

# Summer News from our Association

## LINCOLN AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

During the hot month of July nine folks from Lincoln Avenue loaded up in a 15 passenger van and traveled 10 hours to St. Louis, Missouri. We spent a week working with Global Encounter Ministries and First Baptist Church of Ferguson in the inner city. The ministry site is a beautiful old park named January Wabash Park in the old suburb of Ferguson. Our main objective is to minister to children in the community and to help their families connect with FBC Ferguson.

Each morning we arrive at the park between 8:30 and 9:00 for a time of prayer and seeking the Lord in preparation for a day of ministry. A little after 9:00 we would drive through the neighborhoods we canvased the afternoon before and pick up children. While we are picking up children on our van route the rest of our team is greeting parents and children who are arriving at the park.

By 10:00 the thick Missouri humidity and hot July sun are pushing the heat index to near 100 degrees. Our missionaries begin serving snacks and cold drinks to the crowd of children who have already gathered. Around 10:30 the dedicated morning, park joggers are finishing up their last laps and we begin to recite in chorus our memory verse. "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." Luke 19:10 After a short Bible Study about how we are lost and Jesus is the great seeker some of the kids elect to head to the courts for a Basketball Clinic with Coach Tina Pinckard & Sophomore Kaity Shoaf. The other children elect to attend an Arts and crafts clinic with everything from your typical beaded necklaces to your non-typical introduction to drama. Around noon Michelle Dostal (our amazing meals on wheels) shows up with a hot meal for the children before we send them home for the afternoon.

After we enjoy a quick lunch our team loads up in the van to knock on some more doors and invite more kids to come tomorrow. Around 2:00 the heat index is nearly 108 degrees and we are

downing bottles of water to try and stay hydrated. In spite of the intense heat our missionaries had thankful and joyful hearts. We didn't come to St. Louis to be comfortable - we came in the spirit of our Lord - "to seek and to save the lost."

Jesus > anything;



Student Missionaries - Clockwise Starting at 12 O'clock Megan Kirkendall, Shawn Haskins, Kiara Perez, Hannah Dirks, Kaity Shoaf, and Addy Dirks

Pastor Andrew Dostal



## 1000 HILLS RANCH CHURCH

On July 25th, 2010 1000 Hills Ranch Church held their first gatherin'. A "Come as you are Cowboy Church" 1000 Hills has seen God work in the lives of many un-churched people. People drive from Gate, Freedom, Mooreland, Vici, Harmon, and even Higgins to come to Cowboy Church.

Now a year later 1000 Hills celebrated their 1 Year Anniversary. To celebrate they held their church gatherin' at the WW Livestock Auction with a horseback greeters, Longhorns in the parking lot and a host of people in attendance! The service was videoed and

DVDs will be made to hand to the un-churched.

God moved in a mighty way as we saw more and more un-churched people attend that morning. The evening brought a whole lot of celebrating. A Catfish fry, Barn Dance, and Baptisms were all done at Pastor Beau Hague's Ranch. Fifteen were baptized in the horse tank and more than 200 came and filled their belly's with catfish, and all the fixins'. After the dinner and Baptisms many boot scooted to some good ole country music.

God has blessed 1000 Hills and they are looking forward to the future. There are plans to purchase 40-50 acres and build a covered arena in Woodward. 1000 Hills exists to reach the un-churched western culture with the gospel of Jesus Christ by tearing down religious barriers and building authentic relationships!

Pastor Beau Hague

## NORTHWESTERN BSU/CSM

The BSU/CSM at Alva has some new contact information. (580)327-8411 or (580) 327-7036. Also check out their web site at [www.nwosu.edu/bsu](http://www.nwosu.edu/bsu)

The potential for us at NW is higher than it has been in years. We have some great kids coming in as freshmen and we have some really good students returning.

Let me encourage people to read two books I have found to be challenging and great additions to my library. I highly recommend Bonhoeffer by Metexas. It is 540 pages but is a tremendous account of one of the true saints who has been compared with Martin Luther and whose life was ended directly by the hand of Himmler and Hitler, just a week and a half before Hitler committed suicide. And everyone should read Life Together by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Literally this little 122 page book written 75-80 years ago will change the way a person ministers and works with the church.

