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**March - April '25  
Newsletter**

### Here are upcoming events in your association. **March**

- 2 – 9 Week of Prayer for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 4 Pastors Breakfast Fellowship, Granny's in Bland, 8:00 AM
- 4 Nominating Committee Meeting, Mission Center Office Camp, 2:00 PM
- 9 Daylight Savings Time Begins (spring ahead one hour)
- 9 Associational Sing, Broadway Baptist Church, 3:00 PM
- 16 Church Planting Emphasis Day
- 16 GVBA Prayer Rally, FBC Owensville, 3:00 PM



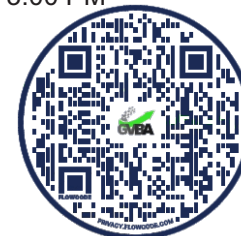
### **April**

- 1 Pastors Breakfast Fellowship, Granny's in Bland, 8:00 AM
- 5 **Campers on Mission arriving to work at camp - there will be groups here through April and May! Can you help with a meal for them?**
- 5 Trustees Meeting (de-winterize camp), Camp, 9:00 AM
- 7-18 COM working on trails and team building obstacles
- 8 Election Day
- 13 Palm Sunday
- 20 Resurrection Sunday
- 21-May 3 COM Building Family style cabin
- 27 GVBA Mid-Year Meeting**, Crossroads Baptist, 3:00 PM
- May 12-30 COM finishing cabin and team obstacles

Trent & Dana are here  
to serve your church



**You can find dates and resources at**  
**[gvbamo.com](http://gvbamo.com)**



**scan me!**

Gary and Lisa Applegate



## Gary Applegate

to be ordained at  
Mt Pleasant Church  
March 23rd

Mt Pleasant Baptist Church invites all ordained men to participate in the ordination of Gary Applegate to the Gospel Ministry. Gary has been serving as pastor of Mt Pleasant for over a year now. He had come as interim and God has led he and the church to move forward in a permanent pastor role.

Come be a part of this special time Sunday afternoon March 23rd starting approximately 1pm. Mt. Pleasant Church Road, south of Owensville, MO 65066

Setting apart God's man to preach and minister for His glory!



## PHONE # CHANGE FOR GVBA

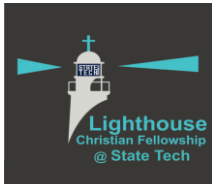
### Call Trent's cell at 580-475-6267

We have recently disconnected our land line here at the camp. This will save us quite a bit and keep us from answering political and marketing calls etc. (I'm sure you understand.)

We are still here to help and answer questions.

## Are you praying for our BSU groups?

### One of the best ways to reach the world.



Would you be willing to provide a meal on a Monday night for Bible study at State Tech?

# Persevere

Therefore confess  
your sins to each other  
and pray for each other  
so that you may be healed.  
The prayer of a righteous person is  
powerful and effective.

James 5:16

Join us for a  
Prayer Rally

Praying together with focus and power!

Sunday  
March 16 @ 3pm

First Baptist Owensville



## Prayer changes things!

Schedule your date to use the  
Block Party Trailer by calling us  
at 580-475-6267

## Need a place for a family reunion?



Family  
Reunion

Did you know that you can have your family reunion at the camp? Yep, that's right. Suggested donation is just \$25/person per day. The camp is open April 15 thru November 1. So give us a holler and let's talk about dates for you to come. We would love to share what our camp has for you and your family!



Call Trent & Dana  
@ 580-475-6267



**Share 3:16 on 3-16** March 16th

*To God be the glory  
Great things  
He has done!*



**GVBA**

GVBA Associational Sing  
**Sunday March 9**  
 3pm @ **Broadway Baptist Church**  
 15570 MO 68, St. James, MO 65559

**CHILDREN'S CAMP IS COMING!**  
**June 22-26**  
 Save the date and pray!



**"The Word of God is Like a Little Bitty Seed."**  
 "Others...hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop..." Mark 4:20



**for 3rd - 6th grades!**

**A life changing week packed with fun!**  
**Block off this week on your calendar!**



**Please help us spread the word.**  
**Registration opens up April 1.**  
**Please register at [gvbamo.com](http://gvbamo.com)**

## IS YOUR CHURCH HEALTHY?



Here is a tool to help you find out.  
When was your last baptism?  
When was the last time that you  
invited someone to your church?

Here is a book that  
you might check out.



**“If you’re not leading change,  
are you leading?”**

Would it offend you if I said every church needs to undergo major change? Our culture around us has certainly gone through some of the most dramatic change in history - yes - even in central Missouri. We don’t need to change the Gospel message, but we haven’t even been sharing that much. **The change we need to make is to fall in love with Jesus again and be moved by the passion we have for Him.** How many of our neighbors would say that we (including me) are passionate for Jesus? Did you know statistics show that people today are more open to the Gospel than in the past 60 years? The disciples would say that their encounter with Jesus moved them! **Let’s be moved again.**

Invite someone to church this Sunday - then invite them to lunch and tell them about your story with Jesus!



