

CONCORD COVENANT

Individual Churches United in Fulfilling the Great Commission

The Heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the works of His hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge. Psalms 19:1

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DEAR CBA CHURCHES,

As the fall begins to approach, I am always fascinated as to how God has designed the daylight to become less and less through the fall and winter. I am looking forward to cooler weather but not necessarily the added time of darkness. I guess it only stands to reason. As Christians, darkness is something that we shouldn't enjoy. Of course I am not talking about literal darkness. I'm talking about the darkness that is used throughout the Bible to represent sin. We are reminded in I John 1:5, "This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all."

As we are reminded, God is light. As His children, as we walk in the light it is amazing how a little light can make such a difference in the dark. We live in a dark sinful world. When people walk in darkness they are walking to eternal death. According to I Timothy 2:4, it is God's desire that all people be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. So we must walk in the Light of God and share the truth and hope of God so people can hear about Jesus and come to the knowledge of truth. It is through our witness that God so often uses to draw people to Himself.

The church is the Bride of Christ. Through His power we are illuminated with God's light. Thank you church for being the light of Jesus in a dark world. The light you share provides an escape from the darkness. In I John 1 we see God's beautiful promise, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." I John 1:9. Thank you for having and sharing the

light of God in a dark world! Thank you for being a witness so the lost can recognize that Jesus is a solution to be cleansed from all unrighteousness. May God Bless you. As a reminder through the Power of the Holy Spirit you will be a witness for Jesus in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the utter most parts of the world!

In Christ, Bro, Han

CBA MISSION FAIR AND ANNUAL MEETING

Please note that the CBA Annual meeting will be celebrated SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025. This will be an early evening of celebration with our sister churches. All churches are invited and requested to be a part. The day will start with a Mission celebration at 5:00pm. We will have a number of booths available for our churches to meet and exchange mission ideas with our partners. The evening will focus on Acts 1:8 and specifically highlighting our Jerusalem (Community Missions). As a reminder we are collecting mission activities that your church has been involved in and would like to highlight in a video that we will be sharing. This is a special time for our association and I would really encourage that all of our churches plan to be a part. Our annual meeting is scheduled for 6:00pm. After the annual meeting we will enjoy an associational worship time at 7:00pm. The keynote speaker will be Rob Pochek, the MBC Team Leader for Prayer and Evangelism. As we all know, the strength of the association is found in God's power and in each individual church working together to fulfill the Great Commission. The annual meeting schedule will include:

What: Concord Baptist Association Annual

Meeting

When: Sunday, October 5, 2025
Where: First Baptist Church, Elston
Time: Mission Celebration: 5:00PM
Annual Meeting: 6:00PM

Worship: 7:00PM

Lincoln Collegiate Ministry

Hello CBA Churches!

I trust that you're enjoying the cooler temperatures, as I am, while we jump back into another school year. We enjoyed freshman move-in a few weeks ago and collected 30 new names of those interested in our BSU efforts and ministries on campus. We saw about 10 of those new students at our Kickstart gathering and first Bible study of the semester. Our student leaders did a great job sharing about opportunities on campus this semester for students to get involved including our dorm Bible study on Tuesday nights, weekly Bible study and gathering on Thursday nights and our upcoming Fall student weekend retreat on September 12th-14th.

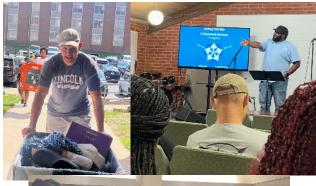
Thank you to those churches who helped with preparing the new flooring, sound booth and landscaping as the students definitely recognized and appreciated the updates.

Additionally, beginning September 1st, I will be taking my first sabbatical in 23 years of service and will miss investing in these students while also excited for some stillness with our Lord to fill my cup to keep going. I'm grateful for each of you and your prayers and partnership as we keep building His Kingdom here on earth.

Blessings,









Ministry + Job Openings

Cornerstone Baptist Church is seeking a **part-time Youth Pastor** who is responsible for shepherding youth and providing leadership to the church's overall youth ministry. The Youth Pastor is accountable to the Personnel Committee and under the mentorship of the Pastor. Job Duties include:

- Coordinate overall youth ministry
- Coordinate youth fellowships
- · Coordinate youth mission/ministry projects
- Coordinate the youth VBS team during VBS week
- Fellowship with youth before and after all church activities/services
- Lead Wednesday night youth ministry
- Serve as chair of the Youth Ministry Committee
- Serve as a member of the Church Council representing the youth ministry
- Assist the Sunday School Director and Nominating Committee in finding youth workers
- Submit the youth ministry budget request
- Work with other church leaders in planning church wide activities
- Work to expand the youth ministry as a whole Please Email resumes to

office@cornerstonejeffcity.org

EVANGELISM



Rev. Guy Thomas, in July 2024 retired after 50 years as a Pastor, Church Planter, Church Planter Strategist and Evangelism Strategist.

