

October

1 Voices of Zambia Immanuel BC 6:30 pm

2 HBA Exec. Bd. Mtg., HBA Offices 7:00 pm

5th NO Brown Bag Lunch

5th Grand Oak Exec. Bd. Mtg

12 Ladies fall Singspiration @ Immanuel BC. A meal will be provided at 5:30 pm.
Program 6:00 pm.

15 Trent Crawford's ordination at 2:30 pm. Immanuel BC

21th Pastor and Wives Appreciation Dinner Put on by the HBA. RSVP. We will have
Babysitting if need be. Fun night for Pastor and wives to come relax. FBC Gilman City
6:30 pm.

22-25 Revival Ridgeway BC

23-24 MBC ANNUAL Meeting

28 Pray Over HBA Churches Day. Meet at the HBA Offices 8:00am We will get in the
van and drive to each church and pray over them.

29th 5th Sunday Sing Ridgeway Baptist Church 6:30 pm

November

2 Pastor Brown Bag

5 Daylight Saving Time

11 Veterans Day

13-18 Operation Christmas Child Collection Week

17 Beacon News Due in HBA Office

23 Thanksgiving day

Baptist Beacon

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It Is Harvest time! What Have You Been Harvesting ? Your garden. Why did you go out every day and pick the harvest? Because you had invested in it. All around us a harvest has started. Farmers are working hard to get it in before it is too late. What about the harvest of Souls? Are you concerned about getting that harvest in? It is not too late to learn how! If you would like to learn more about how to harvest souls for the Lord please let me know. I would be glad to meet with you one on one or in a group. Matthew 9: 37-38, John 4:34-38 Read and Pray

DOM Rev. John Mohler

DOM Word: At our annual meeting, I tried to share the vision God laid on my heart for Harrison Baptist Association. Due to time and low numbers of people that were there for the sermon time, the last thing on the agenda. I was not able to fully share with you. So over the next few months I will write about it. I plan on putting out a monthly newsletter to get more information out and share my heart. I pray God will draw the HBA to His plan. We as an Association need to Refocus and Re-align in order that we might Re-engage and Reproduce for the Kingdom. I believe we need to look at some of the things we are doing and ask ourselves " Is this building the kingdom? " Are we doing this because we always have? Is God leading us or are we following our plan? As you look in the bible you see that most of the work that Jesus did was outside the temple. What little that was inside most often ended in miss understanding. We should go into the church and worship. We should learn to be more Christ-like. We should get our tanks filled up so we can be ready to face the evil one. We are commanded to go to worship.

Before I go on let me say when I say, us, we, you, ourselves, me, I am referring to the Church. We are the Church.

- 1) We need to Re-align: We need to ask ourselves, am I abiding in Christ? What does it mean to abide in Christ? (To "abide" is to live, continue, or remain; so, to abide in Christ is to live in Him or remain in Him. When a person is saved, he or she is described as being "in Christ" held secure in a permanent relationship. Therefore, abiding in Christ is not a special level of Christian experience, rather, it is the position of all true believers. The difference between those abiding in Christ and those not abiding in Christ is the difference between the saved and the unsaved. This is proof that one is truly Saved and not just pretending. Abiding in Christ include obedience to Christ commands John 15:10 **If you keep my commandments you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in His live** ; 1 John 3:24 Whoever keeps His commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us. Following Jesus' example, 1 John 2:6 whoever says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked. Living free from habitual sin, 1 John 3:6; No one who abides in Him keeps on sinning: no one who keeps on sinning has either seen Him or known Him. And the awareness of a divine presence within one's life, 1 John 4:13 By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of the Spirit.~got question.org.) Let's take a look at James 4

Continue.

Association Happens: Beacon News for October/November "Equip Conference for Women" will be held at Grand Oaks on [Thursday, September 21](#).

Sessions include: Mental Health, Missions Discipleship, Prayer Walking, Mission Trip Preparation, International Missions Study and there will be a Missionary Speaker there that day. Registration for the Conference begins at 8:30 am and the conference concludes at 3:00 pm. The cost is \$20 with lunch included. Registration is due by [September 13](#) (for a lunch count) and unfortunately, the Beacon won't get to you by that time. However, if you are interested in going, I'd go ahead and contact Sarah Reeter via email at sarahreeter@gmail.com. She can let you know if they are still accepting registrations.

