

**DOM Report:** Since our annual meeting in August, I have been blessed with many opportunities to serve within our association.

- Preached at 2 churches
- Visited 5 churches
- Attended 7 events
- Hosted a pastor and his family for dinner
- Took part in a Disaster Relief Mission trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- Continued leading our **Tuesday** Night Harrison Baptist Association Bible Study at the HBA office
- Delivered VBS materials to one of our churches
- Sent out numerous emails, text messages, and made many phone calls

It is truly a pleasure to be able to serve you. As we move forward together, may our efforts be united to build the Kingdom of God.

Scripture Encouragements:

- *“Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.” — 1 Corinthians 15:58*
- *“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.” — Galatians 6:9*
- *“So we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.” — Romans 12:5*

**Important date; Our next HBA Executive board meeting Oct 6th 7:00 pm HBA Office**

# Baptist Beacon

A Newsletter of the Harrison Baptist Association

*An association of 17 praying Churches serving the Lord*

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Ephesians 1:16-20 I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly, **17** asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom and insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God. **18** I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called—his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance. **19** I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe in him. This is the same mighty power **20** that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms.

## Church News:

### FBC Gilman City

Greetings to all of our cooperating churches! Fall is here, the air is cooling, and God continues to show His goodness in the life of our church! Recently, we had the joy of seeing three individuals make professions of faith and follow the Lord in believer's baptism. What a blessing to celebrate new life in Christ together! This school year we've launched back into our children's and youth ministries, and God has been faithful as we seek to plant gospel seeds in the next generation. On **Sunday** mornings, our congregation continues to walk through the book of Romans, being reminded again and again of the power of the gospel for salvation. We are also looking forward to our Fall Family Fun Night on **October 22!** It is a time to gather with our church family and community for fellowship, laughter, and encouragement in the Lord. As always, we are grateful for each of our sister churches in the HBA. We pray that God will use you as a lighthouse of the gospel in your communities, shining His light into the darkness.

In Christ, Trevor Darr

### Greetings from Mt. Pleasant #1

God has blessed us with 2 baptisms. We also got news that Carol Cass Will be coming and visiting us from Minnesota. We are praying for our Sister Churches.

JC Davis Pastor

**Coffey Baptist Church** "The Lord is with you always. Let His presence bring you comfort and hope." **Coffey young ones (4<sup>th</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade) are jumping into Bible Drill this year. They are meeting on Sunday evenings at 6:00.** Also, our Youth are meeting at 6:00 - 7:30 on Sunday evenings. **Any youth from any church are welcome to come!** The fellowship is great! This is an Ignyte Worship sponsored weekly event. They eat, play games, sing and have an awesome bible study.... Who knows....you may even win a prize!

**"Ignyte Worship" The next scheduled Ignyte is on October 11<sup>th</sup> at First Baptist Church in Jamesport, starting at 5:00.** Call Josh for more information. If your church would like an evening of praise, fellowship and God's Word...just contact Ignyte Worship! Josh and Hannah Silver would be thrilled to set up a date with your kids (adults are welcome too!). Just give them a call to set up your night to "set your youth on fire for the Lord!" Josh: (660) 605-3354 or Hannah: (660) 605-3219. Our Wednesday Evening Bible Study is once again starting at 6:00, **as our evening fellowship dinners have resumed!** (Please bring a covered dish). This is open for all ages. Please join us for food, fellowship and bible study. Looking forward to seeing you there! We'll save you a seat! **Ms. Wendy will be bringing her personal testimony at the HBA Women's Fall Singspiration on October 16<sup>th</sup> at the First Baptist Church in Bethany.** This wonderful evening starts at 6:00 with a Soup Buffet. Ladies...looking forward to seeing you there! Don't miss this great evening!**Pastor Tim will once again attend the Annual Minktoberfest on October 2 – 5<sup>th</sup>, in Punxsutawney, PA.** They estimated that at least 24 states were represented in 2024. Tim will be sharing God's Word to the Trappers on that Sunday. Please lift Tim up in prayer as he travels and brings the "Good News" to all those there.

During our Sunday morning worship services, Pastor Tim has been leading us through the Book of Revelation. The Book of Revelation (also known as The Apocalypse of John) derives its name(s) from the Greek work *apokalypsis*, which means to “uncover” or “reveal.” Thus Revelation is an unveiling or “revealing” of the future. Come see what the Disciple John will be revealing to us, through Tim’s message(s), of this cryptic book and marvel at its magnificent imagery along the way. Sunday School starts at 10:30 and Church Services at 11:30.

**Remember the “HBA Pickers” will be meeting the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00, here at Coffey.** Roger will keep all the regular folks posted on any date changes. Again, if you are at all interested in joining the HBA “Pickers”, please contact Roger for more information (660-334-0100). You are always welcome! There is room for all talents...singing, playing an instrument or just enjoying the camaraderie of Christian brothers and sisters.

Trusting the God of the impossible,  
Cindy Barker

Greetings from Faith Bible. The temperature is starting to get cooler and school has begun . Everyone is starting to get into fall things . We've been busy working on gathering things for Operation Christmas child. We had a cookout in September that was well attended. I hope everyone is doing well .

Wanda Gastineau

## **WMU**

The Women’s Fall Singspiration will be held on Thursday, October 16 at the Bethany First Baptist Church. The night’s focus scripture is Psalm 34:8: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him. A Soup Buffet will be served at 6:00 in the church’s brand new multipurpose building. After the meal, the program will begin in the sanctuary with Julie Kunce leading us to worship through music. The program will also include a testimony by Wendy Wilson, a fun activity, door prizes and more. Women are invited to bring items to donate to the Harrison County Food Pantry. Come and join us for a fall evening of worship, fellowship, and fun! Enter through the new foyer entrance which is located on the north side between the church and the new addition.

