

MISSIONS & MINISTRY

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BR-KC Baptists



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"We envision a network of healthy Baptist churches partnering together to transform lives and communities through the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ at home, in North America and around the world."



IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Williams-Farmer Preaching Fellowship

April 15, 2016, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Spurgeon Library at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

Join us for our annual Williams-Farmer Preaching Fellowship featuring the teaching of Dr. Willie Rice, Sr. Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Clearwater, Florida. Dr. Rice was the 2015 SBC Pastor's Conference President.

- * Free Registration
- * Lunch Included
- * Chance to see the new Spurgeon Library
- * Limited Seating so register online at <http://2016wfpf.eventbrite.com>



Forest Avenue Family Shelter Impacts the Community

During a very cold winter in 1987, a homeless person froze to death on Troost in Kansas City, Missouri. It was then that God laid on Pastor Ken Smith's heart the need to start Forest Avenue Family Shelter. With 50 cots and 50 blankets, Pastor Ken opened the south half of the **Forest Avenue Baptist Church** building to the homeless. Over time, Forest Avenue Family Shelter had to narrow its focus. Today FAFS is a true emergency shelter for women and women with children averaging 32 homeless guests per night. FAFS is one of only two true emergency shelters in the KC metropolitan area. If space is available, FAFS can provide a bed for a homeless individual the same day that they request it, or in some cases, the next

day. Pastor Ken likes to say that at FAFS they still take people off the streets.

Last year, the shelter experienced a 30% rise in the number of homeless women and children. This has always included single women, single women with children, battered women, and sex trafficking victims.

Their primary goal is to present the gospel to each and every person that comes through the shelter. Roughly 95% of the ladies that stay in the shelter are unbelievers and many of them stay only a few nights. Each guest receives a nutritious meal following a gospel testimony every evening. Because of their ministry in the community, many people have been saved

and many more are involved in their Deeper Life Discipleship Program. There are a number of BR-KC churches that take groups to the shelter regularly to help provide meals and serve. FAFS not only provides food and a place to sleep, but all guests, regardless of the length of their stay, are assigned a case manager who works with them to set simple, realistic goals and to work on self-motivation.

The shelter has always been staffed by volunteers and remains located in the midst of a poverty-stricken community. FAFS does not receive any city, state, or federal funds. It has always been and continues to be funded by the Lord through donations - monetary, goods, services, and prayer. Most

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Pastor/Staff/Spouse Appreciation Banquet

Pastors, staff and spouses from churches all over the BR-KC Baptist Association enjoyed an evening of fabulous food, good fellowship and lots of laughter.

A special thanks to BJ and Becky Moyer from Moyer & Moyer Insurance for sponsoring this year's event, and to **FBC Raytown** for hosting.



Comedian David Ferrell making us laugh



Pastor Charles and Tammy Beeghley with Staff from Blue Summit Baptist



BJ and Becky Moyer with Moyer & Moyer Insurance was our sponsor for this event



Pastor Brandon and Carrie Park of FBC Raytown



Jake and Hannah Wright from New Salem Baptist



Our great crowd of pastors, staff and spouses

1st Quarter Grant Report

Gospel	LifeQuest	\$ 1,122.86	
Outreach	Belvidere Heights	\$ 1,323.73	
	Beverly Hills	\$ 738.54	
	Blue Ridge	\$ 738.54	
	Cross Creek	\$ 400.00	
	Corinthian Missionary	\$ 522.92	
	Impact Ministries	\$ 1,122.86	
	Resourcing Churches	Central	\$ 505.98
	Assisting Comm. Transformation	Calvary, Blue Springs	\$ 5,463.47
Church Planting	Restoration House	\$ 2,984.73	
	Mosaic Bible Fellowship	\$ 984.73	
	United Believers	\$ 1,000.00	
	Full Faith	\$ 1,000.00	
	LifeConnection Grain Valley	\$ 500.00	
Equipping Leaders	Grace Church	\$ 1,000.00	
	Tree of Life	\$ 1,500.00	
	Primera Iglesia Bautista Ind.	\$ 1,500.00	
Flex Funds	The U Church	\$ 1,000.00	
	Equipping Ldrs Ministry Tm	\$ 327.09	
	Palabra Viva	\$ 1,300.00	
	Haitian American	\$ 1,850.00	
	Corinthian Missionary	\$ 1,477.08	
	Mosaic Bible Fellowship	\$ 15.27	

