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News From Our Churches:

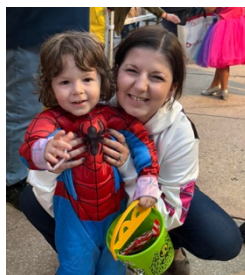
Central Baptist Church (Mont Alto) once again ministered through their annual Trunk or Treat. Pastor John shares: "We had a great time at Trunk or Treat this year. We partnered with the Fire Company across the street and had about 250 children come by and get candy and church information. It was a good time to talk with some of the families of the area."



Chambersburg Baptist Church held their Fall Fest on Saturday, November 9th and had 45 in attendance. They served hot dogs and snacks, provided games and a different twist on a scavenger hunt. Abriel Lovett was the winner of the scavenger hunt. He made a poster of his picture in all the places he found. Barbie Baer presented his poster at the end of the church service on Sunday.



Family of God Community (Red Lion) Handed out 700 hot dogs and 900 treat bags at their block party on Thursday, October 31st. The church also provided games and prizes for the children.



News From Our Churches (cont.)

Greencastle Baptist Church recently held two successful events. On Saturday, October 19th they hosted their annual Harvest Party and Trunk or Treat. Pastor Rob Sheldon shared: "Praise God for the many attendees. One way we shared the Gospel that evening was through a sand art activity, using the wordless book colors. It was a great opportunity to slow the families down enough to deliver a clear presentation to many who may be without a Gospel witness in their daily lives."



We advertised this event in two main ways: One of our small groups took on the task of canvassing their neighborhood with door hangers including an invitation, a tract and some candy. 275 houses were contacted this way. The other way we advertised was by boosting posts on Facebook. Both of these venues cost a little bit, but it is well worth the investment, to be able to share Christ in our community."

The second event included their WMU Kid's Club. On October 30th, they hosted The Christian Motorcycle Association. Pastor Sheldon shares: "This group is similar to FAITH riders, who we've been learning about. They provide a motorcycle or another form of transportation for pastors overseas. The camel they provided really got the kids attention. The kids loved sitting on the motorcycles, and it really helped them to connect the missionaries with real life."



Carlisle Baptist Church hosted their 2nd Family Fall Fest on October 26th at the church.



Pastor Ed Roman shares "We had a train for children to ride as well as games, face painting, as well as story time for

sharing the gospel. Brad Horne brought the KBA "Ultimate Question" tent engaging families with the gospel. Other conversations also took place at our refreshment area. In short, everyone had a great time and Jesus was honored.'

Stewartstown Baptist Church During the week of October 13th through the 19th Pastor Tim Parker of Stewartstown Baptist Church travelled to Anderson County, South Carolina, with the PA/SJ Disaster Relief team in support of Hurricane Helene cleanup. Pastor Tim served as Chaplain for the team and shared the hope of Jesus with several impacted residents.



Stewartstown Baptist Church A few days after returning home from working with Disaster Relief, Pastor Tim, his sons Stephen and Caleb, as well as Luke Deihl (all from Stewartstown Baptist Church) traveled to Burnsville, NC, to deliver cold-weather clothing and other items to a hard-hit area by Helene. Over 40 filled plastic totes, numerous bags, and boxes were delivered to a collection point to be distributed to local residents. Pastor Tim shared: “As soon as they began to unload the trailer, an elderly woman (pictured) with a young child in tow began searching through the clothing. When we came across some small bags of laundry detergent, she acted as if she had discovered gold.” Pastor Tim reported that needs are great, and recovery will take a very long time. While



no date has been set for a return, he has said that future trips to NC are expected.

Pastor Tim wants to express his extreme gratitude for all of the KBA churches that collected items and funds in support of this effort. He asks that we convey his gratitude to our church members. The generosity of God's people will meet the needs of hundreds of NC residents.

Mason Dixon Baptist Church (New Freedom) Jessica Beck, Children’s Ministry Director shared about their Trunk or Treat. “Our Trunk or Treat was a great time of fellowship and



fun. We had games and crafts set up for the children in our new multi-purpose space, decorated trunks that distributed candy, New Testaments and tracts, then free popcorn, hot dogs and hot chocolate in our fellowship hall. 86 copies of God's Word were handed out. Guests were given tickets to vote for their favorite trunk. This was a great opportunity to connect with members of our community and shine the light of Jesus.”

Kings Fellowship, (State College) Pastor Jordan Alturas’ daughter Charis is still looking for donations for her mission endeavor. If you would like to give to her mission internship, go to: www.treignfit.com/ministry.

News from KBA:

Pastor's Prayer continue meet Thursday mornings on Zoom at 10:00am for prayer. All pastors and pastoral staff are invited to join.

Pastors' Wives continue to meet by Zoom for prayer on Mondays at 7:30pm.

The Southwest Zone Pastors and Wives Christmas Gathering will be held at 6:00 pm on Monday, December 2nd at the Bonanza Steakhouse in Chambersburg. RSVP by November 29th.

News from KBA (cont):

The Southeast Zone Pastors and Wives Christmas Gathering will be meeting at Lyndon Diner on December 6th at 6:30 pm. RSVP by December 2nd.

The North Zone Pastors and Wives Christmas Gathering will be held on Monday, December 16th at 6:00. Meeting at the Downtown OIP and Grill in Lewistown.

