News From Churches

Brownsville The VBS theme was Agency D3 and the children enjoyed playing detective about who Jesus is. The church will celebrate Homecoming on August 24 with a potluck after the 11 am service. Bro. Gary Cresswell will preach and the Dillon Brothers will sing in the afternoon.

<u>Concord</u> is having a back to school party August 16th at 3pm. The Mercy river boys will be singing and there will be a lot of activities for the youth such as water slides, face painting, bounce houses, food, and ice cream.

<u>First Heber</u> will have a Back to School Splash Bash on Aug. 27 with hot dogs, inflatables, wet & messy games, and lots of fun! Youth: 3:30-8:30 pm, Children: 6-7:30 pm.

Heber Springs Baptist On Aug. 17 Dr. Don Moore, Retired Executive Director of the AR Baptist State Convention, will speak in the 10:45 am and the 6 pm services. Dr. Moore is leading our State in the area of Prayer for Renewal, Revival and Revitalization. Pastor Mike Love invites our local churches to attend and encourages people to pray "disparately" for revival. *The Jericho March* is a prayer challenge members of HSBC are embracing. Once a week, members WALK around the Church building seven times and PRAY for "walls of resistance" to revival and the gospel. Since beginning on June 1, eighteen various decisions for Christ have been made.

<u>Lone Star</u> had a great VBS and celebrated Homecoming on August 10. Bro. Mike Hipp brought the message, and The Mercy River Boys provided music.

Mt. Top Cowboy has called Bennie Foster & Jimmy Thomas as associate pastors. There have been 20 additions to the church and 15 baptisms. VBS saw an average attendance of 68, with 84 enrolled.

<u>Palestine</u> The church celebrated its 153rd anniversary and Homecoming on July 27th with Bro. Mike Martin of Central Bapt., Jonesboro and the Mercy River Boys singing in concert following a potluck dinner.

Quitman had 130 enrolled in VBS with an average attendance of 95 children and 45 adults. In July a team of 31 volunteers served in Pueblo, Co with Volunteer Christian Builders to assist in a 4100 sq ft educational building project. The volunteers also conducted a VBS.

Southside The youth, the J-squad, led in the 11am service on Aug. 10. The church has begun a new single adult class. A cook out at the lake will take place in Sept. to reach out to single adults in the community.

It's Time for

ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILES!

Each Church may pick up their ACP packet at the August 18
Associational Meeting.

Deadline for completion is Tuesday, Sept. 30th.

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Associational Meeting

August 18, 2014
West Side Baptist Church
7025 Greers Ferry Rd.
Greers Ferry, AR

6:00 Fellowship Supper

6:30 Executive Board Meeting

7:00 Stand Up & Sing

Prayer & Welcome: Doug Inzer

Roll Call/Announcements

Special Music

Message: Dr. Jim Lagrone, Director, Capitol Ministries for the State of Arkansas Jim Lagrone graduated from Trumann High School in 1975 and was ordained to the ministry by Fisher Street Baptist Church in Jonesboro in 1979. He received his Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Ft. Worth, and his Doctor of Ministry at Midwestern



Seminary in Kansas City. He has served as Pastor at churches in Jonesboro, Bryant, and Little Rock, and most recently served as Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church in Little Rock. He has also served as Associate Director of Evangelism at the AR Baptist State Convention, as well as two terms as President of the ABSC in 2001-2002. Dr. Lagrone is currently serving as Director of Capitol Ministries for the State of Arkansas. Capitol Ministries has a local chapter in each state that ministers to State Legislators and provides Bible studies, counseling and other ministries to our elected Government officials. Dr. Lagrone has a room located in the State Capitol and is meeting the spiritual needs of many of our officials. Dr. Lagrone and his wife, Rebecca, live in Little Rock, and have three grown children. (For more information about Capitol visit Ministries, www.capmin.org or jlagrone57@gmail.com.)

A big **THANK YOU** to all who helped at Church Camp this year. We had 279 enrolled with 24 professions of faith. Thank you to Bro. Tony Criswell who was our Camp Director. He did a marvelous job.

Bro. Larry

NEXT MEETING: September 15,

Association Picnic,
Mt. Top Cowboy Church,
with Bro. Ken Jordan of Friendship Baptist
Church, Conway

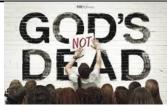
THE SENEGAL MISSION

First Baptist Heber Springs has partnered with First Baptist Manila, AR, for the past three years in an evangelistic mission effort in Senegal, West Africa. The vision is to have self-sustaining church groups among the Fulacunda people group throughout Senegal. The specific goal is to build relationships that build up the Word of God, that build believers, that build churches, that in turn build other churches.

