



While looking through some nostalgia at the house, I saw an old hot wheels car. It was the Oscar Mayer Wiener-mobile. The actual vehicle this model



represents is still around and is instantly recognizable by all who have ever eaten an Oscar Mayer hotdog.

As I handled this toy I was reminded anyone seeing the wiener-mobile could not help knowing what it was and who it represented. Oscar Mayer has done well in establishing this trademark among the consumers.

Then I began to wonder how well we have done in establishing our identity as believers. John tells us in John 13:35, we will be known by our love. Have we lived up to this challenge?

We bear the name "Christian." As first used in Antioch this meant "little Christs." Are we recognizable as little Christs? When people see us, do they see Christ in us?

This is something for us to consider. As individuals, as families, as churches, we ought to be so loving, so Christ-like, the world will know instantly who we are and whose we are.

I dream of the day when the world will identify us with Christ as quickly as it identifies the golden arches with McDonalds, the swoosh with Nike, and the wiener-mobile with Oscar Mayer.

Your co-laborer,

*Bro. Mike T.*

## BRBA 146<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

6:30 Registration  
7:00 Call to Order

October 17, 2016



Rock Hill  
Baptist Church  
Dr. Gary Rickman  
TN Baptist Conv.

October 18, 2016



Scotts Hill  
Baptist Church  
Dr. Dan Landcaster  
Union University

Once a year for two nights the Association gathers together.

Please elect your messengers and join us for this important time of business, fellowship and inspiration.

### OCC (Shoebox) Collection Week November 14-21



Hours for Drop-off  
Nov. 14-20: 1 - 4 pm  
Nov. 21 : 10-12 a.m.

Plan now to have your shoeboxes to the Resource Center during these hours.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Journey into  
Adventures in  
Missions  
October 8,  
FBC Humboldt



**R. A. Camporee**  
October 14-16,  
Linden Valley

Please up-date your contact list with new e-mail addresses:

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### BALANCE SHEET

Sept. 30, 2016  
General Budget

Initial Bal.	\$ 16,982.45
Church Rec.	8,884.12
Other Rec.	+ 2,465.41
	<u>28,331.98</u>
Expenses	- 10,158.55
<b>Budget Bal.</b>	<b>\$ 18,173.43</b>

#### Other Funds

Designated	\$ 16,302.93
DOM Disc.	\$ 1,200.46
Missions Fd.	\$ 2,758.87
Contingency	\$ 14,044.87
Cent. Fund	Variable

#### YTD Activity

<b>Inc.</b>	<b>\$ 100,702.94</b>
<b>Exp.</b>	<b>92,992.62</b>
<b>Bal.</b>	<b>\$ + 7,710.32</b>



#### BIRTHDAYS

4 Harold Hopper  
11 Doris Walker  
25 Donna Peterson  
26 Bob Hull  
29 Wendell Birchett  
30 Tim Buffaloe  
31 Dawn Scott

#### ANNIVERSARIES

10 Ryan & Rebecca Kearon  
11 Wendell & Janice Birchett  
12 LaVaughn & Joann Moody  
17 Jeff & Tammie Todd  
19 Roy & Judy Wyatt  
24 Don & Rebecca Franks

### CHURCH RECEIPTS

(Jan. 1, 2016 — Sept. 30, 2016)  
Thank you. Our Churches are our Association's primary source of income.

CHURCH	MONTH	YTD
Barren Springs		100.00
Beacon		750.00
Bear Creek	109.76	1,216.28
Beech Lake *	200.00	500.00
Bible Hill		880.00
Bunches Chapel	36.00	241.00
Calvary	189.17	1,871.33
Chapel Hill	126.82	717.04
Corinth	100.00	900.00
Crossroads		938.62
Cub Creek Hall		00.00
Darden		00.00
Decaturville, 1 <sup>st</sup>	100.00	900.00
Fellowship		00.00
Flatwoods		4,613.71
Hopewell	200.00	1,800.00
House of Wor.	265.58	2,537.76
Huron	423.99	1,594.24
Judson	100.00	400.00
Lexington, 1 <sup>st</sup>		14,999.94
Mt. Ararat	327.00	3,801.28
Mt. Gilead	770.00	6,678.00
Mt. Zion		463.54
New Beech G.		450.00
New Hope		400.00
Parsons, 1 <sup>st</sup>	465.00	4,549.30
Perryville, 1 <sup>st</sup>	50.00	450.00
Pine Grove	286.09	2,948.33
Poplar Springs	486.00	4,836.00
Ridge Grove		00.00
Rock Hill	359.00	3,173.88
Salem		282.79
Sand Ridge	1,002.19	9,019.71
Sardis	115.98	1,291.23
Sardis Ridge		150.00
Scotts Hill	436.96	3,111.22
Southside		00.00
Twin Oaks	352.11	2,416.93
Union	565.01	5,791.41
Union Grove *	1,717.46	2,208.14
Wildersville	100.00	800.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 8,884.12</b>	<b>\$ 87,781.68</b>
* multiple checks		

