



# Countryside Baptist Church

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**MARCH 2015**

# **L A M P L I G H T E R**

"So that others  
may experience  
Help, Hope and  
Home"

*"Hosanna!"*

**Blessed**  
*is the*  
**one**  
*who comes*  
*in the*  
**name**  
*of the*  
**Lord!"**

*Mark 11:9, NRSV*

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**FROM THE PASTORS DESK  
PASTOR RON KYKER**

**"50 Shades of Slavery"**

The release of *"50 Shades of Grey"* glamorizes a distorted and corrupt picture of romance and introduces to the world yet another example of a twisted world racing headlong to corruption and destruction, this example targeting women. We so often arrogantly hold to the false belief that we can dabble in the dangerous, wander across boundaries and taste of forbidden fruit without it affecting us, changing us but this is self-deception. Sin is slick, polished, enticing, exciting and stimulating but it enslaves, corrupts, damages, and depraves us trapping us in a web that is difficult to escape. We weave links in a chain and enslave ourselves to an enemy determined to destroy us. Left to ourselves we return once again like a heroin addict for another fix. When we love the world and things of it, we find we have no spiritual vitality, no spiritual strength to resist. We will be chained to one of two masters, either we will be enslaved to sin or we will be enslaved, becoming bond-servants of Jesus Christ. Sin is an evil taskmaster that abuses and takes more than it gives and slowly robs us of meaning and purpose. In the end it brings both physical and spiritual death. But Jesus said *"I have come to bring you life"* (Jn 10:10); *"My yoke is easy and My burden is light."* (Mt 11:29) He is a kind and gentle master who loves those under His care and he always gives exceedingly more than He requires of us. The world promises freedom and gives a yoke of slavery. Jesus promises a yoke and gives freedom. Stop toying with the world and choose wholeheartedly to pursue Christ and find life, real life.

Blessings, Pastor Ron

**COUNTRYSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH  
MARCH 2015**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Lord's Supper	2	3 Trustees Meeting	4	5 Missions Meeting	6	7 Women's Fellowship
8 Worship Meeting  Daylight Savings	9	10 Getting To Know You Breakfast	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Church Council	18	19 Member- ship Meeting	20	21 Women's Fellowship
22 Single Ladies Ministry	23	24	25	26	Friday Friendship Dinner	28
29 Palm Sunday No Chris- tian Ed. Meeting	30	31 Deacon's Meeting				

## REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT COUNTRYSIDE

SUNDAY	Sunday School	9:30 A.M.
	Morning Worship	10:45 A.M.
WEDNESDAY	Men's Fellowship @ Cool Beans	8:00 A.M.
	Bible Study	7:00 P.M.

## KID'S COUNTRY VOLUNTEERS

MARCH	1	Christina Jackson & Jamie Brown
	8	Susan Brown & Gayle Brooks
	15	Deanna Kyker & Linda Campbell
	22	Louise Lyon & Lillian Allen
	29	Gordon & Jane Warnken

## UP COMING EVENTS

- \* Senior Adult Retreat "Up, Up, and Away" April 15-16  
Cross Wind Conference Center - Hesston  
Registration Deadline: March 26th Registration forms  
On the bulletin board in the east hallway.
- \* Annual Family Gathering April 25th  
"One In The Spirit" Registration 10:00 A. M.  
Cross Wind Conference Center – Hesston
- \* 2015 Mission Summit June 26-28  
Overland Park Convention Center Overland Park, KS

## DILLONS COMMUNITY REWARDS

Countryside Baptist Church is now eligible to receive Dillons Community Rewards. Our organization number is 33945. If you already shop at Dillions and wish to help CBC receive these rewards, you can enroll in this program online on the Dillions website. If you need help in enrolling, several church council members are developing a plan to help people enroll and it will be announced later this month. After you enroll, all you have to do is shop at Dillions and swipe your Plus Shopper's Card to participate in the program!

## THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you so very much for your prayers, cards, calls, visits, the beautiful plant from the church and delicious food during my recovery time after my fall and blood clots. We really appreciate our "support group." We love everyone of our church family. Thanks! Thanks! Earl & Julia Weidman

## OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS

The *Our Daily Bread* Devotional for March, April and May are free and located in the east hallway book rack, so get your copy today.

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU BREAKFAST



Come and join us on Tuesday, March 10th for Breakfast at the Airport Steakhouse at 8:00 A. M. The spot light will be on those with birthdays and anniversaries in the month of March.

## MISSION GARDEN

The Mission Garden will be in full swing as Spring is almost here. When you are choosing your seeds think about getting some extra seeds to plant a row of vegetables to share on our mission garden table throughout the summer and fall. You can enjoy fresh garden produce even though you do not have a garden. The way it works is that you bring your garden produce and put it on the table in the foyer. Anyone can take what you need and leave a donation for our Missionaries.

## SINGLE LADIES MINISTRY

All single ladies are invited to lunch at Carlos O'Kelly's after church on Sunday, March 22nd. Contact Bonnie Patterson at 669-0568 and let her know your plans.



## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

### "Sacrifice In Our Giving"

*Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me." (Luke 9:23 (NKJ))*

"—Self-denial is part of Christian discipline. May there be that element of sacrifice in our giving." (from *At The Lord's Treasury*, the Bethany Press, 1959)

In January, the Unified Budget giving of \$10,313 fell short of meeting the expenditures by \$1,462. In February, the Unified Budget giving has been only \$9,407 which will fall short of meeting the expenditures for the third month in a row. Our attendance has been lower due to bad weather during these three months, so we need to work together to reverse this giving trend in March. The 2014 Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering was \$455.

When I came across the short devotional above, it made me think about what ways that we might all be able to add an element of sacrifice in our giving. Many of us on Social Security received a 1.7% raise while others received a raise at their work or from pensions or investments. When was the last time that most of us have reflected those raises in our giving? I am busy helping people receive income tax refunds this time of year. How many of us have thought about giving a part of their refund to the church as act of self-denial? I encourage everyone to think about what sacrifice that they can make to increase their giving in the coming months so that we can reverse the trend of deficits that we have experienced in the past three months. May God bless each of you as you consider how you might deny yourself and follow our Lord and Savior daily. – Rich McCullum

## FINANCE REPORT

### MONTHLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Unified Budget	January 2015	Year-to-Date
Tithes & Offerings	10, 313.26	10,313.26
Actual Expenditures	11, 775.47	11,775.47
Overage (Shortfall)	(1,462.21)	(1,462.21)



National Ministries is now...

American Baptist Home Mission Societies SINCE 1824

American Baptist Home Mission Societies ministers as the caring heart, serving hands, going feet and prophetic voice of Jesus Christ across the United States and Puerto Rico.

Our church will be receiving the America For Christ offering during the month of March. The theme is Discipleship: A Journey of Grace Titus 2:11-13. Your America for Christ offering supports transformational ministries that manifest the grace of God's love to neighborhoods and communities throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. Our goal is \$1,200. Boxes are available for adults and children on the Missions table in the foyer. Take as many as you can use to fill them with coins.

## MARCH



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|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Carson Brown    | 7 Diane Rapp               |
| Sarah Voth        | 13 Renae McCrory           |
| 2 Susi Castle     | 14 Marion Cole             |
| Alvin Lyon        | 21 Steve & Kathy Rodriguez |
| 3 Kathy Rodriguez | 25 Loran & Peggy Sneath    |
| 4 Riley Truitt    | 26 Samuel Kyker            |