

Blood River Baptist Association
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Mark's Memo:

As I sit to write this article, I am reminded of how blessed I am. Unlike many in our area, and many in Eastern KY, I have a home that is safe, sanitary, and secure. I am grateful for the ministry of our BRBA Disaster Relief Team and for the leadership Larry Doughty and Glenn McNeely provide and for each of our DR volunteers willingness to be on mission with Christ in difficult circumstances.

With that being said, our BRBA DR Team purchased a truck this week to replace one of our trucks that was no longer reliable. That purchase, while necessary to ensure we are ready to deploy if needed has significantly depleted our Disaster Relief account. So, if your church would like to financially help build that account back up, it would be much appreciated. Simply write your check to Blood River Baptist Association and in the **Memo** section write: "**Disaster Relief**".

We had 5 churches represented last Saturday on a local mission project helping one of our brothers and sisters who were affected by the December 10, 2021 tornado in Marshall County. I appreciate each of these volunteers and their willingness to work. If you are interested in participating in one of these one day projects, please email me at director@bloodriverassoc.org or call me at 270-437-4203 and I will let you know when they are scheduled.

Please remember to call our office to RSVP for our annual Sr. Adult Rally on September 9 at 4:00 p.m. at New Zion Baptist church by September 1 if possible. I am looking forward to a great turnout and some great food and fellowship.

Serving Him Together,
 Bro. Mark Sickling



Budget/Finance Committee Meeting
September 7th, 1:00 p.m. at BRBA Office

Newsletter deadline for October 2022 is
September 20th



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 SEPTEMBER

- Altona--hamburger helper & jelly
- Bethel-- Manwich/sloppy joe sauce & canned tomatoes
- Bethlehem--tamales & individual pudding cups for kids
- Briensburg--saltine crackers & canned tomatoes
- Cherry Corner-- mac-n-cheese & canned tomatoes
- Elva--cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Flint-- butter beans & jelly
- Gilbertsville--pancake syrup & jelly
- Grace--mac-n-cheese & saltine crackers
- Hamlet--butter beans & individual pudding cups for kids
- Hazel-- cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Holly Hills--black-eyed peas & jelly
- Kirksey-- saltine crackers & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Lakeview-- cornmeal & individual wrapped pnb & crackers
- Locust Grove--cereal & black-eyed peas
- Memorial--corn meal & dry white northern beans
- New Bethel-- mac-n-cheese & saltine crackers
- New Harmony--pancake syrup & saltine crackers
- New Zion--pancake syrup and bars of soap
- Northside--chicken-n-dumplings & jelly
- Oak Grove--canned tomatoes & indiv pudding cups
- Olive--pancake mix & bars of soap
- Owens Chapel--rice (1# bag) & indiv wrapped pnb & crackers
- Pleasant Hope-- Manwich/sloppy joe sauce & jelly
- Salem-- mac-n-cheese & black eyed peas
- Sinking Springs-- instant potatoes & butter beans
- Spring Creek-- chicken-n-dumplings & jiffy corn muffin mix
- Sugar Creek--Manwich/sloppy joe sauce & saltine crackers
- Union Ridge--rice (1# bag) & canned tomatoes
- West Fork--cereal & jiffy corn muffin mix



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

Bags of Hope Ministry

In July we were able to help **280** people, **65** of those were new. We gave out **3,102** food items, **223** bread, and **318** personal hygiene items. We were able to share the gospel with **42** people. Praise the Lord, we had **1** come to know Christ as their Savior and **1** rededication.

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.



This is a wonderful ministry!!! For more information and to get registered, visit www.kybaptist.org/backpacks

Kentucky's goal is to collect 10,000 backpacks for our children.

