

CMRB NEWSLETTER

September, 2012

“Sharing News of the Central Missouri Restoration Branches”

Fall Retreat Dates:

October 5-7 Junior High

October 19-21 Older Youth

November 2-4 Senior High

November 10-11 Junior

Please see the website www.odessahills.com for more information and to register. Note: We now have paypal to make it more convenient for you to pay when you register.

ODESSA HILLS SWIMMING POOL PROJECT UPDATE:

We are getting close to starting the construction of the pool and are still in need of funds. There are several congregations planning fundraisers. Please keep this in mind and plan to support them.

Chilhowee: *by Marj Foss*

Phil and Cheri Tandy reported that Dalia Padilla and her children, Lalo, Andrea, and Aaron arrive safely at their home in Mexico City. Dalia worked with Phil and Cheri on the translation of the scriptures while a guest in their home.

The last Sunday of July we were privileged to have the 2012 Book of Mormon Interns in charge of the 11 o'clock service. What a joy to witness the enthusiasm of these young folks for the work of the Lord as they shared in song and testimony. Praise the Lord for Lynn and Sugar Baumgart who are giving their service as counselors to the group!!

On July 31 the church was buzzing with activity as 12 young ones came for a one day Vacation Bible School. Cheri Tandy planned the schedule and with some able helpers directed the classes and activities of the day. The theme of the day was “The Parable of the Sower”. We pray the seeds sown have fallen on good ground and that the hearts of these young ones will be filled with a desire to be servants of the Lord.

We have now had our annual election of officers and consideration of needs of our classes and are ready to begin the 2012-2013 churchyear in September.

On August 11, our sister, Joni Ensley passed into the arms of the savior. A number of our congregation attended the graveside service at the Mineral Creek Cemetery at Leeton. Elder Clayton Foss was in charge of the service and assisted by Elders Tom Dooley and Joe Taylor who gave the prayers.

Kingsville: *by Cynthia Lamberty*

Sunday, August 5th, at 9:45 a.m., the Angels in Heaven rejoiced at Mariah Kagarice, Paula Kagarice, Sharon Duffey, and Karrie Ratkewicz' decision to be baptized. All of the ladies were baptized by Elder Larry Marsh. Their confirmation service directly followed. Mariah was confirmed by Elder Larry Marsh, assisted by Elder Jim Hensley. Paula was confirmed by Elder Jim Hensley, assisted by Elder Larry Marsh. Sharon was confirmed by Elder Dale Volskay, assisted by Elder Larry Marsh. Karrie was confirmed by Elder Larry Marsh, assisted by Elder Dale Volskay. Elder James Watterson gave the Baptism and Confirmation remarks.

Sunday, August 5th 11:00 a.m., Priest Bryon Weisz gave the Sacrament remarks. Each of our newly baptized sisters listed above partook of their first sacrament. After the 11 o'clock service we all gathered in the fellowship hall for a potluck.

Sunday, August 12th, we were blessed to be able to worship with our brother and sister is Christ, Elder Duane and Ronnie Stowell. Elder Stowell gave the remarks at the 11 o'clock service. We always appreciate the gentle spirit that attends Duane and Ronnie. We look forward to their next visit.

Sunday, August 12th at 6 p.m. Rick Midkiff continued teaching the Book of Mormon class. This class meets on the first and second Sunday evening of the month. We have a preaching service on the third Sunday evening and Family Night on the last Sunday evening of the month. The month's with five Sundays, the Book of Mormon class is usually held on the first, second, and fourth Sunday evenings.

Sunday, August 19th, we witnessed three of the Lord's ordinances. First, Joshua McGowen, son of John and Kenna McGowen, was blessed by Elder Mike Stephenson and Elder Larry Marsh. Elder Jim Hensley gave the blessing remarks. Brother Stephenson asked the Lord to bless Joshua with the gift of healing when he is older. The beautiful smile Joshua has for everyone is a blessing from Heaven.

Second & Third: Hannah Andes was baptized and confirmed by her Grandpa, Elder Rick Midkiff. Elder Larry Marsh assisted with Hannah's confirmation. Elder Jim Hensley gave the baptism and confirmation challenges to Hannah, her family and the congregation. She was very interested in everything that Elder Hensley had to say to her. Once again, we know the Angels in Heaven were rejoicing at Hannah's decision to be baptized.

Sunday, August 19th, 6 p.m., Deacon Jesse Kelso preached.

