



# Messenger



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## Schedule of Events

### DECEMBER:

1-9 Week of Prayer and Lottie  
Moon Offering Emphasis

13- Pastors Christmas Dinner  
BSU - 6:30

### JANUARY:

14 PCBA Executive Board  
21-23 Midwest Leadership  
Advance



*And the angel said unto them, "Fear not for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you, you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."*

*We wish you a very blessed and peaceful Christmas Season. May Jesus be glorified.*

The objective of this Association shall be to glorify God: through inter-church fellowship, through being assisted by and assisting churches in realizing their purpose, and through fostering a unity in faith and practice; by extending the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in carrying out the Great Commission; by providing a channel for the cooperation of the churches in the work of the association and in the work of the Missouri Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

# Mustard Seeds

*"For my eyes have seen your salvation. You have prepared it in the presence of all peoples-a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory to your people Israel." Luke 2:30-32*

It's the most wonderful time of the year! The ways we celebrate this time of year are many and varied, but for the disciples of Jesus our hearts thrill for what is at the center of it all, the earthly beginning of the fulfillment God's promises of the good news of Jesus. Messiah has come!

In the most recent *Mustard Seeds*, we marveled at the good news that is for all generations and how important it is to pass it along from one to the next. In this, we will look at God's wonderful, eternal plan for the gospel to be for all peoples of this earth.

The reality is that there is not a lot written about Jesus' birth and first few years of His life on earth. The Bible tells us of pre-birth happenings, the events surrounding the birth itself, and just a glimpse of the first few years of His earthly existence. But within that time, we see what would become the pattern of Jesus' earthly life in reaching out to Gentiles as well as Jews, and the blueprint of the assignment for the early church, and throughout the history of the church until we are with Him in glory, i.e., the proclaiming of the great good news of redemption through Christ to all peoples of the earth who believe and follow Him.

To be sure there were some connected to the early events of Jesus' life who were "locals". Zechariah, Elizabeth, and John the Baptist were from Judah. The shepherds were from the region. Simeon and Anna who were present at the circumcision and presentation of Jesus when He was but eight days old, humbly ministered in Jerusalem. But there were others who, whether knowingly or unsuspecting, played a significant role in what took place in those early years of our Lord. Mary and Joseph, though Jewish by faith, were from the far northern city of Nazareth, with the totality of Samaria separating them from Bethlehem, Jerusalem, and the territory of Judah. Caesar Augustus was the supreme ruler of the Roman empire. Herod had his roots tied to the same powers of the Roman empire. The worshipping magi came from the east, i.e., a foreign country. And although we have no biblical account of what took place in Egypt, Scripture defines a certain period of time in which Jesus and His earthly parents lived there.

The birth and first few years of Jesus' life served as a microcosm of God's purposes in Christ. God's deliverance in Christ extended to both His Old Testament people and to all peoples of the world. I'm sure glad it did, because otherwise I would not have had opportunity to know Him (and by the way, neither would you). We have many opportunities to share this great news with the nations. Ministering through *International Connection Point*, English as Second Language classes, mission projects of your local church and Phelps County Baptist Association, and witnessing personally with people you know whose roots are in a far-off place, to name just a few. It is not an option for us who are His disciples, they are our marching orders from our King. Anytime is a good time to begin. The Christmas season seems to be ideal now, doesn't it? Let's do it!

## **DOM Report- November 2019**

- Meeting of the Acts 1:8 Mission Vision Team
- 2 visits with pastors of two PCBA churches
- Attended morning service at Salem Avenue Baptist Church
- Shared about the PCBA mission/ministry with Salem Avenue
- Lunch meeting with representative of the MO Baptist Convention
- Participated in the fellowship/outreach skating party of International Connection Point
- Joint meeting of Acts 1:8 MVT members and Greene County Baptist Association DOM & ministry leader
- Lunch meeting/fellowship with Acts 1:8 MVT and SW Mo. DOMs
- Gave thanks to the Lord and enjoyed time with family during Thanksgiving Day

## PRAYER PARTNERS:

Please pray for native Missourians, Brian and Sheena as they minister in towns and to Nomadic tribes in far off rural areas of East Asia.



Pray for their NGO to grant continued favor for access to communities of unreached peoples.

Pray also that all requirements will be met for renewing their visa status in January.

Email: [gobeyondsa@gmail.com](mailto:gobeyondsa@gmail.com)

## MT OLIVE

**We wish you all a very blessed Christmas Season!**

It is so Good to be in the House of the Lord! We are truly a Blessed people!!

## NEW HOME

New Home Baptist Church would like to extend an invitation to a Christmas Celebration/Candlelight service December 22nd at 11:00a.m. Christmas Dinner will be immediately following the service. The meat will be provided by the church, please bring sides and desserts.

Sending best wishes for a very Merry Christmas from our Church Family to your family.