Grant Schedule

2nd Quarter

4/4 2nd Quarter Grant Requests Due
4/20 Review Process Completed
4/27 Grant Checks Written

Online applications now available at
<http://blueriver-kansascity.org/grant/>

3rd Quarter

8/5 3rd Quarter Grant Requests Due
8/17 Review Process Completed
8/24 Grant Checks Written

4th Quarter

10/7 4th Quarter Grant Requests Due
10/19 Review Process Completed
10/26 Grant Checks Written

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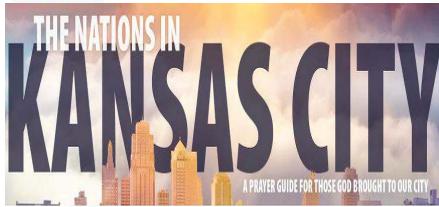
Executive Director Report

Dear Partners in Missions,

WILLIAMS-FARMER PREACHING FELLOWSHIP

I hope all pastors are registered for the Williams-Farmer Preaching Fellowship! This is an excellent seminar on the task and craft of preaching for preachers by preachers. You won't want to miss this equipping and encouragement opportunity and the fabulous setting of the new Spurgeon Library at Midwestern Seminary. You can still register if you hurry! <http://2016wfpf.eventbrite.com>.

THE NATIONS IN KANSAS CITY PRAYER GUIDE



We just received a new shipment of the excellent resource "The Nations in Kansas City" prayer guide. It's a detailed, verified, specific resource for getting to know and pray for people groups from all over the world that have come to live in Kansas City. An invaluable and unique guide, you'll want

copies for many in your church who will pray. While you can download the resource as well off our website, contact our office to get your own hard copies to share at your church or your group.

NEW OFFICE

We will open for business on Monday, May 2nd at our new associational office location, 806 W Main Street, Greenwood, MO 64034. Come by and see us!



Campus Ministry

Travis Hamm, UMKC & Rockhurst

Recently I asked you to join me in praying for an unbelieving student who has been in our community for a couple of years. This student's involvement with our church has gone from initially attending only social functions, to then checking out our Story of God gatherings, to now regularly attending our Sunday Worship Gatherings.



A few Sundays ago I preached on Communion from 1 Corinthians 11. Afterward, I led our group in observing the Lord's Supper, but not until offering the chance to verbalize our need for Christ's sacrifice on the cross. It was at this point that the student shared honestly with our group that, in addition to checking out Christianity, she has also been exploring Wicca, and that she doesn't know what to believe. As she shared with our group, you could see the sadness and despair in her eyes. It was a true picture of someone who is "lost". I thanked her for sharing, and we spent the next few minutes praying for God to reveal the truth about His Son to her.

Shortly afterward, I sensed the Spirit leading me to talk further about where she is in this spiritual journey. I asked her to explain what she understood it meant for someone to become a Christian. Her answer involved moralistic living, and there was no mention of Jesus. Knowing her background in science, I shared with her that the good works of a Christian are the "effects" of a changed heart, but the good news of Jesus is very much the "cause" of those effects. She asked if Christians believe that Jesus is the only "cause". I said, "absolutely!" and explained to her that Jesus Himself said that He is the only way, truth, and life. Friends, I know that this student has heard the gospel proclaimed to her many times, and our conversation highlighted the fact that she is spiritually blind. I ended our conversation asking if she has ever, in her journey of exploration, prayed for God to reveal to His truth to her about Himself. She admitted that she hadn't prayed to

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Executive Board Meeting

April 28, 2016
6:30 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church
900 NW 22nd Street
Blue Springs, MO 64015

Meeting Highlights Include:

New Church Membership
Recommendations
Ministry Updates
Pro-Life Ministries

Forest Avenue Family Shelter

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months, they operate with just enough money to pay utilities. Because of the age of their building, repairs and upgrades are needed frequently. Over the past few years, they have had to replace air conditioners, hot water heaters, boilers and more. Each time the shelter closes for repairs, those in need are turned away. Additionally, financial contributions over the past few years have been cut in half even though the needs have grown.

There are many ways to get involved. If you or your church would like to help Forest Avenue Family Shelter, visit www.forestavenuefamilyshelter.org for more information.

News from the churches

Belvidere Heights in Grandview is looking for a part-time music director. Send resumes to Music Search Committee, 15109 White Avenue, Grandview, MO 64030 or email bhbcmo@aol.com.

