



There is an old story I recently ran across again. It is the account of when the county hired a new person to paint fresh yellow lines down the middle of all the county roads. The first day this man painted an astonishing 10 miles of road with new double yellow lines down the middle. This was a record! No one had ever painted ten miles of the yellow lines in one day. The boss was very impressed.

Although still good, on the second day the man only painted seven miles of yellow lines. The third day the man managed to only paint five miles of the yellow lines which is not very good. The boss thought the man had a bad day but when on the fourth day the man only managed to paint one single mile of yellow line the boss had no choice but call him into the office for an explanation. The man began to tell him that the painting of the lines was getting more difficult everyday and his progress was less because everyday he was getting further away from his paint bucket!

The pastor who reported this story went on to say, "As Christians our lives get harder to live the further we get away from the bucket or source of our faith, Jesus Christ."

This is certainly a true statement. The further we get away from God, the worse it is for us. When you have a truly spiritually high day on Sunday, Monday seems to go better, Tuesday is a little off, by Wednesday everything is back to way it was the week before, and when Saturday arrives, a renewal is desperately needed.

The same is true with private worship. Each day we need the Word of God, not yesterday's reading but a new one for today.. Carry it with you all day long. It does make a difference.

Your co-laborer,

Bro. Mike

BEECH RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 145th ANNUAL MEETING



Monday
October 19, 2015
Poplar Springs
Baptist Church



Tuesday
October 20, 2015
Calvary
Baptist Church

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Todd Brady from Union University.
Please join with us for this time of worship, reporting, and fellowship. Churches be sure to elect your messengers.



Just a reminder to the Church Clerks, we need your ACP in the Resource Center by **October 5** for inclusion in the Book of Reports for the Annual Meeting.

Plan Now for your Youth to Participate in D'Now !!

DAY OF PRAYER FOR NATIONAL REVIVAL & SPIRITUAL AWAKENING
Friday, Oct. 16, 2015-FBC, Martin
12 noon—5 pm
Guest Preacher: Steve Gaines
All pastors, ministers, laypeople are invited
(sponsors: Beulah & Weakly County Baptist Associations)

NOT FOR SALE
1 CORINTHIANS 6:20
FOR YOU HAVE BEEN BOUGHT WITH A PRICE. THEREFORE GLORIFY GOD IN YOUR BODY.
Community Wide DNOW
Hosted by First Baptist
November 20-22

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BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 2015
General Budget

Initial Bal. \$ 14,475.44
Church Rec. 6,895.56
Other Rec. + 1,376.01
22,747.01
Expenses - 9,967.79
Budget Bal. \$ 12,779.22

Other Funds

Designated \$ 16,752.47
DOM Disc. \$ 1,186.31
Missions Fd. \$ 2,087.12
Contingency \$ 14,028.59
Cent. Fund Variable

YTD Activity

Inc. \$ 94,229.35
Exp. 91,665.77
Bal. \$ + 2,563.58

2015 OCC COLLECTION WEEK
November 16-23



BIRTHDAYS

4 Harold Hopper
11 Doris Walker
26 Bob Hull
30 Tim Buffaloe
31 Jerry Jones
31 Donna Peterson
31 Dawn Scott

ANNIVERSARIES

12 LaVaughan & JoAnn Moody
17 Jeff & Tammie Todd
19 Roy & Judy Wyatt
24 Don & Rebecca Franks
25 Chris & Alisha Hill

CHURCH RECEIPTS

(Jan. 1, 2015 — Sept. 30, 2015)

