



What's to EAT!!



FRESH APPLE CAKE

Juanita Henderson - FBC Portageville

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| 2 eggs, beaten | 2 cups sugar |
| 1 1/2 cups vegetable oil | 3 cups all purpose flour |
| 1 tsp. baking soda | 1 tsp. cinnamon |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | 1 cup nuts |
| 3 cups apples, peeled, cored & chopped | |

Mix eggs, sugar & oil together; add flour, baking soda, cinnamon & vanilla, mix well; add apples & nuts. Pour into 9x13 inch pan; bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes. It is better without icing. Serve with whipped topping if desired. This was served at the December Senior Adult Fellowship at FBC Portageville.



PECAN PIE

Vonnie Snelling - Boekerton Baptist Church

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| 1/2 pkg. refrigerated pie crust | 1Tbsp. powdered sugar |
| 4 eggs | 1 1/2 cup light brown sugar |
| 1/2 cup butter, melted & cooled | 1/2 cup sugar |
| 2 cups pecans | 2 Tbsp. all purpose flour |
| 2 Tbsp. milk | |

Put pie crust in 10" iron skillet; sprinkle with powdered sugar. Whisk eggs in large bowl until foamy; whisk in brown sugar. Add only 1/2 cup pecans, butter, sugar, flour & milk; mix thoroughly; pour mixture into pie crust & top with remaining pecans. Bake for 30 minutes at 325 degrees; bake additional 30 minutes at 300 degrees; turn oven off & let pie set for 3 hours with oven door closed.



HOSPITALITY PIE

Penny Green - FBC Lilbourn

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| 2 cups coconut | 1 stick of butter or margarine, melted |
| 1 1/2 cup chopped nuts | 1 (8 oz.) pkg. of cream cheese |
| 1 can of sweetened condensed milk | 3 graham cracker crusts |
| 1 large container of whipped topping | 1 jar of caramel ice cream topping |

Mix coconut, nuts and butter; spread on a baking sheet. Put in 350 degree oven for 10 to 15 minutes, stirring frequently, until toasted; cool. Mix cream cheese, condensed milk, and whipped topping. Divide half of the mixture among the three crusts. Do the same with half of the coconut mixture and then half of the caramel topping. Repeat with second half of each. Freeze. Serve frozen. This was served at the Sno Country Sing-a-long in January at FBC Lilbourn.

It's time for some new or old recipes to be share. Got any?????

From Your Director of Mission

I have asked numerous times over the last 17 years what can we help your church with? As of today, there have been very few things that have been asked for. However, we continue to offer opportunities for your church to receive training, information, and have fellowship meetings to help strengthen your church. **How interested is your church in working with 20 others in the Bootheel of Missouri?**

Your church has received information in the mail about the Regional Evangelism Conference at Lynwood Baptist Church in Cape. This is an opportunity for your church to catch the vision of reaching lost people for Jesus. **Are you or your church planning to attend?**

We have mailed information to the churches regarding the Pastor and Wife Leadership Retreat at Sikeston. The association is offering to scholarship \$50.00 of the conference fee for them to attend. We have asked the church to contribute the other \$50.00. The pastor and wife will have a banquet meal on Friday night with a short worship service and a nights stay at the Drury Inn and Suites. On Saturday Morning they will receive information from Guidestone regarding health insurance and retirement programs and a stewardship promotion. This will be followed with a question and answer time with our new State Executive Director, Dr. John Yeats. **Will you consider sending your pastor?**

The Associational Youth Valentine Fellowship has been temporarily postponed. It will happen sometime in March.

We are preparing for two major events that happen this summer. Vacation Bible Schools and Children's Camp.

For Vacation Bible School workers, we will be having training on April 14. The location is uncertain at this time. This will be an opportunity for you to put your hands on the material, see craft ideas, and interact with workers from other churches to learn what has and has not been successful for them. **Will you ask your Vacation Bible School workers to attend this event?**

Children's Camp at Van Buren is an opportunity for your church to minister to children in your community. For less than \$125.00 you can send a child to camp for a week of fun and learning about Jesus. For children to be saved at camp, we must send lost children there.

Does your church care enough about lost children to invest in their possible salvation?

We may not do things that everyone can see. Many of the ministries of your association may seem to be hidden. But, there are training events and opportunities for service available to you and your church. We can only offer, it is up to you to participate. What can you do to help our churches grow and increase the Kingdom of God? Are you making a difference in the lives of the over 20,000 lost people in our associational area. Join your church and the association in trying to make a difference.