

Minutes of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Session
of the

***Solid Rock Association
of
Old Time Baptists
of
Jesus Christ***



Held at the
Pilgrims Prayer
Old Regular Baptist Church
Dorton, Kentucky
September 13, 14, & 15, 2024

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We, the Crossroads Community Baptist Church, Garrett Regular Baptist Church, House of David Church of Old Regular Baptist, and Pilgrims Prayer Church of Old Regular Baptist, come together with the following Resolution:

We resolve to form this Association for the purpose of strengthening our correspondence. We agree to work toward welcoming Christian fellowship for ourselves, and everyone seeking to worship God in Spirit and in Truth, free from the prejudice of denominations. We will sustain the worship, ordinance, discipline and doctrine of the Association; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together. We covenant, as members of Christ, to walk in brotherly love in order to be a light to sinners, and a shining example to our children. Our hope is to be a home for all of God's children who have been trampled underfoot, or those who have been treated unjustly by men.

We pray that God will bless us with this endeavor until the final trump sounds and Christ presents us to the Father as his undefiled bride.

**Proceedings of the
Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the
Solid Rock Association of
Old Time Baptists of
Jesus Christ
Friday Morning Service
September 13, 2024**

Many brothers and sisters traveled from across the country to gather together at the Pilgrims Prayer Church in Dorton, Kentucky for the Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists of Jesus Christ. After singing a few well-loved songs of Zion, our assistant moderator, Elder David Nichols, stood and welcomed everyone who had met out. Elder David Nichols asked Elder Larry Hankins to open the services.

Elder Larry Hankins said, “I am thankful for God’s Grace,” and, “to feel the love that flows from breast to breast.” He concluded his sermon by stating, “I fight my battles on my knees.”

Elder William Adair, Sr. lined, “Jerusalem My Happy Home,” and Deacon Joey Justice led us in prayer. He asked the Lord to keep watching over our association.

Elder Ronnie Houser sang, “He Has Been Good to Me,” and Elder Daryl Newsom began to preach the Introductory Sermon. He said, “God has always had a plan for salvation.” He said, “God is not slack concerning His promise.”

Our assistant moderator, Elder David Nichols stood to start the business portion of our meeting.

Item-1

Elder David Nichols called for the church letters to be handed in to the clerk, along with any contributions, obituaries, queries and/or requests. The assistant clerk, Elder Brandon Newsom, then read the letter from the **Pilgrims Prayer Church**. A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Chris Newsom was made to receive the Pilgrims Prayer Church's letter and all other letters that were submitted in regular form.

Item-2

The moderator appointed Deacon Thomas Pinion, Elder Brandon Newsom, and Deacon Joey Justice to go back and take the vote for officer elections.

The officers selected to serve the association for the year were:

Moderator:	Daryl G. Newsom
Assistant Moderator:	David Nichols
Clerk/Treasurer:	Thomas Pinion
Assistant Clerk:	Brandon Newsom

The officers agreed to serve this association to the best of their ability.

Item-3

A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Mike Newsom was made for the moderator to make all temporary appointments.

Item-4

Elder David Nichols asked if the delegates would like the Charter, the Rules of Decorum, the Constitution and the Articles of Faith read or omitted from being read. A move by Elder Chris Newsom and a second by Elder Ron Woodward was made to omit reading the Rules of Decorum, Constitution and Articles of Faith, but to read the Charter.

After the assistant clerk, Elder Brandon Newsom, read the Charter, Elder David Nichols admonished the brothers to obey the Rules of Decorum.

Item-5

Elder David Nichols called for any existing fellowship churches that want to continue their relationship with the Solid Rock Association and none responded.

Item-6

Elder David Nichols called for any newly organized or duly constituted churches that desire membership, fellowship, or a working relationship with the Solid Rock Association and none responded.

Item-7

Elder David Nichols called for any association that wants correspondence with our association. Elder Ronnie Houser gave some minute books to request continued correspondence. A move was made by Elder Chris Newsom and a second by Elder Larry Hankins was made to receive their request and give them the right hand of fellowship.

Item-8

Elder David Nichols called for transient ministers or members to sign in with the clerk at this time. The following responded:

Elisha Justice
James Newsome

Joey Justice
Bryan Tuttle

Item-9

The moderator appointed a committee on finance consisting of the clerk, the assistant clerk, and Deacon Joey Justice. He reminded the churches that all donations should be turned in to the clerk at this time. The committee will be called upon Saturday morning to give a report.

Item-10

The moderator appointed a committee on ministry consisting of one delegate from each church, along with the entire delegation of the Pilgrim's Prayer Church. The committee recommended the following:

Friday afternoon:

Introduction:	Elder Bruce Forsyth
Prayer:	Elder Ron Woodward
Second:	Elder Rodney France
Close:	Elder Chuck Keesee

A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Larry Hankins was made to receive their report and retain the committee for tomorrow.

Item-11

Elder David Nichols said he did not think we needed a Committee on Arrangements. Typically, the purpose of the Committee on Resolutions is to work with the Committee on Arrangements and write recommendations to come under consideration of the delegates for Saturday's work. This committee typically consists of association officers and one delegate from each member church.

Item-12

A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Chris Newsom was made to adjourn for the day. Elder Michael Stanley led us in prayer with asking a blessing over the food.

Friday Afternoon Service September 13, 2024

After a few well-loved songs of Zion, Elder Daryl Newsom welcomed everyone who met out. Then he asked Elder Bruce Forsyth to introduce the services.

Elder Bruce Forsyth said, "I'm very, very, very happy to be here today." He also said, "I only seek one thing anymore: I want to feel the Spirit of the Lord."

Deacon Joey Justice sang, "Lay My Crown at the Master's Feet," and Elder Ron Woodward led us in prayer.

Elder Rodney France began to preach. He said, "If you are breathing, you got a part of God in you." He read out of Hebrews 13:8-25.

Elder Chuck Keesee lined a song before he began to preach. He preached on 2nd Samuel.

Elder David Nichols lined, "Amazing Grace," and Elder Paul Staten led us in a prayer of dismissal.

Saturday Morning Proceedings September 14, 2024

After singing a few well-loved songs of Zion, Elder Daryl Newsom stood to welcome all who had met out. Then Elder Burnis Simmons, Jr. began to introduce the services.