Larry Justice, Director

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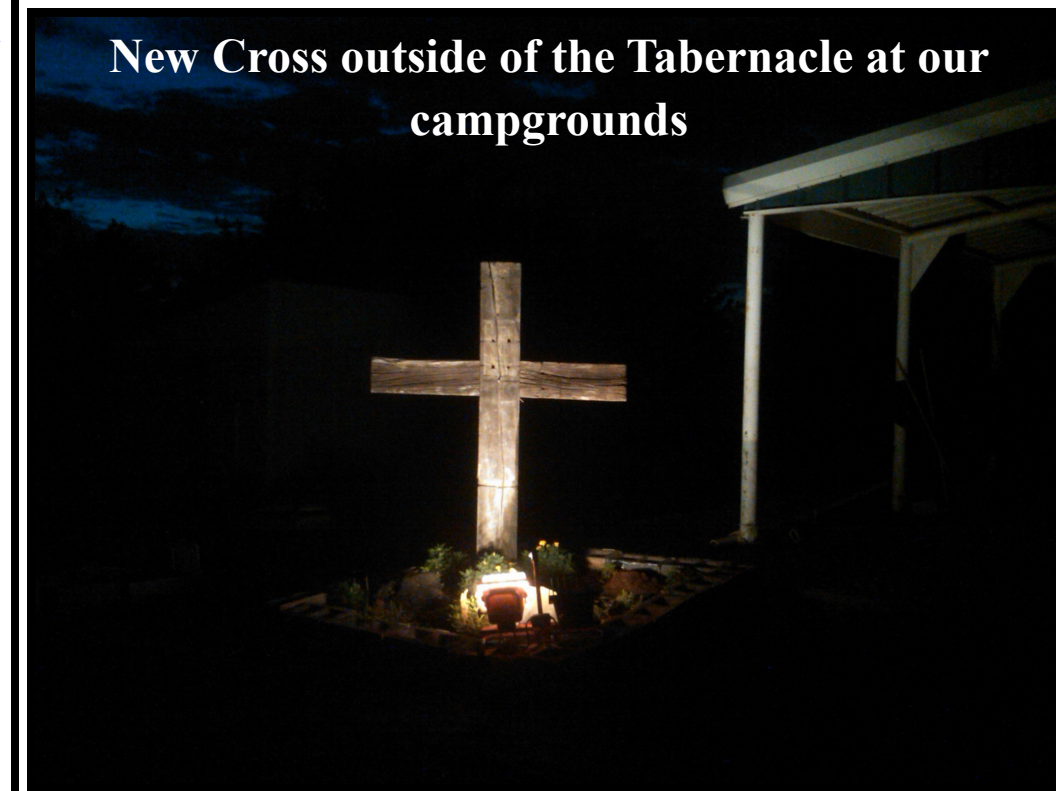
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- BYKOTA Committee Meeting October 4
- National Day of Prayer October 11
- Annual Meeting October 16
- Theology Conference October 17
- Guatemala Mission Trip November 4-12



## New Cross outside of the Tabernacle at our campgrounds

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## CAMPGROUNDS

Even though the grass withered and the flowers faded, NWBA campground flourished under God's mighty hand.

The last of summer camps ended in early August with our Associational camp. Throughout the entire summer, the cabins were put to good use as were the pool and tabernacle.

Children, youth, collegiate groups and adults alike enjoyed the nature trails, the swimming pool; and never were the air-conditioned cabins appreciated as much this summer!

The Paruna cabin, though unfinished served as a worship center, an arts and craft unit, and a recreation/refreshment area. Most of the camps enjoyed the water slide Todd built. But above all, hundreds of people received knowledge of God and many accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. This summer's camps included Kan- Ok, North American Baptist, Nazarene, Woodward 1<sup>st</sup>, two 4-H camps, and our NWBA. We had family reunions filling in the weekends. A large group of youth from Colorado headed for Falls Creek, several local church groups and many other individuals have passed through the gates this summer. Several missionaries came from around the world to share the mighty works of God and the good news of Jesus on these grounds.

As summer winds down, we look across the grounds and give God all thanks and praise for the faces that were forever changed here. The camp is now available for fall, winter, and spring scheduling so call the office and we hope to see you soon.

Pastor Todd and Tonda White



## FBC SEILING MISSION TRIP

FBC Seiling took 10 people to Olathe, Colorado to work on an inactive church building in that association. We worked with Regional Missionary Brad Cowger and our team was able to fix the air coolers on the roof, clean all the carpets, install a new ceiling in the hallway, paint four rooms in the upstairs, and generally clean all around the church. They hope to find a pastor to move in and re-start the church. We also helped a new church start, Church180, on Wednesday by going door-to-door handing out literature about the church. Our church is hoping to send a team each summer to that area and help Brad and his churches in that association.

P.S. – We have posted some pictures and a video on Facebook under Pat Dougherty and Becky Dougherty

## BC FT. SUPPLY SUMMER

Here at Ft. Supply we had a very busy summer. We attended Falls Creek, we took two to kids camp, and had a tremendous VBS where we had 6 children come forward for baptism and 1 come forward to receive Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Pastor Ken McKinley

## BUFFALO SUMMER MINISTRIES

### High Plains Resort Ministry

We are in the midst of our 7th summer of doing weekly campground worship services. Each Sunday from 8:30 am to 9 am at Fort Supply Lake, averaging 5 each Sunday in July with a High of 25.

