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**THE NEXT MEETING**

to be held with Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Henderson County, Tennessee, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in October 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

**2012 SERMONS**

**Introductory Sermon** ----- Eld. Lynn Stapleton  
**Alternate** ----- Eld. Clint Sanders  
**Doctrinal Sermon** ----- Eld. Andrew Stokes  
**Alternate** ----- Eld. Bryan Oakes

## Westport Church History

A group met at the schoolhouse located north of the present church house in Westport, Tennessee on Sunday afternoon, April 26, 1896, for the purpose of organizing Westport Missionary Baptist Church. A lot south of the schoolhouse was purchased and plans made for a church building. The church is currently located on this lot.

After a storm damaged the church building in October, 1955, the members set about raising funds and giving their labor to build a new brick church behind the old one. The new church building was completed in the Spring of 1956.

Westport Missionary Baptist Church has really been blessed as it carries on the Lord's work. Bathrooms were added and central heat and air in the 1980's. A new fellowship hall was added in 2011.

The land where the pavilion was built for homecomings was donated by Bro. and Sis. Clarence Williams. In 1996, the church had its 100th year celebration. The Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association has met with Westport Missionary Baptist Church in 1917, 1933, 1944, 1966, 1987 and now in 2011.

The word has been preached and many souls have been saved. We are so thankful for past generations and generations to come until our Lord returns and we are called to meet him.

*\* Westport wants to express her appreciation for the food brought and help you gave while she hosted this association.*

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## Order of Business

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2012

- Call Association to Order
- Appoint Committee on Divine/Hospitality Service
- Appoint Finance Committee
- Appoint Topics Committee for 2012 Session
- Appoint Obituary Recorder
- Reading Of the Rules of Decorum
- Call For Reception of Church Letters
- Call for Petitioning Church Letters
- Roll Call of Messengers
- Elect Moderator, Clerk, and Assistants
- Select Host Church for 2013 Session
- Select Brethren to Preach 2013 Annual Sermons
- Introductory Sermon - 11:00 A.M.
- Call for Correspondence
- Call for Report on *How important is the gospel of Jesus Christ in the age we live in today?*
- Call for Report on *By what authority is the gospel preached and the effects thereof?*

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2012

- Roll Call of Messengers
- Call for report of Finance Committee
- Call for report of Obituary Recorder
- Call for report of Historical Committee
- Call for report on *The results in fulfilling the love of Christ within us with the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.*
- Doctrinal Sermon—11:00 A.M.
- Call for Report of the Topics Committee
- Call for the Report on *(current event)*
- Call for Report from Associational Missionary
- Call for New Business
- Reading of the *Vote of Thanks*
- Read and approve minutes by clerk
- Song and parting hand

## Elected Officers for 2011-2012

<b>Moderator</b>		<p><b>Bro. Ray Smith</b>                  19950 East Main Street                  Huntingdon, TN 38344                  (731) 986-4717</p>	Huntingdon Church
<b>Assistant Moderator</b>		<p><b>Eld. Andrew Stokes</b>                  310 Westport Road                  Huntingdon, TN 38344                  (731) 986-3738</p>	Clarksburg Church
<b>Clerk</b>		<p><b>Eld. Scott Carter</b>                  400 Chickasaw Drive                  Huntingdon, TN 38344                  (731) 986-4701 home                  (731) 415-1688 cell                  clerk@swdmba.org</p>	Shiloh Church
<b>Assistant Clerk</b>		<p><b>Eld. Clint Sanders</b>                  75 Farmington Cove                  Lexington, TN 38351                  (731) 249-5782 work                  (731) 695-3194 cell                  csanders@landdevgroup.com</p>	Pleasant Ridge Church
<b>Associational Missionary</b>		<p><b>Eld. Jimmie Hale, Jr.</b>                  22790 Hwy 22 North                  Yuma, TN 38390                  (731) 968-5298</p>	Clarksburg Church

Friday October 7, 2011

On a beautiful fall morning, the Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association met for the 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual session in accordance to adjournment at the previous session in 2010.

The service began with singing from the Heavenly Highway Hymns “Are You Washed in the Blood” and “I’ve Got That Old Time Religion” led by Bro. Travis Nance, Pleasant Ridge Church with Sis. Kim Carter, Shiloh Church on the piano.

The moderator, Bro. Ray Smith, began the services by telling the body how wonderful it is to be here today and for all those present. He read from Romans 14:9-19 and called the body together and asked Bro. Charles Connell, New Liberty Church, to lead us in prayer.

Moment of silence for Bro. Jimmy Stewart.

The Moderator made the following appointments:

**Committee on Divine Service and Hospitality:**

The Pastor and Deacon Body of Westport Church. Bro. Greg Jones, pastor Westport Church told of the blessing it is to be able to host this session. He prayed that we would all feel love and welcome and be thankful for the time we have here together today. He asked deacon Glynn Williams and minister Jerry Dodd to stand and be recognized. He emphasized his desire for all present to let them know if anything was needed.

**Finance Committee:**

Bro. Randy Wood – Bible Grove Church  
Bro. Larry Pritchard – Shiloh Church  
Bro. Glynn Williams - Westport Church

**2011 Topic Committee:**

Bro. Rufus Chandler (Chairman) – Mixie Church  
Bro. Toby Swinford– Westport Church  
Bro. Trey Crews – Pleasant Hill Church

**Obituary Recorder:**

Bro. David Leslie, Oak Grove (HC) Church

The Clerk read the Rules of Decorum. Afterward, the moderator then called for the individual church letters.

The Roll Call of Messengers was made and 66 messengers were seated by **motion and second; motion carried.**

The Moderator invited any non-member churches present that wished to petition for membership to come forth at this time. There were no petitioner churches for this session.

The association then moved in to the election process.

Bro. Ray Smith, Huntingdon Church, was nominated as Moderator. **Motion and second** was made that nominations cease and elect by acclamation; **motion carried by majority vote** with the assistant moderator, Bro. Andrew Stokes assuming the position of moderator for the voting process.

Bro. Ray Smith assumed the role as the permanent moderator.

Bro. Andrew Stokes, Clarksburg Church, was nominated as Assistant Moderator, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried by majority vote.**

Bro. Scott Carter, Shiloh Church, was nominated as Clerk, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Bro. Clint Sanders, Pleasant Ridge Church, was nominated as Assistant Clerk, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Three Churches requested the Association to meet with them for the 2011 session. A **motion and second** was made to select Oak Grove Church in Henderson County as the host site; **motion carried.**

Bro. Lynn Stapleton was nominated to preach the Introductory Sermon, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Bro. Clint Sanders was nominated to be the alternate for the Introductory Sermon, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Bro. Andrew Stokes was nominated to preach the Doctrinal Sermon and being the only one nominated a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried by majority vote.**

Bro. Bryan Oakes was nominated to be the alternate for the Doctrinal Sermon, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Bro. Toby Swinford asked to be removed from the topic committee. **Motion and second** was made to accept this request; **motion carried.** **Motion and second** was made to postpone filling the position



until after lunch; motion carried.

With the 11:00 hour here the moderator asked for a song to be sung while Bro. Greg Jones came to give the introductory sermon. The congregation stood and sang “When My Savior Reached Down for Me.”

Before turning the service over to Bro. Greg, the moderator asked any visitors present to stand and be recognized. See list on p. 41.

### **Introductory Sermon**

Bro. Greg Jones

Bro. Greg began by saying how he was thankful for the opportunity to be here and how that we are all family here today. He thanked God for being able to be here for he needs his brothers and sisters to help him through this world. We all need each other, and God has brought us together in one mind and one accord that we might worship him in spirit and in truth. After a word of prayer, Bro. Greg thanked God for reaching down and saving a sinner as he was. When God saved our soul, he saved us for a purpose and for a reason. He saved us to be a light to a lost and dying world. There is a world that is watching and listening to everything we do.



He turned and read Colossians 3:1-2 and took as a thought, “Lord, Would You Consider Me?” When the Lord saved him, he made a change in him from the old man to a new man. The new man in us is what the world calls a Christian. When the Lord saved us, he saves us to follow his footsteps, not the footsteps of the devil. When we are saved our hearts are set on God’s things, not on things of the world. The Lord tells us to set our affection on things above. Many churches are setting their affection on things of the world, not on things of God. He continued reading from Colossians 3 verse 4 and asked us who the world is seeing? Is the world seeing the old man or the new man that was created in us? Bro. Greg read verse 5-7 and referred to a time when we lived in these things. There was a time when these type things were our nature. The Lord told us to put those things away. In verses 8-9, it tells us how the word of God is good for reproof and correction and that we might know how to conduct ourselves. God gave us all his word, and we as his children need

to heed his word. When the world looks upon us and sees us not talking and or having fellowship one with another, what do they think? What is the world seeing in us? Anger and malice should have been done away with the old man. God has purged us from that old man. There is only one man that gave us everything. The things that Jesus went through, yet he never uttered not a word because he had love and compassion. Love allowed the Lord to endure these things and even stay on the cross to forgive those who crucify him. None of us are good, no not one. As Christians, we are not to judge one another. The old man in us should have died. One day, God told Bro. Jones to take the word and preach it to the world, and that it nothing had to do with anger and malice.

Joshua went to Ai and cried to God, and God told him to lift his head because he is still with you. God will not bless us as long as there is a curse among us. In our midst, there is a curse. God did not love us while we were righteousness, he loved us while we were sinners.

The old man in us loves sin. Those things we once did ought to be far from us and out of our lives. He wants to look in our heart and see if we are willing to lay our old man down, and follow after the new creature in us. The Lord brought us all together, and the hand cannot say to the foot that because you are not like me, you are not part of the same body. There are times when we see a brother in hurt, we should go to them and help them along. The old man likes malice. *Webster* says malice is simply a desire to see another man suffer. The old man in us desired to see others suffer. Christ has no desire that we see another man suffer. "Lord, would you consider me?" The Pharisees got concerned about the things on the outside, but the Lord is concerned about the things on the inside. He read from verse 12 and told how we are elected by the Father above to be his servants. When we say we are a child of God, the world begins watching and listening to what we say and do. In verse 13, we are to forgive one another. Many are saying they love the Lord, but are saying this while having anger in their heart from the person sitting right across from them. Who is supposed to be the examples? We are his workman and should put on charity. "God, would you consider me?" That is a tough question because when we try to do good, evil is present also. God's word is not for some; it is for all of us. We should all heed to God's word, and maybe it will help us all out. We claim to be Missionary Baptist, and our families and our houses are being

divided. God warns us that a house divided cannot stand. The devil is having a good time seeing us devour one another. The things that are most important to us are seeing the lost get saved. We are here to labor and work in a field that is white. These things are hard to do when our heart is set on the old man. Our hearts should be set on the new man, not the old one. The new one that God gave us is one that He can use. God can use the man that is willing to pray and seek after him. What does the world see in us? Do they see harmony? Hatred? See us unable to speak one with another? Backbiting, gossip? The devil keeps driving the wedge between God's people. Today lets be truthful and see that the devil has driven a wedge between us. The Lord gave us full instruction that we can rebuke the devil and that he will have to flee. When we are not rebuking him, we are welcoming him in the door. When we let the devil in, the lost are being affected. When we set our minds on worldly things, we say, "Lord, not me." When the disciples gathered together in the upper room, they did not have the things of the world on their mind, but the things of God. We look for the coming of the Lord every day, not just on Sunday. If we claim it (being blood bought), do we go out and show it?

He closed by sharing with us how his desires would be for the Lord to use him, for that is what God wants him to do. The body cannot function very well without every member working together.

Bro. Jones turned the service back over to the moderator.

The moderator called for a song so we could give the right hand of Christian fellowship to Bro. Jones.

The congregation came around to give Bro. Jones the right hand of Christian fellowship. After the fellowship handshake and announcements, a **motion and second** was made to adjourn one hour for lunch; **motion carried**. The moderator called on Bro. Kenneth Massey, to dismissed the service and ask the blessing on the food.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON

After a wonderful and bountiful meal provided by the host church, the moderator asked to open the afternoon session with prayer led by Bro. Brian Hampton, Oak Grove (CC).

The moderator then finalized the topic committee by appointing Bro. Josh Parker, to fill the spot of Bro. Toby Swinford. By motion and second from the messengers, Bro. Josh Parker was appointed, motion carried.

Bro. Rick Jones (Missionary to Jamaica) was leaving before the end of the afternoon session and wanted to give a brief report. He began by wanting to honor the loss of Bro. Jimmy Stewart. He referred to him as a “gentle giant.” Although it is our loss, it is definitely heaven’s gain. He thanked the churches for their support and told of the work going on. His letter is placed in the correspondence section of the minutes.

**Motion and second** was made to add Bro. Jones’ correspondence to the minutes; **motion carried**

The moderator read from John 1:1-5.

The moderator asked for correspondence to be read. The clerk read correspondence from Big Bear Creek, Siloam, and Wiseman Associations.

