



I was recently talking with a man about the decline in moral values. I mentioned I had some suggested constitutional wording available to help the church stand firm against the homosexual agenda. He reminded me I had given this wording to him three years ago and they had already incorporated it into their documents. It was amazing to think we have been at this fight for this long. It is has been a long battle and it is not over.

As the fight continues for our right to Biblical and moral values, we in the Resource Center have some material which may help.

A recent issue of the *Baptist & Reflector* is available with suggested wording for church documents. This may be found at [www.tnbaptist.org](http://www.tnbaptist.org). In addition to this, we have acquired a couple of bundles of copies. They are available as long as they last..

We also have had for some time the suggested wording from the *Alliance Defending Freedom*.

We all need to protect ourselves and our churches. Church Constitutions and By-Laws are no longer a luxury. They are vital to defending our way of life. Jesus told us we would be like sheep among the wolves. He cautioned us to be wise as serpents. Being prepared is wise and good stewardship.

But remember Jesus is King of Kings, Lord of Lords, and Judge of Judges. When all is said and done, He will be the one who says it and who does it.

Let me know if I can provide any sample documents for you and your congregation.

Your co-laborer,

*Bro. Mike T.*

## R. G. Lee Fall Session RGL 416 -- Major Prophets

The class will begin August 11 and continue for eight sessions. Cost will be \$120.00 (tuition at \$85.00 plus text book at \$35.00). Ministers, Deacons, Sunday School leaders, and other students of God's Word are all welcome.



## NO FEAR!



*We are called to be thermostats in a world of thermometers.*



Our Moderator encourages you to attend the next

## Executive Board

Thursday  
**Aug. 20, 7:00 p.m.**  
at the  
Resource Center.



October 10, 2015  
FBC, Bemis, TN  
Grades 1-6

Meet missionaries, learn of mission work, share in ministry events.



## 2015 OCC COLLECTION WEEK

November 16-23

Last month you ordered you're the "go boxes" for your church at [samaritanspurse.org](http://samaritanspurse.org).

This month shop the back to school sales for items appropriate for the ages you have chosen to prepare shoeboxes.



## BALANCE SHEET

**July 31, 2015**  
General Budget

Initial Bal.	\$ 12,053.66
Church Rec.	9,942.34
Other Rec.	+ 1,218.29
	<u>23,214.29</u>
Expenses	- 9,810.39
<b>Budget Bal.</b>	<b>\$ 13,403.90</b>

### Other Funds

Designated	\$ 15,132.43
DOM Disc.	\$ 548.34
Missions Fd.	\$ 1,449.14
Contingency	\$ 14,025.81
Cent. Fund	Variable

### YTD Activity

<b>Inc.</b>	<b>\$ 74,560.51</b>
<b>Exp.</b>	<b>71,372.25</b>
<b>Bal.</b>	<b>\$ + 1,188.26</b>



### BIRTHDAYS

- 6 Tammie Todd
- 6 Lisa McCord
- 7 Jewell Sanders
- 7 James Scott
- 11 Lavaughan Moody
- 13 James Biggers
- 25 Alisha Hill

### ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 James & Dawn Scott
- 7 Jason & Natasha Varnick
- 10 Marty & Linda Comer
- 15 Tommy & Jeanne Crocker
- 16 Hoyt & Nancy Wilson
- 29 Charles & Shirley Brewer
- 30 Glen & Betty Kolwyck
- 31 Harold & Janie Hopper

## CHURCH RECEIPTS

(Jan. 1, 2015 — July 31, 2015)

Thank you. Our Churches are our Association's primary source of income.