Elder Burnis Simmons, Jr. began to preach. He thanked God for what He has done, what He is doing, and what He is going to do in his life. He then preached from Matthew 19:27-30 asking, “Was it worth it?”

Brother Dee Osborne sang, “Grace, ‘Tis a Charming Sound,” and Elder Joe Evans led us in prayer.

Deacon Joey Justice sang, “Is That God in the Distance,” and Elder Paul Staten began to preach. He said, “I love the Lord, because He first loved me.” He quoted part of Romans 10:17: “Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

With the preaching being ended, our moderator, Elder Daryl Newsom stood to begin today’s association’s work.

Item-13

Our moderator, Elder Daryl Newsom, stood and asked the clerk to call the roll of delegates from the churches of our union, and note the absentees.

Item-14

The moderator called for transient ministers or members to sign in with the clerk at this time. The following responded:

Joey Justice
Chad Reinthaler

James Newsome
Bryan Tuttle

Item-15

Elder Daryl Newsom called for a report from the committee on finance. Deacon Thomas Pinion gave the following treasury report:

Balance after 2023 Association \$1,571.48

Paid out for 2022 Minutes (-\$1,085.00)

Postage (-\$101.95)

Association Website (-\$174.68)

Balance in Current Account \$209.85

2023 Donations (Minutes):

Canaan's Shore \$125.00

Lexington United \$200.00

Pilgrims Prayer \$500.00

Turner \$150.00

Southern Home \$80.00

Contributions from Churches \$1,055.00

Miscellaneous Contributions \$150.00

TOTAL AMOUNT ON HAND \$1,414.85

A move by Elder Chris Newsom and a second by Elder Larry Hankins was made to receive this report and discharge the committee.

Item-16

Our moderator then called on the committee on ministry to set service arrangements for Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. The committee recommended the following:

Saturday Afternoon

Introduction:	Elder Michael Stanley
Prayer:	Elder Chad Reinthaler
Second:	Elder Anthony Love
Third:	Elder Jeremy Newsom
Fourth:	Elder Elisha Justice
Closing:	Elder Michael McPherson

Sunday Morning

Introduction:	Elder Mike Newsom
Prayer:	Elder William Adair, Jr.
Second:	Elder Burnis Simmons, Sr.
Third:	Elder David Nichols
Closing:	Elder Ronnie Houser

A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Bruce Forsyth was made to receive this report and discharge the committee.

Item-17

A move by Elder Chris Newsom and a second by Elder Michael Stanley was made for our clerks, Deacon Thomas Pinion and Elder Brandon Newsom, to superintend the printing of our minutes, to decide how many to print, and have all obituaries printed in the minutes. This move included printing all obituary pictures at no expense to the family. Then they are to distribute them to the churches.

Item-18

A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Mike Newsom was made to have all Union, Communion, and Memorial meetings printed in the minutes. The move was extended to include printing the date and time of any other “*special*” meetings the churches want listed.

Item-19

A move by Elder Bruce Forsyth and a second by Elder Larry Hankins was made to have the Constitution, Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and our Charter printed in the minute book.

Item-20

Elder David Nichols, chosen by the delegates during the 2023 session to write this year’s circular letter, came and read his circular letter. After reading his letter, a move by Elder William Adair, Sr. and a second by Elder Ron Woodward was made to receive the letter as written and print it in the minute books.

Item-21

Deacon Thomas Pinion stood to give a report on the association’s website. A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Bruce Forsyth was made to retain the social media committee with Elder Brandon Newsom as the chairperson, Deacon Thomas Pinion as a member, and to continue the association website.

Item-22

The moderator called on the standing Committee on Council to see if they had been called upon during the past year. It was reported the committee had not been called upon.

A move by Elder Chris Newsom and a second by Bruce Forsyth was made to retain the committee for the following year. The chairperson for this committee is the assistant moderator of the association, Elder David Nichols. Members of this council include all moderators, all assistant moderators, and all officers of this association.

Item-23

Elder Daryl Newsom appointed tellers, Deacon Thomas Pinion, Elder Brandon Newsom, and Deacon Joey Justice to tally a vote from all delegates on who will preach next year's introductory sermon and their alternate; as well as who will write next year's circular letter and their alternate. The delegates selected the following:

Introductory Sermon:	Elder William Adair, Jr.
Alternate:	Elder Chad Reinhaller
Circular Letter:	Elder Elisha Justice
Alternate:	Elder William Adair, Sr.

Item-24

There was no request sent in this year:

24A: With there being no request made to host the 2024 Solid Rock Association, the Pilgrims Prayer Church has an ongoing request to host the following year's association meeting if no other church requests to.

Item-25

A move by Elder Bruce Forsyth and a second by Elder Michael Stanley was made to have the clerk write a letter dedicating this year's minutes to the deceased members of our association who have died since last year.

Item-26

A move by Elder Michael Stanley and a second by Elder Larry Hankins was made to have the assistant clerk write a letter of thanks to the hosting church, the Pilgrims Prayer Church for their work and hospitality during the 2024 Solid Rock Association.

Item-27

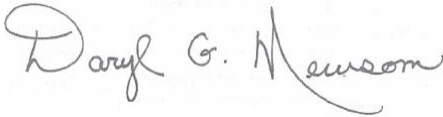
A move by Elder Bruce Forsyth and a second by brother Levi Newsom was made to allow the clerks to make all grammatical corrections in the publishing of the minutes.

Item-28

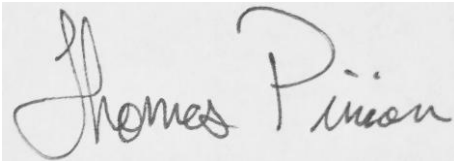
There being no further work to be done, a move by Elder William Adair, Jr. and a second by brother ET Turner was made to cease work for the day and to adjourn the Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists.

After the association work was finished, brother Dalton Cable sang, "On Top of Mount Zion," and Elder Jeremy Newsom led us in prayer of dismissal. He also asked for a blessing over the food.

Done and signed by the order of the association,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daryl G. Newsom". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid.

Elder Daryl G. Newsom, Moderator

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Pinion". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid.

Deacon Thomas Pinion, Clerk

Saturday Afternoon Service

September 14, 2024

After singing a few well-loved songs of Zion, Elder Daryl Newsom welcomed everyone out and he asked Elder Michael Stanley to introduce the service.

