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September 23rd, 2018 4-6 pm

Journey Baptist Church

Advance
*Annual Worship Gathering
of SJBA*

The 148th Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting on September 23rd, 4:00 pm at Journey Baptist Church will have an emphasis on all our churches worshipping and praising God together.

Special Guest Preacher:

Jason Walters,
Discipleship Consultant, MBC

Leading Worship:

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Praise & Worship Team

There will be a shortened business meeting with some video reports. We will have testimonies of how God uses SJBA ministries thought the year. A report about BSU Growth and the need for expansion. We will also discuss a proposal from the Administrative Leadership Team to adopt a statement to identify our position on Biblical Sexuality. We will also elect officers and team leaders as well as vote on the new 2019 budget. All church elected messengers should attend but everyone is welcome to join us as we worship together.

Journey is providing a meal following the Worship Gathering.

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MISSOURI MISSIONS OFFERING

September is Missouri Missions Offering Month. The biblical text for the 2018 Rheubin L. South Missouri Missions Offering is I Chronicles 29:14B "Everything comes from you and we have given you only what comes from your hand." Envelopes, posters, and prayer guides are still available at the Mission Center.

A word from our Director of Missions

As you read this, the 148th Annual Meeting of the St Joseph Baptist Association is happening (September 23rd 4:00 pm at Journey Baptist Church) OR has just happened. This year introduced the new direction of the meeting as the "Annual Worship Gathering of St Joseph Baptists". It is the desire of the SJBA Annual Meeting Committee and the Church Leadership and Spiritual Development Team to gather the churches of SJBA to a time of Worship, Word, Praise, Prayer, and Direction. We will still need to facilitate some Association Business, but the emphasis is on Gathering God's People to the Lord. Eventually the hope is to gather so many of our church's congregation that we would need to arrange for a larger place to meet. It's not about gathering for numbers, but gathering with the purpose of Glorifying God.

I wanted to say thank you for the churches that have hosted gathered ministry over the recent months; **Missouri Valley** (Senior Adult Event), **Frederick Blvd** (Men's Conference), **Journey** (SJBA Gathering), and **Green Valley** (Disaster Relief Regional Training). It's great to see how churches work together to see Kingdom Work being done. I also wanted to say thank you for all the volunteers from different churches helping at the SJBA office; **Julia Johnson, Karen Lewis, and Jenny Skrbina** filling in for Muriel when she needs to be gone; **Karen Lewis, Julia Johnson, LeRoy Bush, Jeri and Monty Fleenor** helping to put the Newsletter together monthly for mailing. I also want to thank **Gary Miller** for all the help over the months getting our new financial program workable and **Cyndee Longe** for her input in the financial transition. Again, THANK YOU each church and each volunteer working together in God's Kingdom work.

As fall begins there is no shortage of despair; political fallout, poor crops, flu season, flooding, sickness, injury, death, and so forth. Disappointment, hurt, trouble, pain, heartbreak; these are words that often accompany life. Yet, with all that is thrown against us we find our solace in the Lord. He is greater than our struggle and higher than our sin. He is steadfast when all around us is tossed about by the winds and storms of this world. God is not disturbed by the tempest of this world. Seek His Refuge, our shelter is in HIM. **(Psalm 61:2)** *From the end of the earth I will cry to You, When my heart is overwhelmed; Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.* God is aware of all circumstances that surround you and knows what you need, before you even know what you need. What great comfort and strength we gain when we trust in God and not in any other.

We welcome **Gary Dean** as the Interim Pastor at **Immanuel Baptist, St Joseph**. Please pray for SJBA Churches needing pastors: **FBC St Joseph, Darlington, & FBC Helena**. Also pray for the upcoming Missouri Baptist Convention (October 22-23) as representatives from over 1,800 Southern Baptist Churches gather to cooperate in God's Kingdom Work.

Together on the Mission of Christ

Roger Brumley

Director of Missions

SJBA Senior Adult Event

November 1, 2018 - 10:00 AM

Frederick Blvd. Baptist Church, St. Joseph

The program will be the St. Joseph Christian High School Band, under the direction of Joe Voga. Dr. Scott Gilbert, Pastor of Frederick Blvd., will bring the inspirational message.

Due to lack of kitchen space, the meal will not be catered this year. Frederick Blvd. will be providing the meat, rolls, and beverages. Everyone attending is asked to bring either a vegetable, salad, or dessert to help with the meal.

All senior adults 55 and over are invited to join us for this special time of fellowship.

184th Annual Meeting of the Missouri Baptist Convention

October 22 - 23, 2018

Crossway Baptist Church - Springfield, MO

The theme is "STEADY" from Exodus 17: 8-16

News in Our Association

Flag Springs announces that they have called Philippe Adebile as their new Pastor. We welcome him to our association and look forward to working together.