Mary E. Bray

## Acts 1:8 (NIV)

<sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

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As we come to the end of the semester, our students are overly stressed. You really have no idea unless you're an alumnus. Please, remember to pray for them.

We've had a wonderful time in our worship services. Our speakers have been on point. As usual, we are losing a worship leader to graduation and are expecting God to bring us another talented and committed singer with a heart for leading others to the throne.

We're headed to **Orange, Texas**, in **January** to do **Disaster Relief**. We were there two years ago and they've experienced flooding again. Please, pray for the logistics for the trip. We're also working with the Phelps County Baptist Association to plan a joint **Spring Break mission trip** in Green County, MO.

**Projected Costs:**

\$5,600 – Landscaping  
\$19,000 – Parking Lot  
\$6,300 – Carpet/Flooring  
\$15,000 – Painting  
\$2,200 – Sign  
\$3,000 – Electrical  
\$8,900 – Miscellaneous

**Total: \$60,000**



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Our **capitol campaign** to update the BSU facility has begun! The MBC has given "seed" money, but we're praying that our alumni and friends will be generous. I'd be glad to send you a brochure with information. You can give through [www.mbcolligate.com/rolla](http://www.mbcolligate.com/rolla). The work will begin when we start receiving good money. We're ready for a bit more than a facelift around here.

I'm **SO** excited that **Dr. Jagat Lamsal** is ready to jump back into seeking to win **internationals** in Rolla. You can contact Jagat at: [jnlamsal03@gmail.com](mailto:jnlamsal03@gmail.com) or 573-639-0254.

**You can help** ensure students at Missouri S&T continue to have **experiences like this and like you enjoyed** here at the Baptist Student Union. Please, pray about giving.

Please, continue to tithe through your local church and support our associations. Missouri S&T (MSM & UMR) graduates, more than many, are **blessed with jobs that pay well**. We would love for all alumni to participate as blessed by the Lord and led by the Holy Spirit.

If you would like to help, there are a number of ways to do so. **Checks** should be made out to the **Friends of the Baptist Student Union at Missouri S&T, Inc.** All donations should be mailed directly to Legends Bank at the following address:

Legends Bank  
P.O. Box 1517  
Rolla, MO 65402-1517

The **PayPal** option, is available on our website: [rollabsu.com](http://rollabsu.com). Remember that **PayPal** charges just over 3% per transaction. You may want to set up an **Authorization for Direct Payment**. The form is on our website. Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support. The Lord is using us to impact students' lives for the Kingdom. May the Lord bless you!

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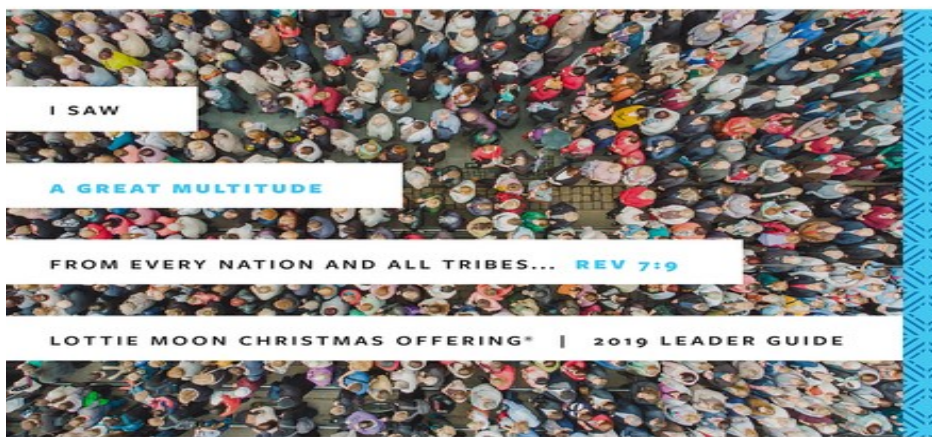
## SPRING CREEK

In October we were blessed to be able to participate in the Refreshing Waters outreach effort at the Doolittle rest area. We had some good conversations with some of the visitors, and pray that God used us to plant some Gospel seeds and give some encouragement to them. We look forward to the next time when we can all get together and do this outreach effort.

This month Pastor Matt led our first baptism class, which ran for two sessions on two Sunday mornings during Sunday School time. As a result, there are several youngsters who have professed their trust in Jesus as savior, and will be planning baptisms in the near future, praise God! These classes will be offered as needed for new believers, and the church approved an addition to our bylaws that new believers should take the class prior to baptism.

We produced our first issue of the Spring Creek Journal, a small publication with articles by church members on topics of encouragement, and some reviews of Christian-oriented books. Each issue will be on a theme, and Issue 1 is on the theme of "Reading." We expect to produce about one issue per quarter. It is posted on line at <http://springcreekbaptistrolla.org> under the Sermons->Articles menu item if you would like to read it.