Blue Ridge Baptist in Independence is looking for a part-time administrative assistant. Email resumes to pastorchane@blueridgebaptist.com.

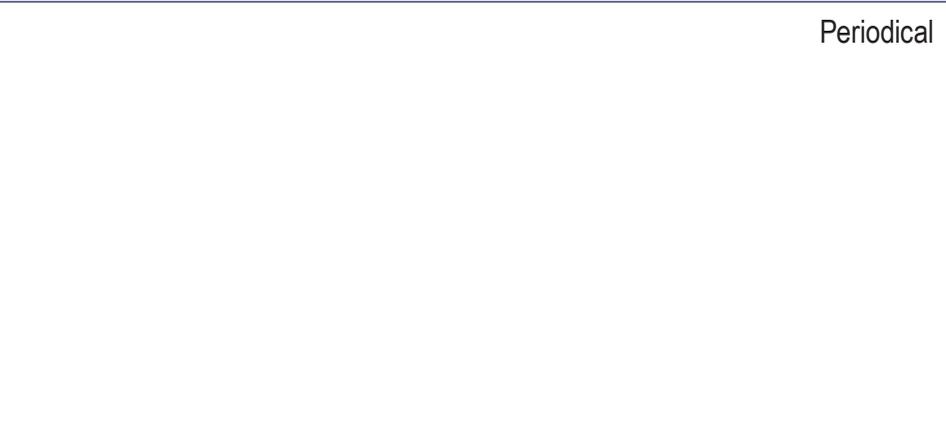
Armour Heights in Kansas City is looking for a bi-vocational pastor. Send resumes to 7900 Jarboe, KCMO 64114 or call 444-4534 for more information.

Oakwood in Lee's Summit is looking for a part-time ministry assistant. Send resumes to Pastor Russ Taylor at russ@obckc.com.

Coventry Estates in Independence is looking for a part-time Associate Pastor with duties relating to youth. Send resumes to the church at 17133 E. 39th Street S., Independence, MO 64055 or email to dbradley4@me.com.

The U Church in South KC is looking for volunteers on June 11th to help with painting and yard work at a nearby school. If interested in helping, contact Pastor Gary Jones at 816-709-0319.

Dwight Clifford Clark passed away on January 31st at his home in Independence. Dwight pastored **Calvary Baptist** in Independence from 1978 to 1988. He retired in 2009 from **Besoniah Baptist** in South KC.



WE ARE MOVING

We will be in our new office on May 2nd. Our new address will be

806 W. Main Street
Greenwood, MO 64034

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God in over two years. I invited her to pray, and she did. Since our conversation, Britney asked her if she would like to join us for dinner on Thursday nights where we will continue processing with her questions she has and sharing more truths about God from His Word. She agreed with much excitement. Please continue to pray for this student. Pray for her eyes to be opened, and pray that the Spirit grants Britney and me wisdom.

Kansas City AI Massira Training Event
May 6-7, 2016

Grace Point Baptist Church, 10415 Chestnut Drive, KCMO 64137

AI Massira is a new way for you to share your faith in the Messiah with friends.

Contact Nicole Dominguez at 816-761-4342 or nicoled@gpchurch.us.

Register at <http://goo.gl/CA9HAv>

February Financial Report

	Current Month	Year-to-Date
Receipts from churches	\$39,087.06	\$62,132.66
Other Income	11.72	26.87
Total	\$39,098.78	\$62,159.52
Less Expenses	(44,787.98)	(81,256.06)
Balance as of February 29, 2016	(\$5,689.20)	(\$19,096.54)
Budget \$467,420.19 Annual	\$38,951.68 Monthly	\$77,903.36
Budget Receipts + other income		62,159.52
Receipts compared to budget 80%		(\$ 15,743.84)

Our Restoration team is growing!

RHGKC welcomes Lucy Bloom as our new Director of Operations and Impact Mobilization

Calendar

April		May	
12	Legacy Cohort @ Blue Ridge	5	E3, Faith , Harrisonville
14	Ministry Teams	10	Legacy Cohort, Coventry Estates , Independence
15	Williams-Farmer Preaching Fellowship, MBTS	12	Ministry Teams
20	Admin & Finance Committee	19	E3@ South Haven , Belton
28	Executive Board Meeting, Calvary, Blue Springs	26	E3 @ Calvary , Blue Springs
		30	Office Closed for Holiday