Elder Michael Stanley began to preach. He said, “There came a time when I wanted Him more than anything else.” He also said, “I can’t save you, but I can tell you about a man that has been there since the beginning.”

The Shiloh sisters sang a song and afterwards Elder Chad Reinthaler led us in prayer. He asked the Lord to have mercy over us.

Elder Anthony Love sang, “Amazing Grace,” and began to preach. He read from the 19th chapter of Luke. He said, “You have to be obedient in this thing.” He also said, “Many are called, but few are chosen.”

Elder Jeremy Newsom began to preach. He said, “Sometimes I marvel at the extent of God’s grace.” He also said, “That is the way mercy is: we don’t get what we earned. We get what we haven’t earned.”

Deacon Joey Justice sang, “As He Walks By,” and Elder Elisha Justice began to preach. He said, “I have experienced a lot of joy in this world.” He then preached on David and Goliath.

Deacon Joey Justice sang, “Shepherd of My Valley,” and Elder Michael McPherson began to preach. He said, “There’s been enough preaching here if they would only believe.” He read John 3:16 and Psalms 1:10. He also said, “He is worthy to be praised.”

Elder Michael Stanley sang, “Jesus Grant Us a Blessing,” and Elder Daryl Newsom led us in a prayer of dismissal with the laying on of hands.

Sunday Morning Service

September 15, 2024

After singing a few well-loved songs of Zion, Elder Daryl Newsom welcomed all who had met out. He asked Elder Mike Newsom to introduce the services. He talked about how much he looks forward to the association meeting each year. He said, “If you have missed the Lord this morning then you have missed everything.” He asked, “Which is more important: praying or reading the Bible?” Then he responded by asking, “Which is more important: breathing in or breathing out?”

Deacon Joey Justice sang, “I am Blessed,” and Elder William Adair, Jr. led us in prayer with the laying on of hands.

Elder Ronnie Houser sang, “Nobody But You Lord,” the Shiloh sisters sang, “I Feel Him Moving,” and Elder Burnis Simmons, Sr. sang, “490: I love My Savior God,” before he began to preach. He said, “I count it as a joy to be amongst the living today.” He read from 2nd Kings Chapter 5. He spoke about the good news and said, “He is coming again to receive them that obey Him.”

Elder David Nichols sang, “Savior’s Precious Blood,” and began to preach. He said, “There’s a Heaven to gain and a Hell to shun.” He asked, “How long does it take you to be saved?” before responding, “How long does it take you to get out of the way?” He concluded his sermon by saying, “Choose the good part that Mary chose.”

Elder Ronnie Houser lined, “Walking in Jerusalem Just Like John,” and began to preach. He said, “I want to do God’s will.” Then he read from John Chapter 21. He said, “It doesn’t matter where you reside. He is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.”

Brother Josh Newsom sang, “Lily of My Valley,” Elder Ronnie Houser sang, “I Want the World to See Jesus in My Life,” before Elder Chris Newsom led us in a prayer of dismissal and asked a blessing over the food.

Circular Letter

By: David Nichols

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is with great humility and a prayerful heart that I present this year's Circular Letter. My hope is that these words will contribute positively to building God's Kingdom and will not be a stumbling block to anyone seeking salvation.

What is a Circular Letter?

A Circular Letter is intended to be distributed widely to share information, provide guidance, or offer encouragement. Biblically speaking, it can also help clarify the interpretation of scripture or doctrine. Its purpose is to edify and uplift the body of believers, strengthening both soul and spirit.

As I contemplated the topic for this letter, my prayer was for simplicity and directness. I wanted to convey a message that resonates with the core truth of our faith:

To start let me quote this "There is a prize at the End of the Race; This prize is worth your Consideration."

The first part of this quote is from the Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians, while the second part reflects sentiments shared by Sabert Nichols and others.

One of Apostle Paul's notable Circular Letters is the book of Ephesians. Originally written to the Church of Ephesus and other early churches in Asia, it has transcended time to reach us today. Paul's letter declared the Gospel of Salvation revealed to the Apostles as a true source of wisdom, available to both Jew and Gentile.

Though I do not claim to possess the knowledge or spiritual depth of Paul, my intention is to write with the same boldness he displayed, proclaiming Jesus Christ as the only way. Paul completed his race with faithfulness, and he confidently anticipated the crown of righteousness reserved for all who love His appearing.

In this broken world, we would do well to emulate Paul's boldness in sharing the Gospel. Scripture provides us with many examples of exemplary faith and courage:

- Like Abraham: who embarked on a path of uncertainty because it was God's will. By faith, he obeyed and journeyed to an unknown land, trusting in God's promise.
- Like Moses: who chose a difficult path, forsaking the comforts of Pharaoh's house to suffer with God's people. His faithfulness came with great sacrifice but also with eternal reward.
- Like David: who recognized and believed in a cause greater than himself, standing up against Goliath with unwavering faith that inspired others.
- Like Jonathan: whose infectious faith encouraged the King's army to act decisively, demonstrating that a strong and passionate faith can inspire others to rise to their calling.

As we walk or run this path of salvation, let us lean on God, His Son, and the Holy Spirit for guidance through His Word. Let us embody meekness and humility, drawing inspiration from those who have gone before us. Personally, I am reminded of the love exemplified by my father, Elder Sabert Nichols, who preached of "Great Love in the Heart of God's People." I also remember the wisdom of my former moderator Danny Dixon, who encouraged leading with grace, love, mercy, and forgiveness, as Christ has shown us.

Let us also be more like Paul, who was not afraid to step outside the confines of tradition and church policy to reach more souls for the Kingdom. We must remember that “traditions of men make the word of God of none effect” and can be a stumbling block to those outside the faith. At the same time, we must be cautious not to let our churches and associations be unduly influenced by the world and its distractions.

So, dear Brothers and Sisters, let us:

- Be as bold with the Gospel as Paul was.
- Choose a Godly path like Abraham, even without knowing the destination.
- Opt for a righteous path like Moses, even when it is difficult.
- Stand firm for a cause greater than ourselves like David.
- Exhibit faith as infectious as Jonathan’s.
- Cultivate love in our hearts as Sabert Nichols did.
- Show grace, mercy, love, and forgiveness to others, mirroring the example of Christ.

As Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 9:19-24

"I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some. And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be a partaker thereof with you. Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain."

