



"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work." 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

2019



ENGAGED IN THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION

De Soto Baptist Church



FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN ~

In the midst of busy schedules with responsibilities, activities, and opportunities for Ministries in expressing our love for Christ, I experience the Apostle Paul's expression of thanksgiving. In his letter to the Church in Rome he writes, "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all." My thoughts then turn to his words in Ephesians where he writes of God giving "some to be Apostles, some Prophets, some Evangelists, and some Pastors and Teachers." I see very vividly the variety of gifting which God has given our Church Family as you dedicate your gifts to serving Christ; and I see and thank God for your dedication of these gifts that together we can be God's "Ministers" for His glory.

Mary Etta and I are also thankful that because of a strong "Church Family" we are able from time to time to "get away" for rest, and more accurately renewal through Spiritual Growth. This includes the recent ABW Conference and as I write this, the American Baptist Churches Biennial in Virginia Beach, Virginia. This opportunity is a vital part of every Pastor's Spiritual renewal and growth; and this will be the first such opportunity in 8 years . . . due to like many of you we worked countless hours in hosting the 2 events in Overland Park and then hadn't recuperated by the last one 2 years ago in Portland to feel like attending!!!

My original plan was to include a report on our AB Biennial Mission Summit, but returning to hotel at 10:30 tonight, and encountering tech problems, a full report will come next month. I will just add that it was incredibly meaningful. and probably more appreciated due to the incredible amount of time we - along with many of you - put into the two recent Biennial Summits in Overland Park! I will add that all the extra work involved is definitely worth it!!!

During the month of July, we're looking forward to some "real" vacation time, when we meet in Nashville two couples from our college time 55 years ago, before some time in Branson for just ourselves and God.

Again, we thank God for each of you and your own "Ministries" with, and for us, in joyful praise for His presence and leading in shining God's light and love in our own Community as well as in distant and far-reaching fields of service.

AMEN!

Pastor Richard



At the Biennial we were happily greeted by Doctors Paragon from Nicaragua. (To whom we sent Baby Layettes last fall.)



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – 2019

A ROARing SUCCESS

Our church was filled with excited children and enthusiastic leaders and helpers each afternoon of the week of June 10-14. This was the week for our annual Vacation Bible School. Our theme was ROAR with an African setting:

“Life is Wild – God is Good!”

The three hours were filled with activities centered around each day’s Bible Point: that no matter what we face, God is Good! This year, our Bible stories featured Moses as he led the Israelite people from slavery in Egypt to life wandering in the Sinai to crossing the river to the Promised Land. The lesson was reinforced in various ways as the children moved from one station to the next. There were Bible Adventures, Games, Snacks, Crafts, Singing, and a Video session that told us of a different child in Zambia each day.

The money given in our daily offering will be used to purchase goats for families in Burundi and chickens for families in South Africa. These are missions that are sponsored and supported by the American Baptist Church, and the children were excited to know that their offerings would be used to help poverty-stricken families with food, milk, and some income.

In all, we had 134 children, teens, and adults participating. We had 22 Pre-Kindergarten kiddos; 53 children ages 5-10; 29 middle and high school students serving as junior & teen leaders; and 30 adult leaders and helpers.

None of this would be possible without the great leadership and help that we receive each year from our church family as well as middle and high school students from our church and from the community. What a great outreach ministry this event provides as we share the love of Jesus with children of all ages and backgrounds.





VBS CELEBRATION SUNDAY

Shelter House & Play Ground Do Not Disappoint!!

Sunday morning was another great and record-setting day when our sanctuary was almost filled with family members and friends who came to see their children present our VBS Program during our regular worship-service time. Then, we all celebrated in our new shelter house with a traditional picnic lunch.

As our church service ended, most of those attending moved to our new shelter house and playground area just completed this Spring. This was our first official event using these new facilities, and what a joy it was to see the playground filled with laughing children as parents and grandparents joined our church family in a picnic of hot dogs, baked beans, potato salad, and watermelon. We trust this is just the first of many occasions for fun, food, fellowship, and thanksgiving.

-Karen Wall





A MOMENT WITH JO

Let Freedom Ring

“My Country ‘Tis of Thee” By Abby Anderson

As I began my quiet time with the Lord, the words Let Freedom Ring were in my mind. I looked in my Bible concordance and it was not there. I then put the words into my iPhone to search and up came this song, sung by Abby Anderson, which is “My Country ‘Tis of Thee”, in a new and inspiring manner that I had never heard before. I was reminded of the 1980 March for Jesus that thousands of Christians throughout the USA came together in Washington and marched with love and prayers. An interesting fact, I looked for the 1980 March and it said the 1st one was in 1983 in Australia. Of course, that is wrong as our entire family went to Washington in April, 1980, to fast and pray for our country and its leaders. President Reagan made a speech to us on a large screen—what a tremendous example this was to our family and many others.

