

Blood River Baptist Association
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**Blood River Baptist Association
 Board Meeting:**

**Sugar Creek Baptist Church
 1888 Faxon Road
 Murray KY 42071
 August 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**

Mark's Memos:

I want to express my appreciation to Bro. Scott Penick and Bro. Joe Day for their help in installing the shelving into our new block party trailer and transferring the bounce houses, etc. from the old block party trailer to the new one. This was not a one-person job, so, without their help it would not have gotten done.

Northside Baptist Church used the Block Party trailer this past weekend, and Altona is scheduled to use it this coming weekend. So, I am glad to see it being used. If your church would like to borrow it, simply call our offices at 270-437-4203 and tell Terry when you would like to borrow it. She will then let you know if it is available, how to pick it up, etc.

We hosted a Reset Evangelism Training here at the office on July 19. I appreciate Dr. Rob Patterson and his team coming to BRBA to share this information with our area pastors and evangelism leaders. I appreciate our Administrative Assistant, Terry Laster, and her daughter, Dana for catering and serving the meal. It was great!

I do want to let you know of a couple of great opportunities that are available to people in our association. On August 6-7, Altona Baptist Church is hosting a marriage enrichment weekend. For more information, contact Altona Baptist Church. Also, the KBC will be having its annual Equip Conferences across the state during the months of August and September. The nearest Equip Training for us will be held at Trace Creek Baptist Church in Mayfield, on August 16, from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. You can register for this event online at www.kybaptist.org/equip.

Blood River Baptist Association extends a hearty welcome to Bro. Frankie McKinney and Kristina, as Bro. Frankie begins serving as the new pastor of Salem Baptist Church in Murray. An ordination service will be held at Pryorsburg Baptist Church at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 1, 2021, for Bro. Frankie. All ordained pastors are invited to attend.

Serving Him Together,
 Bro. Mark Sickling



Newsletter deadline for September is

August 20, 2021
EMAIL US AT:
bloodriver@bloodriverassoc.org
 Remember to limit your words to 175 & have your information in by the 20th of each month.

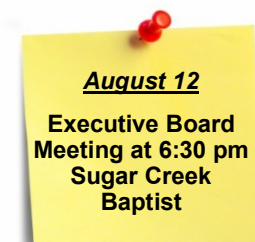
Bags of Hope Pantry list for August

- Altona-- chicken-n-dumplings & carrots
- Bethel-- chili & butter beans
- Bethlehem-- chicken-n-dumplings & green beans
- Briensburg-- spam & green beans
- Cherry Corner-- spam & green beans
- Elva-- beef stew & canned potatoes
- Flint-- instant potatoes & mixed vegetables
- Gilbertsville-- pancake mix & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Grace-- peanut butter & jelly
- Hamlet-- pancake mix & green beans
- Hazel-- cereal & bars of soap
- Holly Hills-- spam & saltine crackers
- Kirksey-- canned fruit & butter beans
- Lakeview-- pork-n-beans & individual pack chips for kids
- Locust Grove-- beef stew & canned potatoes
- Memorial--peanut butter & jelly
- New Bethel-- canned fruit & pork-n-beans
- New Harmony-- ravioli & saltine crackers
- New Zion-- canned fruit & chili
- Northside-- beef stew & mixed vegetables
- Oak Grove-- beef stew & carrots
- Olive-- pancake syrup & individual pack chips for kids
- Owens Chapel-- spam & saltine crackers
- Pleasant Hope-- pancake mix & saltine crackers
- Salem - beef stew & carrots
- Sinking Springs--hamburger helper & green beans
- Spring Creek--hamburger helper & jelly
- Sugar Creek-- cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Union ridge-- chicken-n-dumplings & bars of soap
- West Fork-- pancake mix & butter beans



LOVE PACKAGES

Heartland Ministries Radio is happy to accept used Bibles and Sunday School literature at their studios at 219 College Street in Hardin. Their partnership with Love Packages, a collector & distributor of donated Christian literature will help get those items into the hands of others who are in need. Please call Heartland Ministries at 270-437-4095 to schedule a drop-off date/time of your Christian literature, or drop it off at our office and we will take it for you.