The third annual Women's Fall Singspiration will be at Immanuel Baptist Church on

[Thursday, October 12](#). A meal will be provided and serving will begin at 5:30 pm. The program will begin at 6:00 with Heidi Lynn, daughter of DOM John and Sheila Mohler, as our worship leader for the evening. Marcie Cutsinger from Melbourne Baptist Church will give her testimony. Our focus scripture for the evening will be Psalm 100:4 "Enter his gates with [thanksgiving](#); go into his courts with praise. Give thanks to him and praise his name," as we prepare our hearts for the upcoming [Thanksgiving](#) season. There'll be an opportunity for attendees to do something "crafty" if they are so inclined. The evening will be filled with singing praises of [thanksgiving](#) to God, fellowship, and even a fun game to play. Door prizes will be given away and there will be a small gift for each attendee.

Women are asked to bring a fall themed non perishable item for the Harrison County food pantry, including crackers, soups, chili (or chili ingredients), hot cocoa, apple cider mix, gloves, mittens. If there is anyone who would like to help serve the night of the Women's Fall Singspiration, please let me know. We rely so much on our two biggest churches of the association to allow us to hold events because they are most centrally located, but that doesn't mean women from smaller surrounding churches can't be involved. You can contact me at 660-868-0864 or send me a message via Messenger. Susan Ward HBA WMU Director

Brotherhood Report—Roger Barker

The 2023 HBA Family Mission Trip took place [July 8-14](#). We had a group of 21 people from northwest Missouri who took time out of their busy summer to travel to Fort Smith Montana to help the Big Horn Baptist Church remodel, repair, and improve the "Lodge". (This building is mostly used to house mission teams that come and help with things like bible school or groups like ours).

Most of our mission team arrived on [Saturday, July 8th](#), with some staying in campers, some staying in the church and some rented cabins. On [Monday](#) the work began. Some of the things that were accomplished included: a) removed all the ceilings, b) removed some walls, c) removed all flooring, d) and completed lots of other tear out projects.

Then we began building back. We installed ceilings in the bigger rooms, built new walls and wired lights, improved the doorway between rooms, power washed and stained the front deck, redid some plumbing and installed some cabinets and a new vanity in one bathroom. We also updated the walls in the fellowship area with new (rustic looking) wall coverings that turned out really nice.

Jackie and the cooks did an awesome job with all the meals too. Everything was great and everyone truly had a spirit to serve.

We also had a great time of fellowship in the evenings. The country there is so beautiful.

Thank you to all who make this ministry possible. It takes us all, "THANK YOU".

⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

*And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" **Isaiah 6:8***

Roger Barker
Brotherhood Director

From Our Churches:Greetings from FBC Winston,

We want to invite everyone to revival [September 29, 30](#) and [October 1st](#). Evening worship starts at 7:00 p.m. [Sunday Morning](#) at 10:30 a.m. Our speaker is Pastor Steve Baird from Lawson, MO.

My son Eric will be preaching [Sunday, October 22nd](#) while Sherry and I take a short vacation to Branson. I am very thankful that Eric will be proclaiming God's Word while we are gone. I am sure you will be blessed if you can visit that [Sunday!](#)

Our youth is planning a trip to Worlds of Fun, [Saturday, October 14th](#). Also, we are planning a church hayride [October 28th](#).

God bless,

Brad

Mt. Pleasant #1: Greetings from "Cat Creek " in the name of The Lord Jesus Christ. To all the Churches of Harrison Baptist Association. We here at Cat Creek church have been having a few new gust from Kansas City , Los Angeles, Philippines, Jamesport and Albany. We want to thank the Lord for sending out visitors. We have had some kids join us as well, what a blessing.It is such a blessing to sing from Hymans and we invite you to come join us some Sunday morning.

J.C. Davis

Melbourne Baptist Church

Hello from Melbourne. We're excited about what God is doing.

In September we are praying for revival. A revival for ourselves, our church and community. Will you join us in praying for revival?

Our Revival Date is **September 24-27**. Our evangelist is Bro Jim McNeil.

