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**Boone's Creek Baptist Association
Serving, Encouraging and Supporting Christ's Churches**

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A Note to you,

- **Tent Revival Prayer Meetings:** Saturday, August 25 at Cow Creek Baptist Church in Ravenna, 9am; Saturday, September 1st Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Winchester, 9am; Saturday, September 8 at Spring Street Baptist Church in Mt. Sterling, 9am; Saturday, September 15 at North Side Baptist Church in Winchester, 9am. No breakfast meals. We will put up the tent after the prayer meeting. **Please attend the prayer meeting in your area.**
- **Youth Tent Revival,** September 16 at 7pm, Dr. Jerry Burgess will preach and perform. Dr. Burgess of the Divine Design Ministries is a Christian Evangelist and Illusionist. Drawing upon his unusual background as a medical doctor and a professional illusionist, he is able to present unique perspectives on the Gospel in a thoroughly entertaining way. Hot dogs served at 6pm. **Everyone (young and old) is invited.**
- **Tent Revival,** September 17 - 21 at 7pm each night. Bro. T. A. Lester, Evangelist preaching each night with special singing. Joint choir from association churches each night. **Everyone is invited.**
- The next executive board meeting for the association is September 10 at Cow Creek Baptist Church in Ravenna.

Food For Thought:

This month I have the words of George Yates, an Organizational Health Strategist and coach. This is his entire August 6, 2018 blog, with his permission. He wrote: "Why are we afraid of reality? It is true in business, in the church, and even in our everyday conversations with friends and family, we obscure the reality of life. In the church we often hear, "we're doing fine." Or "We're running about the same as last year." The interpretation of the reality of these is, "We're losing ground. Not as many people coming, no new people joining our church, we keep cutting due to lack of finances."

In his book *Good to Great*, Jim Collins speaks of facing the brutal facts of reality. In *Reaching the Summit*, I speak of having a *Vigorous Face to Face Summit with Reality*. In all situations of any relationship or organization, until you are truly ready to confront the true (often brutal) facts of reality, you will not be able to pull out of any downward spiral in the relationship or organization.

Unfortunately, many people (most people) would rather glaze over or totally ignore reality, rather than face the true and often brutal facts. We want to live in our fantasy world, believing everything will turn out alright – someday. And we want to believe that day is just around the corner with our next big event, or the next big wave or program sweeping the nation. Brutal fact: It just does not happen!

It is apparently human nature to hide the truth when there are potential consequences and possible risk. Many churches remain in decline because the members (and leaders) refuse to accept reality. It is often not until the church is in dire consequences they will call on someone from outside to help. In fact, the call for help is usually one of the final grasps for survival. Even then the church is looking for a savior. Reality is; the church already has a savior and does not need another savior.

If you want to find the reality of your situation, call on a trained, unbiased outsider – someone who has nothing to gain – to assist your organization or church in uncovering the reality of your situation and assisting in strategically planning a turnaround.

A couple of resources to help you get started: [Reaching the Summit: Avoiding & Reversing Decline in the Church and Turnaround Journey.](#)"

To read George's blog visit <http://soncare.net/Georgesblog/>

Yours in Christ,
Bro. John

II Corinthians 8:20-21
20-Avoiding this, that no man should blame us in this abundance which is administered by us:
21-Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.

You can donate to the Boones Creek Baptist Association Camp or Camp Building Fund in MEMORY of or in HONOR of a Love One. Please write on your CHECK MEMO if you have restrictions on the use of the funds.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

1. Disaster Emergency Relief Volunteers needed. For more information call the office at 859-744-0037.

September Calendar:

- 1-Assoc. Tent Revival Prayer Meeting-Mt Olive Baptist Church; 9am
- 2-Single Adult Sunday
- 3-Labor Day-Office Closed
- 6-Excel-Highland Baptist Church-KY WMU
- 8-Assoc. Tent Revival Prayer Meeting-Spring Street Baptist Church; 9am
- 9-15-Week of Prayer for State Missions-Eliza Broadus Offering
- 15-Assoc. Tent Revival Prayer Meeting-Northside Baptist Church-9am
- 15-Disaster Relief Training-Immanuel Baptist-Corbin 9am
- 16-Youth Tent Revival-Northside Baptist Church, 7pm
- 17-21-Assoc. Tent Revival-Northside, 7pm
- 22-CA Boom-Ky WMU
- 27-29-Fall Adult KY Changers

CHURCHES SEEKING A PASTOR -Please pray for Boones Creek Baptist Church in Lexington; Central Baptist Church in Winchester; Clay City Baptist Church in Clay City; Faith Baptist Church in Beattyville; First Baptist Church in Irvine; Jeffersonville Baptist Church in Jeffersonville; as they seek a pastor for their church.

