

# Harvesters

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## A Message from the President

With the changing of seasons so evident in recent days, come thoughts of change we each experience in our lives. Some changes we welcome; others we face with confidence and faith, knowing the Lord is in control. More difficult changes may include physical and mental problems, financial difficulties, lifestyle changes, loss of family members and friends and on and on the list may go.

Then we turn our thoughts to the welcome changes--the beautiful weather, the budding trees and flowers, the visits we anticipate making or receiving involving families and friends. But the greatest change we celebrate this time of the year is that which we experience because of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus who made it possible for us to change to a new person, ready to receive not only blessings which He abundantly shares but also the promise of eternal life with Him.

"The robins are back in my life again, and God is on time with His plan." (Bob Woolley) I am working on seeing some changes in my life as a part of God's plan, and I know you are, too.

*Margaret Woolley*  
Harvester President



*President, Margaret Woolley*

## A Special Invitation for the Harvesters

The Missouri Baptist Foundation will be celebrating their 60th Anniversary on Thursday, May 4, 2006, at the *Chateau on the Lake* in Branson, Missouri.

Our featured speaker will be Gracia Burnham, author and former Abu Sayyaf hostage. Ms. Burnham was taken hostage along with her husband, Martin, while they were on the mission field. Mr. Martin Burnham was shot and killed during the rescue attempt that reunited Gracia with her children.

We will also have John Palmer Smith, accomplished composer and pianist, perform praise and worship songs for our enjoyment.

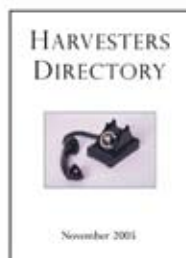
The served dinner and program are \$25 per person. Call 800-776-0747 to reserve a seat at this very special celebration. Gracia will have a book signing immediately following the banquet.

## Spring Trip Information

**Be sure to see the information on page 4 about the Spring Trip to historic St. Charles. The event will be on April 20-21, 2006. Hope to see you there!**

## Directories

If you did not pick up a 2005 Harvesters Directory, contact the Missouri Baptist Foundation at 800-776-0747 ext. 511 to request a copy.



*President, Margaret Woolley; President-Elect, Paul Thompson; Program Chair, Alberta Gilpin  
Not pictured is Diane Reed, Secretary.*

## Who are the Harvesters?

The officers met to determine the guidelines and criteria that make a Harvester. Any person who has worked for any Missouri Baptist institution or agency or their surviving spouses.

This would include:

- Missouri Baptist Convention
- Missouri Baptist Foundation
- Windermere
- Missouri Baptist Children's Home
- The Baptist Home
- Word & Way
- The Missouri Baptist Colleges/Universities
- And other Missouri Baptist institutions

We are excited about the history that is shared between these places and the staffs that worked so hard to lay an excellent foundation for these ministries.

## Prayer Chain

We would like to thank Rose Callahan for helping establish the Prayer Chain Calling list. This will help keep everyone up-to-date on urgent prayer needs. We will initiate the prayer chain in situations such as death and serious illness.

We also have an e-mail list for the Prayer Chain that is in service as well as a page on the Harvesters website for instant information.

To initiate the prayer chain, call the Missouri Baptist Foundation office and the notice will be sent via e-mail and phone to those who requested to be on the list.

The Foundation number is toll-free 800-776-0747, ask for extension 511 or 510. You can also send an e-mail to [foundation@mbfn.org](mailto:foundation@mbfn.org).



## The Harvester Ministry Fund

Thank you for your generosity during the Holiday Banquet as we established the Harvester Ministry Fund. Because of your willingness to give, we have collected \$366 to use as needed for special items such as flowers, memorials and more. If you were not at the Holiday Banquet and would still like to contribute, send money to:

### **Harvesters**

c/o Missouri Baptist Foundation  
400 East High Street, Suite 500  
Jefferson City, MO 65101

*"God loves a cheerful giver" 2 Corinthians 9:7*

## The 2005 Holiday Banquet

On November 10, 2005, the Harvesters came out in record numbers to the Miller Center for Performing Arts. We celebrated a rich history of Baptist work and enjoyed reports from several institutions. Entertainment with Rosemary Hoover was enjoyed by all. If you weren't able to come to this year's event, be sure to be there next year!



# Spring Trip 2006 - St. Charles, Missouri

We are heading out to St. Charles, Missouri. We have some exciting activities planned and that we hope you will enjoy. We are currently arranging round-trip transportation from Jefferson City to St. Charles. If you would be interested in a carpool to the Jefferson City area, please contact us at 800-776-0747 and we will assist in car assignments.

## Thursday, April 20

- 8:00 a.m. Depart from Jefferson City
- 10:00 a.m. Arrive at St. Charles Convention & Visitors Bureau
- 10:30 a.m. Historic District Bus Tour with guide
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch at *Mother-In-Law House*
- 12:45-2:25 Free time on Main Street
- 2:30-3:15 Visit Lewis & Clark Museum
- 3:30 p.m. Check in at Country Inn & Suites (1190 South Main St.)  
Light refreshments at check in.
- 5:30 p.m. Leave hotel for Missouri Baptist University
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner on Missouri Baptist University campus
- 7:30 p.m. *MBU Concert Band & MBU Ringers* concert
- 9:30 p.m. Return to Hotel



## Friday, April 21

- 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
- 9:30 a.m. Depart for Veteran's Memorial with personalized veteran greeting
- 10:30 a.m. Boone's Village tour
- 12 noon Buffet lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Depart for Jefferson City

The new Country Inn & Suites located in the historic district has given us the discounted rate of \$74 per sleeping room. The cost of the meals and tours are \$45 per person which includes tax and gratuities. We have been able to secure wonderful activities at discounted rates for our special group. We hope you will be pleased with the outcome.

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**Please return the bottom half with your reservation and money to: *Harvesters, c/o Missouri Baptist Foundation, 400 East High Street, Suite 500, Jefferson City, MO 65101. You may also give your money online at [www.mbfj.org](http://www.mbfj.org)***

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in participating in both days activities. (\$45 per person plus hotel)

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in participating in the first days activities only (\$30 per person)

Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Rooming Request: \_\_\_\_\_