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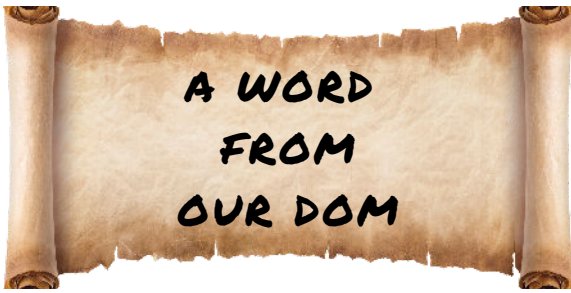


And Jesus answered and said to them, “Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” And they marveled at Him. Mark 12:17 NKJV

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Perhaps each of you can remember someone special that God brought to your life that served as a spiritual mentor. God has blessed me with several men and women over the years. I want to introduce someone that God used to truly shape my ministry. On Wednesday June 17, 2026, Martin Winslow, Team Leader Mission Mobilization Team, set up a meeting with Rev. Dr. Wendell Sapp. When I was in college, Wendy served as the Baptist Student Union-BSU (Collegiate Ministry) coordinator for St. Louis Metro Baptist Association. Wendy served as the supervisor of my collegiate minister, Tana Clements. Wendy and Tana disciplined me in the Word, invested in me to be a Christian Leader and taught me how to minister and to fall in love with missions. It is astounding as to whom God brought into my life to prepare me for the ministry.

Wendy has been special to Paula and my life, long before we had a clue of the ministry opportunities God was going to assign. Wendy was our officiant when we married in Kentucky. Paula and I joined Compton Heights Baptist Church and Wendy served as our pastor until we moved to mid-Missouri. He invested in me on how to be a Christian leader, how to lead devotions, how to lead a children's ministry and even how to teach a Sunday School class.

Sitting at the coffee shop in St. Louis talking to Martin and Wendy, I recognized that God used Wendy in many stages of my life to prepare me to where I am now as a pastor and a Director of Missions. Through ministries like Wendy Sapp and Tana Clements, God prepared me to serve, minister and share the Gospel. Today I realize that God has given me training and experience because of men like Wendy who took the time to build relationship and invest quality time to teach and train me.

I try my best to take what was invested in me for God's Kingdom to invest in others. Sometimes I do good and sometimes I fail dismally. But God continues to give me chances to make disciples and to grow leaders. I'm reminded of the apostle Paul investing in young Timothy. I thank the Lord for giving me "Paul's" or in this case "Wendy's" to invest in me so that God can use me to invest into others, all for the Glory of God. I have grown to adopt **1 Corinthians 10:31** as a life verse for me, *"In whatever you eat or whatever you drink or in whatever you do, do it for the Glory of God."*

Think about the "Paul's" or "Wendys" that God has brought into your life. Pray and seek how you can be a Paul or a Wendy to others that are in and around your life. Wendy didn't see a poor inner-city kid from St. Louis. He saw a moldable lump of clay that if invested in, could become a vessel for which the Lord would pour out.

I thank the Lord for His love, mercy and grace. I am also thankful for men like Wendy Sapp that loved me and invested in me to have the distinct privilege to continue to invest in building God's Kingdom. May God bless you to find a young person to mentor and prepare for God's next assignment.

In Christ,

Bro. Alan



Rev. Dr. Wendell Sapp, Pastor-Compton Heights Baptist Church & Bro. Alan Earls

LINCOLN BAPTIST STUDENT UNION MINISTRY

We just finished our first week of *Kids Across America* camp where we saw nearly 25 students surrender their lives to Jesus. One of our student athletes, Calah, did a great job serving as a camp counselor and also sharing her story through poetry to the students. I had the opportunity to share about Overcoming from John 16:33 to the male camp counselors as well.



Another goal that we have for the BSU this summer is transforming the basement to an inviting and engaging environment. We are creating a space for students to get connected and involved in our Christ centered community. To serve our students well, we plan to have some cleanup and projects completed by the start of school! To make this work we are inviting you, our local CBA churches, to serve with us a few times this summer.

We have three dates that we will be working at the building. The first is June 30th, Tuesday at 10am. We will be purging closets and sheds, moving chairs, and a good spring cleaning.

