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Blood River Baptist Association
 Board Meeting:
 November 11, 2021
 6:30 p.m.
 Grace Baptist Church
 617 South 9th Street
 Murray KY 42071

Mark's Memos:

Our Sr. Adult Rally, scheduled for Friday, November 5, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church in Alto, is just around the corner. Please RSVP to 270-437-4203 by Monday, November 1. Also, please don't attend if you are feeling ill, and please respect the wishes of those brothers and sisters who choose to practice social distancing and masking.

I am excited to announce that Bro. Richard Greene, the Director of the Freeda Harris Center, will be here at Blood River Baptist Association on November 4, to assist us in packing this year's toys and loading them into the trailer for delivery.

Furthermore, Bro. Greene and I have been discussing the possibility of a small mission team going to the Freeda Harris Center, November 17 - 20, to assist them with their Christmas toy distribution, etc. If you would be willing to be a part of this team, or would like more information about this opportunity, please feel free to contact me.

Blood River Baptist Association celebrates with Kirksey Baptist Church in calling Bro. Shawn Hanes as their pastor. Please pray for Bro. Shawn and Kili, as they begin their ministry at Kirksey.

Also, please be in prayer for our upcoming Kentucky Baptist Convention, to be held at Severns Valley Baptist Church on November 16, 2021. Pray that God will be glorified and the pastors, messengers, and guests who attend will be encouraged and challenged to be faithful to the LORD; His Word; and His mission on earth.

Serving Him Together,
 Bro. Mark Sickling

**Newsletter deadline for December is
 November 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.**



November:

2nd		Election Day - Get out and Vote!
3rd		Freeda Harris toys due to BRBA Office
4th	9:00 am	Freeda Harris toys to be packed up @ BRBA
5th	4:00 pm	Sr. Adult Rally @ Northside BC
7th		Turn your clocks back 1 hour
7th		Orphans/Widows Sunday
10th	1:00 pm	Budget/Finance Committee Mtg. @ BRBA
11th	6:30 pm	Executive Board Mtg. @ Grace BC
11th		Veteran's Day
16th		Kentucky Baptist Convention in Elizabethtown KY
18th	10:00 am	LBL Council Mtg. @ BRBA
25th		Thanksgiving Day-Office Closed
26th		Thanksgiving Holiday-Office Closed
28th - Dec. 5th		Week of Prayer for Int'l Missions

Coming in December:

7th	6:00 pm	1st Place Annual Christmas Star Banquet @ Memorial BC
8th	1:00 pm	Budget/Finance Committee Mtg. @ BRBA
9th	6:30 pm	Executive Board Mtg. @ Briensburg BC
17th-31st		Christmas Holiday-Office Closed
25th		Christmas Day
31st		New Year's Eve

Coming in January 2022:

1st		Happy New Year
3rd		Observance of New Year's-Office Closed
7th		Deadline for Scholarship Applications
9th	4:30 pm	1st Place-Winter Session Orientation @ Memorial BC
10th	6:00 pm	1st Place-Winter Session Orientation @ BRBA
11th	5:00 pm	Scholarship Committee Mtg. @ BRBA
12th	1:00 pm	Budget/Finance Committee Mtg. @ BRBA
13th	6:30 pm	Executive Board Mtg. @ Flint BC
16th		Sanctity of Life Sunday
17th		Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Office Closed
19th	12:00 noon	Pastor's Luncheon - Zaxby's Murray
23rd		Bags of Hope Sunday
23rd	4:15 pm	1st Place Meets Weekly @ Memorial BC - thru 4/11/22
24th	10:00 am	WMU Quarterly Mtg. @ New Harmony BC
24th	5:00 pm	1st Place Meets Weekly @ Memorial BC - thru 4/11/22