The TellGate Grill is available for your church to use for an evangelistic outreach event. Contact the KBA office for additional information. 717-502-0280/office@keystonebaptist.net.

The KBA Evangelism Tent is being used across the association with different church events. In the past months: Greencastle, Hanover Fellowship, Family of God and Carlisle has used it. It is available for your church to use during events such as: festivals, carnivals, street fairs, or sporting events. Reserve the tent for your next outreach event by calling or emailing the KBA office. 717-502-0280/office@keystonebaptist.net.

Congratulations to **John and Jackie Healy**. John became the Senior Pastor at Chambersburg Baptist Church on October 20th. The church prayed over them during the service. Afterwards, the church provided a meal and during



this time of fellowship, John was presented with cards and gifts from the congregation. The church presented him with a personalized Bible and engraved plaque for his desk. John was the former Associate Pastor.



Larry Baker began his ministry at Mount Wolf Community Church on Sunday, October 6th. He and his wife Shannon have been in ministry for over 25 years. Larry is the former pastor of Anastasis Fellowship in Reading, PA. Pray for them as they relocate to the Mount Wolf area.



David Burton was ordained into the gospel ministry on September 6th, at Friendship Baptist Church in Stewartstown. Pastor David is the Associate pastor at Friendship. Dr. Ken Cademartori is pastor at Friendship Baptist.



Wayne Wilderson was ordained into the gospel ministry on September 29th at Family of God Community Church in Red Lion. Pastor Wayne is the Associate Pastor at Family of God. Rev. Howard Edmondson is the pastor at Family of God.



A Word from Brad:

Understanding the Need: A Personal Insight into People's Greatest Need

Over the past few months, I've had conversations with more than a thousand people on the streets about a question that is crucial yet often overlooked: Where will you spend eternity?

These conversations took place during outreach events across seven of our KBA churches.



How I Engage in These Conversations (And You Can Too)

To start these discussions, I use Million-Dollar Bill tracts from LivingWaters.com, like the one shown above. Handing out these tracts serves as an icebreaker, inviting people to engage in a deeper, spiritual conversation. Here's how a typical conversation unfolds:

I start by saying, "Here is a million dollars for you." Almost without fail, people take the bill with curiosity, examining it closely. This is my chance to ask two vital questions. First, I ask, "Do you know what the million-dollar question is?" They almost always respond with a curious, "No." That's when I follow up with the most important question: "When you die, will you be in Heaven?"

A Simple Approach That Sparks Meaningful Conversations

This method allows me to engage in a spiritual conversation in less than 10 seconds. The steps are straightforward:

1. Hand the person a million-dollar bill.
2. Ask if they know the million-dollar question.
3. Follow up by asking if they know if they'll be in Heaven when they die.

The Responses

The answers I received varied widely. Roughly 75% of the people I spoke with replied with some variation of, "I don't know, maybe, I hope so, we'll see, or I wish I knew." Only a few responded with a confident "Yes" or "No."

Even among those who answered "Yes," I often asked a follow-up question: "What makes you think so?" One response stands out in my memory—a lady who said, "Absolutely." When I asked her why she was so certain, she replied, "Because I'm good." I promptly replied, "Let me tell you what the Bible says."

This tells us something important: a vast majority of people are uncertain about what they must do to get to Heaven. For many, it's a mystery.

A Call to the Church and Christians

This interaction highlights a broader issue: as the church and as individual Christians, we have often fallen short in sharing the truth about salvation. Many people don't realize that Jesus is the way to Heaven—that He is the door. Jesus Himself said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

A Word from Brad (cont.): Faith comes from hearing, and it's our responsibility to proclaim this truth. Let us be bold in telling people about Jesus, the only way to Heaven, so that they no longer have to wonder or be uncertain about eternity.

The greatest need people have is to find salvation from their lostness. Let's not waste any more time—let's share the good news of Jesus Christ boldly and urgently.

My dream is that one day, as I stand on a street corner and ask people where they'll spend eternity, every answer will be, "Yes, I'll be in Heaven because I know Jesus as my Lord and Savior."

Blessings!

Brad

KBA Financial Update

2024 October Income: \$ 6,444.01

2024 October Expenses: \$12,505.61

New Life -Penn State: Eric Reiber

Seven students from Penn State will leave on November 21st and head to Swannanoa, NC to help with BRN PA/SJ Disaster Relief. Their expenses will be taken care of once they arrive on site. If you or your church would like to help with transportation and food costs for their travel to and from North Carolina, contact Eric at: 301-481-4861. Eric shared that they would also like to leave gift cards with a local church from Lowes, Home Depot or Walmart.

WMU: Held their annual WMU meeting at Red Land Baptist Church on Saturday, November 2nd. The theme of the day was "What Joy!" Chris and Debbie Mauger



IMB missionaries from Bangladesh were our featured missionaries and speakers for the day. Eight middle school and high school girls also met and spent time learning about missions and WMU's compassion ministry Pure Water/Pure love. In the morning

attendees attended mini sessions on WMU materials that are available for mission education in their church. In the afternoon after lunch, small breakout sessions were offered. The day ended with Debbie Mauger sharing her testimony on joy.