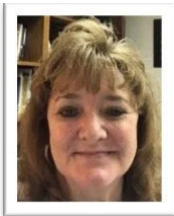
The next dates will be late July and early August, when we will be prepping, painting, and completing work projects. Some items that we would love to update if you have any around your church property or elsewhere include:

- White vinyl roll out baseboard
- Area Rug (2)
- Neutral Colored Couch
- Neutral or olive green comfy chair
- 3-6 neutral or olive green throw pillows
- Black stools and a cocktail table or two
- TV - for programming, events and announcements, worship lyrics, etc
- 2 matching counter lamps
- 2 matching dark wood lamp stand
- Dark wood coffee table
- Black curtain with ceiling or free standing rod to close off a corner for storage
- 5 Black picture frames 11 x14 or 8x10
- Warm string "edison" lights
- Fake plants

Christ



THE PORCH



Hello, I am Paula, wife of your Director of Missions, Alan Earls. I enjoy sharing a little about us, so welcome to our porch.

It has been a while since we invited you to the Porch, and we're glad to return and share a little more with you in the days ahead.

It's hard to believe it's already July. My mama used to say, "the older you get, the faster time goes," and she was right.

In the summer of 1984, I met a handsome young man who is now your DOM. I was serving as a summer missionary in inner-city St. Louis, and Alan was active in the BSU at St. Louis Metro.

That first week in St. Louis was eye-opening. I came from a trusting coal mining community where neighbors helped one another, so city life felt very different. God knew I would need guidance, and He provided it through a wonderful song leader at the little inner-city church. Alan quickly became a friend, offering wise advice and a helping hand as our team served in a rough neighborhood.

I had no idea what else God had in store that summer. Between day camps, VBS, revivals, and serving at the VP Fair over the Fourth of July, our friendship grew. Alan invited me to meet his family, and before long the summer ended. I returned to school in Kentucky, but God was still writing our story. We stayed in touch through letters, visits, and long-distance calls, and in July 1986 we were married.

It's hard to believe that was 40 years ago. From the beginning, God brought us together to serve Him. He has blessed us with two sons, four grandchildren, and many opportunities to join Him in His work.

What is God's plan for you? How do you see Him at work in your family and marriage? Scripture reminds us of God's design: Jesus affirms the permanence of marriage, saying, "So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." **Matthew 19:4-6**

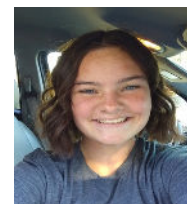
Until we visit again, take time to thank God for your marriage and for the ways He uses it to honor Him.

Thanks for stopping by the Porch.

Blessings,

Paula

**CBA WELCOMES
SUMMER
MISSIONARY
HANNAH SAPP**



Many of you already know Hannah Sapp but, in case you don't, we've asked her to introduce herself:

My name is Hannah Sapp and I am so blessed to get to serve as the associational summer missionary intern this year. I graduated high school last summer and took a gap year this past school year to teach preschool at Moreau Montessori School. I will be attending Lincoln University in the fall for a Bachelor's degree in Psychology. My plan is to then get a Master's degree to become a school counselor. I am a member at Memorial Baptist Church and have recently joined their worship team. I also enjoy being involved in their CO2 young adult program. Over the past several years, I have attended CBA Children's Camp as both a camper and a leader. As a leader, I have served as one of the camp lifeguards, a team leader, and a rotation teacher. I have also been a part of 3MT as a camper for two years and have helped with various VBSs and other church events. I love meeting new people and seeing their testimony. Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Association.

BOOK REVIEW



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

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER

BY JIM CYMBALA

In Breakthrough Prayer, Jim Cymbala gives us another book designed to improve not only our prayer life but our spiritual growth. He reminds us there are important things we rarely pray for but should. "For example, when was the last time you heard others pray for joy or to understand God's timing for their lives? We individuals and churches all suffer great loss when we fail to ask God for the blessings he wants to give us," (Cymbala 1973, p.8).

Along with these powerful reminders, Cymbala gives us real life examples of breakthrough prayer and how those prayers impacted not only the individual praying but those around them. He also talks about the importance of God's promises, praying God's Word, the necessity of waiting on God's timing, and the different ways God answers prayer. "For any given prayer or undertaking in our life, we need to discern whether the Lord is saying one of these four things: never, always, at certain times, not now," (Cymbala 1973, p,195).

Prayer is a vital part of our spiritual walk. This book's purpose is to show each one of us not only how to deepen our prayer life and make it more meaningful but also make it more outward focused and full of joy and God's blessings. This book is a valuable resource for anyone wishing to transform their prayer life and their relationship with God.