News & Upcoming Events from the Association and our Churches

Executive Board– Thank you to Providence Baptist Church, Estill County for hosting the August Executive Board meeting. Everyone really enjoyed the food and fellowship. There were 19 churches represented. There were 82 in attendance consisting of: 7 pastors, 12 board members, 13 alternates, 1 officer, 1 Director of Missions, 2 program directors and 46 guests. Motions approved were for the Personnel Committee to look into the possible name change recommended by the KBC for the DOM and for the Camp Committee to investigate the possible sale of the 50 acres across the road from the camp.

Allansville–Praise the Lord! We filled up the baptistry to baptize two of our children who were saved at camp this summer! We had a great Vacation Bible School. Success isn't necessarily measured in numbers. We had a small enrollment, but the kids had a great interest in learning and participating in all of the activities. They gave more than \$370 in the VBS mission offering which will be used to purchase items for the Christmas Backpack program. Four of our Royal Ambassadors and two adult chaperones attended Camp Courage, a Kentucky WMU overnight event. They heard reports from missionaries and participated in several challenging activities such as fire starting, log sawing, obstacle course and more.

Boones Creek–We will celebrate our 233rd year as a church family on November 11, 2018. We want to invite everyone to join us for our 11am service and fellowship potluck.

Calvary–August 18th and 19th, we will be celebrating Calvary's Homecoming. On Saturday, August 18th the Calvary Heirs will host their homecoming concert with special guests The Josh Martin Band at 6:30pm. On Sunday, August 19th Calvary will have their homecoming service followed by a church wide potluck. Everyone is invited to join us for the weekend.

Central–In July Central participated in its annual Central Loves Winchester event doing service projects around the Winchester community. Central also had a week of prayer and fasting as the Pastor Search committee begins going through the submitted applications for the senior pastor position. Central's youth attended a week of camp at Boone's Creek Associational Camp. Central's children attended Crossings Camp. The men's ministry will attend the Main Event conference hosted by Lifeway. Daniel Wainright, missionary to France will be sharing in the worship service on August 19. August 22 Central be hosting a Back to School Splash for children, youth and families.

Ephesus–Mission of the Month: Supporting a boy named Andrea from Tanzania through Compassion International. We had a successful VBS from July 22-27. Fifth Sunday Song Service was held July 29. A church picnic took place at Boone's Creek Camp on August 4. A cottage prayer meeting was held at the Boonesboro Campground on August 9. New Sunday School year to begin September 2. A group from our church will be attending The Getty's music conference in Nashville September 10-12.

Faith–Bro. Keith Williams is being with us every Sunday Morning Worship. Praise the Lord! Gospel going out, lights on and door is always open.

First Baptist Irvine–Teachers and Officers for the coming year with the most noticeable change is Glynn Tucker will be the music director. We wish to thank Bobby Worsham who served in this position for a number of years. Glynn has served as music director in the past and we welcome him back. Two dogwood trees have been planted in the parsonage yard (replacing the big trees removed to repair drain lines) in memory of long time pianist Doris Farthing and her husband, Davinal, who served as custodian for some time.

Heritage–Celebrated in baptism Cyena and Cyera Patrick along with Slade Anderson. All three accepted Jesus into their hearts at camp this summer. We have delivered over two bushels of green beans and more than four hundred tomatoes to the good folk at Beverly White Towers. Had a great fellowship with the church at the camp with thirty in attendance. Praying for Bro. Jesse Kline as he prepares to be our revivalist in October.

Jeffersonville–July 7; Our Fourth Celebration cookout was a wonderful success. Sixty six in attendance. The children and adults had a wonderful time. The Blue Wave Water Slide was very well enjoyed. As was the dunking booth. The fellowship and love spread throughout the afternoon. Games and more games. Topped off with the cookout. August 4, the Sunday School youth will be going to Gattitown in Lexington. August 18; planning Movie Night. Featured movie is "I Can Only Imagine". Will be having snacks, drinks and popcorn at 6:00pm and the movie at 7:00pm. If you are not too busy, come on out and enjoy an afternoon with us. Great fellowship. August 25, Sunday School youth to the Louisville Zoo. Adults are invited to go with us. September 9, Our Homecoming services will be held. Pastor Adam Cutshaw from Tennessee will be our special guest preacher for the day. The Mitchell family singers will be presenting the music; southern gospel style. Love to have you join us. September 29, Fall Fish Fry, 3:00pm for the cooks and 4:00pm for the meal and many games are planned as well. Not in a Sunday School or Worship service; we invite you to come on out. Sunday School at 10:00 am, Worship at 11:00am; Sunday evening service at 6:00pm. All are welcome. May God Bless you!

