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**OFF THE GRID
MOTORCYCLE TOUR**

Carson Springs Baptist
Conference Center
1120 Carson Springs Rd
Newport, Tn
May 16-18 2022

It will be a 3 day, 3 night event. Each pastor
will stay all 3 night at Carson Springs and enjoy
breakfast and dinner each day. \$165 Register
online at TBMB site.

Prayer for Revival

Every Thursday at the Baptist Center

**12:00 noon
Everyone welcome!**



Please come and join us for
VBS Worker Training
Monday May 9th
At East Niota Church

This is a workshop/ brainstorming
event.

This is a non-themed workshop
Grade levels 3-K,1-4, Pre-teen
Youth and Adults



Links

Office Hours
Monday thru Friday
8:30 am—4:30 pm
*Closed for Lunch from
12:30—1:30 pm*

May 2022

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May

**May 2nd– Pastor
Fellowship, Baptist
Center, 7:00 PM**

**May 7th– Camp Cherokee
Clean up day**

**May 8th– Happy Mothers
Day**

**May 9th— VBS Worker
Training.**

**May 5th– Nation Day of
Prayer**

**May 21st– Armed Forces
Day. Check your local
American Legion Post
for events.**

**May 30th– Memorial Day
– Baptist Office is
closed.**

June

June 19th– Fathers Day

**June 27th— Youth Day
Camp Starts**

Camp Cherokee

The **Youth Day Camp Registration** fee is \$90.00 (early registration). This includes a t-shirt and overnight stay on Wednesday and Thursday. All registrations after June 20th will be \$110.00.

The **Children’s Day Camp Registration** fee is \$90.00 (early registration). All registrations after June 20th will be \$110.00.

Registration forms can be found online at: www.mcminnmeigsbaptists.org on the Camp Cherokee page!

Want to work at camp this summer? You can find the application on the Camp Cherokee page!

We **will not** be running a bus this year. You will be responsible for transporting your children to/from camp.



June 27—July 1

Youth Day Camp

July 11-15

Children’s Day Camp

July 18-22

Children’s Day Camp

**Remember in prayer our
churches without Pastors:**

***New Bethel, Valley Road and
Double Springs.***

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

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

**HELP
WANTED**

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.***

What a blessing it is to see so many “normal” church activities arriving on the schedule now. It has been a long, difficult year. I pray we have a greater appreciation for these normal activities.

My question now is this, “what have we learned from the past year?”

We should have learned the truth that God did not make us to be isolated individuals. We were created for fellowship with God and one another. If you understand the first few chapters of Genesis you know God created mankind in his image. Communion with our Creator is an important part of who we are. While God gave us responsibility in caring for His creation, our ultimate purpose revolves around a relationship with the Him.

As physical beings we need food, water and shelter in order to survive. Beyond the physical existence, we are spiritual beings. And some of the needs for the spiritual nature are fellowship with our God and relationships with other people.

God did not create us to exist in isolation. Hebrews 10:24-25 teaches us about our need for relationships with others. We should have concern for one another. We need to give and receive encouragement as we face the issues of life. There is something empowering about being in worship with other believers. Relationships are not just social interactions. We grow and gain strength through the time we have with other believers.

I was pleased to see so many church adapt to the times by moving their services to online formats. This was needed for a while. And there will always be a need for having services available online for those who cannot be in church on Sunday.

However, if you are satisfied with watching a church service online, then your expectations are too low. This is not church. It worked as a substitute while we got a grasp on the pandemic, but I do not believe it should be our long-range plan. Christians thrive in relationship with one another. This hopefully then leads us to a better relationship with God.

It is very difficult for online services to fulfill the role of the local church. Almost every instance of the use

of the word church in the New Testament is referring to a local body of believers who are gathering together. If you are able, be a part of the fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ. I expect it will make a difference in your life. Let’s work to make strengthen one another in the faith.

Pastors, Preachers Fellowship
Will not meet during the months of June and July!

