



2021

APRIL

ENGAGED IN THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION
De Soto Baptist Church

Pastor, Richard Copeland — Minister of Visitation, Jeff Hodges — 913.585.1026 — www.desotobaptistchurch.org — 8655 Copeland Way, De Soto, KS 66018



In Luke 24:6 we read these words of Victory, which means VICTORY for each of us who receive the risen Lord into our lives” . . . *He is not here, but is risen!*” This message from the angel at the tomb reminds me of Luke 2, where it is recorded that an angel brought the message of good news to the shepherds that a Savior had been born in Bethlehem. Christmas and Easter involve a miracle of God. . . Jesus born of the Virgin Mary and Christ overcoming the tomb and death. Also, both the birth of Christ and those words of announcement concerning our risen Savior were announced by an angel! Both of these proclamations consist of the *Good News* of Hope, Peace, Great Joy, and Love, which we as Christians celebrate and proclaim.

Also, of great interest is the additional component that it is MUSIC which accentuates and clarifies more fully the true and full message being shared! At Easter and throughout the year, Hymns communicating the message of Easter speak to us of the message of eternal life through our Risen Savior!

The Hymn **“He Lives”** is one of those great Hymns! Writing both the words and composing the music was Alfred H. Ackley, who was a Minister-Musician. He wrote it when his wife said it might make him feel better through a time of frustration caused by a friend who expressed the thought that *it was worthless to worship a dead man of Jewish decent* . . . with this same thinking exacerbated by a radio preacher who he heard say the *it didn't matter if Jesus was dead or alive* . . . *His truth was marching on!*

Another hymn that we may not consider being of Easter significance is **“I Will Sing of My Redeemer.”** Suffice it to say that is was the last hymn written by Philip Bliss and found in his luggage after he and his wife lost their lives in a train accident, bringing a wonderful testimony of his personal belief in the Easter message and great comfort to his loved ones left behind. And it continues also as a blessing to us as through continuing years we sing of *our Redeemer*.

One of the most meaningful, with a significant reminder of confidence in our Heavenly homes, was born out of personal tragedy, attesting the words of the Apostle Paul which read , *“O death, where is your victory? Thanks be to God who gives us the Victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”* (I Corinthians 15:55 & 57)

With this same Faith, Horatio Spafford, after his four daughters were lost at sea when the ocean vessel they were on was struck by an English vessel, wrote **“It Is Well With My Soul.”** As during this season of Lent leading up to Easter, and as we study the life and words of our Lord and early followers, may these thoughts and words move past just superficial meanings into our lives growing in the action of sharing God's Love in a world of great need for such.

ALLELUJAH, HE IS RISEN!!! ~ Pastor Richard

Pastor Richard



ONLINE WORSHIP—LIVE SUNDAYS AT 11AM

A recording of each service will still be available and posted to the website Sunday afternoons.

Link to weekly worship services and all past worship services can be found on our church website:

www.desotobaptistchurch.org

or on our Facebook account

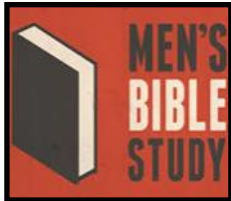


De Soto Kansas Baptist Church



AUDIO CDs OF WORSHIP SERVICES AVAILABLE

We know that there are some of you who are not always able to view the services on-line. If you would like an audio version of the services to play at home, or even in your car, let Pastor Copeland or Jeff Hodges know and they will begin to deliver a CD to you each week. If you would like to have this available but do not have a way to play the CD this can be worked out as well.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY — THE BOOK OF ACTS

2nd & 4th Mondays of each month at 6:30 pm

Meeting in church basement

(Social distancing will be observed and face masks encouraged)

"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17



DOERS OF THE WORD - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Throughout the Lenten season our women's group will be following the suggested readings of Luke for each day. We will meet and discuss our questions and insights through our ZOOM meetings on Monday evenings at 6:30.

Please join us!

Contact Brooke Brownell to receive the link to the Zoom meeting at bsm2015@hotmail.com or 785-562-8532.



SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

Holy Week will continue with our Maundy Thursday Communion Service on April 1st at 7:00 p.m. in person and online. To have Communion elements delivered to you, please call the church at 913-585-1026 by Wednesday, March 31st; and we will deliver it to you in time for the service.