Churches Currently without Pastors

- Bethlehem
- Elva
- Lakeview
- New Mt. Carmel
- New Providence
- Oak Grove
- Oak Level
- Pleasant Valley
- Spring Creek



September 2022

- 4th Single Adult Sunday
- 5th Labor Day **(Office Closed)**
- 7th 1:00 p.m. Budget/Finance Committee Meeting @ BRBA
- 9th 4:00 p.m. Senior Adult Rally @ New Zion **(must register)**
- 11th Grandparent's Day
- 11th 10:00 a.m. Homecoming @ Sugar Creek Baptist
- 11th 4:15 p.m. 1st Place-Starts meeting weekly @ Memorial
- 11th - 18th State Missions: Emphasis on Eliza Broadus Offering
- 12th Deadline for ACP's to be returned to BRBA**
- 12th 5:00 p.m. 1st Place-Starts meeting weekly @ Memorial
- 22nd Welcome First Day of Fall
- 25th-28th 7:00 p.m. Revival @ Cherry Corner Baptist
- 29th 6:30 p.m. Worship/Music Shop Talk @ BRBA
- 30th - 1st Bi-Vocational Pastors/Wives Retreat @ Somerset **(must register)**

October 2022 - Mark your calendar

- 2nd Personal Evangelism Commitment Day
- 9th Pastor's Appreciation Day
- 10th 1:30 p.m. Session 1 Annual Meeting @ Kirksey
- 5:30 p.m. Session 2 Annual Meeting @ Sharpe
- 13th 9:00-4:00 Retirement/Insurance Review for Pastor's @ BRBA **(must call BRBA office for appt.)**
- 16th-22nd Week of Prayer for Baptists Associations & William Skinner Offering
- 19th 12:00 noon Pastor's Luncheon - Hutchen's BBQ, Benton
- 24th 10:00 a.m. WMU Quarterly Meeting @ New Zion
- 30th Freeda Harris Toys due at churches



October 7- 8, 2022
 Corinth Baptist Church - London
 New/Renewal Opportunity
 Training fee \$30
 Must be 18 years of age
 Must be a member of a KBC Church
 Be prepared to make a difference
 Visit kybaptist.org/dr or call 502-489-3527



September 11th, 2022
 One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. Psalm 145:4



Retirement/Insurance Review for Pastor's
 October 13, 2022
 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Blood River Baptist Association
 Must call 270-437-4203 for appointment
 Bro. Don Spencer, Church Consulting Team, KBC

Blood River Review

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Worship/Music Shop Talk
September 29, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.
at Blood River Baptist Association
If you want to attend contact:
Jason "Bubba" Stewart
at jason.stewart@kybaptist.org
or call BRBA at 270-437-4203

Hello Fall
September 22, 2022

Don't be afraid of change, because it is leading you to a new beginning...
~Joyce Meyer

Freeda Harris Toy Drive 2022

August 1 - October 30
New Toys - \$10-\$12 for boys/girls ages 6 months to 16 years old
DO NOT WRAP
Toys due at churches - October 30th
Toys due to the BRBA - November 2nd
Toys to be packed - November 3rd @ BRBA
NEEDED: wrapping paper/tape and 18 x 16 x 18 MEDIUM moving boxes

2022 Senior Adult Rally

Senior Adults

September 9th @ 4:00 p.m.
New Zion Baptist Church
Featuring: "The Ole Countryboy"
Bro. Farrell Isenberg
Cost: \$7/per person (must RSVP by calling 270-437-4203 NLT 9/1/2022)

Birthdays of the Month

3rd Melissa Norsworthy, Blood River
5th Amy Dotson, Olive
7th Mary Barrow, Old Salem Road
7th Sammy Cunningham, Sinking Springs
7th Darrell Walker, Gilbertsville
9th Charlotte Rhodes, Oak Grove
12th Kristina McKinney, Salem
17th Kristen Sickling, BRBA
20th Kevin Harris, Poplar Spring
24th Sally Stom, Owens Chapel

Wedding Anniversaries

3rd Jeff & Melissa Norsworthy, Blood River
16th Ken & Michelle Jewell, Opportunity
22nd Charles & Robin LaChance, Bethel
23rd Todd & Amy Dotson, Olive



1st Sunday

Martin Severns, Memorial (2007)
Mike Rhodes, Oak Grove (2019)

2nd Sunday

Sammy Cunningham, Sinking Springs (2020)
Brandon Shropshire, Ledbetter (2021)

3rd Sunday

Rick Miller, Symsonia (2000)

Church Homecoming

Please join Sugar Creek Baptist Church
1888 Faxon Road, Murray
September 11, 2022 for their Homecoming
Begins at 10:00 a.m. with Special Music, Bro. Mark Sickling as Guest Speaker, and Fellowship meal to follow...
Everyone is invited !!!!