CHURCHES IN TRANSITION:

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

- **Concord - Dr. Robert Matz, Interim**
- **Cornerstone - Transitional Pastor Rev. Kenny Martin**
- **Enon**
- **High Point**
- **Immanuel - Transitional Pastor Rev. Steve Sowder**



TURN THE PAGES...



July Question: Which disciple was put to death before Peter was seized during the Festival of Unleavened Bread?

June Question: How old was Joseph when his brothers sold him into slavery?

Answer: Genesis 37:2 *This is the account of Jacob's family line. Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the son of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives and he brought their father a bad report about them.*

MINISTRY & JOB OPENINGS

Full-Time Pastor- Cornerstone Baptist Church, a traditional, mid-sized, multigenerational Southern Baptist congregation in Jefferson City, Missouri, is prayerfully seeking a **Full-Time Pastor**. Candidates should hold a seminary degree and have **at least ten years of ministry experience**. We are looking for a **servant-hearted leader** who excels in **expository preaching**, embraces the **2000 Baptist Faith & Message**, and values **cooperation within the Southern Baptist Convention**. Please send your résumé and sermon links to pastorsearch@cornerstonejeffcity.org. Learn more about our church at www.cornerstonejeffcity.org.

Vacation Bible Schools

Below are upcoming July VBS's that we know about. If your VBS is over and you'd like to submit a couple of pictures for publication in the next newsletter, please forward them to office@cbamo.org so we can celebrate how God is moving in your church (be sure you have permission to submit pictures for publication of the participants). Below are some upcoming VBS's:



***Concord: July 6-11** 9:00-Noon

***FBC California: July 12-16** 6:00-8:30 pm

***Mt. Olive Baptist: July 24-26;** 24th 5:30-7:30pm;
July 25 9:30-11:30am; 5:30-7:30pm; July 26 9:30 am-church

* **Fortuna: July 27-29** 5:30-8:00pm

ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILE (ACP)

Attention CBA Churches, Pastors and Church Clerks, the ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILE (ACP) is in the process of being sent to your church. The time and detail you invest in completing the information, is greatly appreciated. The information that you provide assists your church, the association, state convention and the Southern Baptist Convention with critical data to evaluate God's Kingdom work. The information helps with resource distribution, helps with seeing the communities where God is working and where we need to redouble our efforts. Also, the church leadership information is extremely valuable to ensure each specific ministry is aware of opportunities for conferences, training, missions, joint ministries and to make sure each key leader receives appropriate information to support their ministry.

ACP packets have been mailed out to churches. We encourage you to submit your ACP data and leadership changes with a **desired completion date of August 31st**. The ACP information provided helps affirm that each congregation is active; updates organization records, i.e. changes in address phone, email or website; churches can look back at statistics from the previous year and; it keeps updated church leadership names and contact information. If you have questions regarding the ACP or need Workspace database training, please contact Pam Jeffries, State ACP Coordinator at 800-736-6227 ext. 337 or the Concord Baptist Association at 573-556-0379 ext. 335.

Thank you for your assistance in completing the ACP this year.

CBA CALENDAR AND UPCOMING EVENTS



JUL 2026

CHILDREN'S CAMP NEEDS

Children's Camp Director Kari Sullivan is looking for any small prizes left over from other children's ministry events and any box fans you are willing to loan or donate. Also needed are ice cream buckets with lids and handles and any garden surplus items the week before camp. Contact Kari at: kari@memorialchurch.net



A big **Thank You** to Prairie Home for fans and Salem Baptist for the portable washing machine!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			01	02	03	04
					CBA Office Closed 4 th of July Holiday	
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
Concord Builders		Finance Team Mtg.			Centertown High School & Magnolia Farmers Concert 6:30pm	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
				CBA Executive Council Mtg. 6:30pm-Southside	Newsletter Deadline	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Children's Camp						
26	27	28	29	30	31	



AUG 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						01
02	03	04	05	06	07	08
					Ladies Night Out-Hickory Hill Women in Ministry-Serving Single Well	
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
						WVU Conference at ABC
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Pastor Round Table 12:00pm			Newsletter Deadline	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

IF REGISTERED FOR EITHER OF THESE EVENTS, WATCH FOR IMPORTANT UPDATES & INFORMATION!!

