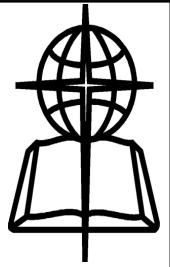




# Ohio River Baptist Beacon



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## **ACP (Annual Church Profile)**

### **Training**

**August 8 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Light meal  
Salem Baptist Church basement**

**(The focus will be on how to submit the ACP online)**

Please RSVP to the office so we can plan for the meal and to provide any additional information. 270.988.2204 or orba@tds.net

## **Executive Board Meeting**

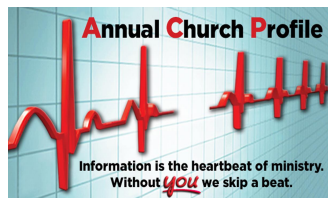
**August 21st – 7:00 p.m.  
Association Office, Salem**

*The WMU Council will be providing the meal at 6:15 p.m.*

***The Personnel Team will have an interim recommendation at this meeting.***

The ACP's (Annual Church Profiles) will be handed out. Please have someone from your church present.

**Your presence is greatly appreciated!**



**The ACP's will be handed out at the August 21st Executive Board Meeting.**

**The KBC would like all churches to complete the Annual Church Profile (ACP) electronically.** If your church chooses to complete the ACP electronically please notify the association office before August 1st so we do not print a profile for your church.

**The Association will continue to have the ACP's (paper form) available for each church.** The ACPs allow us to keep track of the health and history of the local church. It also provides information which allows the association to target what events and resources can better assist our churches.

**The ACP is the only thing required by the association from each church.**

**THE ACP is IMPORTANT– So please complete them and return to the office ASAP.**



**August 22 @ Trace Creek Baptist Church, Mayfield**

**September 12 @ First Baptist Church, Bowling Green**

**5:00-6:30 p.m. Registration/Dinner**

**6:30 Session Begins - 8:40 Dismiss**

Conference Fee \$15 per person with a maximum fee of \$75 per church.

**EQUIP will cover training in each of the following areas:** Children's Ministry, Church Communications, Deacon Ministry, Evangelism, Finance, Men's Discipleship, Missions, Revitalization, Students, Sunday School, WMU, Women's Ministry and Worship and Music.

**Register online** at <https://www.kybaptist.org/equip-2023/>

For more information call 502-489-3571 or email [equip@kybaptist.org](mailto:equip@kybaptist.org).

## Associational Information

### Rodney's Renderings

#### Stay Sharp, Train!

I have worked in many areas over the years, farmer, welder, shop foreman, team leader, missionary, pastor, father, husband, etc. The one thing that these have in common is that it requires one to train in order to be the best they can be in any specific area of work or life. Even today I seek out ways to be trained, or improve. Yes, YouTube can help you in some areas but to truly stay sharp we need to engage in person to person training.

I have always felt blessed to be a Kentucky Baptist because this group works tirelessly to provide training to not only the Associational leader, but also for pastors, Bible Study teachers, treasurers, media teams, VBS, and more. I have grown in my understanding of the church, in leadership skills, evangelism, and more because the KBC through your Cooperative Dollars has provided training in a flexible and often local manner.

**EQUIP** (front page of the Beacon) provides training opportunities so that you as a pastor, church leader, or church member can be better equipped to serve your class, local church, association, and most importantly your God as you help to advance the Kingdom. The opportunities for training exist, do you take advantage of them? Once my sons asked me "Dad how do you know how to do so many things?" My reply was that I had worked with a lot of different people who were good at what they did and I did not hesitate to ask them to teach me. That was true in mechanics, electrical work, parenting, teaching, preaching, mentoring, and more.

You have the opportunity to better serve your church and your Lord by attending an EQUIP event. You can learn from those who are really good at what they do and they are glad for you to ask for help. Then you can take what you learn and perhaps teach others in your church!