As you read this newsletter, John and I will be in Red River, NM, and will be celebrating our country's birthday by watching our little town's parade, which is always so inspiring. Fire trucks with horns sounding and a flag and balloons on them, many floats with people throwing candy to spectators, marching bands with young ladies and batons, and lots of clapping and enjoying our country. Last year, we were invited to be on the armed forces float as John is a retired officer from the Army. We will see.

May each one of us thank our Heavenly Father that we live in our beautiful country. May we pray wisdom, protection, and knowledge for those in authority over us that we may live in peace.

-Jo Sweatt



From cover to cover, God's Word points to freedom in Christ. God doesn't leave us wondering how to grab hold of the freedom He offers. It starts with acknowledging our brokenness—and admitting we are slaves to sin. It ends with choosing Jesus and following Him daily. Only He can break the bonds of slavery and lead us to true freedom, now and forever.

Choose Jesus today, & find out what true freedom feels like.

-Billy Graham Evangelistic Association



KICK FOR CHRIST SOCCER CAMP

Fri, July 26th - 6:00-8:30 PM

Sat, July 27th - 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

FOR ALL KIDS AGES 4 years old - 8th Grade



Look for a sign-up sheet on the church bulleting board coming soon!

Leo Gibson, a Kansas City Comets soccer player, and his team will be back this summer to continue our soccer ministry in De Soto. This year marks the 6th year De Soto Baptist has partnered with Kick for Christ to provide this unique camp. We are amazed how God has blessed us to do this year after year.

Please support us through prayer leading up to the event.

What to be praying for:

- Pray for the youth and families that will be attending, that the Holy Spirit will open their hearts to receive the message of Christ during the camp.
- Pray for Leo's team and Church volunteers. Safe travel for Leo's team, and patience and endurance for us all.
- Pray for safety and good attitudes of all throughout the camp.
- Pray for good weather.
- And most of all, PRAY THAT GOD WILL BE GLORIFIED THROUGH IT ALL!

We always love to have as many church members as possible at camp. **NO soccer experience needed**, just the courage to meet new families and love your neighbors. If you are unable to attend, but still want to be a part of the outreach, please do pray for the above. We do not make this happen alone, but it is God's working through us that makes this event what it is!

The church body already donates a sizable \$ amount back to the Kick for Christ ministry, but if you feel led to give beyond that, I know we will put it to good use. **We will be collecting gently used sporting equipment and clothes for Leo's ministry to be taken back to the youth of his home country, Liberia, as well as other African countries and Haiti.** If you have any items lying around, that the kids or grandkids have out-grown, please bring it to the church, *it will be a blessing for someone else!*

***Lunch and water fun after camp on Saturday,
starting at noon.***

******Thank you to the Walkers for once again offering to
provide and cook lunch for us!******

thank you 😊



YOUTH NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Friday, July 26th & August 9th — 1-3 pm

Sharing the Love of Christ with Residents at Hillside Village Nursing Home.

The De Soto Baptist Youth will be going to Hillside Village Nursing Home in to play games and visit with the Residents. All are welcome to join in this ministry.

*For more information contact Alicia Champlain at 816.260.1548
or champlain.alicia@gmail.com*



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE Communication Notebooks



Each year we look for ways to help our schools and teachers to show our support and appreciation for all they do. In the last year, donations from other groups have taken care of the usual school supply needs, but we have found that the Starside staff supplies each child with a special communication notebook to carry home each day. Because they want to have uniform 3-ring binders for this program, **the De Soto Baptist Church and the De Soto Methodist Church are working together to raise the \$850 needed to provide these notebooks for all of the children of Starside Elementary.**

If you would like to help us with this project, any and all donations would be greatly appreciated. You can write checks to De Soto Baptist Church with "Schools" on the memo line and place in the offering plate, or if you would prefer giving cash, please put in an envelope marked "schools." We will be running this drive throughout the month of July. Please consider supporting our schools in this way.

Thank You! From the De Soto Baptist Women's School and Community Project.

*You are
invited*



Please RSVP by July 20

<https://www.theknot.com/us/kim-frieling-and-jim-ingalls> or 913-302-3210



SUMMER BREAK FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Due to many families traveling during the month of July, the Adult Sunday School class led by Josh Champlain, the Elementary Class & the Middle School/High School Class will not be meeting during the month of July.

