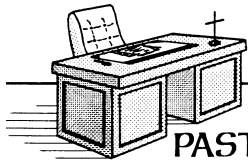


THE GOOD NEWS BULLETIN OF WELLSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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WELLSVILLE, KANSAS
AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCH



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Ready for a little trip this year?!?

How about taking with me a Lenten journey to prepare ourselves for the Easter Resurrection celebration?!?

Lent is the time when we prepare ourselves to remember and celebrate the triumph of our Lord Jesus Christ on that very first Easter Sunday morn!

Preaching during these weeks will focus on the passion of our Lord. That means His suffering on the cross, then His triumphant rising from the dead!!!

March 1— Romans 4:13-25
Christ's Passion: A New Start

March 8 — Romans 5:12-19
Christ's Passion: Freedom!

March 15 — Romans 5:1-11
Christ's Passion: Peace!

March 22 — Romans 10:5-13
Christ's Passion: Unity!

March 29 — John 15
Christ's Passion: Love for Each Other

April 5 — Philippians 2:5-11
Christ's Passion: Humility

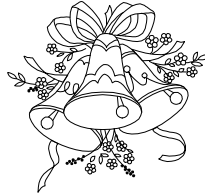
April 12 — I John 5
Christ's Passion: Victory!

Our Lenten theme will be "The Way of the Cross Leads Home", and we'll be using the great hymn of that title in each service.

Might God's Holy Spirit lead us as we travel together toward the victory of Resurrection Morning on Easter Sunday, April 12th. rr

P.S. I trust you are continuing to prayerfully lift our Pastoral search Committee as they seek to discover the person God has already picked out to serve as WBC's next Pastor!!

HEATHER VACATION



Heather will be on vacation from February 26th (right before her wedding) until March 12th. We pray that she and Erick will have a safe and relaxing time away from us and will return rested and refreshed.



Basic Disaster Training Class Saturday, March 14, 2009 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

The Wellsville United Methodist Church (302 Locust) is hosting this event and will provide lunch for all those attending. You may want to bring a notebook and a pen or pencil to take notes.

The training is provided by the Kansas East Conference UMC Disaster Response and will earn participants a Disaster Response Photo Identification Card.

Highlights of this class include:

- Theology of Disaster Response
- Phases of Disaster Response
- Kansas East Conference Disaster Response Plan
- Ways that churches and individuals can become involved and prepare for future disasters.

You can register for this class by calling Julie Pohl at 785-989-3237 or by e-mail at kseastvim@yahoo.com. Contact the Methodist Church (883-2737) for more information.



PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE NEWS

As you have already heard, the pastoral candidate with whom we were negotiating has declined the position. He assured us that it had nothing to do with our church, but rather with the worsening economy. He decided it would be best to not move at this time. While we are disappointed, we must thank God for answered prayer. The answer wasn't what we thought it would be, but all along, we have prayed for God to show us clearly who He has chosen for our next pastor, and He clearly showed us it is not to be this particular man.

The process to look at more candidates has already begun, with renewed confidence that He holds us in the palm of His hand. Thank you for being so faithful in your prayers.



Friday, April 10
7:00 p.m. — Wellsville
United Methodist
Church — Community
Good Friday "Tenebrae
Service"

Sunday, April 12
8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. — Easter Fellowship Breakfast
9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. — Bible Study for all ages
10:30 A.M. — Easter Morning Service

WITH WILLING HANDS.

Serve. Sacrifice. Surrender.

"For the love of Christ urges us on ..."

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

Dear friends in faith of the Wellsville Baptist Church family,

We are called by God to a life of holistic stewardship—to *fully serve, sacrifice and surrender to the One who has given our lives new and eternal meaning.* And yet that relationship becomes profoundly multi-faceted in its real-world application as we live for Christ in order to make a difference in our communities and respond to many needs "with willing hands".

You can help make a difference! Service in Christ's name is both an opportunity and a challenge. For 176 years, National Ministries, ABCUSA has assisted American Baptist congregations as they have confronted and responded to the spiritual and physical needs present in many communities like Wellsville, Baldwin City, Ottawa and others.

Our church's contribution to the **America for Christ Offering** goes to support Christ-centered ministries that are transforming lives across the USA and Puerto Rico. Our giving directly impacts local activities, projects and ministries such as:

- Evangelism and Church Planting
- Camps and Leadership Development Conferences
- Community Development and Refugee Resettlement
- Scholarships for Education and Volunteers in Mission

I believe God is calling us to support local missions in America and Puerto Rico and to join with our sisters and brothers as together we serve, sacrifice and surrender. Our WBC goal is to contribute \$1,504.00 to the **America for Christ Offering**. Please join in this wonderful opportunity to reach **America for Christ**.

