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Executive Board OKs budget; hears Belmont update

Lonnie Wilkey
Baptist and Reflector

BRENTWOOD — Members of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Executive Board adopted a proposed budget of \$37 million for 2006-07 during their Sept. 12 meeting here. Board members also heard an update from the Belmont Study Committee, elected new officers, and adopted a resolution "encouraging cooperating churches, Tennessee Baptist entities, and Christians of all denominations" to express approval to Wal-Mart Corpora-

tion for their recent partnership with the National Gay/Lesbian Chamber of Commerce.

Budget debate

Much of the board meeting centered around the proposed budget which is \$291,569 or 0.8 percent over the current budget.

Debate centered around the \$2,333,304 that had previously gone to Belmont University. At last year's annual meeting, the money was reallocated with the largest percentages going to the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program budget (in an effort to send 40 percent of the total CP budget to the

SBC) and the other two state colleges — Carson-Newman College and Union University.

The proposed budget leaves in the allocation for the SBC but reduces the money going to Union and C-N from \$500,000 each to \$125,000 each. Other entities which received extra funds last year also received less funds this year, including the Executive Board missions and ministry budget and Tennessee

Baptist Children's Homes.

Added to the budget from the Belmont funds was \$750,000 for the Belmont Study Committee.

In presenting the budget, Elzie Danley, chairman of the budget and ministry committee, noted that the committee looked at various ways of dealing with the \$750,000, including dealing with it as a "preferred" item, but determined that such action was not in the

best interests of the convention.

Danley and the committee stressed that the reallocation of the Belmont funds in the 2005-06 budget "was not an entitlement."

Danley said the committee determined that the best course of action was to reallocate those funds annually until the Belmont matter has been settled.

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Marriage amendment needs TBC support: Porch

By Lonnie Wilkey
Baptist and Reflector

BRENTWOOD — In two months (Nov. 7) Tennesseans will have an opportunity to approve a constitutional amendment on marriage.

James Porch, executive director of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, reminded TBC Executive Board members at their meeting Sept. 12 of this opportunity "to take a stand for Christian marriage."

Porch noted Christians "dropped the ball" a few years ago when the lottery was on the ballot.

"Apathy across the state brought in the lottery in Tennessee," Porch said. "And right now, it is possible that apathy could defeat the marriage amendment."

The proposed amendment defines marriage as the union between one man and one woman.

Porch related that 20 states already have marriage amendments and that eight states, includ-

ing Tennessee, will be considering amendments in November.

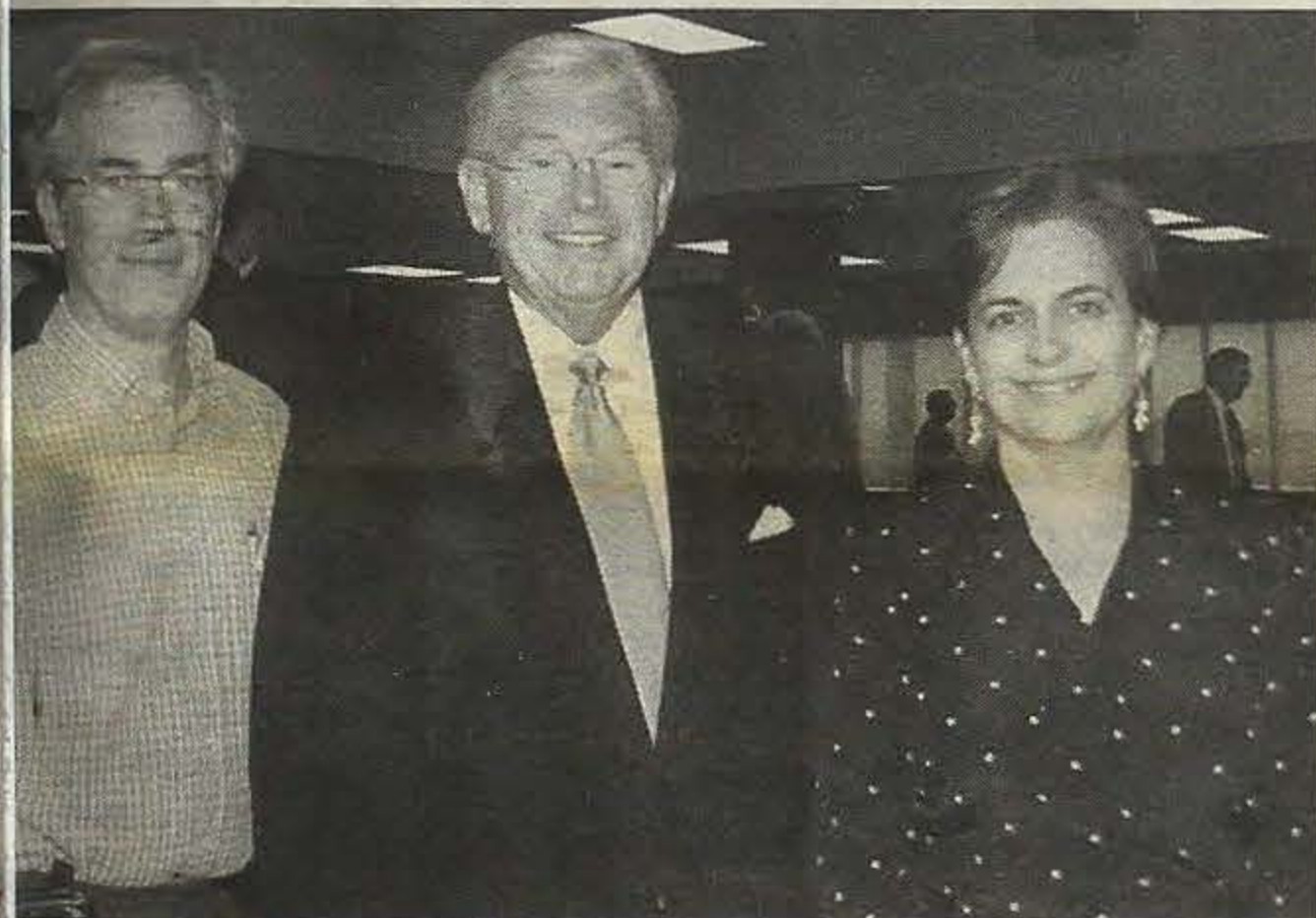
Every state marriage amendment voted on by the people has passed, ranging from 57 percent in Oregon to 86 percent in Mississippi, Porch told board members.

Porch noted that passage of this amendment will require "churches to get on their knees and to get the voters out."

He stressed that the gay community is actively lobbying against the amendment. Expectations are that they will spend approximately \$4 million in an effort to defeat the amendment. Porch noted, however, that while there hasn't been a visible effort from the gay community, they are working behind the scenes.

Porch announced the Executive Board will initiate a massive information effort beginning in October to put resources on the web at www.tnbaptist.org and through the *Baptist and Reflector*. Linda Lawson, a member of ClearView Baptist Church and a correspondent for the *Baptist and Reflector*, is helping to coordinate TBC efforts, Porch said.

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NEW OFFICERS — The new officers of the Tennessee Baptist Convention Executive Committee are, from left, Bob Moon, First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, vice president; Jerry Massey, pastor, First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, president; and Mary Beth Duke, First Baptist Church, Smithville, Tennessee, secretary.



PORCH

Forced resignations drop slightly in TBC churches

Baptist and Reflector

BRENTWOOD — Though the number of forced terminations in Tennessee Baptist Convention churches dropped from 83 in 2004 to 70 in 2005, that is still too many, says a TBC church-minister relations specialist.

"Forced terminations always represent a failure," observed Bill Northcott.

Sometimes it is a failure of the pastor; sometimes the church; but most often the failure belongs to everybody," Northcott said.

He noted that the relationship between the pastor and congregation "is often doomed to fail."

As a result of poor preparation and shoddy process, many search committees recommend the wrong person to pastor their church," he related.

"Conversely, Northcott continued, many ministers, for whatever reason, are in too big of a hurry to relocate and fail to do their homework.

"Only after they arrive at the church do

they begin to discover problems that could have been exposed in the search process, had they asked the right questions."

The TBC statistics were included in an overall study of Southern Baptist Convention churches nationwide.

In 2005, 29 full-time pastors were terminated in Tennessee, along with 28 bivocational pastors and 3 full-time staff ministers. In 2004, 36 full-time pastors, 30 bivocational pastors, and 17 full-time staff ministers were terminated.

Throughout the SBC there were 1,302 forced terminations of pastors with 655 full-time pastors, 314 bivocational pastors, and 333 full-time staff ministers. Statistics from 2004 were not available SBC-wide for comparison.

Data for the study was collected from directors of missions from Baptist associations across the convention.

The DOMs were asked to respond to a list of "causes of forced termination," and were given the option of writing in causes that were not listed.

The number one reason given for termination was "control issues — who's going to run the church." Following a close second and third were "poor people skills" and the

"church's resistance to change."

Another prevalent problem identified by the survey was the "pastor's leadership style — too strong."

In several instances the survey reflected that the "church was already conflicted when the pastor arrived."

The reported reasons for termination have hardly changed from 2004 to 2005, Northcott noted.

One difference is that "sexual misconduct" for the first time broke into the top 10 reasons given for termination, he added.

The causes for termination in Tennessee were the same across the SBC, Northcott said.

Northcott is available to provide training for search committees across the state. Training takes approximately two hours. Consulting/coaching also is available to ministers considering relocation.

In addition, the TBC church-minister relations office manages a confidential resume system that is user-friendly both to churches seeking ministers and ministers seeking churches.

For more information, contact Northcott at 1-800-558-2090, ext. 2099, or Jewell Burke at 1-800-558-2090, ext. 1010. □



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AFA asks for apology from ABC

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NEW YORK — A prominent conservative group is asking Christians to contact ABC and request an apology and a reprimand after "The View" co-host Rosie O'Donnell compared "radical Christianity" to "radical Islam" during the Sept. 12 program.

"O'Donnell was saying there is no difference between the radical Muslims who kill in the name of Allah and Bible believing Christians who follow the teachings of Jesus," a statement from the American Family Association says. "Neither O'Donnell nor ABC apologized for the comments. Had she made similar comments about minorities or homosexuals, there would have been an apology and she would have probably been fired."

AFA asked people to e-mail "ABC asking for an apology and a reprimand."

O'Donnell, who joined "The View" this season, was discussing President George W. Bush's address to the nation delivered on the fifth anniversary of 9/11.

"We were attacked not by a nation," she said. "And as a result of the attack and the killing of nearly 3,000 innocent

people we invaded two countries and killed innocent people in their countries."

Moments later she added: "Radical Christianity is just as threatening as radical Islam in a country like America where we have separation of church and state. We're a democracy."

Elisabeth Hasselbeck, another co-host on the program and a Republican, responded, "We're not bombing ourselves here."

O'Donnell retorted, "But we are bombing innocent people in other countries. True or false?"

Another co-host on the program, Joy Behar, then said, "But Christians are not threatening to kill us ... There's a difference." □

Indiana youth becoming addicted to gambling

Baptist Press

NASHVILLE — A recent study in Indiana found that more than 35 percent of sixth-graders and 55 percent of 12th-graders had done some type of gambling in the past year, according to *USA Today* Sept. 6. That's why the state is stepping up efforts to educate youth on the dangers of gambling just as they do for alcohol and drugs.



Celebrating 50 years of ministry

Julian Suggs, second from right, was honored Sept. 9 for 50 years of ministry. Suggs is retired from the Tennessee Baptist Convention where he served as music and worship specialist. Joining him for the celebration were, from left, Leonard Suggs (his cousin who is retired from the Georgia Baptist Convention), Jackie Dupree from Thomson, Ga.; Dean Moore (his son, a school teacher at First Baptist Church, Woodbury, where a surprise celebration was held; Frances Suggs; Douglas Jennings, organist at First Baptist; Suggs; and Dorothy Elrod, director at First Baptist.

The rise in popularity of celebrity poker games broadcast on cable TV has driven the rise in teen gambling, studies indicate, though it is still unclear how many teens are addicted to gambling nationwide.

"In the last couple of years, the issue of youth gambling has been more and more on our radar," Mary Lay, coordinator of

the Problem Gambling Resource Center, told *USA Today*.

Jeanie Alter, an evaluation specialist at the resource center, said studies have found that teens vulnerable to gambling addictions have the same factors as those vulnerable to substance abuse. □

Clinton church thanks faculty and staff at C-N

By Charles Key
For Baptist and Reflector

JEFFERSON CITY — Alan Neal wanted to say "thank you" on behalf of his son, Ben, who is a student this year at Carson-Newman College.

Neal is one of many members of First Baptist Church, Clinton, who is appreciative of the role Carson-Newman plays in the lives of students.

Following a church staff meeting, it was decided that an outward "thank you" to C-N employees was in order. On the morning of Sept. 14, members of the congregation made the journey to campus to meet, greet, and fellowship with C-N

faculty and staff.

The Clinton group gathered in the lobby of Tarr Music Center to pass out punch, pre-bagged homemade treats, and heartfelt hugs as employees assembled for its monthly faculty meeting.

"This is a first, that I can remember," said Joe Bill Sloan, associate provost who has served on faculty since 1969. "It is just a great act of support from a strong and historic church."

Lynda Dunn, associate professor of music, was equally taken as she looked over the spread of brownies, cookies, and chocolate. "I think it's awesome," she declared. "Seeing the C-N

faculty gaze over the prepared treats while receiving "thank-you's" from FBC Clinton members was enough to make Stan Elliott smile.

"The people at Carson-Newman are my brothers and sisters," proclaimed Elliott, pastor at FBC, Clinton. "I've worked with them, cried with them, laughed with them in ministry. They're my life-long friends."

Elliott, a 1981 alumnus, said the connection between the church and the Jefferson City school has a long history.

"We have four full-time staff members who are Carson-Newman graduates. We've got members who are current students and recent graduates, all the

way up to 85 and 90-year-old alumni," he said.

"We even have folks who were in the chains at the home of games."

After becoming the Clinton pastor eight months ago, Nashville native says he quickly learned that many in the congregation shared the experiences while studying at the college. According to Elliott, it was an experience in common by those who taught and were taught.

"[We] have such a strong connection and deep love for Carson-Newman," said Elliott. "I just had a vision that we should say 'thanks' very honestly and very strongly." □



STAN ELLIOTT, right, pastor of First Baptist Church, Clinton, visits with Carson-Newman College faculty members Brian Austin, left, and Ray Dalton prior to faculty/staff meeting on Sept. 14. Members of First Baptist traveled to Jefferson City to thank the college professors for their ministry.



MARIA CLARK, left, a professor at Carson-Newman College, reads a thank you note from members of First Baptist Church, Clinton. Visiting with her are Nancy Fay, center, and Jo Anne Smith, right, of First Baptist.

NASCAR great Morgan Shepherd finds victory in Jesus

Lonnie Wilkey
Artist and Reflector

CONOVER, N.C. — Morgan Shepherd has experienced success as a NASCAR driver, winning races and finishing among sport's top 10 drivers several times.

But he is the first to admit that no race compares to the victory he has found in Jesus Christ.

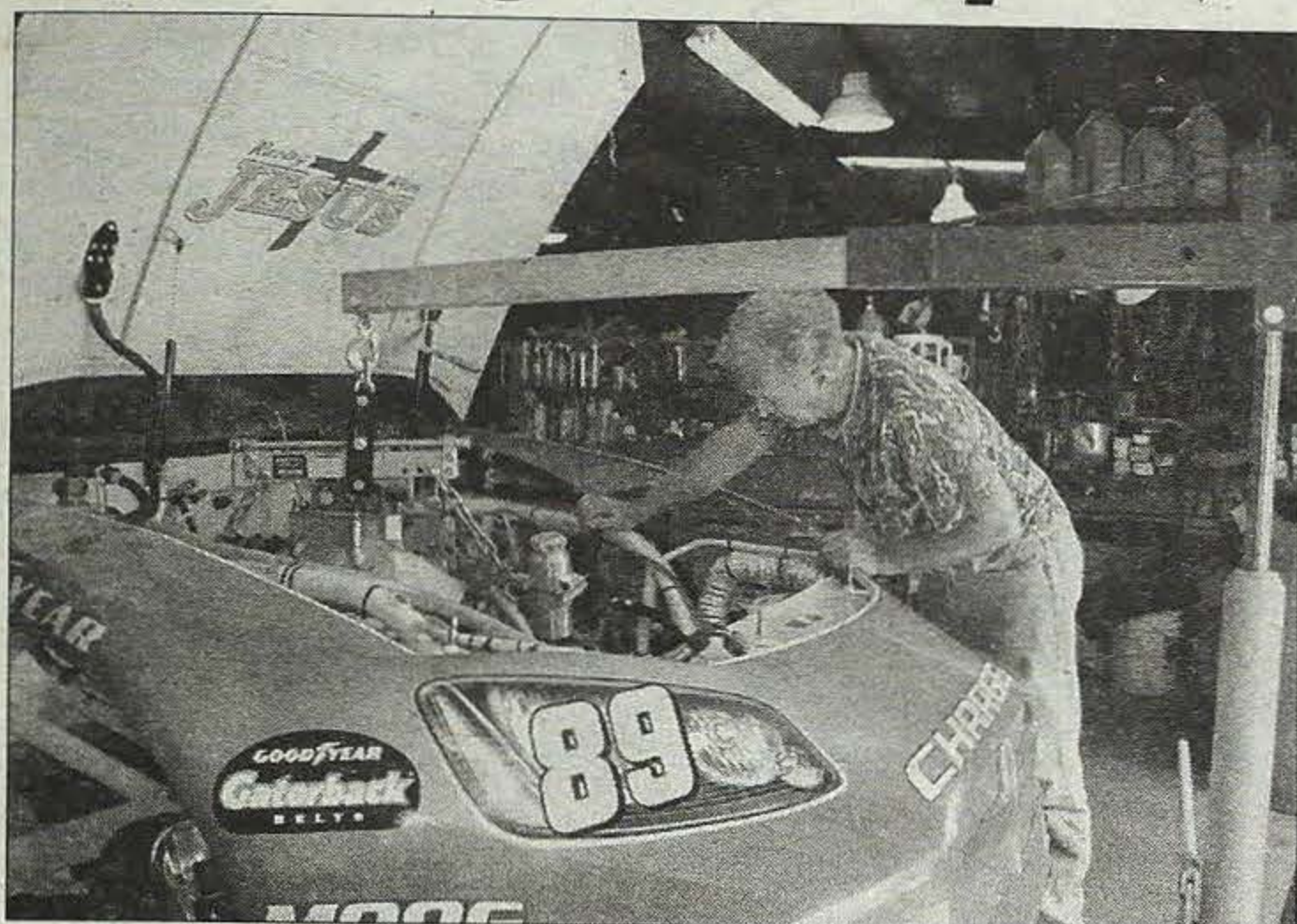
At an age (64) when most of his contemporaries have long since retired, Shepherd still competes in NASCAR's Nextel series despite not having a major sponsor. He is the oldest active driver on the circuit.

And though he is not in the running for the "Chase for the Championship" which began Oct. 17 at the Sylvania 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway in Loudon, N.H., Shepherd did qualify for the race and competed before having to pull out for mechanical problems.

It is not easy for the North Carolina native as he basically races as his own driver and mechanic and relies on experienced volunteers as his pit crew. Shepherd's goal is to form a well established team and put a young deserving driver in the seat and continue his career as an active car owner.

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RACE CAR DRIVER Morgan Shepherd works on his engine in his garage at his home in Conover, N.C.

"We have a great opportunity to reach people and be an influence on their lives," he said.

Shepherd has come a long way since his early days in racing when he would "party" and spend evenings drinking.

His life changed in 1975 when he accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior of his life.

He noted the Lord "let me get to the lowest point in my life and I had to change one or another."