Due to additional correspondence from Yuma Church, Bro. Roger Hollowell was asked to read the letter from the church. After the reading of the letter, messengers from New Liberty, New Prospect, and Oak Grove (CC), by authority from their churches, endorsed this letter and wanted to add their names as to why they are withdrawing from the association. **Motion and second** was made to add this letter to our minutes. After much discussion on the motion from Kevin Hollingshead, Ray Smith, Roger Hollowell, Dennis Stokes, Allen Maness, Brian Hampton, Gary Douglas, Andrew Stokes, Tim Maness, Lee Carter, Lynn Stapleton, Brian Hampton, Randy Wood (called question), Robert Simmons, Larry Pritchard, David Leslie, Kenneth Massey, Lee Carter read from Rules of Decorum. The vote on “question” was taken and failed. Discussion continued by Johnny Wall, Jeff Reed, William Umstead (he asked to be excused and dismissed by the moderator), Ray Hampton, Josh Milam, Michael Butler, Frank Rickman, Robert Simmons. Also speaking was Lynn Stapleton, David Leslie, James Severance, Andrew Stokes, and Greg Jones. The clerk read both last year’s resolution from HMBC and the one proposed by Yuma Church. After the reading of the letters, a vote was taken. The **motion failed** 18-29 for putting this letter in the minutes due to its content.

New Bethel Church asked to read additional correspondence. After the reading of their letter, **motion and second** was made to enter it into the minutes. **Vote failed** 16-28 in favor of printing this letter in the minutes due to its content.

**Motion and second** was made to adjourn today’s session until 10:00 am Saturday; **motion carried**.

Saturday, October 8, 2011

We gathered in accordance to adjournment to yesterday's motion at 10:00 a.m. ready to serve the Lord once again. Bro. Glynn Williams, Westport Church, lead the singing with Sis. Angie Hedge, Huntingdon Church, on the piano. We began with singing "There is Power in the Blood."

The moderator welcomed all present. He thanked Bro. Greg Jones for his message yesterday, and the hospitality shown by Westport Church. Bro. Smith thanked the association for allowing him to serve again as the moderator. He then read from James 3: 1-10 and called the association together. He called on Bro. Larry Pritchard, Shiloh Church, to lead us in prayer.

Roll call of messengers was made with 56 desiring to be seated. **Motion and second** was made to seat these messengers; **motion carried.**

The moderator called for a song in order to take up an offering for our Associational Missionary with an offering of \$647.00

The moderator called for Report on *God's way of salvation versus man's way that is being taught and preached today*

**SUBJECT #1 per 2011 Topic Committee**

**In the time period we are living in, we hear much about accepting the Lord or making a decision to be saved, in St. John chapter 3, Nicodemus came to Jesus by night inquiring about salvation. Jesus answered him in verse 7, saying "Marvel not, that I said unto thee, ye must be born again." Discuss God's way of salvation versus man's way that is being taught and preached today.**

Unfortunately in today's society, there are many different views of how salvation is received. A large majority of church-going people have drifted from the biblical basics on the teaching of salvation and have created various "new ways of salvation." One way that has taken root and grown over the past three centuries is the false teaching, "accepting Jesus Christ as your personal Savior or making a decision to be saved." Often times we refer to the salvation that we teach as "old-time sal-

vation." It is not the "old-time way," it is the only way of salvation. As we plan to prove today, the Bible teaches there is only one way to salvation and that is by faith in Jesus Christ, and not of our own works.

There are many "false teachers" who have claimed to know an "easier way" to salvation. Some of their ways include "accepting Jesus as Savior" or "making a decision" to be saved, or simply showing an interest in salvation by "shaking a preacher's hand." Research shows that in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, a lawyer by the name of Charles G. Finney came upon the scene proclaiming to be a minister of the Gospel. Mr. Finney's mission was to formulate rules by applying a legal or rigid format as a way to which he could analyze actions and reactions of humans (which happened to be the same form he used in the courtroom as an attorney in dealing with witnesses). As quoted by Dr. Michael Horton, The Disturbing Legacy, "No single man is more responsible for the distortion of Christian truth in our age than Charles Grandison Finney. His 'new measures' created a framework for modern decision theology and evangelical revivalism." Mr. Finney didn't teach that man should wait upon God's conviction but rather a man could initiate the desire to be saved and that action would produce a predictable reaction by God.

After Mr. Finney, many would follow this new teaching of analyzing the action or reactions of people. Those would include: Dwight L. Moody, Wilbur Chapman, Billy Sunday, Mordecai Ham and more recently, Billy Graham to whom would adopt his legalistic formula.

Dwight L. Moody was a shoe salesman by trade. In reading and reviewing Mr. Moody's sermons, he did not preach the importance of the deep inner workings of the Holy Spirit. His closing statement often uttered, "The minute you take Christ's gift, that minute you become a child of God. When you accept Him, He becomes your way, your truth and your light. If you walk out of the tabernacle this evening not saved, it will be because you did not accept Him as Lord and Savior."

Billy Sunday was a baseball player who made the comparison of salvation to a baseball game. Billy Sunday's greatest influ-

ence upon evangelism was a technique which included repeating a prayer after the preacher and then shaking his hand, (a practice that can still be seen in many Southern Baptist Churches today). Many of the Churches in the Southern Baptist Convention adopted Billy Sunday's altar call of the 1920's. True Baptist recognizes and refers to this false teaching today as modernism.

Ben Bogard is another man who had a different view of how to acquire salvation as noted in this quote, "Instantaneously you can accept Jesus by faith and be saved now. Suppose I get up and say, now is the time, will you accept Jesus now? A man walks down the aisle and takes me by the hand and says, I will take it." This particular quote was taken from the Bogard-Hardeman Debate. Notice that all of these "false teachings" originated by various men are not the teachings one will find in the Holy Bible.

As you see with such a small departure from scriptural teachings on salvation by all of the above mentioned men, (as well as countless others) have caused the growth of apostasy of unbelievable proportions. They felt there was no time to wait on God's conviction, contrition and salvation. They saw themselves as "helping the Lord to hurry along God's work." Many new church attendees, impressed by the ease with which salvation could be obtained, made their decisions to go forward and accept Christ unto salvation then quickly upon that false profession of faith were added to the church roll. These actions soon resulted in a church with a majority of zealous and mostly un-regenerated people making decisions in the church and outnumbering the older, wiser, truly saved members of the body.

There are many doctrines that can determine whether a body is a "Bible-believing" or Non Bible -believing church but the most essential doctrine which cannot be compromised is on salvation. In order to be a true Church of God, a church must teach a born-again experience salvation as taught by Jesus in the Bible. As stated earlier, this is not the old-time way, it is the only way of salvation. Jesus, speaking to Nicodemus, in John, chapter 3 states, "Except a man be born again, he can-

not see the kingdom of God.” Due to Nicodemus’ inability to see this picture from a spiritual sense, he was very confused by this statement. Nicodemus ask, “how can a man be born the second time when he is old?” Jesus answered, “Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is Spirit.” Jesus is clearly making the distinction between the physical birth and the spiritual birth.

In our carnal mind, we can understand the physical birth but what about the spiritual birth? How is a man born of the spirit? Titus 3:5 tells us that “not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy, He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.” What is this washing of regeneration? It is the process by which, God (not man) washes away our sins by His Spirit, (that is the new birth). II Corinthians 5:17 tells us that if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature, old things are passed away, behold all things are become new. On the outside there may be no visible change in appearance but on the inside of a person, the Holy Spirit creates a new life.

The modernistic view of salvation omits a very important part of salvation, which is the working of the Holy Spirit. The Bible tells us that God is a three-fold being; God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. This statement concludes that not one entity of the trinity is more important than the other. In relation to salvation, God the Father sent His Son to die for our sins. God the Son left His Father in heaven, came to earth and lived a perfect life and ultimately died on the cross for our sins.

So what part does the Holy Spirit play in salvation? The Holy Spirit shows us our need for salvation. Our first encounter with the Holy Spirit is when we feel reprov'd by the Spirit, or when God lets us know that we are separated from Him. That separation and seeing ourself as a sinner is what causes the horrible burden or conviction that we feel. Very few times do “modern preachers” mention anything about a feeling of conviction, or being convinced that a person is a sinner and sepa-



rated from God. In John 6:44, Jesus states, "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him." We don't realize our need for salvation until God shows us by his "drawing." Next, the Spirit guides us in our prayers for salvation. Romans 8:26 states, "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groaning which cannot be uttered." If we ourselves don't know how to pray for our burden of salvation, then how can another human in the form of a preacher tell us what prayer to repeat after him? Only God, through His Spirit, guides our prayers. Finally, it is through the Holy Spirit that we are able to experience the sweet peace in our soul when God sends salvation. Man doesn't have the capabilities to see a person's soul. No man has the ability to tell a person that they are under conviction and no one can tell a person that they are saved. The Holy Spirit is the only one that has the capability to know both. Often you will hear "modern preachers" tell a person that if they repeat a prayer or sign a card that they are now saved and a member of God's family. This practice is not found throughout the holy scriptures. On the contrary, Ephesians 2:8-9 states, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God; Not of works, lest any man should boast." If a lost person simply repeats another person's prayer or signs a card, that action refutes the above scripture. Salvation is not of any man, but is a gift of God!

As stated earlier, in order to be a Bible-believing church, we must follow the scriptures and not other men or traditions. We encourage you to see for yourself that the false doctrine of salvation, (by repeating a prayer, or shaking a person's hand will) not be found after careful research of the scriptures. However, you will find numerous accounts of salvation by various people, (men, women and children alike) simply trusting in Jesus, being obedient to His word and by being submissive to His Holy Spirit. God through His omnipotence knew that we would need a Savior and was willing to send His only Son, (Christ Jesus) to be the way of a perfect plan of salvation. A man who

tries to improve or change the plan of salvation in some other fashion is really saying that his ways are better. The book of Isaiah (Chapter 55, verse 9) tells us, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts." All should recognize and have the utmost understanding that no one can improve upon the perfect plan of God.

Humbly submitted,

Brother David Leslie  
Brother Jerry Dodd

The report *God's way of salvation versus man's way that is being taught and preached today* was read, adopted and spoken to by Bros. David Leslie and Bro. Jerry Dodd

The moderator called for Report on *What is the Deacon's role in the ministry and the edification of the church?*

**We the committee on the topic of the subject of "What is the Deacon's role in the ministry and the edification of the church?"**

Acts 6:1-3 - <sup>1</sup>And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministrations.

<sup>2</sup>Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

<sup>3</sup>Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.

The Biblical account mentioned above gives us a clear and distinct description about the origin of the office of a deacon. It is important to consider what the word "deacon" itself means. The Greek New Testament word is diakonoi" which means "servants." The noun "deacon" is used five times in the New Testament. It can

be found in Philippians 1:1 and 1 Tim. 3:8, 10, 12, and 13. It speaks of doing servile work or being as an attendant, rendering a free service. William E. Vine states in his "Expository Dictionary" that it probably comes from the verb "dioko", which means to "hasten after or pursue."

It is important to know that the deacons of the early church set a good example to pattern for our churches today. The office was established to "serve" or "help." The early church deacons were careful not to work against the man of God but wanted to attend to any matters which would have taken a load off of the pastor so he could devote more time to minister God's Word. The initial office of the deacon was to assist and help to serve the widows who had been overlooked and neglected and not to fight against the men of God but to assist him with the work that the church had the responsibility to tend to. Looking back at verse 2, the Bible states "it is not reason that we should leave the Word of God and serve tables. Pen-leton stated that deacons are to serve three tables, the table of the poor, the table of the Lord and the table of the pastor. The first table, according to Acts 6:1, was the table of the poor since there was a dispute that arose in the early church. The Hellenistic Jewish widows were murmuring against the Palestinian Hebrew widows, because the Greeks felt the Hebrews were getting more attention and care. Deacons were selected to fulfill this duty. A responsibility is thus given to deacons to see that the poor and widowed are not neglected.

Sometimes the deacon must be willing to settle disputes that may arise in the church. There will be those who will seek to cause strife in the church and against the pastor and the deacon must be willing to handle these situations with prayer and wisdom. Deacons who have spiritual discernment and are willing to take a stand when necessary, are a tremendous blessing to a church and pastor.

Deacons today still have to be involved often in settling disputes in the local church That is one of the reasons why they were originally appointed ***The deacons are not appointed to stir up trouble but to keep down trouble.***"

The second table is the table of the Lord which is the Lord's Supper. It is the deacon's responsibility to see that the table of the

Lord is furnished with the fruit of the vine and with unleavened bread. Luke 22:17-19 reads "And He took the cup and gave thanks, and said, Take this and divide it among yourselves: For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the Kingdom of God shall come, And he took the bread and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave it unto them saying, This is my body which is given for you; This do in remembrance of me." The Lord's Supper was observed during the feast of the Unleavened bread. It is also the deacon's responsibility to serve the Lord's Supper to those who are qualified to receive it.

Deacons are also to serve the table of the pastor, which is the third table. The pastor's compensation having been agreed on by the church, the deacon must see that it is raised and paid over to the pastor.

We should also recognize the importance of selecting deacons for their spiritual qualifications as well. Just because they may attend church on a regular basis and give well of their tithes may not be exactly God's qualifications of a deacon. To assist in the ministry a deacon should "of a good reputation" Acts 6:3 & be "a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit" Acts 6:5. Philip was not only a deacon but also went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. Acts 8:5-7.

