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Closed for Lunch from 12:30—1:30 pm

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### August

Shoes for Orphan Souls

August 4—Pastor & Preachers Fellowship. Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

August 11— Baptist Collegiate Week

August 17—Baptist and Reflector Day

### September

Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions

September 1—Labor Day, Baptist Office Closed

**September 7-14**—Week of Prayer for State Missions/Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions

September 20—Children's Mission Day



McMinn-Meigs Association of Baptists is collecting shoes, socks and shoelaces for Shoes for Orphan Souls during the month of August. Donated items should be for children and teens and due to

customs regulations, all items must be brand new.

In order to sort and count before delivery to Chattanooga, we ask that you turn in your items by August 25, 2025.

### All donated items must be BRAND NEW!



We're closed on a **September 1st Monday!** Have a great holiday

### **Prayer for Revival**

Every Monday at the **Baptist Center** 

9:30AM **Everyone welcome!** 

McMinn-Meigs Association of **Baptists Pastors Conference** 

Meets every Monday morning at 10:00 am at the Baptist Center.

### Remember in prayer our churches without Pastors:

East Niota, Idlewild, Lakeside and Oak Grove.

### Pastors, Preachers & **Fellowship**

August 5, 2024 \$ 7:00 pm

Come join us for a time of fellowship!

### From Brother Mike...

Mike Farmer, Director of Missions

Can you believe we are rapidly approaching the end of the summer. Vacation Bible Schools are now in the rear-view mirror. Many are scrambling to get ready for another school year. In light of that I encourage all of us to make our schools a regular part of our prayer times. The need is great. Pray for the teachers and administration. Pray for the students. And, most of all pray that truth will be understood by all.

The evening pastor's gatherings will resume August 4<sup>th</sup>. These meetings are geared especially for our bi-vocational pastors, but all are welcome to join in with us. We will be spending time this year discussing ways to improve our pastoral ministry.

August also means it is time for SHOES. Our annual collection of new shoes for the *Buckner Shoes for Orphan Souls* goes through this month. The **final collection day is Monday, August 25**. We will accept new shoes and socks only. Shoes should be close-toed. Larger children's sizes are always needed. We will also accept monetary donations which will go to the Buckner Shoe drive.

Oh, how the world is changing. It is difficult to keep up with things. And many of these changes affect the church. One of the topics of discussion that is now impacting the church is the use of Artificial Intelligence. An article I read recently made the point that AI actually makes people that use it less intelligent. Oh, the joys of "progress." While technology can be very useful, we do need to commit ourselves to keep doing the work necessary to grow in Christ.

Blessings,

Bro. Mike



## **Christian Builders needs YOUR Help!**

We build handicap ramps for the disabled and elderly. We are a 100% volunteer organization.



The Three Words every Church Clerk hates to hear: ACP's are here! The Annual Church letters are here and are ready to pick up during regular office hours.

# August Celebrations Celebrating Birthdays

1	Stan Cantrell	Sanford
	Carol Johnson	New Beginnings
5	Dana Davis	Short Creek
	Lavahn Caldwell	Union Grove Decatur
16.	Stanley Liner	Hiwassee
21.	Mike Bernard	Central
31.	Renae Campbell	Brookhill

### Celebrating Anniversaries

06 Todd & Michelle Humbert	Greenhouse
15 Ken & Tonya Keaton	1st Baptist Riceville
22 David & Beverly Lones	Goodsprings
25 Terry & Renae Campbell	Brookhill

### Church/Association Anniversaries

Josh Cornelius	Walnut Grove	3years
Terry Campbell	Brookhill	. 4 years
Travis Shaver	Bethsadia	. 6 years
Jeff Blanchette	Calvary Etowah	. 18 years
Larry Johnson	Cottonport	. 22 years
Donald Caldwell	Union Grove D	2 year

Church Name	Current	VTD	Church Name	Current	VTD
Church Name	Current	<u>YTD</u>	Church Name	Current	<u>YTD</u>
Antioch	0.00	1,614.06	Good Hope	150.00	1,500.00
Athens First	1,200.00	12,000.00	Goodsprings	212.85	2,357.04
Bethel Springs	0.00	0.00	Greenhouse	0.00	1,500.00
Bethsadia	0.00	0.00	Hiwassee	0.00	0.00
Brookhill	0.00	750.00	Idlewild	0.00	650.00
Calhoun First	200.00	2,000.00	Lakeside	123.96	970.82
Calvary, Etowah	50.00	500.00	Lakeview	475.95	3,744.40
Calvary Missionary	25.00	250.00	Manilla Chapel	200.00	200.00
Central	645.11	4,858.20	Marshall Hill	0.00	900.00
Clay Hill	0.00	120.00	McMahan Calvary	187.68	1,227.72
Clear Springs	498.54	6,446.96	Mnt. Harmony, N	933.00	10,017.00
Clearwater	400.00	2,300.00	Mnt. Harmony, R	0.00	386.14
Coghill	50.00	500.00	Mount Pisgah	373.82	3,118.95
Cottonport	0.00	793.50	Mount Verd	975.00	1,175.00
Decatur First	1,007.86	8,159.84	Mountianside	0.00	0.00
Dixon Avenue	0.00	880.00	New Beginnings	0.00	0.00
Double Springs	167.40	1,101.30	New Bethel	0.00	0.00
Eastanallee	100.00	1,000.00	Niota First	0.00	0.00
East Athens	428.27	3,739.48	North Athens	0.00	400.00
East Niota	201.00	1,608.00	North Etowah	0.00	600.00
East View	0.00	0.00	Oak Grove	243.16	2,428.43
Englewood First	997.92	9,848.92	Old Salem	630.90	5,068.67
Etowah First	125.00	500.00	Pisgah	934.59	5,270.16

Rockview 0.00 0.00 Rocky Mount 150.00 600.00 Rogers Creek 175.00 1.406.00 1,500.00 Sanford 0.00 Shiloh 400.00 2.200.00 Short Creek 342.40 4.320.76 300.00 1.300.00 South Liberty Stephensville 0.00 0.00 Ten Mile 155.08 1,827.85 Union Grove, D 0.00 596.15 Union Hill 490.00 5,039.00 Valley Road 0.00 0.00 0.00 Vally View 1,844.78 Walnut Grove 764.05 8,195.90 West End 267.16 3,200.40 West View 116.00 1,158.80 Wildwood 100.00 200.00 Zion Hill 450.00 450.00 Total Receipts 15,774.68 138,731.19

Current

0.00

276.40

126.58

**YTD** 

600.00

2.677.92

1.129.04

Church Name

Pope Avenue

Riceville. First

Pond Hill

Contributions received after July 23rd will be reflected in next month's report.

### Church News

- Rocky Mount 3rd Sunday in August Homecoming. Everyone is welcome. Food will be served after the service.
- September 20th DR Training more information to come.
- > If you have anything happening in your church that you would like featured in the newsletter please let me know before the 20th of the month. This is a great way to get your churches name out there...



REACHING EVERY COMMUNITY IN TENNESSEE

Before you turn the page on VBS 2024, would you please take 60 seconds to report your VBS? We all need to be encouraged by how God has been at work through VBS this year!

It's quick and easy! All you have to do is go to <a href="https://www.com/churchreports">wbs.lifeway.com/churchreports</a> and fill in each of the required fields. Please complete the report regardless of the curriculum used. There is a space for you to list your curriculum publisher. This info helps us to better serve your church and to celebrate what God has done in Tennessee and around the world! We can't wait to share with you the totals of how many lives were changed for eternity through VBS 2025.