Let us press on toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Lastly, as we run this race, let us not be afraid to step out of our comfort zones to approach sinners boldly yet with meekness and humility that only the Spirit of God can provide. Yet at the same time, hold fast to the Gospel, our Faith, and the good parts handed down to us by the patriarchs that have gone before us. Safeguarding God’s word and the old path and stand there within that path.

If there has ever been a time for organizations, associations, and true scripture-based churches to unite and overlook each other's faults, it is now. Recognize that no church, association, or organization is perfect. We all fall short, and for our shortcomings, may God have mercy on us all.

Yours in Christ,
Elder David Nichols

Delegates & Alternates To The 2024 Association

Canaan's Shore Church

Delegates: Jeremy Ashburn, Larry Hankins, & Chris Newsom

Alternates: Brandon Newsom, Jeremy Newsom, & Shadrach Newsome

Lexington United Baptist Church

Delegates: Wade Craycraft, Lyndon Gregory, Tony Rowe

Alternates: David Nichols, Stephen Roach, & Ron Woodward

Pilgrims Prayer Church

Delegates: Johnny Cable, Levi Newsom, & Mike Newsom

Alternates: Eddie Branham, Dalton Cable, & Bryan Tuttle

Turner Church

Delegates: Michael Stanley, ET Turner, and Marty Turner

Alternates: Josh Newsom

Southern Home Church

Delegates: William Adair, Jr., William Adair, Sr., & Bruce Forsyth

Alternates: Tommy Adair, Jr. & William R. Adair

A Message from the Assistant Clerk

The Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists wishes once again to thank the Pilgrims Prayer Church for the use of their building and all its facilities for this great weekend.

We hope you had a blessed weekend, as we all did. Thank you so much for the warm welcome and the good food we shared. Thanks to all of you for being involved and making this one of the memorable weekends of our year.

We hope to be back next year on September 12, 13, & 14, 2025. We hope to see you all and hope you bring someone with you.

Your Servant in our Lord, Jesus Christ,

Brother Brandon Newsom, Assistant Clerk

**Please Join Us for Our
26th Annual Session**

It will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

September 12-14, 2025

At the

Pilgrims Prayer Church

Located 20 miles south of Pikeville

Just off US-23 in

Dorton, Kentucky

We'd Love to See You There!

****Special Note****

***Unless** a church requests this to be different....
All regular meeting times are governed by the
Saturday **before** the Sunday of the month.*

*This means: If a month begins on a Sunday,
this would constitute an **ODD** or **FIFTH**
Weekend of the month, and the **following**
Sunday would be the First weekend.*

*To stay current throughout the year on news or
new churches visit our web site for frequent
updates (www.solidrockassociation.com).*

Member Churches' Information

Canaan's Shore Old Regular Baptist Church



Located: Mount Airy, NC

Physical Address: 704 Worth Street
Mount Airy, NC 27030

Regular Meeting: Third Sunday of each month at 10:30 am
Business Session: Third Saturday of each month at 6:00 pm
Other Meetings: Every Sunday at 10:30 am

Moderator: Elder Chris Newsom (336) 701-7441
724 Tom Cook Road
Pilot Mountain, NC 27041

Asst. Moderator: Elder Brandon Newsom (336) 970-9073
2089 W Westmoreland Dr
King, NC 27021

Clerk: Elder Shadrach Newsome (336) 493-5188
1410 W Old Phillips Road
Pinnacle, NC 27043

Ordained Ministers:	Larry Hankins	(336) 351-3530
	Brandon Newsom	(336) 970-9073
	Chris Newsom	(336) 701-7441
	Jeremy Newsom	(743) 444-2325
	Shadrach Newsome	(336) 493-5188

Union Meeting:	<i>Third Weekend in August</i>
Ministers Invited:	Daryl Newsom, Danny Varney, & Shiloh Church Members

Communion Meeting:	<i>Third Weekend in October</i>
Ministers Invited:	Elisha Justice, Joey Justice (singing), Joel Hiatt, & Mike Newsom

Memorial Meeting:	<i>Third Weekend in May</i>
Ministers Invited:	David Nichols, Chad Reinthaler, & Logan Heatherly

Campfire Meeting:	<i>Third Weekend in November</i>
Ministers Invited:	Billy Adair, Jr., Joel Hiatt, Jason Varney, & Danny Varney



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Lexington United Baptist Church



Located: Lexington, Kentucky

Physical Address: 9477 Rockwell Rd
Lexington, KY 40516

Regular Meeting: Every Sunday at 10:30 am
Business Session: Fourth Saturday of each month at 5:00 pm
Bible Study: Every Wednesday at 6:30 pm

Moderator: Elder David Nichols (606) 371-2840
2736 Lancaster Rd
Richmond, KY 40475

Asst. Moderator: Elder Ron Woodward (859) 229-0621
316 Potomic Drive
Winchester, KY 40391

Clerk: Brother Eric Mullins (606) 424-7930
3245 Becknerville Rd
Winchester, KY 40391

Treasurer: Brother Danny Varney (606) 416-0533

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	Terry Ratliff	(502) 603-1061
	Johnny Sexton	(606) 359-0352
	Jason Varney	(859) 229-8836
	Ron Woodward	(859) 229-0621
Liberated Ministers:	Danny Varney	(606) 416-0533
Union Meeting:	<i>Fourth Weekend in April</i>	
Ministers Invited:	Chris Newsom, Larry Adkins, Chad Reinthaler, & Mike Newsom	
Communion Meeting:	<i>Fourth Weekend in June</i>	
Ministers Invited:	Daryl Newsom, Elisha Justice, Joey Justice (special called singer), & Shad Walters	
Memorial Meeting:	<i>Fourth Weekend in September</i>	
Ministers Invited:	Clyde Bentley & Home Brothers	
Special Service:	<i>New Year's Eve</i>	
Ministers Invited:	Billy Adair, Jr., Brandon Newsom, Daryl Newsom, & Jeremy Newsom	
Special Service:	Fourth Weekend in <i>February</i>	
Ministers Invited:	Shad Newsome	
Special Services:	Fourth Weekend in <i>May</i>	
Ministers Invited:	William Adair, Sr.	
Special Services:	Fourth Weekend in <i>July</i>	
Ministers Invited:	Paul Staton	

Church web site: <https://solidrockassociation.com/lexington-united-baptist>

Pilgrims Prayer Church



Located: Dorton, Kentucky

Physical Address: 121 Steve Wright Road Jenkins, KY 41537

Directions: Take US-23 about 20 miles South of Pikeville. Continue traveling South on US-23 through Dorton, about one-half mile. Church is located on the left and is visible from the four lane.