### Cowboy Breakfast and Chapel

We provided a breakfast and chapel service for the Woodward Elks Rodeo Roping held at Lauer Arena in Buffalo on July 18. The guest speaker was Dale Hirschman of Weatherford, OK

### VBC

Our VBS was July 17-July 20 with the Big Apple Adventure. We had a great response from the students, the staff and families on Family Night! Our VBS mission project was the NWBA Campground

## Mission Trip to Walden Co

We took a team of 8 youth/adults to Mountain View Baptist Church, Walden CO on July 30-Aug 5. We did the Big Apple Adventure VBS averaging 38 children, half which had no church affiliation. It was the largest VBS in the history of the community! The afternoons involved helping an 80 year old missionary couple, Henry and June Johnson, who take dry goods and clothing to the Indian Reservation in the Dakotas and cutting firewood and stacking for the church to give to the elderly. The evenings included a youth recreational outreach and devotional time. This was the third year for the trip to Mountain View.

Pastor Jerry Hodges

## KIDS CAMP 2011

### I WANT TO SERVE

This summer at Kids Camp was a great one. Our theme was *Service* and our kids spent a week learning what it means to serve Christ and others in Christ's name. We were blessed to have Pastor Gaylon Cox serve as our Camp Director. Gaylon has since moved from our association to serve the Lord in other areas but I am profoundly grateful that he invested his time over his years in our area with children each summer at Kids Camp.

We were also blessed to have Pastor Jason Dirks serve as our Camp Pastor. He spoke each night on the person of Christ. On the first night he told the kids that "Jesus is Great". On the second night of camp we learned that "Jesus serves us" and on the last night of camp we were challenged to "Serve others by serving Jesus". Each night was a real blessing.

We would not be able to put our camp together with the quality and excellence that we do without the help and support of the churches of NWBA. Thanks so much to all of you for your work in serving, cooking, cleaning, setting up, teaching, leading, driving, caring, praying, and sharing the Love of Christ in your life at Kids Camp.

See you next summer!

John Elam, DOM

## Associational and Church Upcoming Dates

### September 12

Executive Board Meeting @ 10:30 am  
in the Associational Office

### October 4

BYKOTA Committee Meeting at  
2801 Maple @ 2 pm

### October 10

Executive Board Meeting @ 10:30 am  
in the Associational Office

### October 14

Blackwood Legacy! at Elm Street  
Baptist Church @ 7 pm.

### October 16

NWBA Annual Meeting at FBC-WW

### October 17

NWBA Theology Conference

### October 22/23

1000 Hills Church Colt Starting  
Competition at the Crystal Beach  
Arena.

### November 4-12

Guatemala Mission trip

### November 14-15

BGCO Annual Meeting

### November 21

Executive Board Meeting @ 10:30 am  
in the Associational Office

### November 24

Office Closed



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Join us for an opportunity to hear the amazing story of a young woman whose life was changed when she received a shoe box.



Oksana Nelson

### SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, October 1, 2011

11:30 – 1:30 pm – lunch provided  
First Southern Baptist Church  
621 N Western St  
Liberal, KS

6:30pm – Finger foods provided  
Garden Valley Church  
1701 N 3<sup>rd</sup> St  
Garden City, KS

Please RSVP by Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> to:  
Debbie Rempel, Area Coordinator  
620.873.2000 or  
drempe1oc@gmail.com

05-30-11

### The Power of a Simple Gift

Oksana Nelson received a shoe box gift while living in a Russian orphanage. The mint-flavored toothpaste and picture of the family that sent the box are what she remembers most.

The following year, Oksana was adopted by an American family. She now resides in Weatherford, TX with three adopted siblings. She attends college and works part-time at Reata Equine Hospital and hopes to someday be a veterinarian.

The first time her church packed shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child, Oksana told her pastor she was once a recipient. That launched the beginning of her speaking engagements on a local and national level. Her willingness to share her story stems from her desire to encourage volunteers and new shoe box packers with her unique testimony.

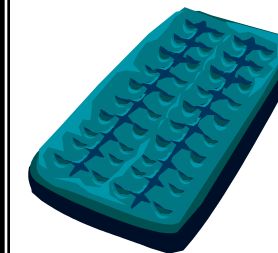
*Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.*  
—1 Corinthians 13:3-5



Bring your friends and family to hear this great testimony!

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse. Thank to Godwin, President.

## RAISING FUNDS FOR NEW MATTRESS AND MATTRESS COVERS.



MATTRESS  
\$60.00 EACH

MATTRESS COVERS  
\$30.00 EACH

If you would like to contribute to the cost of purchasing new mattresses and covers for the existing mattresses please make donations to the Northwestern Baptist Association, designate camp mattresses/covers in the memo line. We have raised close to \$400 of the \$4000 needed to cover this cost. Thanks to those who have contributed.



NWBA would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Pastor Jack and First Baptist Church in Sharon. We know your loss is great.