



Ohio River Baptist Beacon



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August 2024

Executive Board Meeting

August 19th—7:00 pm @ Association Office

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

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

Your presence is greatly appreciated!



August 20 @ Southside Baptist Church, Princeton

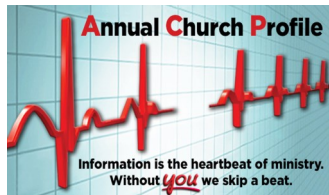
September 10 @ Bellevue Baptist Church, Owensboro

**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-2024/>



The ACP's will be handed out at the August 19th Executive Board Meeting.

The KBC has sent a letter to each church with guidelines to complete the Annual Church Profile (ACP) electronically. If your church chooses to complete the ACP electronically please notify the association office.

The Association will have the ACP's (paper form) available for each church at the Executive Board meeting on August 19th. 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.
Deadline is September 27th.

900 million people face food insecurity. **Together we can make a difference.**



Associational Information

A Word from Bro. Mark

What a privilege and joy it is to be serving as your interim Director of Missions. As all of you know Debbie Padgett is such a blessing to our association. She went far and beyond her own responsibilities over the past several months to fill the void. Since we have no idea how long it will be until we have a new DOM, the search committee along with the personnel committee thought it was time to get an interim. I consider it an honor to be given this opportunity to serve in this position. I look forward to visiting as many of our churches as I am able. I want to be a prayer partner and encourager to our pastors and churches. It's been exciting to hear the news about what God's doing in Vacation Bible School this summer. Also, there are some exciting things happening in our region of the state over the next few months. I encourage our pastors to attend one of the KBC "Lead WKY Pastoral Leadership Workshop" on August 27 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the West Union Baptist Association in Paducah or from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. at the Graves County Baptist Association in Mayfield. This conference will focus on developing leadership skills and how to relate to others.

Another exciting event to "Bring Hope to West Kentucky" is an evangelism crusade on Sunday night, November 10th at the McCracken County Expo Center in Paducah. The music for the crusade will be led by the Jason Lovins Band along with a regional choir. The evangelist will be Ken Freeman. Over the next couple of months, I will be sharing more about this event and how our association can be involved. The Kentucky Baptist Pastors Conference and Annual Meeting will be at First Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky, on November 11 – 12. This is a great opportunity for pastors and churches to attend. It's exciting to have the annual meeting on our end of the state. Please continue to pray for the search committee as we seek God's direction for the future of our association. Also, be in prayer for Roger Devine, Disaster Relief Coordinator, as he goes to Puerto Rico on August 12th.

God's Blessings,

Bro. Mark Gill
270-493-0665

FINANCIAL RECEIPTS FOR JUNE FROM THE CHURCHES

<u>Church</u>	<u>Missions</u>
Birdsville	60.00
Caldwell Springs	100.60
Calvary	100.00
Cave Springs	
Central	
Corinth	50.00
Crooked Creek	
Deer Creek	314.25
Dycusburg	200.00
Dyer Hill	170.00
Emmanuel	395.75
Emmaus	
Friendship	400.00
Good Hope	260.15
Grand Rivers	250.00
Iuka	57.00
Lake City	818.56
Lola	226.11
Marion Baptist	1,123.24
Marion Second	
Mexico	1,867.15
North Livingston	184.88
Ohio Valley	572.94
Old Salem	292.35
Pinckneyville	
Potter's House	
Repton	70.00
Salem	908.46
Shady Grove	492.00
Smithland First	150.00
Smithland Second	
Sugar Creek	314.85
Sulphur Springs	100.00
Tiline	
Union	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,888.25</u>
Total	\$ 11,366.54



News From The Pews



Caldwell Springs VBS average attendance 41 with enrollment of 44.

Central baptized two and started a Youth Sunday School class.

Iuka has called Mitch Coomer as pastor.

Mexico has called Morgan Smith as pastor. First Sunday will be August 18th.

Potter's House had 6 youth saved at Crossings.

Supply list on website: www.orbassociation.com

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-October 352-445-2061

If you know of someone
that would like to be added
or removed from the
supply list please notify
the association office.

Thank You!

Thank you for your gifts this year to our Debbie Padgett offering. We have received \$8,507.00. Praise the Lord!!

Mission Opportunities

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



**September 8-15, 2024
Theme: "The Gospel At Home"
Luke 8:39**



Pastoral Leadership Workshop

August 27

**11:30 am-1:30 pm @ West Union Assoc.
6:00-8:00 pm @ Graves County Assoc.**

August 29

11:30 am-1:30 pm @ Little Bethel Assoc.

Speaker: Dan Summerlin

**Develop the skills to inspire and guide
others.**

For more info: kybaptist.org/leadwky



The Association WMU is sponsoring the 2024 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 21 and the final deadline to get them to the association office is Oct. 25th. (Details were sent to our churches)



Arizona Shoe Box Ministry

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. 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, www.orbassociation.com.

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 or contact the association office.

Deadline to bring items to the association office is Friday, November 15th.

**Kentucky Baptist Convention
Annual Meeting Nov. 12-First Baptist, Paducah
Pastors' Conference Nov. 11-First Baptist,
Paducah**

**Hope for West KY Crusade Nov. 10 @
McCracken County Expo Center
Crossover November 9—Paducah Area**

FREE

The Association has 2 window air conditioners to give away. They worked when they were removed from the building. They are large window units. If interested contact the association office.

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4th Send Relief Sunday
11th SBC Serve Sunday
19th Executive Board Meeting, 7 pm, Meal 6:15 pm,
Association Office (ACP's available)
20th Equip, Southside,
Princeton, 5-8:30 pm
25th Global Hunger Sunday
27th Pastoral Leadership Workshop, 11:30-1:30 pm,
West Union Association;
6-8 pm, Graves Co. Assoc.
29th Pastoral Leadership Workshop, 11:30-1:30 pm,
Little Bethel Association

Churches without pastors:
Caldwell Springs (John East,
Interim), Crooked Creek,
Marion Second (Donald
Winders: Interim)

Retriever Hunt Test Ministry

Well...

The time has come for me to step aside. On July 14th Mexico called their new pastor. We welcome Morgan Smith and his family to our congregation! I am so excited for them and the church. They will be moving in early August and will begin their ministry August 12, 2024.

My last Sunday will be August 11, 2024 (my birthday). I will be in revival August 18-21, 2024. Then, on August 24-25, 2024, I will be in Laverne, Tennessee for my first hunt test of the fall season. After that, I'm looking at another seven test and finishing up previous commitments at the church.

I will be speaking and at the Outdoors Expo in Madisonville at the West Kentucky Archery Complex Saturday, August 3, 2024, at noon.

In my last report I shared how Mississippi Duck Calls wanted to do something to assist this ministry. They donated two calls to be auctioned, with proceeds going to this ministry. Well, they sold for an amazing \$1,100. Thank you, MDC and Praise the Lord!

Please pray for us as we transition to the RHTM and all the ministry opportunities it will provide. Thank you for your support!

Tim Burdon, RHTM