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Message from the Associational Coordinating Team

“Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth does not become weary or tired. His understanding is unsearchable. He gives strength to the weary, and to the one who lacks might He increases power. Though youths grow weary and tired, and vigorous young men stumble badly, yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary.” — Isaiah 40:28–31 (NASB)

Chapter 40 of Isaiah marks a turning point from judgment to comfort. In verse 1 the Lord calls, “Comfort, comfort my people.” These words were spoken to exiles in Babylon who longed for good news. God promised renewal to those who would wait on Him, listen to His voice, and trust in His timing.

I shared a devotion from this passage with our Harmony Association Team (ACT) to encourage them and to inspire renewed vision for their churches. We firmly believe the best days of Harmony Baptist Association lie ahead. If this were not true, none of us would remain engaged.

At the request of the Executive Committee, a group is prayerfully reviewing our Constitution and Bylaws. We hope to complete this work and present the revisions for approval at our Annual Association meeting in September. Once adopted, the Association will be prepared to form a search committee to seek a Director of Missions. This is the course we are following and the goal we pursue. Please pray for wisdom and unity throughout this process.

I recognize some desire a faster pace, while others urge caution. Scripture teaches us to “wait on the Lord.” Our leadership seeks God’s will through prayer and by listening to the voices of His people. If you or your church sense the Lord speaking, or if you have concerns or counsel, please share them with our team.

I remain available to visit any church or meet with any person who desires conversation; as Isaiah invites, “Come, let us reason together.” Our work is not about any individual—it is about the Lord and His kingdom.

May God bless the churches of Harmony Baptist Association and prosper our work for His glory.

In Christ,
Rob Ayers Acting Moderator

Office Hours

Tuesday 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Prayer Requests

Pray for these churches as they search for a new pastor.

Antioch Baptist Church
Green Ridge Baptist Church

Church Anniversary

1985 Katy Park Baptist Church



2026 Monthly Requirement	\$7,496.08
Church receipts for April	\$8,609.88
Net Budget difference	\$1,113.80



Upcoming Dates

May

- 1-7 Associational Emphasis Month - Kid's Camp Associational Mission Offering
- 4 Adult Bible Study 10 am @ Calvary Baptist
- 7 National Day of Prayer
- 10 Mother's Day
- 11 Kid's Camp meeting 6:30 pm
- 16 Summer Preaching Series Workshop
FBC Sedalia
- 17 The Kerschner Family at Katy Park, 10:45 am
- 22-24 Spring Conference @ First Baptist, Sedalia
- 25 Memorial Day

Future Dates

June

- 1 Adult Bible Study 10 am @ Calvary Baptist
- 1 Executive Board Meeting 7 pm @ the Office
- 8-10 Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting
- 8-12 Kid's Camp 2026
- 21 Father's Day
- Sunday Evenings in June - Summer Preaching at various churches

July

- 4 Independence Day
- 6 Adult Bible Study 10 am @ Calvary Baptist
- 6 Staff Recommendation Team 7 pm
- 13 Building and Grounds meeting 5 pm Office
- 14 ACT meeting 9 am Office
- Sunday Evenings in July- Summer Preaching at various churches

Birthday and Anniversaries

For May

Pastor Church Anniversaries

- 1 Rob Ayers Camp Branch
- 7 Virgil Nunes Youth Pastor New Hope

Birthdays

- 14 John Barrett Smithton
- 14 Heather Harrod Flat Creek

IT'S CAMP TIME

It's time to sign your child(ren) up for camp. Kid's Camp is always a highlight in the summer. "Built on the Rock" Kid's camp will teach children to build their lives on Jesus - brick by brick.

Register by May 8 by scanning the QR code or going to hbamo.org and look for the Kid's Camp page.

BUILT ON THE ROCK
Kids Camp 2026

Building our lives on Jesus — **brick by brick**

"Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."
Matthew 7:24

June 8th-12th
Baptist Ridge Camp
Completed 3rd-6th Grade
\$150

Register by May 8th:
Scan QR code or go to hbamo.org

A DIFFERENT MAP

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Church Happenings

Hopewell Baptist celebrated Easter Sunday starting with breakfast and followed by morning worship.

We had a baby dedication on April 12.

Sunday mornings Pastor Jeff is preaching from the book of Revelation and Wednesday evenings from Daniel.

Katy Park Baptist The Kerschner Family will be presenting a concert on May 17th and 10:45 am.