In many Baptist churches a new concept of deacons has emerged to mean that the deacons are the church managers. Many churches have established a board of directors or a board of officers to tend to the affairs of the church. We should be careful about the selection and practices of deacons so as not to conform to these traditions but rather hold to the Scriptures. One writer summarized that deacons are, NOT

- A church director nor a Board of Director

- Not a figurehead but to be elected for services.

- Not an honorary service.

- Not a church boss or a pastor's boss.

- Not to be chosen because of financial or social position, nor chosen in order to get him to attend services. Let him first be proven. I Tim. 3:10.

In conclusion, the Bible charges pastors or elders with the tasks of

teaching and leading the church, a deacons' role is more service-oriented. That is, they are to care for the physical or temporal concerns of the church. By handling such matters, deacons free up the elders to focus on shepherding the spiritual needs of the congregation.

Yet even though deacons are not the congregation's spiritual leaders, their character is of utmost importance, which is why deacons should be examined and held to the biblical qualifications laid down in 1 Timothy 3.

Prayerfully submitted,  
Bro. Clint Sanders & Bro. Glen Williams

The report *What is the Deacon's role in the ministry and the edification of the church?* was read, adopted and spoken to by Bro. Clint Sanders

With the 11:00 hour here, the moderator asked the topic be suspended till after lunch.

The time had come for the Doctrinal Sermon from Bro. Rufus Chandler. The congregation stood for a moment before turning the service over to Bro. Chandler.

### **Doctrinal Sermon**

*Bro. Rufus Chandler*

Bro. Rufus thanked the association for being so good to him. His thought was "Jesus is what it is all about." He read from Philippians 2:1-11 and told how it is all about Jesus. The devil did all he could do to Job, but he could not harm him and take his life. No matter how people are healed, all healing comes from God. Regardless of how we get it, we must remember where it came from. We need to tell the world about the greatest physician known, one that can heal their soul, Jesus. He knew that this thought was given by God and he had not been able to shake.



The name Jesus was chosen long before he came. Jesus is not mentioned in the Old Testament, but he is there. Many things in the Old Testament represent Him and who he was and who he would be.

He referred to Noah's ark, and how there was room for all to enter in and be safe from the flood. Sometimes we get discouraged, but it is not our fault if we do what we are supposed to do. He has often closed revivals and went home wondering what he did wrong. He referred to Bro. W.T. Russell, and how Bro. Russell asked him if he preached what God wanted him to, he replied "yes". Bro. Russell then told him that is all we can do. We are not able to convict, and we are not able to save, we must trust God.

Jesus is now our mediator, but one day he will be our judge because he is the righteous one. When we realize that nobody can help us in salvation, we will find peace with God.

It is all about Jesus. Who do we call on when we get in trouble? Jesus. He has heard messages that Jesus was not even mentioned in. Everything we do should be about Jesus. He reminds us that we are not to be saying what the Bible should say, we should tell what it says. Of all the great preachers he ever knew, they preached about Jesus. People cannot be saved without hearing the gospel. What the gospel is, can be found in Isaiah 7:14. He read from Matthew 1:18-21. He told that Jesus is a name above all names, and it was given by God. Everything we say and do, God is keeping a record. It is not a sin to be tempted, it is a sin to yield to it. He referred to Bro. Rick Jones and the settings he finds him in as a missionary. He was thankful how Bro. Jones always tells them about Jesus.

He told about a revival where 26 people came to the altar, and the preacher told them not bow, but to repeat a prayer. Bro. Rufus then told about the time he got saved; he bowed before the Lord and begged God's forgiveness. When he got to the foot of the cross and put all his trust in Jesus, he begged "Lord help me" and peace came in to his heart. He is thankful for being part of a church that believes in salvation like what he received. Everything in Heaven and in Earth is all about Jesus.

After a few closing remarks and scriptures, he turned the service back over to the moderator.

The moderator asked for a handshake.

Bro. Eugene Brown took a minute to tell how thankful he was for the support he has been given.

**Motion and second** was made to adjourn one hour for lunch; **motion carried**. We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. John D. Small, New Hope Church.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

We began the Saturday afternoon session by singing “In the Sweet Forever” led by Bros. Glynn Williams and Mitchell Whitworth, Huntingdon Church with Sis. Angie Hedge on the piano.

The moderator thanked the host church for the bountiful meal and called the association back in session. After opening the session, he called on Bro. Dennis Lunsford, New Cross Roads Church, to open the afternoon in prayer.

Before resuming the session, the moderator read from Galatians 6:7-10

The moderator then asked for Bro. Glynn Williams to come and continue the topic *What is the Deacon’s role in the ministry and the edification of the church?*

The moderator called for Report on *People care more about what will make them a monetary profit instead of a godly prophet*

People care more about what will make them a monetary profit instead of a godly prophet.

(Malachi 3:8) “Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.”

Today with our national debt increasing and with talks to raise the debt ceiling to survive as a solution has caused our country’s economic future state to be left with much uncertainty. Not only is our government trying to scramble to find an easy way out or turn things around, but almost every citizen in the country is in a similar circumstance in his/her personal finances. According to CardHub.Com’s Study Americans will end 2011 with around \$54 billion more credit card debt than they began with in 2011; therefore, Americans are left to figure what they must do to get ahead of the game or at least find some way to get some breathing room. Not only Americans but Christians are continuing to buy stuff we do not need to satisfy our every whim, and we wonder how we will ever make the payment and meet the deadlines when the statements come due. Some will even take on multiple jobs and resort to desperate measures to make ends meet which can cause a heavy toll on our family, our children, and not even to mention our spiritual walk with God.

People will fall into one of three categories. The overwhelming majority of us are strapped living pay check to pay check. There

are a small few who have made preparations and have some savings, and then there is even a smaller percentage that have more money than they know what to do with. Our human sinful nature causes us to dream to be in the latter category. What would we do if God blessed us with the monetary means to change a life, or even a community for his honor and glory? Scriptures teach us that Abraham had many worldly riches, but his favor with God was due to his faith in Him. If we have faith in God, we will have lives that will be a prophet to God.

In the parable of the greedy farmer in Luke Chapter 12, “The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, what shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, this will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry. But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.” In Ecclesiastes it tells us that eye is not satisfied with seeing, which implies that material things in this world cannot satisfy the hunger and longing to be complete and feel the sense of accomplishment inside of us like only God’s will for our spiritual life can do.

In Ecclesiastes 10:19, it says, “but money answers all things,” The application of this scripture is that money is just a tool, an investment vehicle that we use to trade goods and services. Money in itself is not evil, just as TV, internet, cars, guns, etc. are not sinful or wrong but how they are used and for what motives are what make them wrong. God’s word clarifies this principle in 1 Tim. Chapter 6 “But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.” When stated in God’s word, “it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter heaven,” Lets



us know that strong tie, maybe even addiction, for some that we have with money.

During the Lord's personal ministry here on earth, He taught on the use and misuse of the subject of money. First we see on the arrival of the Lord's entry into the city during the week of the Lord's Resurrection the Lord immediately went to the temple and expressed his disgust as he overthrew the tables of the moneychangers for their taking advantage of the ones who were there to worship by increasing the price of the sacrificial doves. Their motives of how they might make a profit were selfish. Then there was the story of the rich young ruler who inquired of the Lord about eternal life. He gave thought of becoming a godly prophet or servant, but the price was too high for him. He was not willing to go and sell all he had and give it to the poor. He could not see the eternal profit or benefit to surrendering all to gain it all. In contrast to the young ruler, in Mark's gospel was the story of a certain poor widow who gave two mites which was all she had. Jesus called unto him his disciples, and saith unto them, "Verily I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury: For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living."

Now does the Lord expect us to go and sell or give all that we possess, or does he expect us to be willing understanding that the love of money is the root of all evil. God entrusts us with some of his substance and material things whether much or little. As he did in Mathew 25 "For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey. Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two. But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money. After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. He also that had received

two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them. His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” This story the Lord shares with us shows that what He assigns to us should demonstrate productivity from us for His honor and glory. Many apply this scripture to our gifts and talents as meaning what we are good at doing, but the talents in this story referred to an amount of money; however, a deeper meaning might be that whatever our substance, if we invest in His will for our lives, then we will make a profit. Another key thought to take from this lesson is the unprofitable servant when he was addressed by the Lord for his account he made excuses and made assumptions that this would be what he would have wanted. Many times we think we know this is what the Lord wants from our life and in reality its motives exploits our selfishness and leaves us being deceptive and not transparent to his goal which is implied by the unprofitable servant digging and hiding his talent in the earth.

Proverbs 6:6-8 says, “Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: <sup>7</sup>Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, <sup>8</sup>Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.” The ants sleep all winter. Therefore they do not gather food in the summer to hold till winter, that would be hoarding and make the gains useless. There is not an insect that will work harder than the ant nor one that protects their young as much as the ant does. The ant knows the proper times to lay aside food. Do we as Christians know when to seek Godly gain instead of a monetary profit?

Proverbs 27:23 "Be diligent to know the state of your flocks, and attend to your herds." Shepherds should only be concerned to the needs of the flock. This can only be done by laying aside our desires to have a worldly prophet, and seek after a prophet with God.

We would like to close these thoughts with the words of Agur the son of Jakeh, "Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me." Prov. 30:8. This wisdom reminds us that we can have temptations with money, and we can be tempted and have difficulties without money which can cause God's people to fall into a sinful state by thinking of selfish motives and robbing God from honor and glory. God does not require us to give it all. He just asks for a tithe, which is a tenth of our substance, and an offering is considered little above or extra for the times when God really blesses us with a little more than usual. Solomon was one of the richest men if not the richest ever to live, and God blessed him with much and He relayed that to us that with much, much is required.

Just a little further in Malachi from our topics text in verse 10 it states "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith", saith the LORD of hosts, "if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Why we do put so much of our investing faith in this country's material stock market and very little in God's eternal stock market?

So we must lay aside the weight, the debt, the sin, the selfishness, the indulgences that separates us, that violates that trust that our Heavenly Father has placed in us. How dare man, God's people, rob God?

The report ***People care more about what will make them a monetary profit instead of a godly prophet*** was read, adopted and spoken to by Bros. Trey Crews, Scott Carter, and Rufus Chandler

The moderator called for Report on ***God's word verses worldly views on same sex marriage and alternative lifestyles (current event)***

## **Current Events Topic Assigned for 2011:**

**Title: God's Word verses worldly views of alternative lifestyles and same-sex marriages.**

The definition of “alternative” lifestyles varies widely into many areas. However, the term “alternative lifestyles” is often associated with sexual preferences (Homosexuality, Lesbianism, Bi-sexual, Transgender to name a few), which is what we believe the Topic Committee was referencing in their assignment of this topic.

This is a subject that has been addressed before this Association at least twice in the last sixteen years. From a doctrinal position, from our interpretation of scripture, we don't believe you will notice a change in our stance from those of the past. **Biblical truth does not change with time.**

What makes this an ongoing current event in society and before our churches is the **constant exposure** given to those in these alternative lifestyles. Exposure through the news media; television programs, the support of worldly people, and pressure from political and judicial systems which are intended to force others to accept and even pay monetarily in recognition of these alternative lifestyles. And all of this is done in the name of equality; aimed at those who practice the Biblical and traditional teachings on relationships and marriage. **Those who stand in opposition in any way are accused of bigotry and intolerance.**

**This is often a one sided battle.** What we mean by that is we (Christian's) who hold to our doctrinal belief's; are challenged and ridiculed and expected to “change” or denounce our positions and convictions. Some in society want to silence our stance, but in truth we have just as much a right to our stance and defense of truth as they claim to have in their practice of alternative lifestyles.

Scripture says: Leviticus 18:22-24 (KJV)

<sup>22</sup>Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it *is* abomination. <sup>23</sup>Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it *is* confusion. <sup>24</sup>Defile not ye yourselves in any of these

things: for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you.”

In Leviticus, **Moses wrote how that God gave clear standards to the Israelites for living a holy life.** They were to be separate and distinct from the heathen nations around them. They were not to participate or be a part of the sinful activities and behaviors of the heathens. **The instruction of God has not changed over time...** God still wants those who profess salvation to be separated from sin and dedicated to God. God still wants to remove sin from the lives of His people. In Chapter 18, several abominations or things that are wicked are listed (things that God loathes, hates, and finds repulsive). **They are:** Sexual relations with close relatives, homosexual relations, and relations with animals to name a few. These practices were common among pagan religions, and God dealt with the issue because such practices lead to disease, deformity and death. They disrupted family life and society and revealed a low regard for the value of oneself and of others. **Society today takes some of these practices lightly, even trying to make them acceptable. But they are still sins in God’s eyes.** For those who consider them acceptable, they are not living by or judging by God’s Standard.

Scripture says: Romans 1:18-27 (KJV)

“<sup>18</sup> For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; <sup>19</sup> Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed *it* unto them. <sup>20</sup> For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: <sup>21</sup> Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. <sup>22</sup> Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, <sup>23</sup> And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. <sup>24</sup> Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: <sup>25</sup> Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. <sup>26</sup> For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for

even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: <sup>27</sup> And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.”