Churches without Pastors

Altona New Mt. Carmel
 Elva Old Salem Road
 Oak Grove

Bags of Hope Pantry list for November

Altona--green peas & mac-n-cheese
 Bethel-- mac-n-cheese & mixed vegetables
 Bethlehem--chili & pork-n-beans
 Briensburg--chicken-n-dumplings & bars of soap
 Cherry Corner--soup & mixed vegetables
 Elva-- soup & saltine crackers
 Flint--pancake syrup & bars of soap
 Gilbertsville--ravioli & canned potatoes
 Grace--canned fruit & mac-n-cheese
 Hamlet--tuna helper & canned potatoes
 Hazel--pork-n-beans & chili
 Holly Hills-- chicken helper & mixed vegetables
 Kirksey-- hamburger helper & green beans
 Lakeview-- cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix
 Locust Grove-- soup & saltine crackers
 Memorial-- ravioli & green peas
 New Bethel-- pancake mix & bars of soap
 New Harmony-- peanut butter & jelly
 New Zion-- canned potatoes & oats
 Northside-- canned fruit & green beans
 Oak Grove-- peanut butter & green peas
 Olive-- cereal and bars of soap
 Owens Chapel--hamburger helper & canned tomatoes
 Pleasant Hope-- peanut butter & jiffy corn muffin mix
 Salem--Jelly & canned potatoes
 Sinking Springs--tuna helper & mixed vegetables
 Spring Creek-- chicken helper & green peas
 Sugar Creek-- canned great northern beans & pinto beans
 Union Ridge--hamburger helper & kids fruit snacks
 West Fork-- cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix

Bags of Hope Ministry

In September we were able to help 178 families, 9 of those were new. We gave out 2,006 food items, 138 bread, and 86 personal hygiene items. We were able to share the gospel with 32 people, and this month we had 1 salvation.

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



**Election Day
 November 2**

Blood River Review

NOVEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER OF BLOOD RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Birthdays

- 17th Joan Culp, Pleasant Valley
- 23rd Brett Miles, Northside
- 29th Alice Farmer, Vanzora

Wedding Anniversaries

- 1st Johnny & Bonnie Coffenberry, Hamlet
- 2nd Royce & Beverly Dukes, New Bethel
- 26th Van & Barbara Russell, Pleasant Hope

Church Anniversaries

2nd Sunday

- Bro. Brandon Bramlett, Locust Grove (2017)
- Bro. James Stom, Owens Chapel (1984)

4th Sunday

- Bro. C.C. Brasher, Oak Level (2011)



In every thing give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Freeda Harris Toy Drive 2021

Toys are Due to BRBA by Nov. 3

New Toys: \$10-\$12 for boys/girls - 6 months -16 years
DO NOT WRAP

Toys to be packed - Nov. 4, Need Volunteers

Wrapping paper/supplies accepted
NEEDED: 18X16X18 medium moving boxes



Sr. Adult Rally, November 5th at 4:00 pm at Northside Baptist. **Please RSVP at 270-437-4203 by November 1** if you plan to attend.



New Harmony Baptist Church is accepting applications for a bi-vocational song leader. Please send inquiries to scott@newharmonybaptist.net

BRIENSBURG:

Greetings from Briensburg Baptist Church. It finally feels like we are beginning to see new families visiting and desiring to find a church family. After our Fall outreach events we are in the process of visiting these homes and desire to help plug each family into what God is doing at Briensburg. After missing our traditional Thanksgiving activities last year, we are looking forward to our Thanksgiving Celebration Banquet and Operation Christmas Child packing party on November 14 at 6pm. It is always a night filled with laughter and joy as we fill shoe boxes with gifts and the gospel message. We are also preparing for our Christmas season with a goal of reaching more families through our special services and ministry outreach events. As the Lord brings new families to our church we pray to be able to disciple them to become disciple makers themselves to the glory of God. Blessings in Christ as we minister together.

CHERRY CORNER:

Cherry Corner Missionary Baptist Church welcomed Brother Ronnie & Lisa Burkeen on October 3rd with a fellowship meal after the morning service. We are already seeing an increase in our attendance. We had a great Fall Festival with a Chili Cook off on Friday Oct 22nd, with food, games, a hayride and a bonfire. We still have our Mission Breakfast the 1st Sunday morning each month (4 guys do all the cooking with homemade biscuits, gravy, eggs, taters, sausage or tenderloin [sometimes country ham]). We use proceeds from this to help folks with various needs as they arise. We are almost to completion of our new multi-purpose facility and are hoping to schedule a variety of events in the coming months. God is really at work here, and we are so ready to see what He has in store for us!