We will dedicate the **America for Christ Offering** on Sunday morning, March 1st, and receive gifts toward our goal all throughout the month of March. Please prayerfully consider making a special gift "over and above" your regular giving to the work of Jesus Christ at WBC so we can meet and exceed our goal.

"For the love of Christ urges us on ..."

Rev. Roger Robertson
WBC Interim Pastor



CENTRAL REGION 2009 CAMP SCHEDULE

Camp Christy

June 1-6	Senior High Camp
June 8-12	Junior Camp
June 15-17	Primary Camp
June 18-19	Day Camp
June 22-26	Middle School Camp
June 29-July 3	Hispanic Camp (Primary/Junior)

Cross Wind

June 1-5	Day Camp
June 8-12	Golf Camp (Middle/Senior Hi)
June 8-12	Praise & Worship Camp (Middle/Sr Hi)
June 12-14	Primary 1 Camp
June 22-26	Middle School 1 Camp
June 22-26	Primary 2 Camp
July 6-10	Junior 1 Camp
July 13-17	Middle School 2 Camp
July 20-24	Junior 2 Camp
July 27-31	Special Needs Camp

Other Camps

July 10-12	Westminster Woods Primary
July 19-24	Ottawa Senior High Conference
July 27-Aug 1	Ozark Canoe Camp

Age groupings

<i>Day Camp</i>	<i>Grades K-2</i>
<i>Primary</i>	<i>Grades 2-4</i>
<i>Junior</i>	<i>Grades 4-6</i>
<i>Middle School</i>	<i>Grades 6-8</i>
<i>Senior High</i>	<i>Grades 9-13</i>
<i>Canoe Camp</i>	<i>Ages 13-18</i>

For more information about these camps (cost, registration forms, etc), go to www.abccr.org/campconf/



**Daylight
Saving
Time
Begins**

Sunday
March 8, 2009
2:00 A.M.

Don't forget to set
your clocks ahead one
hour.

WELLSVILLE BOY SCOUT TROOP 63

Will be hosting a free-will donation

FISH FRY

Friday, March 6
5:30—7:30 P.M.

At the
Wellsville United Methodist Church
302 Locust

Proceeds from this event go toward sending the boys on a high adventure canoe trip in the north woods of Minnesota in the summer of 2009.

*Bill and Paula Horn
and
Rick and Bonnie Thornton
invite you to share in the happiness
as their families are united
through the marriage of their children
Heather Dyana Horn
and
Erick William John Thornton
on Saturday, February twenty-eighth
Two thousand and nine
at four o'clock in the afternoon*

*Wellsville Baptist Church
217 Main
Wellsville, Kansas*

Reception by invitation only

To: ECA Churches, Friends, and Executive Committee

The **Spring Event** of the East Central Area (ECA) of the American Baptist Churches of the Central Region will be held at Victory Hills Baptist Church on March 29, 2009. Registration begins at 2:30 with the meeting starting around 3:15.

The opening session will begin with a time of praise led by the worship leader and musicians at **Victory Hills Baptist Church**. Adriana Chaney, Associate Executive Minister of the ABCCR, will speak on Church Transformation.

After the opening session there will be a quick business meeting to approve the revised By-Laws of the ECA.

Finally, our closing session will begin with a time of praise and worship led by the praise team from **New Vision Church**. An offering will be taken to help the ECA meet its financial obligations. The speaker for this session will be Wallace Smith, pastor of **Journey Community Church**, a new church plant within the ECA.

A nursery will be provided for children ages 0 through 4. There will be special activities for children, kindergarten through 5th grade.

In order to adequately plan for this meeting, please pre-register by March 24, 2009. (Registration forms can be obtained through the WBC office.) Hope to see you there.

Ron Smith
ECA Moderator-Elect

YOU ARE INVITED

You are invited to a Bridal Shower honoring Tara Smith and Dustin Dozier on Sunday, March 22 from 2:00—4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Tara and Dustin are registered at Wal-Mart, J.C. Penney, and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Tara is the daughter of Tammy and Craig Davis.

