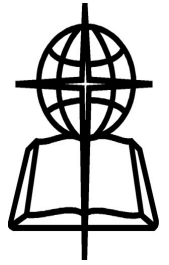




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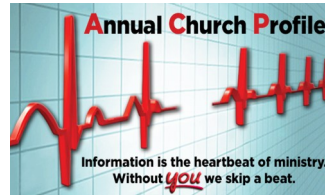
July 2026

PRACTICAL TRAINING FOR KENTUCKY BAPTISTS

EQUIP

August 18 - 1st Baptist, Paducah
Register at kybaptist.org/equip

- CHILDREN
- COMMUNICATIONS
- DEACONS
- EVANGELISM
- FINANCE
- DISCIPLESHIP
- MISSIONS
- REVITALIZATION
- STUDENTS
- SUNDAY SCHOOL
- WMU
- WOMEN
- WORSHIP & MUSIC
- CHILDREN



The ACP's will be handed out at the August 17th Executive Board Meeting.

The ACP's (Annual Church Profiles) paper form will be available for each church at the Executive Board Meeting on August 17th.

You may receive a letter from the KBC encouraging you to complete the ACP (Annual Church Profile) electronically. If your church chooses to complete the ACP electronically, you will still receive an associational page that we would like you to fill out and return to the Association Office.

The ACP's 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 25th.

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/>



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.

ORBA Associational Emphasis

Debbie Padgett Offering

Thank you for supporting the Debbie Padgett Offering for Associational Emphasis. This year it was designated for our Ramp (Wheelchair) Ministry. To date we have received \$4,926.00. Praise the Lord!

Associational Information

A Word From Bro. Mark

I hope you are having a fantastic summer. It has been exciting to hear the good news about children coming to know Jesus Christ through Vacation Bible School and the churches who are growing, baptizing new believers and reaching out into their communities with the gospel.

At the June executive board meeting, I shared about an evangelism strategy the North American Mission Board developed back in 2018, called "Who's Your One?". The purpose of "Who's Your One?" is to lead every member of your church family to identify at least one person by name whom they will begin to pray for and look for opportunities to tell about God's gift of salvation in Jesus Christ. A couple of the things that appealed to me about "Who's Your One?" is that it's simple and easy to use, and it is based upon Scripture. A great tool to help your church family prepare themselves for sharing their faith is a "30-day prayer guide" that you can order from the NAMB website at no cost. The prayer guide uses Scripture to guide you to first pray for God to give you a burden for your one, then it guides you to look for opportunities to tell this person about Christ, and finally, it guides you to pray for the boldness you need to share your faith. If you are looking for a way to get people excited about reaching people for Christ, I believe "Who's Your One?" is a great way to do it. I ordered enough packets for every church in our association. It comes with an implementation guide, a copy of the "30-day prayer guide", posters and book markers to promote it, and some small cards your people can use to share the gospel. I am praying you will seriously consider using "Who's Your One?" in your church. A packet can be picked up at the associational office if you have not received one at an associational meeting.

Kristi Beavers, from Marion Baptist Church, and I are available to come to your church and help your churches tech team. You can call the associational office or Bro. Mark at 270-493-0665 to schedule a time for us to meet with your team at your church.

I hope every pastor and board member will plan to be at the next executive board meeting on Monday, August 17th. The fellowship meal is at 6:15pm and the meeting begins at 7:00pm.

To God be the glory,
Bro. Mark

FINANCIAL RECEIPTS FOR MAY FROM THE CHURCHES

<u>Church</u>	<u>Missions</u>
Birdsville	60.00
Caldwell Springs	133.56
Calvary	100.00
Cave Springs	100.00
Central	
Corinth	100.00
Crooked Creek	
Deer Creek	493.83
Dycusburg	200.00
Dyer Hill	101.43
Emmanuel	483.89
Emmaus	
Friendship	400.00
Good Hope	279.51
Grand Rivers	500.00
Iuka	165.00
Lake City	977.76
Lola	215.10
Marion Baptist	1,150.00
Marion Second	50.00
Mexico	2,095.21
North Livingston	198.52
Ohio Valley	457.83
Old Salem	202.75
Pinckneyville	1,500.00
Potter's House	2,114.18
Repton	
Salem	150.00
Shady Grove	
Smithland First	150.00
Smithland Second	72.12
Sugar Creek	378.00
Sulphur Springs	100.00
Tiline	170.00
Union	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,543.85</u>
Total	\$ 14,642.54



News From The Pews



Dyer Hill will have a 250th America Celebration on July 18th at 5 PM with activities for all ages & a meal will be provided. All are welcome! Then on July 25th at 8 AM they will have a Men's Breakfast. All men and young men are welcome!

Pinckneyville Annual Independence Celebration is July 5th at 6 PM with Cutter & Cash & The Kentucky Grass, Food and Fireworks. Bring your lawn chairs.

Available for Supply: Tommy Dutton 270-349-9727



Pray for our Churches without Pastors:

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

July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Assoc. Office Closed in observance 4th of July	4 
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30	31 Cultivate: Training for Women in Ministry Leadership (Louisville) July 31-August 1	



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Vacation Bible School

Deer Creek
July 12-17, 6-8:30 PM
Supper 5:30
"Emerald Crossing"
Psalm 23

North Livingston
July 20-24, 6-8 PM
"Rainforest Falls"
Fireworks & Free
Community Fish Fry
July 24th

Pinckneyville
August 29, 9AM-4PM
Lunch & Supper
provided, "Level Up"

Please recycle your VBS material and bring it to the association office. It is helpful if you place all your teaching material in a large zip lock storage bag so we can pass them on to other ministries.

Retriever Hunt Test Ministry

Retriever Hunt Test Ministry continues impacting lives even when we're not on the road traveling and testing. Just recently I received on my phone in the messenger app a note to call someone. Upon making the call the individual said, I just wanted you to know you changed my life, your book really spoke to me, he said thank you, of course, we know it wasn't me; it was the Lord! I was just the vessel.

An event that we did while not on the road, was a men's breakfast at Marion Baptist Church, June the 20th, where I spoke about the Retriever Hunt Test Ministry and its mission and brought the message. I had a great time sharing with the men that morning.

It looks like we're going to be starting up a little earlier than normal. We usually don't get on the road until September. It looks like at this point we'll be doing 3 events in August, so the fall is looking very busy. The first event in August we will be just outside of Jonesboro Arkansas at the Arkansas FireWater Retriever Club's summer hunt test. This will be our first time to be in this state for a hunt test.

All the Retriever Hunt Test Ministry buckets have been given away to retriever clubs across various states, and I am now receiving request for more buckets, so it looks like another order is in store. We are currently waiting on another order of lab stuffies, as they too have been very popular.

Thank you for your prayers and continued financial support.

Tim Burdon, RHTM