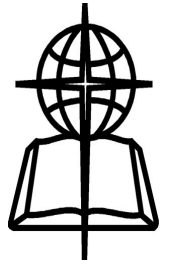




Ohio River Baptist Beacon



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Executive Board Meeting

Association Office

Monday, June 15 - 7:00 p.m.

Emmanuel Baptist Church will be providing the meal at 6:15 p.m.

Your presence is greatly appreciated and needed to conduct business.

Associational Emphasis

Debbie Padgett Offering

This year the Debbie Padgett Offering for Associational Emphasis will be used for the Ramp (Wheelchair) Ministry. The goal of the ramp ministry is to aid our local churches in assisting their neighbors during a time of need, without having a heavy financial burden on either the church or the recipient.



Arizona Christmas Shoe Box Ministry

We will be collecting Christmas shoe boxes for the Arizona mission points again this year.

Please purchase a plastic shoe box from Walmart or Dollar General Store in which to place your items. We do ask that you put colored tissue paper inside to cover the items or you wrap the boxes, top and bottom separately so that it is more like a Christmas gift.

Please affix the prepared labels on the end of the box which indicates the age level of your box. The labels are available at the association office or on our website.

Note change in shipping price. We ask you to include a gift of **\$5.00** to help cover shipping. This should be either placed in an envelope in the box or a church can send a check to cover the expenses.

For a list of items to include and the prepared labels go to our website at www.orbassociation.com or contact the association office. Deadline to bring items to the association office is Friday, November 13th.

CHRISTMAS BACKPACKS



The Association WMU is sponsoring the 2026 Christmas Backpacks again to help minister to the impoverished children of Kentucky. Our goal this year is to collect 225 backpacks. To register and find more information concerning the backpack program go to:

<https://www.kybaptist.org/christmasbackpacks/>

We will collect these at our Annual Meeting on October 19 and the final deadline to get them to the association office is Friday, October 23rd.

Associational Information

A Word From Bro. Mark

Is your church **READY** for a disaster, like a tornado or a severe storm or a fire? Ron Crow, KBC Disaster Relief Director, says..."Unfortunately, most churches are unprepared for disasters and miss strategic opportunities to offer compassionate ministry and share the hope of the gospel." For this reason, I am working with Ron Crow to come to our area and lead pastors and churches in the "READY CHURCH" training offered by disaster relief. **READY CHURCH** is a strategy plan to assist churches in preparing for disasters that can strike their communities. It helps churches prepare, connect, and respond in times of disaster. If your church is not **READY**, I hope you and your church will make every effort to participate in this vital training. I will be announcing soon the date for this training along with more details.

For many children, Christmas arrives with very little under the tree. But a simple backpack filled with thoughtful gifts and the message of Christ's birth can remind a child they are loved and not forgotten. **PLEASE** consider how your church can share the hope of Christmas with a child by participating in this years "Christmas Backpacks" ministry. Last year 11 churches in our association donated 206 backpacks. Our associational goal for this year is 225 Christmas Backpacks. If your church is interested in participating, please call Debbie or myself at the associational office (270-988-2204) for more information.

All pastors and executive board members are urged to attend the executive board meeting on Monday, June 15th. The fellowship meal will begin at 6:15pm and the meeting begins at 7:00pm.

I would love to come to your church and share about a simple, biblical, and effective plan for your church to see people come to know Jesus Christ. This evangelism strategy is called "Who's Your ONE?", and it encourages every believer in Christ to begin to pray for someone they know who needs to know Jesus. If there is a time when I can meet with you, as a pastor, or share with your church about "Who's Your ONE?", please let me know.