Regular Meeting: Second Sunday of each month at 10:00 am

Business Session: Second Saturday of each month at 6:00 pm

Other Meetings: Every Sunday at 10:00 am

Moderator: Elder Daryl G. Newsom (606) 424-3831
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Liberated Ministers:	Mike Branham (606) 205-9271
Union Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>Second Weekend in June</i> Shadrach Newsome, Darren Slone, & Danny Varney
Communion Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>Second Weekend in July</i> Joel Hiatt, Brandon Newsom, & Jeremy Newsom
Memorial Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>Second Weekend in August</i> David Nichols & Home Brothers
4th of July Memorial: Ministers Invited:	<i>Holifield/Tackett Memorial</i> Chris Newsom & Home Brothers



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Turner Old Regular Baptist Church



Located: Clinchco, Virginia

Physical Address: 3595 Backbone Ridge
Clinchco, VA 24226

Regular Meeting: First Sunday of each month at 10:00 am
Business Session: First Saturday of each month at 4:00 pm
Other Meetings: Second, Fourth, and Odd Sunday of each month
at 10:00 am

Moderator: Elder Chris Ingram (606) 632-9748
871 Lilley Cornett Br
Hallie, KY 41821

Asst. Moderator: Elder Josh Newsom (606) 213-1499
611 Bentley Honaker Rd
Pikeville, KY 41501

Clerk: Sister Rebecca Ingram (606) 632-9748
871 Lilley Cornett Branch
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Solid Rock Association

Ordained Ministers:	Chris Ingram Josh Newsom	(606) 632-9748 (606) 213-1499
Union Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Weekend in July</i> Jeremy Newsom, Tommy Adair, Brandon Newsom, & Jason Varney	
Communion Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Weekend in August</i> Daryl Newsom, Clyde Bentley, Johnny Sexton, & Chris Newsom	
Memorial Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Weekend in October</i> Danny Dixon, Eddie Newsom, David Nichols, & Chad Reinthaler	
Special Service: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Saturday in August</i> , Bread Baking Billy Adair, Jr., Matt Hackworth, & Larry Adkins	



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Fellowship Church

Southern Home Old Regular Baptist Church

(Granted Full Membership Rights in September 2021)



Located: Citra, FL

Physical Address: 14748 N Magnolia Avenue
Citra, FL 32113-3647

Meeting Times: Every Sunday singing at 10:30 am, services
at 11:00am

Business Session: First Saturday at 11:00am

Moderator: Elder William A. Adair, Sr. (352) 875-6419
4358 NE 19th Avenue
Ocala, FL 34479

Asst. Moderator: Elder Bruce P. Forsyth (352) 817-5107
13067 NE 38th Avenue
Anthony, FL 32617

Clerk: Brother William R. Adair (352) 598-6432
12542 SE 83rd Terrace
Bellevue, FL 34420

Treasurer: Elder Tommy Adair, Jr. (352) 843-4142

Ordained Ministers: Tommy Adair, Jr. (352) 843-4148
William A. Adair, Jr. (352) 304-1078
William A. Adair, Sr. (352) 875-6419
Bruce P. Forsyth (352) 817-5107

Liberated Ministers: Brian Crossley (352) 300-6202
Edward Youmans (352) 857-4220

Communion Meeting: First Saturday in April
Ministers Invited: Clyde Bentley, David Nichols, Danny
Varney, Jason Varney, & Ron
Woodward

Memorial Meeting: First Sunday in June
Ministers Invited: Chris Newsom, Daryl Newsom,
Kendrick Turner, & Shad Newsome

Special Meeting: First Saturday in October
Ministers Invited: David Baisden, William Baisden,
Brandon Newsom, Jeremy Newsom, &
Joey Evans



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Fellowship Association

Shiloh Primitive Baptist Association

Located:	Elkin, NC
Physical Location:	10473 NC 268 Elkin, NC 28621
Phone:	(336) 366-4389
<i>Meeting Times:</i>	First, Third, and Fourth Sunday of each month at 11:00AM
<i>Business Session:</i>	Saturday morning before the 3 rd Sunday
Association Meeting:	4th Weekend in October
<i>Ministers Invited:</i>	All Solid Rock Association Brothers
Moderator:	Elder Ronnie Houser (336) 258-2055
Asst. Moderator:	Elder Rodney France
Clerk:	Elder Anthony Love

*But if we walk in the light,
as he is in the light,
we have fellowship one with another,
and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son
cleanseth us from all sin*

(1 John 1:7)

Constitution

From a long series of experiences, we the churches of Jesus Christ, being legally baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, and convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches in order to have a union and communion among us, and preserve, perpetuate, and maintain a correspondence with each other in our union, we therefore propose to keep the order and rules of an Association, in accordance with the following plan, or form, of government:

Article 1. The Association shall be called the *Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptist of Jesus Christ*.

Article 2. The Association shall be composed of three (3) delegates from each church in our association, along with the elected officers. These delegates shall be duly sent to represent their church in the Association. They shall be members whom their church judge best qualified for that purpose. Upon producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to seats.

Article 3. Each church letter shall bear their annual statistics for numbers: in fellowship, baptized, received by letter, received by recommendation, received by restoration, dismissed by letter, dismissed by request, excluded and deceased.

Article 4. The delegates thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's children, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in our union.

Article 5. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum.

Article 6. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk. Each shall be chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

Article 7. Any church petitioning, for either full membership or fellowship status, is to submit formal paperwork to the Association at the annual Solid Rock Association meeting. They will fall under the watch care of the Association's Committee on Council for an examination period of one year. If, at the conclusion of the examination period, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, per report by the Committee on Council, they shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the Moderator, who shall give them the right hand of fellowship.

Article 8. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

Article 9. Every query presented by a church to the Association, being first debated in their own church, shall come under the consideration of the Association.

Article 10. Every motion made and seconded shall be considered by the Association, unless it be withdrawn by the party who made it.

Article 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an Association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same. We think it the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper, and to send it by their delegates to the Association. Such sums shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, chosen by the Association, who shall be accountable for the money.

Article 12. There shall be an Association Book kept wherein the proceedings of every association shall be recorded by a Secretary appointed by the Association. The Secretary shall receive annual compensation for his services.