In Romans, **Paul expressed the downward spiral of people into sin.** How they chose to reject God and worship idols. How they chose to believe lies that reinforced their own selfish desires and lifestyles in opposition to the Bible. The Bible is the only standard of truth. God’s plan for natural sexual relationships is his ideal for his creation. Unfortunately, sin distorts the natural use of God’s gift. Sin often means not only denying God, but also denying the way we are made. When people say that any sex act is acceptable so long as nobody gets hurt, they are fooling themselves. **Sin hurts people** – individuals, families and whole societies.

**Homosexuality is not a “new” sexual activity.** It was prevalent in Sodom and Gomorrah as recorded in (Genesis 19: 4-14). Scripture says (KJV) “<sup>4</sup> But before they lay down, the men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: <sup>5</sup> And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where *are* the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them (**which means they wanted to have sexual relations with them**). <sup>6</sup> And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, <sup>7</sup> And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly” (you can read the remainder of the verses on your own). Homosexuality was also widespread in Paul’s day, even as it is in ours yet today. Many pagan practices encouraged it. **Brothers and Sisters, God is willing to receive anyone who comes to Him in faith,** and we as Christians should love and accept others no matter what their background. Yet homosexuality is strictly forbidden in scripture (as we noted in Leviticus). Homosexuality is considered an acceptable practice by many in our world today – sadly, even by some so called church organizations, who are even ordaining and allowing homosexual’s to have leadership positions in their churches . **But again, society does not set the standard for God’s Law.** Many homosexuals believe that their desires are normal and they have a right to express them. But God does not encourage us

to fulfill all of our desires (even those we may consider “normal” ones). Those desires that violate His Laws must be controlled.

**The ongoing argument is:** Are these alternative lifestyles biological, genetic or choice...

We have our opinion on that as we are sure many of you do. What we do believe, is that anyone who believes they have these tendencies; **can and must** resist acting upon them. They must consciously avoid places or activities they know will be a temptation. Never underestimate the power of Satan in temptation. Be assured, Satan is not concerned about any harm that may come to those in alternative life-styles. **The place to turn is to the mercy and grace of God, asking Him to show the way out of sin and into the light of His freedom and His love.** Prayer, Bible Study, and loving support of Christians in a Bible-believing church will help those in these life-styles to resist these temptations. There is plenty of help available to those who seek it; from Christian counselors and pastors and other helpful resources.

Scripture says: 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 (KJV)

“<sup>9</sup> Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, <sup>10</sup> Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.”

Paul described the characteristics of unbelievers. **He did not mean that these people were automatically excluded from Heaven.** People have been saved who had all manner of sin in their lives...but in salvation...they did not, do not, continue in that sin. We sometimes like to overlook or tolerate some immoral behavior as less of an issue than others...we feel differently toward those who may covet, than we do to those who are in alternative lifestyles...but the truth of the matter is...**we are not to take part in sin or condone sin in any way, nor should we be selective about what we condemn or excuse.** God expects His followers in any and all ages to have high standards.

**It is no surprise that those in alternative lifestyles would want to receive the same “benefits” as those in heterosexual relationship.** The legalization of same-sex marriages has been a controversial topic for years as well.

**Traditionally** in this country, marriage has been defined as a religious and legal commitment between a man and a woman, as well as the ultimate expression of love. We believe that definition was established and adhered to as defined by Scripture.

The Bible uses words like “man and husband” along with “woman and wife.” We believe these references denote specific anatomic differences between the two (the physical make up) between the two as well as defined roles and capabilities of each.

Scriptures says: Genesis 1:27-28 (KJV)

“<sup>27</sup> So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. <sup>28</sup> And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth...”

God created man and woman for companionship and love (it wasn't “good for the man to be alone” – Genesis 2:18). He created them to exist in a special relationship (“I will make him a help meet” “and they shall be one flesh” – Genesis 2:24). God gave marriage as a gift to Adam and Eve. They were created perfect for each other. Marriage was not just for convenience, nor was it brought about by any culture. It was instituted by God and it has three basic aspects to it: 1) The man leaves his parents and, in a public act, promises himself to his wife; 2) The man and woman are joined together by taking responsibility for each other's welfare and by loving the mate above all others; 3) The two become one flesh in the intimacy and commitment of sexual union, which is reserved for marriage. Strong marriages include all three of these. **God's way is the only way to replenish the earth.** Regardless of technological advances, it requires the biological functions of a man and woman to pro-create.

Congress enacted the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) in 1996, which bars federal recognition of same-sex marriages and allows states to do the same.



There have been several proposals before Congress to amend the federal Constitution, defining marriage as between a man and a woman and ensuring that states would not be required to recognize same-sex marriages from other jurisdictions.

**Tennessee has adopted its own version of the Defense of Marriage Act.** It reads as follows:

(a) Tennessee's marriage licensing laws reinforce, carry forward, and make explicit the long-standing public policy of this state to recognize the family as essential to social and economic order and the common good and as the fundamental building block of our society. To that end, it is further the public policy of this state that the historical institution and legal contract solemnizing the relationship of one (1) man and one (1) woman shall be the only legally recognized marital contract in this state in order to provide the unique and exclusive rights and privileges ...

**To legalize same-sex marriages would be to condone and to support homosexuality, which as previous stated is believed to be sin.** It would weaken the definition and respect for the institution of marriage. Marriage is a sacred institution in this country and has for centuries been considered the joining of a man and a woman. Children learn about gender roles and expectations from society. It is difficult to teach the importance and traditions of the family when such confusion and dysfunction is forced upon them. Only a man and woman can bear children, and for thousands of years, a man and woman headed household has carried generations of people through life.

**Alternative-lifestyles and same-sex marriage is not something to be encouraged or condoned as the world is promoting.** Research has shown it leads to a much lower life expectancy, psychological disorders and other problems. **Biblically it is condemned** and Christians need to stand firmly on this truth.

There is so much information available about this topic. We neither have the time nor space in the minutes to contain it all. **But in summation:** There are those who say alternative-lifestyles and Same-sex marriages don't hurt society or anyone in particular. That it is no one else's business. **Brothers and Sisters don't believe that for a min-**

**ute.** It has hurt and corrupted our society. As Christians and as the Lord's true Church, we should not compromise what we believe the truth to be about this subject. We must teach and educate our children about what God intended the relationship to be between a man / husband and woman/wife. We need to teach in word and by example how that marriage is a special sacred institution not to be taken lightly. And, as Christians, we are to befriend those who are confused about their sexuality. They are in need of the Lord's mercy and grace. They are in need of the Gospel truth.

Respectfully submitted,

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The report *God's word verses worldly views on same sex marriage and alternative lifestyles (current event)* was read, adopted and spoken to by Bros. Randy Thompson, Jeff Bryant, Kevin Hollingshead, Lee Carter, and Andrew Stokes.

### **Report of Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee reported collections of the Minute Fund of \$ 2,623.00, and the Clerk Fund of \$ 1,350.00 giving a total of \$3,973. The current balance of the minute fund as of October 08, 2011 is \$ 2,483.53. A **motion and second** was made to approve this report, release the committee and extend our thanks to them for a job well done; **motion carried.**

### **Report of Obituary Recorder**

Bro. David Leslie came and said we had 40 to die from our churches this past year. He read from Philippians 4:21. To the lost, this earth is the best as it gets. To the saved, the best is yet to come. He referred to Jesus on the cross and the two thieves. One was angry and bitter, and all he was worried about was his natural life. The other thief had humbleness about him. The Lord told him "today thou shalt be with me in paradise." Bro. David then read the list of those who have died this past year (see p. 67).

**Motion and second** was made to accept this report; **motion carried.**

### **Report of Historical Committee**

The Clerk gave an update on the progress so far and that most of the minutes are in electronic format. This past year some of the handwritten minutes have been transcribed to electronic format.

**Motion and second** was made to accept; **motion carried**

### **Call for Report on Topic Committee**

The topic committee made the following recommendations:

Subject #1:

How important is the gospel of Jesus Christ in the age we live today?

Subject #2:

By what authority is the gospel preached and the effects thereof?

Subject #3:

The results in fulfilling the love of Christ within us with the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

Subject #4:

“Current Event Topic” to be announced

**Motion and second** was made to accept these topics; **motion carried**

### **Associational Missionary Report:**

Bro. Jimmie Hale, Jr. told of the places he had been this past year and things that had happened and things going on.

After a few remarks he gave the following report:

## Associational Missionary Report For Year 2011

I thank you for once again electing me Associational Missionary. It is a great honor and blessing for me to be able to visit all of the churches in the association and participate in the worship services as the Lord leads.

I have also been blessed when visiting other churches that are not members of the association.

By the help of the Lord, I was able to visit the following non-associational churches one or more times.

### Benton County

- Fairview

### Weakley County

- New Prospect

### Decatur County

- Sardis Ridge
- Cedar Hill

### Carroll County

- County Line
- Calvary
- McAuley Chapel
- Mt. Comfort

### Henderson County

- Mt. Moriah
- Barren Spring
- Mazies Chapel
- Union Hill
- Central Grove
- Ridge Grove
- Spring Hill
- Briarwood Nursing Home
- Twin Oaks
- Mt. Pisgah
- Bolens Chapel
- Old Bethel
- Calvary
- Second Baptist
- Cedar Hill

I attended a total of 50 churches one or more times and also attended 34 revival services, preached 25 times, traveled 4076 miles and received offerings of \$1,280.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Jimmie Hale Jr.

Motion and second was made to approve this report and include it in the minutes and elect him for another year; **motion carried.** The offering collected on Friday in the amount of \$647 was given to him also.

It was now time for the missions report. The reports had been given proper to this time,

### **Call for New Business**

None at this time

### **Vote of Thanks**

The Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association, its officers, and the messengers of this association wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to Westport Church in Carroll County for serving as host for this session. We last met with you in 1987, and it was a pleasure for us to meet with you once again and enjoy sweet fellowship one with another.

We thank God for Bro. Greg Jones and his message “Lord, Would You Consider Me?” and Bro. Rufus Chandler for his message “Jesus Is What It Is All About.” We were again blessed with ministers of the gospel who follow the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We pray that God will bless them and their families for their continued work in the ministry.

I once again give thanks to the Topic Committee for their selecting the topics and the ones to prepare/present them. May we use this information for the spiritual growth of us all. Thank you for selecting topics that are food to our souls and that make us stronger in the army of the Lord. We are looking forward to hearing the topics next year.

I thank God for those who serve as the Finance Committee, and the Obituary Recorder, and a special thanks to Bro. Clint Sanders for serving as the assistant clerk. These brethren make the work of the Clerk much easier.

May our Moderator and Assistant Moderator receive many blessings from God for their efforts to serve this association.

Our appreciation is offered to the members and friends of Westport Church for the food provided both days. The food was delicious as always and the efforts of service did not go unnoticed.

Again, we see evidence of Christ's love for us being shown through the efforts of the Church.

As plans are underway for next year's sessions, may we all pray God's will be done with us all, as individual church members, as individual churches and as a united group of churches.

Please begin to pray for Oak Grove Church as she prepares to host the Association next year.

I anxiously await, if it be God's will, the next session and look forward to meeting with all of you as we gather together at Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church for the 164<sup>th</sup> annual session on October 12-13, 2012 at 10:00 am ready to receive another blessing from the Lord.

Until He Returns,  
Scott Carter, Clerk

The Clerk read the Vote of Thanks. A **motion and second** was made to adopt; **motion carried.**

The minutes of the two days proceedings was read by the Clerk. A **motion and second** was made to accept and record the minutes as read by the Clerk; **motion carried.**

We closed by having a handshake while singing many wonderful songs in the Lord's Spirit and a few comments.

A **motion and second** was made to adjourn until the Friday before the Second Sunday in October 2012, at 10:00 A.M. at Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Henderson County, TN; **motion carried.**

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Marshall Gurley, New Liberty Church.