His wife had left him and one morning after waking up with a major hangover he thought, "If all this is so great, how come I feel so bad in the mornings?"

He acknowledged that though he had always gone to church and knew about Jesus, he had "never really turned my life over to the Lord."

So when he felt he had reached rock bottom on Feb. 23 of 1975 Shepherd "fell down on my knees and started praying."

"My testimony is that if you just turn things over to Jesus,

things will change.

"He made me hate everything that alcohol stands for. Alcohol was a problem in my life," he admitted because "whenever I drank it always seemed like I ended up in trouble."

Shepherd stressed that life is "always going to be a challenge, a struggle, whether you're a born-again Christian or not."

"When you accept Jesus Christ as your Savior you have faith in Him that you can handle these things. The problems that you have in life, you turn them over to the Lord and He'll carry you through."

That's the message Shepherd conveys through the racing team and his personal Victory in Jesus Racing Ministry and the Morgan Shepherd Charitable Fund which assists needy people in the Appalachia region of Virginia.

"Our ministry is personified by the race team and Morgan Shepherd's witness," says his



WITHOUT A MAJOR sponsor Faith Motorsports, co-owned by Morgan Shepherd and Dana Tomes, relies on minor sponsors and donations from fans who want to see the "Victory in Jesus" car on the NASCAR circuit.

daughter, Cindy Caldwell, who heads the Victory in Jesus Racing Ministry.

"Some racing fans would never step into a church," she noted. "We take the ministry to them where they are at."

While acknowledging a potential sponsor has declined to be involved with racing because it might keep people from going to church, Caldwell discounts that theory.

"Most races do not begin until noon. If they have an early service they can still attend church and then come to the race."

"Also, lots of area campgrounds have services. Many times, my dad shares his testimony there," she added.

The racing team and volunteers pass out tracts to fans and Shepherd normally has opportunities to share his faith and testimony sometime during a race weekend, his daughter said.

"Through the e-mails we receive we are seeing the impact

of the ministry and my dad's testimony," Caldwell shared.

Her dad agreed. The NASCAR audience is worldwide, Shepherd said.

"We have seen that people's lives are being changed and that people are being saved," Shepherd said.

"It is a great opportunity to minister to millions and millions of people and we want to take advantage of it."

Shepherd is the first to admit that it is not easy keeping a car on the NASCAR circuit without a major sponsor. He noted that it costs about \$15,000 just to get a car to one race and that does not include the engine which costs \$70,000.

"A lot of times we don't know how we will get to the next event," admitted Shepherd, a member of Gateway Baptist Church in Newton, N.C.

Shepherd's racing team has some small sponsorships and he relies on donations from Christian fans throughout the country.

He noted that they receive gifts ranging from \$25 to \$200 from fans who want to help his ministry, and Shepherd is grateful. "We have to get the word out to fans that we need financial help in order to be able to reach people," he said.

His daughter agreed. "We need Christian business people to step up to the plate and realize this is a mission field that is untapped," Caldwell said.

"What my dad does is a unique ministry opportunity," she stressed.

With all the difficulties and the fact that he is an older man in a sport dominated by younger drivers, it would be easy for Shepherd to walk away from the sport he loves, but don't expect him to do it.

"Victory on the race track is nothing compared to the victory you have in Jesus," Shepherd affirmed. "We'll keep preaching that as long as I am able. Nothing is going to change that," Shepherd promised.

For more information about Shepherd and the Victory in Jesus Racing Ministries, contact Caldwell at (828) 256-2104 or e-mail M89Shepherd@aol.com. □

Tennessee Baptist provides support for racing team

Lonnie Wilkey
Artist and Reflector

CONOVER, N.C. — Dave Thomas loves Jesus and he thoroughly enjoys the sport of racing.

When he attended a race at Nashville Speedway near Union earlier this summer

and saw the "Victory in Jesus" car he was naturally drawn to the car and its driver, Morgan Shepherd.

Thomas, a member of Two Rivers Baptist Church, Nashville, began to develop a friendship with the race car driver and was impressed with his love for the Lord and his

desire to minister to racing fans.

"I told him (Shepherd) that I felt the Lord leading me to help," Thomas recalled.

He said Shepherd gave him a cap and a T-shirt and said, "let's go to work."

And Thomas did. He began calling people after company trying to help find sponsors for Shepherd's #89 "Victory in Jesus" car.

"I came back and began calling people telling them about Morgan and his testimony."

And, though he has been met with little success thus far, Thomas refuses to give up.

"It's just like witnessing. You may get rejected, but you have to shake it off, pray about it, and keep going," he said.

"There are too many people out there who need to see the cross and Jesus logo on Morgan's car. And many of those people will never go to church," he stressed.

Thomas, a truck driver by profession, even became a sponsor himself. In addition to driving a truck he also is a distribu-

tor for Dri Wash, a product which cleans cars without water.

Thomas pledged 89 cents for every bottle he sells to Shepherd's ministry in order that he can continue to be a witness for Christ at race tracks all over the nation.

He also secured a minor sponsorship from his brother, Andy Thomas, who lives in North Carolina and sells a product called Restora.

But he keeps plugging away trying to find that major sponsor that will make it easier for Shepherd to not only race, but to be competitive against the rest of the NASCAR field.

Thomas also drew upon his truck driving skills to help Shepherd get his car to the Sylvania 300 in New Hampshire this past weekend when Shepherd's regular driver could not make the trip.

As a Christian I want to do my part to help him get the message of Christ out on the track," Thomas said.

For more information, contact Thomas at (615) 547-0014 or (615) 474-8922. □



DAVE THOMAS, left, presents Morgan Shepherd a bottle of Dri Wash, a product that will clean a car without water. Thomas, an independent distributor for Dri Wash, donates 89 cents from every bottle he sells to help Shepherd keep his "Victory in Jesus" car on the NASCAR circuit. Thomas is a member of Two Rivers Baptist Church, Nashville.

Executive Board OKs budget; hears Belmont ...

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Board member Mike Boyd of Knoxville expressed concern that the reallocation of funds would have been more fair "if all bared the brunt."

Boyd also asked if anyone who benefited or received a cut in funds was in the room when the decision was made. Danley replied that entities generally are not in the room when deliberations are underway.

Porch noted that policy was followed in that requests went through the appropriate Executive Board committee before going to the budget and ministry committee.

Boyd questioned if Executive Board staff were present in meetings to lobby for their ministries.

When pointed out that Executive Board staff were normally in the meeting, both Danley and Porch affirmed that Executive Board staff were there to provide information. "We have never lobbied the committee for money," Porch said.

Boyd said that having staff in the room gives that appearance.

"Let all the parties that stand to be effected be in the room (when decisions are made)," he said.

Board member Mickey Basham of Riceville, a member of the committee, said he felt no pressure from the staff. "They helped us with information and paperwork. The committee had total freedom to make motions and recommendations," he said.

"Never did Dr. Porch or anyone from the staff ask for favors," Basham added.

Ann Taylor of Strawberry Plains, said she was "shocked" that so much of the money to fund the Belmont Study Committee came out of the budgets the Education Committee (on which she serves) recommended.

"I think we are punishing the schools that have been faithful to us. Why not take away from every line item or set up an escrow fund?" she asked.

Andre Dugger of Nashville, a member of the budget and ministry committee, said the "bottom line is funds are not there to do everything that everyone wants done." He noted that the \$37 million proposed budget is a "gigantic faith step. We are trusting God for this."

Dugger noted that to give money to people with the expectation they will always get it is not feasible. "The Belmont issue is not resolved. The convention could get Belmont back," he said.

Other members expressed pro and con views over various aspects of the budget.

Doug Jennings of Woodbury asked if consideration was given to reducing the percentage given to the SBC.

Danley replied that the general sentiment of the committee



TBC EXECUTIVE BOARD employees were honored for years of service at the board's Sept. 12 meeting. From left are Don Pierson, five years; Elizabeth Farmer, 20 years; Tommy Griffin, five years; and Tony Rankin, five years.

was to keep the SBC's portion at 40 percent.

Mike Madewell of Clarksville encouraged board members to look at "the big picture." He noted that even with the cuts this year, both Carson-Newman and Union had received a 4.5 percent increase in funds over each of the past two years (if the current budget is approved).

When the vote was taken, board members approved the budget by voice vote with some opposition.

The budget must be approved by messengers to the TBC annual meeting Nov. 14-15 at Bellevue Baptist Church, Cordova.

Belmont report

Clay Austin, president of the Executive Board and chairman of the Belmont Study Committee, brought board members up to date. Austin acknowledged that Belmont is "an outstanding school with highly qualified fac-

ulty and staff, visionary trustees, a rich heritage, and a bright future."

The problem that the committee is dealing with is a relationship, a contract, and a charter, Austin said.

"The relationship problem is defined and illustrated by a contract and a new charter and trust," he said.

That trust was fractured before last year's annual meeting when Belmont changed its charter, he continued.

Austin acknowledged no resolution has been reached after a recent meeting with Belmont representatives.

Both Belmont and the study committee have discussed mediation, Austin told board members. He stressed, however, that mediation is a "non-binding" process. Mediation is an avenue "we possibly and probably will pursue soon," he said.

Officers elected

Jerry Massey, pastor of First Baptist Church, Paris, was elected by acclamation as the 2006-07 Executive Board president. He served this past year as vice president.

Bob Moon, a layman from First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, was elected vice president by five votes over Mickey Basham, pastor of Eastanallee Baptist Church, Riceville.

Mary Beth Duke, a lay member from First Baptist Church, Smithville, was re-elected secretary by acclamation.

Resolution adopted

Basham introduced a resolution concerning a recent announcement that Wal-Mart had joined the National Gay/Lesbian Chamber of Commerce and was paying the chamber \$25,000 a year to sponsor "events and initiatives which include workshops for homosexual business owners on how to break into the Wal-Mart supplier ranks and giving priority to homosexually-owned businesses."

The resolution encouraged "cooperating Baptist churches, Tennessee Baptist entities, and Christians of all denominations to express such disapproval by not shopping at or supporting Wal-Mart until corrective action be taken."

The resolution also encouraged Tennessee Baptists to support the Tennessee Marriage Amendment.

Some board members expressed concern about voting for the amendment because

many church members work Wal-Mart. After some discussion, the resolution passed by votes. □

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MINISTRY — PASTOR

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Coalfield, Tenn., seeks a pastor. Church parsonage is available if needed. Send resume tape to Pastor Search Committee, 1306 Fairview Road, Coalfield, TN 37719 — for more see www.pleasantgrovebaptist.net/seek_pastor.html.

Gap Creek Baptist Church, Arthur, Tenn., is now accepting resumes for a full-time position. Applicants must have biblical qualifications. GCBC conservative Missionary Baptist Church located in East Tennessee near Cumberland. Please send resumes to: Goins, 160 Yorkshire Dr., Hixson, TN 37752.

Philadelphia Baptist, Wayboro, a rural traditional church accepting resumes for the position of full-time or bivocational pastor. Parsonage available. Send resumes to Jeff Alley, Hwy. 99, Waynesboro, TN 38586 or e-mail icba@netease.net.

Olive Hill Baptist Church, Olive Hill, Tenn., is searching for vocational/full-time pastor. We are a mission-minded church supportive of SBC, and our association of churches. Please send resume and tape, if possible, to Olive Hill Baptist Church, Pastor Search Committee, Box 2, Olive Hill, TN 38475.

MINISTRY — MUSIC

Oakland First Baptist Church, Oakland, Tenn., is currently seeking a part-time worship leader. The applicant must be comfortable with both traditional and contemporary music, able to provide planning, leadership, and direction for all worship services of OFBC and music programming. Some college and/or seminary education preferred; two years of successful experience in the music ministry also preferred. Please send your resume to Oakland Baptist Church, P.O. Box 100, Oakland, TN 38060. You may also e-mail your resume to land1stbapt@bellsouth.net or fax it to (901) 465-8186.

Bivocational minister needed to lead the church music program for congregation size approximately 275. Minimum of 5 years leading a church program required. Bivocational music style preferred. Please send resume to Miracle Baptist Church, Attn: Personnel Committee, P.O. Box 10, LaVaca, TX 77850.

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Readers respond to survey regarding MySpace

Editor's Note: The following comments are responses to the question, "Is it appropriate for church leaders to use a cultural phenomenon such as MySpace for ministry purposes?" which appeared in conjunction with an article in the Aug. 30 issue.

Yes. Go into the highways and hedges ... even the super Internet highway and bring the gospel in. If only cellphones and computers were available in Bible lands.

Dale Welch
Monterey 38574

Yes. Instead of always focusing on the negatives in society and running from it, why not go to the whole world that can come out of the Internet. I hated MySpace at first but was shocked by some of the things that came across the screen. But now I use MySpace as a forum for posting my own ministry blogs. It's given me a chance to reach a broader audience than usual. Typically only close friends really know what I'm up to on the mission field, now so many people (acquaintances, old friends, strangers) can perhaps be encouraged and learn something from what God's doing in life.

Hannah
Maryville 37804

Yes, perhaps, but not MySpace. Numerous news reports on CNN, MSNBC, CBS,

and in the *New York Times*, *Chicago Sun-Times*, and others specifically report MySpace as a magnet for predators. Secondly, posting ministry information on sites that require young people to lie about their age in order to have an account is dumb. I've found multiple sites for the same kid on MySpace, one is a "Christian" site mommy knows about; the others are sites she knows nothing about. Many parents think they know but are really clueless about what their kids do on the Internet.

Paul T. Gunn
Mt. Juliet 37122

Yes. According to Scripture, using contemporary tools and themes is biblically appropriate. Jesus used parables. Paul said "I have become all things to all people, so that I may by all means save some" (1 Corinthians 9:22 HCSB). Both Jesus and Paul used common themes around them for ministry (see Matthew 6:26-28, 1 Corinthians 9:24). In the 21st century, we must use any tool we can to connect non-Christians and Christians to the unchanging message of Jesus Christ.

Jeremy Carroll
Lenoir City 37771

Yes. I feel that tools like MySpace can be used for ministry. Church is now competing with the world, so we should use the tools of the world to spread

the gospel. We're still in the fishing business as they were over 2,000 years ago; instead of nets, we use MySpace and whatever else is available to us as ministers. The key is the message of the Bible never gets changed, just our methods.

Ben Hearn
Greenfield 38230

No. Only with parental involvement would I consider this a good idea. Too much risk without accountability.

Gary Irvin
Tulahoma 37388

Yes. Technology is a tool, just like our buildings, programs, even our literature and furniture. With so many using this particular cultural phenomenon we would be greatly remiss in not using it to communicate with as many as possible. Let's not keep our churches in the 1950's just to keep from "using the world's popular culture." Our reluctance to embrace change and modernization is the greatest barrier to reaching this generation. Similar feelings are shared about weblogs.

Michael Stover
Henderson 38340

Yes. Some at first thought I was "spying" on them when I joined MySpace, but after the initial "shock" of a preacher joining up, it has become a great ministering tool with not only our youth, but young adults who are on it. I use MySpace as an

encouragement/prayer tool, and it has been very successful.

Mark Mangrum
Parsons 38363

Yes. The simple presence of this question in association with this article is a symptom of a dangerous cancer among many churches today. See Luke 7:33-35. May the Lord quicken our hearts for the lost!

Bryan Seay
Smyrna 37167

Yes. Every tool has inherent risks — from the hammer which smashes the thumb to the saw which cuts off a finger — yet used rightly both are invaluable. The Internet, too, has risks — but also many benefits. Children should be very closely monitored when using the web — but use it they should.

Jim West
Petros 37845

No. I have been told that I was from another generation. I am 71, so I am from another generation and I am proud of it. Computers and cellphones are OK if they are used for the right reasons. The chances you take when you put personal information on the Internet is too great. I think our youth today need to communicate with pastors, Sunday School teachers, youth leaders, and last, but not least, with their parents, one-on-one, not over the Internet.

Maggie Simmons
McMinnville 37110



By Lonnie Wilkey, editor

Speaking English

A recent article in *The Tennessean* in Nashville caught my eye. A Sept. 12 article dealt with a metro councilman who is sponsoring a bill to make English the "official language" of metro government, resulting in all city communications being in English only. Opponents have criticized the proposal and at least one person labeled the bill as "mean-spirited."

Is the motive for the bill hate? Is it prejudice? Some would say so. And for some people, those may be the reasons.

It saddens me that everything must be linked to prejudice or hate. While that may be true for some, it is not the case for many people. For many folks, including myself, the bill is a "common sense" issue. I have traveled to several foreign countries and believe me, they did not bend over backwards for me and others who did not speak their language. And, I really didn't expect them to.

I have no problem with people who come to the United States and Tennessee from other countries. After all, unless you are a native American, all of us have ancestors who hailed from other lands.

That is not the issue. The issue is for those who come to America to take the responsibility to learn a new language and adjust to a new culture. If businesses want to cater to other language groups, fine, but is it the responsibility of our government to spend taxpayer money to communicate in other languages? I don't think so.

The responsibility should fall upon those coming to America to learn English and this is where churches and Christians can play a major role.

English as a Second Language classes in churches can provide ministry opportunities.

Many Tennessee Baptist churches already have seized the opportunity to witness through ESL classes. These classes help assimilate people from other cultures into ours and help them learn the English language. These classes also provide excellent avenues for sharing the good news of Jesus Christ.

As to the proposed bill, it is unlikely it will ever pass. There are too many ramifications of such a bill. Law enforcement and health care officials must communicate with people of all languages. We probably have gone too far to turn back now.

But don't label everyone who feels English should be "the" language in our country as being filled with prejudice and hate. That is simply not true. □

letters to the editor

family friendly?

I was truly appalled to read the Aug. 30 issue of *Baptist & Christian Leader* that the Ford Motor Company was considered to be a family friendly advertiser for sponsoring wholesome, family oriented TV shows (page 10).

I noticed that this article came from the Baptist Press. Either the Baptist Press has different values from Tennessee Baptists, or someone is grossly misinformed. True, this is about TV shows, but how can the writers of this article say the Ford Motor Company is family friendly when they have made a gay-lesbian agenda a matter of priority and have contributed hundreds of thousands of dollars to further their cause?

If you are questioning my information source, it came directly from the American Family Association.

Annie Scott
Jackson 38305

rest of the story

I am writing to respond to an article entitled "Coca-Cola as best family advertiser" in the Aug. 30 issue. In the article the Ford Motor Company is cited by the Parents Television Council as being in the top

five best TV family friendly advertisers. This sounds good for Ford, but as Paul Harvey often says, we need to hear the "rest of the story."

The American Family Association, along with 18 other pro-family organizations, has called for a one-year boycott of Ford. On their web site, boycottford.com, AFA states, "From redefining family to include homosexual marriage, to giving hundreds of thousands of dollars to support homosexual groups and their agenda, to forcing employees to attend diversity training on how to promote the acceptance of homosexuality, to sponsoring a commitment (marriage) ceremony, to sponsoring Gay Pride parades, Ford leads the way."

When all the information is in, Ford Motor Company does not come up as "the good guy." Check out the web site for more information.

Carol Bell
Shelbyville 37160

No respect

People today do not respect God's house (the church) anymore. I remember as a kid growing up being taught to respect God's house.

Now it's like it's not being

taught to the children as it was when I was a kid. Parents are so blinded to how their children disrespect God's house or maybe they don't care.

We all need to wake up and respect God's house as He would want us to. Parents don't need to let their children tear up God's house or run and carry on like they do not respect God.

The children are the future of the church and if they are not taught now to respect God's house, they will never respect it. We need to all wake to things God would have us to do as His children.

Marie Adams
Christiana 37037

Late comment

Thank you for a vibrant Aug. 9 issue with its 30 letters to the editor concerning abstinence pro or con.