To date FBC Heber Springs has sponsored mission trips for eight teams. Anywhere from two to five members have served on trips that typically span over a ten-day period. The focus has been on evangelizing and discipling believers in a culture that is almost totally animistic and Muslim. The initial work was primarily targeted in one village, but the Holy Spirit has now spread the Word over a larger area in at least a dozen other villages. There is a core team of African believers who have begun to continuously carry out the mission effort with the support of American church teams such as ours. There are currently multiple villages where the African team is beginning to assemble local believers in house churches.

Truly the harvest is ready, and the laborers are few. There is a need to expand the capacity for supporting this mission effort. The African believers need discipleship training, and they need continuing evangelistic support from church teams. Therefore, this is an invitation to "be my witnesses from one end of the earth to the other." If you will respond to this call, please contact Bro. Larry Thomas for further information.

On Sunday, August
24 at 6 pm, Heber
Springs Baptist
Church will host a
FREE showing of the
Christian Apologetic



Movie, *God's NOT Dead*. It played in theaters across America in Spring 2014 and was well received. This movie will assist and encourage Christians how and why to take a stand for our beliefs. All churches are invited to come, bringing unchurched teens and families with them.

Thank You

Dear Little Red River Association, Thank you so much for the memorial to the Family Life Center Fund at FBC Star City in memory of my mother, Lucille Ollar. We appreciate your prayers.

In His Love, Elwin & Marilyn Ollar

FREEDOMWAY MINISTRIES

N. 4th and Spring - Heber Springs

Low Self-esteem?
Little Self-confidence?
Powerless Feelings?
Background of Loss/Trauma?

CHECK US OUT

Celebrate Recovery – every Friday at 6:30pm Celebrate Bible Study – every Tuesday at 6:30pm Celebrate Worship – every Sunday at 10:00am

In the last eleven years **FreedomWay Ministries** has taken in 79 men to live with them in their HOME OF HOPE, helping the ex-offender and those in addiction. So far this year they have taken nine into their Homeless Shelter. Bro. Lloyd and FreedomWay Ministries thank you so much for your prayers and support for this ministry.

Financial Report - July 2014

Gifts from Churches:		Expenditures:	
Brownsville	\$270.98	AR Faith & Ethics Council	\$83.33
Concord	\$96.54	Collegiate Ministries-UCA/HS	\$200.00
Faith	\$223.00	Kansas Missions	\$500.00
First, Heber Springs	\$3,616.74	Open Door Church	\$600.00
Grace	\$264.99	Friends For Life	\$400.00
Harris Chapel	\$371.00	Transfer to FreedomWay	\$1,000.00
Heber Springs Baptist	\$724.16	Benevolence	\$100.00
Higginson	\$0.00	Disaster Relief Unit	\$399.60
Lifeline	\$350.00	**Camp Program	\$20,940.00
Lone Star	\$1,493.31	Electric, Propane, Water	\$140.99
McJester	\$282.79	Telephone/Internet	\$154.44
Mt. Top Cowboy	\$2,744.83	Copier Maintenance	\$27.29
Mt. Zion	\$42.00	Bldg Maint./Cleaning/Mowing	\$120.00
New Beginning	\$0.00	Office Supplies/Postage	\$147.50
New Bethel	\$0.00	Honorarium/Travel	\$300.80
Palestine	\$415.08	Missionary's Salary	\$3,249.45
Pines	\$225.00	Housing Allowance	\$2,163.90
Pleasant Ridge	\$50.00	Annuity/Life Insurance	\$342.39
Pleasant Valley	\$442.45	Medical Insurance	\$732.61
Post Oak	\$50.00	Secretary Salary	\$1,912.50
Quitman	\$963.43	Secretary Annuity	\$292.50
South Side	\$528.50	Quarterly Payroll Taxes	\$1,085.79
Sugarloaf	\$699.74	Less: Taxes payable	(\$271.30)
Tumbling Shoals	\$640.22	Total Expenditures	\$34,621.79
West Side	\$2,066.25		
Woodrow	\$440.24	Total Received:	
Total Church Gifts	\$17,001.25	Total church gifts	\$17,001.25
		Total other income	\$4,815.00
Other Income:		Subtotal	\$21,816.25
Camper Fees	\$3,815.00	Previous Balance	\$91,197.30
ABSC - FreedomWay	\$1,000.00	Expenditures	(\$34,621.79)
Total Other Income	\$4,815.00	BALANCE	\$78,391.76
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First Security Bank CD	\$26,588.18		
First State Bank CD	\$8,239.36		
CD Balance	\$34,827.54	Savings - Loan Fund Acct	\$11,044.47

^{**} Paid from camper fees received in June & July