Ray Smith, Moderator  
Huntingdon Missionary Baptist Church



Scott Carter, Clerk  
Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

## Messengers for the 163<sup>rd</sup> Annual Session

### **Bethel:**

Friday– letter only  
Saturday– letter only

### **Bible Grove:**

Friday– Judy Sanders, Johnny Sanders, Randy Wood  
Saturday- Judy Sanders, Johnny Sanders, Randy Wood

### **Caledonia:**

Friday– letter only  
Saturday– Carl Hall, Edna Hall

### **Center Point:**

Friday– Earnestine Higdon, Jenny Moon  
Saturday- Earnestine Higdon, Jenny Moon, Norma Hilliard

### **Clarksburg:**

Friday- Andrew Stokes, Jeff Reed, Josh Milam  
Saturday– Andrew Stokes, Jeff Reed, Patricia Holt

### **Concord:**

Friday- Dennis Stokes, Bill Cole, Joshua Parker  
Saturday- Dennis Stokes, Bill Cole, Joshua Parker

### **Cross Roads:**

Friday– Myron Kirk, Jim Dungan, Brown Herrin  
Saturday- Myron Kirk, Jim Dungan, Brown Herrin

### **Ephesus:**

Friday– Norman Hillard, William Umstead  
Saturday– Ron Stephens, Judy Stephens

### **Huntingdon:**

Friday- Lynn Stapleton, Lee Carter, Kevin Hollingshead  
Saturday- Lynn Stapleton, Lee Carter, Kevin Hollingshead

### **Marlsboro:**

Friday- Melvin Walker, James Severance  
Saturday- Melvin Walker, James Severance

### **Mixie:**

Friday– Rufus Chandler, Don Renfroe, Royce Renfroe  
Saturday- Rufus Chandler, Don Renfroe, Johnny Whitworth

### **New Bethel:**

Friday- Edward Malone, Roy Gene Owen, Johnny Wall  
Saturday– letter only

### **New Cross Roads:**

Friday– Dennis Lunsford, Elizabeth Mason, Shirley Barker

Saturday- Dennis Lunsford, JoAnn Lunsford, Elizabeth Mason

**New Hope:**  
Friday- Dale Seagraves, John D. Small, Janie Small  
Saturday- Dale Seagraves, John D. Small, Roger Gooch

**New Liberty:**  
Friday- Tim Sellers, Ed Harris, Justin Maness  
Saturday– letter only

**New Prospect:**  
Friday- George Haggard, Allen Maness, Gary Douglas  
Saturday- George Haggard

**New Spring Hill:**  
Friday– letter only  
Saturday– letter only

**Oak Grove – CC:**  
Friday– Brett Hampton, Brian Hampton, Ray Hampton  
Saturday- Brett Hampton, Brian Hampton, Jeff Bryant

**Oak Grove – HC:**  
Friday- Glenn Lewis, David Leslie, Goy Williams  
Saturday- Glenn Lewis, David Leslie, Goy Williams

**Old Paths:**  
Friday- Kenneth Carrington  
Saturday– Vernon Lewelling, Kenneth Carrington

**Pleasant Grove:**  
Friday- Frank Rickman, Marcus Rickman, Robert Tolley  
Saturday- Frank Rickman, Marcus Rickman

**Pleasant Hill:**  
Friday- Edward Ellis, Flo Hargrove, Janell Ellis  
Saturday- Edward Ellis, Flo Hargrove, Janell Ellis

**Pleasant Ridge:**  
Friday- James Nance, Travis Nance, Zachary Goodwin  
Saturday- James Nance, Travis Nance, Zachary Goodwin

**Rushing’s Creek:**  
Friday- Patsy Dickey, Michael Boshers  
Saturday– letter only

**Shiloh:**  
Friday- Scott Carter, Larry Pritchard, John David Philyaw  
Saturday- Scott Carter, Larry Pritchard, John David Philyaw

**Westport:**  
Friday– Glynn Williams, Jerry Dodd, Greg Jones  
Saturday– Glynn Williams, Jerry Dodd, Greg Jones



**Yuma:**

Friday- Lynn Breeden, Ronnie Breeden, Roger Hollowell  
Saturday- letter only

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Visitors to the 2011 Association Session

Bro. Eugene Brown, Hendersonville, Tennessee  
McFerrin Missionary Baptist Church  
Wiseman Missionary Baptist Association

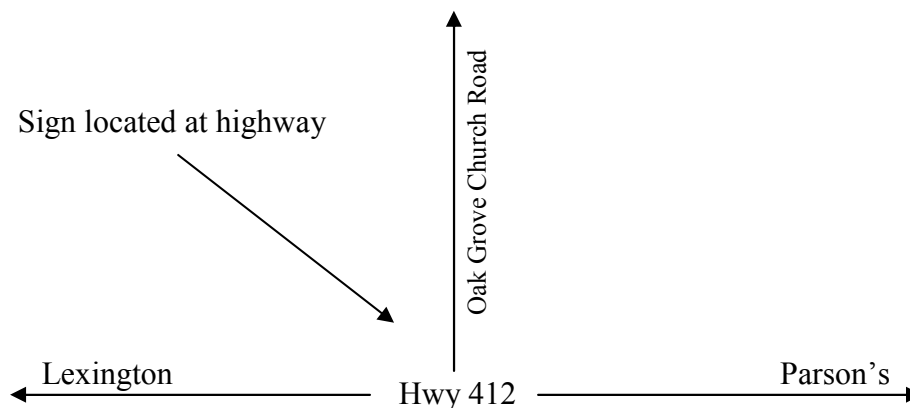
Bro. Kenneth Massey, Nashville, Tennessee  
Murfreesboro Missionary Baptist Church  
Wiseman Missionary Baptist Association

Bro. Rick & Sis. Linda Jones  
Missionaries to Jamaica

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**Directions to 2012 Session  
Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church**



- From Hwy 22 in Lexington go east on Hwy 412; from Hwy 641 in Parson's, go west on hwy 412
- On Hwy 412, look for Oak Grove Church on North side of Hwy (sign on road)
- Church located 2.2 miles on right, just past cemetery

**Financial Statement**  
2011 Minute Fund

BALANCE OCTOBER 9, 2010 ----- \$ 1,837.89

EXPENDITURES:

National Audio (purchase & duplicate of cd's) \$ 377.36  
First Bank (lock box) ----- \$ 60.00  
Peterson Printing (printing)----- \$ 1,540.00

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Minute Fund 2011----- \$ 2,623.00

BALANCE OCTOBER 8, 2011 ----- \$ 2,483.53

Clerk Contributions----- \$ 1,350.00

Submitted by:  
Bro. Randy Wood – Bible Grove  
Bro. Larry Pritchard – Shiloh Church  
Bro. Glynn Williams – Westport Church

## Correspondence

### **Wiseman Baptist Association**

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Goodlettsville, TN 37072  
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[davidc.woodard@gmail.com](mailto:davidc.woodard@gmail.com)

Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association,

Greetings from the churches in the Wiseman Baptist Association. We pray that the Lord has blessed you richly this past year with many lives being changed by the glorious power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We were greatly blessed by the Lord during our one hundred and nineteenth annual session of the Wiseman Baptist Association, which was held at Longview Missionary Baptist Church in Gallatin, Tennessee. Nine churches reported 69 additions in the past year, 38 being by baptism, with a total membership of 1,880.

We would like to extend a warm invitation to you to join us for our one hundred and twentieth annual session on October 21-22 at 10AM, which will be held at:

Murfreesboro Missionary Baptist Church  
316 Fortress Blvd  
Murfreesboro, TN 37128

Elder Philip Church is scheduled to preach the introductory sermon on Friday morning, and Elder Bobby Mullens is schedule to preach the doctrinal sermon on Saturday morning. Please make your plans to attend.

In Christ's love,

David C Woodard, Clerk

# **BIG BEAR CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**Keith L. Hood - Clerk  
428 Rainbow Drive  
Double Springs, AL 35553  
(205)489-2343**

September 20, 2011

Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association:

We trust everything is going well with you and your lost are being saved. We also trust God is continuing to bless you.

This past October, we convened for the One Hundred Seventy-Fifth Annual Session with Tuscumbia Valley Missionary Baptist Church. We had 25 churches reporting an increase of 70 with 33 of those being by baptism. We had a decrease of 123 with a total membership of 2,618. We still need to see many souls saved for the Lord.

We are truly thankful for the visitors that were able to be with us. We invite each one to join us for the 176<sup>th</sup> Annual Session to be held with Prairie Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Lawrence County, Alabama. The church is located east of Russellville, Alabama, north of Alabama Highway 24. This session will be held October 8, 9, 10, 11, 2011. The service Saturday morning will begin at 11:00 a.m.

In Christ's love,



Keith Prince-Moderator  
124 County Road 165  
Moulton, AL 35650

Billy Myrick - Vice Moderator  
202 W. Douglas Street  
Sheffield, AL 35660

## *Siloam Missionary Baptist Association*

September 6, 2011

Southwest District Missionary Baptist Association  
Brother Scott Carter

Greetings:

As the 2011 associational meetings quickly approaches, we pray that the Lord has blessed all of His churches over the past year. We are thankful to hear of many spirit filled services and souls saved.

The churches of the Siloam Association met in October of 2010 at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church for its fifty-eighth annual session. There were 60 professions of salvation that were reported by the churches during the past year, along with many other blessings from God. The Lord also blessed the association with another church that joined. God blessed us with spirit-filled services each time we met.

Lord willing, the fifty-ninth session of the Siloam Missionary Baptist Association will meet at Maple Grove No.2 Missionary Baptist Church located at 2634 Scottsville Road Lafayette, TN beginning at 10:00 a.m. Friday September 30, 2010. Elder Danny Holland is scheduled to preach the introductory sermon Friday morning and Elder Neal Forshee is scheduled to preach the memorial sermon Friday night. Elder Jerry Reynolds is scheduled to preach the doctrinal sermon Saturday morning. We invite you to attend the upcoming session as we worship our Lord and Savior and fellowship with our sister churches.

Your Brother in Christ

Elder Roger Carter, Clerk  
Siloam Missionary Baptist Association  
1434 Alvaton Greenhill Road  
Bowling Green, KY 42103

SW Association of Missionary Baptist Churches

October 7, 2011

Greetings from Jamaica & the Gulf of Mexico.

17 years ago the Lord introduced me to your Association and respective churches when you convened at Clarksburg, Tennessee. I was touched by your sweet spirit and willingness to support mission work. I have come to love your Pastors of which have become this Missionary's friends.

On my departure from your sister church, Old Paths in Collierville, TN which authorized my first revival in Jamaica; your churches kindly embraced our mission work and 16 years later 2 churches of like faith and order have been organized in Jamaica. Recently, I baptized the 90th Jamaican into the fellowship of the first "Old timey" Missionary Baptist Church organized in Jamaica. The DocMike Collins Free Medical Clinic in the basement of the church has examined over 2,000 Jamaicans of which many have attended our worship and revival services.

The first foreign mission back to the USA under the authority of Craighead Church in Jamaica, "Mine Creek Missionary Baptist Church" of Pleasanton, Kansas was organized June 7, 2008. I'm presently in a second foreign mission effort back in the USA (Emerald Coast Missionary Baptist mission) in the Gulf of Mexico at Panama City Beach, Florida also under the authority of Craighead Old Timey Missionary Baptist Church you help to establish in the West Indies.

I hope this correspondence will serve as an acknowledgement of deep appreciation from your Missionary -- still on the field in Jamaica for your continued support and prayers and the abiding love of your churches for the Gospel going into other parts of the world in our present generation.

Humbly submitted

US & Foreign Missionary Elder Rick Jones

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**Boyd, Tony**, Mixie  
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**Goodwin, Zachary**, Pleasant Ridge ----- 731-584-0004  
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**Hale, Joe**, Clarksburg ----- 731-968-5298  
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**Quinn, Terry**, New Prospect ----- 731-852-2933  
 499 Oakwood Drive, Decaturville, TN 38329

**Smith, Danny R.**, New Prospect----- 731-845-5414  
 1701 New Safford Road, Parsons, TN 38363

**Williams, Kevin**, New Prospect ----- 731-358-5701  
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 650 Hollowell Road, Buena Vista, TN 38318

**Bryant, Jeff**, Oak Grove (CC) -----731-986-2576  
 299 G Lane, Huntingdon, TN 38344

**Carter, Scott D.**, Shiloh -----731-986-4701  
 400 Chickasaw Drive, Huntingdon, TN 38344

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 1600 Griggs Chapel Road, Cedar Grove, TN 38321  
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 587 Crossroads Church Road, Camden, TN 38320  
**Hale, Jr., Jimmie, Clarksburg** -----731-968-5298  
 22790 Hwy 22 N, Yuma, TN 38390  
**Haskins, Brett, Ephesus**  
 10558 Eastern Shaw Blvd. Apt. 824, Spanish Ft., Al 36527  
**Hedges, Truman, Cross Roads**-----731-584-7875  
 620 Jacqueline Circle, Camden, TN 38320  
**Hilliard, Billy Joe, Center Point**-----731-586-4671  
 360 Ellis Road, Buena Vista, TN 38318  
**Hollingshead, Kevin, Huntingdon** -----731-986-0586  
 880 Roan Creek Road, Yuma, TN 38390  
**Holt, Jim, New Spring Hill**-----731-986-2415  
 820 Old 22 Lane, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
**Hopper, Jack, Marlsboro** -----731-586-7902  
 100 Hemlock, Bruceton, TN 38317  
**Jones, Greg, Westport**-----731-967-5195  
 117 Lindsey Lane, Lexington, TN 38351  
**Kirby, H. G. (Pete), New Hope** -----731-986-4346  
 RFD, 1, Westport, TN 38387  
**Leslie, David, Oak Grove (HC)**-----731-967-8776  
 1118 Crazy Doe Road, Lexington, TN 38351  
**Lunsford, Dennis, New Cross Roads** -----731-968-2842  
 19990 Hwy. 22 N, Wildersville, TN 38388  
**Maness, Allen, New Prospect**  
 4610 Hwy 424, Cedar Grove, TN 38321  
**McDaniel, Tracy, New Cross Roads** -----731-235-2498  
 630 Stafford Store Road, Greenfield, TN 38230  
**Moore, Randy, Caledonia** -----731-415-3987  
 1702 Stonewall McKenzie, TN 38201  
**Oakes, Bryan, Bethel**-----731-986-2347  
 955 Old 22 Lane, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
**Parker, Josh, Concord** -----731-249-5156  
 175 Stonehedge Drive, Lexington, TN 38351  
**Rayburn, Mitchell, Cross Roads**-----731-584-8255  
 3450 Divider/Natchez Trace Road, Camden, TN 38320