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Pastoral Search Committee
Family of Melba Todd – following her passing
Tom Reynolds — knee injury
Robert Courter – back pain from crushed vertebrae
Jim McDaniel – health concerns
Kenny Ard – in Overland Park hospital with MRSA staph infection
Mike Moss – consulting with a cardiologist
Bob Dunaway – health concerns
Bill Nitzsche — Don Nitzsche's father — health concerns
Jessica Farley — Bob Cramer's granddaughter — torn ACL
Margaret Hoffman — Bill Lytle's aunt — recovering from surgery
Shawn Shore – Jim & Pat Campbell's daughter – recovering from surgery
Rev. Chris Evans – Cheryl Robertson's father – undergoing chemotherapy
Jacob Thomasson – Tim Thomasson's nephew – deployed to Iraq in March
Mildred Morman – Gary McHugh's aunt – diagnosed with cancer
Larry Fort – Father of Jenny Klamm, Special Blessings teacher – undergoing chemotherapy
Gina Hall – sister to Dave Lowe – diagnosed with cancer
Don Sawyer — Tammy Davis' father — health concerns
Family of Harry Lillich – Nadine Gale's nephew – following his death
Christians in India – persecuted for distributing Bibles

DID YOU KNOW....



Did you know that we have 90 to 100 youngsters attending AWANA each week? And that it takes a minimum of 40 people to conduct AWANA? Currently we have 42 adults and teens and could use a few more.

These leaders are dedicated to teaching our young people all about

God, the Bible and encouraging them to memorize verses. Our leaders are far more than "Listeners." Many of these young people need attention. Some need encouragement. Some need to know they matter in this world. All of them need to know that God loves them. Moms and Dads have come to Christ because their children attend AWANA.

Please pray for our AWANA program and staff. These children may one day be AWANA leaders, Sunday School teachers, missionaries or, maybe, a minister.

Is God calling you to help us? Pray about it.

Kenny Coffman
(One of the 42)

Thank you, Peggy Inglehart, for your hard work setting up this program. Thank you, Church, for supporting it.

MARCH, 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1* No Youth group today	2 6:45 p Narcotics Anonymous meeting in the Fellowship Hall	3 9:15 a Ladies' Bible Study, 7:00 p Stephen Ministry Supervision	4**	5	6	7 7:00 a Men's Prayer Breakfast
8* 2:00 a Daylight Savings Time Begins, 12:15 p O'Dea Small Group meeting	9 6:45 p Narcotics Anonymous meeting in the Fellowship Hall	10 9:15 a Ladies' Bible Study	11**	12 10:00 a Bingo at Wellsville Retirement Center, 6:30 p Board of Christian Education meeting	13 Heather Back from Vacation today	14 7:00 a Men's Prayer Breakfast
15* 12:15 p Mosher Small Group meeting	16 Wellsville Schools on Spring Break this week 6:45 p Narcotics Anonymous meeting in the Fellowship Hall	17 9:15 a Ladies' Bible Study, 7:00 p Stephen Ministry Supervision	18** No Awana tonight	19 7:00 p Trustees' meeting, 7:00 p Rodeo Bible Camp meeting, 7:30 p Deacons' meeting	20	21 7:00 a Men's Prayer Breakfast
22* 2:00 p Bridal shower for Tara Smith in the Fellowship Hall	23 6:45 p Narcotics Anonymous meeting in the Fellowship Hall	24 9:15 a Ladies' Bible Study	25**	26	27	28 7:00 a Men's Prayer Breakfast
29* 8:30 a Traditional Worship Service, 10:50 a Contemporary Worship Service, 2:30 p ECA Spring Event	30 6:45 p Narcotics Anonymous meeting in the Fellowship Hall	31 9:15 a Ladies' Bible Study	*Sunday—Regular Weekly Services — 8:30 a.m. Worship Service, 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Bible Study, 10:50 a.m. Morning Worship Service, 5:30 p.m. Youth Group for ages 7th—12th grades; 6:00 P.M. Choir; 7:00 P.M. Worship Team Practice. **Wednesday—Regular Weekly Services—6:30 p.m. AWANA Youth Groups, 6:45 p.m. Adult Coffee & Dessert Time, 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study			

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed below, please call the church office and let us know.

Anniversaries

- 4-M/M Richard Kramer
- 12-M/M Scott Moore
- 16-M/M Will Guthrie
- 17-M/M Kenny O'Connor
- 20-M/M Bill Lytle
- 22-M/M Kenny Coffman
- 29-M/M Tom O'Dea

Birthdays

- 2-Kelli (McAuley) Thompson, John Inglehart

Birthdays (cont.)

- 4-Bill Kyle
- 6-Nakayla Robbs
- 13-Marie Moore
- 17-Randy Fouts, Patsy Shields
- 20-Harold Neel
- 23-Gavin Fouts, Chris Paulson
- 24-Bettye Coughenour
- 29-Darien Kerr
- 30-Dawn Neel

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