Known for his character evangelism. Making the scriptures come to life through memorization. Brother Jim has much of the New Testament memorized. Hope you can come join us and bring a friend.

October 28th Is our BonFire and Hayride. It's always a fun time.

November 19th Will be our Pastor and Deacon Ordination.

If you're not going anywhere, come and join us.

Sundays:

Sunday School - 10:00 AM

Worship - 11:00 AM

Wednesday:

Wednesday 6:30 pm

Short Devotion and we pray.

At Melbourne we believe in the Power of prayer and prayers are being answered. Which is faith in action.

Coffey Baptist Church

Good wishes from Coffey!

Vacation Bible School, "Twists & Turns", was held from [August 1st](#) through [August 4th](#). Josh Silver (with Hannah's help) was the VBS Director this year. There was an average attendance of 40 kids per night, with 24 helpers. We were blessed to have 3 young ones come forward for salvation!!

Ignyte Worship prepared a float for the Maysville County Harvest Day Parade on [August 12th](#). They tossed out candy and handed out flyers for their upcoming event that was being held on [August 26th](#) at Pattonsburg Baptist Church. Winston Baptist Church Puppeteers put on a "Black light Show" with their puppets. Another Ignyte Worship is on [September 23rd](#), at Gilman City Baptist Church. Prayers and a lot of preparation were put into this occasion. Special thank you to all those that helped out and donated! Ignyte will be at Albany Baptist Church...date & time to be announced.

HBA "Pickers" have gathered at the church for fun and fellowship on a couple of evenings. They are preparing for the 5th [Sunday](#) Praise Sing on [October 29th](#) and also for the Melbourne Revival. If you are at all interested in joining the HBA "Pickers", please contact Roger for more information (660-334-0100). You are always welcome! We have room for all talents...singing, playing an instrument or just enjoying the camaraderie of Christian brothers and sisters.

Pastor Tim attended the 64th Annual National Trappers Association Convention and Outdoor Expo in Escanaba, Michigan on [July 27](#) - 29th. It is one of the largest trapping events in North America. It is such a blessing that he can attend these trapping events, to share the gospel with fellow trappers, to see old friends and to make new ones. Everyone needs Jesus, even ol' trappers! Tim presented each kid with their own trap and trap tags were available to all attendees. Isaac Whitman brought the morning message, in Tim's absence, on [July 29th](#). The Missouri Trappers Association Fall Rendezvous was held at the Litton Center, in Chillicothe, on [September 15-17th](#). As Tim is the Missouri Trappers Chaplain, he brought their church service on [Sunday](#) morning, with Roger Barker opening the service with Amazing Graze. This was enjoyed by many trappers. In Tim's absence, Chris Hewins, from Wathena KS, brought our morning message here at Coffey.

Our church enjoyed the evening of [September 1st](#) with Walter Plant and also with special music by the Jennings Family. Pastor Tim even brought a song that is near and dear to his heart. It was a wonderful time.

Since school has officially started so has our [Wednesday](#) evenings Fellowship Dinners and Bible Study. Great food and great fellowship starts at 6:30 with Bible Study afterwards. Please join us for a blessed evening! Until next time...don't forget to stop and enjoy the cooler weather and the changing of the leaves! Submitted by Cindy Barker

Greetings in the Lord from First Baptist Bethany!

Since the beginning of the school year, things have certainly sped up at First Baptist Church of Bethany. We have a 4-H group that meets once a month on Monday nights, our Kingdom Kids ministry meets on Wednesday nights, our Trail Life ministry for boys also meets on Monday nights, and our Bible Drill is gearing up.

Trail Life which is a church-based, Christ-centered, boy-focused scouting group that provides an environment where boys thrive. The program is delivered in a structured outdoor environment where boys from Kindergarten through 12th grade engage real-world challenges as they develop outdoor skills, character, and leadership skills. You can find out more at troopmo202.com. Think of it as Boy Scouts as it should have been. The motto for the boys is "Walk Worthy". You can have your son and grandson "Join the Trail" by reaching out to us at 660-425-8087, dad and granddad are especially welcome to join us with their child. Free Supper is offered at 6:15 p.m. on Mondays and the Troop begins at 6:30 p.m.