May Celebrations
Birthday’s

08...*Tonia Vaughn* ... McMahan Calvary
10.. *Steve Gamble*Lakeview
12.. *Gwen Farmer*....DoM’s wife
Alyssa Packett...Idlewild
13.. *Cullen Conner* ..Niota First
16.. *Lea Watson*Manilla Chapel
19.. *Jerry Plaster*.....East Niota
25.. *Maria Gennoe*...New Beginnings
28.. *Travis Roberts*...Pond Hill

Anniversaries

08.. *Gene & Susie Guffey* Bethel Springs
10.. *Bo & Michele Dunkle*..... Clearwater
Scott & Alyssa Packett..... Idlewild
12.. *James & Joanne Morgan*... Stephensville
20.. *Justin & Stephanie Brown* . Zion Hill
Craig & Stacy Wilcox Clay Hill

Church/Association Anniversaries

David Lones Goodsprings..... 5 years
Jeremy Sneed..... Rockview 5 years
Stacy Gennoe New Beginnings 6 years
Darren Fansler.... Clear Springs 9 years
Stan Hammonds .. Mt Harmony Niota .. 12 years

Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD
Antioch	0.00	1,038.02	Etowah First	125.00	250.00	Pisgah	220.12	3,381.21
Athens First	0.00	9,000.00	Good Hope	150.00	1,050.00	Pond Hill	0.00	600.00
Bethel Springs	0.00	0.00	Goodsprings	0.00	1,899.10	Pope Avenue	317.84	1,802.11
Bethsadia	0.00	0.00	Greenhouse	0.00	1,530.00	Riceville, First	107.50	768.90
Brookhill	0.00	125.00	Hiwassee	0.00	0.00	Rockview	0.00	0.00
Calhoun First	0.00	1,200.00	Idlewild	0.00	720.00	Rocky Mount	0.00	300.00
Calvary, Etowah	50.00	300.00	Lakeside	80.46	617.74	Rogers Creek	85.67	696.25
Calvary Missionary	25.00	150.00	Lakeview	286.80	1,691.84	Sanford	0.00	1,500.00
Central	558.66	3,115.25	Manilla Chapel	0.00	0.00	Shiloh	0.00	1,200.00
Clay Hill	0.00	120.00	Marshall Hill	0.00	0.00	Short Creek	359.15	1,959.26
Clear Springs	474.09	3,555.69	McMahan Calvary	93.44	543.44	South Liberty	0.00	500.00
Clearwater	0.00	625.00	Mnt Harmony, Niota	402.00	2,864.00	Stephensville	0.00	0.00
Coghill	50.00	300.00	Mnt Harmony, Riceville	0.00	252.40	Ten Mile	0.00	997.20
Cottonport	258.78	480.20	Mount Pisgah	0.00	1,447.32	Union Grove, Decatur	94.00	738.81
Decatur First	637.01	4,455.62	Mount Verd	0.00	100.00	Union Hill	428.00	3,380.00
Dixon Avenue	0.00	660.00	New Beginnings	0.00	200.00	Valley Road	0.00	0.00
Double Springs	0.00	300.00	New Bethel	0.00	0.00	Vally View	0.00	0.00
Eastanallee	100.00	700.00	Niota First	0.00	0.00	Walnut Grove	758.75	4,266.15
East Athens	0.00	3,265.82	North Athens	0.00	200.00	West End	385.22	2,030.85
East Niota	0.00	790.00	North Etowah	200.00	1,000.00	West View	87.78	541.98
East View	0.00	0.00	Oak Grove	0.00	2,361.52	Wildwood	557.77	3,504.47
Englewood First	832.00	4,945.50	Old Salem	487.68	2,566.05	Zion Hill	0.00	1,200.00

Total Receipts 8,212.72 83,786.70

Contributions received after April 18th will be reflected in next month’s report.

Church VBS Schedules

- **Calhoun 1st Baptist** is having VBS June 5-9th from 6-8 PM
- **Sanford Baptist Church** 2415 County Road 50 Riceville, TN 37370 June 14-18 ♦ 6:30—8:30 *For more information, please call or text Pam Lewis at (423) 506-6308.*
- **Englewood 1st Baptist** Kick off Sunday June 5th. VBS June 6-10th. VBS Program June 12th
- **Old Salem** June 12-17th. If you used Zoomerang theme and are needing to donate it to another church please call **423-506-2715**
- **North Etowah** Registration June 1st. Classes start June 8th. Volunteers needed.

Church News

- **Rogers Creek Baptist** is celebrating their 181st homecoming. June 5
- **Union Hill** has a free piano please call Rita 423-920-0613
- **Sweetwater 1st Baptist** seeking a youth director send your resume to fbcsweetwater youth@gmail.com
- **We are in need of someone to take literature to loves in Decatur Alabama. If you can’t lift anything just let us know. We arrange for your vehicle to be loaded and unloaded. Any vehicle size small or large can take a load. Please call us today at 423-745-2248 to see how you can help.**
- **McMahan Calvary** welcomes Ricky Vaughn and wife Tonia. Ricky was voted in a pastor Sunday April 10th