



**Little River**  
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Serving The Church. Serving The Kingdom.

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**February 2018 Edition**

*From Your  
Director of Missions*

I certainly don't want to come across as negative or always be someone who brings bad news but I have had some things on my mind that I believe are worth sharing. I love looking at statistics and recently I looked at all the churches of our association combined over the last 10 years. What I saw was tough to swallow but let me share just a few of the numbers with you. Over the past 10 years our baptisms have decreased by 32.4%, Sunday School attendance has decreased by 30.4%, and worship attendance fell by 33.3%. You can see that these important numbers over 10 years have fallen by roughly 1/3. Again I am not trying to be negative but to make clear the reality that is before us. We have work to do, so let's get busy doing it.

**Enjoying God,  
Paxton**



2018  
VBS Early Planning  
Saturday,  
February 3, 2018  
9:00-10:30 a.m.

**VBS orders may be placed  
through the association  
February 3-17**

**Children's Missions Day**

February 17, 2018

10 am -12 noon

Cadiz Baptist Church Annex



School age kids

**GO Serve!**

**Mission project: Donations to the Simple Blessing household, hygiene and baby care items**

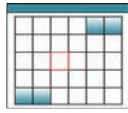
**Craft, snack, making and decorating cookies and sharing Jesus**

**"Serve one another humbly in love" (Galatians 5:13)**

We are coordinating with Simple Blessings to include those kids into our Children's Missions Day as well. The National WMU has changed the title of Children's Ministry to Children's Missions Day. The reason is Ministry means meeting needs but missions means meeting needs and sharing Jesus. That's what we want to do is share Jesus any opportunity we have.

Martha Shipley,  
WMU Director

Sponsored by Little River WMU



Calendar  
Of  
Events

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY**

Church	Regular	Special
Bethany	0	
Blue Spring	1,859.73	
Buffalo	0	
Cadiz	0	
Canton	1,181.63	250.00
Cerulean	438.00	
Delmont	0	
Donaldson Creek	1,109.03	
East Cadiz	907.20	
Hurricane	400.00	
Liberty Point	623.04	
Locust Grove	373.00	
Maple Grove	300.00	100.00
New Hope	274.94	
New Jerusalem	150.00	
New Light	0	
Oak Grove	514.26	
Ponderosa	522.47	150.00
Rock Front	200.00	
Rocky Ridge	391.00	
South Union	84.70	
Wallonia	400.00	200.00
Misc. Income	1,000.00	12,278.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,029.00</b>	<b>12,978.00</b>
		<b>24,007.00</b>
Interest NOW Acc.	1.09	
Assoc. Mission Project		12,628.00
Deaf Ministry		350.00
<b>Subtotals</b>	<b>11,030.09</b>	<b>12,978.00</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$24,008.09</b>
<b>MONTHLY EXPENSE</b>		<b>\$23,264.20</b>
<b>Regular Fund</b>		
Beginning Balance		689.70
Interest Received		1.09
Gifts		11,059.00
Trans- Contingency Fund		
Trans- OMC		
Trans- Building Maintenance Fund		
Trans- Associational Mission Project		
Expense Checks Written		(10,037.53)
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$1,712.26</b>
<b>Treasurer: Louise Fuller 1/25/18</b>		



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Sports Camp

Led by Bro. Robby Shearon  
June 9-16, 2018

Salmon Frenzy

Led by Bro. Paxton Redd  
July 17-24, 2018

A non-refundable  
\$50.00 Deposit is

Due by 1/31/18 to secure  
your place on the team

Must have a least  
10 participants  
To register teams

VBS Early Planning

2/3/18

9:00-1:00 p.m.

Executive Team

Semi-Annual Planning

2/5/18, 6:00 p.m.

Mission Board Meeting

2/5/18, 7:00 p.m.

Focus On WMU Week

Feb. 4-10

Youth Council Meeting

2/12/18, 6:30 p.m.

Assoc. Choir Practice

2/12/18, 7:00 p.m.

Children's Missions Day

2/17/18, 10:00 a.m.

Cadiz Baptist Annex

Executive Team

Semi-Annual Planning Meeting  
Monday, February 5, 6:00 p.m.

Mission Board will meet  
7:00 p.m.



*Dale Taylor- 2/5*

*Paul Cannon- 2/10*

*Ada Redd- 2/15*