Our Kingdom Kids ministry replaced our old AWANA program last year. This program focuses on theologically sound and biblically crafted lessons, scripture memorization, games, and worship songs to help children grow in the Lord. A free supper is provided on Wednesday night for Kingdom Kids and teenagers at 6:15 PM. We also have quarterly Adult Bible Study's meetings on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m.

Another wonderful event that took place last month was our Women's Missionary Union organized a school supply outreach and they were able to provide over 100 children with all their necessary supplies. It was wonderful to see the Lord shine through the life of First Baptist Church ladies at Bethany.

September is the month we have been taking up a collection for the Missouri Missions Offering. It's a joy to see Christians getting behind it. It was the MMO after all who blessed our community when the storm came through this year. Disaster Relief was a wonderful ministry and I can't thank John Mohler enough for his love and leadership over our community.

Looking ahead we are planning for "See You At The Pole" at the South Harrison elementary, middle, and high school on September 27th. We are also encouraging the children to bring their Bible to school on October 5th for the national "Bring Your Bible To School Day."

Additionally, during the month of October we are collecting Christmas Shoeboxes for the Samaritans Purse. We are also planning our churchwide Harvest Party on Sunday October 15th from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at Gospel Farms. I know our FBC ladies are also excited and looking forward to seeing many of their Harrison Baptist friends at the Women's Fall Conference: Singspiration on October 12th.

It is my prayer that God is using your pastor, Sunday School leaders, Bible Study leaders, and church directors in a powerful way. We are certainly having challenging days but it is not hopeless. God often acts miraculously in the struggle. Remember not to lose heart, Jesus is the greatest purpose we can live for.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Pastor Ryan Kunce FBC Bethany

Hello, and greetings from Immanuel Baptist Church! Here is all that is

happening in our church at this time: We will be starting our Children's Church ministry (titled "Foundations for Families") starting on [October 1st](#). Also happening later that evening, Immanuel will be hosting the "Voices of Zambia" at 6:30 PM at the church. If you have never heard of the "Voices of Zambia" before, according to their Facebook page, "This musical group is a ministry team made up of students and graduates from Ambassador International University (AIU). AIU is a ministry of Gopellink USA, located in Zambia, Africa for the purpose of educating and training believers for Gospel ministry. The Voices of Zambia performances include a variety of Christian songs both in English and various African languages. The team also shares testimonies of how they came to know the Lord and how He has worked in their lives, then gives a challenge from God's word". There will be a free meal following their performance. All from our association are encouraged to attend!

Countune

On [October 8th](#), we will be hosting our annual "Worship in the Park" service at 6:30 PM at Memorial Park. On [October 31st](#), we will be having our annual "Fall Festival" at Immanuel from 5-7 PM, directly following Scare on the Square. There will be more information to come!

On [October 15th](#), Another special event coming up is the Ordination Service for our Youth Pastor Trent Crawford. **This is an HBA-wide event**, so please come in support! The service will be held at 2:30 PM at Immanuel.

As for our current preaching series, Pastor Isaac is still walking through Matthew for the AM service, and Proverbs during the PM service. Our Youth is walking through Job and our "Foundations for Kids" is going through the book of John.

Continued blessings to our surrounding HBA sister churches! May God bless your ministries!

Trent Crawford- Youth/Worship Pastor
Immanuel Baptist Church-Bethany

First Baptist Pattonsburg News for Beacon Oct./Nov. 2023

The planning committee met on August 6 to plan upcoming events for the church. The next planning meeting will be on November 5. The regular monthly business meetings at FBC Pattonsburg are on the second Wednesday each month, so the next meetings will be on October 11 and November 8.

On Tuesday, August 8, the church hosted the HBA Annual Meeting. The theme was "Upward, Inward, Outward" and the verse was 2 Timothy 2:1-2. Those attending had a covered dish luncheon.

The jail ministry has started up again on Tuesdays. Cookie day, when cookies are delivered to shut-ins and people in area nursing homes, is usually the second Monday of each month, so cookies were delivered on August 14 and September 11. Future cookie days will be on October 9 and November 13.

The church held an ice cream social on August 13. The turnout was great even though we held it inside due to the wet weather. On that day, First Baptist also led the worship service at

Daviess County Care Center in Gallatin. A "Back to School Clothes Giveaway" was held on Sunday, August 20, from 1 to 5 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The giveaway was organized by Lauren Young with help from others in the church.