**Rahn, Allan, Bethel** -----618-524-9865  
 2785 North Avenue, Metropolis, IL 62960  
**Reynolds, Ryne, Bible Grove**-----731-614-2473  
 8 Birdsong Lane, Lexington, TN 38351  
**Sanders, Clint, Pleasant Ridge** -----731-695-3194  
 76 Farmington Cove, Lexington, TN 38351  
**Severance, James, Marlsboro**-----731-586-3502  
 197 Pine Street N, Bruceton, TN 38317  
**Simmons, Robert, Center Point** -----731-986-3375  
 425 Clarksburg Road, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
**Small, John D., New Hope** -----731-968-9887  
 1030 Expressway Church Road, Wildersville, TN 38388  
**Stapleton, Lynn, Huntingdon**-----731-986-2413  
 106 Oak Drive, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
**Stokes, Andrew, Clarksburg** -----731-986-3738  
 310 Westport Road, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
**Swinford, Toby, Westport** -----731-986-6096  
 790 Damron Road, Yuma, TN 38390  
**Thompson, James Randy, Cross Roads**-----731-584-7665  
 211 Arnold Drive, Camden, TN 38320  
**Wiggins, Toney, Ephesus** -----731-243-3236  
 5410 Henry Midway Road, Henry, TN 38231

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955 Old 22 Lane, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
CLERK-Jeff Carter ----- 731-986-5496  
c/o Bethel Church P.O. Box 1012, Huntingdon, TN 38344
- BIBLE GROVE-** 5365 Bible Grove Road, Lexington, TN 38351  
PASTOR- Brian Hayes ----- 731-845-5120  
5800 Bible Grove Road, Lexington, TN 38351  
CLERK-Johnny Sanders  
290 Westover Road, Huron, TN 38345
- CALEDONIA-** 9405 Hwy 140, McKenzie, TN 38201  
PASTOR- Jim Holt----- 731-986-2415  
820 Old 22 Lane, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
CLERK-Carl Hall ----- 731-352-3909  
115 Linden Street, McKenzie, TN 38201
- CENTER POINT-** 2225 Rowland Mill Road, Buena Vista, TN 38318  
PASTOR- Billy Joe Hilliard ----- 731-586-4671  
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CLERK-Jenny Moon ----- 731-415-9189  
108 Enterprise Street, Bruceton, TN 38317
- CLARKSBURG-**12281 Hwy 424, Clarksburg, TN 38324  
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310 Westport Road, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
CLERK-Jerry McDaniel ----- 731-415-7156  
12455 Hwy. 424, Yuma, TN 38390
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1840 Westport Road, Huntingdon, TN 38344
- CROSS ROADS-** ----- 731-584-7665  
55 Crossroads Church Road, Camden, TN 38320  
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211 Arnold Drive, Camden, TN 38320  
CLERK-Todd Kee ----- 731-441-0885  
3895 Divider/Natchez Trace Road, Camden, TN 38320

**EPHESUS**- 2895 Ephesus Church Road, Hollow Rock, TN 38342  
 PASTOR-  
 CLERK-Kathy Kee -----731-986-5023  
 485 Timber Lane, Huntingdon, TN 38344

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 11110 Lexington Street, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
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 106 Oak Drive, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
 CLERK-Ray Smith-----731-986-4717  
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 100 Hemlock, Bruceton, TN 38317  
 CLERK-Norma Walker -----731-586-7730  
 24675 Hwy. 114 N, Hollow Rock, TN 38342

**MIXIE**- 25860 Hwy 77, Hollow Rock, TN 38342  
 PASTOR- Rufus Chandler -----731-986-4227  
 47 Wendy Lane, Yuma, TN 38390  
 CLERK-Amanda Holland-----731-986-4512  
 565 Chapel Hill Road, Huntingdon, TN 38344

**NEW BETHEL**- 4440 Henry Midway Road, Henry, TN 38231  
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 100 Welch Lane, Lavinia, TN 38348

**NEW CROSS ROADS**-  
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 P.O. Box 268, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
 PASTOR-Tracy McDaniel-----731-235-2498  
 630 Stafford Store Road, Greenfield, TN 38230  
 CLERK-Frank Gregg -----731-986-9686  
 c/o New Cross Roads Church P.O. Box 268, Huntingdon, TN 38344

**NEW HOPE**- 5315 Hwy 114, Westport, TN 38387  
 PASTOR-John D. Small-----731-968-9887  
 1030 Expressway Church Road, Wildersville, TN 38388  
 CLERK-Scott Gallimore -----731-586-4454  
 603 Cheatham Street, Bruceton, TN 38317

**NEW LIBERTY**-Cedar Grove, TN 38321

**NEW PROSPECT**- 849 Prospect Road, Holladay, TN 38341  
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 4610 Hwy. 424, Cedar Grove, TN 38321

CLERK-Michael Haggard-----731-847-7383  
2622 Cedar Hill Road, Parsons, TN 38363

**NEW SPRING HILL-**  
145 Springhill Church Road, Huntingdon, TN 38344  
PASTOR-Lathan McLean -----731-986-9793  
6355 Westport Road, Westport, TN 38387  
CLERK-Laura Hutcherson-----731-986-4557  
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**OAK GROVE-** 3045 Dollar Road, Buena Vista, TN 38318  
PASTOR-Johnny Boyd-----731-586-2981  
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CLERK-Ronnie Hampton-----731-333-1769  
500 Oak Street, Hollow Rock, TN 38342

**OAK GROVE-** 105 Oak Grove Church Road, Lexington, TN 38351  
PASTOR-David Leslie -----731-967-8776  
1118 Crazy Doe Road, Lexington, TN 38351  
CLERK-Jimmy Wallace-----731-967-9794  
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**OLD PATHS-**10540 Collierville Road, Collierville, TN 38017  
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17180 Natchez Trace Road, Lexington, TN 38351  
CLERK-Joyce Medlin -----901-486-2923  
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**PLEASANT GROVE-**  
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CLERK-Ernest Wood-----731-845-5464  
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**PLEASANT HILL-**  
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PASTOR-  
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CLERK-Travis Nance -----731-586-7637  
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**RUSHING'S CREEK-**

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587 Crossroads Church Road, Camden, TN 38320

CLERK-Howard J. Berry -----731-584-8258

4268 Reynoldsburg Road, Camden, TN 38320

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## 2012 Summer Revival Schedule

<b>Church</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>Revival Helper</b>	<b>Sunday PM Starting Time</b>	<b>Monday – Friday Starting Time</b>
New Hope	05/29/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Old Paths	06/03/12		5:30 PM	7:00 PM
Ephesus	06/10/12		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Shiloh	06/17/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Huntingdon	06/24/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Pleasant Ridge	06/24/12		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
New Cross Roads	07/01/12		6:00 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Westport	07/01/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Caledonia	07/08/12	Gary Douglas	7:30 PM	7:30 PM
Center Point	07/08/12		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Concord	07/08/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Mixie	07/08/12		5:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:00 PM
Pleasant Grove	07/08/12		7:30 PM	7:30 PM
Bethel	07/15/12		6:00 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Bible Grove	07/15/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Marlsboro	07/15/12		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Pleasant Hill	07/15/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Clarksburg	07/22/12	Lynn Stapleton	7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Cross Roads	07/22/12	Clint Ezell	7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Oak Grove (HC)	07/22/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
New Spring Hill	07/29/12		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
New Prospect	07/29/12		7:30 PM	10:30 AM, 7:30 PM
Oak Grove (CC)	08/07/12		7:00 PM	7:00 PM
Rushing's Creek	08/02/09		6:00 PM	7:00 PM

## Historical Table

Before 1846, this was part of the Western District Association. The Western District Association was organized in 1822 and is one of the oldest Associations in the state. From this, we go back into North Carolina and West Virginia where they were colonies under England. It was in these colonies that the Baptist patriot, Patrick Henry, defended the Baptist preachers before the colonial officers who were appointed by England, and it was here in these colonies that we find Thomas Jefferson who wrote the Declaration of Independence, making inquiry about the Government of Baptist Churches and Associations that he might get a model after which to assist in forming the Government of the United States. The oldest Baptist Association in the United States is the Philadelphia Association which has done more for Missions than perhaps any other.

<u>DATE AND CHURCH HELD WITH</u>	<u>MODERATOR</u> -----	<u>CLERK</u>
1846-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1847- Mt. Pisgah, Henderson County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1848-Ramble Creek, Benton County -----	E. Autry-----	B. W. Foster
1849-Pleasant Hill, Benton County -----	E. Autry-----	B. W. Foster
1850-Hopewell, Henderson County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1851-New Prospect, Decatur County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1852-Beaver Dam, Benton County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1853-Union, Benton County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1854-Bible Union, Carroll County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1855-Concord, Carroll County -----	M. S. Corbett -----	J. P. Arnold
1856-Pleasant Grove, Henderson County -----	E. Autry-----	J. P. Arnold
1857-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County -----	M. S. Corbett -----	J. P. Arnold
1858-Union, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	W. C. McAuley
1859-Holly Springs, Henderson County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	B. W. Foster
1860-Ramble Creek, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	J. P. Doherty
1861-New Prospect, Decatur County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	Geo. Hollowell
<b>1862-1864-----</b>	<b>No Association during Civil War</b>	
1865-Union, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	W. C. McAuley
1866-Salem, Decatur County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	B. W. Foster
1867-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County -----	W. Pugh -----	Geo. Hollowell
1868-Ephesus, Carroll County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	Geo. Hollowell
1869-Concord, Carroll County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	Geo. Hollowell
1870-Chalk Hill, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	G. C. Thomas
1871-New Prospect-----	J. P. Arnold -----	G. C. Thomas
1872-Mt. Nebo, Carroll County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	Geo. Hollowell
1873-Marlsboro, Carroll County -----	Geo. Hollowell -----	G. C. Thomas
1874-New Hope, Carroll County -----	J. H. Park -----	G. C. Thomas
1875-Tom's Creek, Perry County -----	J. W. Brewer -----	J. F. Rogers
1876-Rushing Creek, Benton County -----	J. Richardson -----	J. F. Rogers
1877-Oak Grove, Carroll County -----	J. P. Arnold -----	J. F. Rogers
1878-New Prospect-----	J. P. Arnold -----	J. F. Rogers
1879-Bethel, Carroll County -----	J. C. Park -----	J. F. Rogers



1880-Wildersville, Henderson County ----- J. C. Park ----- J. H. Thomas  
 1881-Ramble Creek ----- J. P. Arnold ----- D. J. Allen  
 1882-Cross Roads, Benton County ----- J. C. Park ----- D. J. Allen  
 1883-Prospect, Carroll County ----- J. C. Park ----- D. J. Allen  
 1884-Sardis Ridge, Decatur County ----- Geo. Hollowell ----- D. J. Allen  
 1885-Concord, Carroll County ----- Geo. Hollowell ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1886-Trace Creek, Humphreys County ----- J. C. Park ----- D. J. Allen  
 1887-Liberty, Carroll County ----- J. C. Park ----- D. J. Allen  
 1888-Unity, Benton County ----- J. C. Park ----- D. J. Allen  
 1889-Holly Springs ----- J. F. Rogers ----- D. J. Allen  
 1890-Mt. Nebo, Carroll County ----- J. C. Park ----- D. J. Allen  
 1891-Rushing Creek, Benton County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- D. J. Allen  
 1892-New Hope, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- D. J. Allen  
 1893-Chalk Level, Benton County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- D. J. Allen  
 1894-Mt. Comfort ----- E. M. Joyner ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1895-Flatwoods, Benton County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- D. J. Allen  
 1896-Marlsboro, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- D. J. Allen  
 1897-Bethel, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- D. J. Allen  
 1898-Shiloh, Carroll County ----- N. L. Joyner ----- D. J. Allen  
 1899-Pleasant Hill, Benton County ----- W. S. Roney ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1900-Salem, Decatur County ----- W. S. Roney ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1901-Chalk Hill, Benton County ----- N. L. Joyner ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1902-Cross Roads, Benton County ----- E. Z. Newsom ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1903-New Prospect, Decatur County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1904-Ephesus, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1905-Pleasant Grove ----- E. M. Joyner ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1906-Ramble Creek ----- T. M. Boyd ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1907-Oak Grove, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1908-Concord, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1909-Pleasant Ridge ----- T. M. Boyd ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1910-Perryville, Decatur County ----- T. M. Boyd ----- C. H. Rogers  
 1911-Unity, Benton County ----- T. M. Boyd ----- D. H. Franks  
 1912-Chalk Level, Benton County ----- Joe N. Joyner ----- D. H. Franks  
 1913-Holly Springs ----- J. G. Cooper ----- D. H. Franks  
 1914-Mt. Nebo ----- J. G. Cooper ----- D. H. Franks  
 1915-Liberty, Carroll County ----- S. W. Joyner ----- D. H. Franks  
 1916-Tom's Creek, Perry County ----- J. N. Joyner ----- D. H. Franks  
 1917-Westport, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd ----- Geo. S. Price  
 1918-Mt. Pisgah, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd ----- L. E. Mincey  
 1919-Cross Roads, Benton County ----- J. N. Joyner ----- L. E. Mincey  
 1920-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County ----- J. N. Joyner ----- C. E. Butler  
 1921-Ephesus, Carroll County ----- J. N. Joyner ----- C. E. Butler  
 1922-Eva, Benton County ----- J. N. Joyner ----- A. H. Franks  
 1923-Prospect, Carroll County ----- J. N. Joyner ----- A. H. Franks  
 1924-Flatwoods, Benton County ----- J. N. Joyner ----- A. H. Franks  
 1925-Bunches Chapel ----- J. N. Joyner ----- A. H. Franks  
 1926-Oak Grove ----- J. N. Joyner ----- C. V. Cooper  
 1927-Pleasant Hill ----- J. N. Joyner ----- C. V. Cooper

