



A Season to Give Thanks

⁴ *Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. ¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*
Colossians 3:14-17

Greetings once again from WCBA. I hope and pray you all are having a great fall season and are gearing up for the holidays. As we start to wind up another year, I want to express my thanks on many levels.

I am thankful for each pastor as they stand faithfully and preach God's Word.

I am thankful for each congregation that makes up WCBA. You are exactly where God wants you and are uniquely able to reach your community.

I am thankful for the hundreds of volunteers that have helped with our many outreach and community events. It would be impossible to do these without you.

I am thankful for the leadership, officers, and key volunteers who help organize and plan the events and ministries. Our outreach events have many moving parts, which take many hours of planning and executing.

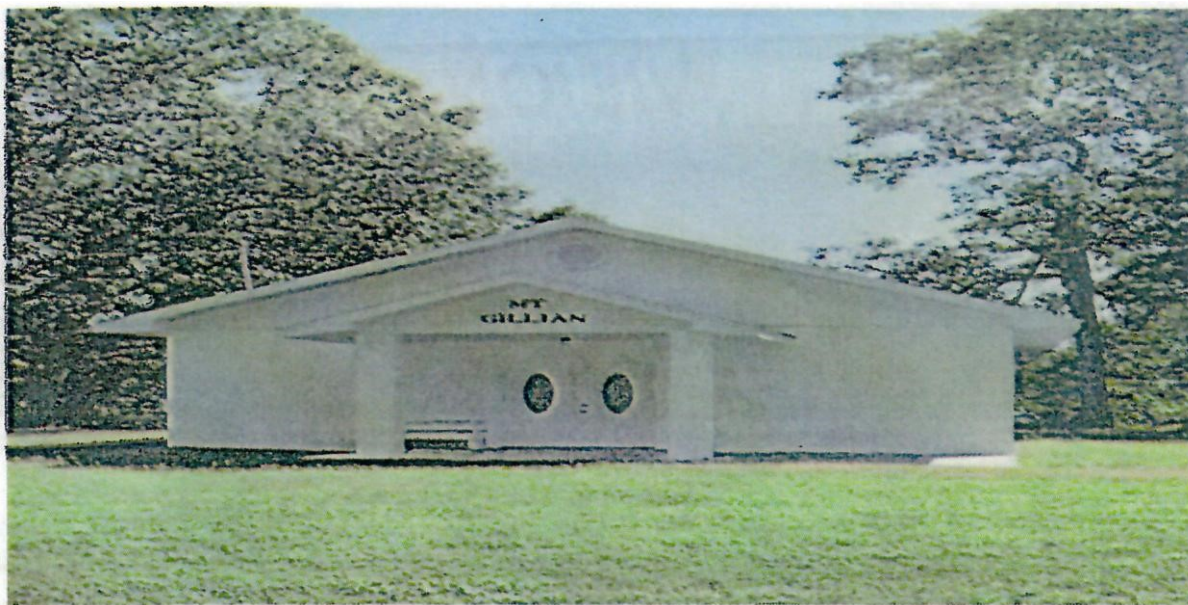
I am thankful for Leann as we work together to serve you through the WCBA office. She does an amazing job and is willing to tackle any project.

Simply put, this note is about...THANKS...!

As we approach the season of holiday gatherings, events and celebrations, let us always be mindful to give thanks!

Thank you for letting me serve as the director for WCBA!

Mitch



Mt. Gillian is blessed to have **Dale Roller** as pastor of our church for the past **48** years along with his supportive wife, **Cathy**. We were able to be part of the blessing of celebrating Dale and Cathy's 50th wedding anniversary on July 4, 2025. We were also blessed to be with them as they welcomed their first great grandchild into the family.

Mt. Gillian has been active this past year with some fun and spirit lead events. While not having baptized any new members, we have a consistent group of visitors who bless our worship services. Messages have been focusing on the need for prayer for our country, leadership, God's commands for us and following his guidance, as well as peace, harmony, and faith. Messages also have included the importance of family and raising children to love God.

We have also been having wonderful fellowship time. Mt. Gillian provides breakfast before church once a year. We have also been blessed with some wonderful fish fry events as well as barbeque. Occasionally there are workdays to clean up the church grounds and tend the needs inside of the church. These almost always involve a fellowship meal along with time for singing and a little bit of scripture study.

The ladies of the church began a book study once a month on a Saturday morning last fall. We are currently working through our second book on what God has for the women of the church. This is also a time for bonding and prayer for those in need along with some fellowship of coffee and snacks.

We had an interesting and fun time closing out the Cup of Cold water event at the Apple Festival. A good time was had, and we provided several cups of water. This fall there appeared to be a need for God's presence at the festival.

