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These bibles were left outside on a Friday morning. When I arrived to work at 8:30AM it started pouring rain. The fight to get these into the building while getting soaked was not great. How do these help anyone when they get ruined by rain. by rain. Think before you act Please.



**The UPPER Room Christian Counseling Center**

seeks to give counsel, helps, guidance, support, and encouragement, for individuals, marriages and families. To speak to a counselor or to get more information, call **865-414-3269** or visit the link at [www.fairviewfamily.org](http://www.fairviewfamily.org).



**Free Labor Law Posters**

[tennessee.gov/workforce](http://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!**



# Links

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

**September Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions**

**September 4th**—Labor Day, Baptist Office Closed

**September 10-18**—Week of Prayer for State Missions/Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions

**September 11**—Pastor’s & Preacher’s Fellowship, Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

**September 13th**— Budget Meeting 6:30 At the Association

**September 15**— Seminary Extension Classes begin.

**September 16th**— Children’s Mission Day

**ACP’s need to be picked up ASAP before October**

**October**  
**October 16th**— Annual Meeting at Sanford 7PM

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

*Let your light so shine*  
Matthew 5:16

**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:**  
*Eastanallee, Idlewild, Lakeview, Marshall Hill, New Bethel and Valley Road.*

**Pastors, Preachers & Wives Fellowship**  
September 11th ♦ 7:00 pm  
*Come join us for a time of fellowship!*

**From Brother Mike. . .**

*Mike Farmer, Director of Missions*

Once again, we as Baptists are in the news because of the revelation of a leader’s failure. It is always hard to see people, especially people you admired and respected, fall short of your expectations.

I understand that we are all fallen people. None of us are perfect and we will never be so in this world. But I often think to myself that if I had had the opportunity to be with Jesus like the apostles were, I would not do be so worldly. Wrong!

It is another reminder of the truth of Romans 7:19. Paul wrote that he struggled to do good. Paul had seen Jesus. He is often placed on a pedestal as one of the great Christians to have lived on this earth. Yet, he admits that he has a difficult time doing the right thing. In fact, Paul goes so far to say that he does exactly what he doesn’t want to do. He wanted to do good, but he ended up doing evil. The sin of this world is a part of our lives. I am sure most all of us can relate personally to Paul’s struggle.

Instead of criticizing someone’s failures, can we take a bit of extra time to pray for our leaders, our pastors and our fellow Christians. Pray that we will walk with Christ. Pray that we will all make good decisions. Pray that we can act more like him every day. Let’s understand that we are going to be disappointed by what others do.

That we all fall short is not a license to sin. It is a license to forgive. Realizing we all do these things should help us be willing for forgive others when they fall and repent. This does not mean that they should pick up right where they were. It does mean they can find forgiveness from God and as God’s people we need to offer the same. In this way may we reflect the glory of our Heavenly Father.

Blessings,



**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.**

**September Celebrations**

**Celebrating Birthdays**

- 1.....**Victor King**.....Pope Ave
- Bill Vest**.....Wildwood
- 2.....**Vanessa Jones**.....Valley View
- 4.....**Brenda Plaster**.....East Niota
- 5.....**Kimberly King**.....Pope Ave
- 9....**Donnie Dalton**.....Mnt. Verd
- 10..**Josh Cornelious**.....Walnut Grove D
- 12..**Robert Sneed**.....Eastview
- Rachel Metzger**.....Decatur 1st
- 13..**Donald Caldwell**.....Union Grove D
- 14..**Mike Jones**.....Valley View
- 16..**Russ Maples**.....Englewood 1st
- 27..**Stan Hammonds**.....Mnt Harmony N
- 28..**Kelly Reed**.....Calvary Missionary
- 29..**Garry Duncan**.....South Liberty

**Celebrating Anniversaries**

- 02..**Greg & Amy Charles**.....Double Springs
- 05..**Gary & Amelia**.....South Liberty
- 07..**Russ & Laura Maples**.....Englewood 1st
- 21..**Don & Karrie Sweet**.....MMAB
- 28..**Mike & Delois Bernard**.....Central

