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|   | from our families to yours |   |
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#### **Important Dates**

#### December

24 Office closes at noon 25-31 Christmas - Office Closed

#### January

1 New Years - Office Closed 19 Executive Council Meeting 20 MLK Day - Office Closed

#### **February**

3 Wild Game Supper 17 President's Day - Office Closed

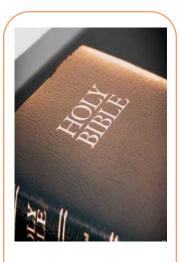
## Drive through 'living nativity'

Corticelli Baptist Church will be creating a living nativity the week of Christmas!

- WHEN: Sunday & Monday(12/22-12/23)
   from 6 8pm
- NO ADMISSION CHARGE

Corticelli Baptist Church 57731 Route C (6 miles east of Russellville) for more information, call (573) 680-0192

#### Pastor's Chat



"Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil."

Ephesians 5:15

I am admiring a buddy of mine this week. He chose to take a day and a half off and come down from Kansas City to stay with me at the house. His purposes were to seek the Lord, rest, and simply hang out. He brought a few things to read and upcoming decisions to pray about. He is a pastor in the city as well as, with his wife, having a family of six, and him and his wife take turns throughout the year giving each other these breaks. I'd say his use of time here falls into Paul's description of time used wisely in Ephesians 5:15, "Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil." I admire him and this act because, though this wasn't necessarily easy for him and his wife, both understand the importance of refueling. Here are a few words of advice from my friend:

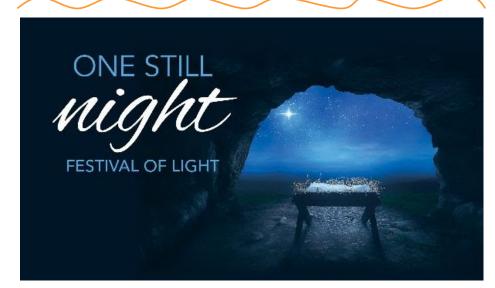
Its good to recognize your need for seeking the Lord. The Lord looks forward to this time as well.

If you're going to do this, put it on the calendar and follow through. He questioned doing it all the way up to leaving Kansas City, but he was really glad he went ahead with it.

These times are important for reorienting your life around God's purposes and making future plans.

Thank You,

Justin Houston



Join Concord Baptist Church for this wonderful event during the following dates and times:

December 13, 14, and 15

7:00 pm each evening & 3:00 pm matinee on Saturday

#### **Baptist Collegiate Ministry**

The Lincoln University football season came to an end last Saturday. Since the team had breakfast at a local church, the pastor of that church did the devotional time.

I attended the game as usual, and afterwards had a chance to offer some inspirational and helpful words and to pray for the team as they departed for the last time. We have sown a lot of seeds with players and coaches this season, and I will be following up with these men. If your church is interested in still reaching out to these men, you may still set up a time to invite them to your church and/or provide a dinner/fellowship such as a barbecue for them. Please let me know.

The same mission opportunity is available to the track team, the women's basketball team, and the women's softball team. I have been to a lunch meeting with the coaches of all of these groups and they are open to: 1) Someone to serve as chaplain for the team and 2) Any group willing to adopt them and/or provide a meal or fellowship for them. Some weeks ago, I met with the athletic director and he gave me the go ahead to provide this ministry. I believe the success we have had in reaching football players for many years through this method will happen with these teams as well. This is something for which I have prayed for some time, and I invite you to pray with me about the exciting mission opportunity that God has opened for us here.

This week I had the opportunity to 1) visit with a faculty member, 2) pray with a maintenance worker, and 3) eat lunch and share a good word about Jesus with some assistant coaches and players from Tennessee, New York, Spain, and Australia. We will have a fellowship/ice cream social for internationals and likely another annual "goat roast" for the track team.

PLEASE NOTE: I have learned that there are at least 12 track athletes who will have no place to go for Christmas. Association friends, can you please help us reach out to these students at a time when people are most open to hearing what Christmas is all about?!

You can reach me best by call or text:

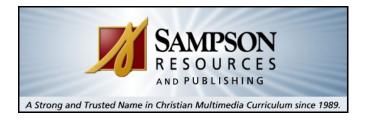
573-230-7872

Please help us as the Lord leads you and continue those wonderful prayers!



Your Missionary on Campus, Pastor Dave

A photo of some of the amazing members of the Lincoln University Track team that are in need of a Chaplain or sponsor!



1 year - access to training, workshops, and Bible studies free for CBA churches at www.sampsonresources.com.

This resource is password protected. Contact Concord Baptist Association if you need help using this resource.