I'm praying your church has a great Vacation Bible School this summer and many children and youth come to know the love of God through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

To God be the glory,
Bro. Mark

FINANCIAL RECEIPTS FOR APRIL FROM THE CHURCHES

<u>Church</u>	<u>Missions</u>
Birdsville	60.00
Caldwell Springs	128.89
Calvary	100.00
Cave Springs	100.00
Central	
Corinth	50.00
Crooked Creek	300.00
Deer Creek	475.08
Dycusburg	200.00
Dyer Hill	132.54
Emmanuel	
Emmaus	
Friendship	400.00
Good Hope	306.46
Grand Rivers	500.00
Iuka	218.00
Lake City	1,420.48
Lola	175.45
Marion Baptist	1,150.00
Marion Second	50.00
Mexico	2,328.06
North Livingston	182.86
Ohio Valley	
Old Salem	245.20
Pinckneyville	
Potter's House	
Repton	
Salem	150.00
Shady Grove	
Smithland First	150.00
Smithland Second	109.95
Sugar Creek	459.85
Sulphur Springs	
Tiline	
Union	
Miscellaneous	<u>368.32</u>
Total	\$ 9,761.14



News From The Pews



Iuka Revival will be June 12-14; Fri.@ 7PM Bro. Jason Scott, Sat.@ 7PM Bro. Chris Damron, Sun.@11AM Bro. Brennan Randolph, and Sun.@ 7 PM Bro. Wesley Curtis. Music led by Bro. Dwayne Howell.

Pinckneyville had their steeple repaired and back on the church. Annual Independence Celebration July 5th at 6 PM with Cutter & Cash and Fire-works.

Sulphur Springs Revival May 31st 11 AM Bro. Dale Rose & 6:30 PM, June 1st 6:30 PM Bro. Ben Stratton, June 2nd 6:30 PM Bro. John (Butch) Day, June 3rd 6:30 PM Bro. Todd Gray, June 4th 6:30 PM, Bro. Bobby Sellers. There will be special music each evening. Everyone is invited.



Pray for our Churches without Pastors:

Caldwell Springs (John East, Interim), Lake City, Marion Second (Leroy Driver, Interim), Mexico (Ken Cummins, Interim), and Smithland Second

June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Crossover Orlando, FL
7 WMU Missions Celebration Orlando, Florida	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Executive Board Mtg 7:00 p.m. Meal 6:15 pm Association Office	16	17	18	19 Juneteenth Association Office Closed	20
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28	29	30				

Southern Baptist Convention Orlando, Florida - June 9-10, 2026

June 6 - Crossover Orlando
June 7-8 WMU Missions Celebration
June 8 - SBC Pastors' Conference
June 9 & 10 - SBC Annual Meeting

Register at: www.sbcannualmeeting.net

Vacation Bible School

Marion Baptist - June 1-3, Registration 12:30 with VBS 1:00-4:00 PM, "Illumination Station"

Pinckneyville - August 22, 9AM-4PM, Lunch & Supper provided, "Level Up"

Potter's House - June 15-19, 5:30-8:00 PM, "Illumination Station"

Salem - June 1-5, 5:30-8:30 PM, June 5th family night, "Illumination Station"

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News for Beacon

Please email or call the association office with your church news, Revivals, or VBS date, time and theme. We will list these in the Beacon.

FOR YOU,
O Lord,
YOU ARE OUR
Father
OUR REDEEMER FROM OF OLD IS YOUR NAME
ISAIAH 63:16

Retriever Hunt Test Ministry

Retriever Hunt Test Ministry continues to grow and impact the hunt test sporting world. Praise the Lord! Our current following on Facebook has grown to 3,167 with 72 of those individuals joining last week.

With the purchase of the Retriever Hunt Test Ministry camper and getting it prepared for traveling and attending various events, we are staying busy.

Having used the camper now for 2 events, we are seeing the immediate savings of having it. From the last two events alone, we have saved approximately 640 dollars in motel expenses. The camper is working out great for us (even more than we thought it would) and we are feeling blessed to have it. It looks like we are going to have it paid off quicker than expected because of some recent unexpected donations.

This year we have done test in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi with invitations to come to Georgia, South Carolina and a new club in Missouri.

We attended the HRC International Grand in Kevil, Kentucky, May the 16th through the 20th where approximately 1000 dogs and their owners were seeking to qualify and receive the coveted green ribbon. The RHTM worship service was held in the grass infield under a tent at the West Kentucky WMA at 5AM. It was at this event last fall that a young man, husband and father surrendered his heart and life to Jesus (He and his family were at this year's service).

The HRC Grand hunt test committee invited me to submit an advertisement flyer and merchandise for every handler bag at the event, this was a huge witness to everyone at the event.

Thanks for believing in and supporting this ministry. There is so much more to accomplish!

Tim Burdon, RHTM