Article 13. The minutes of the Association may be read, and corrected if need be, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises, unless the same is dispensed with. All queries, requests and resolutions which have been debated in the current association, shall be read back.

Article 14. Amendments to this plan of government can only be made by unanimous decision of the union, if deemed necessary.

Article 15. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association; the best method of effecting the same shall be determined by the Association.

Article 16. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by a will of the majority of the delegates present.

Article 17. The Association is to remain as an advisory council, and not as an administrative government. Each church SHALL hold its own Ecclesiastical Keys. Each church shall be the sole judge of its members' conduct. Each church shall also have the right to decide who is worthy of membership, office or ordination.

Article 18. This Association shall have the power to:

A.) Provide for the general union of the churches, and to preserve an inviolable chain of communion between them;

B.) Give the churches all necessary advice in matters of church difficulty;

C.) Inquire into the cause as to why any church shall fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association;

D.) Appropriate the money contributed by the churches for any purpose it may think proper;

E.) Appoint any member, by their consent, to transact any business it may think necessary;

F.) Withdraw from any church in the union that does violate the Constitution, Articles of Faith or Rules of Decorum of the Association, or deviates from the orthodox principles of the Word of God as found in the book of Hebrews 6:1-2;

G.) To admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association;

H.) To adjourn to any future time and place it deems convenient.

Articles of Faith

Article 1. We believe in one true and living God (**1 Cor 8:6**): Father, Son and Holy Ghost (**1 John 5:7**); and these three are one (**John 14:8-11**).

Article 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as translated in the King James Version, to be the inspired written word of God (**2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21**). The New Testament is the standard of faith and the ONLY authorized rule of faith and practice to the church of God under the gospel dispensation (**Gal 5:4**).

Article 3. We believe in the doctrine of election by Grace (**Acts 10:43; Eph 2:8**). We do not believe in particular election (**Titus 2:11; Rom 10:13**) and reprobation, so as to make God partial directly, or indirectly, or to injure any of the children of men.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin (**Rom 5:12**), and of man's inability to save himself from the fallen state he is in by nature; therefore, the Savior is needed for our redemption (**Rom 5:17-19; Eph 2:8-9**).

Article 5. We believe that sinners are called (**Mark 2:17**), converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit (**1 Peter 1:23**), and that all who are so regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God, shall never fall finally away (**Eph 1:13; Heb 10:14**).

Article 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God (**Acts 13:39; Luke 18:13-14**) only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ in obedience to the calling of repentance (**2 Timothy 1:9**).

Article 7. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and feet washing are ordinances of Jesus Christ (**Matt 3:13; Matt 26:26-29; John 13:4-14**), and that true believers are the only proper subjects of these sacraments. And, we believe the only true mode of baptism is by immersion after receiving the spiritual baptism of the Holy Ghost (**Rom 6:4**).

Article 8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead (**Luke 24:46; I Cor 15:51-53**), and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous (**1 Thess 4:16-17**) and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal (**John 5:28-29**).

Article 9. We believe no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel, unless He has been called (**Rom 10:15; 1 Cor 2:4**) and has come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery of the church (**Acts 13:2-3; Titus 1:5-15**).

Article 10. We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge people in their sins (**1 Cor 5:2**) or causes them to settle down on anything short of saving faith in Christ for salvation (**Matt 7:13-14; Matt 7:21; Luke 13:23-24**), is erroneous and such doctrine shall be rejected by us (**Gal 1:8-10**).

Article 11. We believe that all people reaching the age of accountability must be born again (**Rom 7:9-10; John 3:3**). We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God (**Rom 4:15**), are only subject to the first death which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam. No child dying in that state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin (**Matt 18:1-5**).

Article 12. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of the truth, that they might be saved (**2 Pet 3:9; John 3:16**). All men, at one time or another, are found in such capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved (**Rom 5:18**).

Article 13. We believe that Christ has but one true and gospel church, and that it will finally persevere through grace to glory (***Matt 16:18; 1 Cor 12:13***). When the trump shall sound, the Son shall deliver up his church and present it to his Father, and so shall we ever be with the Lord (***1 Thess 4:16-17***).

Article 14. We believe that the Church is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ who have obtained fellowship with the Lord and with one another (***Acts 2:41-42; 1 John 1:3***). Jesus Christ is the head of the church, and the government thereof is upon His shoulders (***Eph 5:23-24***).

Rules of Decorum

Article 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Article 2. The Moderators and Clerks of the Association shall be selected by the delegates who are present.

Article 3. Only one member shall speak at a time and shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to speak.

Article 4. The person speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone, except the Moderator, until he is done.

Article 5. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to his subject, and in no way reflect on the preceding speaker, but shall define his ideas on the proposition for debate so far as he can.

Article 6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the same.

Article 7. No member shall rise to speak more than three times on any one subject, without permission from the Association.

Article 8. No member of the Association shall have the liberty to laugh during the Association, nor whisper in time of public speech.

Article 9. No member shall address another in any other form or term other than that of “Brother” or “Sister.”

Article 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt a Brother, or prohibit him from speaking, until he gives his views on the subject, unless he has violated the Rules of Decorum.

Article 11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association may require.

Article 12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any member, provided the chair be filled. But, he *shall have **no** vote*, unless the Association be equally divided. In this event, he shall give the deciding vote.

Article 13. Any member who shall willfully and knowingly violate any of these rules shall be reprimanded by the Association as it may think proper.

