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Ministry Assistant: Karrie Sweet mmab@truevine.net **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 368-3867.

Prayer for Revival

Every Thursday at the Baptist Center

12:00 noon **Everyone welcome!**



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.

All donated items must be **BRAND NEW!**



Links

Office Hours Monday thru Friday 8:30 am—4:30 pm

Closed for Lunch from 12:30—1:30 pm

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Monthly Newsletter of McMinn-Meigs Association of Baptists

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July

June 27-July 1-Camp Cherokee Day Camp— Youth

July 1st-4th-Independence Day Holiday, Baptist Office Closed

July 11-15—Camp Cherokee Day Camp— Children

July 18-22—Camp Cherokee Day Camp— Children

July 19—Executive Board Meeting, Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

August

Shoes for Orphan Souls

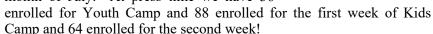
August 1—Pastor & Preachers Fellowship, Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

August 21—Baptist and Reflector Day



Camp Cherokee

Please remember to pray for the children (and their leaders!) during our day camps in the month of July. At press time we have 36





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:

Double Springs, New Beginnings, North Etowah, North Athens, New Bethel, Old Salem, Union Grove and West End.

IRS Mileage increase rate reminder.

For the final 6 months of 2022 that standard rate will increase to 62.5 cents per mile. Effective July 1, 2022

Free Labor Law Posters

tennessee.gov/workforce and search for "Required Posters"

You can also print out your Federal Posters from this site. Companies with 2 or more employees are required to have state and federal posters. This also applies to non-profit and family-owned businesses.

Make sure your Labor Law Posters are up-to-date!



From Brother Mike...

Sadly, Covid has reared its head again and is disrupting several of our churches and Vacation Bible Schools. Pray for one another during this summer as we struggle against these issues for a third summer. May the proclamation of the Gospel message not be hindered.

As I watched the proceedings at the Southern Baptist Convention, I wondered like many, just where we are headed as a convention. Have we forgotten the meaning of the word "cooperative?" Not all implement our faith in the exact same way. The Bible is often lacking in specific directions on how to "do" church. What has bound us together for many years as a cooperative convention of churches has been the proclaiming of the Gospel message of Jesus Christ.

It seems every meeting we get closer and closer to implementing faith and practices police. There always seems to be someone ready to complain when another pastor or church doesn't believe and do what they think is right. I have to remind myself that people do not have to be Baptist to go to Heaven. The only way to salvation is through Jesus Christ!

One of the greatest mission's endeavors ever implemented has been the Cooperative Program. The Cooperative Program supports nearly 10,000 missionaries and church planters around the world. It has prioritized the Gospel of Jesus Christ over everything else. Are we forgetting what is most important? Strife and dissension do not help the spread of the Gospel. Confusion and discord are not a result of the work of the Holy Spirit, but it is a result of the work of our enemy, Satan.

Yes, there are times when we may have to confront bad theology, but sadly the contentious moments are not always about essential matters.

We must keep the main thing the main thing. No one is saved by observing certain religious rites. Jesus spoke often against those around Him who

Mike Farmer, Director of Missions

did just that. The lost are saved by finding forgiveness for their sins by the death of Jesus on the cross. May we never forget what is of primary importance in the world of lostness.

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

July Celebrations Celebrating Birthday

09 Victor Abernathy	Pisgah
Mike Farmer	Director of Missions
14 Todd Humbert	Greenhouse
15 Samantha Roberts	Pond Hill
Greg Watson	Manilla Chapel
18 Jeff Blanchette	Calvary Etowah
26 Jimmy Lewis	Union Hill
Allan Lovelace	First Baptist Etowah
31 Terry Campbell	Brookhill
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Celebrating Anniversaries

- 08.. Garry & Shirley KingMt. Harmony Riceville
- 22 Mike & Vanessa Jones Valley View
- 27...Ricky & Tonia Vaughn.....McMahan Calvary