**** JULY 5-10 CONCORD BUILDERS ****

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**** JULY 19-23 CHILDREN'S CAMP ****

Contact: Kari Sullivan, Camp Director
kari@memorialchurch.net

CELEBRATE THE 5TH ANNUAL 2026 LADIES NIGHT OUT

Come celebrate the 2026 Ladies Night Out scheduled for Friday, August 7th. This year's host will be Hickory Hill Baptist Church, 12729 United Rd, Eugene, MO. Featured guest speaker will be Esther Wright and a meal will be provided by Hickory Hill. The menu is Chicken Alfredo, lasagna, green beans, salad and garlic bread. The meal will also include Gluten Free, Alpha Gal and dairy free options. Make plans to attend this wonderful evening of fellowship, good food, music, testimony and praising our Lord!

[2026 INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM](#)

[2026 GROUP REGISTRATION FORM](#)

**CONCORD BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
5th ANNUAL LADIES NIGHT OUT
AUGUST 7, 2026**

FREEDOM IN CHRIST

Galatians 5:1
For Freedom Christ has set us free, stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. (ESV)

**Hosted by: Hickory Hill Baptist Church
12729 United Rd. Eugene, MO**

5:00 - Registration & Opening Activities
6:00 - Catered Meal / 7:00 - Guest Speaker Esther Wright

Meal provided by Robin Hogard, Hickory Hill
Gluten Free, Alpha Gal and Dairy Free Options will be available

REGISTRATION:
\$5/Adult - \$5/Child
(Childcare provided - children served in a separate dining area)

Pre-Register at : CBAMO.ORG/LNO
Registration Deadline - July 27th

*A monetary collection will be taken for
Dreams to Reality, Jefferson City*

WMU EVENT



WHAT JOY! BE STILL AND KNOW

A WMU REGIONAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE AND TRAINING EVENT

SATURDAY AUGUST 15, 2026

9 AM - 3 PM
(DOORS OPEN 8:30)

400 E High Street
Jefferson City, MO

With Missionary Speaker Michael Byrd

[HTTPS://MOWMUCENTRALREGION.WEEBLY.COM/](https://mowmucentralregion.weebly.com/)



REGISTER NOW!



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SHOULD YOU COME?

IF YOU ARE A...

- WMU Group Leader
- Church Leader Looking for Discipleship Materials
- Pastor who loves missions, discipleship, & evangelism
- Sunday School or Children's Church Teacher or Volunteer
- Children's Ministry Teacher/Leader/ Volunteer
- Youth Pastor or Youth Volunteer
- Missions and/or Evangelism Leader

THEN YES, JOIN US!



Register Online

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS



SAVE OUR CITY
One broken life at a time.

**Join us for Revival
with John Stroup!**

August 6 - 8 | 6:30 pm



Concord Baptist Church
3724 W. Truman Blvd.
Jefferson City, MO 65109
573-893-2876

concordjc.org/freewayjc

HELP. HOPE. HEALING.

MISSOURI BAPTIST
Disaster Relief Training

FIRST TIME: \$45 | RE-CERTIFYING/CROSS TRAINING: \$25

NEXT OPPORTUNITY:
TBD

FULTON
September 11-12, 2026
SCHEDULE ONLINE

DINNER, BREAKFAST, & LUNCH INCLUDED. LODGING AVAILABLE

TRAININGS WE OFFER

- CHAPLAINCY**
- MASS CARE/FEEDING
- ASSESSMENT**
- FLOOD RECOVERY
- CHILDCARE
- CHAINSAW
- COMMUNICATIONS
- SHOWER/LAUNDRY
- HEAVY EQUIPMENT SAFETY**
- INCIDENT MANAGEMENT (IMT)**
- ADVANCED IMT**

** PREREQUISITES REQUIRED



REGISTER ONLINE AT
MODR.ORG/TRAINING

ADDITIONAL TRAINING INFORMATION AND ONLINE REGISTRATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE. ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE CAN BE EMAILED TO DISASTERRELIEF@MOBAPTIST.ORG OR BY CALLING 1-800-736-6227 EXT. 317

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El Salvador
Mission Trip 2026



December 1st-8th | approx. \$1,700
Calling on mission-hearted volunteers to:

- 1) Lead & assist VBS
- 2) Share the gospel & pray with others
- 3) Work church construction projects
- 4) Train churches on biblical church leadership

Have an event to share? Please submit to office@cbamo.org by the newsletter deadline!

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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to receive your copy of the newsletter digitally each month!
 (Sign-up link also available at:
<https://cbamo.org/newsletters/>)

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 Alicia Amos 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](https://cbamo.org/200th-Anniversary) to order your copy. Cost: \$70.

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