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8:30 am—4:30 pm
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August 2019

Monthly Newsletter of McMinn-Meigs Association of Baptists

Volume 19, Issue 8

Mark Your Calendar!

August

Shoes for Orphan Souls

August 5—Pastor & Preachers Fellowship, Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

August 17—Experience the Nations in Tennessee, East Athens Baptist Church, 10:00 am—1:00 pm

August 21—Randy Davis Listening Tour, Baptist Office, 2:00 pm

August 22—Retired Ministers & Wives Luncheon, Baptist Center, 12:00 pm

Overcomer Movie, Athens Movie Palace, 7:00 pm

August 23-24—Disaster Relief Regional Training, Red Bank Baptist Church, Chattanooga

August 24—Discipleship/ Sunday School Conference, Wallace Memorial, Knoxville, 8:00 am—12:30 pm

August 25—Baptist and Reflector Day

September

Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions

September 2—Labor Day, Baptist Office Closed

September 8-15—Week of Prayer for State Missions/ Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions

September 9—Pastor's & Preacher's Fellowship, Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

Shoes for Orphan Souls



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 26, 2019.

All donated items must be BRAND NEW!



Athens Movie Palace

Thursday ♦ August 22nd ♦ 7:00 pm

Tickets are \$10.00 and available only at the Association Office. *Limited seating—first come, first served!*



Randy Davis, Executive Director of the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board is hosting a **“Listening Tour”** at the Baptist Center on Wednesday, August 21st at

2:00 pm. Issues and answers; “How should TBMB be serving our TBC churches in the days ahead?” and “The Cooperative Program and Priorities for the Future” kind of discussion topics.

Remember in prayer our churches without Pastors: Brookhill, Lakeview, Marshall Hill, Pope Avenue, First Baptist Riceville, Sanford and Short Creek.

Disaster Relief Regional Training



August 23-24
Red Bank Baptist Church
Chattanooga

To pre-register for this class, contact Elizabeth Holmes at (615) 371-7926 or eholmes@tnbaptist.org. Please pre-register by Monday, August 19, so that we can supply you with the proper training materials and/or lunch count on Saturday.

Pastors & Preachers Fellowship

August 5th ♦ 7:00 pm ♦ Baptist Center
E.J. Walden will be the speaker!
We hope to see you here!



All wives of pastors!!
You're invited to a get together on Monday, Aug 5th at 7pm at the Associational office.

For more information contact Gwen Farmer at kd4qfm@yahoo.com

From Brother Mike. . .

Mike Farmer, DoM

I hope you have had a wonderful summer. VBS is behind us and many have back to school on their minds. There have been some great reports about Vacation Bible Schools in several of our churches this summer. Keep up the good work and keep reaching out for those kids.

In case you haven't heard, there is going to be a special movie preview night for the new movie, *Overcomer*. This is the newest Kendrick brothers' movie, and it is a very entertaining and well-done movie. But, better than that it is a movie that addresses some important issues to all of us. Who are you? Our identity is so often wrapped up in what we do as an occupation or who our family is. Who we are deep inside is the utmost question. We are either following God or we are not. I hope you will come out and join us on August 22, at 7:00 pm, at the Athens Movie Palace. This is the evening before the movie opens nationally in theaters. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the Association Office. This is our cost, we are making nothing on this project. It is simply an encouragement to get everyone out and see the movie. Better yet, bring someone who is not in church with you to see it.

Our East Tennessee Regional Disaster Relief training will be August 23 and 24 at Red Bank Baptist Church. Please check the information online for complete details at tndisasterrelief.org. If you are interested in getting involved in DR, you will need to take

the Introduction to DR class and at least one specialization class. There is a \$36 fee for a background check and training costs. This is good for 3 years and covers the training classes you take during this time. If you are already a volunteer, this is a good time to get some classes that are not available often. If you have any questions, please give me a call at the office. I hope to see several of you at Red Bank.

Our evening pastors' fellowship starts back on Monday evening, August 5th. While the pastors are meeting, the wives of all pastors are invited to come for a time of fellowship and refreshments. Both meetings start at 7:00 pm.

Our last weekend at the Drive-In will be August 31-September 1. One church has been out a couple of nights this year to hand out Bibles. We have also gotten some of the Jesus Film DVDs and they have been very well received by the people there. Come on out and meet some of the folks. Hand out some information about your church, and maybe a gospel conversation will get started. I hope to see you there!