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

CHURCH	MONTH	YTD
Barren Springs		100.00
Beacon		750.00
Bear Creek	112.23	776.43
Beech Lake		400.00
Bible Hill	110.00	1,100.00
Bunches Chapel	33.00	225.00
Calvary	294.16	2,288.16
Chapel Hill	84.56	665.74
Corinth	100.00	900.00
Crossroads		701.01
Cub Creek Hall		
Darden		
Decaturville, 1 st	100.00	900.00
Fellowship		
Flatwoods	519.24	4,714.38
Hopewell	200.00	1,800.00
House of Wor.	220.64	990.87
Huron	360.55	1,547.42
Judson		300.00
Lexington, 1 st		14,999.94
Mt. Ararat	546.25	4,093.77
Mt. Gilead	325.00	2,925.00
Mt. Zion		411.93
New Beech G.		450.00
New Hope	100.00	500.00
Parsons, 1 st	507.00	4,714.00
Perryville, 1 st	50.00	450.00
Pine Grove	401.17	3,457.21
Poplar Springs		5,637.00
Ridge Grove		
Rock Hill	392.00	3,008.63
Salem		287.38
Sand Ridge	949.75	8,524.21
Sardis	165.51	1,303.54
Sardis Ridge		150.00
Scotts Hill	356.69	2,747.66
Southside		
Twin Oaks		2,129.58
Union	667.00	6,234.07
Union Grove	300.81	2,366.36
Wildersville		
TOTALS	\$ 6,895.56	\$ 82,558.29

* multiple checks

Church News

CALVARY - Our four new deacons will be ordained Sun. Oct. 11th. The Ordaining Council will meet at 2 pm and the service will begin at 2:30. We will host the Annual BRBA Meeting Tue., Oct. 20th. Randy Pool, Mississippi River Ministry Director, will be the guest speaker for our Homecoming November 8th. Greg Stanford, pastor.

HOUSE OF WORSHIP - Everyone is invited to attend our Fall Festival Oct. 3rd, at our church, 4667 Poplar Springs-Bargerton Rd. It begins at 5:30 pm with games, activities, & food ending with a hayride. One has joined by letter. Congratulations to Jonathan & Melissa & Dennis &

Susan on their recent marriages. The Youth did a great job with the service on Youth Sun. Jeff Todd, pastor.



The longest tenured members -- Ralph Smith and Ruth Helen Pinkley -- hold a plaque recognizing First Baptist Church, Parsons, for 125 years as a Tennessee Baptist Church. September 27, 2015.



Michael Ellis, President of the Tennessee Baptist Convention stands with Jimmy Burroughs, President of the BRBA Pastors' Conference September 14, 2015. Bro. Michael brought a message of encouragement to the ministers. At the conclusion of the meeting the pastors prayed for Bro. Michael.



SEVEN CONGREGATIONS SEEKING PASTORS

Barren Springs 1st, Lexington
Crossroads New Hope
Cub Creek Hall Sardis Ridge
Fellowship



Thank you to Joe Inman, Glenn Jackson, and Leon Collins for their maintenance of the Resource Center.



October 10, 2015
FBC, Bemis, TN
Grades 1-6
Meet missionaries, learn of mission work, share in ministry events.

Check "Upcoming Events" on www.brbaweb.org for changes and additions

October

5 Pastors' Conf. - Hoyt Wilson
6 R. G. Lee Fall Class, Session 8
10 JAM @ FBC Bemis
12 Pastors' Conf. - Terry Rhodes
16-18 R.A. Camporee @ Linden Valley
19-NO Pastors' Conf - Annual Meeting
19 Annual Meeting @ Poplar Springs
20 Annual Meeting @ Calvary
26 Pastors' Conf. - David Phillips

November

2 Pastors' Conf. - Randy Pool
9 No Pastors' Conf. -- TBC Week
9 TBC Pastors' Conf.
10 TBC Annual Summit
11 TBC Annual Summit
16-23 OCC Collection Week
16 Pastors' Conf. - Ryan Keaton
20-22 D'Now Weekend
23 Pastors' Conf. - Greg Ross
25 Thanksgiving Holiday
26 Thanksgiving Holiday
27 Thanksgiving Holiday
30 Pastors' Conf. - David Evans (TBC)

December

7 Pastors' Conf. - Jerry Jones
14 Pastors' Conf. - Mike Hayes
21 Pastors' Conf. -
24 Christmas Holiday
25 Christmas Holiday
28 Pastors' Conf. -

January

4 Pastors' Conf. -
11 Pastors' Conf. -
15 Winter Banquet
18 Pastors' Conf. -

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