**Church/Association Anniversaries**

- Toby Brogden**.....Calhoun 1st..... 4years
- Mike Bernard**.....Central..... 49 years
- Joe Hatcher**.....Coghill..... 16 years
- Stan Cantrell**.....Sanford..... 4 years
- Larry Arwood**.....Antioch..... 8 years

Church Name	Current	YTD
Antioch	289.16	2,085.01
Athens First	1,200.00	15,600.00
Bethel Springs	1,000.00	1,000.00
Bethsadia	0.00	0.00
Brookhill	0.00	250.00
Calhoun First	200.00	2,400.00
Calvary, Etowah	50.00	550.00
Calvary Missionary	25.00	275.00
Central	1,066.68	5,877.50
Clay Hill	0.00	120.00
Clear Springs	563.71	5,859.34
Clearwater	300.00	2,940.00
Coghill	0.00	500.00
Cottonport	250.42	1,030.07
Decatur First	807.00	8,296.88
Dixon Avenue	0.00	1,100.00
Double Springs	50.00	550.00
Eastanallee	100.00	1,100.00
East Athens	411.75	6,048.72
East Niota	0.00	1,975.00
East View	0.00	0.00
Englewood First	830.65	9,142.55

Church Name	Current	YTD
Etowah First	0.00	500.00
Good Hope	150.00	1,650.00
Goodsprings	395.19	3,454.65
Greenhouse	0.00	0.00
Hiwassee	0.00	1,897.54
Idlewild	80.00	1,400.00
Lakeside	124.58	1,168.57
Lakeview	239.70	2,611.85
Manilla Chapel	0.00	0.00
Marshall Hill	400.00	1,200.00
McMahan Calvary	129.84	1,492.11
Mnt. Harmony, N	1,218.00	11,127.00
Mnt. Harmony, R	43.30	541.61
Mount Pisgah	255.90	3,202.11
Mount Verd	200.00	500.00
New Beginnings	0.00	0.00
New Bethel	0.00	0.00
Niota First	0.00	0.00
North Athens	0.00	200.00
North Etowah	0.00	2,000.00
Oak Grove	343.00	4,430.02
Old Salem	678.30	5,291.34

Church Name	Current	YTD
Pisgah	0.00	9,924.54
Pond Hill	200.00	1,000.00
Pope Avenue	576.48	3,621.60
Riceville, First	145.30	1,290.16
Rockview	0.00	0.00
Rocky Mount	150.00	600.00
Rogers Creek	148.00	1,367.33
Sanford	0.00	1,500.00
Shiloh	200.00	2,200.00
Short Creek	339.25	3,762.22
South Liberty	0.00	1,000.00
Stephensville	0.00	0.00
Ten Mile	170.53	1,929.51
Union Grove, D	89.96	971.56
Union Hill	457.00	5,481.00
Valley Road	0.00	300.00
Vally View	0.00	655.75
Walnut Grove	732.80	7,053.58
West End	493.88	3,569.44
West View	122.44	1,206.01
Wildwood	301.35	5,755.15
Zion Hill	0.00	225.00

**Total Receipts 15,529.17 162,779.72**

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

**Church News**

- **North Etowah** has their Fall Revival October 1-4. Speaker Todd Stinnett, Doug Plumlee, Hollie Miller and Johnny Nix..
- **Healthy Relationship McMinn** is meeting September 9th at 11am at McMinn Higher Education Center 2345 Denso Dr.
- **Seminary Extension Class** begins Sept 15th. If you would like to sign up call 745-2248.
- **Good News Club** is starting back in school as

a after school program. Please pray for all the schools participating.

- **Pond Hill 1 Day Revival** October 22 Morning and night service. Stacy Percy is the guest speaker.
- **Clearwater MANSTUFF** Ages 9th grade-99 years old. 1st Sunday of each month @ 6PM—Ladies Night 3rd Sunday of each month @6PM . Bring a friend for good food and fellowship

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. ASAP.* To get your information in before the October meeting.

