

## Integris Community Church in Muncie Is First to Use ECBA's New Bounce House

Integris Community Church in Albany hosted a block party in the park with a corn hole tournament on October 19<sup>th</sup>. It was the first of our churches to use the new inflatable bounce house. The recently purchased bounce house is commercial grade and includes the blower and everything needed to operate it. It is a multi-colored Arch Castle, 15 X 15 X 15 feet and was a nice addition to the food and games offered by Integris to all who wanted to attend.



Although the block party was planned and hosted by Integris, several other churches helped. From our Association, volunteers from Redeemer in Anderson, Old Town Hill in Muncie, and the True North Church Plant in Daleville helped with the event, plus a group from Pastor Greg Haisley's former church in Ohio came and lent a hand. "Great help from so many churches; now THAT'S a cooperative ministry!" said Greg.

most importantly, Christ was shared. Two women accepted Christ after Mike Armstrong from Old Town Hill shared the gospel with them.

The bounce house is available for use by any of our ECBA churches. If your church is interested in using it, please contact Pat Storm, ECBA Administrative Assistant, at 765.623.3940.

Food was served and games were played but,

## ECBA Tea Is Huge Success

By Tami Hubler

The ECBA Tea with Pam Russell, State House Women's Chaplain, was a huge success.



State House Woman's Chaplain, Pam Russell, share about the importance of praying for our public servants.

Senator Mike Gaskill and Rep. Melanie Wright joined in sharing their hearts about the importance of prayer and pastoral care in their lives, urging us to pray for our elected government officials. Those who were blessed to

attend the event shared tea, sandwiches and desserts with the speakers and were able to have personal discussions with Senator Gaskill and Rep. Wright. Pam shared from scripture how we are called to pray for leaders and how this happens at the State House. You may learn more about praying for your leaders at [www.psp.org](http://www.psp.org) and [www.iga.in.gov](http://www.iga.in.gov)

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# The Katecheo

Having taken a medical leave following back surgery this past January, this writer was not satisfied sitting and doing nothing. The September Annual ECBA Meeting officially made the way to continue serving as the ECBA Education Coordinator. Why was that so important, you might ask. Well, having had the privilege of serving Southern Baptist churches in Alabama, Texas, Oklahoma, and here in Indiana for over forty years; God has granted a wide-range of background to the multifaceted task of pastoring in a nonBible-Belt section of America.

With the renewed service as Education Coordinator, pastors and other church leaders have been receiving almost daily quotes from notable Christian leaders, such as

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a twentieth century theologian and pastor in Germany. The quotes have been posted to challenge modern day thought and practice, in hopes of pointing readers to a deeper walk with Jesus Christ.

Each month the COMMUNICATOR will begin publishing an article entitled "The Katecheo" (ka-tee-cheeo). This Greek word is one of three used in our New Testament conveying the concept of teaching, each conveying slight differences. This word conveys the idea of "making oneself understood - to teach or instruct" and appears in Acts 18.25; 21.21; Romans 2.18; 1 Corinthians 14.19 and Galatians 6.6.

As one would suspect, the major concern for this coordinator is biblical accuracy in interpreting the Word of

God; however, a secondary concern is conveying information about our denomination. Since East Central Baptist Association has such a large number of members, church leaders, and staff members having grown up in non-SBC surroundings; it becomes more and more important to share a basic overview of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the spirit of the "Cooperative Program."

You are requested to pray for this writer, that his focus will continue to be centered on Jesus Christ and the Word of God. This writer enjoys teaching, and can be reached by email at [roro062@att.net](mailto:roro062@att.net) or by telephone (765) 216-1143 or (765) 748-6633 for supply or a teaching ministry. Dr. Ron Ross, ECBA Education Coordinator



*Please pray for our pastors and their wives on these special occasions.*

**Birthdays**

**November 15—Jama Marlow** (New Day, Pendleton & Alexandria)

**November 24—Tim Overton** (Kingston, Anderson)

**November 24—Brad Storm** (Redeemer, Anderson)

**Anniversaries**

None

**Pastor-Church Anniversaries**

None

## Upcoming Events In November

**November 7**—10:00 a.m., Leader Lab and Pastors' Luncheon at Remedy City, @ Riverside UMC, 1201 N Wheeling Avenue, Muncie IN 47303

