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Newsletter deadline for June 2022 is

## May 20th

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

## Mark's Memo:

In a recent conversation I had with a representative of the KBC I learned that Blood River Baptist Association is #1 in the state in connectivity to the KBC. Meaning that Blood River Baptist Association churches have the highest percentage of churches in the state who turn in their ACP's; Contribute to the Cooperative Program; and attend regional or state training events.

Brothers and sisters, I am grateful for this distinction and honor, but I know it has little to do with me or my leadership, and more about our pastors and churches willingness and desire to cooperate and partner with one another and our Kentucky Baptist Convention. It is certainly true we can accomplish more together than we can separately. KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK!

At latest check we have about a dozen people signed up to participate in the May 2, Reset Evangelism training that will be held here at BRBA from Noon to 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided, but you must register <a href="https://www.kvbaptist.org/reset/">https://www.kvbaptist.org/reset/</a>. I hope many of you will take advantage of this opportunity for fellowship and instruction.

I heard some great attendance reports from our pastors and churches after Easter Sunday. We celebrate with our pastors and churches for those who are returning to church and encourage everyone to continue sharing the gospel in word and deed with those God brings across our path each week.

Serving Him Together,

Bro. Mark Sickling

## Remember:

**Budget/Finance Committee Meeting** May 11th @ 1:00 p.m. @ BRBA Office



## May 30th

Please remember those veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.



11th Hailey Roach, Hazel

22nd Scott Penick, New Harmony

23rd Ann Salmon, Coldwater Royce Dukes, New Bethel

25th Mae Cope, Flint

Damian Alverez, El Manantial

Happy Wedding anniversary

Dale & Bernice Taylor, New Zion

24th Glenn & Mae Cope, Flint

Brandon & Heaven Shropshire, Ledbetter



1st Sunday Chris Moore, Sharpe (2008)

## Anna First Baptist Church in Anna, IL

is actively seeking a pastor to provide spiritual, administrative and visionary leadership to their church which has served God in southern Illinois for 162 years. Preferred candidate should have a Bachelor's degree and possess a minimum of five years of pastoral or professional ministry experience. He should exhibit strong preaching, teaching and managerial skills and have an open and engaging personality. Duties would include biblical counseling for the congregation, visitation and community outreach and involvement to help their church grow. Candidate should have a clear testimony of faith in Jesus Christ with no Calvinist beliefs. A personal, challenging, and Scripturefilled preaching style is ideal. Please send resumes to: pastorsearchanna3@gmail.com or 409 Morgan St, Anna IL 62906

## **New Harmony's VBS**



May 22 4:00-8:30 p.m. May 23-26 6:00-8:30 p.m. with program and a meal on May 26. For more info call 270-527-3811.



## Minister of Music & Youth Leader Altona Baptist Church, Calvert City KY

If interested and for more information contact Victor Waldrop at vwaldrop@gmail.com

## Bags of Hope Pantry list for MAY

Altona--saltine crackers & jelly

Bethel--cornmeal & indiv pudding cups for kids

Bethlehem--beef tamales & saltine crackers

Briensburg--tuna helper & butter beans

Cherry Corner--pork-n-beans & shampoo

Elva--dry red beans & jiffy corn muffin mix Flint--spaghetti sauce (no glass jars please) & pork-n-beans

Gilbertsville--black-eyed peas & shampoo

Grace--canned tomatoes & tea bags

Hamlet--flour & shampoo

Hazel--dry red beans & shampoo

Holly Hills--pancake syrup & saltine crackers

Kirksey--pancake mix & jiffy corn muffin mix

Lakeview--canned tomatoes & saltine crackers

Locust Grove--corn meal & spaghetti sauce (no glass jars please)

