

Blood River Baptist Association
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Newsletter deadline for November 2023 is October 20th
EMAIL US AT:
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Remember to limit your words to 175 & have your information in by the 20th of each month.

Churches Currently without Pastors

Elva	New Providence
New Bethel	Oak Grove
New Mt. Carmel	Old Salem Road

Mark's Memo:

One of the things I like about being a Southern Baptist is our cooperation. Yes, each church is autonomous, but we agree to cooperate and work together with other churches in our local association, state convention, and the SBC for the good of the Kingdom of God.

Our Blood River Baptist Association churches have an opportunity October 15-16, 2023, to not only cooperate with one another by participating in our On Mission Celebration, they will have the opportunity to worship together and hear what God is doing through Missionaries our cooperative program dollars support. **Calloway County Churches** are asked to transfer their evening services on Sunday, October 15, to **Northside Baptist Church** from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. While **Marshall County Churches** will be meeting at **Briensburg Baptist Church** from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 15.

The speakers at Northside on Sunday, October 15, 2023, will be Dr. Eric Gibbs, of LiveLove Ministries in Arizona, and Bro. Harrell Riley, KBC Missionary and founder of HR Ministries, Princeton, KY. While the speakers at Briensburg on Sunday, October 15, 2023, will be Bro. Edwin Pacheco, a Church Planter in New York City, and Dr. Nik Ripen, IMB retired.

PLEASE DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY to hear what God is doing and how you and your church might partner with these missionaries to help them reach people for Jesus Christ.

Serving Him Together,
 Bro. Mark E. Sickling

October Birthdays

- 5th Sara Bratcher, Altona
- 5th Joel Frizzell, New Mt. Carmel
- 5th Kim Reeder, Grace
- 9th Karen Kuykendall, West Fork
- 11th Kattie Penick, New Harmony
- 12th Jonathan Clark, BSU Director
- 25th Duane Holland, Holly Hills
- 27th Martin Severns, Memorial
- 31st Jennifer Reeder, Grace

Happy Wedding Anniversary

- 10th Damian & Hermelina Alvarez, El Manantial

Church Anniversary

- First Sunday**
Charles LaChance, Bethel (2014)
Ronnie Burkeen, Cherry Corner (2021)
- Third Sunday**
Shawn Hanes, Kirksey (2021)
- Fourth Sunday**
Brett Miles, Northside (1996)

prayer requests

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| Our Leaders | Sister Churches | Our Youth |
| Our Country | Our Schools | The Sick |
| The Lost | Each Other | Missionaries |
| Our Pastors | Our Teachers | |



ESL Workshop
Saturday, October 14, 2023
8:30 am - 4:30 pm
 Graves Co Baptist Association,
 1400 KY Hwy 303, Mayfield, KY
The cost is \$15 per person
 and includes all materials, meals and breaks.
To register – call 270-247-7947 or email gravesbaptist@bellsouth.net
 Participants will be equipped to use English as a Second Language as a ministry tool in their local church.



Bags of Hope Pantry list for OCTOBER

- Altona--ravioli & oats
- Bethel--spam & spaghetti sauce (no glass jars)
- Bethlehem--instant potatoes & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Briensburg--Manwich/sloppy joe sauce & saltine crackers
- Cherry Corner--ravioli & canned white beans
- Elva--saltine crackers & canned white beans
- Flint--canned pinto beans & vienna sausage
- Gilbertsville--spam & mixed vegetables
- Grace--oats & ravioli
- Hamlet-- oats & vienna sausage
- Hazel--cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Holly Hills--saltine crackers & instant potatoes
- Kirksey--black eyed peas & saltine crackers
- Lakeview--saltine crackers & black eyed peas
- Ledbetter--ravioli & canned potatoes
- Locust Grove--Manwich/sloppy joe sauce & saltine crackers
- Memorial--canned tomatoes & bars of soap
- New Bethel--spam & canned potatoes
- New Harmony--instant potatoes & vienna sausage
- New Zion--spam & mixed vegetables
- Northside--cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Oak Grove--canned red beans & spaghetti noodles
- Olive--mixed vegetables & dry great northern white beans
- Owens Chapel--instant potatoes & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Pleasant Hope--saltine crackers & canned white northern beans
- Salem--ravioli & bars of soap
- Sinking Springs-- spaghetti sauce (no glass jars) & mixed vegetables
- Spring Creek-- ravioli & canned potatoes
- Sugar Creek-- oats & mixed vegetables
- Union Ridge--oats & mixed vegetables
- West Fork--canned tomatoes & canned white northern beans

