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Drs. Richard Jennett (left) and Michael Craighead create the door for the chapel at a new hospital facility.

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# 2015 Word & Way Planning and Event Calendar

Word & Way publishes its Planning and Even Calendar semiannually as an informational guide to special events through the year. While many events are free, some also may charge a program fee. The calendar can be web-linked at [wordandway.org/calendar](http://wordandway.org/calendar).

To include your event in the 2015 Mid-Year Events Calendar set for the May 21, 2015, issue, contact Ken Satterfield at [ads@wordandway.org](mailto:ads@wordandway.org) or 573-635-5939, ext. 8.



## Jan. 1-May 15 — Sports Crusaders accepting summer staff applications

Sports Crusaders allows college students the opportunity to coach children in local churches and community settings while providing them a positive role model and introducing them to Christ.

In its 20-year history, approximately 1 in 8 participants have made a decision for Christ through high-quality basketball, softball, baseball, soccer, volleyball and cheerleading camps in seven states, which provide the "common ground" Paul addresses in 1 Corinthians 9:22. During this period, Sports Crusaders is accepting summer staff applications.

Application: Download from [SportsCrusaders.org](http://SportsCrusaders.org) or call 573-896-6095.

Information: 573-896-6095, [SportsCrusaders.org](http://SportsCrusaders.org) or [info@sportscrusaders.org](mailto:info@sportscrusaders.org).



## 4-9 — Benedictine Spirituality Course — Conception Abbey, Conception, Mo.

Cost: \$700, includes course, food and lodging.

Central Seminary President Molly T. Marshall takes a group of Central students to Conception Abbey, the Benedictine monastery in northwest Missouri, every other January for a weeklong immersion experience in the liturgical rhythms of Benedictine spirituality.

Registration closes soon!  
Information: [cbts.edu](http://cbts.edu) and click on "learn more" on the Benedictine Spirituality slide for details.

## 19 — Experience HLGU Day, Hannibal-LaGrange University, Hannibal, Mo.

9 a.m.  
HLGU Visit Days.  
Information: HLGU Admissions Office, 800-HLG-1119 or [admissions@hlg.edu](mailto:admissions@hlg.edu).

## 19 — Monday @ Southwest, Southwest Baptist University, Bolivar, Mo.

Experience Southwest Baptist University during this visit event to learn more about SBU's quality faculty, staff and challenging academic programs. Interact with current students and see for yourself why so many have chosen SBU. Dress casual, bring questions and be ready for a great day.

Information: 800-526-5859 or [SBUuniv.edu/visit](http://SBUuniv.edu/visit).



## 5 — Luncheon Conversation with Amy Butler, Central Seminary, Shawnee, Kan.

Noon-2 p.m.  
Location: 6601 Monticello Rd., Shawnee, Kan.

Cost: \$10.  
Central Seminary invites clergy and church leaders to lunch and conversation on "The Changing Face of Pastoral Leadership" with Amy Butler, senior pastor of Riverside Church in New York City. In addition, President Molly T. Marshall will provide a framework for the conversation, and Samuel Park, director of Korean Missional Church Programs, will respond from a perspective of the historically traditional Korean Christian community.

Reservations: [mmiller@cbts.edu](mailto:mmiller@cbts.edu). Payment may be made at the door.

## 5-8 — "The Curious Savage," Missouri Baptist University, St. Louis, Mo.

5-7: 7:30 p.m.  
8: 2 p.m.  
Cost: \$10 General Admission; \$8 Seniors (65+).

This entertaining and fanciful comedy about residents of a psychiatric hospital warms the heart and reminds the audience that kindness and affection are still found in our world.

Information: MBU Box Office, 314-392-2345.

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## 16 — Spartan Preview Day, Missouri Baptist University, St. Louis, Mo.

9 a.m.-noon.  
Experience a hands-on morning that is sure to yield answers and incite enthusiasm about life at a pre-

miere Christian university — academically and spiritually.

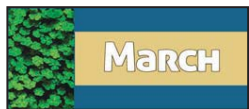
Information and registration: 877-434-1115 or [mobap.edu/campusvisit](http://mobap.edu/campusvisit).