Our Easter Morning Service will be at 11:00 a.m. And a continued blessing will be the musical offerings of our Choral Ensembles, under the direction of Jeff Hodges, at both of these services.



DOERS OF THE WORD WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our women's group has been following the guidelines for reading the Book of Luke during Lent. This has been a challenging and enlightening experience. . .complete with Zooming and in-person meetings. We will conclude our insights from Luke on Monday, April 12, returning to our meetings on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month.

At this time we are now considering applying some of the best-known parables of Jesus to our daily lives and Christian living. We plan to use the book *Inverted*, by Tom Ellsworth. This was the foundation for one of my favorite VBS programs: *Inside Out and Upside Down on Main Street*. Ellsworth makes us consider the parables of Jesus - revolutionary in thought - turning the world's views "inside out and upside down" when considering Gratefulness, Compassion, Forgiveness, Hospitality, Faithfulness, Authenticity, Perception, and Vigilance. Please join us- -you will never look at these parables in the same way again.

We are meeting on April 12 and April 26 from 6:30 – 7:50, in-person or with Zoom. We would love to have you join us.

Karen Wall and Mary Etta



ALL WOMEN: SAVE THE DATE!!!

Last year was to be a wonderful celebration of 100 YEARS of the American Baptist Women Central Region organization and conferences! Plans were in place; speakers were invited; excitement was brewing; . . .and then. . . and then. . . well, you know the rest of the story!

However, **WE WILL HAVE THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION THIS JUNE! HALLELUJAH!**

Our annual women's conferences have been ones of great joy and fellowship as carloads of women have headed to Crosswinds Conference Center in Hesston to spend two days interacting with women from three states. . . gleaning insights and inspiration from special speakers and workshops . . . rejoicing in song and celebration . . . making lasting and deeper relationships with our own De Soto women. (And, facing the challenges of sleeping on less than comfortable beds!)

BUT, THIS YEAR WILL BE DIFFERENT!!

*Topeka is the destination - less than one hour's drive from our church OR

*You/We can take part in the conference from our own homes or our own church because it will be broadcast LIVE via ZOOM.

We REALLY want to continue the tradition of our De Soto Women providing joy and enthusiasm together at the First Baptist Church of Topeka on Friday and Saturday, JUNE 4 & 5, 2021!

This will be a special celebration of the great contributions and programs made by American Baptist Women in the past, present, and on to the future. Our Conference leaders are thrilled that Sandy Wimpelberg, an outstanding national speaker and "life coach," will provide our keynote message as well as leading some workshops. Our own Paula Rhodes will lead a chalk couture workshop, and Mary Etta will share the expansive outreaches of White Cross to our Missionaries worldwide, including those led by Susan Reames and completed by many of our women. Mary Etta will also be leading the women's choir - a great opportunity for singing!

We will car pool: some may choose to make the drive each day; others may want to stay over and enjoy a comfortable bed by sharing a suite at the local Comfort Suites. GREAT NEWS is that our own ABW will pay for half of the registration fee and "scholarships" are available for those who have found this last year has depleted their budget.

The Workshop Descriptions and Registration forms are included in this newsletter. With the wide-spread distribution of CoVid vaccinations, we are confident that everyone attending will have their vaccinations completed by the end of May. And, the Conference Committee is dedicated to following all recommended social/health safety measures. LET'S DO THIS!!

Questions??? Contact Mary Etta Copeland or Karen Wall



AB Women's Ministries Central Region
Summer Conference
June 4-5, 2021
Topeka First Baptist Church
3033 SW MacVicar, Topeka, KS

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrews 13:8 NIV



(One form per person, please)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

PLEASE MARK ATTENDANCE: FIRST TIME _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____ Church _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Abbreviated Program Schedule

Fri. 9:00 - 9:45 am	Registration
9:45 - 10:00 am	Gathering Session
3:40 - 4:40 pm	Choir
3:40 - 6:00 pm	Preparation for banquet
6:00 -	Banquet & Program
Sat. 8:30 - 9:00 am	Registration
9:00 - 10:00 am	Workshops
3:00	Home/cleanup

You are encouraged to wear any ABW logo shirts and dress up for the banquet Friday evening. Pictures will be taken!