Bags of Hope Ministry

In August we were able to help **275** people, **38** of those were new. We gave out **3,101** food items, **52** bread, and **136** personal hygiene items. Praise the Lord we had 1 salvation this month.

Thank you for your continued support for this ministry, without your support we could not do this ministry.

Remember the volunteers in prayer.

Thank you and God Bless.

Bags of Hope

Hours for Food & Clothing: Monday & Thursday 2-5 pm
 Food donations can still be donated at the Association Office
 Monday- Thursday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm if more convenient.
 Phone: 270-252-9266

Attention - Attention

Anyone wishing to submit a resolution to be considered by the Resolutions Committee for the 2023 Annual Meeting of Blood River Baptist Association needs to submit the resolution in writing to the office at P.O. Box 18, Hardin, KY 42048 or via email to director@bloodriverassoc.org by **Monday, October 2, 2023.**



Blood River Review

OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER OF BLOOD RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendars



October, 2023

6th	8:30 a.m.	Pastor's Prayer Time @ BRBA Office
8th		Pastor Appreciation Day
9th		Columbus Day
11th	1:00 p.m.	Budget/Finance Committee mtg @ BRBA Office
13th	8:30 a.m.	Pastor's Prayer Time @ BRBA Office
15th-21st		Week of Prayer - Baptist Assoc/William Skinner
15th	5:00 p.m.	OMC @ Briensburg Baptist
15th	5:00 p.m.	OMC @ Northside Baptist
16th	3:00 p.m.	Annual Mtg (Session #1) @ Briensburg Baptist
16th	5:30 p.m.	Annual Mtg (Session #2) @ Briensburg Baptist
20th	8:30 a.m.	Pastor's Prayer Time @ BRBA Office
23rd	10:00 a.m.	WMU Quarterly Mtg @ BRBA Office
27th	8:30 a.m.	Pastor's Prayer Time @ BRBA Office
29th		Freeda Harris Toys due at churches

November, 2023 (mark your calendar)

1st		Freeda Harris Toys due @ BRBA Office
2nd	9:00 a.m.	Pack Toys for Freeda Harris @ BRBA Office
3rd	8:30 a.m.	Pastor's Prayer Time @ BRBA Office
5th		Fall Back - Turn Clocks Back 1 Hour
7th		Election Day - Office Closed
8th	1:00 p.m.	Budget/Finance Committee mtg @ BRBA Office
10th	8:30 a.m.	Pastor's Prayer Time @ BRBA Office
11th		Veteran's Day
12th		Orphan/Widows Sunday
13th		Pastor's Conference in Somerset
14th		KBC Annual Meeting in Somerset
15th	12:00 noon	Pastor's Luncheon @ Pagliai's Pizza in Murray
17th	8:30 a.m.	Pastor's Prayer Time @ BRBA Office
23rd		Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed
24th		Thanksgiving Holiday - Office Closed



October Pastor's Prayer Times

6th	8:30 a.m.	BRBA Office
13th	8:30 a.m.	BRBA Office
20th	8:30 a.m.	BRBA Office
27th	8:30 a.m.	BRBA Office

Freeda Harris Toy Drive 2023



August 1 - October 29

New toys - for boys/girls

6 months - 16 yrs old

DO NOT WRAP

Toys due at churches - October 29

Toys due to BRBA - November 1


Toys to be packed @ BRBA office November 2

@ 9:00 a.m.