Resolutions

Article 1. We believe that our article of faith #10 rejects sin, including homosexuality. We also believe that marriage is a union between a man and a woman, neither of which gender has been altered. It is further agreed that our ministers refrain from marrying people into this ungodly sin. (Adopted in 2004 minutes)

Article 2. In regard to letters of dismission, the association recognizes the complexity of this issue and agrees that this request falls under article #17 of our constitution, which states: *The association is to remain as an advisory council and not as an administrative government. Each church shall be the sole judge of its members conduct. Each church shall also have the right to decide who is worthy of membership, office or ordination.* (Adopted in 2004 minutes)

Article 3. We agree that several churches have already established a method of receiving previously ordained members into their fellowship. We recommend that the churches take care to uphold our articles of faith and constitution already established, particularly article of faith #9, and we note that the laying on of hands to issue credentials is an accepted practice with in our union. (Adopted in 2004 minutes)

Article 4. Under Article 7, any church organized under the authority of the Solid Rock Association, seeking membership, shall be immediately received and given the right hand of fellowship. This Article shall include any new associations seeking correspondence. Being a full member church of the Solid Rock Association grants voting rights to delegates, qualification to have members selected to preach the Introductory Sermon, and to write the Circular Letter. Fellowship churches only, are extended the right hand of fellowship as individual churches but do not have these authoritative rights. (Adopted in 2016 minutes)

Article 5. Under Article 14, the term "plan of government" pertains to the Association foundational documents including the Charter, Constitution, Articles of Faith, and Rules of Decorum. This does not apply to Article 16, which pertains to standard Association matters. (Adopted in 2016 minutes)

Article 6. We believe that our article of faith #10 rejects sin, including abortion. Many scriptures clearly state that God knew us while we were yet in our mother's womb. (Adopted in 2022 minutes)

Obituaries

If you have an obituary you wish to publish in next year's minute book please send it to the clerks by October 1, 2025. If the obituary is received later than this date, then it will be in the following year's minute book.

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*Precious in the sight of the Lord is the
death of His Saints.*

(Psalm 116:15)

June Cooper

February 26, 1935 – January 22, 2024 (age 88)



Vivian June Cooper passed on Monday, January 22, 2024, at the age of 88. She was born in Rowan County, Kentucky on February 26, 1935. She was the daughter of Fred and Edith Hicks. She was preceded in death by her husband, Blain, two daughters, Vicki Cooper Thomas and Pamela Cooper and one grandchild, Amanda Cooper.

A woman admired for her dedication to God and her family. At an early age, she took on caregiving activities when her mom became ill. In addition to caregiving, she also assumed the majority of the household activities. Once her mom recovered, she went to work at a sewing factory to help with the family income.

The first of 4 children was born in August of 1956 to June and her husband, Blain. In the early years, Blain worked away from home during the week, so June took on both Mother and Father roles most of the time. She loved, fed, cooked, cleaned, cared for and disciplined their 4 children (Vicki, Jeff, Pam and Gina). With these responsibilities, June became very independent, strong-willed and determined. She raised her children to be hard working, respectful and loving. She was blessed to see all 4 of them saved by God's Amazing Grace.

June became a born-again Christian on April 23, 1967, and joined the Lexington United Baptist Church in Lexington, Kentucky. It was at the monthly church dinners where June's organizational/coordination skills began to "shine" outside of her home. June was always willing to take on her share of whatever needed to be done. This included but not limited to cooking for church dinners, hosting dinners and other gatherings, helping with her grandkids and great grandkids when needed, surprising someone on their birthday with a cake/pie and making phone calls to check on family/church family/friends who were sick or in need.

In the last 1970's and early 1980's, June took on caregiving activities again when her daughter, Pam, became handicapped after a car accident and when her oldest daughter, Vicki, was diagnosed with liver cancer. Through all of the tragedy, June remained a very dedicated and devoted Christian woman. She knew from where her strength came ... from her Lord and Savior.

As a wife, mother, grandparent, great grandparent and/or friend, June genuinely cared about others. She shared with them good "sound" advice, her convictions about life in general and her love of the Lord. With her caring nature, it was easy to see how she built so many long-lasting friendships and was admired, respected, loved and cherished by so many. She was an amazing woman and the "rock" of our family. We miss her kind and caring presence in our day-to-day lives; however, we wouldn't wish her back as she's resting peacefully in paradise awaiting our Lord's return.

Brittany Nicole Hill

January 6, 1991 – May 12, 2024 (age 33)



Brittany Nicole Hill, age 33 of Martin, Kentucky, passed away on Sunday, May 12, 2024. She was born January 6, 1991, in Pike County, Kentucky to Darvy (Michelle) Hamilton & Donita Thacker (Donald) Scott. She was the wife of Logan Hill. She was a substitute teacher at May Valley Elementary School. Along with her parents and husband she is survived by her Sons: Mason Hill & Jenson Hill both of Martin, Kentucky; Sister: Jordan (Chris) Hamilton (Owen & Grayson) of Grethel, Kentucky; Grandparents: Darvene & Ann Hamilton of Teaberry,

Kentucky; Brother-in-law: Myles (Aleshia) Hill (Irah) of Paint Lick, Kentucky; Father-in-law & Mother-in-law: Monty Hill of Tyner, Kentucky & Lora (Jerry) White of Burgin, Kentucky; Special Cousin: Trevor Thacker; A Host of Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, Friends & Work Family at May Valley. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her.

Visitation will begin Friday, May 17, 2024, at 6pm-9pm at Maytown First Baptist Church, Langley, Kentucky and will continue all day Saturday, May 18, 2024, 2pm-9pm church services will be at 6pm.

Funeral Services will be held Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 2pm at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Kentucky.

Burial will follow at Coleman Family Cemetery, 2653 Shelby Dry Fork, Shalbiana, Pike County, Kentucky.

Gloria Bea Newsom

July 4, 1933 – December 15, 2023 (Age 90)



On December 15th, 2023, on a Friday afternoon in a little home at the head of the holler, our blessed mother answered her final call. The call that she had been talking about and preparing for, for over 60 years. She was as ready as she could be, but we were not.

Mom's whole life was wrapped up in her Lord and her family. Every conversation with her would include the Lord and how good He had been to her. Her passion for her family was only exceeded by her passion for Him. I can't imagine Jesus ever having a greater advocate than Mom.

She was the picture of strength and virtue. Her love and kindness knew no bounds. She made everyone feel special and loved. She labored tirelessly to care for and feed anyone that was hungry or in need. Always the last one to go to bed and the first one up in the morning as she cooked and cared for those around her and her church. Her kitchen was by far, her favorite place. Thousands have sat at her table while she poured her heart into giving them her best. And all the while, talking about the goodness of God and how great His mercy is.

If you have ever talked with Mom, then you have been asked if you are hungry and you have been invited to church. Because that's who she was.

The 31st Proverb paints a better picture of our mother than my words ever could.

*Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies.
The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her.*

She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household.

She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

Strength and honor are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

Her children arise up, and call her blessed.

A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

Mom has left behind an amazing legacy of family and love and faith. Married to Dad, Otto Newsom, for 72 years, she leaves him, 7 children, 24 grandchildren, 56 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren and with broken hearts. Not to mention son-in-laws and daughter-in-laws throughout every generation.