Your brother in Jesus,  
Joe



Get your 2019 Lottie Moon materials at:  
<https://store.imb.org/LMCO/>

## **ACTS 1:8 MISSION TEAM:**

**A PCBA/BSU Spring Break mission trip is planned for March of 2020.**

A team of PCBA members and BSU students will work with Mike Haynes, DOM of Greene Co. Assn. to minister at the Grand Oaks Mission Center, Lifebuilders and church plants.

**Please be watching for more information about this trip and how YOU can sign up to be included.**

What a blessing!

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

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## **FIRST, NEWBURG**

Kicking off December with our mission study Wednesday night at 7 o'clock on the 4th.

Our ladies Christmas party will be held at the Brand's on Friday the 6th.

The abundant Blessings food distribution will happen on the first day of winter, the 21st at 9 a.m.

The Church of the Nazarene in Rolla will be holding a Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve at 6 in the evening.

Please visit our church every Sunday this month as we celebrate the Advent in the morning services and don't forget to come to the Singspiration during our evening services on the 29th.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us at First Baptist Church of Newburg

Colleen

## **ABUNDANT BLESSINGS**

Abundant Blessings, an area ministry serving foster families, is in need of monetary donations to cover annual cooling/heating costs for the space which houses the items they provide. These items include things such as baby food, infant formula, toothpaste, etc. that need to be climate controlled. It is

estimated that about \$1,000.00 will cover utilities for a full year. Any donations will be tax-deductible. Donations may be made by check or online. By check - make payable to Hope Alliance of MO with notation "for Abundant Blessings" and place in offering plate. Online - go to [hopeallianceofmo.org/donate](http://hopeallianceofmo.org/donate) and make notation "for Abundant Blessings."

# PASTOR SPOTLIGHT:

## Welcome Sam Parker!



Join us in welcoming Sam Parker as a one of our ty Baptist

coming Sam minister in Phelps Coun- Association

churches. Sam began as the associate pastor at Salem Avenue Baptist Church in June of this year. Sam and his wife, Shanna, are both from the Rolla area. Sam has worked in various areas of ministry for 19 years, including summer camps, after-school ministries, missions, and youth. He will be assisting a number of the ministries at Salem Avenue Baptist Church, while filling in when necessary for Salem Avenue Baptist Church's Senior Pastor, Patrick Wilson. Sam welcomes anyone to feel free to stop by and introduce yourself or reach him at 573-364-4442.

Welcome Sam Parker!

## WMU

Please remember your Lottie Moon Christmas offering in your church. If you need resources, please let us know.

We wish you all a blessed and Merry Christmas!

Jayne Worstell, Assn. WMU Director

If you and/or your church would like to become more involved in Missouri/PCBA WMU ministries, please call the PCBA office or Jayne Worstell @ 573-308-6639



# TREASURER'S REPORT NOVEMBER, 2019

## PHELPS COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

### RECEIPTS

Edgar Springs	391.61
Ft. Wyman	378.63
Jerome	146.00
Kentuck	
Mt. Zion	
Macedonia	192.00
Mt. Olive	123.83
Newburg	
New Home	467.00
Philadelphia	610.10
Rolla First	1,500.00
Salem Avenue	1,673.16
New Life Fellowship	141.00
Spring Creek	622.74
Mission Team Desig	
St. James First	422.75
Winkler	
International Church	
World Day of Prayer	191.00
Other Camp Income	100.00
Misc Income	50.00 + 15.00
Block Party	100.00

### DISBURSEMENTS

Pastoral Ministries	65.00
WMU	
Missions Team	220.74
Baptist Student Union	500.00
DOM Expenses	54.42
Office Equipment	166.87
Office Utilities	160.50
Office supplies	
Office Phone/Internet	62.66
DOM Travel Exp.	178.70
DOM	1,971.30
Secretary	1,135.00
Camp Caretaker	581.60
Social Security Taxes	139.47
Insurance/Workman's Comp	
Camp Utilities	110.72
Friends of BSU	1,200.00
Camp Maintenance	42.88
Camp Development	
Camp Program	
Misc Items	183.79
WMU	47.81
Exp. From Designated	

TOTAL DEPOSIT 7,125.02

TOTAL EXPENSES 4,806.63

Initial Year Balance 21,545.03  
 Total Income 13,256.02  
 Initial Bal+ Income 34,801.05  
 Total Term Disbur 12,009.81  
 Current Year Bal 22,791.24

Old Balance 20,472.85  
 Current Income 7,125.02  
 Balance Plus receipts 27,597.87  
 Current Month Disbursements 4,806.63  
 Current Month Balance 22,791.24

TREASURER .. Howard D. Pyron 11-30-2019



Pastors and Staff  
 Christmas Dinner

Friday, December 13th 6:30pm  
 Baptist Student Union  
 call office for a spot!