Registration Costs

Full Conference	\$90 (includes 3 meals)	\$ _____
One Day	\$45 Fri. ___ Sat. ___	\$ _____
Virtual *	\$10/day Fri. ___ Sat. ___	\$ _____
If postmarked after May 26 th	- \$10	\$ _____
If Scholarship Recipient - deduct amount rcv'd		\$ _____
(Attach scholarship documentation)		
Total submitted		\$ _____

*Virtual includes keynote speaker & workshops
Hotel arrangements are your own responsibility

Refund Policy: Cancellation before May 26 subject to \$25 Administrative Fee/NO refund after May 26/Substitution permitted by registrar.

Special Diet Needed

Diabetic _____
Gluten Free _____

WORKSHOP selections (Indicate your 1st & 2nd choice by **NUMBER** for EACH session from the following descriptions)

	1 st Choice	2 nd Choice
Friday 1:30 - 2:30 pm (Session One)	_____	_____
Friday 2:40 - 3:40 pm (Session Two)	_____	_____
Saturday 9:00 - 10:00 (Session Three)	_____	_____

FOR REGISTRAR USE ONLY

Date Received _____ Check # _____

Amount Received _____

Please make check payable to:

AB Women's Ministries CR
Add \$10 late fee if postmarked after May 26th
Mail registration and payment to: Lois Chiles
201 Cottonwood Dr., Lansing, KS 66043
913.727.2232/913.683.8680
Lchiles@kc.rr.com



WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

Please designate by NUMBER your 1st and 2nd choice options for each session on the front page of this form. (*hybrid means both in-person & virtual)

Session #1 - Friday, 1:30-2:30pm

Session #2 - Friday, 2:40-3:40pm

Session #3 - Saturday, 9:00-10:00am

1. Serving Together (hybrid*) Sherill Carlson & Melissa Newberry Session #1

Come discover how Elizabeth and Mary's relationship created the opportunity for mentorship and blessing.

2. 100-Year Banner Creation (in-person) Vonda Brecheisen/Mona Huggins (limit 25) Session #1

Bring your pointed scissors, glue guns and glue to this creative workshop. Using foam pieces, you'll create a "block(s)" for a new ABWomen's Ministry banner.

3. Tijuana Border Ministries (hybrid*) Deliris & Moise Carrion-Joseph Session #1

Deliris & Moise Carrion-Joseph serve in Tijuana, Mexico. Moise works with Haitian and African migrants. Deliris will share her work with Deborah's House, a refuge for women and their children who are victims of Domestic Violence. Come hear about their experiences in the Tijuana Border Ministries.

4. Growing With Grants (hybrid*) Kimberly Fulk & Carmel Pinegar Session #2

Area outreach projects have been growing with the assistance of ABCCR Special Ministry Grants. Carmen Pinegar of Bethany Baptist Church (Bentley) will describe their "Day of Service" and Kimberly Fulk of First Baptist Church (Manhattan) will share how they adapted to COVID restrictions for their Back-to-School Backpack program.

5. Let Go My Ego! (hybrid*) Sandra Wimpelberg Session #2

Join our speaker, Sandra Wimpelberg, as she shares insights into life and faith.

6. Chalk Couture Designs (in-person) Paula Rhodes (painting fee \$12; limit 15) Session #2

Join Paula Rhodes, a Chalk Couture Designer, for an hour of crafting as we make a sign using silk screen transfers and chalk paste. All supplies will be provided, and you will make an inspirational wooden sign to display in your home. No prior crafting skills needed!

7. Praising God in Journaling (hybrid*) Valerie Terrazas Session #3

Bible Journaling is a creative way to grow in your Faith and spend time immersing yourself in God's Word. Bring your Bible, a favorite Scripture or passage and spend time fellowshiping with other women while praising the Lord with our hands. A variety of supplies will be provided for this hands on workshop. No artistic ability is required as you can journal with words or pictures!

8. White Cross , Alive & Well!! (hybrid*) Theresa Hodges & Mary Etta Copeland Session #3

After changes over the past several years, with confusion and lack of direction, we're "on the road again"!! EXCITEMENT and OPPORTUNITY are two words aptly describing where we are and where we are headed. Presentation and handouts will include information for both home and overseas mission opportunities for local groups of Central Region to become involved with.

9. Let's Get Quizzical (in-person) Lois Chiles Session #3

You won't want to miss Lois' workshop where ABW facts will be shared in a fun way. Come and enjoy! Let's get "quizzicle"!

Choir (in-person) Mary Etta Copeland - During free time Friday 3:40-4:40 pm



A Moment with Jo

Isaiah 42:9

"Behold, the former things have come to pass and new things I declare, before they spring forth I tell you of them."