## Church News

**HOUSE OF WORSHIP** - We had 2 new members join by baptism. Our annual fall festival and hay ride is October 15, 2016. Everyone is welcome to attend. Bro Zack Todd, Associate Pastor, will be preaching on Sunday nights. We held a steeple dedication on September 11, 2016. Work continues on our new fellowship hall. The outside is complete. Jeff Todd, pastor

**PERRYVILLE** - We had a great VBS in July. Two got saved. We had a baptism at Pearl Harbor in August. Bro McRoy from the Children's Home spoke for us on Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. The Disciplines sang for our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. We are planning our October Fest for the end of October and beginning to plan our Christmas program. We are studying the Book of Revelation on Wed. nights. Come join us Sunday at 10:00 and worship at 11:00 and 6:30, Wed. 6:30. . Rodney Hardin, pastor

**SARDIS RIDGE** - Sardis Ridge Church is happy to say that God's blessings are overflowing and the church is very alive. There's a lot going on! After the

church was destroyed by fire, it has taken a while to get back on its feet, but now it is not only on its feet-it is off and running. Since the end of July, the church has increased its membership with 17 people being saved and baptized and 17 members joining by letter. Another person was also saved, but has not joined as of this date. That's a total of 18 people that the devil no longer can claim! The church held a revival on Wednesday, September 14-Friday, September 16 with Bro. Lynn Walker as the evangelist. A huge fish fry celebration was held on Saturday afternoon with plenty delicious catfish and crappie for the large crowd. Bro. Walker returned for a great Sunday morning service. Sunday afternoon, September 18, Pastor Wendell Birchett led new converts into the waters at the Tennessee River for a baptism service. Please keep the church in your prayers and praise God for His blessings! Bro. Birchett and the church congregation invite you to visit (or even stay if you do not have a home church).  
*Wendell Birchett, pastor.*



*Stephane Olson from Samaritan's Purse made a presentation to Frances Thrower recognizing the Association for ten years of participation in Operation Christmas Child. She reported over 10,000 shoe boxes had been sent through our Relay Center.*

### SIX CONGREGATIONS SEEKING PASTORS

Barren Springs	Fellowship
Calvary	Mt. Ararat
Crossroads	Southside



Honor those who are your leaders in the Lord's work. They work hard among you and give you spiritual guidance. 1 Thess. 5:12b

## Calendar

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

### October

3 Pastors' Conf. - Rev. Micah Renfroe  
8 **JAM** at FBC, Humboldt  
10 Pastors' Conf. - Dr. Richard Bray  
14-16 **R.A. Camporee** Linden Valley  
17 Annual Meeting at Rock Hill Baptist  
18 Annual Meeting at Scotts Hill Baptist  
19 Office Closed-Annual Day of Recovery  
24 Pastors' Conf. - Rev. David Phillips  
31 Pastors' Conf. - Dr. Mike Thrower

### November

7 Pastors' Conf. - Dr. Clay Hallmark  
**14-21 OCC Shoebox Collection Week**  
14 No Pastors' Conf. - TBC Summit  
15 TBC Summit in Sevierville  
16 TBC Summit in Sevierville  
21 Pastors' Conf. - Dr. Hoyt Wilson  
23-25 Office Closed - Thanksgiving  
28 Pastors' Conf. - Rev. Lewis Screws

### December

5 Pastors' Conf. - Bro. Charles Gentry  
12 Pastors' Conf. - Rev. Ryan Keaton  
19 Pastors' Conf. - Bro. Daniel Jordan  
26 No Pastors' Conf. - Christmas

### January

2 No Pastors' Conf. - New Year's  
9 Pastors' Conf. - Rev. Kevin Bromley  
16 Pastors' Conf. -  
23 Pastors' Conf. -  
30 Pastors' Conf. -

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