**UPCOMING
 Events**

August 2021

6th		Deadline for Scholarship Applications
10th	5:00 pm	Scholarship Committee Meeting at BRBA
11th	1:00 pm	Budget/Finance Committee Meeting at BRBA
12th	6:30 pm	Executive Board Meeting at Sugar Creek BC
22nd		Disaster Relief Appreciation Day
28th	8:00 am	RA Car Race, Memorial BC

Coming September 2021-Mark your calendar

5th		Single Adult Sunday
6th		Labor Day (Office Closed)
8th	1:00 pm	Budget/Finance Committee Meeting at BRBA
9th	6:30 pm	Executive Board Meeting at Lakeview BC
10th	4:00 pm	Senior Adult Rally at Northside BC
12th		Baptism Day
12th-19th		Emphasis on Eliza Broadus Offering
13th		<u>ALL ACP'S DUE TO BRBA OFFICE</u>
19th		Anti-Gambling Sunday
22nd		Welcome Fall !!!!!

CHURCH ACP'S

Will be available at the August Board Meeting. Those not picked up will be mailed the following day. ALL churches are asked to complete and return to the BRBA no later than September 13th.

KBC 2021 EQUIP TOUR

August 16th - Mayfield
 September 7th - Madisonville
 Training for staff, leaders, volunteers to serve their churches in Evangelism, Social Media, Finance and much more.
 Visit www.kybaptist.org/equip for more information and to register.

Blood River Review

AUGUST 2021 NEWSLETTER OF BLOOD RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Birthdays

- 2nd Roger Rice, Elva
- 4th Chrystie Chapman, Scott's Grove
- 6th Brandon Bramlett, Locust Grove
- 6th Mike Rhodes, Oak Grove
- 22nd Ginger Severns, Memorial
- 29th Randy Kuykendall, West Fork
- 31st Philip Bazzell, Sugar Creek

Wedding Anniversaries

- 2nd Brad & Robin Walker, Briensburg
- 3rd Mike & Charlotte Rhodes, Oak Grove
- 4th Roger & Janice Rice, Elva
- 9th Larry & Ann Salmon, Coldwater
- 11th Joseph & Melanie Day, Altona
- 13th Jonathan & Erin Clark, BSU Director
- 23rd Doug & Sarah Sanders, Bethlehem
- 29th George & Joan Culp, Jr., Pleasant Valley

Church Anniversaries

- 1st Sunday
Mark Sickling, BRBA (2017)
- 2nd Sunday
Terry Josleyn, Ferguson Springs (2020)
Todd Dotson, Olive (2013)
Mike Farmer, Vanzora (2016)
- 5th Sunday
Duane Holland, Holly Hills (2010)

Freeda Harris Toy Drive 2021

August 1 - October 31
New Toys: \$10-\$12 for boys/girls - 6 months -16 years
DO NOT WRAP
Toys due at churches - October 31
Toys due to BRBA - Nov. 3
Toys to be packed - Nov. 4
Wrapping paper/supplies accepted
NEEDED: 18X16X18 medium moving boxes



UNBROKEN

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

August 6th - 6-9 pm
August 7th - 8:15 am - 9 pm
All meals/snacks provided
Childcare Available
Altona Baptist Church
5827 US Hwy 62
Calvert City KY

7 classes to choose from

- * Parenting
- * 5 Love Languages
- * Love & Respect
- * Intimacy
- * Giving Grace & more...

REGISTER online by July 31st @ altonabaptist.org

RA Car Race

Saturday, August 28th
8 am check-in
Donuts, coffee, juice & milk prior to race
9 am - noon Racecar Race/Awards
Grades 1st - 6th at
Memorial Baptist Church
905 Main Street
Murray KY 42071
Please RSVP by August 14th to
Memorial at 270-753-3182 or BRBA 270-437-4203.