*Serving is our call, Obeying is our answer, Cooperating is our Method!*

### FINANCIAL RECEIPTS FOR JUNE FROM THE CHURCHES

<u>Church</u>	<u>Missions</u>
Baker	
Birdsville	60.00
Caldwell Springs	113.80
Calvary	100.00
Carrsville	
Cave Springs	100.00
Central	
Corinth	50.00
Crooked Creek	100.00
Deer Creek	399.45
Dycusburg	200.00
Dyer Hill	110.37
Emmanuel	395.76
Emmaus	
Friendship	200.00
Good Hope	278.70
Grace	
Grand Rivers	250.00
Iuka	134.00
Lake City	917.28
Lola	225.41
Marion Baptist	1,123.24
Marion Second	108.66
Mexico	1,757.70
North Livingston	181.89
Ohio Valley	339.54
Old Salem	261.75
Pinckneyville	
Potter's House	
Repton	100.00
Salem	347.00
Shady Grove	483.18
Smithland First	75.00
Smithland Second	146.52
Sugar Creek	307.55
Sulphur Springs	180.00
Tiline	628.00
Union	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,842.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,516.80</b>



### News From The Pews



**Birdsville** called Chris Damron as their pastor.

**Emmanuel** - VBS August 7-9 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. nightly.

**Lola** will celebrate their 125 anniversary on September 3rd.

**North Livingston** baptized 4 on July 16th.

**Pinckneyville** has called Bro. Chris Lowery as their pastor. He begins August 1st.

**Sugar Creek** - VBS September 15-17, Friday & Saturday 6:00-8:00 p.m., Sunday 4:00-6:00 p.m., Theme: "Fall in love with Jesus".

**Churches without pastors:** Marion Second (Donald Winders: Interim)



We extend our sympathy to the family of Faye Lowrance who passed away on July 12th. Her husband, Fred Lowrance passed away on June 21st.

## Thank You!

- Just a note to thank you for your gifts this year to our Debbie Padgett offering. We have received \$3,727.00.
- Thank you for helping to fill the Ministry Trailer for Eastern Kentucky. There is still room!



## Arizona Christmas Shoe Box Ministry

**This year the plastic shoe box is being provided for you** to fill with your items. This has to do with shipping boxes of uniform size. They are available at the Association Office for pick up. Contact the association and let us know how many shoe boxes you will need. 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.

**We ask you to include a gift of \$4.00 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](http://www.orbassociation.com) or contact the association office. **Deadline** to bring items to the association office is **Friday, November 17th.**



Roger Devine and myself recently returned from working with Disaster Relief teams in Puerto Rico. We specifically trained leaders to train others in chainsaw safety.

Disaster Relief is something that is needed across the Globe and often just down the street. Roger Devine is our Associational DR director and he would love to come share with your church about the need for DR volunteers and how you can engage in this great work. Contact Roger @ 270-252-6229 to schedule him at your church.

## Mission Opportunities

### Week of Prayer for State Missions & Eliza Broadus Offering

September 10-17,  
2023



**The Association WMU** is sponsoring the 2023 Christmas Backpacks again to help minister to the impoverished children of Kentucky.

To register and find more information concerning the backpack program go to: <https://www.kybaptist.org/christmasbackpacks/>

We will collect these at the Annual Meeting on October 23 and the final deadline to get them to the association office is Oct. 27th.

Global Hunger Relief

# Global Hunger Sunday

AUGUST 27, 2023

Join us in feeding the hungry in the United States and across the globe.

GlobalHungerRelief.org

# Ohio River Baptist Association

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## Retriever Hunt Test Ministry

If you follow this ministry closely you know that summertime is the slow time for this ministry and hunt test in general because of the heat and the effect it has on the dogs. Tennessee River HRC (Hunting Retriever Club) held a summer test on July 8, 2023 and started at 5:30 AM to beat the heat. I decided to give it a try, so I left the house at 3 AM and arrived in Halls, Tennessee at 5:15 AM just in time for the start of the test.

The weather was cloudy and breezy until around 10 AM, so the Lord blessed the weather to run the dogs. Looking back, I'm glad I went as I encountered many new people to talk to about this ministry. They were very complimentary, enjoyed receiving the free gifts. Some joined the RHTM Facebook page on the spot as I talked with them. The page has grown to 322 and continues to grow.

Tomorrow, July 25, 2023, RHTM will be going to VBS at Ohio Valley Baptist in Ledbetter to share with the children and adults.

As always, thank you for your faithful support! Please keep this ministry and its growing witness and outreach in your prayers.

Tim Burdon, RHTM

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**6th Send Relief Sunday**  
**8th ACP Training**, 6:00 p.m.  
light meal, Salem Baptist  
**13th SBC Serve Sunday**  
**20th Revive**, 2:30 p.m., Crit-  
tenden County Elementary  
School  
**21st Executive Board Meet-  
ing**, 6:15 meal, 7 p.m. Meet-  
ing, Association Office  
**22nd Equip**, Trace Creek,  
Mayfield  
**27th Global Hunger Sunday**