News from **Emmet Avenue Baptist Church** We want to welcome our new interim pastor, Teddy Evans, his wife and 2 children to our church in April 2026. We ask for your prayers for our church and Brother Teddy as he leads us in worship and guidance in fulfilling the Great Commission. We were blessed and thankful to have multiple pulpit supply pastors during our time without a pastor in the last year.

New Hope Baptist Prayers & Squares Quilt Ministry will meet at 6 pm Monday, May 4. Prayers & Squares combines the gift of prayer with the gift of a hand-tied quilt. As each knot is tied, a silent prayer is said for someone in special need, who then receives the finished quilt. You're invited to quilt along with us. We have plenty of supplies. If you know someone in need of prayer who would like a quilt, please contact Marianne Duchone 660-951-5222.

Moms get to take the morning off on Mother's Day while our Men's Ministry prepares and serves breakfast at 8:30 am.

New Hope graduates will be recognized during the service on Sunday, May 17.

A group of 24 will travel to St. Bernard, Louisiana in May for a 5-day mission trip. Based at Poydras Baptist Church, the team's mission efforts will include feeding the homeless at the Baptist Friendship House, feeding the homeless and evangelism downtown and in the French Quarter. The men will do renovations at a residential home during the stay. Women will lead a Bible study and provide showers for homeless women at the Baptist Friendship House.

Closing the Gap Men's Ministry will meet on May 19 for the 4th session of *How do we live as Christians: What does the kingdom of God look like?* Women of the Word will meet at the same time, continuing their study of the names of God. Both groups will start the evening with dinner together at 6 pm.

Calvary Baptist is alive and well and searching God for another 100 years of Growing the Kingdom. We recently celebrated 100 years of Calvary Baptist Church. What a wonderful celebration it was. Now we look forward to what God is going to do in the future.

We will be ending our year of AWANA on May 13th. We will award our AWANA children on May 17th during worship service. We will also be honoring our graduates here at Calvary. We have two Senior graduates and a Kindergarten graduate. What a joyous occasion.

May 31st – June 5th we will holding our annual Vacation Bible School. This year's theme is 'Junkyard Redemption: God's Master Plan to Remake Our Broken World.' Time will be 5:15-8:15 pm. We will serve a light meal at 5:15 with opening program starting at 5:45 pm. We are looking forward to this time and who knows what kind of JUNK will be here.

We will also have a summer program for children on Wednesday evenings from 6-7 pm. This is a new endeavor, but we are excited to see what God will do with this program.

Prayer Requests

Bethany Baptist On May 17th we will pray for and celebrate some high school and college graduates. Pray for them as they begin the next stage of life.

Our church is considering some new ministries starting this Fall. Pray for unity and clear direction from the Lord on how we can risk great things for God.



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Two Opportunities

First Baptist Church-Sedalia and
Harmony Baptist Association

**SPRING
CONFERENCE
MAY 22-24**

**The Thriving Church:
God's Good Design for the Local Church**

DR. SAMUEL EMADI

Dr. Emadi received his Ph.D. from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and is serving as senior pastor of Hunsinger Lane Baptist Church in Louisville, Kentucky. He also serves as editor for SMarks, cohost of the podcast Bible Talk, and is author of *What Should I Do Now That I'm a Christian?*, *Who's in Charge of the Church?*, and *From Prisoner to Prince: The Joseph Story in Biblical Theology*.

FRIDAY
5:30PM Doors Open
6-7PM Worship & Session 1

SATURDAY
9-9:15 Welcome & Worship
9:15-10:15 Session 2
10:15-10:30 Break
10:30-11:30 Breakouts
11:30-12:30 Lunch
12:30-1:30 Session 3
1:30-2:00 Q&A (All Speakers)
2:30-3:30 Podcast (All Speakers)

SUNDAY
9AM Sunday School
10:15AM Worship

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COST IS FREE

Harmony Baptist Association presents
Summer Preaching Series
June & July 2026



WHAT

- Sermon training and preaching opportunities at associational churches
- Sunday nights, June & July, from 6:00-7:00PM
- Each night two men will preach 20-25 minutes each

WHO

- With his pastor's blessing, any man who is interested and desires to preach
- A goal of formal ministry is not necessary, just a desire to faithfully proclaim the Word of God
- Associational churches are invited to serve as hosts for an evening **TRAINING WORKSHOP**

May 16, 9AM-3PM, at First Baptist Church led by Dr. John Greever

Training will include:

- The Foundation for Biblical Preaching
- The Exegetical Contents of the Sermon
- The Preliminary Preparation for Preaching—Turning Exegesis to Bridges
- *If you plan on participating, please use the QR Code below so we can have sufficient materials, food, and books available for the training workshops.*



DR. JOHN GREEVER

