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## Kettle Beef Dinner

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Kettle Beef Dinner

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*SMT Writer*

**Dexter, Missouri-** The First Christian Church of will hold a Kettle Beef dinner on **Sunday, October 6th** in the Disciple Center of the First Christian Church. The First Christian Church is located on 224 East Stoddard Street in Dexter, Missouri.

Dinner for adults will be \$8.00 and \$5.00 for children 10 and under. Carryouts are available for the adult tickets only.

Dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

On the menu for the night will be:

Kettle beef

Mashed potatoes

Vegetables

Rolls

Dessert

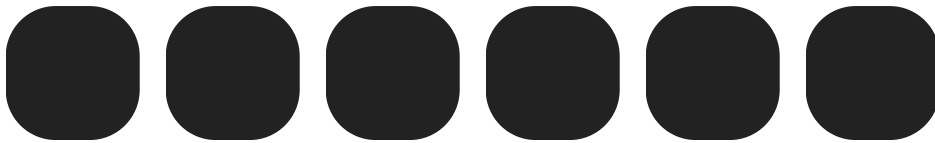
Drinks

**For tickets or more information on the Kettle Beef Dinner, call 573-624-4341**

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## 83rd Annual MO/MID-SOUTH Gospel Singing Convention

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**Malden, Missouri** - It is time to make your plans to attend the legendary 83d Annual MO/Mid-South Gospel Singing Convention to be held on **Friday and Saturday, September 20-21**, at the Malden, MO Community Center located on Business Highway 25 (Douglass Street) in front of the school and just South of Walmart.

This event will begin at 5:00 p.m. each evening with at least 32 premiere, award-winning artists from several states and some direct from the Branson Stage, providing exciting, powerful Gospel music and amazing fellowship that you won't want to miss.

The Master of Ceremonies for the event will be Gene Peacock, Radio Personality on [www.BrotherGenesRadio.com](http://www.BrotherGenesRadio.com). Sound and special lighting will be provided by Wil Thornton from Nashville, TN.

The line up for both evenings is nothing short of stellar. Friday evening will feature: The Krepps Kids, Touched By the Master Qt., Jacob Keinbusch, David Isom, In His Name, Tina Sadler, Heartland Qt., Robert Penny, Kit Scott & Friends, Gloryland Qt., Richmond Qt., Final Journey Qt., Jennifer Krepps, Glad Heart Qt., JoyFul Noise (Bertrand), Eldon Wright (Kansas) and Cindy Keeley. Saturday evening will feature: Martin Goode, Liberty Belles, Belinda Clark, Darrell & Nemra Rhoden, Glory Road Travelers, Southern Tradition, Pastor Pudge & Sister Sludge (Courtneys), The Lawlesses, Full Circle, The Thorntons, Heart To Heart, Sixty West, Marsha Sue Mitchell, Wendell Johnson, Joyful Noise (Bloomfield), Anita French-Kidd, Mark Cave and Eldon Wright (Missouri).

All of these groups are great, several are from Branson, many are from at least 8 surrounding states and all of them share their love and joy for Jesus in their music and in their walk. We have national and international singing and songwriting award winners to present the best in Gospel music. You don't want to miss this blessing. Church groups are encouraged to bring a van or busload. Friends, invite your family and friends. Event promoters bring your calendars and media bring your cameras and microphones--and by the way, come hungry! The Malden Chamber of Commerce will be providing concessions both evenings.

There will be door prizes, a silent auction and chances to talk to your favorite groups and have photo ops. What better way to spend a weekend than in the

midst of roofraising Gospel music! RV hookups are available at the Malden Airport and hotel rooms are available in Malden and surrounding communities, but you need to reserve these now – space will be limited.

***A Songwriters Seminar will be held on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. with a multi-award winning panel of coaches. Cost for the seminar is \$30 and you may also submit an original song to be critiqued. You must register before the date of the seminar.***

For more information, call **Jerry Mays** at **417-576-5188** or email [hearttoheartmusicgroup@gmail.com](mailto:hearttoheartmusicgroup@gmail.com).

**THIS SINGING CONVENTION IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. A LOVE OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN EACH EVENING TO OFFSET EXPENSES OF THE EVENT. IT'S A PIECE OF HISTORY. DON'T MISS IT!**

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# Pastor Easterwood to Host Discover FBC

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AUGUST 20TH 2013 BY DEE LOFLIN

## Pastor Easterwood to Host Discover FBC

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**Dexter, Missouri** - Pastor Steve Easterwood is hosting a Discover First Baptist Church class on Sunday, August 25th from noon - 2:00 p.m.

This is for anyone interested in becoming a member of the church or learning more about the First Baptist Church of Dexter.

Lunch will be served. **Please contact the church office at 624-7436 to make your reservation.**

The First Baptist Church is located 11 West Castor St. in Dexter.

The Church is excited to have you visit with them. Whether you already attend church regularly, or have never set foot in a church of any kind, the First Baptist Church is an exciting place to be. Their services start each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Pastor Easterwood strives to help people lead authentic Christian lives in our world of troubled times.

**"Life-relevant Teaching:** Join us in their Worship Center for a morning together. Pastor Steve is not your normal preacher! He helps you learn Bible truths with creativity, laughter and heart-felt visual illustrations. Every week you **WILL** learn a life-changing principle."

**"Creative Worship Experience:** Entertainment pulls in a creative Worship experience including: adult & children choirs, drums, electric & bass guitars, keyboard, piano, ensembles, organ, youth bands, orchestra, testimonies, video and more!"

**"Video Venue in the Fellowship Hall:** Sit at a table with a cup of coffee and participate in the Worship Service by live video-feed! Sometimes

people would rather not attend the Worship Center but really want the Worship experience. People use this venue because of preference, children, health issues or because they need to come and go more freely. Whatever the need, feel free to take advantage of this way to worship with us!"