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## 1-31 — North American Missions Emphasis Month, Churchnet

Information and offering materials: 888-420-2426 or [churchnet.org](http://churchnet.org).

## 6 — Senior Adult Day, St. Louis, Mo.

9 a.m.  
Location: Missouri Baptist University.

Join us as we reflect and rejoice over the past 50 years with MBU ministry and performing groups. Lunch will be provided following the performance.

Information, group tickets or pricing: Linda Myers, 314-392-2304 or [myersl@mobap.edu](mailto:myersl@mobap.edu).

## 13-14 — Bearcat Days, Bolivar, Mo.

Location: Southwest Baptist University.  
Bearcat Days is a weekend event for admitted students to explore the Southwest Baptist University campus.

Students will meet current students, faculty and staff, stay in a residence hall, experience social life on campus and meet future Bearcats.

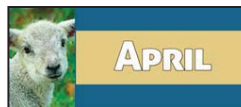
Information: 800-526-5859 or [SBUuniv.edu/visit](http://SBUuniv.edu/visit).

## 27 — Board of Trustees Meeting, The Baptist Home-Arcadia Valley, Mo.

Information: Kathie Jones, 573-546-2709 or [kjones@thebaptisthome.org](mailto:kjones@thebaptisthome.org).

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## 9-11 — "Singin' in the Rain," Hannibal, Mo.

Location: Roland Fine Arts Center's Parker Theatre, Hannibal-

LaGrange University.

Cost: \$9 per ticket in advance/\$10 at the door; Seniors (60+), \$8 in advance or at the door; Groups (10+), \$8 per ticket. Tickets on sale Feb. 1.

Spring Main Stage Musical Production, a presentation of the HLGU Theatre Department.

Information: 573-629-3182 or [boxoffice@hlg.edu](mailto:boxoffice@hlg.edu).

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## 17 — The Baptist Home Foundation Board of Trustees

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## Hannibal-LaGrange University

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**Meeting, Jefferson City, Mo. area**

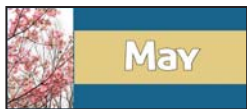
Information: Kathie Jones, 573-546-2709 or kjones@thebaptisthome.org.

**18 — "Afternoon with the Stars," Clay Cooper Theatre, Branson**  
 2-5 p.m.

Location: 3216 West 76 Country Blvd.  
 Cost: \$35.  
 Dinner and musical entertainment benefit for Missouri Baptist Children's Home.  
 Information: 800-264-6224 or mbch.org.

**24-25 — Churchnet Annual Gathering, First Baptist Church of Jefferson City, Mo.**

Friday evening — Saturday morning.  
 Location: 301 E. Capitol Ave.  
 Theme: Share Hope!  
 Information: 888-420-2426, help@churchnet.org or churchnet.org.



**16 — Southwest Baptist University Commencement — Bolivar Campus, Bolivar, Mo.**

10 a.m. — Undergraduate ceremony.  
 3 p.m. — Graduate ceremony.  
 Location: Merrill Burnidge Memorial Forum.  
 Information: 800-526-5859 or www.SBUuniv.edu.

**22 — The Baptist Home-Chillicothe Sixth Annual Charity Golf Tournament, Chillicothe, Mo.**

Location: Green Hills Golf Course, 500 W. Mohawk.  
 Information: Richard Hurtgen, 660-646-6219 or hurtgen@thebaptisthome.org.

**29 — Art Walk, The Baptist Home-Ozark, Mo.**

2-4:30 p.m.  
 Location: 1625 West Garton Rd.  
 Information: Kim Getscher, 417-581-2101 or kgetscher@thebaptisthome.org.



**2-July 31 — 2015 Sports, Inner-city and At-Risk Camps, various locations**

Sports Crusaders connects people with Jesus Christ and the local church by using sports and recreational activities through life-changing, common-ground ministries. We offer fundamental basketball, softball, baseball, soccer, volleyball and cheerleading camps led by summer student athlete missionaries throughout Missouri, Arkansas, Texas,

Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Illinois. We come to your location and provide a high-quality experience for you and your ministry. Information: 573-896-6095 or websites: Sportscrusaders.org (general), Sportscrusaderslive.org (radio) or Camp82ministries.com (at-risk camp).