Memorial--pancake mix & black-eyed peas

New Bethel--chicken-n-dumplings & jiffy corn muffin mix

New Harmony--pancake syrup & indiv pudding cups for kids

New Zion--flour & shampoo

Northside--pancake syrup & butter beans

Oak Grove--beef tamales & tea bags

Olive--chicken-n-dumplings & shampoo

Owens Chapel-- corn meal & beef tamales

Pleasant Hope--pancake syrup & indiv wrapped chips for kids Salem--pancake mix & jiffy corn muffin mis

sinking Springs--flour & indiv pudding cups for kids

Spring Creek--pork-n-beans & indiv wrapped cookies for kids

Sugar Creek-- tuna helper & black-eyed peas

Union ridge--corn meal & saltine crackers

West Fork-- sugar & shampoo

## Bags of Hope Ministry

In March we were able to help 247 people, 50 of those were new. We gave out 5,241 food items, 257 bread, and 213 personal hygiene items. We shared the gospel with 22 people.

## We had 2 people come to know Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

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.



## MAY 2022 NEWSLETTER OF BLOOD RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

May 2022

# **Blood River Review**

8:00 a.m.



Wishing all Mom's a wonderful Mother's Day!!

May 2, 2022 at Blood River Baptist Association Office

Reset Evangelism Training

Light lunch will be served.

You must register in order to attend at www.kybaptist.org/reset/



There is a large supply of choir material available at the BRBA office. Some for Easter, Christmas, and much more. Anyone is welcome to come borrow or take this material. Any questions contact the office at 270-437-4203

## Greetings to everyone

The month of April was an exciting one for the RA Boys. We had our 1st Annual Basketball Tournament, held at Briensburg Baptist Church on April 23rd. We had two churches participate in the Tournament. Memorial Baptist Church Murray, KY and Briensburg Baptist Church of Briensburg KY.

There were approximately 8-10 boys from each church that participated. We hope to have more churches involved next year. The boys had a great time playing basketball against each other. Bro. Brad Walker, Pastor of Briensburg Baptist, shared a devotion at halftime.

Awards were given to each team at the end of the games. Great time had by all.

We would like to say THANK YOU to Briensburg Baptist Church for hosting this event. I would like to also say THANK YOU to the Association Office Staff for their support.

Hope to see more churches next year.

In CHRIST, Tim Williams RA Brotherhood Director



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1 <sup>st</sup>	4:30 p.m.	First Place Spring/Summer Orientation @ Memorial	
1 <sup>st</sup>		Senior Adult Sunday	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:00 p.m.	First Place Spring/Summer Orientation @ BRBA	
	12:00 noon	Reset Conference @ BRBA	
l		(must register @ kybaptist.org/reset)	
5 <sup>th</sup>		National Day of Prayer	
8th - 14th		Christian Home Week	
8 <sup>th</sup>		Mother's Day	
11 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 p.m.	Budget/Finance Committee Mtg. @ BRBA	
15 <sup>th</sup>	4:15 p.m.	First Place meets weekly thru 7/31/22 @ Memorial	
16th	5:00 p.m.	First Place meets weekly thru 8/1/22 @ Memorial	
21st		Armed Forces Day	
22 <sup>nd</sup>		Children's Ministry Sunday	
22 <sup>nd-</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup>	n	New Harmony Baptist VBS	
26th-28th	1	BRBA Jerusalem Project	
$30^{\text{th}}$		Memorial Day (Office Closed)	

## June 2022 - Mark vour calendars for these upcoming events

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5th	Disaster Relief Sunday
5th	Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church
14th	Flay Day
14th-15th	Southern Baptist Convention - Anaheim CA
19th	Baptist Men's Day
19th	Father's Day
21st	First Day of Summer
26th	Mission Dignity Sunday

## Come Arvay

Men's Golf Tournament - Ky Dam Village

Let's go off by ourselves to a quiet place

and rest awhile." Mark 6:31

We would like to invite you, your ministry staff, and spouses to a night to

Come Away and be blessed.

Join us for dinner, encouragement from KYDR director, Ron Crow, and a worship experience led by Charles Billingsley.

May 17, 2022 @ Kentucky Dam - 6-9 p.m.