Song of Solomon 2:11

"For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone."

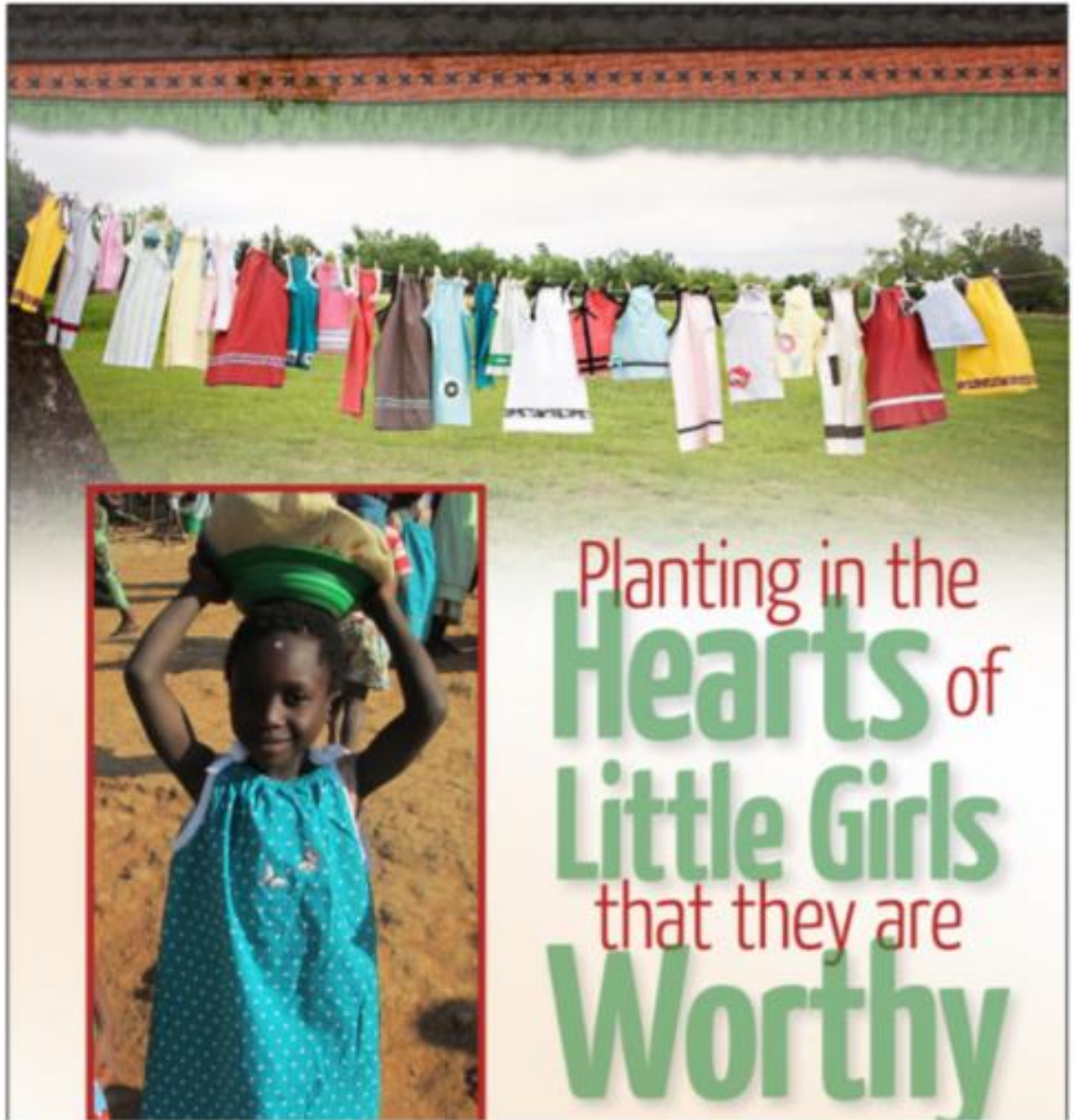
Song of Solomon 2:13

The fig tree puts forth her green figs and the vines with the tender grapes give a good smell. Rise up my love, my fair one, and come away."