**6 — Missouri Baptist Children's Home Strawberry Festival, First Baptist Church, Arnold, Mo.**

9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
 Location: 2012 Missouri State Rd.  
 Information: 800-264-6224 or mbch.org.

**9-11 — Camp Connect, Windermere Baptist Conference Center, Roach, Mo.**

Camp Connect is a missions-oriented Christian camp experience for children in grades 4-6 as students grow closer to God and each other. This year's theme, "Join Us at Crocodile Dock!" will be based on the story of Moses and includes a Mardi Gras celebration and Alligator Festival. Missions emphasis will be Together for Hope-Louisiana, a CBF rural poverty initiative ministering to one of the poorest areas in the United States, and will allow boys and girls to learn about needs as well as awareness of local needs surrounding them.

Camp Connect is sponsored by Windermere, Churchnet and CBF Heartland.

Camp Connect information and registration: 800-873-2950 or campconnect.org.

Windermere information: Janet Hill, 573-346-5200, ext. 2610, or jhill@windermereusa.org.

**13 — HomeComing, The Baptist Home-Chillicothe, Mo.**

Location: 500 Baptist Home Lane.  
 A festive celebration emphasizing visits with residents from home churches and families. Traditional bake sale benefits residents. Music and entertainment with picnic lunch

served in and around the gazebo. Our Auxiliary will provide some innovative activities for residents and visitors alike.

Information: Connie Garber or Joyce Stark, 660-646-6219 or cgarber@thebaptisthome.org.



**June 2-July 31 — Sports Crusaders camps, various locations**

See June 2 listing.

**11 — Missouri Baptist Children's Home Ozarks Berry Festival, Remington's Entertainment Complex, Springfield, Mo.**

9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
 Location: 1655 W. Republic Rd.  
 Information: 800-264-6224 or mbch.org.

**24 — Board of Trustees Meeting, The Baptist Home-Chillicothe, Mo.**

Information: Kathie Jones, 573-546-2709 or kjones@thebaptisthome.org.



**6-7 — The Global Leadership Summit, Columbia, Mo., and other Missouri city venues**

9 a.m.-5 p.m. both days  
 Location: Parkade Baptist Church, 2012 N. Garth Ave.  
 Cost: Early Bird rates ends 6-23-2015: \$169 — Large Group rate (+10); \$199 — Individual rate; \$89 — Student/Faculty rate.

Learn to use the gift of influence through a high-impact, two-day leadership training event.

This world-class faculty will encourage you, sharpen your leadership skills and renew your vision to lead.

This will be a live telecast event from Willow Creek Community Church near Chicago.

Information: Aaron Kruse, 573-443-4585, x203.

Information and additional area locations: willowcreek.com/summit.

**24-25 — Ozark Conference for Senior Adult Ministers, First Baptist Church, Geyer Springs, Ark.**

Location: 12400 Interstate 30, Little Rock.  
 Information: Max Pyron, 501-455-3474 or mpyron@gsfbc.org.



**1-30 — State Missions Emphasis Month, Churchnet**

Information and materials: 888-420-2426 or churchnet.org.

**5 — Auction & HomeComing, The Baptist Home-Arcadia Valley, Mo.**

Annual auction, now in its 36th year, to benefit residents.  
 Information: Sherri Snider or Connie Francis, 573-546-7429 or cfrancis@thebaptisthome.org.

**12 — Missouri Baptist Children's Home Apple Festival, First Baptist Church of Peculiar, Peculiar, Mo.**

9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
 Location: 11902 E. 213th Ct.  
 Information: 800-264-6224 or mbch.org.

**18 — The Baptist Home Foundation, Board of Trustees Meeting, Jefferson City, Mo., area**

Information: Kathie Jones, 573-546-2709 or kjones@thebaptisthome.org.