Substantial opinions were given on both sides but nowhere was it mentioned that Christ drank wine (Luke 7:34) or that Paul approved wine for deacons (1 Timothy 3:8). Even Noah, the perfect man (Genesis 6:9, Genesis 7:1) was a heavy drinker on at least one occasion (Genesis 9:21).

With so many letters from the denomination of biblical inerrancy none of which brought

up any of these major points please allow me this late comment.

I believe we have over emphasized abstinence. It's been my experience that anyone prone to self destruction without divine intervention will find his grim destiny with or without alcohol.

John Townsend
Memphis 38120

Respond to Jesus

Current events bring forth different responses from people, but today I am thinking of this: What should our response be to Jesus? As we worship Him in faith and prayer, surely we will receive the answers we need for daily living.

Another thought is the way Christians move from one church to another trying to find the perfect one where they can worship God the best. Christians should never just go along when we see something is wrong. Neither should we run away while waiting for God's answer. Let's stay faithful and pray. Waiting often solves many problems. Through faith and prayer, answers come because God has promised.

Dorothy W. Blake
Alcoa 37701

TREASURER'S REPORT THIRD QUARTER

November 1, 2005 - July 31, 2006

	Cooperative Program	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
GIFTS AND OTHER INCOME				
Cooperative Program:	26,793,086			26,793,086
Designated to SBC/TBC Institutions		1,852,591	3,127,088	4,979,679
Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions		10,188,540		10,188,540
Annie Armstrong Offering for N. American Missions		3,803,372		3,803,372
Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions			759,926	759,926
CP/Designated gifts received from the Tennessee Baptist Foundation	118,239	42,929	18,068	179,235
Other Special Gifts			448,059	448,059
Total Gifts	26,911,326	15,887,432	4,353,140	47,151,898
Other Income (Guidestone, NAMB, LifeWay, Conference Centers, interest, refunds, B&R advs./subscriptions)			4,695,102	4,695,102
Total Receipts	26,911,326	15,887,432	9,048,242	51,847,000
ALLOCATIONS				
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION				
International Missions	5,382,265	11,072,487		16,454,752
North American Missions	2,454,313	3,924,980		6,379,293
Six Seminaries	2,325,139	435		2,325,574
Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission	161,468	62		161,530
Guidestone	86,116	62		86,178
Other SBC Gifts	355,230	889,407		1,244,636
Total SBC Gifts	10,764,531	15,887,432	0	26,651,963
TENNESSEE MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES				
Evangelism	1,612,044		442,661	2,054,705
Missions	1,451,697		149,585	1,601,282
Discipleship	1,489,167		41,311	1,530,477
Ministry	1,015,483		127,416	1,142,899
Worship	441,194		12,239	453,433
Prayer	371,372		10,302	381,675
Fellowship	411,198		11,407	422,605
Associational Support	957,408		26,559	983,967
Administration	430,042		131,792	561,833
Total TN Missions and Ministries	8,179,605	0	953,272	9,132,877
CONVENTION OPERATIONS				
Baptist and Reflector	305,000		7,686	312,685
TBC Meetings & Committees	283,304		7,002	290,306
Church Annuity Plan	1,069,479		26,935	1,096,414
TBC Conference Centers	122,600		3,036	125,636
Cooperative Program Promotion	67,344		1,744	69,088
TBC Audits	91,639		2,360	93,999
Total Convention Operations	1,939,365	0	48,764	1,988,128
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION				
Carson Newman College	2,074,925		174,028	2,248,953
Union University	2,074,925		58,039	2,132,964
Harrison Chilhowee	369,733		28,765	398,498
Historical Archives	10,231		286	10,517
CRV Scholarships	51,155		1,285	52,440
Total Christian Education	4,580,969	0	262,404	4,843,372
CHRISTIAN SERVICES				
TN Baptist Adult Homes	204,569		185,996	390,565
TN Baptist Children's homes	992,572		2,447,058	3,439,630
TN Baptist Foundation	249,716		7,587	257,304
Total Christian Services	1,446,857	0	2,640,641	4,087,498
OTHER SPECIAL GIFTS				
American Bible Society			125	125
Tenn. Drug Awareness Council			25,140	25,140
Disaster Relief			392,068	392,068
Other Special Gifts			30,725	30,725
Total Other Special Gifts	0	0	448,059	448,059
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Alpha Baptist Association					Chapel Hill				
Bon Aqua	2,694	3,158	100	5,952	Chapel Hill	7,651	2,975	788	11,414
Bread Of Life	2,297	1,339	0	3,636	Corinth	900	0	100	1,000
Centerville 1st	5,030	3,750	295	9,075	Crossroads	1,975	0	0	1,975
Cross Roads	3,408	1,100	2,240	6,748	Cub Creek Hall	397	298	125	819
East Hickman	1,058	223	259	1,540	Darden Msnry	100	0	0	100
Edgewood	500	550	1,050	2,100	Decaturville 1st	4,783	3,154	1,735	9,672
Fairfield	12,673	2,049	1,421	16,143	Flatwoods	4,897	1,150	1,173	7,220
Garrett	888	621	0	1,509	Flwshp	0	0	0	0
Highland	2,663	1,192	348	4,203	House Of Worship	80	0	0	80
Hohenwald 1st	34,917	7,794	1,241	43,952	Huron	250	0	563	813
Lick Creek	788	496	112	1,396	Judson Msnry	300	0	0	300
Linden 1st	7,158	928	50	8,136	Lexington 1st	129,310	36,085	1,718	167,113
Lobelville 1st	2,000	2,126	315	4,441	Luray Msnry	0	0	132	132
Maple Valley	348	0	0	348	Mt Ararat	3,401	2,772	1,001	7,174
New Beginnings Msnry	352	0	746	1,098	Mt Gilead	5,730	3,497	727	9,953
New Hope	0	400	0	400	Mt Zion	265	1,281	0	1,546
Only	225	100	0	325	New Beech Grove	0	0	0	0
Pine Grove	1,253	362	143	1,758	New Chpl	0	115	0	115
Pinewood 1st	4,582	1,180	329	6,090	New Hope	500	400	1,680	2,580
Piney	734	155	115	1,004	Parsons 1st	23,964	2,808	0	26,772
Tom's Creek	4,552	1,092	3,060	8,705	Perryville 1st	881	194	0	1,075
Wrigley	2,116	0	0	2,116	Pine Grove	9,325	2,384	3,208	14,917
Total	90,236	28,616	11,824	130,675	Poplar Springs	2,008	1,187	0	3,195
Beech River Baptist Association					Ridge Grove	0	0	0	0
Bath Springs	0	11,776	10,557	22,333	Rock Hill	4,349	1,123	0	5,472
Beacon	225	200	100	525	Salem	1,227	1,758	1,651	4,636
Bear Creek	3,082	892	515	4,489	Saltillo 1st	2,453	500	381	3,334
Beech Lake	150	100	0	250	Sand Ridge	28,005	2,559	440	31,004
Bible Hill	2,123	1,547	743	4,413	Sardis	1,500	750	0	2,250
Calvary	10,898	1,908	266	13,072	Sardis Ridge	0	222	131	353
					Scotts Hill 1st	10,347	3,749	1,191	15,287

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Southside Msnry	0	0	0	
Toutin Chpl	0	0	0	
Twin Oaks	864	0	0	864
Union	6,967	2,330	397	9,694
Union Grove	3,552	2,382	248	6,182
Wildersville	2,811	553	515	3,879
Total	275,269	90,646	30,086	395,999
Beulah Baptist Association				
Alamo	1,473	0	0	1,473
Aldridge	200	0	0	200
Antioch	1,281	1,227	472	2,980
Antioch Msnry	0	0	0	
Bethel	0	0	0	
Blessed Hope	1,131	821	145	2,097
Broadway	900	1,275	0	2,175
Calvary	12,786	2,090	609	15,485
Casa de Gozo	0	0	0	
Cottonwood	900	584	0	1,484
Cottonwood Grove	1,778	0	1,013	2,791
Crosswind	900	0	0	900
Cypress Creek	0	0	0	
Fairview	997	1,191	330	2,518
Greater Hope	50	0	0	50
Hornbeak	2,458	1,393	476	4,327
Johnson Grove	789	0	0	789
Lake Road	1,800	999	0	2,799
Lakeview	333	715	70	1,118
Macedonia	4,650	1,516	540	6,706
Martin 1st	88,957	40,370	7,127	136,454
McConnell	3,006	1,577	532	5,115
Mt Moriah	225	100	0	325
Mt Olive	2,949	766	296	3,911
Mt Pelia	12,299	1,977	191	14,467
New Concord	902	878	405	2,185
New Home	1,016	6,965	3,193	11,174
New Salem	6,323	2,199	965	9,487
Obion 1st	5,218	1,752	683	7,653
Phillippy	0	0	0	
Pleasant Hill (M)	8,377	9,554	0	17,931
Pleasant Hill (UC)	7,143	3,043	1,066	11,252
Reelfoot	2,356	0	0	2,356
Ridgely 1st	16,387	5,327	4,385	26,100
Samburg	3,651	0	226	3,877
South Fulton	40,544	6,593	2,882	49,919
Sunswept	9,775	646	20	10,441
Tiptonville 1st	7,675	2,668	575	10,918
Troy 1st	19,153	4,701	1,205	25,059
Union City 1st	40,647	17,575	3,906	62,128
Union City 2nd	83,618	12,746	1,748	98,112
Walnut Log	0	0	0	
Willingham Mem	0	0	0	
Woodland Mills 1st	28,947	20,008	6,231	55,186
Wynburg	4,612	981	0	5,593
Total	426,209	152,234	39,289	617,732
Big Emory/New River Baptist Association				
Beech Park	21,462	2,041	0	23,503
Bethel	0	0	0	
Big Emory	4,669	1,302	0	5,971
Big Ridge Road Msnry	1,396	865	100	2,361
Calvary	1,350	1,016	1,217	3,583
Calvary Msnry	0	0	0	
Caney Ford	3,237	2,090	2,349	7,676
Cardiff	1,535	1,735	755	3,995
Cedar Grove	21,080	39,231	1,352	61,663
Central	2,749	1,715	365	4,829
Chapman Grove	2,250	1,689	0	3,939
Childs Mem	5,058	2,933	630	8,621
Clymersville	7,937	2,075	1,940	11,952
Coal Hill Msnry	737	0	55	792
Crab Orchard	849	300	300	1,449
Daysville	2,451	3,410	764	6,625
Deer Lodge	3,448	1,503	1,800	6,751
Dyllis	4,845	689	0	5,534
East Robbins Msnry	0	0	0	
Elizabeth	1,245	0	100	1,345
Emmanuel Msnry	0	0	0	
Eureka	5,595	6,489	1,781	13,865
Fairview Msnry	1,738	3,849	546	6,133
Faith Msnry	1,415	207	114	1,736
Glenmary Msnry	0	0	0	
Huntsville 1st Msnry	1,926	1,414	806	4,146
Ivy Grove Msnry	0	0	0	
Kellytown	8,600	0	381	8,981
Kingston 1st	121	37,119	6,633	43,853
Lakeview	2,418	1,865	370	4,653
Laurel Bluff	1,191	300	300	2,791
Lee Village	1,422	1,355	2,609	5,386
Liberty	18,931	7,304	1,196	27,431
Low Gap Msnry	1,090	400	0	1,490
Middle Creek	10,583	6,267	421	17,271
Mossy Grove	3,973	6,026	1,300	11,300
New Haven Msnry	10,072	7,464	10	17,546
New Heights	3,143	0	0	3,143
Nicks Creek Msnry	0	0	0	
Norma Msnry	0	0	0	
Oakdale 1st	6,703	1,557	1,676	9,936
Oneida 1st	38,888	8,869	702	48,459
Orchard View	2,039	1,149	100	3,288
Petros	8,474	4,241	550	13,265
Pine Orchard	8,940	4,985	344	14,269
Pine Ridge Msnry	8,611	2,322	861	11,794
Piney	19,551	6,766	189	26,506
Piney Grove	3,031	3,096	648	6,775
Pleasant Grove	11,481	2,141	50	13,672
Pond Grove	2,265	221	0	2,486
Potter's House	0	0	0	
Riggs Chpl	1,578	254	0	1,832
Riverside	22,497	5,566	3,283	31,346
Riverview Msnry	0	0	0	
Robbins 1st Msnry	1,446	573	233	2,252
Rockwood 1st	31,325	27,551	3,418	62,294
Rockwood 2nd	1,453	255	183	1,891
Shiloh	15,000	8,783	1,169	24,952
Smokey Creek Msnry	0	0	0	
South Harriman	53,054	34,728	2,653	89,435
Sunbright 1st	11,011	3,923	228	15,162
Trenton Street	23,050	5,020	1,190	29,260
Union	4,476	1,228	519	6,223
Union Chpl	2,116	1,000	500	3,616
Walnut Hill	6,160	2,448	1,424	10,032
Wartburg 1st	22,197	3,905	807	26,909
Westel	2,036	1,051	210	3,297
White's Creek	4,861	3,814	2,203	10,878
Winfield	0	0	0	
Total	470,760	278,099	51,333	800,192
Big Hatchie Baptist Association				
1st Indian	0	0	0	
Ashport	1,595	1,073	1,112	3,780
Beaver	3,600	3,999	398	7,997
Brighton 1st	20,550	7,035	1,087	28,672

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Alcoa	4,133	893	732	5,757
Alcoa Hill	2,558	1,025	490	4,073
Alton	9,151	583	0	9,734
Alton 1st	86,169	36,492	5,923	128,583
Alton 2nd	0	0	0	0
Alton 3rd	2,703	0	0	2,703
Alton 4th	1,484	400	420	2,304
Alton 5th	164	332	41	538
Alton 6th	5,250	4,578	281	10,109
Alton 7th	12,771	2,406	241	15,418
Alton 8th	2,882	0	0	2,882
Alton 9th	667	543	668	1,877
Alton 10th	15,088	3,349	3,956	22,392
Alton 11th	19,895	7,726	773	28,394
Alton 12th	8,370	1,851	1,030	11,251
Alton 13th	0	0	282	282
Alton 14th	0	0	1,000	1,000
Alton 15th	12,607	2,250	250	15,107
Alton 16th	3,128	13,611	3,043	19,782
Alton 17th	0	214	0	214
Alton 18th	2,753	1,445	400	4,598
Alton 19th	4,070	1,702	45	5,817
Alton 20th	32,588	4,006	441	37,035
Alton 21st	26,989	13,856	2,298	43,142
Alton 22nd	1,052	137	695	1,883
Alton 23rd	14,205	3,834	918	18,957
Alton 24th	575	100	250	925
Alton 25th	31,050	17,788	2,320	51,158
Alton 26th	665	1,290	145	2,100
Alton 27th	35,256	6,989	2,209	44,454
Alton 28th	0	0	484	484
Alton 29th	7,835	68	175	8,078
Alton 30th	1,518	0	0	1,518
Alton 31st	4,780	249	427	5,456
Alton 32nd	4,032	2,330	2,337	8,699
Alton 33rd	555	465	50	1,070
Alton 34th	300	1,125	500	1,925
Alton 35th	387,817	146,892	36,395	571,103
Bledsoe Baptist Association				
Alton 36th	0	0	0	0
Alton 37th	563	523	250	1,336
Alton 38th	265	2,490	0	2,755
Alton 39th	1,033	1,201	630	2,864
Alton 40th	0	0	0	0
Alton 41st	80	179	0	259
Alton 42nd	39,781	1,125	774	41,680
Alton 43rd	120	100	0	220
Alton 44th	0	0	0	0
Alton 45th	4,595	0	200	4,795
Alton 46th	0	1,000	700	1,700
Alton 47th	1,782	0	0	1,782
Alton 48th	270	0	0	270
Alton 49th	17,435	33,091	12,058	62,584
Alton 50th	4,776	1,146	1,151	7,073
Alton 51st	362	85	25	472
Alton 52nd	18,755	13,360	1,147	33,262
Alton 53rd	454,290	141,319	16,623	612,231
Alton 54th	0	50	150	200
Alton 55th	2,625	0	0	2,625
Alton 56th	6,552	2,149	190	8,891
Alton 57th	522	561	0	1,083
Alton 58th	2,538	1,575	100	4,213
Alton 59th	500	1,324	0	1,824
Alton 60th	12,056	5,479	1,989	19,525
Alton 61st	112,814	137,885	11,720	262,419
Alton 62nd	700	0	0	700
Alton 63rd	2,109	1,295	667	4,070
Alton 64th	2,506	240	0	2,747
Alton 65th	24	65	104	193
Alton 66th	1,423	1,625	1,724	4,772
Alton 67th	1,456	334	100	1,890
Alton 68th	1,090	680	627	2,397
Alton 69th	1,810	361	305	2,476
Alton 70th	2,348	0	0	2,348
Alton 71st	26,017	19,450	8,970	54,438
Alton 72nd	464	0	0	464
Alton 73rd	0	551	0	551
Alton 74th	1,500	202	0	1,702
Alton 75th	11,427	5,801	1,253	18,481
Alton 76th	3,222	180	0	3,402
Alton 77th	8,243	660	43	8,946
Alton 78th	746,051	376,086	61,502	1,183,639
Bradley County Baptist Association				
Alton 79th	0	0	0	0
Alton 80th	958	0	0	958
Alton 81st	22,609	884	755	24,249
Alton 82nd	12,415	5,338	155	17,908
Alton 83rd	2,025	885	460	3,370
Alton 84th	2,016	2,426	1,151	5,593
Alton 85th	6,092	0	0	6,092
Alton 86th	18,859	92,905	2,662	114,427
Alton 87th	0	0	859	859
Alton 88th	0	0	0	0
Alton 89th	5,121	1,515	741	7,377
Alton 90th	0	0	0	0
Alton 91st	198,704	113,316	28,825	340,845
Alton 92nd	3,500	1,000	0	4,500
Alton 93rd	0	0	1,440	1,440
Alton 94th	1,236	0	0	1,236
Alton 95th	439	0	0	439
Alton 96th	4,101	721	0	4,822
Alton 97th	0	333	1,401	1,734
Alton 98th	1,000	200	0	1,200
Alton 99th	0	0	0	0
Alton 100th	2,478	300	399	3,177
Alton 101st	900	0	800	1,700
Alton 102nd	0	0	556	556
Alton 103rd	0	0	0	0
Alton 104th	0	15	0	15
Alton 105th	1,306	0	0	1,306
Alton 106th	1,527	400	778	2,705
Alton 107th	5,829	4,622	2,334	12,785
Alton 108th	0	0	0	0
Alton 109th	2,000	0	0	2,000
Alton 110th	2,747	950	545	4,243
Alton 111th	4,561	914	514	5,989
Alton 112th	1,101	0	0	1,101
Alton 113th	9,038	2,133	0	11,171
Alton 114th	5,377	489	752	6,618
Alton 115th	7,686	11,203	2,873	21,762
Alton 116th	10,429	3,485	518	14,432
Alton 117th	0	0	0	0
Alton 118th	550	0	0	550
Alton 119th	9,404	7,745	125	17,274
Alton 120th	0	0	0	0
Alton 121st	3,377	1,060	0	4,437
Alton 122nd	65,119	34,716	5,780	105,615
Alton 123rd	1,781	1,191	0	2,972

