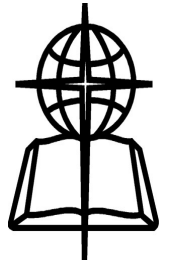




Ohio River Baptist Beacon



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Annual Meeting October 19, 2026

**7:00 p.m. @ Mexico Baptist
Church - Meal at 6:00 p.m.**

Annual Sermon: Rev. Rodney Cude

Each church shall be entitled to two (2) messengers and one authorized messenger for each 50 members or major fraction thereof, but no church shall have more than fifteen (15) messengers. In addition to the above, the pastor and executive board member shall be ex-officio messengers by virtue of their office."

RESOLUTIONS - Please have any proposed resolutions for the annual meeting into the office by September 22nd so the committee will have time to review them prior to printing the packets.

Week of Prayer for State Missions & Eliza Broadus Offering



September 13-20, 2026

**Fill the Gap
Ephesians 4:15-16**

The Eliza Broadus Offering provides funding for ministries like Tim Burdon's Retriever Hunt Test ministries and Chris Clarke's equine Happy Trails ministry. It also supports state missionaries and church plants in Kentucky, and even projects in our association.

For more information go to
<https://www.kywmu.org/ebo>



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 at Mexico Baptist Church. The final **deadline** to get them to the association office is **Friday, October 23rd**.

Deadline for the ACP's (Annual Church Profiles) to be turned into the Association Office is September 25th.

This is the only thing required by the association from each church.

THE ACP is IMPORTANT– So please complete them either online or return hard copy to the association office ASAP. Don't forget to include the associational page.

Kentucky Sent Ones is a weekly focus that provides a connection with and prayer support for missionaries from Kentucky.

For more info go to: <https://www.kybaptist.org/sentones/>

Associational Information

A Word From Bro. Mark

"Who's Your One?" is a simple evangelism strategy that will lead church members to identify at least one person by name who they will begin praying for and looking for opportunities to tell about God's great gift of salvation in Jesus Christ. Within the "Who's Your One?" guidebook there are ideas for a sermon series on the significance of the one. For example, the one lost sheep that was found, the one lost coin that was found, the one lost son that was found; Jesus said in Luke 15: 7.... "there will be more joy in heaven over ONE sinner who repents" and in verse 10.... "there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over ONE sinner who repents". The message of the Great Commission is each one reaching one. The guidebook will help equip people to share their faith by first praying for God to give them a burden for someone that needs Christ; then pray for opportunities to talk to this person about Christ; and finally, pray for God to give them the boldness they need to share their faith as He gives them the opportunity. The guidebook also gives people a simple outline to prepare them for leading someone to Christ. A great tool included in the kit is a "30-day prayer guide" that can be ordered at no cost on the NAMB website. If you have not yet picked up your churches "Who's Your One?" packet that includes the materials you need to implement this strategy in your church, PLEASE let me know and I will get it to you. "Who's Your One?" is a bible-based strategy that will get people excited about reaching people for Christ.

I hope you have already made plans to attend the annual meeting, Monday, October 19th at Mexico Baptist Church. The meal will begin at 6:00pm. Dr. French Harmon, President and CEO of the Kentucky Baptist Foundation, will be our guest speaker. Bro. Rodney Cude will be preaching the annual sermon. Great food – great fellowship – great music and preaching. Don't miss this years annual meeting or you'll miss a great blessing !!

To God be the glory,
Bro. Mark

FINANCIAL RECEIPTS FOR JULY FROM THE CHURCHES

<u>Church</u>	<u>Missions</u>
Birdsville	60.00
Caldwell Springs	137.68
Calvary	100.00
Cave Springs	100.00
Central	
Corinth	50.00
Crooked Creek	300.00
Deer Creek	435.35
Dycusburg	200.00
Dyer Hill	92.10
Emmanuel	1,103.80
Emmaus	
Friendship	400.00
Good Hope	645.15
Grand Rivers	500.00
Iuka	386.00
Lake City	798.98
Lola	193.95
Marion Baptist	1,150.00
Marion Second	50.00
Mexico	1,800.08
North Livingston	188.78
Ohio Valley	452.31
Old Salem	211.51
Pinckneyville	
Potter's House	1,673.97
Repton	90.00
Salem	150.00
Shady Grove	
Smithland First	150.00
Smithland Second	70.20
Sugar Creek	358.05
Sulphur Springs	
Tiline	
Union	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,492.62</u>
Total	\$ 13,340.53



Church News



Friendship recently baptized four people.

Lake City Homecoming will be September 13th.

Lola Homecoming will be September 27th with Living Proof singing at 10 AM followed by preaching and a meal.

Pinckneyville celebrated their 174th Homecoming with Bro. Todd Gray as speaker and special music by the Stone Family. They had one salvation during Homecoming awaiting baptism.

Smithland Second has called Jerrod Quertermous as pastor.

Tiline will have Falling for Jesus on September 26th from 10AM to 2PM. Puppet ministry from Newton Creek Baptist Church. Everyone is invited.



September 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7  Happy Labor Day Assoc. Office Closed	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Week of Prayer for State Missions & Eliza Broadus Offering, September 13-20						
20	21	22	23  See You at the Pole	24	25 Deadline For ACP's (Annual Church Profiles)	26
27 Caring Well Sunday	28	29	30			

Bivocational PASTORS & WIVES

Retreat

BOWLING GREEN

OCTOBER 2 & 3

Retreat registration is free and includes meals, lodging, and conference resources for 60 couples. Registration closes September 15, 2026.

Register at www.kybaptist.org/event/bivocational-pastors-wives-retreat-2/



Arizona Shoe Box Ministry

Please purchase a plastic shoe box and put colored tissue paper inside or wrap the box top and bottom separately like a gift.

Include a gift of \$5.00 to help cover shipping. 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 13th.**

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Mexico Baptist Church
invites you to our
**WOMEN'S
CONFERENCE**
SEPT 12, 2026 | 9AM - 3PM
DOORS OPEN AT 8:30AM
REGISTER NOW!

**Rooted
in the
PROMISE**



COLLOSSIANS 2:6-7



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Pray for our Churches without Pastors:

Caldwell Springs (John East,
Interim), Lake City, Marion
Second (Leroy Driver, Inter-
im), Mexico

Retriever Hunt Test Ministry

With the coming of September, we know Fall is near-
ing. We already have many hunt test in our sights, it
looks like the Fall is shaping up to be a busy one. I'm so
thankful for all the opportunities the Lord is providing
us to establish friendships and build relationships and
be in a better position to minister.

Joyce and I went yesterday, August the 17, 2026, to
pick up another shipment of five-gallon buckets which
continue to be very popular and requested by clubs.
One man said that these buckets are a marketing geni-
us as every bucket scattered throughout the hunt test is
a witness for the retriever hunt test ministry and the
services we provide. Your associational gifts help in
purchasing them. Thank you for giving to this ministry.

I had the opportunity to have a good gospel conversa-
tion with someone that I have been praying for, for a
while and hoping that he can see his lostness. This is a
continuing process as this man is hardened by sin. Join
me in praying for the lost at these events. Ask the lord
to break down barriers and give me opportunities to
share the gospel with them.

I am so excited to share with you that our official web-
site is now up and running. A very special thank you to
my son Jonathan for all his work in building this site
for everyone to use and enjoy. I encourage you to go to
RetrieverHuntTestMinistry.com and see what it's all
about.

Time to pack up and head out for another test,
Tim Burdon, RHTM