August 6
Deadline for
Scholarship Applications

News from Bags of Hope

In June we were able to help 71 families, 12 of them were new. We gave out 1,987 food items, 305 bread, and 70 personal hygiene items.

We want to thank you for your continued support for this ministry.

Remember the volunteers in prayer.

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- Friday 9am - 4pm if more convenient.
Phone: 270-252-9266

NEW BETHEL:

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. (Proverbs 3:5)

Here at New Bethel, attendance has picked up with CDC Covid restrictions being eased, but all our services except Sunday School are still currently being broadcast on Facebook. Also, we are now providing nursery during the worship service. Our Pastor Search Committee has been busy and it looks like they may have found the Pastor that the Lord has picked out to lead New Bethel-more news on that in the very near future. In the meantime, Bro. Royce is bringing God's word and we are studying Psalms and have a study on "Problems". On Sunday June 27th while the regular evening service was going on, we had a "Fun Night for the Kids" afterwards we had a light meal for everyone. Sunday, July 4th we celebrated Independence Day for the greatest country God created. Our folks donated a lot of items for the Moses Basket Project, which supports families who foster western Kentucky children.

SALEM:

We are so blessed at Salem to tell you the Lord has sent Bro. Frankie McKinney to be our Pastor. Bro. Frankie and wife, Kristina, started their ministry on Sunday, July 18th. Our Pastor Search Committee has worked diligently to help find a pastor. We also are thankful for Bro. George McAlpin and his wife, Diane, for ministering to us while we were searching for a pastor. On the 4th of July the church was decorated with flags and patriot flowers, and we enjoyed our favorite patriotic songs. We continue to pray for our loved ones who have been in the hospital, who have lost loved ones, and who are facing surgeries. Our one day Vacation Bible School is scheduled for August 7 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, with food and fun into the afternoon. We invite ages 4 through middle school. We are praying lots of children will come and have a great time. God is so good to us.

HAZEL:

Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. (Romans 15:13)

Hazel is staying busy praying and believing that God will pull our country and community through this second surge of Covid. We are planning for the Chuck Wagon Gang to be at Hazel on July 30th at 7:00 pm then Saturday, July 31st, HBC presents our Community Carnival from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. There will be food, fun, fellowship, games and school supplies. Everyone is invited.

SUGAR CREEK:

If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth; that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 4:11)

We are thankful for a God we can lean on during the tough times and good times. We are so excited this summer to have our Vacation Bible School, it is a one day carnival event, Saturday July 31st. All kids and families are welcome from 2:00-5:00 pm. We will eat after the activities, we would love to have you join us! We have started our Sunday school classes beginning at 8:45 Sunday mornings, and have classes for all ages. Mark your calendar for September 9th-11th for our Fall Revival, we will announce our speakers soon. We have many exciting things to look forward to.

SPRING CREEK:

God has bless Spring Creek. We already had two baptisms this year and have two more to be done. Normally, we have only two per year. We have resumed Sunday School with a larger attendance than before. We have been unable to start evening worship due to a work conflict with Bro. John, however we hope to get started in August. We are thankful for all of God's blessings.

NEW HARMONY:

New Harmony will be having revival services the week of August 22nd. Bro. Brandon Bramlett from Locust Grove will be the evangelist for the week. Services will begin on Sunday morning, August 22nd with a singing by the Liberty Boys at 10:00 am followed by preaching at 11:00 am. The nightly services will be at 6:30 pm, with the last night, Sunday August 29th service at 6:00 pm. Yours in the Lord's Service, Bro. Scott Penick



A big thanks to all the churches who made casseroles for the Marshall County summer meal program. We delivered 110 casseroles to the Family Resource Center in July! Everyone responded to this with great enthusiasm and many families were blessed.

Thank you, Dee King, WMU Director

Remember in Prayer:

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

CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS

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| New Bethel | Oak Grove | Kirksey |
| New Mt. Carmel | Cherry Corner | |
| Elva | Ledbetter | |