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Parkway	4,380	1,648	459	6,487
Philippi	25,719	11,330	1,600	38,649
Ridgeview	125	0	0	125
Samples Mem	200	100	100	400
Stuart Park	1,000	1,297	407	2,704
Tasso	1,294	655	0	1,949
Thompson Springs	3,329	1,319	1,733	6,382
Union Msnry	375	640	100	1,115
Valley View	10,500	1,891	630	13,021
Walker Valley	0	0	0	0
Washington Ave	0	0	500	500
Waterville	7,407	11,324	1,828	20,559
West Cleveland	2,250	1,885	840	4,975
Westwood	148,635	21,554	3,895	174,084
White Oak	0	1,272	600	1,872
Total	619,498	343,660	67,116	1,030,274
Campbell County Baptist Association				
Alder Springs	1,071	0	1,683	2,754
Bethlehem Msnry	0	8,294	1,055	9,349
Calvary	225	2,618	761	3,604
Caryville 1st	7,420	2,326	25	9,771
Cedar Hill	1,733	6,035	1,260	9,028
Central	0	0	939	939
Coolidge 1st	4,377	1,165	784	6,326
Crouches Creek	900	420	271	1,591
Demory	270	2,167	300	2,737
Eagan	323	0	0	323
East Jacksboro	1,341	4,913	5,147	11,402
East LaFollette	3,433	2,888	2,715	9,036
Elk Valley 1st	900	0	0	900
Glade Springs	1,801	320	4,083	6,204
Hillcrest	3,785	700	0	4,485
Indian Creek	0	0	0	0
Indiana Ave	11,284	777	2,186	14,247
Jacksboro 1st	6,730	17,806	3,270	27,807
Jellico 1st	6,879	2,492	1,550	10,921
LaFollette 1st	9,349	19,323	1,057	29,729
Lake View	1,350	1,402	615	3,367
Little Cove Creek	0	0	0	0
Macedonia	0	0	0	0
Midway	0	0	0	0
Morley	250	198	0	448
New Horizon	11,791	4,977	0	16,768
Newcomb	4,036	6,068	517	10,620
Oak Grove	0	1,544	1,514	3,058
Pruden	0	0	0	0
Stinking Creek	0	0	0	0
West LaFollette	3,057	1,631	478	5,166
White Oak	0	0	0	0
Total	82,305	88,063	30,210	200,578
Carroll-Benton Baptist Association				
Atwood 1st	7,035	3,475	2,100	12,610
Bethel Msnry	3,126	0	196	3,321
Bruceton 1st	6,000	8,208	3,360	17,568
Camden 1st	57,069	10,604	630	68,303
Carroll-Benton	0	0	2,075	2,075
Chalk Level	3,694	1,939	873	6,506
Concord	0	0	0	0
Coopers Chpl	265	172	0	437
Eagle Creek	1,434	800	140	2,374
East Side	3,472	2,235	1,121	6,828
Eastview	2,864	757	0	3,621
Eastwood	707	0	202	909
Enon	1,200	1,000	384	2,584
Eva	1,979	455	325	2,760
Fairview Msnry	150	1,009	543	1,702
Faith	1,235	2,540	235	4,010
Grace	0	0	0	0
Holladay	450	515	500	1,465
Hopewell	1,828	906	458	3,191
Howse	6,608	1,929	898	9,435
Huntingdon 1st	32,988	36,863	1,591	71,442
Liberty Hill	302	0	100	402
McKenzie 1st	40,279	22,402	5,094	67,774
McLemoresville	4,140	575	95	4,810
Msnry Grove	8,972	6,470	776	16,218
Mt Nebo	2,224	1,799	671	4,693
Natchez Trace	5,204	2,751	1,240	9,195
Prospect	5,248	0	0	5,248
Republican Grove	311	0	117	428
Sugar Tree Chpl	1,193	589	0	1,782
Tennessee River	528	0	0	528
Trezevant 1st	11,859	2,440	492	14,791
Union Academy	2,167	353	187	2,707
Total	214,530	110,786	24,401	349,716
Central Baptist Association				
Barren Fork	253	721	22	995
Bethel Hill	1,253	1,611	218	3,082
Brown Chpl	0	34	0	34
Central	0	0	789	789
Cornerstone	0	3,100	720	3,820
Eastside	1,902	4,299	50	6,251
Faith	0	0	0	0
Fall City	1,403	1,783	0	3,187
Forest Park	969	330	130	1,429
Gath	6,538	5,537	2,127	14,203
Irving College	2,459	629	0	3,087
Madison Street	2,225	3,231	932	6,388
McMinnville 1st	37,734	28,207	10,395	76,336
McMinnville 1st Hisp	1,370	689	0	2,059
Morrison 1st	5,077	2,135	1,000	8,212
Mt Elim	870	150	125	1,145
New Beginnings	0	0	0	0
Northside	6,108	12,159	0	18,267
Pioneer Comm	5,841	2,225	0	8,066
Shellsford	5,887	1,684	511	8,081
Smartt 1st	926	737	0	1,663
Trinity	1,058	556	358	1,972
Weichland	1,151	0	0	1,151
Westside	1,998	2,000	500	4,498
Total	85,021	71,816	17,876	174,713
Chilhowee Baptist Association				
Alcoa 1st	67,796	32,943	8,420	109,159
Alcoa Way	143	387	0	530
Allegheny	0	0	0	0
Armona	17,918	10,178	1,996	30,092
Beech Grove	48,962	24,581	6,133	79,676
Bethel	11,413	4,718	1,442	17,574
Birchfield	0	100	0	100
Broadway	31,415	15,665	1,230	48,310
Cades Cove	4,308	2,816	613	7,737
Calvary	28,667	6,407	85	35,159
Carpenters	0	0	0	0
Carson Island	1,256	400	0	1,656
Caylors Chpl	1,685	445	457	2,587
Cedar Grove	1,613	1,953	1,128	4,693
Centenary	1,402	1,107	534	3,043
Central Alcoa	7,985	1,384	2,246	11,615
Central Point	22,068	400	0	22,468

Church	CP	Designated	Designated	Total	Church	CP	Designated	Designated	Total	Church	CP	Designated	Designated	Total					
		SBC	TBC				SBC	TBC				SBC	TBC						
Calvary	59,962	3,538	65	63,565	Pleasant View	12,959	6,336	2,311	21,607	Decherd 1st	5,935	5,071	2,280						
Cannon Comm	991	0	435	1,426	Saint Bethlehem 1st	49,817	10,014	978	60,809	East Springs 1st	29,688	5,902	888						
Christiana 1st	1,110	1,395	937	3,442	Spring Creek	18,769	1,204	566	20,539	Grace	48,961	13,268	961						
CrossPoint	18,249	7,092	1,119	26,461	Tabernacle	100	1,000	0	1,100	Grace (B)	304	0	0						
Crossway (M'boro)	4,446	2,591	3,887	10,925	The Planting	2,922	715	0	3,637	Highland	13,334	4,264	1,107						
Eagleview	3,461	1,841	602	5,904	Trinity	9,523	7,022	0	16,545	Hillcrest	2,565	1,055	155						
FBC Smyrna	119,428	9,015	1,644	130,086	Trinity Hosp	496	0	0	496	Hillsboro 1st	2,032	198	171						
Florence	1,871	0	100	1,971	Willow Bend	1,812	0	0	1,812	Huntland 1st	1,400	510	1,103						
Flwshp	411	0	0	411	Woodlawn 1st	9,335	497	614	10,446	Keith Springs	800	1,700	0						
Fosterville	4,339	2,410	290	7,039	Total	724,823	279,636	51,722	1,056,180	Liberty	759	150	150						
Giles Creek	6,484	3,770	412	10,666	Cumberland Gap Baptist Association									Lincoln Heights	3,773	2,039	321		
Grace	3,503	1,340	752	5,595	Alanthus Hill	204	0	182	386	Little Mt	0	0	0		Manchester 1st	86,726	21,713	3,147	
Green Hill (M'boro)	7,155	2,102	110	9,366	Bethel	90	0	265	355	Marble Plains	4,337	1,077	300		Maxwell	8,684	718	642	
Greystone	3,433	447	0	3,880	Big Spring Union	0	0	150	150	Midway	4,163	0	375		Ministry	2,523	500	0	
Harvest View	5,244	0	0	5,244	Blairs Creek	0	0	1,056	1,056	Monteagle 1st	3,501	1,525	374		Nuevos Horizontes	1,309	2,685	0	
Hillview	3,045	2,986	797	6,828	Brooks Mem	0	0	0	0	Oaklawn	7,047	2,168	3,517		Paynes	1,048	112	365	
Hisp	0	0	0	0	Butcher Gap	0	0	0	0	Prairie Plains	0	0	0		Riva Lake	2,500	1,632	1,787	
Holly Grove	3,098	1,882	3,661	8,641	Calvary	0	0	0	0	Roarks Cove	2,452	1,759	465		Rutledge Falls	29,559	5,861	425	
Immanuel	8,397	3,370	360	12,127	Carrs Chpl	4,380	1,117	946	6,443	Southside	203	603	406		Spring Creek	350	250	0	
King's Chpl	0	0	0	0	Cave Springs	0	0	0	0	Summitville 1st	222	232	65		Tracy City 1st	9,931	6,699	1,020	
Korean 1st	200	0	0	200	Cedar Fork	0	0	1,914	1,914	Trinity	12,379	7,681	270		Tullahoma 1st	105,887	40,064	6,370	
Lascassas	11,700	13,013	1,960	26,673	Cedar Grove	3,071	480	0	3,551	Unity	2,971	335	0		Victory	1,077	1,000	2,000	
LaVergne 1st	15,428	3,466	375	19,269	Chadwell Station	1,767	0	0	1,767	Westwood	1,231	22	0		Winchester 1st	53,816	14,471	667	
Living Springs	9,314	2,491	1,025	12,830	Chittum Chpl	0	0	0	0	Total	482,004	153,867	31,122		Dyer Baptist Association				
Marshall Knob	521	71	0	592	Clouds Mem	0	0	0	0	Beech Grove	1,500	100	1,000		Beech Grove Viar	982	0	0	
Midland	1,803	411	200	2,414	Cumberland Gap 1st	250	425	0	675	Bogota	1,033	200	0		Calvary Chpl	180	364	0	
Milton	1,201	290	635	2,126	Dogwood Heights	1,965	848	879	3,692	Calvary Hill	826	360	160		Curve	4,900	669	400	
Miracle	25,594	4,943	2,911	33,448	Duncan Chpl	0	0	0	0	Dyersburg 1st	62,250	34,977	4,507		Dyersburg 2nd	1,887	1,521	369	
Mt Carmel	200	425	786	1,411	Fairview	78	0	0	78	Elon	0	0	0		Emmaus	3,129	200	100	
Mt Hermon	13,456	794	585	14,835	Forge Ridge	100	0	100	200	Enon	3,708	721	324		Evansville	674	210	0	
Mt Pleasant	5,755	2,903	864	9,522	Gap Creek	3,258	1,280	658	5,196	Fairview	2,364	130	46		Finley	3,263	2,646	0	
Mt Zion (Smyrna)	0	0	0	0	Gibson Station	0	50	151	201	Fort Hudson	1,800	1,663	631		Fowlkes	3,246	1,296	295	
Murfreesboro 1st	20,395	14,498	20,197	55,090	Goins Chpl	0	0	0	0	Gates	4,852	1,429	616		Halls 1st	19,535	4,186	1,468	
Murfreesboro 3rd	105,107	20,301	5,075	130,483	Good Samaritan	237	0	0	237	Halls Westside	9,986	2,711	5,808		Harmony	2,406	496	275	
Murfreesboro Comm	816	114	54	984	Greer's Chpl	0	74	183	257	Harvest	1,435	533	45		Hawthorne	2,048	680	130	
New Hope	1,240	250	108	1,598	Harmony Msnry	0	0	1,004	1,004	Hillcrest	50,947	10,150	33,319		Lenox	225	0	868	
New Life Laotian	1,147	0	0	1,147	Harrogate 1st	5,490	4,650	450	10,590	Macedonia	11,653	12,473	2,180		Marys Chpl	17,640	4,335	0	
New Vision (Mboro)	80,587	2,627	0	83,214	Haynes Flat	1,976	2,638	1,485	6,099	McCullough Chpl	3,395	455	1,278		Miston	0	0	0	
Nolensville	8,091	1,110	1,300	10,501	Head Of Barren	0	0	0	0	Mt Tirzah	1,599	1,143	140		Mt Vernon	7,217	390	0	
Northside	94,266	33,263	7,696	135,224	Hopewell	0	600	300	900	New Hope Msn	0	0	0		New Mitchell Grove	2,635	0	3,100	
Oaklands	1,363	2,469	0	3,832	Howards Quarter	0	0	428	428	Newbern 1st	27,158	7,388	1,100		Parrish Chpl	2,158	0	0	
P. I. B. (Smyrna)	0	0	0	0	Indian Creek	270	1,232	958	2,460	RoEllen	3,824	611	300		Southside	6,765	2,616	0	
Parkway	39,314	9,301	995	49,610	Liberty	0	0	0	0	Springhill	3,579	90	0		Three Oaks	0	0	0	
Patterson	823	0	1,107	1,930	Liberty Hill	140	214	211	565	Trimble 1st	5,268	4,121	321		Westside	971	0	0	
Powell's Chpl	7,502	2,941	1,220	11,663	Little Barren	0	0	0	0	Williams Chpl	650	100	200		Woodville	0	0	0	
River Rock	5,521	3,044	785	9,350	Little Creek	0	0	0	0	Zion Hill	4,197	2,727	450		Total	281,885	101,691	26,111	
Riverdale	5,794	495	0	6,289	Little Mulberry Msnry	2,378	1,462	0	3,840	East Tennessee Baptist Association									
Rock Springs	8,966	428	0	9,394	Little Sycamore	0	0	0	0	Agape	0	95	0		Bethel	5,718	5,662	0	
Scenic Drive	3,026	2,330	0	5,356	Little Valley	0	0	235	23										

ch	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Mem	5,000	7,050	0	12,050
riah	1,365	750	350	2,465
ve	120	0	0	120
ve	11,092	9,637	1,201	21,930
d 1st	11,861	5,647	0	17,508
f Oakland	440	100	100	640
Grove	100	1,100	400	1,600
ille 1st	67,403	20,968	0	88,371
Comm	1,286	0	0	1,286
h	875	938	0	1,813
	130,320	64,523	13,544	208,387
Gibson Baptist Association				
	25,525	12,010	2,682	40,218
le	4,107	891	0	4,998
Grove	3,005	2,429	1,300	6,734
	270	0	0	270
(Y)	7,463	1,274	1,006	9,743
de	7,837	1,524	1,823	11,184
d 1st	11,281	2,031	400	13,712
	4,132	800	716	5,648
(H)	3,994	1,629	150	5,773
	315	300	150	765
Hill	27,172	11,462	1,013	39,647
Grove	1,189	374	177	1,740
reek	2,426	600	269	3,295
t	27,598	10,360	1,170	39,128
	2,463	1,920	96	4,479
uel	7,159	4,445	852	12,456
	0	0	0	0
d	5,355	241	203	5,799
	2,870	2,027	510	5,407
Grove	0	300	0	300
dt 1st	135,443	36,373	6,525	178,341
	2,553	200	783	3,536
el	638	162	0	800
ill	333	185	116	633
1st	28,920	3,813	5,711	38,444
w (K)	1,400	361	371	2,132
w (T)	703	307	0	1,010
s Chpl	500	20	0	520
	3,194	1,007	390	4,591
ha	999	0	64	1,063
1st	20,215	5,376	1,554	27,145
	1,528	260	245	2,033
it	94,566	24,427	5,314	124,307
th	1,987	1,272	582	3,841
ant	10,254	8,811	1,145	20,210
hlehem	10,510	3,159	1,049	14,718
pe	7,593	7,366	3,804	18,763
's Chpl	0	0	0	0
e	14,475	15,491	875	30,840
ve	1,446	1,647	500	3,593
i	2,191	295	257	2,743
lehem	338	163	50	551
rove	4,582	2,282	3,839	10,703
prings	0	0	0	0
rd 1st	10,568	3,506	1,851	15,925
	10,004	9,657	1,861	21,522
	2,043	3,889	1,000	6,932
	0	0	84	84
ill	3,268	891	275	4,434
st	47,496	9,201	5,593	62,290
Grove	750	1,029	221	2,000
es	206	475	0	681
all	24,849	10,854	1,662	37,364
	587,711	207,095	58,237	853,042
Giles County Baptist Association				
	1,188	1,260	100	2,548
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	964	162	150	1,276
	0	100	50	150
	4,828	1,221	223	6,272
ill	1,597	661	519	2,777
1st	631	614	0	1,245
Branch	450	0	608	1,058
ll 1st	4,578	3,157	1,798	9,533
e	240	660	0	900
on	0	0	0	0
e	6,917	5,221	0	12,138
	0	1,263	824	2,087
it	36,050	11,393	4,663	52,106
	100	474	557	1,131
ings	945	200	100	1,245
l	0	0	2,107	2,107
	3,032	1,470	250	4,752
k	532	300	200	1,032
s Chpl	4,459	1,414	285	6,158
	0	1,200	1,000	2,200
ley	397	125	0	522
	1,800	328	500	2,628
Valley	900	0	0	900
n	250	0	1,000	1,250
	69,858	31,222	14,935	116,015
Grainger Baptist Association				
nry	0	2,829	1,113	3,941
	0	0	0	0
Grove	5,802	2,805	312	8,919
on 1st	4,121	1,202	258	5,581
ings	5,512	1,536	303	7,351
igs	24,585	5,693	888	31,166
	4,043	2,950	1,924	8,917
Chpl	0	509	410	919
	611	452	329	1,392
int	2,537	3,677	1,776	7,991
Rutledge	6,497	0	0	6,497
ichland	165	91	62	318
rings	4,105	3,409	4,940	12,453
lge	7,727	3,286	1,016	12,029
es el Camino	97	0	0	97
ts	2,997	852	712	4,561
ve Msnry	1,043	846	0	1,889
prings	1,744	3,673	0	5,417
Richland	8,149	6,314	1,693	16,155
	0	822	1,070	1,892
lley	1,650	885	121	2,656
well	5,273	6,044	0	11,317
th Msnry	3,250	1,932	1,538	6,719
ect	380	600	300	1,280
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	417	417
	24,942	7,385	950	33,277
rk	0	0	0	0
rings Msnry	0	0	158	158
amp Msnry	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	552	1,335	231	2,118
	2,367	673	138	3,178
	438	646	0	1,084

