



"The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

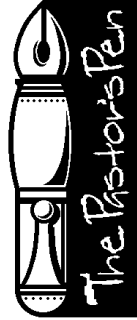
Deuteronomy 31:8

2019

SEPTEMBER

ENGAGED IN THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION
De Soto Baptist Church

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN ~

In Ecclesiastes Chapter 3 we read from selected verses that there is a "time for everything", and verse 4 covers many of our experiences throughout our lifetimes . . . "A time to weep, and a time to laugh; A time to mourn, and a time to dance;". . . Many different kinds of changes take place in our lives, including those which can be joyful, as well as many which can only be described as stressful.

One of Mary Etta's responsibilities as Coordinator of all Missions work for the Regional ABW is that of writing a monthly article for all churches of the Central Region. The following was written with regard to the countless changes taking place worldwide in all our Missions locations, and I personally found it so meaningful that I'm including it in my article this month . . .

C flashes the word **CHALLENGE!** This can be both motivating and daunting! We've met these before and with God's presence and leading the positive bursts forth

H reminds that the **HAND** of God is holding ours in a more powerful way than anything else could!

A brings the reminder that change is **ALWAYS** a part of every aspect of living!

N speaks the reality that we will **NOT** always be thrilled about changes, until we learn to accept and follow God's all-knowing, all-loving, all-powerful leading!

G bursts forth the greatest truth that **GOD** is still on the throne and in control!

E assures that **EXCELLENCE** can result when we trust in God and His leading!!!

It seems to me that this speaks to us as individuals, as well as to us as the body of Christ within the Church as well. Losing members of our Church Family who have gone on to be with our Lord is a change we must at times endure, but it is also a joy when new members join our ranks to help fill in the gaps. There are those times when *old ways of doing things* fade out and *new methods or approaches* are recognized as being more effective. Recognizing this ever present part of life, the important reminder is at every juncture in our journeys to RECOGNIZE the leading of our Heavenly Father, with OBEDIENCE to HIS call for our living lives of SERVANTHOOD! May this for each and every one of us be our God-given vision as we move forward as God's people!

In Servanthood with you,

Pastor Richard



\$2,400 RAISED FOR MISSIONS!

BARN SALE UPDATE

A huge THANK YOU is due all who in any way helped with the Barn Sale August 10, with all the money being targeted for Missions Outreach. Special recognition is due Bonnie & Mike Montgall, whose years' of experience in the "Antique world" of sales served well as they shared this knowledge and worked non-stop.



A total of \$2,400.00 was raised for Missions Outreach, with \$1,200 already being sent to Bethel Neighborhood Center. The remaining benevolence will be determined at a later date.

A huge THANK YOU is due all who helped in countless ways . . . contributions - organizing - setting up the moving of tables as well as the dismantling - publicizing especially with Facebook this time - shopping - working all day in the heat!!! - food prep - transporting "leftovers" to Salvation Army in Bonner - and anything else I've left off! Those included in working in some way were Barbara Bosworth - Roger Brackett - Josh Champlain - Mary Etta & Rich Copeland - Kristen Crosbie - Jeff & Richelle Hodges - Birdie Jones - Linda Lane - Linda Lastofka - Charles Lawhead - Bonnie & Mike Montgall - Marge & Ted Morse - Ruby Nelson - Doug & Vergie Opdycke - Susan Reams - Paula Rhodes - John & Julie Riffle, along with granddaughter Reece - Rick Walker - Karen & Dean Wall - Larry & Brenda West - Anita Woywod - Darrell & Chris Zimmerman.

By the end of a long day, several without funds were blessed with carloads filled with "freebies" . . . plus 3 vehicles and a trailer donating contents to Salvation Army. GOD IS GOOD, and words don't adequately express appreciation for the "mountains of help"!!!

The following words sharing his observations came from a former Pastor and owner of the shop "Unique Finds", which benefits Missions around the world . . . *"Wow! The workers were all so nice! My Thanks for the witness of mobilization of people to help Bethel and Missions, as well as generally encouraging "recycling" and of getting Christian leaders focused on service!"*



Once again our De Soto Baptist Family has responded to a need in our community. The Starside Communication Notebook Drive was a huge success!!! With the money carried over from last year, our church alone provided funds to take care of the entire cost of the notebooks. **We raised over \$600 through your generosity.**

*The staff and the children of Starside say **THANK YOU!!!***



Check Out
Our Website!



CHURCH WEBSITE

www.desotobaptistchurch.com

Check out the church website to find up to date information, church calendar, church newsletters and more.

You can view the church directory, business meeting minutes and more on a password protected page, just click on the MEMBERS tab.

*For the member password
email Champlain.Alicia@gmail.com*



AB BOYS BACK TO SCHOOL KICKOFF Ninja Course and BBQ

Saturday, September 7th — 1-5 pm
Ages 7 & Up — *RSVP by Sunday, Sept. 1st*

Schedule:

1:00 pm Meet at church parking lot
1:30-3:30 pm Ninja Course - Zip KC, 12829 Loring Rd, Bonner Springs KS
4:00-5:30 pm BBQ at church

What to expect:

Hiking through wooded/rocky terrain and navigating obstacles such as walls, balance beams, hurdles, ropes, tractor tires, stairs, the famous vertigo bus and many more. Bonding, teamwork and fellowship.