NEED WRAPPING PAPER/TAPE

18 x 16 x 18 Medium moving boxes





On Mission Celebration

October 15 -16, 2023
 Sunday - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Briensburg Baptist and Northside Baptist)
 Monday - 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Briensburg Baptist)

Be inspired by missionary testimonies from Dr. Eric Gibbs and Dr. Nik Ripken. Learn how you & your church can partner with missionaries and enjoy a time of worship with other followers of Christ.



Annual Meeting
 October 16 @ 3:00 and 5:30 p.m.
 Briensburg Baptist Church
 892 Briensburg Road
 Benton KY



Pastor Appreciation

Sunday, October 8th

HAZEL:

God is still blessing His church with additions!!! We welcome to our church family by baptism: Eli and Skylar Farris, Tyler and Ellie Coursey, Sophie St. Peters, Payton McGehee and Chloe Green plus we have had additions by letter: Larry and Diana Hale, Rhonda Frederick and Shaye Coursey. GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME AND ALL THE TIME GOD IS GOOD!! This has become our motto at HBC. On August 27, 2023, our church had the privilege to license into the gospel ministry Bro. Corey Knight. Upcoming events are the Hazel Day parade, and we will have a float in the parade defending our title of first place. Prayers and blessings on every sister church.

NEW BETHEL:

On Sunday September 3rd and Sunday September 10th, we heard trial sermons from a prospective Pastor, and also a Meet and Greet Fellowship Meal to get acquainted with the Pastor on September 3rd. On Sunday September 17th, there was a church vote on whether to call this Pastor to lead New Bethel, but he didn't get the required percentage of votes, so our Pastor Search Committee is continuing the search for the pastor that God has for us. On Tuesday September 5th, our Young at Heart Seniors had their Annual Summer Picnic at Mike Miller Park. Our ladies have started a new Bible Study, "Armor of God" by Priscilla Shirer, on Tuesday nights. I hope that everyone remembered 9-11 and what happened that day in their prayers. The Freeda Harris Toy Drive is ongoing until October 1st, and the Samaritans Purse Shoe Box Ministry is set to begin on October 1st. Brother Kevin Royalty has been bringing the messages that God has laid on his heart and also Bible Studies on Sunday and Wednesday nights.

"For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding." Psalm 47:7

SALEM:

Bro. Frankie and Kristina were blessed with a new granddaughter in September! Congratulations to Kyle and Shania! We had Friends & Family Day on the 17th. After a message from Bro. Frankie, we had an Italian-themed potluck meal, and birthday cake with Kristina. Her birthday was September 12. The food and fellowship were exceptional! We are looking forward to our Fall Jubilee during the week of October 8. Bro. Daniel McKinney will be our Evangelist Sunday morning through Thursday night. KT&T will bring special music on Sunday night before Bro. Daniel brings his message. We pray you will join us that week and be blessed. We will have special music each night. We are planning a Trunk or Treat on October 28 to include a chili supper. The young folks are excited!

"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."
Philippians 1:6 KJV

Fall Word Search

C U W V B F K S Q S W H A R V E S T H G
 O Y S M A N T A T O U U O G K R P M L E
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CORN	THANKSGIVING	PUMPKIN
AUTUMN	HARVEST	FOOTBALL
BONFIRE	LEAVES	SWEATER
BOOTS	CARNIVAL	NOVEMBER
OCTOBER	APPLES	SEPTEMBER
RAKE	APPLE CIDER	SUNFLOWER



****Test your knowledge:****

- Isaac was Abraham's first son.
True or False
- Saul was Israel's first king.
True or False
- John the Baptist baptized Jesus.
True or False
- The New Testament consists of twenty-nine books.
True or False
- Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery.
True or False
- David was famous for slaying the giant Samson.
True or False

Answers: 1. False; 2. True; 3. True; 4. False; 5. True; 6. False



WMU Quarterly Meeting
 October 23rd @ 10:00 a.m.
 BRBA Office

October 15-21, 2023 Week of Prayer for Baptist Association & William Skinner Offering

Any donations given to the William Skinner offering during this week of prayer will be placed in the fund to purchase a new van for the associational churches to use.
 Thank you.



Fall FOR Jesus LEAVES