**November 14**—6:00 p.m., ECBA Pitch-in Dinner, Redeemer Baptist Church, 3230 Lindberg Road, Anderson IN 46012

**November 14**—7:00 p.m., ECBA Quarterly Meeting, Redeemer Baptist Church, 3230 Lindberg Road, Anderson IN 46012

*SBC Emphasis for November*

**November 3**—Orphans and Widows Sunday

**November 10**—Disaster Relief Appreciation Day

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### ECBA Profit and Loss Statement for September 2019

	<u>Sep 19</u>
<b>Income</b>	
4000 · Church Receipts	
4060 · New Day	500.00
4120 · Halteman - Muncie	440.56
4140 · Kingston - Anderson	105.76
4160 · North Delaware - Muncie	207.02
4170 · Old Town Hill - Muncie	0.00
4180 · Redeemer - Anderson	653.10
4190 · First - Montpelier	93.00
4210 · Faith Christian Fellowship	125.00
4230 · Integris	155.09
4240 · Remedy City	32.74
4250 · Muncie Chinese Christian Fellow	169.40
<b>Total 4000 · Church Receipts</b>	<u>2,481.67</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	2,481.67
<b>Expense</b>	
7000 · Administrative Ministry	
7010 · Other Expense	169.93
7021 · Insurance	1,616.75
7090 · Payroll	714.91
<b>Total 7000 · Administrative Ministry</b>	<u>2,501.59</u>
7300 · Associational Ministry	1,612.40
7500 · Trustee	100.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>4,213.99</u>
	<u><b>-1,732.32</b></u>

### ECBA Balance Report September 2019

	<u>Sep 19</u>	<u>Aug 19</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
<b>1000 · ONB</b>			
1010 · General Budget	33,864.22	35,711.54	-1,847.32
1011 · Discretionary Admin Team	7,493.99	7,493.99	0.00
1015 · BCM Rent Deposit	0.00	0.00	0.00
1016 · BCM Capital Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
1025 · Mission Building Capital Fund	5,327.19	5,212.19	115.00
1035 · Church P&H Fund	6,297.89	6,297.89	0.00
1040 · OMC	1,307.84	1,307.84	0.00
1051 · ECBA Endowment	0.00	0.00	0.00
1055 · Funds Temporarily Restricted	2,599.78	2,599.78	0.00
1000 · ONB - Other	-900.99	-900.99	0.00
<b>Total 1000 · ONB</b>	<u>55,989.92</u>	<u>57,722.24</u>	<u>-1,732.32</u>
<b>1100 · Indiana Baptist Foundation</b>			
1110 · ECBA Endowment	9,866.01	9,866.01	0.00
1111 · Church P&H ROI	1,331.39	1,331.39	0.00
1120 · Church P&H Fund	17,978.09	17,978.09	0.00
1125 · BCMH Temp Restricted	148,113.64	148,113.64	0.00
<b>Total 1100 · Indiana Baptist Foundation</b>	<u>177,289.13</u>	<u>177,289.13</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u><b>233,279.05</b></u>	<u><b>235,011.37</b></u>	<u><b>-1,732.32</b></u>

## Disaster Relief Team Shares Christ as They Minister in Bloomfield



The Disaster Relief Team has been busy working in Bloomfield, IN (south of Bloomington). They did tear outs and mud outs plus installed new sub-flooring and flooring in homes damaged by the tornado that went through the area last June. Joe Fox, ECBA DR Coordinator, said that he was able to share Christ with an electrician who was working on one of the homes. The electrician had asked why they were doing what they were doing for free, so Joe explained. He later came back and wanted to know even more. One of the home owners was hostile towards the gospel but Joe said he did allow them to pray with him. There were 7 Disaster Relief team members who were able to help with this project; George Eukurt, Roger Hargis, Pat McKinney, Eddie Stamps, Danny Wigason, Brian Wordon, and Joe Fox, all from Old Town Hill Baptist Church in Muncie. Joe said that they continue to get calls to help from people who fall through the cracks for traditional aid. If you are interested in helping with this vital ministry, please contact Joe Fox at 765-729-1366.



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**ECBA Quarterly Meeting**

**Thursday, November 14, 2019**

**Redeemer Baptist Church**

**3230 Lindberg Road**

**Anderson IN**

**Pitch in Soup, Sandwich, Dessert Dinner**

**6:00 PM**

**Quarterly Meeting followed by Praise & Worship**

**7:00 PM**