Susan Ward

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**October** 4 Sheila Mohler 14 Sarah Williamson

**November** 16 Annette Rhodes 20 Tim & Wendy Wilson

23 Hannah Gryder

If we forgot someone's birthday or anniversary it is probably because we do not have it. Send it to me and we will add it to the list.

**Greetings from all of us!** “God will never lead you where His grace cannot keep you.” August brings the end of summer with the children competing in the last of the 4-H and FFA fair competitions. School begins and classrooms fill with students and teachers. At Zion, August brought the 25th anniversary of the Gospel Music Jubilee on the weekend of the 23rd and 24th. Over 200 people came to praise God and enjoy the music of Lifeline, Brad Prater, [Sunday Drive](#), Phil and Pam Morgan and those who took the opportunity with the open mike. The group was also entertained with the stories of Christian comedian Jody Fuller. Later, a meal and fellowship were enjoyed with beef and pork BBQ by Ed Sobotka #1 Locomotive. Other tasty dishes from the fabulous cooks of Zion were also present. A good time was had by all. Baptisms are always a blessing and shows us that God is working among us and has brought more soldiers to fight His war. Zion was blessed to witness four baptisms in the past month. Thank you, Lord! On August 31, Zion hosted the [Fifth Sunday](#) Sing. Joyful singing was shared with the large group who attended. September brings the taste of Fall. Gardens are slowing down and farmers are preparing for harvest. Schedules are now busy with school activities. But, even with all the busyness around us, God is here. “May the Lord lead your hearts into a full understanding and expression of the love of God and the patient endurance that comes from Christ.”

2 Thessalonians 3:5

Until Next Time! Crazy Ladies Bible Study Group

### **Camps:**

We have officially wrapped this camp season up. We ended the year with a camp meeting at Grand Oaks with all the different associational camp directors, for youth and children’s camps. Just sharing information and ideas on what works and what does not work and what we do if something would happen. Worked on some things for safety and awareness. It was just a wonderful time of fellowship and learning. The HBA/NGR joint Camp Committee has wrapped up with the camp debriefing meeting that went well. We shared just a few things that needed some attention this winter over the off-season.

Josh and Hannah Silver will be the Youth Camp Directors and Bobbie Johnson and Eric Roy will be the Children’s Camp Directors for the 2026 camp season

The 2026 youth camp will be June 22 through June 26

The 2026 children’s camp will be August 3 through August 7

Camp committee secretary,

Bobbie Johnson

**Does your church need Sexual abuse and child abuse training?**

contact me and we can schedule as I am a certified trainer through Darkness Delight stewards of children. If your church insurance has not yet asked for a sexual abuse policy they will be very soon I can also help you with that. It is not a subject we like to talk to but it is the reality of the world we live in.

John Mohler  
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**October calendar**

2nd Grand Oaks Executive Board meeting  
3rd Pastor Brown bag lunch  
5th CP Sunday  
6th HBA Executive board meeting HBA Office 7:00pm  
16th, Women's falls inspiration FBC Bethany 6:00pm  
18th- Judgment House New Hope Baptist Church Princeton 1-5  
19th- Judgment House (Second day) 2-6 pm  
26-28 MBC Annual meeting

**November**

2 Daylight savings time  
4 Election Day  
7 pastors brown bag  
11 Veterans Day  
17-25 Operation Christmas Child Collection  
27 Thanksgiving Day

**Bible drill:**

We're so excited about Bible drill this year. We have some new churches participating as well as past churches. We will have some new elements to Bible drill this year. We hope that you will be a part of it as well. There are a few things we need help with.

**At the associational Bible drill**, March 29 2025. 1) We need at least 4 prayer warriors for each drill. 2) A meeting place and it can be any church even if there is no one bible drilling from that church. We want to have a time of fellowship after all the drills are done. **At the children's drill** we need a caller, 3 Judges, a bonus judge, and a time Keeper. **At the youth drill** we need a caller, 3 judges, a bonus judge, and a time Keeper.

**At the high school drill** we need a caller, 3 judges, a time keeper, and a bonus judge. **At the Speakers Tournament** (new for us) we are asking for any past or present speech, English, Drama, or theater teachers and anyone else interested to judge. We will need 3 judges, and a time keeper. We need lots of volunteers to help us help our kids and youth to grow stronger in the Lord and who they become in Christ Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

Thank you in advance, Lesa Petvor  
Bible drill team leader.

**Greetings from Melbourne:** We are excited about what God is doing here in Melbourne. As the seasons turn yet again let us turn our hearts to God. We've been going through The Sermon On The Mount on Sunday Mornings. Where we see it truly is a heart matter. Concerning our relationship to God and those around us. Our Bible Study "Follow Me" by David Platt is going well on Wednesday Nights. Again, how's our hearts? It too is a heart matter are we all in or are we just playing church. We are excited and looking forward to October. **October 19<sup>th</sup> Roof Top Sunday** If we have 50 People, I will preach from our fellowship hall roof the shorter roof. If we have 75 people, I will preach from the sanctuary roof. It is much steeper.

**October 24<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> Revival** We will be having a Revival at 7 P.m. the 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> during our morning worship. Ronnie Moyer will be our evangelist from Northern Kansas. His ministry is centered around horses and using them to spread the Gospel of Jesus. We'll have more info in the very near future. He and his wife will be bringing the message and the music. Hope you can make it. November 1<sup>st</sup> is our annual Bond Fire and Hayride.

On Sunday nights we are implementing something new called Evening Prayer Time, Where I bring a very short devotion and our focus is on prayer. What better way to end The Lord's Day.

For His Mission,

Purpose and Glory

Pastor

Brian Rhodes

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