### Please pray for our churches without pastors:

Cole Spring
High Point (Int. Heber Mena)
Jefferson City Baptist
Lupus
Prairie Home FBC
Russellville Baptist
Church
Southridge (Int. Jim
Misloski)

#### **PASTOR NEEDED**

Russellville Baptist Church in Russellville, MO, is seeking a full-time pastor.
Located in central Missouri, we are a small rural congregation with an average attendance of 100. Send cover letter and resume to: jobs@russellvillebaptist.com.



Like CBA on Facebook to keep up with upcoming events!

As children during Christmas time, we often got lost in the blur of colorful lights, the tree that seemed to tower over us, and the shiny presents that filled our minds with curiosity. The moment Thanksgiving was over, our child like selves prepared for the magic that only Christmas could provide. However, as adults, this season has become more about the stress of relatives invading your house and the soon to be empty wallets after hunting for the perfect gift for those loved ones. Although neither of these scenarios paint the true reason to celebrate this upcoming season, I believe that our hearts should be set in an expectancy like a child. Yes, we can find joy in the lights and presents, but the true joy comes from knowing that our Savior was born in this season to save us for eternity. For this reason, there should be no stress, but rather an abundance of love and gratitude. I hope that your lights shine bright this holiday season, not just the ones on your Christmas tree, but also the ones in your heart.

-Kaysie





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2019 Week of Prayer
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering &
International Mission Board
December 1-7

Promotional resources, videos, and additional photos can be found online at www.imb.org/lottie
-moon-christmas-offering/

### Memorial Baptist Church Christmas Events are as follows:

- December 18th Meet at the Manger, 6-8pm
- Come join us for a nativity display with over 100 nativities made of many different things from all around the world. There is a children's area and a meal as well. This is a free community event.
- December 24th Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 5:30 6:15 pm.



#### **Get to Know Your CBA Ministry Assistant**

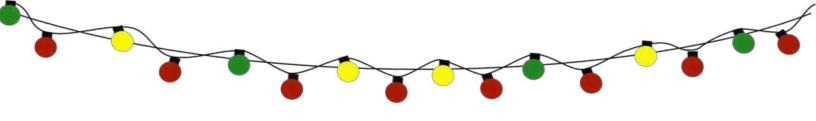
#### Fun fact for the month about Kaysie Mae Uhrig:

I have always loved to learn and go to school. So much so, that in elementary and middle school, I would beg my parents to let me go to school even when I was running a fever because I didn't want to miss out on any new material that might be taught that day. Obviously, my parents never sent me to school sick, but it was always worth a shot in my book.



## December 2019

| SUI | NDAY                            | MONDAY | TUESDAY                                | W  | EDNESDAY        | THURSDAY                | FRIDAY          | SATURDAY      |
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|     |                                 |        | Pastor Roundtable -<br>CBA Office Only |  |                 |                         |                 |               |
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|     |                                 |        |  |  | CDA Office      | Classed (4.2./2.4. © #  | 12/21)          |               |
|     |                                 |        | •                                      |  | CBA Office      | Closed (12/24 @ r       | 10011 - 12/31)  |               |
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|     |                                 |        |  | December Birthdays:  16 Noah Angel, FCI  26 J. Wayne Merrill, Wooldridge |                 |                         |                 |               |
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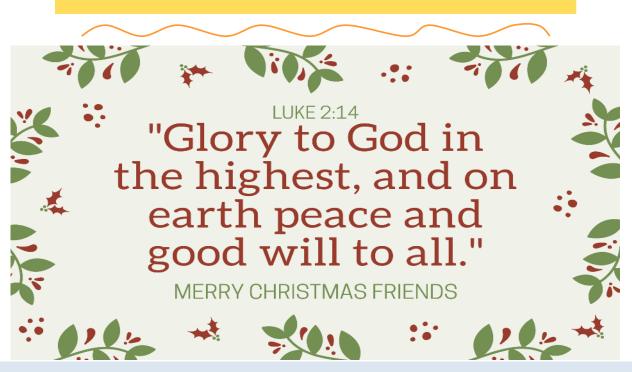


## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

January 19th, 2:00pm CENTERTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

GO AHEAD AND MARK YOUR CALENDERS FOR OUR FIRST EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING IN 2020! ALTHOUGH ITS A NEW YEAR, WE'RE THE SAME ASSOCIATION THAT CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!

Centertown Baptist Church
1213 BROADWAY STREET
CENTERTOWN, MO 65023



#### **Budget Report**

| Jan-October 2019            | Income       | Expenses     | YTD Budget Requirement |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------|
| General Fund                | \$114,617.91 | \$123,848.02 | \$126,573.36           |
| Baptist Collegiate Ministry | \$18,353.68  | \$18,506.49  | \$20,814.96            |

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