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SPRING RIVER BAPTIST PRESENTS...  
At BAPTIST HILL



# CHILDREN'S CHURCH CAMP

Join us this summer for Spring River Baptist Children's Camp! This summer we will worship together, study the Bible together, play games and make new life long friends.....!!!! It's a week you will NOT want to miss!

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**BAPTIST HILL ASSEMBLY  
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# SPRING RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## The Reminder

### By His Stripes We Are Healed Written by Kirk Baker

On Palm Sunday, I attended Celebration Church's presentation about the life of Christ which brought to mind a few things.

First, it is possible for churches in our association, even normal-sized churches, to produce really well-done presentations (as seen at other SRBA churches, also). Their church worked together (and it required lots of work and participants) to make an impact with the gospel here in Joplin. The best part was several people came to know Christ as a result!

The second thing that stood out in my mind from Celebration's presentation was the empty tomb. In their play, the tomb was empty when the stone was rolled away by an angel. I kept watching and waiting for Christ to come out of the empty tomb, but it was not depicted. The thought occurred to me that Jesus Christ died and rose again one time, and that one time is good for all eternity.

One other thing that stood out was the flogging scene of Jesus Christ which painfully portrayed, in part, what happened to Jesus. It made me consider the agony Jesus willfully took on my behalf. Isaiah 53:5 says, "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed." Some may consider this healing as a physical healing, but this verse is ultimately about our spiritual well-being. My transgressions were placed upon Him, and He was bruised (and beaten and scourged and pierced) for my iniquities. None of us can pay for our own sins or complete enough good deeds to save ourselves. He took the chastisement due each one of us as payment for our sins, and He did all this for our peace.

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## A Buddy Bucket of Blessing

Written by Nathan Dawson

A few months ago North Main Street Baptist Church began praying for avenues to invest in their community. God answered that prayer in January soon after Deanna Dawson, the pastors wife, was hired by Webb City Heritage Preschool. Within days she learned that the building no longer had a faith partner like other Webb City Schools and she passed that information on to the Wednesday night prayer group. A few of the members immediately started seeking

ways to engage with the new opportunity.

A few weeks later, as storm season began to churn, the school started practicing tornado drills. North Main learned during a meeting with the Principal that school's tornado shelter was not your typical sheltering location just for the kids. Rather it was a community shelter outside the building, open to all where any emergency supplies couldn't be stored for sheltering needs. There was no way to keep essential supplies in the shelter because it had to remain available 24/7 to the neighborhood.

Along came the Buddy Bucket that will travel with the kids to the shelter during a tornado warning. The buckets were donated by Henkle's Ace Hardware in Webb City and then assembled by the North Main members. The church collected flashlights, toilet paper, water, snacks, and baby wipes - all things that might be handy when "nature calls".

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Our world is searching for peace, and our culture is looking for any avenue to satisfaction. Unfortunately, most seek satisfaction and peace by their own design and from their own experience. My prayer and hope this Easter season is that we would realize true and ultimate peace from the only One who can provide it, our resurrected Savior.

We're in this together,

Kirk

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## ~Prayer Requests~

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### **Celebration Update:**

Written by Brandon Dorris

I would like to take a moment and just express our sincere gratitude to the Spring River Baptist Association and the churches that helped us make The Story Of Jesus an amazing success. Hundreds of people came out and numerous decisions for Christ were made. We even had two on the spot baptisms! Praise Jesus! With the help of a cast and crew of over 60 kids, youth, and adults our church came together with a mission of telling Christ' story to our community through drama and music. As we rehearsed we felt the "old school revival" atmosphere of love and unity in our church. It's a wonderful feeling when God's people come together with purpose and mission. We are thankful for all of our pastors and leaders who prayed for us and even a few of you who came out to celebrate with us. We pray blessings now on all of your churches and mission fields as you make the gospel known through the talents that He has uniquely given you.

Pastor's Breakfast  
April 17th 8:30 am  
At Spring River Baptist  
Association



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