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**National Collection Week: November 13-20**  
Drop Off Locations:

- Woodward Church of God, Athens
- Island Creek Baptist Church, Madisonville
- Hillcrest Church, Etowah
- Union McMinn Baptist Church, Niota
- Benton Station Baptist Church, Benton
- Dayton 1st Baptist, Dayton
- Cleveland 1st Baptist, Cleveland

*Drop off times do vary for each location—  
please contact the church. Shoe boxes need to  
be dropped off by the dates listed above.*

**Prayer for Revival**  
*Every Thursday at the Baptist Center*  
12:00 noon ♦ Everyone welcome!



# 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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**November**  
November 6- Pastors and  
Preachers Fellowship,  
Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

November 12-15—Summit:  
The Gathering of  
Tennessee Baptists,  
Chattanooga Convention  
Center 5PM

November 14— Pack & Sort  
at the Association  
9:30AM

November 23-25—  
Thanksgiving Holiday,  
Baptist Center Closed

**December**  
Lottie Moon Christmas  
Offering

December 3-11—Week of  
Prayer and Mission  
Study for International  
Missions and the Lottie  
Moon Christmas  
Offering

December 24-25—  
Christmas Holiday,  
Baptist Office Closed

December 31—New Year's  
Holiday, Baptist Office  
Closed



Chattanooga Convention Center  
1 Carter St  
Chattanooga, TN

*The Summit is the annual gathering of Tennessee Baptists. You probably know it as the Tennessee Baptist Convention. The Summit includes the Pastors Conference, the annual meeting, and everything in between.*

**The UPPER Room Christian Counseling Center** provides pastoral counseling - combining counseling and pastoral guidance from a Bible-based, Christian perspective. It helps individuals address the struggles and issues of life in both a clinical and spiritual way. The counseling ministry helps individuals discover their identity in Christ, and find healing and purpose in their relationships with God, themselves and others. Sessions available for individuals, couples, and families. For more information, call 865.414.3269 or check the counseling link at [www.fairviewfamily.org](http://www.fairviewfamily.org)

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contact Scott Duckworth at 368-3867.*

**HELP  
WANTED**

*From Brother Mike. . .*

*Mike Farmer, Director of Missions*

I hope you are enjoying the beautiful fall season that is now upon us. I marvel at seeing the grandeur of God’s creation, but I will be honest and say I am not looking forward to the winter months.

We have now made it through our annual meeting and a new year has begun. Last year was a year of accomplishment for our churches and our association. Now we move forward into a new church year and pray that we will see great opportunities to be a part of God’s Kingdom work in our area. Always be looking for mission opportunities each day. In a couple of weeks several will make the short journey to the Tennessee Baptist Convention “Summit” in Chattanooga. If you get a chance to go, it is always good to see how the State Convention works and be a part of the gathering of Tennessee Baptists from across our state. Pray that God will use us as individuals and as groups of believers to advance His work.

I am still getting reports from churches about salvations and baptisms that are happening. I love to hear these reports. I pray that each church will see more of these in the next year. Let’s keep sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Very soon the holidays will be upon us. It is



hard for me to believe that the year 2023 is almost finished. May you have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family and friends. Let us prepare for the Christmas celebration so that we can use that time to let people know what Christmas is all about.

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

## November Celebrations

### Celebrating Birthdays

- 06... *Larry Johnson* .....Cottonport
- Kathryn Lewis*.....Union Hill
- 08... *Brian Trapp* .....East Athens
- Melissa Trapp* .....East Athens
- 13... *Laura Maples* .....First Baptist Englewood
- 15... *Allen Watson* .....Dixon Avenue
- 18... *Earl Graves*.....Lakeside
- Byron Talbot*.....Double Springs
- 19... *Keith Whited* .....West View
- 30... *Darren Fansler*.....Clear Springs

### Celebrating Anniversaries

- 03... *Earl & Vivian Graves*.....Lakeside
- 07... *Jeff & Becky Blanchette* .....Calvary Etowah
- 16... *Stan & Kathy Cantrell*.....Sanford
- 26... *Stan & Jamie Hammonds*...Mt Harmony Niota
- 30 *Darren & Tammy Fansler*....Clear Springs

