

JULY

CHURCH ANNIVERSARIES

Bro. Martin Jobe
(pastoral – Mountainburg-7/1/2022)
Bro. Matt McManus
(Pastoral – Cabin Creek 7/9/2023)
Bro. Randy Jones
(Pastoral – Dyer-7/1/15)
Bro. Ben Lairamore
(Pastoral – Ozark 1st-7/1/17)

Wedding Anniversary

Mike & Julie Sawyer – 7th
Mark & Linda Thornbrugh – 16th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pepper Bourlon – 9th
Eric Smith – 13th
Tim Smith – 28th

AUGUST

CHURCH ANNIVERSARIES

Bro. Troy George
(Pastoral – East Mt. Zion-8/1/2023)
Bro. Roger Owen
(Pastoral – Shady Grove – 8/1/97)
Bro. Chuck Starnes
(Pastor – Cass-8/8/12)
Bro. Chris Johnson
(Pastoral – Van Buren 1st –8/25/13)

Wedding Anniversary

Joe & Sue Walden – 1st

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Keith Day – 4th
Bob Oden – 31st

SEPTEMBER

CHURCH ANNIVERSARIES

Bro. Nathan Ritchie
(Pastoral – Trinity-9/1/15)
Bro. Mark Thornbrugh
(Pastoral – Uniontown-9/1/91)
Bro. Gerald Gates
(Staff – Trinity-9/8/19)
Bro. Ed Butler
(pastoral – Webb City-9/17/2023)
Bro. Jeff Mize
(Pastoral – Hartman-9/17/17)
Bro. Tim Stuart
(Pastoral – Altus 1st-9/19/2021)
Bro. Tim Smith
(Pastoral – Eastern Heights-9/22/03)

Wedding Anniversary

Tom & Debbie Smith – 15th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Roger Owen – 6th
Jeff Mize – 27th

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"Strengthening Churches, Advancing God's Kingdom"

August-September, 2024



Let your light shine

Before others, that they
may see your good deeds
and glorify the father in
heaven.

Matthew 5:16

Clear Creek Baptist Association Women's Conference

Oak Grove Baptist Church
Van Buren, AR

September 7, 2024
9am -noon

Brunch will be provided, please bring diapers
and wipes for pregnancy help centers.

To register please email
swheeler.realty@gmail.com

Musings from the Mountain . . .

August and September is a time to focus on new beginnings. Schools will be starting, vacations will be winding down, and people will be looking forward to cooler Fall days. This is also a time of refocusing for the association. We close the books at the end of September and begin a new year in October. During these two months we will be preparing budgets, calendars, and reviewing the past year while looking forward for the next. **Would you take some time to pray for this period of planning, dreaming, and preparation for ministry?** Thank you for your interest and concern for Clear Creek Baptist Association.

CENTRAL AMERICA on Mission

During the early part of July, I had the privilege of going to San Juan, Costa Rica on a mission trip. The days there were filled with street evangelism and events in local parks where people gathered. On the streets and in the parks, we saw the Lord save and transform many lives. There is nothing that will rev your spiritual engine like seeing people saved as you are used to tell them about Jesus.

One of the things that I am praying about and developing plans for in 2025 is a CCBA international mission trip for. **Here again is another opportunity for you to pray.** The Lord has laid it on my heart to encourage the smaller membership churches to engage in this mission endeavor. I would love to see a team of 20-24 people from churches across this association joining together to take the Gospel to another country. **My focus is Central America.** The cost per person on this recent trip was \$1,800.00. Of course, a passport is required and there are fees for that (if you don't have one), and then meals and incidentals will also be on top of that fee.

Brother Tom Dicus has also sent me information of **a mission trip to Athens, Greece** for the summer of 2025. His daughter, Sandy, is serving there, and CCBA supports her financially along with others. The following is the information Brother Tom supplied.

GREECE Mission Trip - 2025

The possible dates are early July or September 2025. She recommends September because the tourist season is over and things are a little less expensive, plus it will not be as hot.

[The down side of September is no youth or teachers will be available to go. So PLEASE let me know if you are a youth or teacher/school employee and would really like to go. I guess June could be an option if we want to look at camp and VBS dates.]

The total cost will be around \$3000. This will include your passport (many may already have one), air fare, lodging, meals. This will include seeing things like the Acropolis and Corinth. We would be doing outreach, prayer walking, maybe a family festival, some discipleship and possibly helping with light construction on their new building. We would also be there on a Sunday to worship with Sandy's church and get to meet them.

That may appear to be too much – TWO MISSION TRIPS – but in reality, if we are to reach the world then we must go. It seems I remember Jesus saying something like that.

Brother J. R. DeBusk



CCBA Women's Conference

Ladies, we hope you have this women's event on your calendar and are planning to attend. Recently, a letter was sent to your pastor's wife with all the details. Included was a flier and a sign-up sheet for your convenience. The registration deadline is Tuesday, September 3rd.

Our keynote speaker will be Misty Wilson from FBC Rogers. We will also be hearing from four ladies from our association. Worship will be led by ladies from Concord Baptist Church's praise team. As always there will be plenty of food, fun, and fellowship. There is no monetary charge, but we are asking that everyone bring diapers and wipes to be donated to area pregnancy centers.

We are looking forward to seeing you as we discover ways to let the light of Jesus "SHINE" through us to those around us.

Your CCBA Women's Ministry Team

ATU-O BCM

We are excited about the new year at ARK-Tech in Ozark. Last year we had contact with about 70 students each week. There is a great need to have additional churches in our area participate in this exciting outreach opportunity. If you want additional information please contact Ed Butler at 479-213-4575.

EV Drama, a ministry of Shady Grove Baptist, in production of :

CATACOMBS

CATACOMBS, a post rapture drama about a group of Christians in hiding. This is a small production with 13 to 14 roles, 1hr 45min in length, scheduled for early January 2025 at the King Opera House. Practices start in August. We are down to the wire & need 4 roles filled.

- Amy (age 16-25): spunky but a kind hearted girl.
- Captain Slater (age 30-50): the big bad guy of the story determined to destroy any remnant of the Christian faith.
- Williams (age 20-35): Williams is Slater's right hand man, but beginning to question the motives of his captain & the reason Christians are being persecuted.
- Officer (age 20-40): this character has no lines, but as a "tough guy" ready to fulfill any request his captain gives him.

If you're interested in being part of this production, contact Jewel at 479-312-6638 or message us on our FB or IG page. Roger Owen

Prayer Corner

July

UnionGrove–Keith Day, Int.
Unintown–Mark Thornbrugh
Unity – Don Marr

August

VB 1st – Chris Johnson
Vine Prairie – Tom Smith
Webb City – Ed Butler
Woodland – Bob Powers

September

Altus 1st – Tim Stuart
Alma 1st – Brent Williams
Cedarville 1st – Eric Smith

Pastorless churches

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Union Grove

