

# FROM THE HEART

Featuring the Churches & Events of the Heartland Baptist Association

OCTOBER 2021

## Moment from the Moderator

The leaves will soon be turning beautiful colors, the grass will turn brown and another year will be ending. It is great to know that God is in control, he paints the color of the leaves, allows the grass to rest from showing a lovely green blanket and his love never ends. Neither does the work of his church and the need for those to share Christ. We are in exciting and everchanging times. Brother Ron and Vickie Malott are retiring from the pastorate at the Lathrop Baptist Church and we can share in that celebration. The date and time are listed on our newsletter calendar. Just as one leaves ministry work, the Cameron Baptist Church has hired and ordained Aaron Laskey as their new Youth Pastor. Brother Ken and Malissa Gazaway will be retiring from the pastorate at First Baptist Church, Cameron so the church has called Brother Terry to be their pastor with a transition to occur after the first of the year. Terry's wife is Denise. The Union Baptist Church in Orrick Missouri, has called Brother Cale Faber to serve as their pastor. His wife is Kelly and they have 3 children. God's ministry continues in our sister churches.

Our semi-annual meeting was well attended and we were wonderfully blessed by presentations on Baptist work. Joe Nogalski, our new regional representative for the Missouri Baptist Children's Home, spoke to us about the programs that are happening in our Children's homes, how the children are being served and how we can be a part of that ministry. David Sundeen, Executive Director of Baptist Homes Hospice, informed us that we are once again in charge of the Baptist Homes and going full steam ahead. He shared how old nursing homes and care facilities are being purchased, remodeled and being prepared for our seniors that need them. David also explained that Hospice care would soon be available for those who may need it in a facility or at home. And last was Donnie Stubblefield who is in development and recruitment for Casas Por Cristo (Houses for Christ). He told of mission trips to Mexico, Guatemala and Dominican Republic to build houses for those in need and the opportunity to share Christ. Pastor Ron Foley, Braymer Baptist Church gave the message in full fishing attire about being fishers of men. He shared that we must be ready to fish in the areas that are not filled with those that already know the Lord and that we must use the right bait. It is important to know how to approach different people, fish, with different ways to share the gospel, bait.

There are two great candidates that our Director of Mission search committee are actively talking to and gathering information. Be in prayer for them as they will share these guys with us very soon.

Good things are happening in the Heartland Baptist Association for God's glory. Do not be a spectator, get out and fish!

Blessings,

Aaron F. Manning, Moderator

## OFFICE HOURS

The Associational office is opened Monday through Thursday, 9 AM to 2:30 PM. You may call or stop by the office and Nancy, our ministry Assistant, will help you. Aaron Manning is our Associational Moderator, at 816-984-9944.

## TEXTCASTER

HBA provides the notification system called TextCaster for the churches of the association. Please contact Nancy at the office to let her know your church wants to start using TextCaster. Here is the link to the TextCaster sign-up page.

<https://my.textcaster.com/asa/3036>



## Pastor's breakfast

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The next Pastors breakfast will be Thursday, October 21, 2021, 8:00am at Catrick's.

## From your Search Committee

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The DOM Search Committee is continuing to move forward with the consideration of two applicants. We are asking the Holy Spirit to lead us in deciding whether to present one of these candidates to the Association to serve as our next DOM. Please be in prayer for us and for the applicants to determine God's will.

Ronnie Foley, DOM Search Committee Chair

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**PRAYER REQUESTS**  
If you have prayer requests that you would like us to send out, please contact the office.



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***“And let us not be weary in well doing: For in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.”***

***Galatians 6:9 KJV***

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## Retirement Party

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Pastor Ron and Vickie Malott will be retiring from First Baptist Church, Lathrop on September 30, 2021. There will be a retirement party for him on October 2nd at the Goppert Center, 707 Oak Street in Lathrop at 5:30pm. There will be a meal served, so come out and eat some good food and celebrate with the Pastor Ron and Vickie this milestone in ministry.

## FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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A community food pantry is operating in our associational office and serving around 65 families in the Lawson area. If you would like to volunteer to work at the Lawson Food Pantry, contact Connie Green, 816-516-0838. We are also witnessing to those attending the food pantry. If you would like to volunteer to witness, contact Lynn Rogers 660-352-6738 home or 816-615-9268 mobile.

## Birthdays

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10/2	Ken Gazaway	Pastor	Cameron
10/3	Kiera McClure	Pastor's Daughter	Cowgill
10/7	Michael Quinn	Staff's Son	Lathrop
10/12	Tim Dougherty	Assoc. Pastor	Henrietta
10/15	Carrie McClure	Pastor's Wife	Cowgill
10/18	Aaron Manning	Pastor	Dockery
10/27	Floyd McClure	Pastor	Cowgill
10/30	Mike Hooks	Music Minister	Richmond

## Wedding anniversaries

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N/A

## October Pastor's Anniversaries

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10/2017	Aaron Gudde	Youth Pastor	Plattsburg
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