**25 — Eighth Annual Baptist Home-Arcadia Valley Golf Tournament, Farmington, Mo.**

Location: Crown Pointe Golf Course, 4215 Hunt Road.

Information: Becky Barton, 573-546-2709 or bbarton@thebaptisthome.org.



**1 — Economics of Ministry Summit, Central Seminary, Shawnee, Kan.**

Location: 6601 Monticello Rd.  
 In partnership with Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board (MMBB) and funded by a grant from the Lilly Endowment, Central set aside this day to address the economic challenges facing future ministers and the churches that are calling them to serve. Interactive workshops, panel discussions and presentations will interest seminarians, clergy and laity alike.  
 Information: cbts.edu.

**12-14 — Fall Adult Retreat @ Windermere, Roach, Mo.**

Location: Windermere Baptist Conference Center.  
 Experience the best 55+ adult retreat in the Midwest, designed to actively engage and inspire you. Sponsored by Windermere Baptist Conference Center.  
 Registration: 800-346-2215, ext. 2001, beginning March 1.  
 Information: Janet Hill, 573-346-5200 or jhill@windermereusa.org.



**6 — Board of Trustees Meeting, The Baptist Home-Ozark, Mo.**

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## Award presented at Harvesters' annual holiday luncheon Nov. 11

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — The Missouri Baptist Harvesters learned about birds and saw a couple honored at their holiday luncheon Nov. 11.

Meeting in the Gold Room at the Baptist Building in Jefferson City, the Harvesters heard from guest speaker Regina Garr, co-owner of Birds-I-View in Jefferson City. Garr and her husband, Steve, provide wildlife-related products and educational services.

During the luncheon, the Missouri Baptist Foundation presented its Estate Stewardship Award to Mel and Rose Callahan of Eugene, Mo.

The Callahans announced they would give the cash portion of the award to the Jesus Film Project.

Each year, the Missouri Baptist Foundation honors those who have been generous with their life and resources to benefit Christ's kingdom by naming those individuals to its Fellowship of Christian Stewards. Estate stewardship is one of seven categories included in program.

Married for 50 years, the Callahans realized the importance of estate planning long ago and recently developed their plans to include and ben-



Missouri Baptist Foundation President Chris Calmer (right) presents Rose and Mel Callahan as Estate Stewardship honorees of this year's Fellowship of Christian Stewards during the Harvesters Holiday Luncheon on Nov. 11 at the Baptist Building in Jefferson City, Mo.

efit the ministries they have served.

Both have been active in disaster relief and with Concord Baptist Association Builders, and have made several mission trips. Motorcycle enthusiasts, both belong to a Christian motorcycle organization. Mel Callahan is active in prison ministry.

Both worked for the Missouri

Baptist Convention — Rose for 36 years, primarily with student ministries, and Mel for seven years with Missouri Baptist Press. He spent the rest of his career as a carpenter and electrician.

The Harvesters include individuals who have retired from or had worked for the Missouri Baptist Convention or affiliated agencies.

## 'Bad Burrito' awards go to bad marketing

At the end of each year, this column gives its "coveted" Bad Burrito Awards for religious marketing efforts and products. It acknowledges those labors best described as head-scratching — much like middle-of-the-night dreams and great ideas, possibly inspired by indigestion (hence the name), that make little sense in the light of day.

Here are this year's winners:

**Fashion.** Did you know that Dec. 12 is Ugly Sweater Day? British Christmas Jumpers (britishchristmasjumpers.com) has designed a unisex multicultural sweater that combines world religions — even atoms and peace symbols for atheists — into a truly memorable and burrito-winning fashion statement.

**Accessories.** At one time, the Advent calendar was used to share Scripture and contemplation at the approach of Jesus' birth. Madison Avenue has adapted the calendar for daily doses of candles, chocolates, beer, Legos, lingerie or nail polish. (Examples at religionnews.com/2014/11/28/12-of-the-internets-most-beautiful-bizarre-advent-calendars.) For those who have hijacked the tradition in poor taste, have a burrito.