Knob Noster: *by Gerri Kent*

The Lord has blessed us in our families and in our Branch since we have last reported. July was a busy month: new officers, new improvements on our building and property. Our yearly business meeting with election of officers was July 8th, and some of our new people

have graciously accepted responsibility. Leonard Brown is again our Pastor-- doing a good job of shepherding a growing congregation. His counselors are Elders Tom Steele and Michael Brown. Loraine Rhoades is the new secretary. Junior Munsterman is still treasurer and recorder; Louise Vick, historian; and Gerri Kent, women's leader; Alisa Brown, music director; Jon Kent, missionary director; Eric Hon, Sunday school director; Tom and Alberta Steele, cards and flowers. The building committee is now: Leonard, Junior, Gerri, Tom, Dennis and Michael. Plans were accepted for new improvements. Dale Jenkins will install new front doors, with glass insets to enable the Deacon to help people in the doors. Also cement and work for the new paving and parking was accepted by the Branch. Junior Munsterman proposed and there was unanimous consent to buy and install flags for the rostrum: the church flag and the United States flag. As of this writing, these improvements have all been made and greatly enhanced the church property.

The speakers for July were Eric Hon, Leonard Brown, and Junior Munsterman. The Kents were at home on July 29th, still celebrating the 80th birthday of Gerri. Her son, Dan Hubbard shared the Lord's message with family and many friends on a beautiful Sunday morning out of doors. Gerri wants to thank everyone who helped make this an unforgettable birthday weekend.

On August 12th, Tom Steele gave the message, beginning with Moroni speaking about charity, the pure love of Jesus. Tom does such an exceptional job of talking to the children, so each can understand the Lords' message. We were truly blessed with the gift of song shared by the Knob Singers, many of those were the new families who have joined us and shared their beautiful gifts of music and song. On August 19th, Jason Anderson and family from Colbern Road ministered to us. His leading scripture was Alma 3:27: "Have you spiritually been born of God?" His wife, Karmi, offered special flute solos, which were sweet and worshipful. August 26th, our own Michael Brown delivered a spirit-filled message which was uplifting to all.

We hope and pray that we will continue to grow spiritually as we have been growing in numbers, with so many gifted members and especially all the new children God is so good to bless us!

Warrensburg: *Ken Johnson*

Fall kicks off a new church year for our branch and we look forward to a great year of ministry, outreach, serving and learning. Our Pastor, Alan Ream, is encouraging all of us to leave our places of comfort and become involved in branch and community activities.

The joint Women's Leaders: Emma Jo Cool and Becky Braun, anticipate an exciting year of meeting twice each month. The first meeting will be a study class and the second meeting will find the women visiting in the homes of their fellow brothers and sisters seeking the precious testimonies each one has. The hope is to publish one testimony per month in the newsletter.

Our new Home Ministry Coordinator, George Locke, has challenged all of our local priesthood to become involved in visiting the Saints in their homes. And Warrensburg Saints, expect a knock on your door as these men appear in teams of two to share God's love with you in your home.

What new things will the family night coordinator bring to us to "perk up" our spirits with fellowship, learning and serving?

August has been a month of sweet, mutual ministry as the Holy Spirit focuses our Early Morning Worship, church school classes and Morning Worship Services on moving closer to loving God and one another.

The 1:00 p.m. wedding of Chanelle Hopkins & Seth Ream on Saturday, August 11th, was beautiful. It blesses us all to see young people joining together to serve God with His love for their lifetime. May He richly bless their marriage with His presence.

CMRB Branch Bulletin Board:

After renovations, the Knob Noster branch has an exterior double door --no windows -- that needs a good home. It is about 4 years old, in good condition but needs a bit of paint. Contact Brother Junior Munsterman if you have a need. Thank you.

Branch

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2012 CMRB Schedule

	September 2nd	September 9th	September 16th	September 23rd	September 30th
Bates City	Paul Ludy	Chuck Miller	Howard Cozart	Gordon Burns	Dave Brotherton
Chilhowee	11am Service No Service	Testimonies	Phil Tandy	Tom Dooley	Warren Wheatley Charlie Booth
Clinton	John Sartin	Dan Brotherton	Mark Churchill	Leonard Brown	Regan Crowell
Colbern Road					

Kingsville

11am Service	James Watterson	Bill Marsh	Mike Vick	Sean O'Keefe	Don Marsh
6pm Service	Book or Mormon class	Book of Mormon class	Larry Andes	Book of Mormon class	Family Night

Knob Noster

Tom Steele	Steve Bohall	Leonard Brown	Junior Munsterman	Baptismal Service
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Lexington**Oak Grove**

10:30 Service
6:30 Service

Odessa**Warrensburg**

10:30 service	Ken Johnson	Don Franklin	Larry Marsh	George Locke	Lonnie Cool
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