1928-Shiloh, Carroll County-----T. M. Boyd-----C. V. Cooper  
 1929-Bruceton, Carroll County-----T. M. Boyd-----C. V. Cooper  
 1930-New Prospect, Decatur County-----J. N. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1931-New Hope, Carroll County-----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1932-New Liberty, Carroll County -----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1933-Westport, Carroll County-----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1934-Ephesus, Carroll County-----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1935-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County -----E. H. Martin-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1936-Marlsboro, Carroll County -----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1937-Cedar Hill, Decatur County -----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1938-Concord, Carroll County -----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1939-Yuma, Carroll County -----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1940-Caledonia, Henry County -----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1941-Oak Grove, Carroll County -----W. H. Hopper-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1942-New Cross Roads, Carroll County-----W. H. Hopper-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1943-New Bethel, Henry County -----W. H. Hopper-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1944-Westport, Carroll County-----W. H. Hopper-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1945-Marlsboro, Carroll County -----S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley  
 1946-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County -----E. F. Prince-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1947-Pleasant Grove, Henderson County -----E. F. Prince-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1948-Old Union, Benton County-----E. F. Prince-----W. S. Brinkley  
 1949-Cross Roads, Benton County -----E. F. Prince-----T. L. Campbell  
 1950-Bible Grove, Henderson County -----C. F. Carter-----T. L. Campbell  
 1951-Republican Grove-----C. F. Carter-----T. L. Campbell  
 1952-Pleasant Hill, Benton County -----C. F. Carter-----T. L. Campbell  
 1953-Ephesus, Carroll County-----John Hedges -----T. L. Campbell  
 1954-Mixie, Carroll County-----John Hedges -----Ray Smith  
 1955-Concord, Carroll County -----John Hedges -----Ray Smith  
 1956-Tom's Creek, Perry County -----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1957-Independent, Carroll County-----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1958-Bethel, Carroll County-----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1959-Oak Grove, Carroll County -----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1960-New Bethel, Henry County -----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1961-Center Point, Carroll County -----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1962-Caledonia, Henry County -----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1963-Old Union, Benton County-----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1964-New Bethel, Henry County -----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1965-Rushing Creek, Benton County -----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1966-Westport, Carroll County-----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1967-New Prospect, Decatur County-----T. L. Campbell -----Ray Smith  
 1968-Ephesus, Carroll County-----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith  
 1969-Concord, Carroll County -----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith  
 1970-New Frank's Chapel, Decatur County----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith  
 1971-Landmark, Shelby County -----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith  
 1972-Yuma, Carroll County -----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith  
 1973-Pleasant Ridge, Benton County -----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith  
 1974-New Cross Roads, Carroll County-----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith  
 1975-Cross Roads, Benton County -----C. F. Carter-----Ray Smith

1976-Second Baptist, Lexington ----- C. F. Carter----- Ray Smith  
 1977-Bible Grove, Chesterfield ----- M. Rayburn ----- Ray Smith  
 1978-New Bethel, Henry County ----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1979-Independent, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1980-Bethel, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1981-Landmark, Shelby County ----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1982-Pleasant Hill, Benton County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1983-New Prospect, Decatur County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1984-Concord, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1985-Oak Grove, Henderson County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1986-New Liberty, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1987-Westport, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1988-Center Point, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1989-Mixie, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1990-New Cross Roads, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Ray Smith  
 1991-Bible Grove, Henderson County ----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1992-Independent, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1993-Marlsboro, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1994-Clarksburg, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1995-Cross Roads, Benton County ----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1996-Landmark, Shelby County ----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1997-New Hope, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1998-Shiloh, Carroll County----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 1999-Concord, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver ----- Lee Carter  
 2000-Bethel, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith ----- Lee Carter  
 2001-Old Paths, Shelby County ----- A. G. Hayes ----- Lee Carter  
 2002-Oak Grove, Henderson County----- A.G. Hayes----- Scott Carter  
 2003-New Cross Roads, Carroll County----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter  
 2004-Center Point, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter  
 2005-Bible Grove, Henderson County ----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter  
 2006- Huntingdon, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter  
 2007-Clarksburg, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter  
 2008-Oak Grove, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter  
 2009- Cross Roads, Benton County ----- Johnny Wall ----- Scott Carter  
 2010- New Hope, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter  
 2011- Westport, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith ----- Scott Carter

## **Rules of Decorum**

- ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- ARTICLE 2. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by members present providing nothing be so construed as to prohibit newly constituted churches petitioning for admission from voting.
- ARTICLE 3. The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any messenger not satisfied with his decision may appeal, provided the appeal is made the same day, but at no subsequent term.
- ARTICLE 4. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as other members, so as not to vote, unless his vote be necessary to decide the question. If he arises to speak he shall call another brother to take the chair.
- ARTICLE 5. All questions brought before the Association shall be introduced by motion, and if seconded, shall be opened to discussion, unless withdrawn by the mover or his second. When a subject has been taken up and a reasonable time allowed for discussion, the Moderator shall take the question by yeas and nays and if a call is made it shall be decided by the members rising.
- ARTICLE 6. Any member wishing to speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Only one member shall be allowed to speak at the same time, who shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he departs from the subject or makes personal reflection.
- ARTICLE 7. No person shall speak more than once on any subject until all who wish to speak have an opportunity, nor more than twice upon any subject without permission.
- ARTICLE 8. Every subject introduced for discussion shall be first decided before another shall be offered, unless it be laid over by motion with the consent of the mover and the Association.
- ARTICLE 9. The Association shall in all cases be governed by a majority vote of the members present, except in the reception of the churches; then a unanimous vote shall be required.
- ARTICLE 10. The names of the members shall be called whenever

the Association shall direct, and the absentees marked. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission from the Moderator.

ARTICLE 11. The appellation of "brethren" shall be used by the members in addressing each other.

ARTICLE 12. Any member violating these rules shall be subject to reproof by the Moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

ARTICLE 13. Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when a majority deems it necessary.

ARTICLE 14. It shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a finance committee to keep up with the moneys during the association, to make their report when called upon and to turn the moneys received over to the Clerk.

### **Church Covenant**

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that, when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

## Constitution

- ARTICLE I. The Association shall be called *Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association*, known as an advisory council.
- ARTICLE II. It shall be composed of such persons as have been duly elected by such church as may belong to this union to represent them in body.
- ARTICLE III. The messengers representing the different churches shall at the opening of the Association present their letters of correspondence which shall state their appointment as messengers, together with the number of members in fellowship, the number baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, restored and dead during the year.
- ARTICLE IV. Every church belonging to this body shall be entitled to three messengers.
- ARTICLE V. Churches of this union failing to represent themselves at one Association will be expected to state reasons for their failure at the next Association, and if any church fails for two consecutive meetings, the Association shall send a committee to inquire into their state.
- ARTICLE VI. New churches may be admitted into this union by signifying their wish by messenger and letter, provided they be deemed orthodox, and are willing to walk in fellowship with us.
- ARTICLE VII. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen at each annual meeting, as soon as the letters from the different churches are read and their member's names enrolled, provided, also that all newly constituted churches petitioning for union with us shall have full right to vote for Moderator and Clerk, and nothing shall be construed as to prohibit them from voting.
- ARTICLE VIII. This Association shall have no power to adopt rules that shall at any time infringe upon the independence

and rights of the churches. It shall however be at liberty to advise churches belonging to it, or it may separate from churches as are known to walk disorderly.

ARTICLE IX. The Association shall have a fund for its expenses, and the churches shall be at liberty to send up such contributions as they may think proper.

ARTICLE X. Any church of this union having a difficulty that she cannot settle may call for help from her sister churches, or may present the case to this body for advice. Such cases must be presented in the letters of correspondence, stating the reason why it had not or could not be decided by the church.

ARTICLE XI. When churches of this union have members supposed to possess ministerial gifts, they may call from two or more churches for the aid of their ordained ministers and deacons to examine the individuals and, if thought advisable, to ordain such member or members to preach the gospel which shall be reported at the next association and entered upon the Minutes.

ARTICLE XII. The minutes of this Association will be read, corrected, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session rise. And no Association shall adjourn, unless in extraordinary cases, until it has finished all its business.

ARTICLE XIII. The Clerk shall read the Rules of Decorum on the first day of each Association meeting.

## Articles of Faith

1. **We believe** that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God; and the only rule of faith and practice.
2. **We believe** that the Scriptures teach that there is but one living and true God; and there are three persons in this one God - the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit; and this Triune God is the only object of religious worship and adoration, and that all worship paid anything less in the name of God is idolatry and abomination in His sight.
3. **We believe** that God created man good and happy; that he sinned and fell from that condition; that by the fall he lost his original righteousness and became sinful and depraved; and as a natural consequence, that his posterity by ordinary generations are involved in all the consequences of his fall.
4. **We believe** that man, by nature, has no power to recover himself from his lost and ruined condition and, unless God Himself had provided a way of Salvation, would have been ruined and miserable forever, because all have sinned.
5. **We believe** that the salvation of sinners is wholly by grace, through the mediatorial office of the Son of God, who took upon Himself our nature, yet without sin, honored law by His personal obedience and made atonement for our sins by His Death; being risen from the dead, is now enthroned in heaven, and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with Divine perfection, in every way qualified to be a suitable, compassionate and all-sufficient Savior.
6. **We believe** that fallen man has nothing, and can do nothing, of himself, to recommend him to the favorable notice of the Divine Being, and that all his hopes of pardon, justification, redemption, and sanctification are derived alone from the merits of Christ.
7. **We believe** that Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, is the only Mediator between God and man; that He first became our surety and in the fullness of time our sacrifice, and that the efficacious plea He makes before the throne in our behalf is built upon His own all-adorning sacrifice.
8. **We believe** the Holy Spirit - the third person in the Trinity - is the great agent in convincing man of his lost and condemned condition, and in making the Gospel plain and acceptable.



9. **We believe** that all who are sanctified by the Spirit are freely justified by the righteousness of Christ, which comes to all that believe.
10. **We believe** that all who are called to be saints through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth shall never finally be lost.
11. **We believe** that Christian churches are to be formed of believers in Christ who give evidence of a change of heart, and have been properly baptized.
12. **We believe** that the government of the church is not left in the hands of any one man, or number of men, distinct from the body, but that it is left with the whole church.
13. **We believe** that the first day of the week, called the Lord's Day, is sanctified or set apart for the public worship of God, and that it is the duty of Christians to abstain from all unnecessary visiting, trifling conversation, and labor, except so much as is devoted to works of necessity and mercy.
14. **We believe** that God has appointed the preaching of the Gospel for the edification of His church and the advancement of His kingdom; that it is the duty of church members to contribute to the support of the ministry as God in His providence may give them ability.
15. **We believe** that God calls men, by His Spirit, to preach the Gospel, and that it is the duty of the individual thus called to study to show himself approved unto God a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
16. **We believe** that Jesus Christ has appointed two positive institutions or ordinances to be observed in His church - baptism and the Lord's Supper; that baptism is immersion in water, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and believers only are capable of rightfully receiving the ordinances, that baptism precedes the Lord's Supper and none but ordained ministers have any right to administer them.
17. **We believe** that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust; that the just will rise to everlasting life and the unjust to everlasting shame and contempt.
18. **We believe** that the Gospel with all its obligations, privileges, and blessings, has been committed to the church of whom it is especially enjoined to make known to every creature, while a risen and ascended Savior pledges His presence to the end of the world.