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Washburn	1,638	1,464	100	3,202
Total	120,226	61,908	20,757	202,891
Hamilton County Baptist Association				
1st Calvary	625	0	0	625
Alpine	3,946	790	0	4,736
Apison	7,961	12,357	682	21,000
Avondale	813	874	0	1,687
Bartlebaugh	1,054	0	0	1,054
Bayside	107,720	50,377	10,060	168,157
Birchwood	6,300	11,684	100	18,084
Brainerd	129,241	144,242	14,353	287,837
Brainerd Hills	98,453	50,297	0	148,750
Cambodian Brainerd	350	0	56	406
Central	10,000	15,637	500	26,137
Centro de Recurso Hispano	0	0	0	0
Chamberlain Mem	2,632	4,169	207	7,008
Charity	0	0	0	0
Chattanooga 1st	15,445	14,337	3,445	33,227
Chattanooga 2nd	2,636	573	1,195	4,404
Christway Comm	10,374	13,584	150	24,108
Clifton Hill	800	10	235	1,045
Comm Msnry	0	0	0	0
Concord	66,276	44,784	6,329	117,389
Covenant	3,600	4,887	282	8,769
Cross Roads	1,478	1,085	500	3,063
Crosspoint Comm	1,092	606	126	1,824
Dallas Bay	31,050	12,562	93	43,705
East Brainerd	5,689	1,123	336	7,148
East Ridge	58,293	27,847	6,556	92,696
Eastwood	0	0	0	0
Edwards Point	0	0	0	0
English Ave	0	0	0	0
Fairview	4,132	1,982	210	6,325
Faith United	0	0	0	0
Falling Water	26,752	3,411	124	30,287
Falling Water Tabernacle	0	0	0	0
Frawley	5,654	971	879	7,503
Grace Ave	0	0	0	0
Greenwood	0	260	0	260
Guild 1st	0	0	250	250
Hickory Valley	3,017	3,567	940	7,523
High Point	0	0	0	0
Hilltop	0	0	0	0
Hixson 1st	38,661	43,829	7,013	89,503
Johns Mem	0	0	0	0
King's Point	0	205	301	506
Korean Chattanooga	2,051	105	0	2,156
Lakeway	0	0	650	650
Lookout Mtn	0	0	40	40
Lookout Valley	19,260	15,642	1,709	36,611
Love Flwshp	2,500	484	0	2,984
Maple Grove	7,458	7,460	0	14,918
Meadowview	15,570	1,060	942	17,572
Memorial	1,100	6,078	15	7,193
Middle Valley	8,929	8,876	5	17,810
Morris Hill	57,685	24,580	1,041	83,305
Msn Oaks	1,420	0	0	1,420
Mt Carmel	17,457	10,719	85	28,262
Mtn Creek	0	930	4,637	5,566
New Bethel	2,339	2,311	0	4,650
New Liberty	2,566	0	0	2,566
New Salem	23,813	5,006	695	29,514
New Shepherd Hill	0	0	630	630
New Union	1,686	1,000	1,055	3,741
North Red Bank	1,200	0	0	1,200
Northside	2,098	994	244	3,336
Oak Grove	770	25	0	795
Oak Street	5,109	1,278	2,602	8,989
Oakwood	35,986	11,204	2,887	50,077
One Accord Comm	2,751	375	120	3,246
Ooltewah	26,307	17,006	3,233	46,546
P. I. Red Bank	585	342	1,382	2,309
Philippine	0	0	0	0
Pilgrim's Rest	932	0	450	1,382
Pleasant Grove	15,270	2,865	1,120	19,255
Providence	6,172	0	0	6,172
Rechoboth	0	2,988	2,426	5,415
Red Bank	200,234	126,440	5,630	332,304
Ridgedale	151,074	112,335	15,353	278,762
Ridgeview	0	2,052	1,895	3,947
River City Comm	0	0	0	0
Riverside	1,600	1,213	100	2,913
Saint Elmo Ave	8,001	0	0	8,001
Signal Mtn	966	5,928	260	7,154
Silverdale	227,269	57,415	4,495	289,179
Soddy Daisy 1st	29,069	16,521	430	46,020
South Seminole	45,248	7,018	262	52,528
South Soddy	1,401	95	0	1,496
Spring Creek Road	23,071	12,541	2,890	38,502
Standifer Gap	0	0	0	0
Stuart Heights	85,812	35,150	6,888	127,850
Temple	0	0	0	0
Timesville Ave	0	0	250	250
Tremont	2,082	790	30	2,902
United Comm	150	658	0	808
Westview	900	614	0	1,514
White Oak	31,187	10,376	1,319	42,881
Whiteside	395	130	120	645
Woodland Heights	2,818	210	145	3,173
Woodland Park	3,336	105	0	3,441
Total	1,719,674	976,969	120,957	2,817,599
Hardeman County Baptist Association				
Bethlehem	0	0	360	360
Bolivar 1st	31,133	17,363	4,519	53,015
Brints Chpl	0	0	200	200
Center Point	780	76	132	988
Cloverport	1,927	2,902	963	5,792
Dixie Hills	9,722	4,193	845	13,770
Ebenezer	3,200	1,000	658	4,858
Essary Springs	499	714	176	1,390
Grace	185	0	0	185
Grand Junction 1st	20,625	12,758	24,001	57,383
Hatchie	1,303	738	0	2,041
Hebron	3,181	1,365	1,481	6,027
Hickory Valley	6,429	875	3,291	10,595
Hornsby	10,326	433	886	11,645
Middleburg	0	0	100	100
Middleton 1st	22,187	8,752	3,750	34,689
Midway	1,952	1,395	275	3,622
New Bethel	1,587	1,021	0	2,609
New Union	6,482	1,319	1,029	8,830
Parrans Chpl	3,267	1,920	1,100	6,287
Piney Grove	3,058	831	0	3,889
Pleasant Grove	0	0	0	0
Pocahontas 1st	2,102	0	0	2,102
Porters Creek	2,070	2,298	256	4,624
Rocky Springs	0	0	0	0
Saulsby	2,838	923	950	4,711
Shandy	2,053	419	105	2,577

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Silerton	1,990	0	0	1,990
Toone	7,420	1,052	185	8,657
Trinity	3,150	536	0	3,686
Vida Abundante	659	1,767	173	2,599



Church Health Matters

"Building healthy churches empowered by the presence of God."

Some Things Just Go Together

By William Maxwell



Warm cookies and cold milk

Lazy rivers and cane fishing poles

Fall afternoons and college football

Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions and the Cooperative Program

These are just natural combinations. They complement each other. Milk makes those warm cookies taste better while eating the cookie just begs for that glass of milk. A lazy river just encourages finding that cane pole and drowning a few worms, and cane poles aren't much use without the river. College football is best enjoyed in the coolness of the fall afternoon while such an afternoon is enhanced by sitting in the stands cheering on your favorite team.

Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions (GOTM) and the Cooperative Program (CP) go together in much the same way. Both make missions and ministries in Tennessee a reality. They compliment and support each other in many ways.

CP provides the foundational support for all Baptist missions and ministries in the state. CP allows the state convention to provide quality state missionaries, well trained, and available to serve churches. GOTM provides funding for projects and ministries conducted by the state missionaries, associations, and churches across the state.

For example, CP provides church planting strategists as state missionaries. These strategists work with God -- called church planters who begin church planting churches and networks in all aspects of church planting. They lead training events to help strategize on what to start and how to start new churches. GOTM then steps in and provides funding to the new starts to assist in paying the pastor and provides equipment and other startup costs. This combination of funding allows for an effective and efficient means of planting new churches.

Since 1902 GOTM has been a part of the Season of Prayer for State

Missions. It is named in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Golden. Mr. G was the executive secretary for the Tennessee Baptist Convention. It was when Mrs. Golden began writing letters to churches across the state explaining how so many Tennesseans did not even have a Bible in their homes.

Today, the offering supports key strategies in Tennessee Baptist life. These include church planting, ethnic ministries, disaster relief, summer missions and other key ministries.

Since 1925 CP has been the unifying financial system for all Southern Baptists. It replaced the old societal method of missions giving all missionaries to focus on their ministry and not fund raising. Today, it is every church, no matter how small, to participate in world wide missions effort.

GOTM and CP go together. Both are important. Both are critical in reaching Tennessee for Christ. Thank you Tennessee Baptists for your financial support of missions and ministry through your giving to GOTM.

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Partnership Missions Opportunities

Project Location	Project ID	Project Description	Dates
Denison, Iowa	IA-06-46	Team to do minor repairs on church, landscaping, and build retaining wall. Vacation Bible School can also be done.	open
Sioux City, Iowa	IA-06-03	Adopt an area to help start a church.	open
Winterset, Iowa	IA-06-51	Team to build addition to nursery and children education building.	Sept. or Oct.
Sioux Rapids, Iowa		Team to do various repair work on church building that is in need of repair.	asap
Alzada, Montana	MT-07-11	Team of no more than 11 to help repair community center. Specific activities would include painting and carpentry. Purpose of project is to reach out and connect with unchurched members in community. Church asks that team help pay for paint and construction supplies.	Late summer or fall 2007
Alzada, Montana	MT-07-12	Team of no more than 11 to help local ranchers put up or repair fences, paint, and work with cement and carpentry work.	Late summer or fall 2007
Bozeman, Montana	MT-07-07	Teams to help with remodeling. Teams would add extra walls, doors, windows, laying carpet, etc. Church asks that teams help with some funding if possible.	June 1-July 30, 2007
Butte, Montana	MT-07-08	Team of 8-12 to do exterior maintenance work. If team wanted to bring more than 12, there are opportunities to participate in other ministry areas such as prayer walking and outreach training. Church asks that teams help with some funding if possible.	Spring or early summer 2007
Butte, Montana	MT-07-13	Speaker needed to lead around five one-hour sessions at women's retreat.	Jan. 25-28, 2007
Choteau, Montana	MT-07-09	Team to repair and paint youth building.	open
Choteau, Montana	MT-07-10	Team to help with Vacation Bible School.	To be determined
East Helena, Montana	MT-07-01	Team of 4-10 to help with VBS.	July 7-14, 2007
East Helena, Montana	MT-07-02	Team of 4-10 to help conduct block party for community.	June 10-17, 2007
East Helena, Montana	MT-07-03	Team of 4-10 to canvas community.	June 24-30, 2007
East Helena, Montana	MT-07-04	Team to help build float for rodeo parade and assist with parade-day activities.	July 1-8, 2007
Marysville, Montana	MT-07-05	Church would like to start a Sunday afternoon worship time on ski slopes and would like a team of at least 10 to come and help start this ministry.	Weekend in Jan. or Feb.

Missions Training Events to Be Held

Team Leader Training

Leading a volunteer team overseas gives you a double reward: seeing God at work through your team members as well as your project. A successful trip depends on being fully prepared.

This training will provide plenty of "how-tos" including how to recruit prayer supporters, research your project site overseas, build your team, finance your trip, train team members, secure travel insurance, proper ID, and plan a daily schedule. You'll discover how to maintain basic needs and security (particularly if your team is traveling where the gospel is not openly shared). Some of the most important work of all awaits your return. How presenting your missions experience to your church can play a key role in recruiting new and repeat volunteers.

Training outline includes:

- Welcome and overview
- Being an effective team leader
- Mission
- Leading your team
- Budgeting expenses
- Training your team
- Living there
- Bible and security
- Operating with field strategy
- Preparing to return home
- Debrief

The training will be held March 10-17, at First Baptist Church, Lenoir. The conference is open to the first

50 people. Lunch will be provided. Register at least two weeks prior to the event, by contacting Heather Wilson at (800) 558-2090 ext. 2061, or e-mail her at hwilson@tnbaptist.org.

Cross-Cultural Training

Serving in another culture is a special blessing but does present certain challenges to the volunteer. In cooperation with the International Mission Board, the Tennessee Baptist Convention offers specific training for volunteers in how to minister in another culture. This training is invaluable to the preparation of your team.

Training outline includes:

- International dinner
- Identification of worldview
- The biblical basis of missions
- Ministering cross-culturally
- Missiological issues
- Incarnational ministry
- The blessing

The training will be held March 30-31, 2007, at the Baptist Center, Brentwood. Participant fee will cover meals and materials. Conference times are: Friday: 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. and Saturday: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Training begins on Friday with an international dinner. Lunch is provided on Saturday. Register at least two weeks prior to the event by contacting Heather Wilson at (800) 558-2090 ext. 2061, or e-mail her at hwilson@tnbaptist.org.

Canadian Southern Baptist Seminary Potential Teaching Opportunities

January 2007 (1 week intensives, Jan. 8-12)

Elective

Spring 2007 (semester, mid-Jan. – beg. of May)

Intro to Christian Thought (college)

Writing & Research (college)

Fall 2007 (semester, end of Aug. – mid-Dec.)

Youth Education (seminary)

Baptist History & Beliefs (college)

Cross Cultural Evangelism (college)

January 2008 (1 week intensives, Jan. 8-12)

Elective

Worship (seminary)

Spring 2008 (semester, mid-Jan. – beg. of May)

The Teaching Church (college)

Music & Worship (college)

Classics of Christian Literature (college)

History of Western Civilization (college)

Music Appreciation (college)

Missiology (seminary)

Summer 2008 (1 week intensives, mid-May – mid-June)

Electives

Preaching I (seminary)

For information about these teaching opportunities and a list of required qualifications, contact Kim Margrave at (800) 558-2090 ext. 2021, or e-mail kmargrave@tnbaptist.org.

Construction Request:

Teams are needed to repair eight of the two-bedroom student housing units on campus that are in need of serious repair. The foundation will need to be repaired and rebuilt to Canadian specifications. This project is very labor-intensive, and teams will need to have some people that know how to jackhammer.

The project can be done at any time during the academic year. If you are interested, contact Kim Margrave at (800) 558-2090 ext. 2021, or e-mail kmargrave@tnbaptist.org.

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
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Tusculum	13,812	4,739	989	19,541
Unaka Ave	17,868	3,141	1,036	22,045
Unicoi	3,997	500	800	5,297
University Parkway	7,248	6,871	0	14,119
Valley Hills	0	0	0	0
Virginia Ave	6,955	4,333	826	12,114
Volunteer	2,791	1,608	3,429	7,828
West Hills (B)	450	1,618	0	2,068
West Hills (J)	1,610	345	125	2,080
Westerly Heights	0	743	0	743
Woodlawn	2,601	2,674	1,385	6,660
Total	974,860	521,608	146,775	1,643,242

Holston Valley Baptist Association

Bass Chpl	1,189	521	0	1,710
Beech Creek	0	60	0	60
Belmont	1,435	459	0	1,894
Bentley's Chpl	270	815	282	1,367
Bethel	2,105	590	752	3,447
Big Creek	835	2,367	1,096	4,298
Burem	81	1,142	1,632	2,856
Caney Creek Msnry	4,305	1,302	556	6,163
Cave Springs	1,184	0	628	1,812
Choptack	2,672	3,697	561	6,930
Christians Bend	0	0	0	0
Church Hill 1st	33,333	35,875	7,824	77,033
Compromise	0	0	200	200
Cool Branch	0	0	0	0
Duck Creek	0	0	0	0
East Rogersville	42,705	14,995	4,944	62,645
Elm Springs Msnry	225	450	100	775
Fishers Creek	0	0	0	0
Gills Chpl	5,253	7,076	1,950	14,279
Henards Chpl	28,084	12,540	2,171	42,795
Hickory Cove	15,210	4,616	3,702	23,528
Holston Valley	0	0	4,919	4,919
Howes Chpl	763	2,087	1,318	4,169
Independence	0	0	0	0
Indian Ridge	2,333	3,277	673	6,283
Keplar	0	0	0	0
Kyles Ford	1,136	0	1,897	3,033
Lone Oak	180	0	1,730	1,910
Looneys Chpl	1,268	1,008	590	2,866
Lyons Park Msnry	300	0	300	600
Maple Hill	1,546	0	0	1,546
McCloud	0	385	266	651
McKinney's Chpl	445	700	956	2,101
McPheeters Bend	2,993	4,603	386	7,982
Mooreburg	830	400	400	1,630
Morrisetts	2,319	3,750	1,437	7,506
Mt Pleasant	0	0	0	0
New Hope	52	290	314	656
North Fork	1,528	0	500	2,028
Oak Grove	55,865	32,620	6,965	95,450
Persia	22,308	10,381	1,036	33,725
Pleasant Hill	0	0	528	528
Prices Grove Msnry	1,579	0	0	1,579
Ridgeview	21,681	9,052	288	31,021
Rogersville 1st	47,350	33,212	7,977	88,539
Shady Grove	0	1,000	500	1,500
Shepard's Chpl	916	10,404	3,681	15,001
Sneedville 1st	18,101	6,225	1,441	25,766
Speedwell	130	500	250	880
Surgoinsville 1st	6,044	7,565	1,570	15,179
Tar Pine Valley	240	0	0	240
Tunnell Hill	5,204	1,120	510	6,834
Valley View	0	2,479	1,049	3,528
War Creek	462	176	0	638
West View	3,596	485	152	4,233
Total	338,056	218,224	68,031	624,311

Indian Creek Baptist Association

Bethlehem	1,252	5,244	174	6,669
Calvary	0	0	0	0
Calvary (W)	3,155	1,664	612	5,432
Cedar Grove	0	1,000	0	1,000
Clifton 1st	1,969	1,751	1,686	5,406
Collinswood 1st	1,549	137	0	1,686
Eastview	200	0	89	289
Friendship	330	40	140	510
Grace	405	0	417	822
Green River	22,360	8,917	552	31,829
Houston	1,124	1,079	0	2,203
Kelleys Chpl	7,615	11,300	4,500	23,415
Leatherwood	300	550	0	850
Lutts	404	25	30	459
Memorial	0	0	0	0
New Life	549	0	0	549
Oak Grove	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia	4,343	11,090	1,550	16,983
Rays Chpl	1,335	500	250	2,085
Upper Green River	506	200	200	906
Waynesboro 1st	6,963	765	734	8,462
Zion	2,526	1,029	128	3,683
Total	56,886	45,291	11,062	113,239

Jefferson County Baptist Association

Antioch	0	1,500	0	1,500
Beaver Creek	3,226	9,196	3,912	16,334
Bethel Msn	0	1,136	592	1,728
Buffalo Grove	2,303	1,048	540	3,891
Central Heights	3,089	1,788	61	4,938
Dandridge 1st	50,504	69,281	17,153	136,938
Deep Springs	4,463	5,083	935	10,481
Dumplin	1,834	4,535	201	6,570
East Ridge	1,052	497	452	2,001
Emmanuel	1,629	855	361	2,846
Flat Gap	1,959	510	455	2,924
French Broad	6,000	11,261	903	18,164
Good Hope	537	1,340	670	2,547
Hilltop	1,071	0	0	1,071
Holston Mem	2,618	4,298	1,000	7,916
Jefferson City 1st	1,792	3,167	26,089	31,048
Jefferson County	0	0	436	436
Mansfield Gap	0	0	0	0
Mill Springs	10,116	19,244	30	29,390
Mtn View	0	535	0	535
Mullins Chpl	0	0	0	0
Nances Grove	0	3,632	331	3,963
New Heights	2,411	550	0	2,961
New Hope	1,281	812	0	2,093
New Market	27,922	12,030	1,367	41,319
Nina	2,887	7,509	2,384	12,780
Oak Hills	750	650	632	2,032
Piedmont	2,127	4,624	1,777	8,528
Pleasant Grove	0	1,798	327	2,125
Pleasant Grove Piney	9,196	9,766	2,866	21,828
Rocky Valley	0	3,030	719	3,749
Strawberry Plains 1st	7,999	6,265	2,252	16,516
Swanns Chpl	3,090	5,407	1,786	10,283

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Talbott	0	5,481	5,590	11,071
White Pine 1st	11,880	13,378	1,565	26,823
Total	161,736	210,205	75,386	447,327
Judson Baptist Association				
Burns	300	150	50	500
Eastside	5,125	5,212	232	10,568
Faith	1,363	73	835	2,271
Liberty Msnry	180	0	55	235
Maple Grove	900	0	70	970
Msnary Ridge	630	244	124	998
Mt Zion	50	63	0	113
New Hope	3,600	2,000	1,704	7,304
New Life Comm	0	0	0	0
Old New Hope	525	1,470	534	2,529
Parkers Creek	1,575	0	400	1,975
Rolling Hills	1,374	170	192	1,736
White Bluff	900	939	249	2,088
Total	16,522	10,321	4,445	31,288

