# VISION

#### Webster County Baptist Association

### Surviving the Seasons

#### (I've been doing this how long?!)

Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

Greetings once again from WCBA and I hope 2024 is starting off well. We have certainly had some pretty nice weather!

The heading of this article, Surviving the Seasons, is a follow up to the last article regarding The Call to Ministry. To answer the question of how long I have been in ministry 2024 marks 41 years! Looking back, it's hard to believe that four decades have moved so quickly. The ministry journey started leading a college ministry at MSU, back when it was SMSU. Along with that there was youth ministry, associate pastor, nursing home, senior pastor, hospice chaplain and associational ministry. Over the last forty years we have been blessed with some amazing people and amazing seasons. There are people we met many years ago that we still count as friends. Along with the amazing seasons of seeing God move in great ways, there were difficult seasons and people who were not very nice. Looking back, those seasons were short lived, and God has blessed us in ways we could not imagine.

With that in mind, I want to encourage every pastor, church leader, or active church member to join us March 28, 6:30 at the WCBA office. The topic will be surviving the seasons of ministry, and I will have two local pastors who have pastored for several years share about their journey. My purpose is to encourage every pastor and church leader to stay with your call...and to remember that God has always been with you...is with you...and always will be with you. YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

Thank you all for the honor to serve as the Director for WCBA! I am blessed to serve alongside many great pastors, and I ask you to continue to pray for them as they fulfill their call from God to minister in your church.

#### MITCH

### For those of you haven't visited ... This is **HENDERSON CHURCH**.



Many of you ladies have visited here because they've hosted the WCBA Spring Ladies Night Out for several years now. And this year again they will be hosting

Our Spring LADIES NIGHT OUT.

Henderson started being a church on MAY 5th, 1964.

So this is the year they celebrate turning **60yrs** old.

They have been Blessed by the Lord with Wonderful pastors over the years, they truly love Eric Nissen & his family.

They have seen many wonderful things God has done with the youth through their youth rallies. So **60** is great but let us join in prayer for many more

nique Sou!

GOD IS WITHIN HER. SHE WILL NOT FALL: GOD WILL HELP HER AT BREAK OF DAY. PSALMS 465

Women's fellowship Henderson Baptist church Saturday April 6, 2024 2pm-5pm

Speaker Dianne Joy Vocals Jaysa Nissen Testimony Susie Gant

Light lunch will be served

RSVP Dianne Joy 417-343-7905

## WCBA Calendar for 2024

#### April

6 Ladies Night Out @ Henderson Church \* new date\*
11 Executive Board Meeting
14-17 Revival

#### May

- 7 Outdoor Sportsman Planning @ noon
- 15 Camp Registration opens
- 20 Newsletter Deadline
- 27-31 Mission Trip (In State)
- Location is being decided
- ? Youth (Mission Experience @ School to the Nations) Date yet to be determined

#### June

- 1 Kids Fishing Day
- 21 Camp Registration Closes

#### July

- 3 Outdoor Sportsman Planning @ noon
- 7-13 Camp Week
- 18 Executive Board Meeting
- 23 Newsletter Deadline
- 29-Aug 2 Mission Trip (Out of State) Location is being decided

#### August

- 13 Outdoor Sportsman Event Training
- 24 Outdoor Sportsman Event @ Camp Arrowhead Starting @ 7am
- Youth(Renting the pool)
   Date yet to be determined

#### September

- 12-14 Seymour Apple Festival
- 18 Newsletter Deadline
- 24 Church Development

#### October

10 Annual Meeting @ MISSION CHAPEL

#### November

- 2 Ladies Night Out
- 14 Thankful For You Banquet
- 18 Newsletter Deadline

#### **Remember:**

Event dates may change, however will post changes as they are made available.

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# Church News

**BORN AGAIN BAPTIST CHURCH** had metal roof installed this winter. It looks great and hopefully, will serve us for a very long time. It seemed strange preaching the first Sunday after it was finished. Temperature changes had the roof squeaking and screaming until it finished setting. We have put together a cookbook. On March 8, our ladies gathered for a light supper, devotion, and put the books together.Pastor Wayne is posting a weekly devotion on our Fb page. Also, each Sunday, his sermon is better than the previous one.

