

I think the southern ground hog was wrong. Since he did not see his shadow, I thought winter was about over. Boy has winter surprised us! Oh well, we need to take all things in stride and thank the good Lord for what he kept from happening! We could have had all the snow they have had in the north east. In American Samoa they would say: "The Lord is good." Then someone else would answer "All the time." Then they would say, "All the time," the reply "The Lord is good." How true those words are, and I hope we all praise him and tell him He is good, All the time! Spring is on it's way and flowers will soon be blooming, then his beauty we will behold!

Remember to save the box tops for schools and remember the Children's Home always needs help. Thank you for all you do!

By *Sandra Young* TVBA WMU Director

Kari McCosh from Recovery at Dayton coordinates meals on Thursday nights before the meetings. Kari has asked the TVBA churches to assist with providing meals. Please consider this opportunity to be a witness to the community.

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**March Birthdays**

22<sup>nd</sup> Paul Forgey, Wolf Creek  
29<sup>th</sup> Shane Johnston, Ogden

**March Church Anniversaries**

2012 Cloyd Bell, Graysville First

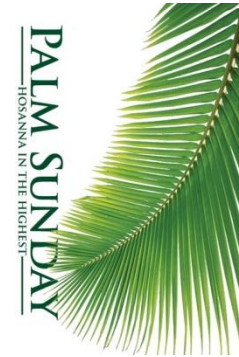


**Upcoming Dates to Remember**

- 3/1-7 SBC Youth Week
- 3/1-8 Week of Prayer for North American Missions/  
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 3/3 TVBA Executive Board, Assoc. Office, 7:00 p.m.
- 3/8 Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 3/13-14 TBC Youth Evangelism Conference, Nashville
- 3/15 SBC Church Planting Emphasis Sunday
- 3/17 TVBA Pastors Conf., Association Office, 11:00 a.m.
- 3/17 TBC VBS Asc. Team Training, N. Etowah, 5:15 p.m.
- 3/19 TVBA VBS Clinic, Smyrna Baptist, 5:30 p.m.
- 3/20-22 TBC WMU Missions Get-Together and Connection
- 3/22 SBC Substance Abuse Sunday
- 3/29 Palm Sunday



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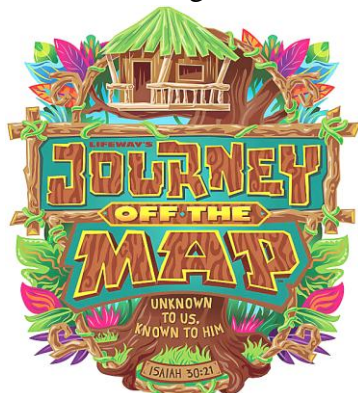
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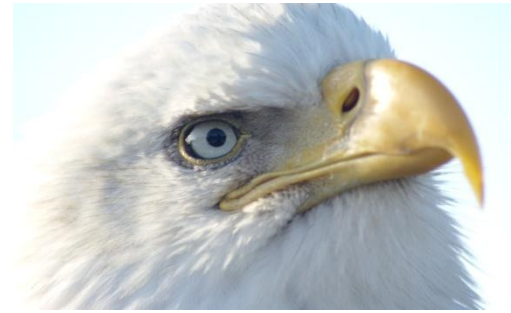
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Journey off the Map  
TBC Asc. Team Training 3-17  
TVBA VBS Clinic 3-19

**Minute with Mike**



Many in our association know that I have seven donkeys and two horses on my 11 and one half acres in Sale Creek. Recently on one of the cold afternoons I went down and fed them at the stable. While there I noticed that the pond which had been frozen over had thawed and patches of ice were scattered on the pond's surface. I thought of the story my granddad told me years ago. That story involved an Eagle who was circling over a thawed river watching the ice chunks float by. He decided that he would take a rest by landing on one of the larger chunks. Being an eagle, he could see the river's waterfall in the distance and felt that he would have plenty of time to make his escape. He enjoyed the swift ride as he proudly sat upon the ice chunk. As he approached the waterfall, he sought to soar into the blue sky above but discovered that his claws had frozen to the ice chunk and he plunged over the falls.

What did I learn from this grandfatherly story as a child? I learned that whatever you are going to do for Christ whether it be a decision or an act of ministry I do not need to delay. There is danger in delay and the prospect of much regret. The Bible says that now or today is the day of salvation. Tomorrow is the Devil's word. Like the eagle, we can enjoy the pleasant things this world has to offer to our own hurt or destruction. May we be busy, today, about the Father's business. Of course you may say that it is hard to soar like an eagle when you live and work with turkeys, but that as granddad said is a story for another day.

*Mike Young, D. Min.,*  
Associational Director of Missions

**TVBA Financial Report for February 2015**



CHURCHES	MONTH	YEAR
Bethel	\$139.28	\$286.16
Central	\$755.65	\$2,530.53
Clear Creek	\$298.10	\$554.80
Concord Union	\$150.00	\$300.00
Cranmore Cove	\$0.00	\$780.78
Dayton First	\$503.82	\$1,101.75
Garrison	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grandview	\$40.00	\$80.00
Graysville First	\$50.00	\$100.00
High Point	\$67.00	\$120.00
Lake Drive	\$331.98	\$561.10
Mercy Missionary	\$75.00	\$150.00
Mt. Vernon	\$100.00	\$200.00
Mt. Zion	\$71.94	\$160.21
New Union	\$300.00	\$1,100.00
Ogden	\$200.00	\$400.00
Old Washington	\$200.00	\$400.00
Pilgrim's Rest	\$0.00	\$300.00
Saint Clair	\$145.99	\$291.36
Sale Creek First	\$185.00	\$370.00
Salem	\$176.81	\$388.38
Smyrna	\$146.00	\$364.00
Spring City First	\$924.66	\$2,241.26
TBC Supplement	\$1,345.00	\$2,690.00
Union Fork	\$50.00	\$100.00
Walden's Ridge	\$359.00	\$734.00
Wolf Creek	\$850.00	\$1,656.00
Yellow Creek	\$169.72	\$321.60

Total Received for February: \$ 7,634.95  
Total Expenses for February: \$ 8,536.67

Ending Month Balance: \$23,280.59