HAZEL:

We've had an awesome month and are gearing up for another one! We've had two join by baptism, Bill and Christy Casey. We are happy to welcome them to the Hazel Baptist Church Family! Old Fashioned Sunday will be October 24th and Wilburn & Wilburn will be here for our one day revival October 31st. We are donating toys and other things to the Freeda Harris Center. Our HBC choir is preparing for our Christmas Cantata "Silent Night" created and arranged by Craig Adams and because time flies the presentation will be here before you know it. Our Activities Committee is planning our holiday meal temporarily set for December 5th and Hanging of the Green will be November 28th. Finally, during the upcoming holiday season let us not forget the REASON for the season.

Remember in Prayer:

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

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.

NEW BETHEL:

Here at New Bethel, our Youth Group traveled to the Locust Grove Baptist Church Corn Maze on Wednesday September 29th and then on Sunday October 17th they went to Judgement House at Southside Baptist Church in Princeton. We've been busy here with Samaritans Purse's Operation Christmas Child, filling shoeboxes with gifts which, along with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, will be delivered to kids all over the world. And we're also buying new, unwrapped toys for the Freeda Harris Toy Drive. These Missions not only help spread the Gospel, but also give some kids a fun Christmas that they might not otherwise have. Brother Royce is still bringing us the messages that God lays on his heart, and we're studying Joshua on Sunday night and Ephesians on Wednesday night. Please keep Brother Royce and Beverly in your prayers.

1 Corinthians 13:12: For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

OAK LEVEL:

During the month of November 2021, Bro. C C Brasher, pastor of Oak Level Missionary Baptist Church, will be celebrating his 60th year in the Baptist Ministry. We at Oak Level are very blessed to have Bro. Brasher as our pastor.

SALEM:

The Lord has certainly blessed us with beautiful weather the past few weeks, and we have been keeping busy at Salem. We were excited to have Tony Ellegood and Tim Franklin sharing their musical talents with us during the Sunday School hour on September 26. We hope they come back again. The children are thrilled that we started children's church again on Sunday mornings. We all learn from those sermons. October 17 we celebrated Pastor Appreciation Day. Some of the children made cards for Bro. Frankie, and we had a nice fellowship meal after the morning service. Sunday night we observed the Lord's Supper. Our Trunk or Treat is Saturday, October 23 from 4 to 6, with a chili supper afterwards. Then on Sunday, For Heavens Sake will be performing at 9:30, and Bro. Tim Ivey will be the Evangelist for our Revival starting at 10:30 and again at 6:00. Services continue Monday through Wednesday at 7:00. We invite you to join us and bring a friend! God is so good to us.

SPRING CREEK:

Spring Creek celebrated its homecoming on October 17th. We were blessed by special music by For Heaven's Sake. Spring Creek has over a hundred years of serving our Lord. Our Sunday School class has been studying Isaiah. We noticed how the things are the same then and now. Our nation is suffering from a disease called sin. Pray for healing. Isaiah shows us the difference between godly leaders and ungodly leaders. Next year is election year, pray that God raises up godly leaders for our nation. May each of us be about the business of building on the foundation of Jesus Christ.

SUGAR CREEK:

We have had a wonderful season so far starting off with Homecoming. We had a great time and God truly blessed us through Bro. Austin Chapman's message. Coming up this Saturday October 23rd, we are having a Fall cookout beginning at 2pm. We will have bouncy houses for the kids and fellowship and a Chili cookout to follow. Everyone is invited, we would love to see you there.

Psalm 46:10 "Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth".



Bags of Hope is asking our churches to assist them in providing **100** Thanksgiving Baskets to local families this Thanksgiving! Each church is asked to donate at least two frozen 15 -20 lb. turkeys!

Deadline: November 12th

Turkeys can be dropped off at Blood River Baptist Association Monday - Friday 9:00 - 4:00 p.m. or Bags of Hope on Monday or Thursday 1:00 -5:00 p.m.