Knox County Baptist Association

1st Korean	630	30	0	660
Adventure	1,114	0	0	1,114
Alice Bell	21,186	18,301	3,230	42,717
Arlington	42,805	39,373	3,105	85,283
Atkins	1,591	4,669	994	7,254
Ball Camp	605	75	0	680
Basswood	0	0	0	0
Beaumont Ave	135	981	243	1,359
Beaver Dam	113,816	23,337	4,320	141,473
Belmont Heights	9,648	4,589	1,530	15,767
Bethany Msny	0	0	142	142
Black Oak Heights	34,185	35,063	0	69,248
Blount	0	0	0	0
Bluegrass 1st	0	2,841	0	2,841
Bon View	0	0	0	0
Branville	225	1,152	0	1,377
Bridgewater	9,000	0	900	9,900
Broadway	643	2,151	2,420	5,214
Buffat Heights	14,517	13,768	0	28,285
Burnetts Creek	0	0	356	356
Callahan Road	2,205	2,767	0	4,972
Calvary	28,000	23,740	0	51,740
Cedar Bluff	900	0	0	900
Cedar Ford	7,810	2,243	150	10,203
Central Bearden	15,420	57,873	82,614	155,908
Central Fountain City	22,920	44,453	24,484	91,857
Chilhowee Hills	0	0	0	0
Churchwell Ave	1,092	0	100	1,192
City View	935	5,746	1,393	8,074
Clear Springs	16,571	3,245	2,680	22,497
Comm	0	0	0	0
Concord 1st	37,500	828,875	5,000	871,375
Cornerstone (M)	474	500	200	1,174
Corryton	36,667	5,420	0	42,087
Corum Road	0	0	0	0
Cumberland	10,514	15,514	689	26,717
Cumberland Korean Msn	3,432	0	0	3,432
East Sunnyview	0	0	0	0
East Wind	0	0	0	0
Eastwood	1,040	0	107	1,147
Ebenezer	9,167	16,009	1,436	26,612
Elm Street	0	0	0	0
Fair Havens	1,641	2,720	0	4,361
Fairview	2,700	1,857	0	4,557
Farragut 1st	120	765	428	1,313
Fifth Ave	1,318	4,096	460	5,874
Flint Gap	455	200	0	655
Flwshp	1,774	2,414	0	4,188
Fort Hill	3,799	0	0	3,799
Fountain City 1st	4,083	7,206	109	11,398
Friendship	2,000	1,514	168	3,682
Galilee	13,925	9,680	180	23,785
Gallaher Mem	0	0	0	0
Gayland Heights	458	731	0	1,188
Gillespie Ave	12,155	1,456	105	13,716
Glenwood	3,770	6,231	174	10,174
Grace	187,500	29,703	7,546	224,749
Grace Covenant	0	1,388	0	1,388
Grassy Valley	328	2,024	1,195	3,547
Graveston	4,671	1,296	429	6,396
Greater Bush Grove	0	0	0	0
Greenway	3,150	7,365	200	10,715
Grove Heights	0	0	0	0
Hillcrest	0	732	0	732
Hoitt Ave	0	0	0	0
Holston	9,972	6,152	0	16,124
House Mtn	150	0	217	367
Imani African Flwshp	0	0	0	0
Immanuel	4,464	1,551	0	6,015
Inskip	5,823	8,178	2,031	16,032
Island Home	3,450	485	0	3,935
John Sevier	7,238	12,000	0	19,238
Knoxville 1st	3,293	45,955	11,997	61,245
Knoxville 2nd	704	0	0	704
Kodak Comm	3,804	0	0	3,804
Lakeview	0	0	0	0
Lincoln Park	7,261	100	1,318	8,679
Linden Ave	0	540	0	540
Little Flat Creek	1,859	0	11	1,870
Lonsdale	0	0	0	0
Loveland	3,249	3,678	0	6,927
Lyons Creek	18,577	9,884	0	28,461
Marble City	1,233	3,425	1,217	5,875
Marbledale	4,298	1,311	0	5,609
Mars Hill	0	277	0	277
Mascot	6,735	1,943	439	9,117
Meadow View	545	600	0	1,145
Meridian	38,962	14,500	2,679	56,141
Middlebrook Pike	1,815	545	0	2,360
Mooreland Heights	247	0	0	247
Mosaic Comm	2,803	0	0	2,803
Mt Carmel	3,347	2,186	121	5,655
Mt Harmony	12,297	19,063	3,150	34,509
Mt Olive (East)	0	0	100	100
Mt Olive (South)	60,971	28,091	2,989	92,051
Mtn View	549	601	0	1,151
New Covenant	2,917	377	0	3,293
New Hopewell	21,059	18,601	0	39,660
New Mt Calvary	0	0	0	0
New Salem	0	0	0	0
New Sevier Home	2,273	3,433	1,104	6,810
North Acres	13,053	0	0	13,053
North Hills	107	0	0	107
North Knoxville	12,645	10,739	412	23,797
North Side	0	0	0	0
Northwest	0	0	0	0
Norwood	21,935	8,114	1,635	31,684
Oakwood	5,850	92	0	5,942
Parkway	27,491	31,274	0	58,765
Peace And Goodwill	0	0	0	0

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total	Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total	Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Lakeside	357,297	246,179	42,538	646,014	Lakeview	0	1,488	1,327	2,815	Germantown	157,379	144,455	24,467	326,301
Madison-Chester Baptist Association					Lakeview	2,276	350	377	3,003	Germantown Korean	0	0	0	0
1,204	110	0	1,314	Lamontville	79	200	121	399	Grace	280	0	0	280	
32,887	5,999	1,526	40,412	Liberty	0	25	0	25	Grace Flwshp.	1,824	0	0	1,824	
5,080	20,042	268	25,390	Manilla Chpl.	0	0	0	0	Grace Thru Faith	2,983	1,052	0	4,035	
29,258	8,172	3,083	40,513	Marshall Hill	2,771	4,474	3,580	10,825	Graham Heights	3,543	2,612	159	6,314	
3,900	3,178	125	7,204	McMahan Calvary	2,415	1,124	1,210	4,749	Greenhills	60	0	0	60	
3,006	670	1,030	4,706	McMinn-Meigs	0	0	100	100	Greenlaw	0	0	0	0	
46,418	19,681	4,508	70,607	Mt Harmony (N)	9,799	3,653	3,360	16,812	Hartland	900	0	0	900	
5,961	1,204	139	7,305	Mt Harmony (R)	1,482	8,833	5,972	16,287	Highland Heights	23,030	3,175	0	26,206	
2,700	470	0	3,170	Mt Pisgah	6,641	3,255	55	9,951	Highpoint Comm	0	0	0	0	
3,709	1,965	806	6,480	Mt Verd	200	1,393	634	2,227	Hisp de Tchulahoma	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	New Bethel	0	647	148	795	Hispans Cherokee	1,825	0	0	1,825	
7,608	1,740	1,151	10,499	New Hopewell	884	0	0	884	Hope	1,281	0	0	1,281	
33,469	10,258	0	43,728	New Zion	1,901	345	1,832	4,078	Hope Flwshp.	0	78	0	78	
93,065	44,107	8,937	146,109	Niota 1st	5,428	3,938	1,089	10,455	International	400	1,600	0	2,000	
4,310	1,767	142	6,219	North Athens	250	10,221	1,038	11,509	Island Comm	0	0	0	0	
13,738	2,980	3,306	20,024	North Etowah	25,497	54,511	1,330	81,338	Kirby Woods	39,750	0	37,089	76,839	
5,600	7,968	370	13,938	Oak Grove	6,002	3,350	1,500	10,852	Korean Collierville	2,000	0	0	2,000	
4,337	25	55	4,417	Old Salem	3,948	2,170	1,076	7,194	La Buena Esperanza	595	0	0	595	
20,250	10,008	1,350	31,608	Parkway	200	0	0	200	LaBelle Haven	17,456	2,184	2,838	22,478	
1,591	3,015	0	4,606	Pond Hill	0	1,000	500	1,500	Lakeland 1st	9,376	1,690	1,550	12,616	
22,122	3,866	4,124	30,112	Pope Ave	0	0	268	268	Lakewood	4,014	0	0	4,014	
2,553	3,023	0	5,576	Riceville 1st	4,115	2,275	457	6,847	Laotian Msn	0	0	0	0	
81,624	0	0	81,624	Rockview	3,854	0	0	3,854	Leaclair	0	0	0	0	
480	0	0	480	Rocky Mt	3,670	1,189	218	5,077	Leawood	39,436	22,247	3,893	65,576	
16,558	6,634	1,630	24,822	Rogers Creek	7,770	1,806	690	10,266	Leawood East	52,466	8,135	1,069	61,669	
14,781	4,117	3,391	22,289	Sanford	2,656	0	1,000	3,656	Life	1,200	780	0	1,980	
33,728	9,812	425	43,966	Shiloh	1,800	590	0	2,390	Lifeway	1,278	2,015	0	3,293	
8,709	5,214	3,243	17,166	Short Creek	3,739	19,156	400	23,295	Lighthouse Memphis	463	2,155	150	2,768	
0	0	0	0	South Liberty	4,559	100	844	5,503	Lighthouse of Arlington	0	0	0	0	
1,800	1,673	2,020	5,493	Stephensville	0	0	0	0	Longcrest	3,345	442	0	3,787	
45,655	66,736	1,403	113,794	Union Grove (D)	450	0	450	900	Love & Faith	0	0	0	0	
7,576	4,930	1,086	13,592	Union Grove (N)	4,933	991	356	6,279	Lucy	27,853	23,798	1,598	53,249	
689	100	100	889	Union McMinn	4,500	6,875	4,825	16,200	Macon Road	400	0	0	400	
0	0	0	0	Valley Road	0	0	300	300	Magnolia	395	0	0	395	
1,500	1,948	20	3,468	Valley View	512	0	875	1,387	Mandarin Chinese	0	0	0	0	
800	1,451	1,500	3,751	Walnut Grove	4,499	500	0	4,999	McLean	1,503	1,621	525	3,649	
6,587	1,309	674	8,570	West End	3,435	1,068	528	5,030	Memphis 1st	750	4,200	765	5,715	
668	482	180	1,330	Westview	1,589	3,051	2,279	6,920	Memphis 2nd	1,866	3,316	5,407	10,589	
1,545	1,343	2,317	5,205	Wildwood	7,578	3,063	1,780	12,421	Merton Ave	2,556	796	280	3,632	
1,000	0	0	1,000	Zion Hill	10,191	4,411	435	15,037	Millington 1st	201,537	30,850	1,600	233,987	
21,864	9,403	1,951	33,218	Total	468,576	353,455	83,594	905,624	Miracle	0	0	0	0	
9,325	1,814	963	12,103	Midland Baptist Association					Monument of Love	2,190	460	0	2,650	
7,452	1,766	20	9,238	Beaverdale	2,663	1,558	1,567	5,788	Mtn Terrace	0	0	0	0	
3,780	1,992	318	6,090	Bells Campground	20,250	11,512	4,702	36,464	Mullins Station	9,406	28,618	3,100	41,124	
4,187	4,782	200	9,168	Bethany	407	745	300	1,452	National Ave	2,571	2,305	340	5,216	
2,309	2,746	2,260	7,315	Bethel	0	0	0	0	New And Living Way	0	0	0	0	
44,008	42,013	125	86,146	Bishopville	1,435	125	0	1,435	New Dimension	0	0	0	0	
23,528	11,439	845	35,812	Black Oak Ridge	4,457	1,251	152	5,860	New Vineyard	0	0	0	0	
903	1,677	0	2,581	Calvary	0	0	0	0	North Frayser	450	0	0	450	
Crk of Madison County	7,341	879	444	8,665	Cedar Grove	0	0	1,344	Nueva Vida	0	0	0	0	
Msnry (JC)	10,929	4,549	450	15,928	Central View	4,439	3,050	7,939	Oaklawn	4,181	310	861	5,352	
Grove	5,780	834	0	6,614	Clear Springs	13,421	7,260	0	20,681	One Faith	0	0	0	0
Jackson	245,751	67,914	47,734	361,399	Deep Springs	300	0	0	300	Orchi	1,065	2,033	256	3,354
ver	400	0	0	400	Grace Msnry	0	0	0	0	Peterson Lake	0	0	0	0
land	15,701	7,169	1,490	24,360	Highland	3,359	604	3,963	Piperton 1st	7,726	10,441	0	18,167	
969,725	414,975	105,710	1,490,409	Hillvale Msnry	375	1,394	0	1,769	Providence	2,000	5,618	528	8,146	
Maury Baptist Association					Hinds Creek	1,210	0	1,890	3,100	Range Hills	8,886	3,073	0	11,958
2,268	1,045	1,470	4,783	Hines Creek	1,229	0	348	1,577	Richland	3,901	2,148	2,500	8,549	
0	0	0	0	New Beginning	995	365	183	1,543	Ridgeway	89,161	44,735	5,268	139,163	
91,630	22,099	9,706	123,434	New Beginning	0	0	0	0	River Nile	140	0	0	140	
675	0	0	675	New Hope	4,739	0	0	4,739	Rivercrest	2,032	697	0	2,729	
2,860	0	0	2,860	New Liberty	1,014	0	0	1,014	Rosemark	3,270	4,083	0	7,353	
2,629	3,290	458	6,377	Old Beverly Msnry	518	3,065	0	3,583	Rossville 1st	200	0	0	200	
7,380	1,239	0	8,619	Pleasant Gap	675	0	0	675	Rugby Hills	6,963	1,301	79	8,343	
5,182	566	273	6,021	Pleasant Hill	1,103	0	450	1,553	Scenic Hills	1,832	1,400	205	3,437	
4,147	456	60	4,663	Rest In Christ	1,039	102	52	1,193	Shelby Forest	5,140	471	800	6,411	
11,062	5,712	785	17,559	Riverview Msnry	225	785	0	1,010	South Woods	0	0	0	0	
0	394	0	394	Solid Rock	0	100	100	200	Temple	6,045	13,024	762	19,831	
Of Prayer	234	0	0	234	Stedfast	0	0	0	0	The Trace Comm	0	0	0	0
on Chpl	0	0	0	0	Texas Valley	1,674	0	220	1,893	Thessalonians	0	0	0	0
Creek	3,195	1,261	0	4,456	Third	0	0	0	0	Trafalgar Village	13,790	5,293	1,550	20,634
150	0	0	150	True Faith Msnry	0	0	200	200	Trinity	12,131	25,337	0	37,468	
3,259	541	162	3,962	Union	12,797	11,005	100	23,901	True Flwshp	0	0	0	0	
Hisp Msn	555	0	555	Total	78,324	42,009	12,058	132,391	Union Ave	16,439	19,175	3,922	39,536	
sville	2,868	210	0	3,078	Mid-South Baptist Association				Unity	2,467	0	0	2,467	
sville Pike	606	0	100	706	1st Chinese	1,000	7,043	0	8,043	Vietnamese	2,311	3,057	0	5,368
hpl	0	0	400	400	1st of Fisherville	2,667	0	50	2,717	Walnut Grove	5,973	4,800	3,200	13,973
asant 1st	11,195	6,117	1,392	18,704	Agape	9,923	2,468	20	12,411	Wells Station	17,360	10,688	4,040	32,088
ife Msn	1,868	320	0	2,188	Ardmore Terrace	0	0	0	0	West Frayser	1,972	1,259	0	3,231
ong	0	0	159	159	Arlington Flwshp	134	0	210	344	White Station	11,965	4,019	1,380	17,364
ide	19,823	6,595	2,082	28,500	Audubon Park	23,321	16,400	4,500	44,221	Whitehaven	17,163	17,025	137	34,325
Family	204	0	0	204	Balmoral	18,902	10,408	1,178	30,488	Whitten Mem	3,200	3,647	0	6,847
nt Heights	69,739	25,741	2,824	98,303	Bartlett	110,248	32,000	5,980	148,229	Woodstock	0	0	0	0
iew	4,725	563	157	5,445	Bartlett Hills	3,730	15,016	1,667	20,413	Zoe	0	0	0	0
prings	5,147	3,784	1,440	10,371	Bella Vista	0	0	0	0	Total	1,886,735	1,527,296	196,788	3,610,819
Fe	750	1,772	971	3,493	Bellevue	254,209	485,772	32,050	772,031	Mulberry Gap Baptist Association				
t's Heart	654	64	0	718	Berclair	10,522	4,089	45	14,656	Chestnut Grove	0	0	0	0
t's Heart - Countryside	30	0	0	30	Big Creek	0	0	0	0	Friendlies Chpl	0	0	0	0
ide	1,993	4,247	1,760	8,000	Braybourne	0	0	0	0	Gaps ChplMsnry	0	0	150	150
Hill 1st	16,165	8,068	1,013	25,245	Briarwood	13,625	0	250	13,875	New Life Msnry	0	0	0	0
Creek	1,350	1,150	1,375	3,875	Brinkley Heights	1,989	0	0	1,989	Union Grove	115	0	190	305
nd	0	0	817	817	Broadmoor	31,981	3,412	856	36,249	Walker's Msnry	0	0	400	400
nsport	0	0	1,154	1,154	Brookside	4,396	3,846	414	8,656	Total	115	0	740	855
281,963	100,055	31,476	413,494	Brunswick	2,224	4,583	200	7,008	Nashville Baptist Association					
McMinn-Meigs Baptist Association					Calvary	1,125								