## Missions Supported

\*addresses available upon request to clerk

<b>Rick Jones</b> ( <i>Jamaica</i> )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Bethel</li> <li>•Bible Grove</li> <li>•Clarksburg</li> <li>•Concord</li> <li>•New Hope</li> <li>•Oak Grove (CC)</li> <li>•Old Paths</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Oak Grove (HC)</li> <li>•New Cross Roads</li> <li>•New Prospect</li> <li>•Pleasant Ridge</li> <li>•Shiloh</li> <li>•Westport</li> <li>•Cross Roads</li> </ul>
<b>Eugene Brown</b> ( <i>Words of Hope</i> ) <a href="http://www.wordsofhope.org">www.wordsofhope.org</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Bible Grove</li> <li>•Concord</li> <li>•Huntingdon</li> <li>•Cross Roads</li> <li>•Mixie</li> <li>•Oak Grove (CC)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•New Hope</li> <li>•Rushing Creek</li> <li>•Shiloh</li> <li>•Westport</li> <li>•Pleasant Hill</li> <li>•Oak Grove (HC)</li> </ul>
<b>Harvey Ambrose</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Old Paths</li> </ul>	
<b>Paul Bryson</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Oak Grove (HC)</li> </ul>	
<b>Ministerial Alliance,</b> <i>Camden</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Cross Roads</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Pleasant Hill</li> </ul>
<b>Ministerial Alliance,</b> <i>Huntingdon</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Huntingdon</li> </ul>	
<b>Back to the Bible</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Bethel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Pleasant Hill</li> </ul>
<b>Jimmy Hammet</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Center Point</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Ephesus</li> </ul>
<b>African Fund</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Oak Grove (HC)</li> </ul>	
<b>St. Jude Children Hospital</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Marlsboro</li> </ul>	
<b>Kevin Holland</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ephesus</li> </ul>	
<b>Todd Marks</b> ( <i>Peru</i> )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Center Point</li> </ul>	
<b>F.U.E.L (Camden)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Cross Roads</li> </ul>	
<b>Khrys Paige</b> ( <i>Trinidad</i> )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Pleasant Ridge</li> <li>•Pleasant Hill</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Bible Grove</li> <li>•Mixie</li> </ul>
<b>Shop With a Cop</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Marlsboro</li> </ul>	
<b>Jimmie Hale Jr.</b> <i>Association Missionary</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•New Prospect</li> </ul>	
<b>Guatemala Mission –</b> Eld. J. Hunton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Cross Roads</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Oak Grove (HC)</li> </ul>
<b>Carl Perkins Center</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Concord</li> </ul>	
<b>Turney Center</b> <b>Christmas Fund</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Mixie</li> </ul>	
<b>Gideon Society</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Marlsboro</li> </ul>	

**In Memory of Our Sainted Dead– 40  
(4 Deacons; 2 Ministers)**

**Bethel**

Bro. J.T. Seratte----- 02/15/2011  
 Bro. Mike Fuller ----- 02/20/2011

**Bible Grove**

Sis. Velma Wood ----- 10/22/2010  
 Bro. James Arthur Wood ----- 11/21/2010  
 Sis. Irene Wood Maness ----- 01/17/2011

**Caledonia**

Bro. Charles Webb, Jr.----- 06/28/2011

**Center Point**

Bro. Milburn Allen (Deacon)----- 11/19/2010  
 Bro. Rick Hill ----- 07/12/2011

**Clarksburg**

Sis. Viola Mae Vanalstine----- 12/21/2010  
 Bro. James L. Crum ----- 07/14/2011

**Concord**

Bro. Neil Massey (Deacon) ----- 10/19/2010  
 Sis. Janie Brandon----- 11/20/2010  
 Sis. Frances Smith Franklin----- 08/20/2011

**Cross Roads**

Sis. Mary Ann Cole ----- 11/24/2010  
 Bro. Dewey Pierce ----- 01/26/2011  
 Sis. Thelma Higdon ----- 04/16/2011

**Ephesus**

Bro. Dewey Crafton----- 05/04/2011

**Huntingdon**

Sis. Mary Ann Oatsvall----- 01/17/2011  
 Sis. Dale Clement ----- 03/12/2011  
 Sis. Eudine Roark ----- 09/09/2011

**Mixie**

Bro. Kevin Holland (Minister) ----- 02/24/2011  
 Sis. Teresia Barker ----- 08/10/2011

**New Liberty**

Sis. Betty Kyle ----- 12/30/2010

Bro. Jimmy Stewart (minister) ----- 02/07/2011

Bro. Max Bartholomew (deacon) ----- 03/04/2011

Sis. Mary Wilma Wiles----- 05/21/2011

**New Prospect**

Bro. Bobby Dodd----- 10/26/2010

Sis. Mondelea Johnson ----- 07/18/2011

**Oak Grove (CC)**

Sis. Eura Robison----- 12/09/2010

Bro. Loy Robison----- 07/29/2011

**Oak Grove (HC)**

Sis Martha Mobiglia ----- 04/30/2011

**Pleasant Hill**

Sis. Christine Abbott Smith ----- 12/24/2010

Bro. Clint Dale Ellis ----- 02/08/2011

Sis. Katherine Allen----- 07/23/2011

**Pleasant Ridge**

Sis. Mavis Woodard Reed----- 03/06/2011

**Rushing's Creek**

Bro. Everett Greer (Deacon)----- 03/04/2011

**Westport**

Sis. Joy Jane Watte

Sis. Ruth Eubank

**Yuma**

Bro. Wayne Ralston----- 03/23/2011

Bro. Grover "Bo" Bolen Gooch----- 05/21/2011



Brother Kevin Holland was born July 19, 1960 in Camden, TN. He was raised in St. Louis, Missouri, where he was saved at the age of 11. Kevin married his wife Andoria (Renfroe) on August 2, 1985. They had two children, Amanda and Jonathan. Bro. Kevin passed away on February 24, 2011.

Kevin joined Mixie Missionary Baptist Church in 1985, where he was a member until his death. Bro. Kevin was called to preach in October, 1993. For 17 years he preached wherever the doors were open to him. He served as interim pastor at Mixie and Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist. He was active in the Benton County Outreach Prison Ministry, and has taken part in several radio ministries.

Bro. Kevin was also very active in Southern Gospel Music. He has sung in many groups, and was widely known for his piano and bass playing. For the past several years he has been singing with the King's Crusaders out of Camden, Tennessee.

In addition to Andoria, Amanda, and Jonathan, Bro. Kevin is survived by his mother, Madeline, brothers Roy and Keith, and sister Rita (Gipson). Bro. Kevin was preceded in death by his father, Bro. Leslie Holland, and his father-in-law, Bro. Garvin Renfroe. While he will be greatly missed, we know that Bro. Kevin is much better off than we could ever imagine, and that we who are saved will see him again someday.



Brother Jonathan Dale Rogers was elected as pastor of Concord Missionary Baptist Church on November 7, 2010. Brother Rogers had a great love for the Church and a heavy burden for the lost. He was ordained by Union Hill Missionary Baptist Church on December 10, 2010 where he and his family were members. Brother Rogers, his wife Angie, and their son Tyler were in the process of moving their membership to Concord, when God called him home on December 17, 2010. Although Brother Rogers' time as pastor of Concord was short, he made a lasting impression on all who knew him.



Bro. Jimmy Stewart was born June 16, 1927, in Henderson County Tennessee, to the late Dorsey and Maggie (Barker) Stewart. He was a Missionary Baptist preacher for 48 years. He was a retired security guard for the Milan Arsenal and a member of New Liberty Missionary Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Sis. Alberta Williamson Stewart and his children, Rhonda Edwards, Ronnie and Lisa Stewart, Ricky and Beverly Stewart.

Bro. Stewart went to be with the Lord on February 7, 2011.

## Sunday School Statistical Table

Church	Superintendent	Teachers & Officers	Enrollment	Expenditures
Bethel	Jimmy Allen	7	73	\$5,743.63
Bible Grove	Walden Blankenship	12		\$12,614.00
Caledonia				
Center Point	Bill Noles	5	38	
Clarksburg	Josh Milam	16		\$1,240.56
Concord	Bobby Derryberry	18	75	\$1,030.22
Cross Roads	Dwayne Cole	14	84	\$1,407.00
Ephesus	Eddie McElroy	5	30	\$1,432.41
Huntingdon	Ray Smith	11	179	\$3,058.84
Marlsboro	Bill Stepp	5	38	\$138.79
Mixie	Johnny Whitworth	8	25	
New Bethel				
New Cross Roads		5		
New Hope	H.G. (Pete) Kirby	5	35	
New Liberty				
New Prospect	George Haggard	8	84	\$1,229.17
New Spring Hill	Susan Brown	2	4	
Oak Grove - CC	Brian Hampton	8	33	\$329.10
Oak Grove - HC	Glenn Lewis	11	73	
Old Paths				
Pleasant Grove	Max Bradfield	10		\$2,971.00
Pleasant Hill	Edward Ellis	4	15	\$1,586.66
Pleasant Ridge	Anthony French	8	33	\$2,936.98
Rushing's Creek	Michael Boshers	2	17	\$2,204.14
Shiloh	Joe Cary	3		\$329.00
Westport	Glynn Williams	13	41	\$6,490.00
Yuma				
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>180</b>	<b>877</b>	<b>\$44,741.50</b>

## Statistical Table

Church	Baptisms	Additions by Letter	Restorations	Total Additions	Deaths	Losses by Letter	Exclusion	Total Losses	Membership	Lord's Supper	Foot Washing
Bethel	5	0	1	6	2	2	1	5	178	2	0
Bible Grove	3	1	0	4	2	10	0	12	214	1	0
Caledonia	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	37	1	0
Center Point	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	88	1	1
Clarksburg	3	2	0	5	2	2	0	4	166	1	1
Concord	5	2	0	7	3	4	0	7	145	2	0
Cross Roads	3	0	0	3	3	0	0	3	194	2	0
Ephesus	2	1	0	3	1	0	0	1	77	3	0
Huntingdon	13	14	1	28	3	2	0	5	323	2	0
Marlsboro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	1	0
Mixie	2	4	0	6	2	2	0	4	111	1	1
New Bethel											
New Cross Rds.	0	1	0	1	0	6	0	6	82	2	0
New Hope	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	117	1	1
New Liberty											
New Prospect	1	1	0	2	2	4	0	6	141	1	0
New Spring Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	1	0
Oak Grove (CC)	1	4	0	5	2	1	0	3	33	1	1
Oak Grove (HC)	3	3	0	6	1	2	1	4	164	2	0
Old Paths	0	0	0	35	0	0	1	1	55	1	1
Pleasant Grove	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	1	0
Pleasant Hill	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	127	1	1
Pleasant Ridge	0	7	0	7	1	0	0	1	65	1	1
Rushing's Creek	0	1 *	0	1	1	0	0	1	81 **	1	0
Shiloh	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	45	1	0
Westport	3	3	0	6	2	5	0	7	78	1	0
Yuma											
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>2568</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>8</b>

\* Rushing's Creek had one addition by statement

\*\* Rushing's Creek reported total church membership 81; "only approx. 30 active members"



## Financial Table

<b>Church</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Ministreal Help</b>	<b>Mission Support</b>	<b>Minute Fund</b>	<b>Clerk Fund</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
<b>Bethel</b>	\$17,193.04	\$3,379.00	\$7,763.27	\$200	\$50	\$28,585.31
<b>Bible Grove</b>	\$0.00	\$7,900.00	\$7,200.00	\$200	\$50	\$15,350.00
<b>Caledonia</b>	\$6,851.00	\$3,544.00	\$0.00	\$35	\$10	\$10,440.00
<b>Center Point</b>	\$5,063.25	\$844.00	\$1,289.82	\$50	\$50	\$7,297.07
<b>Clarksburg</b>	\$18,678.72	\$350.00	\$12,879.74	\$150	\$50	\$32,108.46
<b>Concord</b>	\$21,988.55	\$4,391.00	\$3,479.98	\$120	\$50	\$30,029.53
<b>Cross Roads</b>	\$105,894.00	\$3,707.00	\$9,474.00	\$240	\$35	\$119,350.00
<b>Ephesus</b>	\$10,874.60	\$2,560.00	\$720.00	\$48	\$25	\$14,227.60
<b>Huntingdon</b>	\$302,815.89	\$16,493.00	\$2,200.00	\$100	\$75	\$321,683.89
<b>Marlsboro</b>	\$1,798.70	\$2,050.00	\$1,363.00	\$20	\$20	\$5,251.70
<b>Mixie</b>	\$12,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$100	\$25	\$14,025.00
<b>New Bethel</b>						
<b>New Cross Rds.</b>				\$100	\$25	\$125.00
<b>New Hope</b>	\$9,765.42	\$4,811.50	\$5,493.71	\$80	\$50	\$20,200.63
<b>New Liberty</b>				\$200	\$200	\$400.00
<b>New Prospect</b>	\$5,535.29	\$4,432.00	\$720.00	\$100	\$30	\$10,817.29
<b>New Spring Hill</b>	\$2,864.72	\$445.00	\$0.00	\$40	\$15	\$3,364.72
<b>Oak Grove (CC)</b>	\$12,784.48	\$480.00	\$1,540.00	\$80	\$30	\$14,914.48
<b>Oak Grove (HC)</b>				\$100	\$50	\$150.00
<b>Old Paths</b>				\$75	\$75	\$150.00
<b>Pleasant Grove</b>	\$4,966.00	\$8,306.00		\$100	\$100	\$13,472.00
<b>Pleasant Hill</b>	\$13,367.16	\$350.00	\$2,357.00	\$75	\$25	\$16,174.16
<b>Pleasant Ridge</b>	\$13,256.10	\$2,050.00	\$13,717.91	\$140	\$150	\$29,314.01
<b>Rushing's Creek</b>	\$4,549.28	\$740.00	\$3,071.00	\$40	\$20	\$8,420.28
<b>Shiloh</b>	\$49,570.13	\$1,889.00	\$2,648.40	\$80	\$50	\$54,237.53
<b>Westport</b>	\$29,468.00	\$1,805.00	\$1,427.00	\$100	\$40	\$32,840.00
<b>Yuma</b>				\$50	\$50	\$100.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$649,784.33	\$70,526.50	\$78,744.83	\$2,623	\$1,350	\$803,028.66

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