Ecclesiastes 3:14 reminds us it is not about what we do; it is about what God does. And He does not work for our benefit. He works that we might see Him and be amazed! May God work through you soon so that others may see Him.

Bro. Mike

Things you can find on our Website!

- The past 6 issues of the Newsletter
- Annual Minutes—past 10+ years
- A listing of items in the Library (updated monthly)
- Christian Builders Volunteer Form
- Church Directory with address, mailing address, Pastor and phone numbers.
- Pastor Supply List

New in the Library

Books

On a Summer Tide by Suzanne Woods Fisher

Unplanned by Abby Johnson

The Walls are Talking by Abby Johnson

The View from the Lighthouse by Melody Carlson

Finding Grace by Anne Marie Rodgers

Seaside Summer by Pam Hanson & Barbara Andrews

Suffering is Never For Nothing by Elisabeth Elliot

Whatever Happened to the American Dream by Larry Burkett

My Dear Ones by Jonathan Wittenberg

Wherever You Go by Tracie Peterson

A Silken Thread by Kim Vogel Sawyer

The Highest of Hopes by Susan Anne Mason

Beacon's Call by Leslie Gould

Coffee with Mom by Mike Glenn

DVD's

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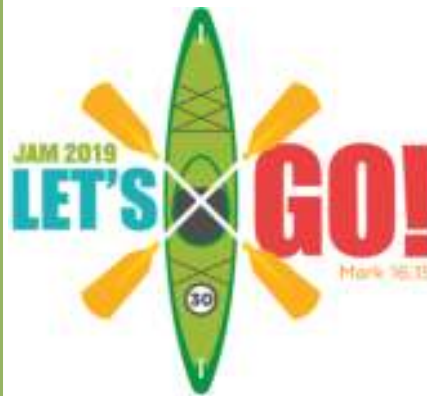
Catching Hearts

Heaven Bound

Faith's Song

Church News

- **First Baptist Athens** welcomes their new Pastor, Dr. Bill Henard who begins his ministry there on August 1, 2019.
- **Sanford Baptist Church** is seeking a Senior Pastor. Send resumes to: Charles Blevins ♦ 153 County Road 80 ♦ Riceville, TN 37370
- **Don't forget to Recycle your old Sunday School Literature.** We also take Christian Books, Bibles and Devotionals (Our Daily Bread, Open Windows, etc.). **Do not bring Missions Mosaic or Mature Living.**



September 28, 2019 ♦ 9:30 am—2:30 pm

First Baptist Church ♦ 504 W Main Street
Morristown, TN

JAM, one-day missions event for children in grades 1-6 and children's leaders. Children will experience worship and hands-on missions learning opportunities while meeting missionaries and learning what it means to love Jesus and share His love with others! Children will experience the excitement of going on mission through Bible study, games, a ministry project, interactive missions fair displays and so much more.

**Don't forget to bring a sack lunch. Bottled water will be provided to drink.*

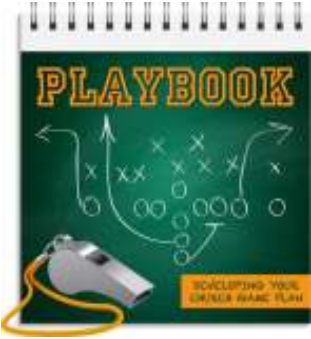
You may register online. Registration Fee: \$15.00 before September 13; \$18.00 after October 12.