Classes will resume meeting as normal in August.



AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN—Summer Rally

July 23rd — 6:00 pm
Elm Grove Baptist Church

The meeting will start with supper followed by a short Business Meeting in which new officers will be installed. From our church Debbie Maniez & Mary Gale Kramer will be installed as “White Cross Associates” for Luther Rice Association.

Rally Program: *Orphan Train*



AMERICAN BAPTIST WORLD RELIEF OFFICE

One Great Hour of Sharing—Offering Received on July 7th

One Great Hour of Sharing is an annual offering received by American Baptist churches. This offering goes to support disaster relief, development projects, and refugee ministries of the American Baptist Churches and its partners.

When you take a global view of our world, natural disasters occur every week. If you include disasters of human origin, the opportunity to respond to people in need is even more frequent. The larger disasters are captured by our news media, and word of these tragedies is brought into our homes. It is difficult to imagine the suffering of those whose lives are forever changed. However, many needs of our world — whether in a neighboring state or half the world away — remain uncovered by our news media. However, with our extensive network of international and domestic partners, American Baptists can make a difference wherever and whenever disaster strikes. 2018 was a year of many natural disasters — hurricanes, fires, mudslides, etc. Many man-made disasters — think Syria, Iraq, Ukraine, Nigeria and South Sudan — continue unresolved, claiming new victims each day. Yes, your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing brought relief in many situations. Here is where your gifts made a difference in 2018.

This is where your 2018 gifts made a difference!

Around the World

Burundi.....Refugee Relief Severe
Storm Damage
Guatemala.....Volcanic Eruption Relief
India.....Cyclone Relief
IndonesiaEarthquake Relief
Tsunami Relief
Mexico.....Drought Relief
Myanmar.....Food Relief
Nepal.....Flood Relief
Nicaragua.....Civil Conflict Relief
Philippines.....Flood Relief
Typhoon Relief
Thailand.....Flood Relief

Here at Home

AlaskaKodiak Baptist Mission –
Severe Wind Damage
California.....Wildfire Relief
Iowa.....First Baptist Church, Marshalltown –
Tornado Relief
MassachusettsFirst Baptist Church, Wakefield –
Fire Damage
Nebraska.....ABC of Nebraska – Housing Crisis
North CarolinaHurricane Florence Relief
OhioPeace Community Church –
Flood Relief

In addition to emergency relief, One Great Hour of Sharing also provided funds for development projects — *projects which address chronic needs.*

Projects were funded in 11 Countries Around the World & 12 places Here at Home.



BARN SALE Benefiting MISSIONS

August 10th — 9 am-3:30 pm

The Barn at Kill Creek Farm

9200 Kill Creek Rd., De Soto, KS



We need your stuff! Anything that is useful and clean - clothing, toys, books, cd's, cookware, dishes, decorative items, antiques, tools, collectibles, etc. Please price each piece. (Masking tape and a ball point pen work well.) Books, cd's, dvd's, records, and video tapes will all be given the same price and do not need to be marked. Clothing will also be given the same price and does not need to be marked unless it is something special that you wish to have a higher price.

Booth space is available. If you know of someone who would like to have a booth please contact Bonnie Montgall at 441-2277 or Richelle Hodges at 583-1503.

TV sets, computers, baby beds, and mattresses cannot be accepted.

Bring your donated items to the church on Sun, Aug 4 or to the Barn on Fri, Aug 9.

Set up: Much help will be needed to sort and set up donations on that day as well beginning at 9 AM.

Sale day: Help needed to assist buyers and work in the kitchen. Food donations needed. Sale will run from 9 AM to 3:30 PM.

Take down: Help needed to take down tables and clean up the barn. Cars, trucks, and vans will be needed to take unsold items to Savers.

If anyone has a clothes rack that we could use, that would be welcome. Someone is also needed to make and put out signs in De Soto advertising the sale.

Signup sheets are on the bulletin board.



GOLF TOURNAMENT BENEFITING

BETHEL NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

Serving the multi-ethnic community of KCK for over 108 years!

Painted Hills Gold Club

Kansas City, KS

August 24th

4 Person Scramble with Modified Shotgun Start at 7:30 am

Sign-Up Now!



Last year we had 2 teams from DBC. There will be a Silent Auction as well, contributions would be greatly appreciated. There will be lunch & a great time of fellowship following the tournament.

Contact Richard or Mary Etta Copeland for more information.



