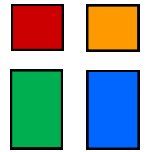


Concord Covenant

February 2019



Pastors/Staff/Spouse Fun Night

Friday, February 8, 2019

High Point Baptist Church

6:30 p.m.

**Join us for some good old-fashioned fun.
There will be a fried chicken dinner, games,
entertainment, and lots of laughs. Come
dressed in your best hillbilly duds.**

**Cost \$10 per couple - child care provided if
requested in advance**

**Get your name on the list today by calling
573-635-4832 or email juanitag@cbamo.org.**

**Deadline for reservations is noon,
Wednesday, February 6.**

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Important Dates

February

8 Pastor/Staff/Spouse Fun Night	
14 Valentine's Day	
18 President's Day-Office closed	
21 MBC Great Commission Conf. @ Midwestern	
26 Pastor Round Table	

March

3-10 Week of Prayer AAEO & NAMB	
10 Daylight Saving Time begins	
26 Pastor Round Table	

April

14 Palm Sunday	
19 Good Friday-office closed	
21 Easter	

Calvin's Corner:



“He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?”

***(NKJV)
Micah 6:8***

God's Will and Your Life - Colossians 1:9-11

What is God's will for your life? We often approach such a question like an Agatha Christie mystery. If we find all the clues and put them together in the right way, maybe we can solve the mystery before the end of the book. While God's will may have elements of mystery, we make it much more difficult than God intends. When we say that we are seeking God's will, we most often are trying to find answers to a specific item in our life -- "Should I buy this car, should I take this job," and so on. What we are really doing is trying to get God to make our decisions for us. While God is interested in every decision we make, His specific will becomes much clearer if we will follow Him in the areas that He has revealed.

In writing to the Colossian church, Paul prays they will grow in the knowledge of God's will. *“And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God”* (Col. 1:9-11 ESV).

We are to “walk worthy.” Another way to say “walk worthy” is “be obedient.” It is God's will that we walk worthy by being obedient in every area of our life. Our tendency is to qualify our obedience by saying, “Lord I am willing to do anything you ask, but I can't teach, I need Sundays off, I have a lot of work to do, wait until I finish school, look at my age,” and so on. Walking worthy with Christ demands that our obedience has no qualifiers. This is God's will for your life. *“I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God”* (Rom. 12:1-2).

It is God's will that we produce fruit (Col 1:10 *“... bearing fruit in every good work”* and *“I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing”* (John 15:5, NKJ).

What does it mean to produce fruit? Are we to grow apples or peaches? No! The character of Christ Jesus is to be reproduced in our lives. As that takes place, we are to be witnesses, sharing the truths of Christ to people around us. It is not we who work for God: it is God who works in us and through us to produce the fruit of his grace. *“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law* (Gal. 5:22-24). Christian service is the result of Christian devotion. The work that we do is the outflow of the life we live. It is by abiding in Christ that we can produce fruit. Note, we will not just occasionally serve God; we will be “fruitful in every good work.”

It is God's will that we grow in knowledge. In verse 9, Paul prays that they will be filled with the knowledge of God's will. Here his prayer is that they grow in the knowledge of God Himself. Knowing about God and knowing God are two completely different things. To know about God is simply to understand the facts. To know God is to build a relationship with Him. The place we must start is to spend time with Him in prayer and in study of His word. How much time have you spent alone with the Lord this week? Take every opportunity you can to learn the word of God. Be involved in Bible study. It is God's will.

It is God's will that we be strong. Col. 1:11 says, *“May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy.”* Often we get God's plan backward. We want God to give us strength, then we will serve Him. Yet God wants us to serve Him and He will strengthen us as along the way. The construction of the sentence is a conditional phrase: “If we walk worthy, bearing fruit, and growing in Him, His strength will be with us all the way.”

If you want to find God's will for your life, do what you know and God will reveal the rest. What is God's will? To walk with Him, bearing fruit, and growing closer to Him.

Calvin

Baptist Collegiate Ministry

After Christmas break, classes started in mid-January. During the break we hosted, in our home, some students who remained in town, for football and pizza. Three of these guys are new Christians so we began to meet for Bible study. (I took them out for breakfast once and they continued asking questions for over 2 hours!) I have already ordered copies of "Survival Kit for New Christians." We are currently rounding up a few more folks for this foundational 13-week study.

The International Club has asked us to host a supper for them. The cost would be \$200. ARE THERE ANY TAKERS...PERHAPS A FEW CHURCHES WORKING TOGETHER?

I will be contacting football players for a Bible study/fellowship each week now that their schedule is freer. I continue to stay close to the track team for whom we hosted 2 dinners last year where a total of 8 athletes indicated a salvation decision. I spoke with the women's basketball coach at a recent game about how BCM might befriend and minister to them. A church which had "adopted" them in the past no longer does this.

Sports team contact has been a great open door of outreach for us. Pray that further opportunities will also develop!

Thank you for your prayers. We are ready any time to come and share God's continued work on this campus with your congregation.

Your Missionary on Campus,
Pastor Dave, BCM Director



CBA STAFF

PRAYER JOURNEY

Monday, February 11

The staff will travel to Karis, FBC Elston, Cornerstone, Concord, and Southridge. The CBA office will be closed after 1:00 p.m.