CHURCH	MONTH	YTD
Barren Springs	100.00	100.00
Beacon		750.00
Bear Creek	83.76	580.68
Beech Lake		300.00
Bible Hill *	220.00	880.00
Bunches Chapel	25.00	166.00
Calvary	260.99	1,779.40
Chapel Hill	77.83	507.71
Corinth	100.00	700.00
Crossroads	253.59	701.01
Cub Creek Hall		
Darden		
Decaturville, 1 <sup>st</sup>	100.00	700.00
Fellowship		
Flatwoods *	1,017.54	3,543.14
Hopewell	200.00	1,400.00
House of Wor.	115.22	770.23
Huron		1,186.87
Judson	100.00	300.00
Lexington, 1 <sup>st</sup>	1,666.66	11,666.62
Mt. Ararat	537.86	3,231.63
Mt. Gilead	325.00	2,275.00
Mt. Zion		289.28
New Beech G.	150.00	450.00
New Hope	100.00	400.00
Parsons, 1 <sup>st</sup>	423.00	3,753.00
Perryville, 1 <sup>st</sup>	50.00	350.00
Pine Grove	314.19	2,435.05
Poplar Springs	626.00	5,082.00
Ridge Grove		
Rock Hill	376.00	2,308.63
Salem	83.56	287.38
Sand Ridge	949.75	6,624.71
Sardis *	253.64	1,000.93
Sardis Ridge		150.00
Scotts Hill	246.01	2,106.52
Southside		
Twin Oaks	432.65	1,897.73
Union	516.00	5,016.99
Union Grove	238.09	1,793.62
Wildersville		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 9,942.34</b>	<b>\$ 65,484.13</b>

\* multiple checks

## Church News

**CALVARY** - We will be in Revival Aug 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> with Bro. Cal Hampton. We are seeking a Music & Youth Leader. Contact Rev. Greg Stanford for more information or with resumes at the church, 731-847-2217. Greg Stanford, pastor.

**CHAPEL HILL** - Our Homecoming was June 28. The 1<sup>st</sup> yard/bake sale for Youth Missions was in July. We enjoyed filling in for Bro. Denny Hall, who leads the Association 's

ministry at Natchez Trace, while he was on a mission trip. There was a back-to school bash, yard/bake sale in July with free school supplies & hot dogs. Beginning Aug 2 - Sept there will be a sign language class from 5 to 6 pm. An intense study of Revelation will begin Sun night Aug 2 at 7 pm. We will have a church wide trip to Lambert's Aug 22 .Our kids began taking up change for the OCC shoebox postage. We will begin packing shoeboxes Oct. 4 from 5



Gary Rickman & Archer Thorpe from the Tennessee Baptist Convention led a conference on several issues including the new reporting requirement for the church treasurer. 31 were in attendance at this meeting.



On July 23 our association hosted the Director's of Missions from Harvest Field 2 at your resource center. This was a time for prayer, coordination, and development.

to 6 pm. The Wed Night new fellowship meal time is 6 pm. The new Bible Study time is 6:30 to 7:30. All ages are welcome. Tommy Smith, pastor.

**HOUSE OF WORSHIP** - Everyone enjoyed VBS. One was saved & 3 joined by letter on another occasion. Our fellowship meal was enjoyed by all. We observed the Lord's Supper prior to our business meeting. Our Homecoming will be Aug. 23. Everyone is invited to attend. Jeff Todd, pastor.

**TWIN OAKS** - Our VBS was a big success. Some in our church will be attending a Gospel Retreat at Chickasaw State Park July 31 - Aug. 2. Bobby Crowe, pastor.

### SEVEN CONGREGATIONS SEEKING PASTORS

Barren Springs 1<sup>st</sup>, Lexington  
Crossroads New Hope  
Cub Creek Hall Sardis Ridge  
Fellowship



### CHURCH CLERKS:

Please be looking in the mail for your Annual Church Profile packet.

## Check "Upcoming Events" on [www.brbaweb.org](http://www.brbaweb.org) for changes and additions

### August

3 Pastors' Conf. - Randy Pool  
10 Pastors' Conf. - Dr. Samuel Oliver  
11 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 1  
17 Pastors' Conf. -  
18 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 2  
20 Executive Board @ Resource Center  
24 Pastors' Conf. -  
25 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 3  
29 The Well Worship Service  
31 Pastors' Conf. -

### September

1 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 4  
7 Office Closed - Labor Day  
14 Pastors' Conf. -  
15 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 5  
18-19 Women's Prayer Retreat  
21 Pastors' Conf. -  
22 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 6  
26 The Well Worship Service  
28 Pastors' Conf. -  
29 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 7

### October

5 Pastors' Conf. -  
6 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 8  
10 JAM @ FBC Bemis  
12 Pastors' Conf. -  
16-18 R.A. Camporee @ Linden Valley  
19 Annual Meeting @ Poplar Springs  
20 Annual Meeting @ Calvary  
26 Pastors' Conf. -

### November

2 Pastors' Conf. -  
9 TBC Pastors' Conf.  
10 TBC Annual Summit  
11 TBC Annual Summit  
16-23 OCC Collection Week  
16 Pastors' Conf. -

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