WHY HAVE REVIVAL MEETINGS?

"Wilt thou not revive us again that thy people may rejoice in thee?"

In Psalm 86:6 God's people ask, "Wilt thou not revive us again?" The answer is yes God will, the problem is God's people are not asking. Many consider Revival meetings as a relic of the past, that don't fit in the culture of the church today. But, as long as we are in this flesh we are going to need revival. All through the Old Testament God's people would flourish a while and then begin to turn from him. God would raise up a prophet to steer them back to faithfulness.



In many years as a pastor, I used revival meetings (at least 2 a year) as a part of our overall renewal and evangelistic strategy. After every meeting a believer would say this has been good for me and every year, we would have lost people saved. A preacher once told Billy Sunday, "I don't have revival meetings because they don't last." To which Billy Sunday replied, "Neither does a bath, but you still need to take one once in a while." We need to be drawn back to the basics. Evangelists are a gift to the church (Eph. 4:11) and revivals are needed to stir the work of God and the workers of God. How long since your church planned, prayed for and held a revival? I recently preached a revival in a small church in North

Missouri. They had 11 the Sunday before. But, in the revival effort over 50 came out every night. The church prepared through prayer and special invitations. They had invited special music and had fellowship every night after the service. Several told me "It's so good to see our church full again." People came to the altar to pray for themselves and the lost by name. Three were saved that week, to God be the glory. In Luke 14:23 the Bible says, "And the Lord said to the servants, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in that my house may be filled." The early church was in a constant state of Revival because of prayer, gathering together and the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus told Nicodemus, "And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the son of man be lifted up:" Jesus has been lifted up and we must tell of his cross, death, resurrection and soon to be return. It's time to ask as "Wilt though not revive us again; that thy people may rejoice in thee?"

Scan the QR code below and listen to the testimonies of Missouri Baptist Pastors, of how God uses revival meetings to Bless their Churches.

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BOOK REVIEW

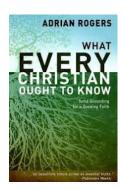


This book review was submitted by Sarah Kennedy. Sarah is a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

WHAT EVERY CHRISTIAN DUGHT TO KNOW

Solid Grounding for a Growing Faith

by Adrian Rogers & Steve Rogers



When I first opened this book, I was expecting to read a book for new believers written to guide believers as they begin their Christian walk. What I quickly discovered was a book written with every believer in mind regardless

of when they made their profession of faith.

Adrian Rogers was a long-time pastor of a church near Memphis, Tennessee, but he was also president of the Southern Baptist Convention for three terms. This book is not, however, a book for Baptists, focusing on Baptist beliefs. This book is a book for all believers. Each chapter is presented on a strong foundation of God's Word. In the introduction, Rogers states, "Education is costly, but ignorance may be devastating," (Rogers 2005, p. viii). The driving force behind every chapter is the fact that there is basic information every single Christian needs in order to grow in their relationship with the Lord.

With this goal in mind, Rogers teaches foundational truths about the Bible and how to understand it, salvation, eternal security, the

Holy Spirit, and prayer, just to name a few. Each chapter ends with a list of study questions making this book a valuable resource for individual or small group study."

If what I show you is not in the Bible, then don't believe it. If it is in the Bible, say, 'That is God's Word, and that's what I'm going to stand on," (Rogers 2005, p. 122). This commitment to Biblical truth is evident throughout this book, a recommended read for every believer.

CHURCHES IN TRANSITION:

Please continue to be in prayer for our churches in transition and those leading them.

New Pastors:

• Russellville - Rev. Dawson Giles

Churches without Pastors:

- Elston Interim Rev. Dr. Billy Bolden
- Immanuel

TURN THE PAGES ...



Question: Who broke his neck and died after falling backward off his chair?

August Turn the Pages...: Who took Judas's place among the twelve?