Glory Road–Bluegrass Gospel Acapella group is available for Special Singings, Revivals, Funerals, Sunday Morning Services, Sunday Evening Services. We ask for nothing other than the opportunity to praise God in song/music.

Macedonia–We had a Freedom Celebration on our grounds on July 1st. Lots of food, fellowship and we had a balloon release in memory of our loved ones. We have started having Friday Fireside Fellowship where everyone brings their Bible questions and we fellowship together. We are planning our annual community fish fry on September 15th. The Four T's and the Fisher Family as well as others will be singing.

Mt. Olive–We all went swimming together and had a great time! We look forward to what God has in store for us in the future!

Northside–In recognition of Independence Day we showed a film in honor of all our veterans. Bro. Jesse had a full and fun week preaching for the youth in Lee County. Our Women on Mission served a meal to all at the Hope Lodge in Lexington. Thanks to Bro. Jesse for the many hours of mowing at the camp, also the men who weed eaten. The grounds look great. We were blessed with a gift of \$4,600.00 in memory of a loved one to go in our building fund. Looking forward to and praying for our tent revival in September.

Panola–One day VBS was a success. Big thanks to Corinth Baptist Church for giving us all VBS materials. Homecoming set for September 30. Bro Frankie Fitch to preach and sing. Back to School Backpacks given out.

Powell's Valley–July 28th we had our meal ministry. Grading work has begun for our new building. August 25 will be our monthly meal ministry.

Providence Clark–Enjoyed an inspirational and entertaining concert by the Tribute Quartet. Had a tremendous audience. Planning for a Homecoming weekend in October. Praise and worship night will be October 6 with Homecoming services and potluck on Sunday, October 7.

Providence Irvine–Young youth enjoyed outing at Richmond Bounce House. Started cleaning lot bought. Wonderful VBS with many decisions for the Lord. Still working on Shoebox ministry. Plans for lot adjacent to church. Youth trip to Paradise Cove.

Reid Village–WMU meets 2nd Tuesday of each month. At this month's meeting the ladies discussed some upcoming events they are working on, "Christmas in August" for food items to go into back packs for Montgomery County Schools. We had a church cookout/fish fry scheduled for July, but due to severe storms we had to cancel. We have rescheduled it for later in August.

Salem–The WOM presented school packs to Salem's students for this year back to school event. The "Kick Off" picnic for Bible School was well attended as was Bible School's "Game On" averaging around 70. Bible Sword Drills are always a lot of fun. Everyone enjoyed special music for our fifth Sunday singing by Philip Smith and Bo Warren. It was held at the pavilion, with popcorn and sodas. An outdoor drama is being planned, tentative schedule for October.

Spears Mill–July was a great month at Spears Mill. The choir had a wonderful salute to our country for the 4th of July. We have started organizing our shoebox campaign for Samaritan's Purse. We always enjoy filling the shoebox with as many items as we can. Our goal is 300 boxes.

Spring Street–Fish Fry and Auction on August 11th.

Thomas–Homecoming September 2nd.

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES

International Mission Board Missionaries and North American Mission Board Missionaries names are listed in Mission Mosaic and Open Windows on their birthday. Pray for Kentucky Missionaries; Pray for international missionary Daniel Wainright in France.

**Bible Classes-Fall Schedule
At Central Baptist Church
Tuesdays, September 11-December 11, 2018
Prison Epistles of Paul-6:00-7:25 pm
Romans (in Greek)-7:30-8:45pm
Register by calling
Rev. Kerby Rich-859-556-2016
Teresa Dulin-859-749-5327; email: tddulin@gmail.com**

**Association Tent Revival
Northside Baptist Church
September 17-21, 2018
7:00pm
Youth Night
September 16, 2018
Hot Dogs served at 6:00pm
7:00pm**

MONTHLY CHURCH PRAYER LIST

**Thomas Baptist Church, Irvine; Rev. Rick Kirby, Pastor
Valley View Baptist Church, Irvine; Rev. Ricky Powell, Pastor
Williams Memorial Baptist Ch, Ravenna; Rev. Chris Winkler, Pastor**