Immanuel announces that they have called Rev. Gary Dean as their Interim Pastor. They will also be holding a revival October 14-17. Rev. Gary Dean will be preaching. Service Times are at 10:45 am Sunday and then 7:00 pm Sunday evening through Wednesday. We welcome Rev. Dean to our association and look forward to working together.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Mark Conyers**.....*October 1*
Pastor - Savannah First
- Eric Martin**.....*October 6*
Pastor - King City First
- Dick Lionberger***October 17*
Interim Pastor - Big Lake
- Jesse Quinn III**.....*October 25*
Pastor - Albany First

HAPPY CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

- Kyle Bridgman**..... *21 years, October 1*
Min. of Music & Education - Maysville First
- David Mason** *21 years, October 4*
Pastor - Green Valley


SJBA MINISTERS' FAMILY EVENT

All SJBA ministers and their families are encouraged to attend a special event planned just for them.

It is scheduled for **Friday, September 28, 2018** at **God's Mountain. From 6:00—10:00 pm.**

Planned activities include a hayride and campfire.

All food and drink will be provided.



We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Susan Goodwin in the recent passing of her mother, Betty Goodwin. Betty faithfully served as the Associational WMU Director for many years. She will be greatly missed.

RECEIPTS - August 2018		
CHURCH	MONTH	YTD
Albany, First Baptist Church	\$223.51	\$2,045.90
Bethel Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$5,894.72
Big Lake Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$300.00
Calvary Baptist Church	\$565.81	\$3,044.31
Clarksdale, First Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$845.87
Copeland Baptist Church	\$390.49	\$1,790.18
Crossroads Chapel	\$108.36	\$697.77
Darlington Baptist Church	\$391.81	\$4,836.19
Eureka Valley Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fairport Baptist Church	\$166.00	\$664.00
Faith United Baptist Church	\$517.40	\$4,140.79
Faucett Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$2,169.95
Flag Springs Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$893.80
Frazier Baptist Church	\$1,572.00	\$12,636.00
Frederick Boulevard Baptist Church	\$1,676.75	\$11,420.74
Gower, First Baptist Church	\$239.32	\$1,455.35
Green Valley Baptist Church	\$737.46	\$5,389.41
Helena, First Baptist Church	\$169.00	\$1,132.00
Immanuel Baptist Church	\$53.00	\$617.45
Journey Baptist Church	\$462.29	\$3,758.67
King City, First Baptist Church	\$35.41	\$255.56
Little Platte Baptist Church	\$195.00	\$512.00
Maysville, First Baptist Church	\$804.34	\$6,357.27
McCarthy Baptist Church	\$1,743.14	\$13,051.77
Midway Baptist Church	\$121.75	\$537.75
Missouri Valley Baptist Church	\$200.00	\$1,810.00
Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Berlin	\$34.40	\$216.66
Mount Moriah Baptist Church, Clarksdale	\$180.00	\$958.50
New Harvest, SBC Church	\$158.76	\$1,023.70
New Home Baptist Church	\$437.00	\$1,679.55
Oregon, First Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$1,045.50
Patee Park Baptist Church	\$377.72	\$1,638.59
Renovation Church	\$25.00	\$75.00
St. Joseph, First Baptist Church	\$396.20	\$2,874.04
Savannah Avenue Baptist Church	\$274.75	\$1,785.43
Savannah, First Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$3,209.57
Stanberry, First Baptist Church	\$750.00	\$6,000.00
Stewartsville, First Baptist Church	\$1,211.56	\$4,897.13
Strong Tower Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$1,626.89
Union Star, First Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$1,285.05
Wathena, First Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$1,215.28
Weston, First Baptist Church	\$388.67	\$1,246.25
Whitesville Baptist Church	\$639.45	\$1,948.61
Designated for BSU Director	\$5,642.83	\$24,960.13
Receipts	\$20,889.18	\$ 143,943.33

Please note that these figures show contributions that have been deposited through the end of August 2018. These do not reflect August contributions that were received and/or deposited in September 2018. Those contributions will be on the September 2018 report.

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Calendar of Activities

*A * Denotes an Associational Event. Meetings are at the Mission Center unless otherwise indicated.*

SEPTEMBER 2018	
*23	SJBA Annual Meeting/Worship Gathering, 4:00 pm, Journey Baptist Church
26	See You At the Pole
*28	Ministers and Family Event at God’s Mountain, 6:00 pm.
OCTOBER 2018	
*2	Ministers Brown Bag, Noon
4	Grand Oaks Board Mtg.
14	Global Hunger Sunday—SBC
*22	SJBA Newsletter Deadline for Articles
22-23	MBC Annual Meeting, Springfield
*25	SJBA Newsletter
NOVEMBER 2018	
*1	SJBA Sr. Adult Event, 10:00 am, Frederick Blvd.
*5	Sr. Adult Council, 10:00 am
*6	Ministers’ Brown Bag Retreat, 8:00 am– 1:00 pm, God’s Mountain, Food provided
*12	Newsletter Article Deadline
*15	SJBA Newsletter
*21-23	Mission Center Closed—Thanksgiving Holiday



October is Cooperative Program Month

The Cooperative Program is Southern Baptists’ unified plan of giving through which cooperating Southern Baptist churches give a percentage of their undesignated receipts in support of their respective state convention and the Southern Baptist Convention missions and ministries. Learn more about the Cooperative Program by going online to www.cpmiissions.net Additional help and resources to help promote CP are free and available for ordering or downloading at mobaptist.org/cp, or by calling 800.736.6227 ext. 303.

Christmas Events

We realize that this is only September, but Christmas will be here before we know it. If you would like us to publicize your special Christmas events in the newsletter, please get them to us by November 12.