July 2019

De Soto Baptist Church Calendar

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4  Independence Day	5	6
7 Communion <i>One Great Hour of Sharing Offering</i>	8	9	10	11	12	13 7:30 am Men's Breakfast at Wanda's Café <i>Pray for Central Region Churches</i>
14 Karen Wall bringing forth the message	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 10 am Leading Worship Service at Hillside Village	22	23 6pm ABW Summer Rally at Elm Grove Baptist Church	24	25	26 1-3 pm Youth going to Hillside Village Soccer Camp 6-8 pm 	27 Soccer Camp 9 am-noon <i>Jim Ingalls & Kim Frieling Wedding</i>
28 6:30 pm Doers & Men's Bible Study	29	30	31			

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Rick Walker	4	5 Larry Towner <i>Dennis & Crissy Allen Mike & Barbara Bosworth Jerry & Linda Nalley</i>	6 Rebekah Cosby Leah McQuality <i>Aaron & Brooke Brownell</i>
7 <i>Alex & Tari Thompson</i>	8 Fred Jones Jack Peck	9	10 Hank Kramer Rylie McDaniel Allen Stone Monica Walker	11 Rick Miller	12 <i>Chad & Dawn Martin</i>	13
14	15 Ethan DeRoulet <i>Curtis & Linda Allenbrand</i>	16 Easton Stone <i>Rick & Susan Lewis</i>	17 Sharon Brashears <i>John & Darlene Hackworth</i>	18	19 Devin Haynes Tom Huang	20 Mary Ann Peck Candy Sipe
21 Kurt Clark	22	23	24	25 Jon Copeland Tamara Sipe	26	27 Larry Gulley Sr.
28 Graycee Reeves	29	30 Larry West <i>Glen & Ruby Nelson</i>	31			



Calendar of Events

July 4th - Independence Day

July 7th - Communion Sunday

One Great Hour Of Sharing Offering Taken

July 13th - Pray for Central Region Churches

- 7:30 am Men's Breakfast at Wanda's Café

July 14th - Karen Wall bringing forth the Message

July 21st - 10 am Leading Worship Service at Hillside

July 23rd - 6 pm ABW Rally at Elm Grove Baptist Church

Debbie Maniez & Mary Gale Kramer will be installed as "White Cross Associates" for Luther Rice Association.

July 26th - 1-3 pm Youth going to Hillside Village

- 6-8 pm Kick for Christ Soccer Camp, Miller Park

July 27th - 9am-12 Kick for Christ Soccer Camp, Miller Park

-5:30 pm Wedding of Jim Ingalls & Kim Frieling at The Kill Creek Barn. RSVP by July 20

July 29th - 6:30 pm Doers of the Word

- 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study



Support your De Soto FOOD PANTRY

Tues. 10 am-12 pm, Thur. 4-6 pm
& Sat. 9-11 am

Current items needed: Tuna, Canned chicken, Oatmeal, Apple Sauce, Canned Fruit, Canned Chili, Dry Beans, Ramen, Flour & Laundry soap.

- There is a blue container in the vestibule of the church for food pantry collections.
- The food pantry is located in the same building as City Hall and the Community Center. Anyone with a DeSoto address or a student enrolled in the DeSoto School District, and that can show proof of residency, is eligible to shop.

Finance Report — April, 2019

Bal. Forward	\$ 23,945.24
Deposits	\$ 75,328.57
Disbursements	\$ 72,116.50
Ending Balance	\$ 27,157.31
Imp/Exp Fund	\$ 165,626.09



Improvement expenses paid in April
(Shelter House/Play Ground/Kitchen Remodel)
\$116,756.04

www.desotobaptistchurch.com

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Check out the church website to find up to date information, a current copy of the church calendar, and the newsletter.

You can also view the church directory and business meeting minutes on a password protected page under the members tab.

For the member password
email DesotoBaptistKS@gmail.com



Monday Evening Bible Studies

Monday evenings @ 6:30 P.M.

in the new conference room

Contact Karen Wall or Mary Etta Copeland



Monday Evenings @ 6:30 P.M.

THE SCRIP PROGRAM -

These are gift cards that are available to numerous merchants such as... **Applebee's – Chili's – On the Border – Long Horn Steak House – Borders – Kohl's – Pizza Hut – Panera Bread – Red Lobster/Olive Garden – Wal-Mart.**

These merchants donate a portion of each purchase back to our church.



Contact Rick and Monica Walker for more details. Some cards are available immediately. Other merchants may be available upon request. Order today!



Wi-Fi is available for all your church needs—log in information is listed on the front bulletin board.



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