Mt. Gillian is no different than most churches in that we have some seasoned individuals and with this comes some health problems. We have had many to pray for including our pastor and his wife, several members, our country, our leaders, the association and the lost in our community. We continually pray and praise God for his blessings and ask for his interventions.

2025 Calendar

November'

13 Thankful For You Banquet

2026 Calendar

January

8 Executive Board Meeting Mission Center
19 Newsletter Deadline

February

3 Outdoor Sportsman Planning @
noon
5 Church Development

March

3 Bible Trivia Night
22-25 Revival @
Born Again Church

April

1-8 Bible Camp in Mexico
9 Executive Board Meeting
20 Newsletter Deadline

May

1 Camp Registration Opens
5 Outdoor Sportsman planning @
Noon
26-29 Mission Trip (in State)

June

6 Kids Fishing Day
21 Camp Registration Closes

July

1 OSE Planning @ Noon
5-11 Camp Week
16 Executive Board Meeting
20 Newsletter Deadline
27-31 Mission Trip (out of state)

August

11 OSE Training
15 Family Swim Party 9:30-11:30
22 OSE @ Camp Arrowhead 7am

September

10-12 Seymour Apple Festival

CHURCH NEWS

First Baptist Church of Conway was blessed

by being able to supply the third grade at Ezard Elementary with all needed school supplies. During the Conway Community Days they handed out 800 snow cones and 300 bottles of water. during the month of August they supplied food to 24 homes and 71 people which include 17 children.

High Prairie Baptist Church received donations at nearly the exact amount needed to provide new playground equipment. And thanks to devotees who helped put them together it was completed in time for VBS. High Prairie church continues to be a group of faithful members 'wishing to do the will of the Lord through His local church and serving people in this area.

Mission Chapel

On Oct. 12th one of our young boys got baptized after accepting Christ he shared his experience with his home school class and a waitress who served the Sunday meal. He is so excited to have Jesus as his savior. Oct.25th a group of 30 approx.

will be attending a walk through drama. Where guest move through different scenes depicting the consequences of choices in life and afterlife. This is an annual event by Westside Baptist Church in Waynesville Mo. Nov.23 We will have our Thanksgiving Dinner after services. Early Dec. the parents of young children will enjoy a night out while other church members care for their children. They will enjoy making their own Pizzas, Crafts, Games, and even a Movie. Seven youth and 2 adults will attend the Xtreme Winter Conference in Branson. With special speakers & music. Dates are Dec. 27 -29th. What a wonderful way to celebrate the New Year, as we continue to have visitors, and we seek out Jesus's will as a church. We are so Blessed!

WCBA News

A GREAT Big shout of thanks to all who stepped up and volunteered to make this year's Outdoor Sportsman Event and the rescheduled Kids Fishing Day the Great out reaches that they were this year.

We would like to thank HIGH PRAIRIE CHURCH for hosting the Annual Meeting, and all who came. High Prairie did a Superb Job! We had 55 present, 16 churches represented, 12 pastors in attendance. Also two guest who presented special information. At the closing of the meeting Mitch Fisher read off the names of each of the different church es in the association and someone stood up to represent each church and we collectively prayed for each other. Let's continue to remember each other in prayer. WE have a prayer meeting here @ the association office 5pm on Monday Nights to pray for Our Community !All WELCOME TO JOIN US IN PRAYER Here or Just Stop and Pray @ 5pm Wherever You Are. Praise be to God for You.

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Church Letter

First Southern Baptist Church at Northview

The sister's at FSBC of Northview continue in their weekly Bible study. We have a Blessing Box located at the front drive of our church and continue to fill it with food and hygiene products for those going through a hardship. We are excited that we had an ordination celebration as we elected Sandy Burks as our Deacon. We are proud to have him. We participated in the Choices Pregnancy Center, Walk for Life, and also attended the Choices Banquet. We deliver meals to the elderly and homebound through the Senior Center's Meal Delivery program. In June, our Church had a Spirit filled Revival that continues in our hearts today. In July we welcomed 4 new church members. and 6 Baptisms at Charity. We participated at the Cup of Cold Water booth at the Seymour Apple Festival. It is such a blessing to be able to offer someone a cup of cold water and to be a Light for Jesus. This was the first year that we participated at the Kid's Fishing Day. What A blessing to see the smiles on children's faces and to have fellowship with one another. In October, FSBC of Northview is celebrating 91 years! We will be having a fish-fry. and a local gospel band will be blessing us with their music and we will have wonderful fellowship together. During the Christmas season we think of those who are homebound. and we make Christmas Baskets filled with goodies. We pray we show the love and compassion of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. everyday. We are so joyful of the adventure we have with Jesus and can't wait to see what and where He is leading us in the years to come. Submitted by: Kim Strafford