**Do you find more security in your meeting  
and church building than you do in Jesus?**

**THE MOMENT WE ARE IN DOES NOT PAUSE  
THE MISSION WE ARE ON!**

**Missions Opportunities for you!**

Let us know if your church is planning a  
mission trip - so we can spread the word!  
There may be a person at a sister church  
looking for a place to go and serve!

## GVBA Spotlight!



**Scott & Bonnie John  
and Broadway Baptist**

Do you know where Broadway is located? Just in case you don’t, it’s on Highway 68 just east of Vichy. Scott and Bonnie John have served at Broadway faithfully along with so many wonderful folks. Scott is now the Chief of Police for California, Missouri. Bonnie has taught at St. James Elementary school for several years. Broadway set up a laundromat in their church basement as an outreach to their community. They also host an annual BBQ for first responders. Pray for God to bless Broadway Baptist! They are also hosting our Association Sing on March 9th - hope to see you there!

## Will God open a door?

Will you join me in praying for an open door of some kind in towns like Westphalia, Freeburg, Rich Fountain, Argyle, and Morrison. These communities are in our association area but have no Baptist church. People in these areas need to hear the good news about salvation through Jesus. Pray for an open door!

**ANNIE  
ARMSTRONG**  
EASTER OFFERING®  
FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS

**Pray for North American Outreach  
and give to support those leading the effort**

North American  
Mission Board

# START PRAYING NOW FOR YOUTH CAMP

Registration opens May 1st  
at [gvbamo.com](http://gvbamo.com)

## Firm Foundations

GVBA YOUTH  
CAMP 2025

**75\$** PER  
PERSON

DATE

**July 13th– 17th**

Must Register by July 1st

**MATTHEW 7:24-27**

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 The rain fell, the rivers rose, and the winds blew and pounded that house. Yet it didn't collapse, because its foundation was on the rock. 26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and doesn't act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 The rain fell, the rivers rose, the winds blew and pounded that house, and it collapsed. It collapsed with a great crash."

MORE INFO

4300 Hwy B, Bland Mo 65014

GVBA Youth Camp

[www.gvbamo.com](http://www.gvbamo.com)



## RECRUITING SUMMER MISSIONARIES

Trent and Dana spent the weekend of February 21-23 with over 200 college students from across the state of Texas worshipping Jesus and sharing about GVBA and our camp. These students have applied to be summer missionaries across the USA and around the world.

We enjoyed amazing conversations with students and staff from Texas Baptist Collegiate Ministries. We were able to encourage them since Dana and I had served as summer missionaries as well. Please pray for God to bring us 2 students who will minister and boldly share the gospel at our camp and across our association. Sometime in March we hope to hear which students will be coming our way this summer.

**Would your church like to have our student missionaries help with VBS or another outreach?**



## Camp at the Camp!

**RV spots with full hookups**  
Water, sewer & 30/50 amp electric  
**\$25/night** suggested donation

Free for Campers on Mission members

Reservations required (<https://gvbamo.com/rv-reservations>)

Campers must abide by our rules as a Christian Camp.

Amenities include a pavilion with charcoal grill, horse shoe area, basketball court and sand volleyball. Plus a whole lot more!

**Camp opens April 1**

## MMO Update!

**MMO**

RHEUBIN L. SOUTH

MISSOURI MISSIONS OFFERING

Churches from across Missouri gave over 1 Million dollars to the Missouri Missions Offering in 2024. Many GVBA churches gave as well. Did you know that GVBA receives 10% of the MMO offerings given by GVBA churches? This helps us with many ministries including student missionaries and trips to Poland to help Warsaw Bible Church! Thank you for giving!



# SENIOR DAY AT CAMP MAY 16

10am Fellowship time  
11am Lunch  
11:30 program

Could you help set up or clean up or bring a dessert?

**Phil and Gail Rector  
will be our special guests  
and speaker!**



"Don't regret growing older. It's a privilege denied to many." (Mark Twain)

**Will you pray about  
giving or helping?**



Making your camp  
better for our future!



**needed: Fridge and shelves for snack shack  
needed: Swing set  
needed: A Back-Hoe  
needed: patio furniture**

We are constantly trying  
to make your camp a place  
you want to be!

# Pray for Warsaw Bible Church!

We are experiencing a great blessing in our church as more ministers join the service. Five new deacons began a trial period to become part of the church leadership team, reflecting the growth of our community and the desire of many to serve God actively.



Our church's vision is based on Acts 1:8: "And you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Therefore, we named this year the Year of Mission. Our goal is to cultivate a culture of mission-focused ministry that starts where we are and extends to the ends of the earth.

You can give by scanning the QR  
or you can go to [gvbamo.com](http://gvbamo.com)



We plan to take another trip to Poland  
in late July. Do you have a passport?  
Start working on that now!

**Wouldn't it be great to have...**

We have a dream to start a day camp for 1st and 2nd graders to come out to camp for a day in June for about 5 hours. They would see that God has created a place to have fun and learn more about Jesus. Then kids will be more ready for Children's camp when they are old enough to attend.

So now we are praying for a Day Camp Director.  
We are also praying for other helpers too.  
Will you pray with us?

Please call Trent @ 580-475-6267  
if you have a prompting to help!

**Day Camp Director  
Needed!**