Cherry Corner Baptist
850 Cherry Corner Road
Murray
Sept. 25th-28th
@ 7:00 p.m. each evening.



BRIENSBURG:

Greetings from Briensburg Baptist Church. It is a busy time of year as we get our kids back in school and look toward the Fall ministries in our community. We are blessed to have two new deacons at Briensburg, Danny Simmons and Ricky Moore. Their ordination service will be September 11 at 6pm and we welcome all ordained men to come and participate. On September 18 at 6pm our kids will be graduating from our summer missions' program, "The Greatest Journey". This is the same study kids around the world receive with their Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. We praise the Lord to have new families joining and folks are being saved and baptized to the glory of God. What a blessing to join the Lord in the work that He is doing around us. Blessings in Christ as we minister together.

HAZEL:

We are praising God for the increases we have had in Sunday School and our worship services. We just had our annual homemade ice cream fellowship with about 73 in attendance. We had a panel of 5 judges that selected the first-place ice cream, and they had several different choices to pick from including, but not limited to: cookies & cream, banana, strawberry, peach, praline pecan, peanut butter, chocolate, orange sherbet, mango, butter pecan, watermelon, and vanilla. Plans are in the works for our Homecoming which will be held September 25, 2022. Prayers for our sister churches without pastors.

"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you..." James 4: 7-8a.

NEW BETHEL

Our New Bethel Youth Group had a great end of summer pool party recently with lots of Fun and Fellowship. We have a great bunch of kids in our Youth Group and hopefully other kids will be joining in on the fun. School is back in session after the summer break, and hopefully this year will be back to normal and the kids can get back to learning and the teachers back to teaching. On July 31st, we had a 5th Sunday fellowship meal after the morning service, well attended with great food and fellowship. On August 14th, Bro. Mark Sickling, the BRBA Director of Missions, preached the messages that God had laid on his heart in both the morning and evening services, and did a great job, and we appreciate him very much for this and everything he does for BRBA. Please keep our kids, schools, churches, pastors and our Great Country in your Prayers.

"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins."
1 John 4:10



Our Leaders	Sister Churches	Our Youth
Our Country	Our Schools	The Sick
The Lost	Each Other	Missionaries
Our Pastors	Our Teachers	Ukraine
Churches without Pastors		

SALEM:

It's Back to School time! We are praying for the students, teachers, bus drivers and all school personnel, that everyone will be safe and have a good learning experience. Our hearts are saddened by the loss of one of our members, Cindy, this week. Cindy fought a hard battle against cancer. We are praying for her family and loved ones, but we know she is rejoicing with Jesus; no more pain for her. We have other members who are in the hospital or home sick. We are praying that they are back in church with us soon. Our Nominating Committee and Budget Committee have completed their tasks of filling positions and finalizing a budget for the upcoming year. We appreciate their dedication and hard work. We are looking forward to the Life House banquet on the 25th and a trip to Boyette's on the 27th. We continue to pray for the folks in Eastern Kentucky. We are participating in the Freeda Harris Toy drive, collecting toys to send their way.

"O Magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together."

Psalm 34:3

SUGAR CREEK:

This season has been wonderful at Sugar Creek. The youth group went on a little trip to Lamberts to prepare for school starting back. We hope the teachers and students has had a great first month back to school. On September 11th we will be having Homecoming starting at 10:00 am, with special music and at 11:00 a.m. Bro. Mark Sickling will bring the message, there is a meal to follow in the fellowship hall. We would love to have you join us. Also, mark your calendars for our Fall Revival on September 29-October 1, you won't want to miss it, everyone is welcome.



Make note on your calendar:
Annual meetings are:
Session 1 - 1:30 p.m. - October 10 @ Kirksey Baptist
Session 2 - 5:30 p.m. - October 10 @ Sharpe Baptist



Please continue to remember Eastern Ky Flood Victims in your prayers.

Eliza Broadus Offering
September 11-17, 2022
Be in prayer for this ministry. Go to link below for more info on The Eliza Broadus Offering
<https://www.kywmu.org/ebo.html>



September 5th - Labor Day
Office Closed