We are thankful for all of the blessings this year at Friendship Baptist church,

Monthly men's prayer breakfast and "Sisters in Season" women's ministry. The men prayed for ministry opportunities. which led to occasions to help widows with projects at their homes. Sisters in Season hosted their second annual ladies tea this spring with the theme. "Under His Wings." The monthly nursing home ministry at Webco Manor. Several children have participated along with the adults. Their presence, and the way they interact with the residents, has been the greatest joy to see. A bountiful breakfast before church, and a fun-filled Easter egg hunt afterwards added to joy of Easter Sunday. The day was preceded by an outreach event called "Egg the City." Our team of bible scholars enjoyed the fellowship and friendly competition at the associational Bible trivia night, winning the traveling trophy for the second year in a row! Ten members participated in the Walk for Life in support of the Choices Pregnancy Center. We were thankful to celebrate 3 baptisms this year. Two members went as part of a multi-church mission trip to South Carolina. A successful pie auction helped raise necessary funds for the trip. In a first for both churches, Vacation Bible School was held in partnership with at North Park in Marshfield. Despite the July heat, over 40 kids and 21 volunteers had a blast every **Prospect Baptist Church** evening. The annual homecoming Sunday was held in July with the theme of "Old-Fashioned Day." Several members dressed the part. The service was followed by a classic Baptist potluck. then a time of testimonies and songs by soloists and groups. Several members volunteered to help in the kitchen and the equipment check area at the Outdoor Sportsman Event. In August, we celebrated the 50th birthday of Francis Miller, our longest tenured member, having attended Friendship since she was just a preschooler. The annual fish-fry was held in September, a favorite feast and fellowship for many. We were honored to host a table at the Choices Pregnancy Center's annual banquet. Part of the church's donation was a very generous offering from the children of Friendship and Prospect Baptist Churches given at our joint VBS.

Pleasant Valley Baptist Church has had a Pleasant Year. We had a new baby born to members of our church, Baby Sterling Bridwell has brought much joy to our congregation, giving us a much-needed hope for the future. We have started having a regular Sunday School class with Brother Lance Scott being our regular teacher. We also voted to License Brother Lance to preach, he has been filling the pulpit for Brother Josh when called upon, as well as filling in for other congregations. He recently has stepped up to help with a nursing home ministry. We did lose two great men this year Brother Sterling Bridwell and Brother Jimmy Barnett, we know they are with Jesus and we are comforted by this and the great memories made. We also continued our expository Track through the Book of Acts, we have found ourselves arriving in chapter 21 at this time. Thankful for the leading of The Holy Spirit as we are going through this wonderful book. Other good news we are talking with a contractor about doing some repairs to our facility in the near future. At Pleasant Valley we cherish the memories of the past, we enjoy the gift of the present and we look forward to the future. We thank our sister Church's for the work they are doing for our Lord and His Church. In Christ . Brother Joshua Thomas-Pastor

We've had a full year at **West Finley Church!** We have been blessed with men's, women's and co-ed Bible studies throughout the year, as well as VBS, our annual women's retreat, our annual Fall Hayride and Cookout, our annual Christmas Candlelight Service and fellowship dinner, as well as numerous other fellowship and spiritual activities throughout the year. Last fall, we celebrated our 140th Anniversary as a church family and are thankful God has continued to allow us to grow. We continue to have salvations and baptisms of all ages and we're continually blessed by the work the Holy Spirit is doing in our congregation. We appreciate the partnership of each and every church in the Webster County Baptist Association and are praying for each of you as you continue God's work in the year ahead!

Respectfully,
Pastor, Christopher Dixon

Upcoming Events

Born Again Baptist Church on 8386 State Hwy FF is having a HYMN/PIE SUPPER. Time is 5:30 on NOV8MBER 9th, 2025

Conway Baptist Church on October 31 will be serving hot dogs, playing games, taking photos of the kids in their costumes and handing out candy.

Diggens Baptist Church is getting close to having their new 5,000 square foot fellowship hall Addition completed and will soon remodel their existing Sanctuary into a larger 600 + seat auditorium which will allow them to reach more people for the kingdom of our Lord.

Mission Chapel is having their Christmas Program which will consist of special Christmas carols & music, as our little ones will be playing out the Christmas story while a youth member reads the story of Jesus's birth. They will even have a live baby in the role of baby Jesus.

Rogersville First Bsptist Church will be having their third annual Drive thru nativity Scene on December 6 & 7th from 6pm to 9 pm. With live animals. My husband and I look forward to this every year. I encourage you to bring the kid's and/or grandkids. It's AWESOME.

Please continue to pray for **The Choices Pregnancy Center** as they are trying to start a program to raise up Fathers to be the Godly Men they are called to be. Also, pray for the construction of their new Building. The ceiling grid and electricity are being installed.

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