Free Admission MUST RSVP:

https://kbcmmt.regfox.com/come-away

**Reservations Only** 

## **BRIENSBURG:**

Greetings from Briensburg Baptist Church. The month of May brings our Spring Semester or ministry to a close and begins our Summer outreach events. As our kids wrap up their school year our TeamKid ministry will be presenting a Spring Musical on Wednesday, May 4th at 7pm. We will be celebrating Mothers and all of our ladies and their ministries at Briensburg on May 8th. Our graduates will be honored on May 15th during the morning service. Again, this year Bro. Rockne has an exciting Summer planned for our kids with Children's Summer Activities starting May 25th. As we stated last month, we continue to work on projects to get our sister churches and neighbors back into their buildings and homes and this work continues into the Summer. We appreciate all of you and the work you are doing in your efforts to reach and care for your neighbors. Blessings in Christ as we minister together.

## HAZEL:

Welcome to Lacy Fieldson, Patricia Moneymaker, D. J. Huffine and Kala Phillips who have accepted Christ as their personal Savior and united in Believer's Baptism with HBC. We know you both will be a blessing to our church. April 24-27, 2022 we will be having Bro. Kara Blackard as the evangelist for our revival. Services will be Sunday morning at 10:30 am, Sunday evening at 6:00 pm and Monday through Wednesday at 7:00 pm. We invite each and everyone to come and hear Bro. Blackard bring God's Word to our church and community. On May 1st, Wilburn and Wilburn will be with us during the morning service. We would invite all to come and hear them present the message of Christ through music and also to hear Pastor Jordan Roach bring God's Word. On May 15th we will be having Friends and Family Day and invite all friends and family of HBC come and be our guest. God bless you all!

## **NEW BETHEL:**

We had our annual New Bethel Easter Egg Hunt here on the church grounds on Saturday April 16th, with a good turnout of kids and adults and lots and lots of candy filled eggs. There was pizza, snacks and drinks for everyone and a lot of fun, leading up to Easter Sunday on April 17th. Brother Royce had a great message on Easter Sunday and we all celebrated the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus. He is Risen!! Our church attendance is picking up and our Sunday School classes and Youth Group are also-praise the Lord for answered prayers! Please keep our school kids and their teachers and everyone involved with our school system in your prayers as the Pandemic seriously affected learning and teaching for the past 2 years. Also, keep our Pastor, Brother Royce in your prayers.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3

## **Churches without Pastors**

Altona New Mt. Carmel Elva Pleasant Hope Oak Grove Pleasant Valley

## Remember in Prayer:

Our Leaders Sister Churches
Our Country Our Schools
The Lost Each Other
Our Pastors Our Teachers

Our Youth
The Sick
Missionaries
Ukraine

## SALEM:

The month of April has been busy and filled with blessings. Bro. Frankie and Kristina took a group of us to see The Promise at Trace Creek in Mayfield. We enjoyed an amazing performance which brought the life of Jesus and the Resurrection even closer to our hearts. Such a mixture of emotions we all shared as the performance was brought to life. It was the first time for some of us to see The Promise, and we intend to see it again next year. We enjoyed a pancake breakfast on the 16th followed by an Easter egg hunt. The children had a great time with games and a bouncy house. Several won prizes from the egg hunt. We enjoyed fellowshipping with new folks from the Lynn Grove area. Bro. Frankie preached a wonderful Resurrection message on Easter Sunday. Seeds were planted, and we pray for those making decisions about their salvation. Vacation Bible School has been scheduled for June 5 through 9, and our spring Revival will be June 27 through July 1. God is so good to us.

## SUGAR CREEK:

We have had a busy month of April, and it has been wonderful. God has blessed us in many ways at Sugar Creek. We had a great group for our Easter egg hunt, all the kids had fun looking for eggs and the adults enjoyed the fellowship. We had a great Easter sunrise service and Sunday morning service delivered by Bro. Philip Bazzell. We are so grateful to serve our risen Savior. We want everyone to know they are welcome to come join us at Sugar Creek. Sunday School is at 8:45, Sunday morning service is at 9:30, Sunday and Wednesday night service is at 6:00 pm.

"For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day".

2 Corinthians 4:16.





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## **LOVE PACKAGES**

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