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Central of Nashville	0	0	0	0	Slavic	230	0	0	230	Nolachucky	0	1,450	0	
Centro Vida	0	0	0	0	Slavic - Grace	0	0	0	0	Omega	573	2,504	313	
Charlotte Road	24,547	3,875	620	29,042	Smith Springs	2,800	3,830	830	7,460	Parkway	0	600	600	
Chinese Msn	0	0	0	0	SonRise	0	0	0	0	Pleasant Ridge	3,637	5,865	3,825	
Church At The River	20	0	0	20	South Gate	1,558	0	0	1,558	Pleasant View	2,070	3,632	1,141	
Church of the Messiah	0	0	0	0	Stonebrook	175	1,152	0	1,327	Robertson Creek	2,523	546	556	
Clearview	120,126	11,633	9,575	141,334	Strait Word	0	0	0	0	Rocky Point	9,749	10,134	2,675	
Concord-Grandview	2,334	3,186	716	6,235	Sudanese Msn	0	0	0	0	Roe Junction	0	0	1,222	
Contemporary	2,464	0	0	2,464	Sudanese Nashville	0	0	0	0	Russellville	16,372	15,017	2,463	
Covenant	0	0	0	0	Temple	19,534	2,873	436	22,844	Staten Gap	498	0	358	
Crievewood	78,234	9,786	21,372	109,392	Thai Intl	80	0	0	80	Sunrise	2,238	10,640	705	
Crievewood Laotian	4,484	0	0	4,484	Thompson Station	148,878	37,672	698	187,248	Thankful	0	0	423	
Crievewood Latino Ministry	0	0	0	0	Triune	17,324	16,218	682	34,223	Three Springs	0	321	0	
Cross Keys	0	0	0	0	True Faith	1,283	193	595	2,071	True Life	2,263	0	0	
Crossview Evangelical	0	0	0	0	True Vine	262	0	197	459	Warrensburg	3,125	1,941	763	
Dalewood	31,226	10,179	987	42,392	Tulip Grove	116,973	77,210	43,694	237,877	Westview	0	2,207	428	
Dickerson Road	3,660	1,857	233	5,751	Tulip Grove Hisp	0	0	0	0	White Oak Grove	2,829	2,784	2,257	
Dickson 1st	143,182	32,826	3,095	179,103	Tusculum Hills	150,586	16,945	3,778	171,310	Whitesburg 1st	981	2,829	1,212	
Donelson 1st	70,294	20,794	2,826	93,914	Two Rivers	0	72,120	52,374	124,495	Witt	5,878	16,427	464	
Donelson View	16,218	4,299	615	21,133	Una	15,715	8,577	794	25,085	Total	692,781	509,526	75,356	
Eastland	10,964	2,763	2,851	16,577	Union Hill	2,413	3,387	1,840	7,641	Northern Baptist Association				
Eastland Comm	3,577	0	252	3,828	Unity Institutional Msnry	0	0	0	0	Alder Springs	0	0	2,781	
Eastwood	0	0	0	0	Valley View	2,707	2,039	583	5,329	Blue Springs Msnry	0	0	0	
Ecclesia	300	0	0	300	Vietnamese Msn	1,483	597	0	2,080	Carrs Branch Msnry	0	75	517	
Edgefield	4,251	1,520	5	5,775	Walker Mem	28,095	4,232	2,020	34,347	Clear Branch	450	300	150	
Fairview 1st	8,596	6,242	4,789	19,627	Welch Bend Apts Hisp	0	0	0	0	Fairview	0	0	500	
Faith	9,084	0	0	9,084	West Franklin	38,272	29,497	8,388	76,157	Hickory Valley	592	0	89	
Faith Temple	0	0	0	0	West Nashville	0	0	0	0	Hubbs Grove	0	0	200	
Forest Hills	156,957	147,141	20,430	324,528	Westview	225	0	178	403	Leatherwood	0	0	335	
Glenwood	15,057	4,363	3,620	23,040	Westwood	5,400	5,148	418	10,966	Lily Grove Msnry	0	0	308	
Goodlettsville 1st	20,139	29,745	15,030	64,914	Whitsitt Chpl	0	0	0	0	Lone Mtn	0	725	0	
Grace	74,543	14,280	5,718	94,541	Woodbine	6,000	3,576	891	10,467	Maynardville 1st	4,913	2,173	5,901	
Grace Comm	2,000	10,000	0	12,000	Woodbine Laotian	0	0	0	0	Milan Msnry	2,925	4,400	3,215	
Grace Covenant	0	0	0	0	Woodcock Mem	0	0	0	0	Nave Hill Msnry	0	0	420	
Grace Evangelical	0	0	0	0	Woodmont	11,164	53,789	35,590	100,544	New Friendship Msnry	492	459	2,130	
Grace Korean	0	0	0	0	Total	2,729,118	1,527,803	455,831	4,712,752	Northern	0	3,554	50	
Grace Park-Tri-County	1,750	645	0	2,395	New Duck River Baptist Association				Pleasant Hill	0	0	0		
Grassland Heights	3,400	14,220	3,834	21,454	Belfast	0	288	68	356	Sunnyside	0	0	0	
Grays Point	0	0	0	0	Bell Buckle	2,595	1,000	502	4,097	Taylor's Grove Msnry	0	0	100	
Green Hill	0	0	0	0	Bethlehem	411	607	102	1,120	Union	0	0	800	
Haitian of Woodcock	0	0	0	0	Calvary	18,510	10,000	3,525	32,035	Union County	334	0	0	
Harmony Flwshp	1,610	1,355	0	2,965	Caney Springs	857	0	0	857	Valley Grove	0	805	0	
Harpeth 1st	586	0	0	586	Charity	400	600	600	1,600	Warwick's Chpl	0	0	507	
Harpeth Heights	38,479	44,186	3,419	86,083	College Grove 1st	1,659	530	330	2,519	Willow Springs Msnry	350	0	0	
Harvest Fields	4,263	1,398	550	6,211	Cornersville	9,465	4,082	3,624	17,171	Total	10,056	12,491	18,003	
Haywood Hills	43,077	10,709	2,657	56,443	East Commerce	26,164	8,655	1,036	35,855	Polk County Baptist Association				
Hermitage 1st	1,200	1,326	476	3,002	Eastview	900	2,392	733	4,025	Antioch	2,004	50	500	
Hermitage Hills	233,441	50,556	15,081	299,077	Edgemont	17,755	3,015	977	21,747	Ball Play	0	0	0	
Hickory Hills	2,165	411	0	2,576	El Bethel	8,131	880	576	9,587	Beech Springs	1,000	2,600	500	
Hickory Hollow	3,622	2,119	1,663	7,404	Fair Haven	13,436	3,763	346	17,546	Benton 1st	19,779	4,137	1,638	
Hillcrest	2,061	667	1,578	4,306	Farmington	2,644	176	687	3,508	Benton Station	3,375	1,758	961	
Hillhurst	9,927	1,531	668	12,126	Friendship	280	250	0	530	Blue Ridge Temple	1,868	450	476	
Hillview (F)	0	761	103	864	Hannahs Gap	1,065	400	200	1,665	Boanerges	0	0	90	
Hillview (G)	1,800	2,117	75	3,992	Hickory Hill	3,131	696	847	4,673	Cedar Springs	4,911	2,262	1,621	
Hisp South Gate	0	0	0	0	Holts Corner	7,364	844	0	8,208	Chestnut	296	0	0	
Hispana de Nashville	0	0	0	0	Hurricane Grove	2,565	481	284	3,330	Conasauga River	0	0	0	
Hope Christian Flwshp	0	0	0	0	Immanuel	299	0	0	299	Cookson Creek	0	0	0	
I. B. Alcanse Hispano	450	0	5,500	5,950	Lakeview	675	0	0	675	Covenant	0	0	0	
Immanuel	8,161	4,616	17,324	30,101	Lewisburg 1st	23,607	10,655	2,174	36,437	Crossroads	250	0	0	
Independent Evangelical	0	0	0	0	Lewisburg Hisp	21	0	0	21	Delano	6,647	5,373	1,395	
Inglewood	28,012	23,150	1,736	52,898	Longview	2,670	542	75	3,287	Fairview	0	0	0	
Intl Word of Life	0	0	0	0	Lynchburg 1st	10,807	1,237	639	12,683	Friendship	698	1,700	395	
Ivy Mem	250	121	0	371	Midland Heights	10,807	8,129	0	18,937	Greasy Creek	0	0	100	
Japanese Nashville	1,125	272	63	1,460	Mt Lebanon	135	0	0	135	Hiwassee Union	997	1,129	1,168	
Joelton 1st	65,881	16,291	1,619	83,791	Mt Moriah	4,400	3,064	0	7,464	Mtn Springs	870	0	0	
Judson	77,655	38,010	8,210	123,874	New Bethel	0	1,417	471	1,888	Mtn View	0	0	0	
King Of Glory	0	0	0	0	New Hope	1,338	1,000	58	2,396	Oak Grove	3,426	884	406	
Kol Dodi	1,540	0	0	1,540	Normandy 1st	2,654	390	545	3,589	Ocoee	0	0	0	
Korean Bridge Comm	1,170	150	520	1,840	North Fork	13,756	2,830	50	16,635	Old Ocoee	780	1,296	1,393	
Korean Han Mee	1,440	0	0	1,440	Parkview	7,013	1,906	621	9,540	Pine Ridge	0	0	0	
Korean Msn (HH)	0	0	0	0	Rover	7,880	462	400	8,742	Pleasant Grove	0	0	100	
Korean Msn (M)	0	0	0	0	Shelbyville 1st	70,570	4,120	2,531	77,221	Polk County	0	0	6,011	
Korean Unity	3,150	960	0	4,110	Shelbyville Mills	45,713	6,117	1,150	52,981	Rock Creek	0	0	0	
Lakeview	550	0	0	550	Short Creek	1,228	1,373	464	3,064	Shady Springs	0	0	0	
Lakewood	18,167	6,801	1,008	25,976	Smyrna	9,000	5,018	1,350	15,368	Shiloh	4,176	4,702	50	
Liberty	1,655	380	90	2,125	Southside	1,382	1,091	0	2,472	Smyrna	1,512	675	0	
Life Comm	8,979	0	0	8,979	Twin Oaks	240	0	200	440	Springtown	0	0	0	
Lincroya Hills	8,695	3,721	2,698	15,113	Unionville 1st	850	322	233	1,405	Towee	0	0	0	
Living Faith Flwshp	0	0	0	0	Wartrace 1st	8,441	3,200	3,019	14,660	Welcome Valley	0	0	0	
Lockeland	2,790	1,525	727	5,042	Total	333,723	91,534	28,417	453,674	Wetmore	1,870	1,941	3	
Madison 1st	0	0	0	0	New Salem Baptist Association				Zion	21,430	7,409	4,369		
Madison Heights	7,042	509	0	7,551	Brush Creek	7,017	500	2,227	9,744	Total	75,889	36,366	21,176	
Messianic Congregation	0	0	0	0	Carthage 1st	12,300	9,788	3,255	25,343	Riverside Baptist Association				
Mill Creek	4,421	1,958	1,507	7,886	Carthage Road	1,182	250	120	1,552	Allardt 1st	3,086	7,500	2,500	
Miracle	0	121	0	121	Gordonsville 1st	8,797	3,213	706	12,716	Allons	4,654	4,630	2,443	
Mitiku Adisu Ethiopian	0	0	0	0	Hickman	2,816	2,880	1,005	6,701	Byrdstown 1st	8,928	25,120	5,845	
Mosaic	0	0	0	0	Lancaster	339	0	0	339	Celina 1st	4,167	1,983	563	
Mt. View	10,573	2,348	787	13,709	New Middleton	13,116	3,174	920	17,210	Clarkrange 1st	5,021	1,100	115	
Nashville 1st	127,691	93,216	56,058	276,966	Peyton Creek	1,933	1,485	1,330	4,748	Columbia Hill	2,362	0	1,404	
Nashville 3rd	4,996	993	857	6,846	Riddleton	1,043	630	104	1,777	Etter	5,281	4,428	1,320	
Nashville Chinese	450	0	0	450	Rome	0	0	0	0	Falling Springs	0	0	0	
Neely's Bend	2,250	506	253	3,009	Total	48,544	21,920	9,667	80,130	Flwshp	4,352	735	244	
New Beginnings	0	0	0	0	Nolachucky Baptist Association				Friends Chpl	1,200	421	0		
New Birth Ministries	0	0	0	0	Alpha	133,421	66,119	955	200,495	Hanging Limb 1st	0	0	0	
New Faith	0	0	0	0	Bethel	2,639	4,969	899	8,506	Hermitage Springs 1st	0	0	0	
New Hope	40,816	995	0	41,811	Beulah	12,498	8,741	1,450	22,688	Hilham Msn	1,379	102	0	
New Life	10,540	4,817	300	15,657	Bible's Chpl	12,509	21,521	2,502	36,532	Jamestown 1st	25,260	11,		

Ch	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total	Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
	3,339	1,874	631	5,845	Richardson's Cove	4,622	500	200	5,322
Il	7,740	22,574	1,448	31,762	Roaring Fork	2,042	5,238	2,660	9,940
use	3,930	318	130	4,378	Sevier County	0	0	1,220	1,220
hpl	5,760	2,082	414	8,256	Sevierville 1st	177,700	293,106	41,876	512,682
riel	15,704	2,673	1,105	19,482	Sevierville 2nd	4,072	1,625	435	6,132
pringfield	5,945	3,965	1,184	11,094	Seymour 1st	58,540	23,160	3,339	85,038
ve	15,924	7,048	1,696	24,668	Shiloh	16,721	7,794	4,867	29,382
	9,870	2,485	1,099	13,454	Sims Chpl	1,125	2,095	0	3,220
	27,705	10,345	1,670	39,719	Smithwood	35	0	0	35
Hill	5,382	2,169	460	8,010	Smoky Mtn	0	0	0	0
ef	3,594	660	316	4,570	Sugar Loaf	0	0	0	0
p 1st	3,585	1,839	492	5,916	Trinity	0	0	0	0
rings	17,044	3,141	531	20,716	Union Valley	3,211	1,000	0	4,211
ock	4,603	1,611	1,250	7,464	Valley View	3,300	2,797	1,159	7,256
eld	74,792	31,753	2,559	109,104	Waldens Creek	450	400	200	1,050
il	2,473	2,334	1,494	6,301	Walnut Grove	3,527	1,504	1,148	6,179
	27,185	16,772	664	44,622	Wears Valley	2,599	9,088	540	12,228
ouse 1st	7,467	0	0	7,467	Williamsburg	310	0	0	310
s Chpl	2,801	3,564	918	7,283	Zion Grove	0	0	0	0
	450,864	175,440	27,737	654,041	Zion Hill	6,341	3,638	410	10,389
Salem Baptist Association					Total	393,598	455,497	92,748	941,843
	12,033	3,695	1,186	16,914	Shiloh Baptist Association				
	7,059	888	293	8,239	Adamsville 1st	34,584	12,659	2,514	49,757
	5,128	536	252	5,916	Bethel Springs 1st	6,776	2,344	781	9,901
ill	300	73	68	441	Bruton Branch	1,625	0	0	1,625
Chpl	0	0	0	0	Butler's Chpl	1,372	1,495	483	3,350
	400	1,003	2,052	3,455	Center Hill	5,397	676	500	6,573
own	1,308	1,428	100	2,836	Central	4,664	1,759	1,809	8,232
ek	10,226	7,955	4,500	22,681	Chapel Hill	0	0	0	0
a Chpl	3,479	2,215	0	5,694	Chewalla	10,589	3,237	0	13,826
	0	0	0	0	Clear Creek	2,495	6,089	882	9,465
ithville	100	273	0	373	Counce 1st	40,967	5,111	0	46,078
reek Mem	2,616	2,515	432	5,563	Crump 1st	1,741	0	0	1,741
ad	3,580	0	1,965	5,545	Eastview	684	380	0	1,064
Chpl	0	0	0	0	Falcon	0	452	0	452
il	450	200	100	750	Forty Forks	0	0	0	0
an	1,968	638	552	3,158	Friendship	1,042	1,750	160	2,952
	1,829	688	264	2,781	Good Hope	3,386	2,922	2,648	8,956
me	3,059	1,111	855	5,025	Grace	0	600	0	600
pe	1,323	364	161	1,848	Gravel Hill	8,303	7,524	600	16,427
w	0	0	1,144	1,144	Hopewell	29,382	5,474	2,737	37,593
View	1,890	0	200	2,090	Lakeview	9,905	7,423	0	17,328
y	7,883	4,994	1,367	14,244	Lorraine	431	0	100	531
	13,419	9,607	11,489	34,515	Michie 1st	1,313	2,742	1,137	5,191
le 1st	450	0	162	612	Morris Chpl	2,987	0	338	3,325
le 1st	23,990	10,265	1,649	35,904	Mt Gilead	6,974	1,116	935	9,025
le P. L. B.	113	0	0	113	Mt Hermon	20,089	3,050	143	23,282
il	3,377	932	397	4,706	Mt Zion	3,716	3,167	133	7,017
e	692	363	193	1,248	New Harmony	2,716	1,100	0	3,816
elton	6,687	1,547	512	8,746	New Hope	414	200	0	614
in	6,786	6,980	2,261	16,028	New Prospect	198	0	401	599
Spring	4,481	1,802	321	6,604	Northside	4,878	8,100	725	13,703
ek	0	1,250	1,032	2,282	Olive Hill East	7,637	1,557	1,158	10,352
y 1st	25,214	14,031	4,482	43,727	Olive Hill West	425	179	138	742
il	200	150	150	500	Pleasant Site	911	323	0	1,234
	150,041	75,502	38,138	263,681	Ramer	7,788	4,250	0	12,038
Sequatchie Valley Baptist Association					Savannah 1st	20,466	8,000	1,512	29,978
ill	2,333	2,189	372	4,894	Savannah 2nd	0	539	0	539
st 1st	3,136	1,833	783	5,752	Selmer 1st	18,098	22,706	844	41,649
ngs 1st	450	615	0	1,065	Selmer 2nd	1,231	0	271	1,502
r Cove	585	0	0	585	Sharon	5,250	0	0	5,250
ne	3,792	2,229	145	6,166	Southside	4,691	1,280	1,280	7,251
at	666	795	305	1,766	Temple	683	0	0	683
ey	7,778	5,755	480	14,013	Trinity	150	900	0	1,050
er	458	110	95	663	Turkey Creek	4,862	1,138	262	6,262
rel Flwshp	10,507	2,332	2,793	15,632	Unity	9,425	3,116	1,490	14,030
lle	160	0	0	160	Walnut Grove 1st	595	0	0	595
	31,528	7,459	3,226	42,213	West Shiloh	8,917	1,620	0	10,537
	6,482	1,294	185	7,961	Total	297,756	124,980	23,980	446,716
	0	0	400	400	Stewart County Baptist Association				
anager 1st	1,185	200	200	1,585	Bear Springs	640	247	0	887
t	25,109	7,579	2,706	35,395	Big Rock Msnry	10,164	4,790	500	15,454
9,704	3,943	100	13,747	Bumpus Mills Msnry	0	0	0	0	
on	2,866	2,400	152	5,417	Calvary	0	0	0	0
prings	1,239	3,280	0	4,519	Carlisle Msnry	1,067	637	0	1,704
ry	560	1,365	600	2,525	Corinth	1,173	1,000	0	2,173
	4,755	400	300	5,455	Covenant Flwshp	450	100	0	550
	883	0	0	883	Dover 1st	14,937	6,142	1,940	23,019
1st Southern	23,357	10,109	1,416	34,881	East Oak Grove	0	0	0	0
ity 1st	830	202	830	1,863	Fairview	165	100	100	365
e 1st	2,467	1,502	929	4,898	Hurricane Creek	2,955	932	803	4,690
tsburg 1st	8,427	4,230	2,011	14,667	Lakeview	1,669	1,292	152	3,113
itwell	3,995	2,044	0	6,039	Little Rock	0	0	0	0
1st	17,377	4,792	3,472	25,641	Maranatha	693	131	93	917
	170,628	66,657	21,501	258,785	Midway	311	100	0	411
Sevier County Baptist Association					Mt Sinai	0	0	1,300	1,300
inch	7,184	4,703	1,442	13,329	New Haven	675	340	235	1,250
	3,750	3,302	1,677	8,729	Pleasant Grove	800	211	0	1,011
	2,694	1,347	1,300	5,341	Pleasant Grove Hisp	0	0	0	0
rings	4,283	3,440	500	8,223	Pugh Flat	1,255	100	200	1,555
l	456	199	0	655	Walnut Grove	3,034	1,461	584	5,079
ave	4,364	2,997	2,062	9,423	Total	39,990	17,583	5,907	63,479
ee	0	0	0	0	Stone Baptist Association				
Chpl	3,697	1,138	352	5,188	Bangham Heights	13,651	4,254	1,526	19,432
	0	0	0	0	Baxter 1st	450	380	450	1,280
	1,622	68	0	1,690	Bear Creek	450	320	80	850
	627	0	420	1,047	Brotherton	400	0	0	400
Spring	2,712	200	200	3,112	Cane Creek	698	200	0	898
oad Valley	2,566	1,479	179	4,224	Caney Fork	4,533	3,501	1,172	9,206
1st	10,607	2,102	7,874	20,583	Cedar Hill	5,319	2,308	890	8,517
sk	2,721	558	0	3,278	Church On The Hill	550	0	1,500	2,050
d	4,103	3,620	480	8,203	Colonial View	5,312	2,321	125	7,758
a Chpl	2,860	3,500	1,600	7,960	Cookeville 1st	166,103	50,639	3,992	220,734
ik	5,543	4,500	0	10,043	Cookeville Chinese	0	0	0	0
View	3,085	1,100	750	4,935	Cummins Mill	671	0	0	671
apl	225	100	0	325	Dodson's Branch	0	0	0	0
il	2,196	1,791	1,000	4,987	Double Springs	1,131	0	2,636	3,767
ek	2,730	3,839	2,227	8,796	Eastwood	4,369	2,597	720	7,685
anch	0	0	0	0	Gainesboro 1st	2,355	491	0	2,846
ove	220	216	0	436	Hampton's Crossroads	14,766	2,240	1,675	18,681
	0	3,584	1,530	5,114	Jesus El Buen Pastor	1,470	0	774	2,243
anch	0	0	156	156	Johnson	150	0	0	150
rove	1,577	3,911	1,201	6,689	LifePoint	0	0	0	0
	6,743	0	0	6,743	Midway	4,143	894	1,231	6,268
Msnry	4,219	5,395	2,765	12,378	Mill Creek	450	500	0	950
er	0	0	0	0	Miracle Mtn	0	0	0	0
n	3,030	6,297	2,286	11,614	Monterey 1st	20,345	2,352	922	23,619
	450	100	0	550	Nash Grove	3,160	1,175	1,190	5,525
Creek	4,716	5,074	847	10,637	New Home	3,634	1,919	1,357	6,909
Hollow	1,702	784	0	2,486	Poplar Grove	30,100	2,442	0	32,542
y	1,617	6,636							