As her army of grandsons carried her on the final leg of her journey, we knew that of all the things we were going to miss, her counsel and guidance, her laughter and smile, her quarrelling at everyone to get ready for church, it was the loss of her hugs that we would never get over. Somehow, some way, we are going to have to get through the troubles of life without running back to those arms and those hugs.

She told us to be strong and show this world that our faith in Jesus is real and stronger than the grave so, that's exactly what we will try to do.

I could write page after page of all the lives she touched and the inspiring life she lived. But if you ever met her then you already know.

We love you, Mom. Be watching for us, we'll be along soon enough.

Aileen Thomas & Raymond Shepherd



Aileen Thomas was born on May 19, 1933, in the hills of Left Fork Island Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky to Jack and Draxie (nee McCown) Thomas.

Raymond Shepherd was born August 30, 1930, in Bosco, Kentucky to Reuben and Anna (nee Allen) Shepherd.

Dad passed away March 25th, 2024 and Mom passed just a few short months later on August 10th, 2024 leaving behind a broken hearted yet blessed family, to have had them as our parents.

Mom and Dad were married on November 27, 1954, and in the almost 70 years they were together they had 7 children, Lanny (Sue), Bob (Bobbi), Rondal (Gloria), Jack (Laura), Dennis (Debbie), Rae Lynne (Karl) and the late Stephen Ray. Proud grandfather of Tricia, Caroline (Ryan), Anna (Alec), Erin (Taylor), Zach (Elle), Becky, Laura (Kevin), Stephanie (Tony), Kennedy (Thomas), Jack (Sara), Alex, Jessie (Steven), Kyla, Kory and Kaden. Mom and Dad were also blessed with 16 great grandchildren.

Dad served his country with pride; he attempted to enlist during WWII but at only 15 years old did not meet the age requirements. He was finally able to enlist in 1949 when he turned 18. He served in the 2nd infantry division in Korea, achieving the rank of Sargent. Dad earned 10 battle stars before he was captured on November 30, 1950. After marching until sometime after Christmas they reached POW camp #5 on the Yalu River on the North Korea, China border where he was held captive for 34 months. Dad has always my hero!

Dad worked for the US Postal Service for 38 years and raised 6 children. Dad never finished high school but went on to be very successful in this life, especially after retirement. I believe Dad's greatest success was the day he could no longer sit in his seat at church and literally ran up the aisle

with his arms raised in victory and joined church and accepted his lord Jesus Christ! What a day it was, Mom had waited for over 40 years for that day.

Mom was the first in her family to graduate from high school. Mom was a devoted follower of Jesus Christ, and her faith was a cornerstone of her life. She believed in the promise of eternal rest and joy in the afterlife where she hoped to reunite with her loved ones. Known for her kindness, Mom was a friend to everyone she met and a mother figure to all her children's friends. Her life was dedicated to her faith and her family. Mom also had a special fondness for listening to Elvis Presley, but she cherished even more the old hymns from church song books. Her warm presence and loving nature will be deeply missed by all who knew her. We hold on to her words: "Get ready to meet me in my new home."

I pray with all my heart, Mom and Dad's children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren will cherish the time and remember the love and humble walk of our wonderful parents. I pray that all 43 descendants of Raymond and Aileen Shepherd follow their awesome example of choosing Jesus as Lord, so all may live in eternity with our awesome savior.

Brother Bob Shepherd

Canary “Bird” Turner

(age 80)



Canary Bird Turner age 80, passed away January 21, 2024 at Holston valley medical center in Kingsport TN. He was baptized in 1977 and a member of Turner Old Regular Baptist Church and was also a member of the local union 7170 where he had worked in the mines for more than 30 years.

"Bird" was preceded in death by his parents Richard and Sarah Turner, one son Jackie Turner, his first wife Barbara Hall Turner as well as his second wife Delilah Owens Turner, a grandson Dustin Turner, brother William Turner and Daughter in law Carolyn Mickles Turner.

Survivors include: Three Children- Epharm Turner, Vonda (Edward) Bell and Marty (Shellie) Turner.

Six Grandchildren- Bennie, Nikki, Courtney, Joshua, Ryan and Brianna

Four Great-grandchildren- Jamie, Connor, JT and Kashon.

Brothers and Sisters-Farris (Leon) Wood, Julia Arnold, Lorene Bartley, Johnny (Missy) Turner, Gurty (Kathy) Turner.

He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends left to mourn his loss.

The Family will receive friends Thursday January 25, 2024, from 6:00pm till 7:00 pm where a service will be conducted at 7:00 pm in the Turner Old Regular Baptist Church Clinchco, Va.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday January 26, 2024, at 11:00 am at the Turner Old regular Baptist Church with Elders Mike Stanley, Josh Newsom, Daryl Newsom, and Thomas Hill officiating. Burial will follow in the Turner Family Cemetery (Reedy ridge section) Clintwood.

Pallbearers: Grandsons and Friends

Honorary Pallbearers Mickey Taylor, Price Viers, Arlin Mickles and Roger Daniel

Notes

Church	# of Ministers	Recv'd by Baptism	Restored	Recv'd by Letter	Recommendation	TOTAL GAIN
Canaan's Shore	5	1	0	0	0	1
Lexington UB	8	4	0	0	5	9
Pilgrims Prayer	7	11	2	0	4	17
Southern Home	6	0	0	0	0	0
Turner	2	3	2	0	2	7
TOTALS:	28	19	4	0	11	34

Church	Excluded	Dismissed	Remv'd by Request	Remv'd by Letter	Lost by Death	TOTAL LOSS	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP
Canaan's Shore	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Lexington UB	0	0	2	0	1	3	70
Pilgrims Prayer	0	1	2	0	1	4	156
Southern Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
Turner	0	0	0	9	1	10	21
TOTALS:	0	1	4	9	3	17	343

Dedication

The Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists would like to dedicate the time and love that we shared in this effort to the memory of our loved ones that have outstripped us and gone on home. We hope to see them again on our judgment day. Until then, we will miss them and follow those steps that will lead us home also.

***Officers of the
Solid Rock Association
of Old Time Baptists
of Jesus Christ***



Daryl G. Newsom & David Nichols
Moderator & Assistant Moderator



Thomas Pinion & Brandon Newsom
Clerk & Assistant Clerk