Answer: Matthias Acts 1:23

LADIES NIGHT OUT 2025





ONE load at A Time, 4th Annual Ladies Night Out was held on August 8th at First Baptist Church in California. 137 Ladies from 20 churches attended for a wonderful catered meal, great music and a fantastic evening. Our guest speaker, Janene Ford, brought mission stories and laughter to our time of fellowship. We also honored our pastor wives with a meal and special prayer. Attendees provided diapers and wipes to be donated to **The Well Rural Resource**. A big thank you to California First Baptist for hosting the event this year and to those behind the scenes that helped with set-up, parking, janitorial and break-down. Consider joining us at the 2026 event by checking in regularly to the CBA webpage for event location, date and time!



GUEST SPEAKER JANENE FORD



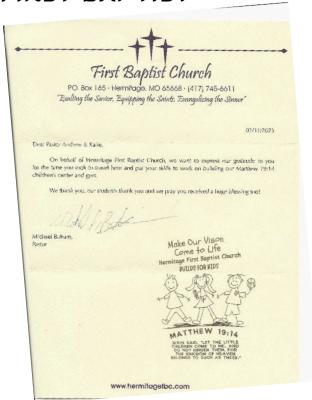
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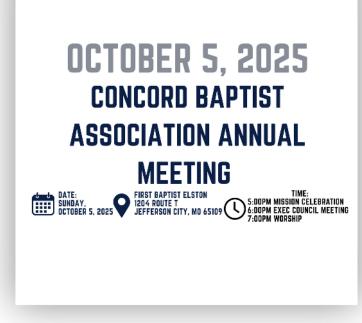
CONCORD BUILDING TEAM PROJECT: HERMITAGE FIRST BAPTIST





NOTICE: CONCORD BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING





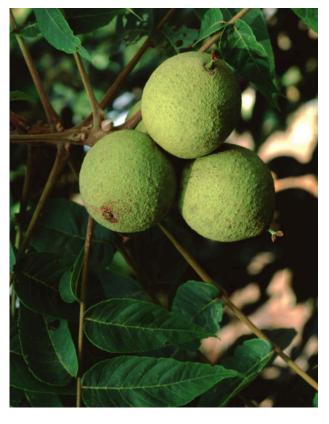
CBA CALENDAR, EVENTS & DEADLINES

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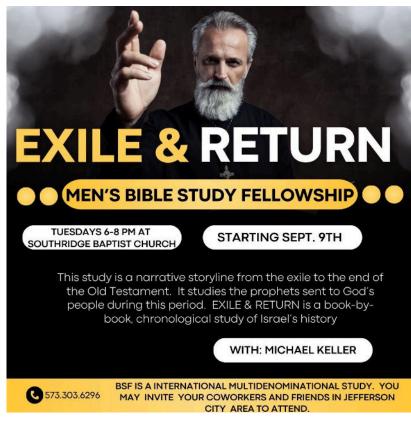
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26	MBC Annual Meeting-Brens	. 7	28	29	30	31	

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS









Office Hours:

MONDAY | 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM TUESDAY | 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM WEDNESDAY | 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM THURSDAY | 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM FRIDAY | 8:00 AM - NOON

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Available Resources:

Block Party Trailer

If you are planning an outreach event, VBS celebration, etc...the CBA Block Party Trailer is available for churches! It contains a bounce house, popcorn and snow cone machines, as well as a variety of games and evangelism tools. Requests will be taken on a first come, first served basis. An information packet, which includes the reservation form, is available for download at https://cbamo.org/concord-baptist-association-block-party-trailer/ when you input your contact information and the date you are hoping to reserve the trailer. You may also contact Teresa Gier directly at office@cbamo.org

Christian Counseling

Any church needing a referral for Christian Counseling may contact Alan Earls, DOM, for available resources.

Missouri Baptist Convention - Church Protection Resources

The Missouri Baptist Convention has compiled a number of resources through the SBC, MBCH, Ministry Safe, Choice Screening, and others to help educate and equip your church's leadership to prevent and/or appropriately handle abuse within your church. There are also resources that can help your church develop security plans, review your church bylaws, etc. These resources are all available at: https://mobaptist.org/church-benefits/church-protection/. If you need assistance accessing any of these resources, please reach out to our office and will help you in any way that we can.

200th Anniversary Book

There are still copies of "A History of Concord Association and Its Churches" by Roy Dameron available for purchase at the Association office. Please contact the association office or visit cbamo.org/200th Anniversary to order your copy. Cost: \$70.

