

*Territorial Calendar*

**October**

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*August Sunday  
Worship Attendance*

Olathe, KS	160
(Eng. 90; Span. 70)	
Potosi, MO	95
St. Peters, MO	88
65th Street, KS	78
Birch Tree, MO	76
Winona, MO	71
Wichita, KS	64
No. Brighton, MO	62
Bertrand, MO	33
Springfield, MO	30

## Pastor's Appreciation Month

Why do we have a special time of appreciation for our pastors? Dr. Richard J. Krejcir of the Schaeffer Institute offers the following statistics taken from 1050 pastors surveyed in two conferences held in 2005 and 2006.

"Of the one thousand fifty (1,050 or 100%) pastors we surveyed, every one of them had a close associate or seminary buddy who had left the ministry because of burn-out, conflict in their church, or from a moral failure.

"Nine hundred forty-eight (948 or 90%) of pastors stated they are frequently fatigued, and worn out on a weekly and even daily basis (did not say *burned out*).

"Nine hundred thirty-five, (935 or 89%) of the pastors we surveyed also considered leaving the ministry at one time. Five hundred ninety, (590 or 57%) said they would leave if they had a better place to go—including secular work.

"Eighty-one percent (81%) of the pastors said there was no regular discipleship program or effective effort of mentoring their people or teaching them to deepen their Christian formation at their church (remember these are the Reformed and Evangelical—not the mainline pastors!). (This is Key)

"Eight hundred eight (808 or 77%) of the pastors we surveyed felt they did not have a good marriage!

"Seven hundred ninety (790 or 75%) of the pastors we surveyed felt they were unqualified and/or poorly trained by their seminaries to lead and manage the church or to counsel others. This left them disheartened in their ability to pastor.

"Seven hundred fifty-six (756 or 72%) of

the pastors we surveyed stated that they only studied the Bible when they were preparing for sermons or lessons. This left only 38% who read the Bible for devotions and personal study.

"Eight hundred two (802 or 71%) of pastors stated they were burned out, and they battle depression beyond fatigue on a weekly and even a daily basis.

"Two hundred forty-one (241 or 23%) of the pastors we surveyed said they felt happy and content on a regular basis with who they are in Christ, in their church, and in their home!

"Of the pastors surveyed, they stated that a mean (average) of only 25% of their church's membership attended a Bible Study or small group at least twice a month. The range was 11% to a max of 40%, a median (the center figure of the table) of 18% and a mode (most frequent number) of 20%. This means over 75% of the people who are at a "good" evangelical church do not go to a Bible Study or small group (that is not just a book or curriculum study, but where the Bible is opened and read, as well as studied), (This is Key)." (For the complete article please go to <http://www.intothyword.org/apps/articles/default.asp?articleid=36562&columnid=3958>).

Besides the everyday prayers and support given your pastor, I encourage every local church make a special effort to let their pastor know they are appreciated. Solomon penned, "Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, When it is in the power of thy hand to do it" (Proverbs 3:27 ASV). Please send a report to me on what your church has done—I want to list all the various appreciations in next month's *Heartland Messenger*. JP

# Pastoral Appointments 2008

## DISTRICT 1

	Bob Darnell
<b>Carthage</b>	Hilario Andrade
<b>Columbus</b>	Randy Arnold
<b>El Dorado</b>	Tim Smith
<b>Emporia</b>	Leonard Wagner
<b>Joplin</b>	Jerry Albin
<b>Liberal</b>	David Beard
<b>Pittsburg</b>	Alberto Oxlaj
<b>Wichita (Spanish)</b>	Jose Mendez
<b>Wichita</b>	Bob Darnell

## DISTRICT 2

	John Newson
<b>21st and Ridge</b>	Rodney Wilcox
<b>65th Street</b>	Jim Kelly
<b>Booneville</b>	Eleanor Hardy
<b>California</b>	Steve Jones
<b>Haddam</b>	Glenna Woods
<b>Kirkville</b>	Rob Linhart
<b>North Brighton</b>	Gerald Waterman
<b>Olathe</b>	John Newson
<b>Spanish</b>	Roberto Lopez
<b>Topeka</b>	Sue Nichols

## Missions

<b>Charleston</b>	Doug Roberson
<b>Mountain Grove</b>	Clarence Messex

## DISTRICT 3

	Carl Hutcheson
<b>Bertrand</b>	Jennifer Brashear
<b>Delta</b>	Bertha Boyd
<b>Fenton</b>	Janet/Lloyd Jackson
<b>Fredericktown</b>	Carl Hutcheson
<b>Poplar Bluff</b>	Randy Wallis
<b>Potosi</b>	Keith King
<b>Sikeston</b>	Todd Crumley
<b>St. Peters</b>	Jesse Adams

## DISTRICT 4

	Roger Smith
<b>Birch Tree</b>	Roger Smith
<b>Centerpoint</b>	Overseer**
<b>Eminence</b>	Wayne Crider
<b>Flatwoods</b>	Randy Ferguson
<b>Fremont</b>	Calvin Jones*
<b>Houses Creek</b>	Garry Reagan
<b>Houston</b>	Jim Root
<b>Montier</b>	Melvin Snethern
<b>Mountain View</b>	Rex Dow
<b>Springfield</b>	John/Diane Pace
<b>Summersville</b>	Diana Seay **
<b>West Plains</b>	Billy Jones
<b>Winona</b>	Darrell Derryberry
<b>Van Buren</b>	Don Myers

\*Until 10/31/08

\*\* Interim

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### January 2009

**10**—District 1 pastor meeting, Columbus, KS  
**16-17**—District 1 Youth Quake, Winona, MO  
**28-31**—Seminary Intensive, Olathe, KS

### February

**7**—F&S Meeting, Springfield, MO  
 District Rallies (TBA)

### March

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### April

**17-19**—Heartland Ladies Retreat, Settle Inn, Branson, MO  
**24-26**—Heartland Men's Retreat, Wilderness Retreat Center, Lawson, MO

### May

**28-31**—Seminary Intensive, Olathe, KS

### June

**15-19**—Youth Camps West  
**28-July 5**—Youth Camps East

### August

**7-9**—Heartland Territorial Convention, Oasis Inn and Convention Center, Springfield, MO

### September

**25-27**—Pastor's Retreat, Branson, MO

*A full sized handout of the calendar is available on the web site and/or through your pastor.*



### Revival is in the air at Way Of Life Fellowship in KC, KS.

The church has been in a revival spirit for sometime now and on Sept 14, 2008 Bro. & Sis Jim Kelly from Greenwood, Mississippi joined us for a mighty outpouring of God's spirit in a week of continual revival. There were three saved, three sanctified and two received the Holy Ghost, with new families attending nightly. Brother Kelly preached under the heavy anointing and we saw many miracles and lives were changed for eternity. It is exciting to be where God is moving supernaturally.



Diane and I want to thank you for your kindness in words and giving we experienced in the convention. May God continue His blessings upon you.