Final Deadline: No group registration accepted after September 20.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD
Antioch	179.31	1,606.02	Etowah First	125.00	500.00	Pope Avenue	70.55	1,004.70
Athens First	1,500.00	15,000.00	Good Hope	150.00	1,500.00	Riceville First	257.43	833.81
Bethel Springs	0.00	500.00	Goodsprings	290.11	3,513.37	Rockview	0.00	0.00
Bethsadia	0.00	0.00	Hiwassee	0.00	300.00	Rocky Mount	0.00	600.00
Brookhill	0.00	100.00	Idlewild	100.00	1,090.00	Rogers Creek	101.46	998.41
Calhoun First	400.00	2,000.00	Lakeside	94.28	1,201.74	Sanford	0.00	1,500.00
Calvary, Etowah	50.00	450.00	Lakeview	240.00	1,793.24	Shiloh	200.00	2,000.00
Calvary Missionary	25.00	250.00	Manilla Chapel	0.00	200.00	Short Creek	330.40	3,084.24
Central	566.04	5,818.40	Marshall Hill	100.00	900.00	South Liberty	0.00	0.00
Clay Hill	0.00	60.00	McMahan Calvary	158.48	1,550.34	Stephensville	0.00	0.00
Clear Springs	471.96	4,397.42	Mount Harmony, Niota	764.00	5,038.00	Ten Mile	116.20	1,182.83
Clearwater	0.00	0.00	Mount Harmony, Riceville	43.20	463.17	Union Grove	0.00	250.00
Coghill	175.00	1,575.00	Mount Pisgah	597.98	3,389.24	Union Hill	0.00	1,718.00
Cottonport	0.00	606.06	Mount Verd	100.00	300.00	Valley Road	0.00	300.00
Decatur First	844.90	6,691.36	New Beginnings	0.00	0.00	Valley View	380.00	1,535.00
Dixon Avenue	110.00	1,100.00	New Bethel	0.00	0.00	Walnut Grove	223.32	2,266.30
Double Springs	75.00	500.00	Niota First	0.00	0.00	West End	306.75	2,800.28
Eastanallee	100.00	1,000.00	North Athens	0.00	200.00	West View	133.85	1,233.43
East Athens	878.45	9,293.56	Oak Grove	855.00	3,732.00	Wildwood	0.00	4,364.97
East Niota	197.50	1,777.50	Old Salem	616.20	3,141.58	Zion Hill	400.00	1,400.00
East View	0.00	0.00	Pisgah	782.37	5,556.91	Total Receipts	13,957.24	122,641.88
Englewood First	847.50	8,475.00	Pond Hill	0.00	0.00			

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



Discipleship/Sunday School Conference
August 24, 2019
Wallace Memorial Baptist Church
Knoxville, TN

Does your playbook incorporate proven principles, strategies and “plays” that will lead to seeing people saved, baptized and set on the road to discipleship? Discover how to develop a winning game plan for your group and discipleship ministries.

Breakouts will include conferences for Pastors, Discipleship Leaders, Sunday School Directors, Small Group Leaders, Preschool, Children, Youth and Adult teachers and leaders, Hispanic and Special Needs Leaders. Additional conferences for Korean and Arabic at some locations.

Cost: \$10 per person

Contact Mark Miller (mmiller@tnbaptist.org) for further information.

August Celebrations

Celebrating Birthdays

15.... *Julie Segó* Eastanallee
 21.... *Mike Bernard* Central
 23.... *Kathy Fain*..... Association Staff
 31.... *Bridgette Campbell*.... South Liberty

Celebrating Anniversaries

04.... *Richard & Julie Segó* Eastanallee
 15.... *Larry & Kathy Fain*..... Association Staff
 22.... *David & Beverly Lones*.... Goodsprings
 25.... *Terry & Renae Campbell*.. South Liberty

Church/Association Anniversaries

J.W. Smith..... Valley View..... 1 year
Jeff Blanchette..... Calvary Etowah 13 years
Larry Johnson Cottonport 17 years



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Christian Builders needs YOUR Help!

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

For more information or to volunteer, please Contact Scott Duckworth at 263-1989

Pastors Prayer Meeting

Every Thursday at the Baptist Center ♦ 12:00 noon

McMinn-Meigs Association of Baptists Pastors Conference

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

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Experience the Nations in Tennessee

A Missions Involvement Event ♦ Coordinated by McMinn/Meigs Association of Baptists

Saturday, August 17, 2019 ♦ 10:00 am-1:00 pm ♦ **East Athens Baptist Church**

LEARN

- ♦ Biblical basis for ministering to people who are displaced.
- ♦ Fresh ideas for ministry opportunities locally and beyond
- ♦ Discover "BLUME," an event for girls 5th – 12th grades
- ♦ Guest Speaker, Bonita Wilson, Ministry Catalyst, Knox County Association

GIVE

- ♦ Bring an International dish to share for lunch
- ♦ Bring travel size hygiene items, children's toys, books, crayons, etc. for the new Refugee Welcome House in Knoxville

- ♦ View and/or purchase World Craft items
- ♦ Honor legendary individuals who have fulfilled the Great Commission by making a donation to place a brick in the "Walk of Faith" Honor and Memorial Garden at the national WMU headquarters in Birmingham, AL.

PRAY

- ♦ For missionaries with birthdays, persecuted Christians, displaced people, local needs.

FELLOWSHIP

- ♦ Covered Dish Lunch of International dishes (Ideas in Mission Mosaic)