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PRESIDENT'S DAY

Monday, February 18

The CBA Office will be closed in observance of this holiday.

First Baptist Church, Elston (west of Jefferson City) seeks a a bi-vocational pastor. Bible based preaching, congregational care, and growth are priorities. Resume & references required; send to Tisha Huffer, Pastor Search Committee Secretary, churchinfo@fbcelston.org or FBC Elston, 1204 Route T, Jefferson City, MO 65109.

Southridge Baptist Church is accepting resumes for a part-time (20-25 hrs. per week) Administrative Secretary. For more information or to apply, contact rhondakmyers5@gmail.com or mail your resume to the church at 1815 Vieth Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109.

The Missouri Baptist Convention is looking for an Administrative Assistant for the Business Services & Properties Management Group. This is a full-time position with benefits. For more information or to send a resume, contact Gene Foster at gfooster@mobaptist.org.



Please pray for our churches without pastors:

Centertown
Cole Spring
Elston FBC-(Interim Les Cassil)
Jefferson City Baptist Memorial (Interim David Newton)
Prairie Home FBC
Southridge (Int. Jim Misloski)

We still have openings on the College Ministry, Discipleship and Outreach Councils.

If you would be willing to serve, please contact Sharon Coonce (slblank@iland.net) or Elaine Foster (jefoster2@embarqmail.com) for information on how you can help.



Like CBA on Facebook to keep up with upcoming events!

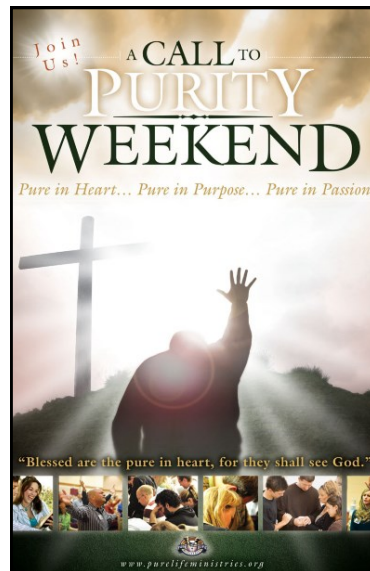


Pastor Round Table Tuesday, February 26

Noon at the Association Office, lunch provided

6:30 p.m. at FBC California, dinner provided

Give us a call and let us know you plan to attend so we can have enough food for everyone.



Register now for A Call to Purity Weekend coming Friday and Saturday, February 22-23 at Concord Baptist Church in Jefferson City.

The life-changing weekend will prepare you to:

- Live pure amid the unclean atmospheres all around us
- Honor God with your thoughts
- Make needed life changes
- Protect your homes from ungodly influences
- Restore broken relationships

The conference is free. A love offering will be taken. The conference will go from 7:00-9:00 pm on Friday and from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Saturday.

Pre-registration helps us in our preparation of materials. Participation is limited to age 15 and above unless accompanied by a parent. Minimum age for those attending with a parent is 12. Childcare will not be provided.

Register at www.concordjc.org or call the church office 573-893-2876.



Women's Live Simulcast Conference
February 8-9, 2019
Find out more or register at www.memorialchurch.net

Work as Worship Simulcast Friday, February 22, 2019 7:30 a.m. - noon

Sponsored by Memorial Baptist Church

Join other Christian business professionals who want their faith to impact their work.

Register online at www.workasworshipretreat.org.

CBA Kids Camp, July 15-18, 2019

New Location @ Camp P82

Rocky Mount, MO

One Body, Many Parts

1 Corinthians 12:27

For kids entering grades 4-7 next year. Save the dates and watch for coming details in future newsletters.

You don't want to miss this!

Central Region Equip Missions Discipleship Training

March 2, 2019

9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

FBC Eldon

209 South Aurora St.

Eldon, MO

Lunch provided, Bookstore available, Cost \$15

For more information, contact Sharon Paris (573-220-6885) or email paris.sharon@gmail.com.

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You can see all these resources and more at AnnieArmstrong.com.



February 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 Pastor/Staff/Spouse Fun Night	9
10	11 CBA Staff Prayer Journey	12	13	14 	15	16
17	18 President's Day Office closed	19	20	21	22 <div>-----Call to Purity Weekend-----</div>	23 <div>MBC Great Commission Conference - Feb. 21-24 Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, KCMO</div>
24	25	26 Pastor Round Table	27	28		
			<div> February Birthdays: 8 Juanita Golden, CBA Ministry Asst. </div>			



National Association of Ministry Assistants (formerly NASBS)

Training Conference

April 24-26, 2019

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Louisville, KY

Go to www.nama-sbc.org for all the latest updates and information regarding lodging, pricing, workshops, etc.

This training is for ANY church secretary - volunteer, part-time, or full-time. There is a group from Missouri planning to attend. Contact Juanita Golden at juanitag@cbamo.org or call 573-635-4832 if you are interested in joining us.



For more information or to register online go to:

www.mobaptist.org/evangelism/2019-great-commission-conference/



Budget Report

Year End 2018	Income	Expenses	Budget Requirement
General Fund	\$136,895.19	\$136,781.53	\$149,282.00
Baptist Collegiate Ministry	\$19,852.77	\$19,934.19	\$24,978.00
Multicultural	\$10,058.87	\$10,030.75	\$15,333.00

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