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TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 25
4-6 PM



Candy, Food, Hay
Rides and More

7208 Shelbyville Rd
Simpsonville, KY



Eliza Broadus Offering for State Missions

In 1913, the Kentucky Woman's Missionary Union®, under the leadership of Eliza Broadus, established the State Missions Offering and Season of Prayer to promote and support missions within the commonwealth of Kentucky. From that time on, an annual observance of the season of prayer and offering for state missions took its place along with those for International and North American missions.

In 1976, the state missions offering was renamed to what we know now as the Eliza Broadus Offering for State Missions®.

Eliza Broadus Funds at Work-Linda Otterback

Linda Otterback's ministry has taken a lot of different turns. In early 2000 she was scheduled for a mission trip to El Salvador. When the trip had to be cancelled, Linda received a phone call asking if she would like to go to Fleming-Neon instead.

"What country is that in?" Linda asked. Linda soon learned that Fleming-Neon is in Eastern Kentucky. She said "yes" to that mission trip, which began the Eastern Kentucky SONrise ministry that is still active today. Linda and her husband Larry poured their hearts into the Eastern Kentucky area, where they have led prayer meetings, women's and men's conferences, gathered much needed resources (clothing, diapers, household furniture, Christmas gifts), and led mission teams to the EKY area. They have also been such encouragers for



many residents, as well as missionaries that serve in eastern Kentucky.

Larry and Linda were married 52 years, grew up in church together, and served together as North

American Mission Board MSC Missionaries. Larry served in this position for 12 years until health issues forced him to step down. In 2016 Larry went to his heavenly home and Linda was left to serve alone.

As a widow Linda felt her life was over. "I couldn't sleep or eat for almost a year," she said. "I cried every night and much of the day. I put on a great face to others, but really had hit the bottom. My kids were concerned that they had lost me also. But, PTL for friends, family and God who didn't let me stay there. I started reading the Psalms in detail after Larry passed. I believe God wrote them for me especially!! They hadn't meant as much before, but now I see how HE spoke to me through my trials and valleys." As a result of this experience, Linda began a KBC widow's ministry called Joy in the Mourning.

Her work continued in all parts of Eastern Kentucky and in 2023 she hosted a Revival featuring Billy Graham's grandson, Jonathan Lotz as the revivalist.



Linda has completed a written testimony of God's work in her life with her new book, *WOW... God!* It humorously chronicles her life story with emphasis on how God used the mountain tops and valleys to give her the strength to move on and to show Himself to others. "This is my autobiography but it's not about me. It's about God's grace working through an obedient life."

Her book can be purchased at Barnes and Noble or through Amazon.



TRUNK OR TREAT IS ONE OF OUR BIGGEST OUTREACHES TO THE COMMUNITY.

PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE FOYER IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HOST A CANDY BOOTH.

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED!

Red Cross Blood Drive

A big thank you goes out to Debbie Willman & Renee Muntzinger for serving at our recent blood drive.

We collected 28 pints.



OUR BUNCO LADIES COLLECTED CLEANING SUPPLIES & SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR THE JCPS ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM.



Christmas Toy Store

Saturday, December 13
8am-2pm

This year, let's make Christmas a joyful occasion for children!

Volunteers needed for:

- transportation of toys to our SBC campus
- set up on Thursday & Friday
- serving on Saturday
- event tear-down

All volunteers must be 18 or older and not in high school to volunteer during store hours. Students can help with set up and clean up!

Go to: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F4FAFA72BA0F94-58902373-christmas>



Mijombini Orphanage/Ultimate Wings Rescue Center Update

Recently, we mentioned that the Kenyan government was considering a move to close some orphanages and work with others to begin reintegrating children back into their homes by 2032. The local government and Children's Resource Officer has requested that Ultimate Wings begin this reintegration process. The government is no longer issuing the needed licenses to continue to allow the children to be housed at the facility, so the children have been moved to the homes of extended family members. They will continue to be educated and fed at the Center. Additionally, the Center will become a community based ministry and offer classes and other types of support to help families care for the children.

The new social worker, James Baya has been conducting in-home assessments of the families who have taken the children in. These assessments are being forwarded to the church office and unfortunately indicate that the homes are very much poverty-stricken and in need of basics that include better home construction, food and new mosquito netting.

Because this is a government move, there is not a lot of wiggle room to keep the children at the Center. We are working with Nathan, our administrator, to ascertain specific needs for each of the families. Sponsorship gifts will now be shared amongst the whole family, rather than one individual child. We will also redevelop what the annual sponsorships will provide. Since children will no longer be housed at the center, it opens the door for us to help more in the community. You will begin to see additional children featured for sponsorship in the coming weeks.