Sweat and tears! Just kidding, well maybe not...

What to bring:

Clothes that can get dirty/muddy.
Tennis shoes/hiking shoes that can get dirty/muddy.
Small/drawstring backpack to carry your phone/camera.
Change of clothes if you want to change when we get back for BBQ.



For questions and/or to reserve your spot please contact Aaron Brownell at:
785-456-3080 / brownell_aaron@yahoo.com



*Parents are welcome to join, and I hope some do.
But spectators are not allowed on the course.
You must be a participant. :)*



FILLING THE PULPIT IN SEPTEMBER

On September 8th Jeff Hodges will be filling the pulpit and on the 15th Josh Champlain will, as the Copelands will be "recharging" with rest and renewal vacation time. De Soto Baptist is truly blessed to have the sharing from these gifted and dedicated men.



ALL-CHURCH BIRTHDAY PARTY & POT-LUCK

Sunday, September 22nd

The annual ALL CHURCH BIRTHDAY PARTY is on the calendar for Sunday, September 22nd, following Worship. For those who've not previously attended this is definitely a HIGHLIGHT of our year. Each person sits at the table decorated for YOUR birthday month. This provides an opportunity to sit and dine with others you may not have had the opportunity previously to do so, or even visit with!



Following a custom probably initiated by our grandparents or great-grandparents, we bring an amount of money representing our years . . . pennies - nickels - dimes - quarters - dollars . . . and so on. For some "Sr. Citizens" this could mean \$3.00 (a nickel for each year) or \$6.00 (dimes) or \$15.00 (quarters) or \$30.00 (half dollars) or \$60.00 (dollars)!!! Get the picture! And the joy is this is fellowship with those we've never taken an opportunity for. Plus, opportunity is there for enjoying cakes from more than just your own Birthday Months Table by purchasing for \$1 per slice!!! Leftover cake will be auctioned off to the highest bidder at the end of the meal.



The Special Project for this year is to help babies and young mothers in Nicaragua, providing training and medical treatment for pregnant and new mothers and their babies.

Look for the Sign-up sheet on church bulletin board for decorating tables for each month of the year and for providing a Birthday cake for that months table.



SOCK DONATIONS FOR BETHEL NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER



Please place any sock donations in the bucket located at the back of the church. Though we encourage youth sizes for boys and girls, adult sizes are needed as well. The socks will be taken to Bethel and other local organizations on September 20th.

For any questions about donating please contact Emma Brownell at (913)-702-4143.



DEAR CHURCH FAMILY

Thank you for the great surprise on Sunday, August 11th. I thought I was coming to church with all my family to hear my grandson sing. Little did I know Lana and many of you were working on this 'surprise' for me for several weeks. I sincerely appreciate each of you. A very special thanks to the Rev and Mary Etta for the patriotic bulletin cover and hymns, to Debbie, Mary Gale and Anita, as well as all those who brought cookies for the reception, to Danny and Linda for the video, and to Susan Maughan of Quilts of Valor. Most of all, to my fellow De Soto Baptist brothers in arms who served our country. Your thoughtfulness will long be remembered.

*Thank you,
Ian McPherson*



“DOERS OF THE WORD”
LADIES BIBLE STUDY
New Study Starting October 14th

The Doers will begin their new ladies Bible study October 14, 2019 and will be held the **Second** and **Fourth** Monday of each month starting at 6:30 pm.

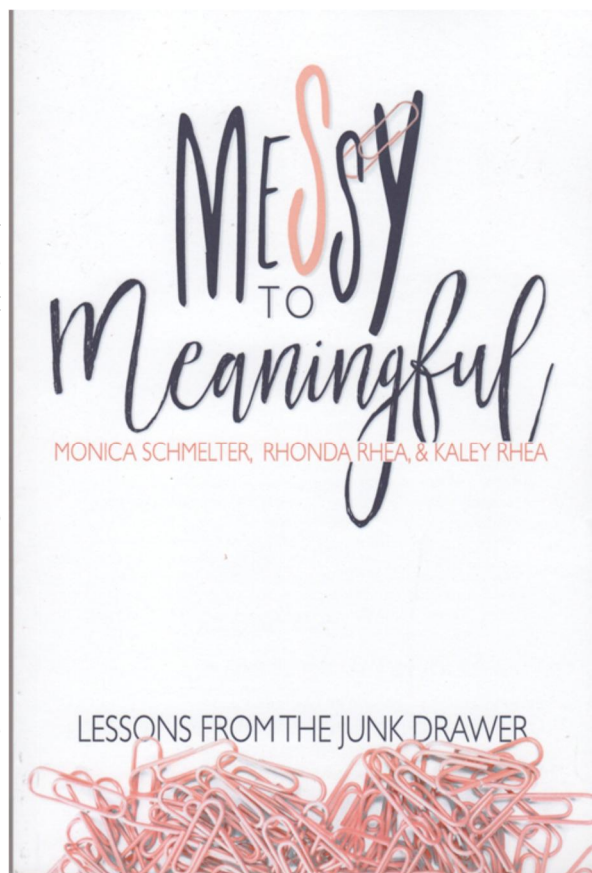
This year we have chosen...

