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Tuesday 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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Prayer Requests

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

East Sedalia Baptist Church
Green Ridge Baptist Church

Houstonia Baptist Church



November, 1966



2026 Monthly Requirement $7,496.08
Church receipts for October $6,626.66
Net Budget difference $ -869.42

A Heart of Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is more than a holiday. It is a beautiful reminder of God's goodness, His mercy, and His endless blessings upon our lives. It is a season to pause, reflect, and lift up thanks to the Lord for our family, our faith, His provision, and His love.

In years past, many folks on Facebook would share one thing they were thankful for each day when November rolled around. While this is a lovely practice should November be the only month of thanksgiving, shouldn't we be thankful to God every day of the year?

Scripture is rich with the call to give thanks. The apostle Paul tells us in 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Let us ask ourselves: do we thank God only in the good times, or do we also thank Him in the hard times? And in Philippians 4:6 we are told, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God." Even though our Father knows our every thought, He still invites us to bring our needs to Him.

Jesus taught His disciples how to pray in Matthew 6. He warned them not to pray like the Pharisees, but to pray as we know in the Lord's Prayer. This prayer is a model for us all. Our prayers should be directed to God, worshiping Him as our Father and approaching Him with reverence. We should confess our sins before Him, and then bring our needs, trusting Him to supply what is sufficient for each day.

So, this November, you are encouraged to set aside time each day to thank God, not only for your blessings, but for your trials as well. He is faithful, and He will always see us through.

"O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever." Psalm 107:1 KJV

Upcoming Dates

November

1 Daylight Saving Times ends
2 Adult Bible Study 10 am Calvary Baptist
10 ACT meeting 9:00 am
10 Winter Bible Study Planning 7:00 pm
11 Veteran's Day
26-27 Thanksgiving office closed

Future Dates

December

1-8 Week of Prayer for International Missions
Lottie Moon Offering
7 Adult Bible Study 10 am Calvary Baptist
8 ACT Team meeting
12 Pastor and Wife Christmas Dinner
First Baptist 6:30 pm
23 Christmas Eve Service 6 pm at Emmet Avenue Baptist
23-Jan 1 Christmas Holiday Office closed

January 2027

1 Happy New Year
11 Kid's Camp Meeting 6:30 pm
11 Building & Grounds meeting
11 ACT meeting 9:00 Office

Food for Thought



Pastor Church Anniversary and Birthday

Church Anniversary

5 James Harrod Flat Creek
9 John Barrett Smithton

Birthday

5 Richard DeFord Katy Park
25 Joanne Johnson Mt. Olive

December is International Missions Offering Month

December is the month Southern Baptists remember International Missions with the Lottie Moon Offering. Lottie Moon was missionary to China.

The people in China were suspicious of missionary Lottie Moon. Lottie turned to a favorite Christmas activity to build relationships with her new neighbors — baking cookies. Children flocked around her to try the sweet treats. Soon, mothers within the community invited Lottie into their homes where she told them about Jesus.

Here is the recipe for Lottie's cookies. Maybe you can use these to spread the gospel.

Plain Tea Cake

2 cups of flour
1/2 cup butter
1 heaping cup of sugar
1 well-beaten egg
1 tablespoon cream

Cream the butter and sugar. Add the egg and mix well. Add the flour and cream. Dust a board with flour. Roll the dough very thin. Cut cookies with a round cookie cutter. Place on a buttered or nonstick cookie sheet. Bake at 475 degrees for about 5 minutes.

Church Happenings

Smithton On October 3rd, Smithton hosted a community chili, soup, and pie supper. It was well attended. During the night gospel tracts, testimonies, and Christian music was shared.

Bethany We are having our annual Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal at the church from noon to 1:00 p.m., 500 N. Park Avenue in Sedalia. Everyone is welcome to join us.

New Hope Prayers & Squares will meet at 6 pm Monday, Nov 2. WMU will meet at 9:30 am Wednesday, Nov 18.

Our men have been participating in Men's Real Life Discipleship study and will meet for Lessons 5 & 6 at 6 pm on Thurs, Nov 5 and Lessons 7 & 8 on Thurs, Nov 19.

An all-church Game Night will feature Episode 2 in Chosen for Hot Ones with Bradley Langdon, our Minister to Students. Game Night begins at 6 pm on Friday, Nov 6.

We hope to pack 350 shoe boxes at our annual Packing Party for Operation Christmas Child at 6 pm Wednesday, Nov 11. Through Pop-up Bakeries held each Sunday morning in October, we've raised $2,499 in the first 3 Sundays. Our goal is $3,500 to cover shipping for the 350 shoe boxes.

On Sunday, Nov 22, we will observe the Lord's Supper in the worship service and will follow with our Thanksgiving Banquet. We will not have mid-week activities on Wednesday, Nov 25, during Thanksgiving week.

We will begin the Advent season on Sunday, Nov 29.

Emmit Avenue On October 24 the church held an outdoor outreach for the neighborhood. They served food and the association party trailer there. They fed over 300 people and shared Jesus with the attendees. Pray God will use this to bring people to Him and they will start attending church.

DOM Search Update

The Search Team met on October 20 and discussed the procedure the team will follow looking for a new DOM. The plan will be presented to the ACT in November for approval. Please be in prayer as the team moves forward in the process.

Opearation Christmas Child

New Hope will again serve as a drop-off location for shoe boxes during Operation Christmas Child's National Collection Week November 16-23. Collection hours will be: 7:30 am-4 pm Mon-Fri, Nov 16-20; 8-10 am Sat, Nov 21; noon-2 pm Sun, Nov 22; and 7-9 am Mon, Nov 23.

Deacon Ordination

On Sunday, October 25, Katy Park Baptist Church ordained 3 men to serve as Deacons. It was a blessing to hear their personal testimonies and see other ordained Deacons and association pastors pray over these men as they commit to serving the Lord in their local church.

Your paragraph text



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