### Church/Association Anniversaries

- Will Davis* ..... Short Creek.....2 years
- Garry Duncan* ..... South Liberty .....2 years
- Gene Guffey* ..... Bethel Springs .....14years
- Bill Vest* ..... Wildwood .....29 years

Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD
Antioch	0.00	0.00	Etowah First	125.00	125.00	Pisgah	0.00	0.00
Athens First	1,200.00	1,200.00	Good Hope	150.00	150.00	Pond Hill	0.00	0.00
Bethel Springs	0.00	0.00	Goodsprings	156.30	156.30	Pope Avenue	0.00	0.00
Bethsadia	0.00	0.00	Greenhouse	0.00	0.00	Riceville, First	132.40	132.40
Brookhill	200.00	200.00	Hiwassee	410.50	410.50	Rockview	0.00	0.00
Calhoun First	200.00	200.00	Idlewild	120.00	120.00	Rocky Mount	0.00	0.00
Calvary, Etowah	0.00	0.00	Lakeside	94.40	94.40	Rogers Creek	135.00	135.00
Calvary Missionary	25.00	25.00	Lakeview	225.10	225.10	Sanford	1,500.00	1,500.00
Central	443.60	443.60	Manilla Chapel	0.00	0.00	Shiloh	0.00	0.00
Clay Hill	0.00	0.00	Marshall Hill	0.00	0.00	Short Creek	384.85	384.85
Clear Springs	0.00	0.00	McMahan Calvary	119.60	119.60	South Liberty	100.00	100.00
Clearwater	0.00	0.00	Mnt. Harmony, N	1,153.00	1,153.00	Stephensville	0.00	0.00
Coghill	0.00	0.00	Mnt. Harmony, R	46.36	46.36	Ten Mile	139.65	139.65
Cottonport	0.00	0.00	Mount Pisgah	0.00	0.00	Union Grove, D	0.00	0.00
Decatur First	551.21	551.21	Mount Verd	0.00	0.00	Union Hill	560.00	560.00
Dixon Avenue	110.00	110.00	New Beginnings	0.00	0.00	Valley Road	300.00	300.00
Double Springs	50.00	50.00	New Bethel	0.00	0.00	Vally View	0.00	0.00
Eastanallee	100.00	100.00	Niota First	0.00	0.00	Walnut Grove	710.80	710.80
East Athens	0.00	0.00	North Athens	0.00	0.00	West End	261.93	261.93
East Niota	0.00	0.00	North Etowah	0.00	0.00	West View	0.00	0.00
East View	0.00	0.00	Oak Grove	275.00	275.00	Wildwood	646.10	646.10
Englewood First	830.65	830.65	Old Salem	0.00	0.00	Zion Hill	0.00	0.00

**Total Receipts 11,456.45 11,456.45**

*Contributions received after October 19th will be reflected in next month’s report.*

### McMinn-Meigs Association of Baptists Pastors Conference

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

### Pastors, Preachers Fellowship

**November 6, 2023 ♦ 7:00 pm**

*Come and see who your speaker will be!*

**Remember in prayer our churches without Pastors: Eastanallee, Idlewild, Lakeview, Marshall Hill and New Bethel.**

### Church News

- **Clear Springs**– Harvest meal November 12th
- **Valley Road**- welcomed their new pastor and soon to be wife. Gus Fine & soon to be Jenna Fine.
- **Mnt. Verd** is hosting lunch for the BCM at Athens 1st. If you are interested in ever having your church host a lunch please call Joe Delph at 423-333-9452.
- **MMAB** is having a pack and sort November 14th at the office at 9:30 am.
- **Englewood 1st**– Family Pig Roast November 5th. Don’t forget to bring a dessert or side dish
- **McMinn Warming Center**- The center opens when temperatures are below 32 degrees during the months of January & February. If your interested in volunteering please call Steve Thomas at 865-335-1870 or Keith Memorial UMC at 423-745-2612 to see how you can volunteer.