On August 26, the "Ignite" youth event was held at Pattonsburg, beginning at 5:30 pm with food and worship following, with music, games, prizes, and Jesus! The theme was 1 John 4:19, "We love because He first loved us." Youth group started meeting again on August 23. The youth meet on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m., led by Josiah and Lauren Young. Stephanie Mason cooks for the youth with help from other church members.

The church plans to have a booth at the Pattonsburg Car Show on October 1. October 4 is the tentative start date for the Wednesday after-school program, TeamKID

"See You at the Pole" will be held at Pattonsburg School on September 27. The theme is "Wholehearted", and the verse is Jeremiah 29:13: "If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me."

Second Harvest food distribution will be held on October 16, and "Trunk or Treat" will be held at the church on October 31.

Hannah McDaniel and Zach Marks were married at the church on September 16. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Among those delivering messages on Sunday have been John Mohler, HBA Director of Missions; Josiah Young, Mitch Barnes, Micah Powell, and Gregg Hartley.

Before we know it, Christmas will be upon us! As usual, the church Holiday Dinner will be held after worship service on December 3. More information in the next Beacon! Please continue to pray for us as we wait for the pastor that God will provide for us.

Gregg Hartley and your fellow believers at FBC Pattonsburg

Continued:

James 4:1 What is the source of wars and fights among you? Don't they come from the cravings that are at war within you? **2** You desire and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. You do not have it because you do not ask. **3** You ask and don't receive because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your evil desires.

4 Adulteresses! Don't you know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? So whoever wants to be the world's friend becomes God's enemy. **5** Or do you think it's without reason the Scripture says that the Spirit who lives in us yearns jealously?

6 But He gives greater grace. Therefore He says:

God resists the proud,
but gives grace to the humble.

7 Therefore, submit to God. But resist the Devil, and he will flee from you. **8** Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, sinners, and purify your hearts, double-minded people! **9** Be miserable and mourn and weep. Your laughter must change to mourning and your joy to sorrow. **10** Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will exalt you.

11 Don't criticize one another, brothers. He who criticizes a brother or judges his brother criticizes the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. **12** There is one lawgiver and judge[f] who is able to save and to destroy. But who are you to judge your neighbor?

13 Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will travel to such and such a city and spend a year there and do business and make a profit." **14** You don't even know what tomorrow will bring—what your life will be! For you are like smoke that appears for a little while, then vanishes.

15 Instead, you should say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that." **16** But as it is, you boast in your arrogance. All such boasting is evil. **17** So it is a sin for the person who knows to do what is good and doesn't do it.

Thank about that.

BSU2023-2024 budget

BSU Budget 2023-2024
Special Events (bbq, thanksgiving meal, holiday parties, welcome week)
Welcome bags: \$500
Food: \$250
Prizes, entertainment, decor: \$200
Regular expenses (cost per year unless otherwise noted)
Food: \$3,000 (\$250 per month)
Supplies (kitchen utensils, office supplies, game repair etc.): \$150
Promo materials/building supplies: \$150
Donation to Assoc. for building use: \$1200 (\$100 per month)
Brotherhood Mutual: \$798.25 quarterly (4 payments) and workman's comp-\$199.82(annual)=\$3400 annual
Yearly 501c3 cost: \$10
Tax Filing fees: \$30
W-2 Tax Preparation: \$50

Retreats/Conferences:
417 Retreat (fall semester): \$80
Mission Trips/projects:
Summer Missions/ Trips: \$700
BSU Director salary:
MBC: \$10,000.08
BSU budget: \$ 7,999.92 annual
Total BSU Director salary: \$18,000 annual (per month MBC pay \$833.34 a month and BSU paying \$666.66 a month)
Employee Health Insurance: \$1800 annual (\$150 a month)
BSU Director mileage: \$300 annual
Ketchem membership: \$250 annual (helps cover game expenses, gym expenses to be present for student athletes)
SS and Medicare tax match: \$1500
Budget: \$31,570.00

What Does the BSU Do?