**Celebrations.** On the other hand, believers sometimes decide to redeem things they do not like with Christian-themed efforts. Take Halloween. Canadian pastor Paul Ade wanted to put a more positive spin on the holiday for Christians with Jesus Ween (jesusween.com), for people to respond to "trick or treat" with "Jesus loves you" and to drop a Bible along with candy in Halloween bags. Maybe a burrito would be nice, too.

**Entertainment.** Buenos Aires, Argentina, has the Tierra Santa theme park. Religious in nature, it features a 40-foot Jesus that rises from within a mountain to be resurrected each hour. Slate magazine (slate.com/blogs/atlas\_obscura/2014/02/11/tierra\_santa\_theme\_park\_in\_buenos\_aires\_is\_where\_christianity\_meets\_kitsch.html) describes "a disco-lit Virgin Mary" and scenes, such as Jesus being scourged, that visitors are encouraged to pose with for photos.

**Good intentions.** Chinese millionaire Chen Guangbiao promoted a meal for 1,000 homeless as part of his Tour of Love and Gratitude luncheon. Also, each would receive \$300. But the rescue mission with which he worked would not allow cash to be given to the guests for fear of how they would spend the money. So

they ate a nice meal and then were told they would receive no money. Both the host and the mission should share a burrito.

**Churches.** Each of these is worthy of a burrito this year:

- Pastor Zach Zehnder of the Cross Church in Mount Dora, Fla., who broke the record for the longest sermon after preaching for more than 53 hours. (The

feat was interesting, but was the sermon?)

- The Kentucky Baptist Convention's "Second Amendment Celebration" gun giveaways as door prizes around the state.

- Westwood Baptist Church of Keithville, La., that kicked an Alcoholic Anonymous organization out of its facilities after five years because of the fear that allowing outside groups to meet could force the church to conduct homosexual marriages in the future.

- Leave your coat on at Trinity Memorial Lutheran Church in Merrillville, Ind., which offers 30-minute informal Sunday evening services.

- The church branding firm, Lux Dei Design, that suggested raising \$1 million to put a McDonald's franchise in church (mcmass.com) to "revitalize churches as centers for conversation and cultural engagement."

Ken Satterfield is Word & Way's marketing coordinator.

### Media & the Internet



Ken Satterfield

## SBU speakers garner awards

BOLIVAR, Mo. — The Southwest Baptist University Speaking Bearcats speech and debate team finished in third place in overall sweepstakes in a recent contest.

SBU competed with 22 other schools at the "Falcon Classic" tournament hosted by Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio, Nov. 15-16. The team placed first among Pi Kappa Delta chapters.

The finals in public forum debate featured a match between two SBU duos, with



Members of the Southwest Baptist University speech and debate team celebrate a third-place finish in the overall sweepstakes at the recent Falcon Classic tournament. Pictured are (front row, from left) Lydia Swisher, Meg Burns, Kelsey Slone, Justin Pullin, Tyler Middleton, Heidi Dehn and Tiana Brownen; and in back (from left) are Reece Tabor, Reed Dressler, Nik Fischer, Will Wheeler and Lyndal Doherty.

Tiana Brownen and Lydia Swisher finishing undefeated and receiving first place over Will Wheeler and Meg Burns.

The team brought home several awards in individual speech events, including Burns as top overall individual performer for winning first place in oral interpretation and communication analysis, third place in informative speaking, sixth place in duo interpretation with Lydia

Swisher and seventh place in prose interpretation.

Other participants included Nik Fischer, Lyndal Doherty and Tyler Middleton, who earned Top Novice Speaker in after-dinner speaking. Doherty placed first in novice dramatic interpretation.

Justin Pullin, who was first in novice poetry, Reece Tabor and Kelsey Slone also competed.

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1-31 — Churchnet World Mission Emphasis & Offering for World Missions

Information and materials: 888-420-2426 or churchnet.org.

### CHURCH CHANGES

**JERRY WELLS** is the new pastor of First Baptist Church in Leavenworth, Kan. He and wife Bonnie have two children.

**BRUCE BURFIELD** is the new pastor of First Baptist Church in Belleville, Kan. His wife's name is Keli.