For a week I continued to hear in my heart, Spring Forward, but I thought it was DST or just because spring was coming, but as I read a prophetic word given by Madeline James, I knew our Father would have me share. After a year of separation, pandemic, and loneliness, the winter is over and a new season of growth, happiness, and the fragrance of His presence will be seen and observed. This period is not only for our comfort and joy, but a time of standing strong in the foundation of Jesus Christ and not be easily persuaded to proceed as usual. I know that each one of us rejoice that we have had the vaccine shot, and will be able to have small gatherings and see family we have not seen for 11/2 years, but may we not forget the unbelievable wisdom, intelligence, and knowledge the researchers put forth to make the vaccine in less than a year, which normally takes 5 Years. Also, the massive undertaking of releasing the vaccine supply to our nation. It truly was warp speed.

As we spring forth into this new season, may we have an attitude of thankfulness, gratitude, and honor to our Heavenly Father, our dear Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, who leads and guides us into all truth. Let us flow with the winds of His Spirit into this new season.

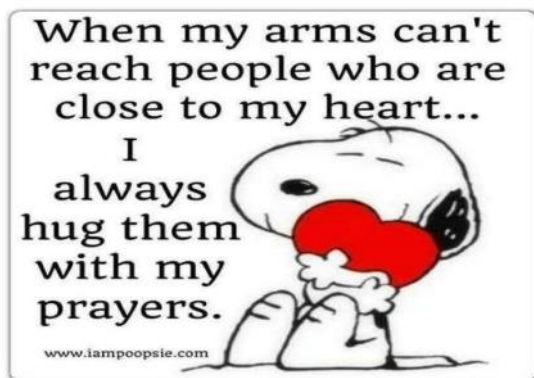
Jo Sweatt



“Pillow Case Dresses”

A reminder that we will be starting this project soon. I think a meeting at church will be the best way to get a pattern to you, bias tape, elastic, and fabric from the church supply! So perfect! You will be able to pick out what you want and sew until your hearts desire. I would like for us to have a meeting sometime in the beginning of May.

Any questions: sreames7@gmail.com or 540-219-8373



TITHES & OFFERINGS

THANK YOU!!!

For submitting Tithes and Offerings to:

DeSoto Baptist Church
PO Box E - DeSoto, KS 66018

DE SOTO FOOD PANTRY

Donations Needed

Thank you so much for supporting this vital resource in our community!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Canned Fruit & Applesauce
- Dried beans
- Cereal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Spaghetti sauce
- Box meals (like Hamburger helper)
- Tuna (canned meat)
- Personal items (shampoo, razors)
- Toilet paper



Donations bins are located at Harps & Great American Bank or can be dropped off at the Food Pantry during regular hours.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail your check to: De Soto Food Pantry, 32905 W 84th, De Soto, KS 66018.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Tuesdays — 10 am to 12 pm

Thursdays — 4 pm to 6 pm

Saturdays — 9 am to 11 pm

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.

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!*



ONE DE SOTO REFLIEF FUND

**For citizens of De Soto
affected by COVID-19**

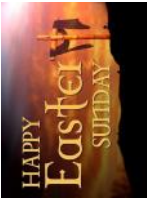
The De Soto Food Pantry has created a fund called ***One De Soto Relief Fund***. This fund is available for those negatively affected by COVID-19. We offer help for those that had a loss of income or increased medical bills.

For more information, visit our website at
www.desotoksfoodpantry.wordpress.com

Thank you for your support!

De Soto Baptist Church Calendar

April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7:00 Maundy Thursday Communion service in person/online	2 Good Friday	3
4 	5	6	7 6:30 Deacons and Trustees meeting 7:00 Business Meeting	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Mandy Faubion Rick and Patricia McAninch	2 Joanna Bushnell	3 Bentley Serigny Harry Shultz
4 Roger Brackett	5	6	7	8 Walt McDaniel	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Jack McDaniel	16 Jim Berola	17
18	19 Karl Beesley Ben Woolery	20 Sally Beck Frankie and Leland Lister	21	22	23 Hank and Mary Gale Kramer	24 Betty Hughey Gretchyn Reeves
25	26 Kristi Hinkle	27	28	29 Karen Hufford	30 Rachel Coatney	

Engaged in the Ministry of Reconciliation

De Soto Baptist Church
Richard G. Copeland, Pastor
P.O. Box E
De Soto, Kansas 66018

Address Service Requested

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE PERMIT #3
DE SOTO, KANSAS 66018

«AddressBlock»

April 2021