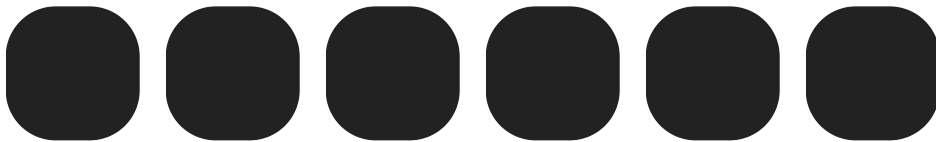
**"Life-changing decisions:** As you experience this Worship time, just listen to your heart. You may sit, stand, sing or be silent. Some take notes and use the Bible that is provided. You are welcome to keep this pew Bible, if you choose. Toward the end of each service, their Invitation time allows people to come to the altar to pray or to talk to one of our Pastors about a spiritual decision or need. Again, just feel free to follow your heart. God really does change lives when we gather. It is exciting and we are glad you are here to experience this with us."

Take that step and visit them this Sunday from noon - 2 p.m. It could be a life changing event!

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# FBC Perform Mission Work in Kentucky

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FBC Perform Mission Work in Kentucky

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**Dexter, Missouri** - A group of 73 traveled from Dexter to Appalachia recently to do mission work in Cumberland, Kentucky. The mission team was primarily from the First Baptist Church of Dexter, but also had individuals from FBC Mauldin and St. Joseph General Baptist Church.

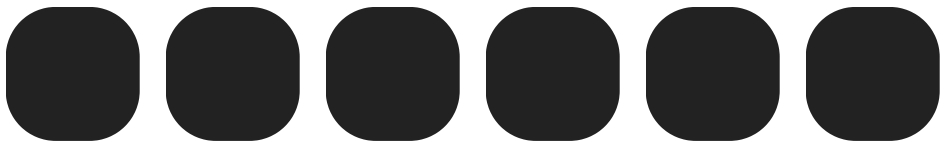
The team was made up of families, all ages serving together conducting a Bible Camp, Sports Camp, Counseling training, building repair, taking food to the needy, and offering free hair cuts to needy families. They served approximately 75 children and their families, and were blessed doing so!

As always happens when going on a mission trip, those who served were blessed as much as those that were served.

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## Celebrate Recovery

AUGUST 14TH 2013 BY BETH FARRAH

Celebrate Recovery

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**Bloomfield, Missouri** - Celebrate Recovery recently started in Stoddard County at Living Water Worship Center (LWWC) in Bloomfield. Celebrate Recovery has been held at different churches throughout the past couple of years but LWWC anxiously took on the challenge of hosting it back in September. The group has grown since the kickoff and will continue to grow in the near future.

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-based program that helps you get over your “hurts, hang-ups, and habits”. Although it is similar to a twelve-step-program, the founder of Celebrate Recovery believed that Alcoholics Anonymous was missing something: Jesus Christ. With services and minds centered on the Bible, Celebrate Recovery has a success rate of nearly 85%.

Living Water Worship Center plans to reach out and touch many lives in the local area. The leader of this program is Bryan Gentry, a former member of Celebrate Recovery, believes that the program will continue to grow and thrive in our area so that many lives will be touched and changed forever.



“My wife, Tish, and I are Ministry Leaders for Celebrate Recovery at Living Water Worship Center. CR is a Christ centered recovery program that helps people deal with and recover from all kinds of issues that make our lives become unmanageable,” Gentry explains. “Married for 28 years, Tish and I have always felt God's call on our lives to serve together in ministry. We had no idea that I would end up struggling with alcoholism that took our family to a very low place. Knowing God was the answer. He helped me make the decision to turn around. Celebrate Recovery and His Amazing Grace has kept me sober for three and a half years. God has given Tish and I the burden for others to find sobriety and healing for the entire family. With Celebrate Recovery, God will bring victory and healing for life's hurts, hang-ups and habits, including life controlling addictions.”

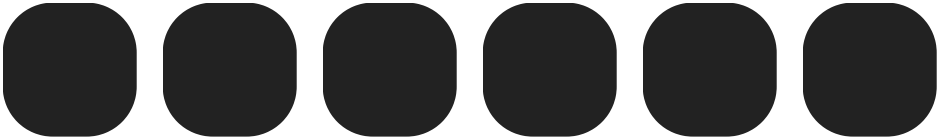
Living Water Worship Center reaches out helping hands to those lost or in need. With God's grace and much needed support, many lives will be altered. Even those without “hurts, habits, or hang-ups” are welcomed and are offered a chance to have a closer walk with God. Adults, teens, and children are all welcomed to Wednesday night service because there are programs for each and every one of them.

Services on Wednesday nights beginning at 6:00pm have been going on for the last couple of months, but don't fret! Beginners 101 Class will be held for the newcomers to explain how Celebrate Recovery works and what it's all about. Each service begins with Praise and Worship, led by Curt Hillis, the band leader at LWWC. Later, there will be “Chip Time”, where members celebrate their clean time during their recovery by collecting chips or coins depending on the length of their recovery so far.

After a large group meeting held in the sanctuary, where Praise and Worship, Chip Time, and a testimony take place, members are welcome to branch off into different small groups. Small group meetings are broken down into chemical dependency and life struggles, each lead by a different staff member of the church. There are six different small groups: two for men, two for women, one for teens (youth group), and one for the younger children (The Celebration Station).

During large group and small groups, members have a chance to get to know each other during fellowship in the fellowship hall. Snacks and drinks will be served every Wednesday night. This allows members to talk one-on-one with other people or leaders, just in case they do not feel comfortable talking about certain topics in small group sessions.

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