As a staff, we have all questioned this move as it seems to move what we have accomplished over the past few years backwards. It will help to understand that before the AIDS epidemic and Covid the norm for communities was that families would take care of families. With so many deaths resulting just from these two instances, a family disconnect occurred and orphanages took over the care of children who lost parents. The government seeks to reestablish the Family Core as the caregivers, hence the return of the children. Again, unfortunately, we are finding that the families in Kilifi no longer have the social, emotional, financial or spiritual ability to care for these children.

The social worker is developing a good structure of core family care to assist both the families and the children in the best practices of reintegration. All of the previous educational programs, health care and meals will continue for the children, they just won't be housed on site. The recent purchase of the van has become a vital key to transporting the children to and from the Center. We are also making the move to change our terminology from the Mijombini Orphanage to the Ultimate Wings Rescue Center.

We will continue to keep you updated as to what programs are being developed and how the reintegration progresses.

Understandably some children are having difficulty moving back into the community and we ask you to pray for them. Your prayers are much needed for Nathan and Lillian as well as they navigate these changes.

Conversation is beginning regarding the possibility of a mission trip in 2026. Begin praying now about your involvement especially you are able to lead a parenting seminar!



In other news... we have three additional children that an SBC family has adopted!

This is Neema Kadzo. She is fifteen years old and her son Brian is four months. Neema is mentally challenged and was sexually exploited and became pregnant. She lives with her grandmother as her mother is also mentally challenged and has been abused. Neema is unable to do more than simple household tasks like gathering water or preparing maize.

Neither she nor her mother are able to work outside the home. Both Neema and Brian are nutritionally poor and this past week a local Muslim man made a commitment to donate an amount of milk to the family to help them

recover. A photo of Neema and Brian's home shows rooms divided by torn clothing and pieces of aluminum.

The young boy is Boniface Nginge. He was born dumb and does not speak. He may stand and walk but not for long periods of time. The social worker believes that his inability to be locomotive stems from poor nutrition.



October is Pastor Appreciation Month. The Personnel Team would like to acknowledge the extraordinary contributions from our SBC staff. At SBC we are blessed to have wonderful full-time and part-time staff that work tirelessly to minister to our congregation, to offer support and guidance to many worthwhile projects, and to make sure our church operates in a manner that honors our Lord and Savior. While October is the month for recognition, we as church members can offer support throughout the year by praying for our staff, writing a note of appreciation, and volunteering our time. Thanks to our great staff for all you do for SBC!

New Women's Discipleship Class
Begins Monday, October 6 at 10am

AUTUMN HARVEST Bunco

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

6:30PM

FOOD THEME
FALL FAVORITES

SIGN UP IN THE FOYER



THE MOMCO

MOMCo is short for Mom
Community

MOMCo mobilizes moms all over
the world to build life-changing
community.

Friday, October 17
9:30am-11am



SonRise Women's Bible Study Tuesdays at 9:30am

Led by Linda Otterback
studying the book of Luke.



Finding I AM

6-SESSION BIBLE STUDY



by Lysa
TerKeurst

JOIN US IF YOU WANT TO:

- Find freedom in difficult circumstances by learning how to shift from "slave mentality" to "set free mentality"
- Discover how Jesus is the key to satisfaction by learning the crucial significance behind each of His I AM statements
- Trade feelings of emptiness for the fullness of knowing who Jesus is
- Grow in biblical literacy with this exploration of the Gospel of John

Facilitated by Linda Ashby. Book Cost: \$23
Sign up in the foyer.

Weekend To Remember

Couples can still register for the Louisville Weekend to Remember Marriage Retreat. Use group name TeamNickel\$ and receive \$100 off of the \$350 registration fee. The event will take place October 24-26, at the Hyatt hotel in downtown Louisville. Please reach out to Kathy Nickel at 502-821-2042 with any questions.

For more detailed information, go to <https://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember/>.

Serve Weekend October 3-5

- **Colonial Hall Manor**
Mowing, weeding, weed eating, planting mums
- **Grove Hill Cemetery**
Cleaning historic soldier's tombstones
- **Red Orchard Park**
Weeding playground & spreading mulch
- **Resident of Montclair**
Power wash carport
- **Meadow Ridge Apartments**
Power wash basketball court, repair picnic tables, weed eating, removing trees & brush
- **Todd's Station**
Cleaning around pool area, weeding landscape
- **Childtown**
Weeding flower beds and landscaping
- **Simpsonville Elementary Fall Festival**
Help run festival games; host a trunk
- **Simpsonville Parks & Rec.**
Providing refreshments for ball games



Use the QR code to sign up, or reach out to Anita Hoops at
502-299-9467 or anita@simpsonvillebaptist.com.



New Sermon Series The Secret of Joy Lessons from Philippians Begins Sunday, September 28

Each week we will include discussion questions and application to help you dig deeper into the message.