Weekly:
Monday: Christina goes on campus and meets with students (spiritual counseling, praying, building relationships, meeting up with staff)
Tuesday: Small Groups (Men's and Women's) @7pm with Small dinner
Thursday: Bible Studies at 4pm and 6pm with small dinner
Food Pantry: open all week long for students
Building is open all day all week for students to hang out, get homework help, spiritual help, talking, etc.)

Monthly:
Wednesday Free Lunch once a month
Monday Night Game Night and Dinner once a month
Mission project or outreach project:
September: Mental Health Awareness outreach
October: Baseball/ Softball team outreach, international Student dinner
November: men's and women's basketball team outreach
December: Golf/ Dance/sports outreach and Christmas gift bags
January: Welcome back snacks for SSS and ARC and TRIO offices
February: Gospel Surveys
March: Spring Break Homeless Outreach
April: Finals Prep bags

Semester:
Holiday party outreaches: Fall Costume Party, Thanksgiving Annual Luncheon, Ugly Sweater Christmas Party, Valentine's Day party, Easter Seder and Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Graduation Party bbq

Campus Events we host:
RA/ Baseball Dinner
International Student lunch
Move In Day Welcome booth
Campus wide BBQ
Club Day Table
Welcome Bags for Dorms
Welcome baskets for International students
Ice Cream and Glow in the dark games on the dorm lawn
Super Bowl party snacks for dorms
Campus Bonfire s'mores we provide
Driving international students to and from airport

Mission Trip opportunities:
Mexico- Casas Por Cristo- May or June
Canada- (God willing) late May
Summer Missions- Labor Day- August 5
Sports Crusaders- Labor Day- August 5
Disaster Relief Internship- Labor Day- August 5
Panama or Nicaragua with me in early May

Food Pantry Regular Needs:

Hand sanitizer-travel size
Tissues
Laundry detergent
Snack items- granola bars, chips, crackers, fruit snacks, candy, snack cakes
Drink items- bottled water, coffee pods, hot chocolate packs, flavored drink packets etc.
Hygiene items- lotion, shampoo, hand soap and etc.
Reusable water bottles
Coffee cups
School supplies- paper, pens, pencils, sticky notes, highlighters etc.
Food: Mac n cheese cups, ramen noodles, rice cups, tuna packets, beef jerky, cups of soup

Remember this

Ephesians 6: 11-12 *Put on the full armor of God so that you **CAN** stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this darkness, against evil, spiritual forces in the heavens.*

It is sad that the church does not know or recognize when the enemy is in our midst. In order to live in the promises land of God we must

- **Put some things to death** as in Joshua 1:1, God's people could not enter or claim the promised land God gave them till some things died! Colossians 3:5 tells us the same thing, "*So put to death the sinful, earthy things lurking within you. Have nothing to do with sexual immorality, impurity, lust, and evil desires. Don't be greedy, for a greedy person is an idolater. Worshiping the things of this world.*"
- **You must "prepare"** Joshua 1:11, We must be prepared to move or act as God calls and leads. Psalm 119:133 *Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me.*
- **We must prepare** by "consecrating oneself and cutting away extra in our life that do not lead us to obey God. Joshua 3:5 & Joshua 5
- **Be ready** to meet and obey the Commander of the LORD's Army.
- **Obey** even when it doesn't make sense. Joshua 6
- **Sin will** affect others around you and will cause defeat and cause death. Joshua 7
 1. Sin always affects others
 2. Sin always costs, home, job, happiness
 3. Sin always has a coverup
 4. Sin always brings death

Remember this

- **Victory comes with obedience** Joshua 8. 1 Peter 1: 14 *As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, 1 John 5:3 For this is the Love of God, that we keep His commandments.*
- **We must know** our enemy and not allow him to trick us. Joshua 9. Ephesians 6: 11-12 *Put on the full armor of God so that you **CAN** stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this darkness, against evil, spiritual forces in the heavens. 2 Corinthians 2:11 So that we would not be outwitted by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs.*

Even though God's people did not claim all the land, they did live in it. They were defeated from time to time, taken captive. All because they did not obey what they knew! Are you standing on and obeying the Lord Jesus Christ? Revelation 2 tells us what to do if we are not!

1. Remember where we have fallen from!
2. Repent for falling away!
3. Repeat what you did at first in your relationship with God!
4. Repent or you will lose your opportunities !

Rev. John Mohler
DOM