Church/Association Anniversaries

	East Athens1 year
Josh Cornelius	Walnut Grove1 year
Ken Keaton	. First Baptist Riceville 2 year
Travis Roberts	. Pond Hill4 years
Earl Graves	. Lakeside5 years
	. East Niota13 years
Allen Watson	. Dixon Avenue34years

Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD
Antioch	193.13	1,436.04	Etowah First	0.00	250.00
Athens First		13,500.00	Good Hope	150.00	1,350.00
Bethel Springs	0.00	0.00	Goodsprings	685.44	2,742.94
Bethsadia	0.00	0.00	Greenhouse	0.00	1,500.00
Brookhill	0.00	125.00	Hiwassee	0.00	0.00
Calhoun First	0.00	1,600.00	Idlewild	240.00	1,080.00
Calvary, Etowah	50.00	400.00	Lakeside	117.90	848.16
Calvary Missionary	25.00	200.00	Lakeview	349.87	2,318.54
Central	580.94	4,143.21	Manilla Chapel	0.00	0.00
Clay Hill	0.00	120.00	Marshall Hill	100.00	200.00
Clear Springs	385.13	4,408.23	McMahan Calvary	114.72	792.64
Clearwater	0.00	625.00	Mnt. Harmony, Niota	805.61	4,146.61
Coghill	50.00	400.00	Mnt.t Harmony, Riceville	80.97	369.91
Cottonport	0.00	480.20	Mount Pisgah	261.01	2,022.42
Decatur First	705.23	5,862.64	Mount Verd	0.00	200.00
Dixon Avenue	110.00	990.00	New Beginnings	0.00	200.00
Double Springs	100.00	450.00	New Bethel	0.00	0.00
Eastanallee	100.00	900.00	Niota First	0.00	0.00
East Athens	698.58	5,070.15	North Athens	0.00	200.00
East Niota	0.00	790.00	North Etowah	200.00	1,400.00
East View	0.00	0.00	Oak Grove	602.00	3,782.52
Englewood First	832.00	6,609.50	Old Salem	580.10	3,534.83

Church Name	Current	YTD
Pisgah	1,303.80	4,685.01
Pond Hill	0.00	1,058.98
Pope Avenue	385.60	2,479.87
Riceville, First	121.90	999.00
Rockview	0.00	0.00
Rocky Mount	0.00	300.00
Rogers Creek	147.31	972.46
Sanford	0.00	1,500.00
Shiloh	200.00	1,800.00
Short Creek	270.10	2,607.66
South Liberty	100.00	800.00
Stephensville	0.00	0.00
Ten Mile	149.08	1,450.46
Union Grove, Decatur	100.00	927.81
Union Hill	467.00	4,213.00
Valley Road	0.00	0.00
Vally View	0.00	674.10
Walnut Grove	602.55	5,719.00
West End	314.92	2,581.96
West View	107.96	715.60
Wildwood	0.00	4,061.85
Zion Hill	0.00	1,200.00
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Total Receipts 13,887.85 114,205.30

Contributions received after June 22nd will be reflected in next month's report.

Church News

- Englewood 1st Baptist will be having a special service to honor those that served in the military July 3rd, Sunday Service. Summer Missions trip July 10-16
- ➤ 1st Baptist of Athens has Spark Studios VBS item to donate. Come by the Association if you are in need.
- ➤ We will be sorting and packing literature at the **Association** August 2nd at 9:30 am. Come help.
- Churches that have not picked up their Annual Minutes: Calvary, Clay Hill,

- Hiwassee, Manilla Chapel, Old Salem, Riceville 1st, Valley View, West End. Your minutes ordered are at the Association and ready to be picked up.
- > ACP Contacts or Church Secretaries: Your churches ACP packets are ready to be picked up at the Association
- > 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.



Pastors, Preachers & Wives Fellowship

Will not meet during the months of June and July!