Additional resources can also be found on



For Kids:
Philippians-Where Does Joy Come From?

Fifteen 8-9 minute videos with free family study guide.



For Youth
Bible Backroads
Six 8-minute videos providing scripture, archaeology, geology and history for Philippians.



For Adults
The Book of Philippians by Joby Martin
Eight 9-11 minute videos

Our church family has free access to RightNow Media. If you have not received a subscription invitation, please contact the church office at angie@simpsonvillebaptist.com.



Discover SBC Membership Class Begins Sunday, October 5 9:45am

Discover SBC is three-session class designed to help you learn who we are as a church. Our beliefs, history, vision, mission, and values and how you can get connected. Whether you desire to become a member or are interested in learning more about SBC - this is a great next step for you.

We do request that all new members attend if you have not previously attended a Discover class.

Sign up in the foyer to participate.



- 1 Israel Snider, Lloyd Straub
- 2 Rhonda Burden, Gage Miller
- 3 Greg Barnes
- 9 Tripp Sageser, Joey Riddle
- 11 Porter Jesse, Katie Clark
- 12 Caroline Osborne
- 13 Cylas Barnett, Elizabeth Miller
- 17 Glenda Cook
- 19 Anna Faith Jesse
- 20 Linda Otterback, Micalah Gadwaw
- 22 Kaleigh Alvey
- 23 Angela Decker, Dennis Wainright
- 24 Jill Renfro, Dick Sipes
- 25 Anna Leigh Davis
- 27 Troy Fulkerson, Carter Webb
- 28 Keziah Beng

If your birthday is not listed, or is incorrectly listed, please contact Angie in the church office.



If you are not currently in a class, we invite you to visit!
Sunday School begins at 9:45am.

<u>Joy Class</u>	Senior Adults	Room 120
<u>Vineyard Class</u>	Age-55+	Room 121A
<u>Quest</u>	Age 40+	Room 118
<u>Multiply</u>	Young Married	Room 210
<u>Salty Faith</u>	Young Middle	Room 214
<u>Sisters</u>	Women-all age	Room 117
<u>World Changers</u>	Age-36-58	Room 216
<u>Truth4Life</u>	Age 40+	Room 218
<u>Shepherds</u>	Young Couples	Room 217
<u>Bible Truth Seekers</u>	Age 50+	Room 119
<u>Equipping the Saints</u>	Age-40+	Room 211

Our middle and high school students have a beautiful youth area on the 2nd floor of our new building. This includes a stage, comfortable seating, kitchenette and divided classes for each group.

Children and youth classes meet at 9:45am in concurrence with the adult classes.

Welcome

Stephen & Lori Williams

Stephen and Lori are originally from Harlan County, KY, and have been married and lived in Shelbyville for over 22 years. They are both graduates of Eastern Kentucky University. Stephen is a Special Education Teacher at Shelby County High School and a Basketball Coach at East Middle School. Lori is a Registered Dietitian and works as the School Nutrition Consultant at OVEC (Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative). Amelia is a freshman at Morehead State University where she is pursuing degrees in Pre-Physical Therapy and Equine Science, and is on the MSU Equestrian Team. Kamden is in the 8th grade at East Middle School, plays basketball and baseball, and loves to fish. Our family loves to travel and has traveled with our RV to many national parks including Yellowstone, Acadia, Mount Rushmore, & the Badlands. We have been attending church at SBC for several years and are excited to officially become members.



Drew & Ariana Guillaume

"We are Andrew (Drew) and Ariana (Ari) Guillaume. We just officially joined SBC in late July, although we have been coming here for quite some time. Drew is a Louisville native, while I am from Frankfort. We met in the middle and put roots down in Shelby county and have been here since 2016. Drew is a Project Manager for Reynolds Sealing and Striping and I work as a Registered Nurse in the Electrophysiology department at Baptist Health Louisville. We have three children, a six year old son, Andrew, and four year old twin girls, Caroline and Stella. We are looking forward to meeting more new faces and being a part of SBC's church family!"

Darryl & Yvonne Wilson

Darryl and Yvonne have been married for 41 years. They met while Darryl was in seminary and serving on staff at Alton Baptist in Lawrenceburg. After serving a church in South Carolina and four in Kentucky, Darryl came in 1997 to the Kentucky Baptist Convention where he serves as the Sunday School & Discipleship Consultant—working with 2,300+ churches. In 1998, Yvonne accepted the position as a middle school math teacher for Highview Baptist School (now called Whitefield Academy) where she served 26 years until she retired in May of 2024. Darryl and Yvonne are the parents to two adult sons, Jonathan and Jordan, who live with their families in Indianapolis and Bowling Green. The Wilsons have 7 grandchildren: Avery, Jonathan Jr., Hazel, Ruby, Harper, Brooks, and Cooper. They enjoy family, traveling, and the beach. They are trying to visit all 50 states and only have a handful to go. They have enjoyed the last 18 months of serving at Simpsonville.