Messy to Meaningful

Fun meets functional—spiritually speaking anyway. Hilarious tales from the junk drawer that teach life lessons about the God who brings the most beautiful meaning from our messiest places.

This book brings humor, hope and truth and is guaranteed to touch anyone who studies it.

The church is getting a special rate on the cost of the books because Susan Reames was in the same church as the author, Rhonda Rhea, whose husband happened to be the Pastor. The cost will be \$10 per person.



If you are interested in becoming part of a lively and fun Ladies Bible Study contact:

Mary Etta Copeland maryettablessings@kc.rr.com

Karen Wall kwall61@yahoo.com or

Susan Reames sreames7@gmail.com



Monica Schmelter


Rhonda Rhea

Kaley Rhea

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September 2019

De Soto Baptist Church Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion <i>Wear your "work" clothes to church</i>	2 	3	4	5	6	7 1-5 pm AB Boys Ninja Course & BBQ
8 Grandparent's Day Jeff Hodges filling the pulpit	9	10	11	12	13 Pray for Central Region Churches	14 7:30 am Men's Breakfast at Wanda's Cafe
15 10am Worship Service at Hillside Josh Champlain filling the pulpit	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 All Church Birthday Potluck following worship	23 Autumn Begins	24 DBC hosting the Luther Rice Assoc. ABW Meeting 9am-1pm	25	26	27	28
29	30					

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Kenryk Pew	2 Lisa Zimmerman	3 Ian & Lana McPherson	4 Kathryn Irvin	5 Chris & Jenny Toner Aaron Brownell	6 7 Gunnison Hastings Glen Nelson Savannah Tasker	14 Brian & Casey Brown Matt & Leah McQuality
8 Casey Brown	9 Linda Allenbrand	10 Kenny & Patsy Allenbrand	11 Tim & Sharon Queen	12 Quinn & Jenny Miller Jean Epperson	13 20 Holly Balch Collin Champlain Faythe Reeves Dennis Zwahlen	21 Darrel Zimmerman
15 Albert & Joyce Lightwine Joe Berola	16 Michael Bosworth Rachel Muhl Hannah Phillips	17	18 Jeremy & Jamie Towner	19 Ted & Marge Morse Sandy Cannell Suzie Gulley Judy Wilkins	27 Matt Woywod	28
22 Jon & Heidi Copeland	23	24 Curt Allenbrand	25 Pat Warsop	26		
29 Bailey Bosworth	30					



Calendar of Events

Sept. 1st - Communion Sunday
Wear your "work" clothes to church

Sept. 2nd - Labor Day

Sept. 7th - 1-5 pm, AB Boys Back-to-School Kickoff, Ninja Course & BBQ

Sept. 8th - Grandparent's Day
Jeff Hodges filling the pulpit

Sept. 13th - Pray for Central Region Churches

Sept. 14th - 7:30 am, Men's Breakfast at Wanda's Café

Sept. 15th - 10 am, Leading Worship Service at Hillside
Josh Champlain filling the pulpit

Sept. 22nd - Noon, All Church Birthday Party

Sept. 23rd - Autumn Begins


Sept 24th - 9 am-1 pm, DBC hosting the ABW Board of Luther Rice Assoc. *If you can help with providing or serving lunch to this group, please contact Mary Etta.*



Watch for the October Newsletter with new times and opportunities for Men's and Women's Study/Prayer/Service Groups!!!

Finance Report — July, 2019

Bal. Forward	\$ 19,242.05
Deposits	\$ 16,996.00
Disbursements	\$ 26,433.65
Ending Balance	\$ 9,504.40
Imp/Exp Fund	\$ 165,828.28





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De Soto Kansas Baptist Church

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. 

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



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



De Soto Food Pantry Needs Your Help!

The shelves at the food pantry are looking pretty bare. All nonperishable food, cleaning and hygiene items are appreciated. Here is a list of some of the most needed items. **You can also drop off donations in the blue bucket in the church vestibule or at the Food Pantry during regular hours.** Thank you so much for supporting this vital resource in our community!

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

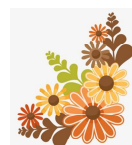
Soup (all types except tomato) — Canned fruit (all types) — Oatmeal — Peanut Butter — Dried Beans (all types) — Canned Chicken — Canned tuna — Pasta — Pasta sauce — Canned Tomatoes

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.

Engaged in the Ministry of Reconciliation

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A large, decorative border on the left and right sides of the text, featuring a vertical arrangement of colorful flowers in shades of red, orange, yellow, and green, with green leaves and stems.

Do not be anxious about anything, but
in every situation, by prayer and
petition, with thanksgiving, present
your requests to God.

And the peace of God, which
transcends all understanding, will
guard your hearts and your minds in
Christ Jesus.

- Philippians 4:6-7