-owner of Moyer & Moyer Insurance Agency, a member of Insurance One, is a church insurance specialist with extensive expertise and experience working specifically with houses of worship. Representing several insurers who specialize in churches, their local office personally insures over 550 churches, associations, Christian schools/seminaries and religious headquarters, including the Missouri Baptist Convention. Becky has over 37 years of insurance experience with a passion for helping churches be good stewards of their insurance dollars. A pastor's daughter and a lifetime of involvement serving in her local church provide Becky practical insight in recognizing and implementing loss control and coverage needs. Becky and her husband have been married for 35 years and have two adult daughters. They are all active in ministry at Fellowship Greenwood.



**Please pray for our churches without pastors:**

Jefferson City Baptist  
Main Street (Transitional-  
Bro. Clyde Leonard)  
Memorial  
Mt. Pleasant-Hartsburg  
(Interim Dr. Gary Mathes)  
Pisgah  
Pleasant Hill Baptist  
Prairie Home FBC  
Elston FBC-(Interim  
Rev. Les Cassil)  
Southridge

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**FBC California** is looking for an interim Youth Minister. Call the church office or email pastor Jeremy Anderson for further information, [pastor@fbccalifornia.com](mailto:pastor@fbccalifornia.com).

**Pisgah Baptist Church** is accepting resumes for pastor. Send to Judy Kilmer, 55639 Circle Drive, California, MO 65018.

**Calvary Baptist Church** is seeking a pianist for Sunday morning and Wed. evening practice. Contact LaDonna, 573-680-9736

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Like CBA on Facebook to keep up with upcoming events!



## Pastor Round Table Tuesday, October 30

Noon at the association office, lunch provided  
6:30 at FBC California, dinner provided

Choose the time and location that best fits your schedule. All we ask is that you let us know you plan to attend so we can plan the meals.

## Ministry Needs for El Salvador Mission Trip

The team will be distributing hygiene and agricultural kits.

It is more cost effective to purchase the hygiene and agricultural supplies in country than to take them.

We are asking our CBA churches to contribute to meet these needs:

- ◆ Cost to fill a hygiene kit is \$10.00 - we need funds for 200 kits
- ◆ Cost to fill an agricultural kit is \$15.00 - we need funds for 50 kits
- ◆ Donations may be sent to the association office marked "ES mission." Funds are needed by November 2. Money received above these expenses will be used for ministry in El Salvador.
- ◆ Please be in prayer for the team and those to whom they will be ministering and give as the Lord leads you.



## YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE WITH US!



The churches of Concord Baptist Association are cordially invited to the Dedication Service of our new facility located at 821 Magnolia Place, Jefferson City, MO, on Sunday, November 4, 5:00 p.m. We hope to see you there!



## One-Day Training Event for All Age Groups

Troy First Baptist Church  
Troy, MO

Cost: \$10

To register and get more  
information on the schedule,  
breakouts, and breakout leaders  
go to [www.mobaptist.org/  
transform-conference](http://www.mobaptist.org/transform-conference)



**DEMENTIA  
CAREGIVERS**  
*Resource Group*  
*Help for your journey.*

**October 3, 2018**

### **Do You Have a Pre-Need Plan?**

Phil Freeman, Freeman Mortuary, will discuss pre-need arrangements for end of life and how to go about securing that the wishes of our loved ones are carried out correctly. He will also discuss various types of arrangements. Tim Theroff, General Manager of Riverview Cemetery, will be present to give information about cemeteries and columbariums. A question and answer time will follow. Light lunch provided.

**October 17, 2018**

### **What Do You Know About Skilled Care Facilities and Elder Abuse?**

Professionals from local Skilled Care facilities will share information on the levels of dementia care provided, definitions of employee positions, training requirements and staffing standards required by the State of Missouri. Azelene Evans will provide information regarding elder abuse. A question and answer time will follow. Resource information will be available. Light lunch provided.