Marshall & Liz Miller

"Hello SBC! We are The Millers: Marshall, Liz, Elsie, Teddy and Eevee. We love to spend time together as a family and with our church family! Our favorite things to do is play board games, watch food cooking shows, and take care of our chickens. We look forward to getting to know everyone a little bit better!"

SIMPSONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH SUBLIME GRACE

Beloved brothers in the Lord:

For this Sublime Grace congregation, it has been a blessing from our Heavenly Father to be united with you as a church, experiencing His love, care, and provision in all things. We pray to Almighty God that He may fill you with His peace and that all the blessings of heaven may be poured out upon the lives of the families that make up that beloved church, and upon your pastors in particular. We are grateful for all your kind support toward us.



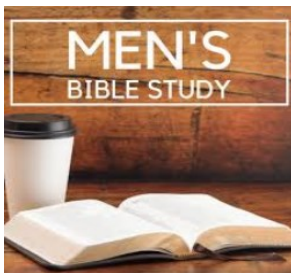
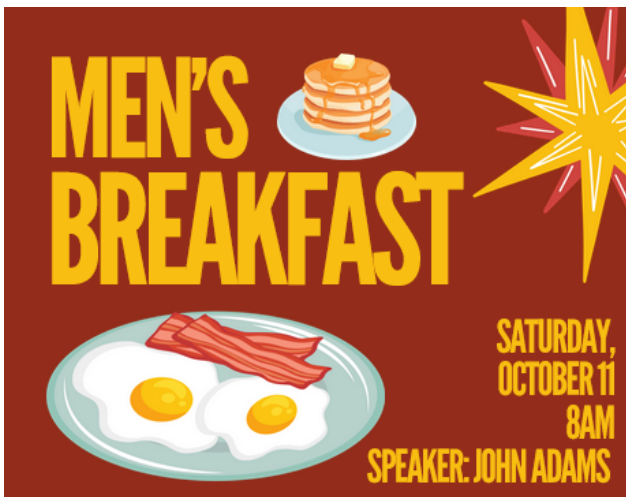
We rejoice in having carried out, during this week of September 7 to 13, a planned evangelism campaign. We had the visit of a missionary from Florida, who ministered to the people we had previously contacted. It was a wonderful victory—we reaped a harvest of 11 people who made a profession of faith.

Now we are preparing to offer them discipleship, which we have already begun. We trust in our Lord that this will allow us to fulfill the command to make disciples of all nations. This will enable us to advance further in our mission. We ask you to help us in prayer so that the Lord may continue adding those who are to be saved.

We continue with our weekly program: on Tuesdays, prayer service and Bible study; on Wednesdays, youth meeting and worship team rehearsal; and on Sundays at 10am, Sunday School and the main service.

We give thanks and bless the Name of our God, asking for His blessing on all these things we desire to do for His glory. May this blessing also be poured out upon our congregation and upon you.

Luis Jeanty Pastor



**Tuesdays at
8:30am
Led by
Randy Foster
Studying
First Corinthians**

TRIVIA

- This family has six classic cars.
- This couple married after *three* dates. As a couple they have enjoyed 17 cruises. She has one extra cruise under her belt at 18.

This person was responsible for three biomedical shuttle payloads with John Glenn as the mission specialist on the last.
AND
They contributed to the invention of the One and Done Washer Dryer Combo.
Scott Dunn

We will list the answers in next month's newsletter.

METRICS THAT MATTER

It is always exciting to start new classes and watch people grow as a result of taking those classes. As a staff, we are very pleased to see these unheard of attendance numbers:

What Matters Most-70%

Great Neighbors-65%

Discovery Membership-70%

Together-68%

Joy in the Journey-72%

Men's Thursday Golf League

Our church golf league concluded in September. We had 12 outings this year with a total of 40 different players participating. We averaged 14 per evening. Eight new players joined us this year!

Sovanna Chhan attended all of our outings and was our only participant that played in all 12 events.



ONLINE GIVING

For those wishing to set up online giving through the Subsplash website, please use this QR code.



**ADULT COED
VOLLEYBALL**



**BEGINS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6
6:15PM**

Individuals are welcome to come and
play pick-up games with us!
Contact Denise Miller at 502-649-2316.
Please note that child care is not provided.



PICKLEBALL
MONDAYS
6-9PM

Simpsonville Baptist Church
PO Box 56
Simpsonville KY 40067

Recreation Team

**Our church picnic was well-attended! We had over 200
come out for a great time of fellowship.**