**Friendship Baptist Church** has started several ministries. One is the SIS which stands for Sisters In Season. The women of the church get together on the 1st & 3rd Sunday from 12:45-200pm for fellowship and biblical discussion. Also on 1st Sunday of the month @ 9 am is a Prayer Breakfast for both boy's and men. Lastly they've started a Nursing Home Ministry. Also they were this years BIBLE TRIVIA WINNERS...CONGRATS! **Hear ye! Hear ye!** Sunday March 17th our church bell rang for the first time in around 20 yrs. We give a BIG THANK YOU to **Tristan Loveland** he made it happen as his eagle scout project. Along with a few men who helped with the roof work. **Henderson Church** is having their 60th year Anniversary. Became

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Mission Chapel celebrated Valentine's Day with a wonderful meal and four couples playing the Newlywed game. We had a great time! We really enjoyed the associational Bible Trivia Night and had 2 teams from our church. Thank you to all who made this event possible. We will brush-up for next year. Several men from church attended Men's Encounter in March. Our quarterly game night was well attended with plenty of food and fellowship, we learned that Family Feud is not one of our winning games. Next game night is MAY 24th,7pm Our church is blessed with several couples expecting a babies in the next couple of months, and we are excited for the fun of baby showers and more little ones! One of our teenagers came forwards to join the church through Baptism this month, and we are so thankful for God moving in our church. Easter services will include an early service at 8:30 am followed by breakfast and then regular service times. Save the date: Elkland Community Day will be May 18th, 10 am to 2 pm. This event will be held at the Elkland park at 38 hwy and AA it's completely free. We will have food, crafts, a cake walk, bounce houses, petting zoo, games, and 3 different times of a short devotion.

Mission Home is having their 3rd Annual Women's Conference.

Saturday, April 13th 9am- around 2pm. Registration begins around 8:30am with coffee & donuts. With guest speakers , lunch will be provided. This is a Free Event.

**Northview** will be celebrating 90th year as a church. Their anniversary date is oct.28th 1934

**Prospect Church** is having a Heritage & Celebration Day, on June 30th to celebrate their 180th year in service to our Lord. They started as a church on June 29th, 1844

**Rogersville Church** voted **Bradley Hunt** into the position of Director of Music Ministry. They are now seeking a student pastor. **West Finley** will be 140 years old this year. They started as a church on Nov. 4th, 1884

Ministry

Trust in the Lord

Exercise your

Is God Calling You

Please Join Us in A Continued Discussion on Gods Calling Us Into The

, March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Association office @ 6:30

SERVANT'S

Come hear from pastors about their journey

their first few years after they were called.

### WCBA NEWS

We would like to thank **Mission Chapel** for agreeing to host this years **Annual Meeting** 

#### October 10th.

We also have many upcoming events to be in prayer about.

Executive Board Meetings, Revival, Ladies Night Out, Kids Fishing Day, Church Camp,

Mission Trips, Outdoor Sportsman Event, Seymour Apple Festival.

These are all great opportunities to share the Word and Gods Love.

Also all of our churches are busy with various different activities to share God with the Lost.

So lets take a moment to Pray for your Pastors, Church Family, Friends, Loved Ones, and most of all the Lost.

Let's also remember in prayer Fordland, Mission Home, New Beginning, And Prospect as these Churches are seeking

Pastors.

We here at the Mission Center are so proud to serve with you all.



FREE KIDS FISHING DAY!

Compass Church 260 Twin Oaks Lane, Marshfield Mo. (Past Wal-Mart on 38 HWY)

**10a.m-2pm** Bring your kids for a free day of fishing! Complimentary Fish Fry Free poles and worms for the kids and fellowship for everyone.

All required community safety measures will be followed.

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into ministry and what it was like to serve

Please join us even if your unsure about your calling !!

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