Meetings are FREE. No reservation necessary.  
TIME: 11:30am-1:00pm  
LOCATION: First Baptist Church, Room 101  
301 E Capitol  
(Park in lower lot, use Door #4)

### **From Loss to New Life**

**AARP Grief and Loss Support Group**  
**Weekly Series - Tuesdays, Oct. 2-Nov. 20**

A free program specifically designed for those suffering grief or loss of a loved one through death or divorce. Refreshments served, registration required. Call FBC at 573-634-3603 or email [mary@fbcjc.org](mailto:mary@fbcjc.org).

### **Minnesota Mission Opportunity**

**October 4-7, 2018**

Volunteers will be winterizing middle-lower income homes in the Rochester area. This is a 3MT-type mission to introduce people in the area to the work of Southern Baptists and build relationships for the purpose of planting a church there. The team will leave on Thursday and return on Sunday after worshipping with our host church and Pastor Les Stevens. Contact High Point Baptist Church Pastor Glen Golden, 573-692-0705, to join the team.

### **CBA STAFF PRAYER JOURNEY**

**Monday, October 15**

The staff will travel to Flag Spring, Clarksburg, Mt. Moriah and FBC Tipton.

The CBA office will be closed  
after 1:00 p.m.

Congratulations to Pastor Joshua Hartley upon the completion of his Doctor of Ministry degree from Midwestern Seminary.



# October 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>October is Pastor Appreciation Month.</p> <p>Also, Cooperative Program Emphasis Month</p>	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	<p>13</p> <p><b>CBA Annual Meeting</b> Memorial Baptist 9:00 AM</p>
<p>14 Global Hunger Day</p>	<p>15</p> <p>CBA Staff Prayer Journey</p>	16	<p>17</p> <p>"Protecting the Church" Training</p>	18	19	20
21	<p>22</p> <p>-----MBC Annual Meeting-----</p>	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	<p>30</p> <p>Pastor Round Table</p>	31			
			<p><b>October Birthdays:</b></p> <p>5 Pastor James Howard, One in Christ</p> <p>8 Pastor Glen Golden, High Point</p> <p>22 Pastor Dinzel Webb, Russellville</p> <p>28 Music Pastor Ruben Phelps, Southridge</p>			



**2018**  
**STUDENT**  
**EVANGELISM**  
**WEEKEND**

Union Hill Baptist Church // HOLTS SUMMIT, MO

**OCT 12-13**  
ADVANCE THE GOSPEL

**FRIDAY, OCT 12, 2018**

**SATURDAY OCT 13, 2018**

**TICKETS: FRI ONLY \$15 // SAT ONLY \$20 // FRI + SAT \$35**

REGISTER at [mobaptist.org/studentevangelismweekend](http://mobaptist.org/studentevangelismweekend)

The Missouri Student Evangelism Weekend is an opportunity for your students to be encouraged and trained to advance the gospel in their world with the good news of Jesus Christ! Join us Friday night for a worship rally, then return the next morning to be a part of the day long Dare-2-Share Live national simulcast event. More information at [www.mobaptist.org/student-ministries](http://www.mobaptist.org/student-ministries).



## STEADY

Join us October 22-23  
Crossway Baptist Church  
Springfield, MO

Exodus 17:8-16 | 2018 Missouri Baptist Convention Annual Meeting

### 2018 GA Retreats

Registration Deadline is Oct. 4

Register online at [mobaptist.org/wmu](http://mobaptist.org/wmu)

**Oct. 12-13**, Grand Oaks, Chilicothe

**Oct. 19-20**, Baptist Ridge, Warsaw  
and Camp Cedar Crest, Santa Fe

**Oct. 26-27**, Baptist Hill, Mt. Vernon  
and Peaceful Valley, St. Mary

## Budget Report

Year to Date (1/1/2018-8/31/2018)	Income	Expenses	Budget Requirement
General Fund	\$94,697.37	\$98,724.35	\$99,521.36
Baptist Collegiate Ministry	\$12,975.45	\$5,743.20	\$16,652.04
Multicultural	\$6,582.45	\$5,638.50	\$10,222.00

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