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Trinity	285	370	555	1,210
University Heights	0	0	0	0
Verble	824	1,100	500	2,424
Washington Ave	34,731	12,387	5,931	53,049
West View	100	2,674	0	2,774
Westhaven	2,000	827	525	3,353
Wilhite	1,000	2,000	0	3,000
Woodcliff	3,137	1,315	844	5,296
Total	474,280	143,152	66,875	684,307
Sullivan Baptist Association				
Bays Mtn	651	0	1,411	2,062
Blessed Hope	2,115	250	300	2,665
Bloomington	10,600	13,162	4,750	28,512
Calvary	32,506	16,437	1,528	50,470
Cedar Grove Msnry	7,249	3,163	1,244	11,656
Colonial Heights	117,683	55,402	6,656	179,741
Fall Creek	2,272	377	3,088	5,737
Fort Robinson	10,648	4,631	658	15,937
Gibsontown	816	0	0	816
Glenwood	10,183	2,097	489	12,768
Gravelly	4,800	6,699	1,223	12,721
Greenville	100	198	0	298
Higher Ground	6,000	19,493	18,081	43,574
Indian Springs	76,796	90,953	3,290	171,038
Kingsport 1st	91,779	66,863	22,012	

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Mercy Msny	900	500	0	1,400
Mt Vernon	729	0	0	729
Mt Zion	2,528	150	100	2,778
New Life Comm	1,357	0	173	1,530
New Union	25,133	5,869	752	31,753
Ogden	734	4,588	3,623	8,945
Saint Clair	2,907	555	700	4,162
Sale Creek 1st	1,800	50	1,500	3,350
Salem	7,232	2,945	1,480	11,657
Smyrna	5,047	2,427	2,450	9,924
Spring City 1st	13,126	7,194	643	20,963
Union Fork	2,311	0	0	2,311
Walden's Ridge	5,671	1,861	3,665	11,197
Washington	5,272	630	841	6,743
Wolf Creek	11,559	3,532	82	15,173
Yellow Creek	4,791	9,089	2,603	16,483
Total	180,051	75,032	30,942	286,025

Truett Baptist Association

Buffalo	480	0	0	480
Cedar Grove	2,896	1,308	885	5,089
Immanuel	1,850	1,000	400	3,250
Liberty	1,557	1,000	779	3,336
Lifepoint Comm	935	0	0	935
McEwen 1st	4,218	3,226	1,279	8,724
Oak Grove	2,111	903	200	3,214
Pomona	4,838	1,410	731	6,979
Slayden	1,982	493	978	3,454
Sylvia	24,338	1,941	397	26,676
Trace Creek	30,492	16,539	2,635	49,666
United Msny of Gorman	2,349	200	137	2,686
Vanleer	0	0	0	0
Waverly 1st	46,777	26,623	4,570	77,969
Total	124,823	54,642	12,991	192,456

Union Baptist Association

Bear Cove	8,338	14,800	685	23,823
Boiling Springs	2,242	100	16	2,357
BonDeCroft	1,438	0	0	1,438
Cherry Creek	2,086	2,000	1,041	5,126
Doyle 1st	1,350	600	450	2,400
Grace	1,819	0	305	2,125
Greenwood	3,417	2,843	1,173	7,433
Gum Springs	13,716	6,366	1,239	21,320
Hickory Valley	4,442	3,350	3,300	11,092
Hill Road	180	155	584	919
Laurel Creek	4,686	5,013	0	9,699
Laurel Hill	348	200	0	548
Liberty	1,683	400	775	2,858
Ole Bethel	742	318	424	1,485
Pistole	2,407	459	883	3,749
Pleasant Hill	608	777	0	1,384
Rock Comm	5,318	0	0	5,318
Sparta 1st	18,638	14,839	1,989	35,466
Spencer 1st	2,522	1,693	608	4,823
Total	75,979	53,912	13,472	143,363

Watauga Baptist Association

Bakers Gap	1,887	1,222	335	3,443
Beck Mtn	7,322	1,087	0	8,409
Bethany	8,437	10,230	3,243	21,909
Bethel	100	589	270	959
Big Springs	11,314	1,413	707	13,434
Biltmore	2,320	1,157	858	4,335
Butler	1,000	752	372	2,124
Caldwell Springs	9,056	1,438	605	11,099
Calvary	34,715	7,730	956	43,401
Cedar Grove	2,155	455	0	2,610
Central	0	412	702	1,114
Cobbs Creek	2,955	2,498	889	6,342
Doe River	1,602	1,414	0	3,016
Dungan Chpl	8,944	904	0	9,848
East Side	1,734	3,465	706	5,905
Elizabethton 1st	39,230	19,922	2,178	61,330
Elk River	923	519	0	1,442
Fairview	10,043	2,246	1,022	13,311
Grace	40,605	8,543	1,142	50,290
Hampton 1st	5,973	3,479	1,133	10,585
Happy Valley	100	760	19	880
Harmony	3,609	794	0	4,403
Hunter 1st	900	4,377	0	5,277
Hunter Mem	9,852	2,624	643	13,119
Immanuel	13,847	4,495	922	19,264
Little Doe	12,829	3,176	1,039	17,044
Little Milligan	3,485	1,857	929	6,271
Little Mtn	1,449	372	400	2,221
Lynn Valley	0	14,395	3,599	17,994
Lynnwood/Lynnridge Comm	0	0	0	0
Meadowview	0	1,280	260	1,540
Mtn City 1st	18,746	6,105	1,911	26,762
Nelson Chpl	6,613	4,136	0	10,748
North Side	482	100	0	582
Oak Street	17,646	6,405	2,170	26,221
Pine Grove	0	1,587	746	2,333
Pleasant Grove	13,591	4,839	1,924	20,354
Poplar Grove	5,474	509	280	6,263
Powder Branch	55	1,051	500	1,606
Rittertown	5,737	3,408	950	10,095
Riverview	2,731	758	250	3,739
Roan Creek	2,300	2,350	0	4,650
Roan Mtn 1st	6,208	3,160	1,369	10,737
Roan Park	6,620	3,789	587	10,997
Rock Springs	0	200	0	200
Shady Valley	0	2,165	569	2,734
Siam	10,849	5,626	829	17,305
Sink Valley	0	0	0	0
Sinking Creek	3,811	4,512	3,304	11,627
State Line	600	912	25	1,537
Stoney Creek	3,849	0	1,423	5,271
Sugar Grove	450	2,546	1,000	3,996
Unaka	1,197	1,894	496	3,587
Union	10,487	2,888	609	13,984
Walnut Grove	2,019	500	250	2,769
Watauga 1st	744	400	988	2,132
Willow Springs	2,888	1,397	146	4,432
Zion	7,851	1,329	7,632	16,812
Total	367,333	166,172	50,887	584,392

Weakley County Baptist Association

Adams Chpl	4,275	2,830	245	7,350
Beech Springs	1,522	460	3,066	5,048
Bethel	51,428	82,202	28,200	161,830
Bethlehem	0	10,317	1,615	11,932
Bible Union	0	3,856	0	3,856
Calvary	200	0	0	200
Central	29,386	6,426	741	36,553
Corinth	1,890	5,732	523	8,145
Davis Mem	96	200	0	296
Dresden 1st	24,586	6,433	2,331	33,351
Eastside	130	710	0	840
Flwshp	137	20	15	172
Gearin's Chpl	1,650	1,328	444	3,422
Gleason 1st	8,740	6,681	244	15,665

Church	CP	Designated SBC	Designated TBC	Total
Greenfield 1st	24,000	4,323	0	28,322
Harmony	0	0	0	0
Hodges Chpl	0	957	110	1,067
Jolley Springs	3,780	1,508	890	6,178
Liberty	719	600	700	2,019
Long Heights	7,650	1,000	0	8,650
Mack's Grove	4,704	1,521	1,814	8,039
Main Street	0	0	0	0
Moore's Chpl	443	996	303	1,742
New Hope	644	949	309	1,902
New Prospect	1,047	0	106	1,153
New Salem	2,305	500	0	2,805
Northwestern	351	440	334	1,125
Oak Grove	1,125	7,703	4,351	13,179
Old Bethel	1,118	219	120	1,457
Palmer'sville	3,571	264	30	3,865
Pleasant Grove	472	754	100	1,326
Pleasant View	0	0	0	0
Public Well	0	1,218	749	1,967
Ralston	750	802	1,750	3,301
Ruthville	0	384	100	484
Sand Hill	712	405	435	1,552
Sharon 1st	10,211	6,542	1,323	18,076
Sidonia	900	511	351	1,762
Southside	28,766	1,952	2,621	33,339
Thompson Creek	3,300	2,539	506	6,345
Tumbling Creek	6,604	1,503	712	8,819
Union Grove	1,237	0	320	1,557
Victory	150	140	0	290
West Union	450	1,065	401	1,916
Total	229,049	165,989	55,858	450,896

Western District Baptist Association

Bethlehem	1,200	0	185	1,385
Big Sandy 1st	4,332	1,009	100	5,441
Birds Creek	9,800	3,407	1,088	14,295
Buchanan	1,198	483	0	1,681
Central Point	1,631	866	272	2,769
Cottage Grove	10,592	3,110	592	14,294
Fairview	12,977	5,905	1,053	19,935
Faxon	1,235	0	0	1,235
Friendship	953	1,263	425	2,641
Henry	675	323	100	1,098
Jones Chpl	4,735	1,708	620	7,063
Mansfield	1,709	655	160	2,524
Maplewood	19,087	5,332	678	25,097
McDavid Grove	900	1,475	426	2,801
Mt Sinai	1,287	1,045	225	2,557
New Bethel	67	318	216	601
New Harmony	11,151	6,221	0	17,372
New Hope	1,200	1,500	850	3,550
North Fork	4,900	934	380	6,213
Oak Hill	0	500	450	950
Paris 1st	91,306	53,701	13,048	158,056
Point Pleasant	20,514	3,157	800	24,471
Puryear	15,350	5,581	1,800	22,731
Ramble Creek	1,915	1,000	841	3,755
Russwood	899	711	121	1,731
Shady Grove	1,856	216	602	2,673
Spring Creek	150	150	414	714
Springhill	7,609	3,133	3	10,745
Springville	0	4,496	1,450	5,946
Stateline Cowboy	38	0	0	38
Temple	4,424	2,527	411	7,362
Union Friendship	3,167	1,395	245	4,807
West Paris	8,908	3,231	515	12,654
Total	245,764	115,351	28,069	389,185

William Carey Baptist Association

Brogan Ave	1,241	115	179	1,535
Cash Point Msny	8,808	3,989	358	13,155
Comm	450	0	0	450
Donaldson Grove	2,709	1,068	403	4,180
Fayetteville 1st	66,263	9,691	1,820	77,773
Flintville 1st	9,325	8,736	0	18,061
Friendship Southern	574	0	0	574
Hickory Grove	1,352	1,953	202	3,507
Hilldale	102	0	0	102
Howell 1st	1,192	548	0	1,740
Kellys Creek	0	0	0	0
Kirkland	4,174	4,997	1,636	10,807
Lexie Cross Roads	0	0	0	0
Lincoln	3,308	1,457	512	5,278
Macedonia Southern Msny	967	0	39	1,006
Maranatha	1,500	985	0	2,485
McBurg 1st	900	967	800	2,667
Molino	0	0	0	0
Mulberry	0	0	440	440
New Grove	2,262	2,629	493	5,384
New Hope	0	0	2,099	2,099
Oak Hill	4,661	2,776	1,695	9,132
Parks City	15,438	4,838	1,424	21,701
Petersburg 1st	952	1,285	1,359	3,596
Pleasant Grove	160	0	200	360
Pleasant Hill	0	0	8,998	8,998
Pleasant Ridge	892	250	476	1,618
Prospect	18,208	5,199	200	23,607
Stewarts Chpl	6,296	3,256	5,509	15,061
Taft 1st	6,955	440	420	7,815
West End	4,342	1,509	1,500	7,351
Total	163,032	56,688	30,763	250,482

Wilson County Baptist Association

Alexandria 1st	8,868	1,928	461	11,257
Bartons Creek	14,571	11,468	2,513	28,552
Big Springs	357	0	0	357
Calvary	7,216	6,357	1,171	14,745
Cedar Creek	1,064	2,242	780	4,086
Cedar Grove	4,453	2,226	500	7,179
Christ's Servants	0	0	0	0
Comm of Wilson	1,833	17	163	2,013
Crossroads	0	0	0	0
Disciples Of Christ	0	0	0	0
Epsana de Lebanon	0	0	0	0
Fairview	43,872	12,884	340	57,096
Faith	0	1,000	0	1,000
Fall Creek	19,933	4,750	1,343	26,025
Flwshp (W)	458	125	447	1,030
Gladeville	13,833	11,598	100	25,532
Grace	0	875	0	875
Greenville	67	70	246	383
Hillcrest	8,099	86,645	1,169	95,913
Hobson Pike	7,233	4,942	375	12,549
Hurricane	3,116	1,818	0	4,933
Immanuel	150,984	79,116	12,476	242,576
Journey	7,280	0	0	7,280
LaGuardo	11,907	3,207	1,723	16,837
Lebanon 1st	78,254	30,577	13,913	122,744
Lebanon 2nd Msrny	0	0	0	0
Macedonia	1,810	1,150	1,000	3,960
Mt Juliet 1st	120,446	71,175	8,670	200,291
Mt Olivet	6,542	17,106	1,350	24,998

Tennessee couple among recent IMB appointments

By Press

SPARTANBURG, S.C. — Twenty-seven Southern Baptists will cover the globe as they take the gospel to 10 of the national Mission Board's administrative regions following their appointment Sept. 19 during a service at First Baptist Church North Spartanburg.

The event, which kicked off the church's Global Impact Conference, brings the total number of IMB missionaries to more than 5,100. Many of the appointees experienced a variety of international missions, including similar church-related ministries or on volunteer missions.

"When I boarded a plane heading from a short-term mission trip, my heart broke, I wanted to leave, and I realized I had a heart for missions," said one new missionary who will serve in the Pacific Rim region. "I've found no greater joy than sharing the name of Jesus with someone who has never heard."

The missionary is one of many who cannot be identified by name because she serves in a part of the world that is resistant — sometimes even hostile — to a gospel witness.

"We cannot identify the places most of [the new missionaries] are going," said IMB President Jerry Rankin. "Through their professional experience and training and education, they are able to gain creative access to restricted countries to share the gospel of Jesus Christ, many with people who will be hearing it for the first time."

A Tennessee Baptist pastor and his wife from Arlington are among the new missionaries.

Chuck Hoskins II and his

wife, Allison, were appointed as apprentice missionaries and will be serving in South America. Hoskins, pastor of Lifeway Church, Arlington, will serve as a strategy coordinator. He is a former youth minister at Richland Baptist Church, Memphis.

The couple are both graduates of the University of Memphis and he also is a graduate of Mid-America Baptist Seminary, Germantown.

Tom Elliff, IMB senior vice president for spiritual nurture, offered a charge to the new missionaries and congregation during the service.

"There comes a time in the life of every person when God offers you something for which you and you alone are uniquely suited," he told the crowd. "And what a crime — what a tragedy it would be — if that moment finds you either unwilling or ill-prepared for what would be your finest hour. Those of us in this room want to congratulate you, for both your willingness and the

extent of your preparation."

Elliff conveyed his heart's desire: that Southern Baptists will see the day when young people will have many family members and friends on the mission field, whether through partnerships or career missions. He said he believes hearing their accounts of God's work should generate such excitement that, even at a very young age, children will try to find a way to get onto the mission field. He said he prays to see the day when students so desire to serve God they will "make a date" with missions, and not dare do anything that could keep them from going the moment they are old enough.

"You see, it's not about maximums, it's about minimums," Elliff said.

Based on Matthew 9:35-38, Elliff said he believes there are four minimums for mission participation: (1) Christians must be able to see the multitudes as Jesus saw them, like sheep without a shepherd; (2) Christians must be able to feel what Jesus felt as He was moved with compassion; (3) Christians must be willing to acknowledge that while there is a great harvest, there is an overwhelming shortage of those willing to work in that harvest; and (4) Christians must be willing to do as Jesus commands—to both pray and participate through personal involvement. □



C. HOSKINS



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Voter registration deadline is Oct. 8

The voter registration deadline allowing new voters to vote in an upcoming election is 30 days prior to the election.

In the case of the Nov. 7 election, the voter registration deadline falls on Oct. 8, a Sunday. Therefore, people registering at county election commission offices must do so by Friday, Oct. 6, or Saturday, Oct. 7, depending on whether the commission will be open on Saturday.

Voter registrations mailed in must be postmarked by Sunday, Oct. 8. Note that not all post offices accept mail on Sundays and holidays. Check with your local post office for the nearest location that will postmark on Sunday and holidays.

The early voting period for the Nov. 7 election will be Oct. 12-Nov. 2. □ — Linda Lawson

Marriage ...

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The ball is in the court of Tennessee Baptist churches, Porch observed. "The votes to put this over are in our churches," he stressed.

Porch encouraged Executive Board members to challenge their churches and associations to take a lead in the effort.

"If we miss out and don't take a positive stand, I don't know how many more chances we will have to take a stand," Porch concluded. □

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LifeWay sees positive results in ministry, business

Baptist Press

GLORIETA, N.M. — LifeWay Christian Resources reported strong ministry and business results in fiscal 2006, with the retail and church resources divisions leading the way.

In addition, the *Holman Christian Standard Bible* continued to grow in popularity, while more than 5,200 decisions for Christ were recorded at LifeWay's conference centers at Ridgecrest, N.C., and Glorieta, N.M.

LifeWay trustees, in their semi-annual meeting Sept. 11-12 here, heard reports from each of the Southern Baptist entity's divisions and approved a record budget of \$471 million for 2007. Among pending major developments are the release of the *Holman Illustrated Study Bible* and the launch of a new Oracle business system in November.

LifeWay is expected to end the fiscal year Sept. 30 with record revenues of \$447.9 million, 1 percent below budget but 3.5 percent ahead of 2005.

"These are not times for the faint of heart," Thom S. Rainer, LifeWay's president and CEO, said.

"We are in a tough business environment, yet I believe that LifeWay's greatest days are yet to come. For 2007, we will invest in people, ministry initiatives, research, business development, and technology infrastructure that lead us to blue oceans —

those deep waters where significant new ministry and business opportunities lie." □

Churchill to speak at Union event

Union University news office

JACKSON — The name Winston S. Churchill commands immediate attention.

Union University's keynote speaker for the 10th annual Scholarship Banquet shared the name with his late grandfather, the former British prime minister and a man considered by many to be one of the finest leaders and orators of the 20th century.

But looking beyond his familiar name reveals a man who has reported from combat zones, navigated the political waters of British Parliament, and written critically acclaimed volumes.

The 10th annual Scholarship Banquet begins at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 26, at the Carl Perkins Civic Center in Jackson. "Winston Churchill promises to be a captivating speaker," Union

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University President David S. Dockery said. "He will bring our audience a perspective on world affairs that starts with his grandfather's legacy, but is very much based on personal experience as a journalist and historian." □

Evangelism Planner events set for Tennessee

For Baptist and Reflector

BRENTWOOD — Three Evangelism Planner workshops will be held across Tennessee in October, according to Steve Pearson, evangelism specialist for the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

The events are sponsored by the TBC and the North American Mission Board.

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Evangelism Planner is a tool many churches are using to design their plan to evangelize their community and their world, Pearson said.

Sessions will be held:

Oct. 9 — Englewood Baptist Church, Jackson, 10 a.m.-noon (lunch provided, call (731) 668-

1094 for reservations); and tist Center, Brentwood, 8:30 p.m.

Oct. 10 — Pine Eden Baptist Church, Crossville, 10 a.m. (lunch provided, call (931) 1858).

For more information, Pearson at (615) 371-2012.

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MINISTRY — STUDENT

Conservative, growing church in booming community near Cookeville, Tenn., is accepting applications for a bivocational youth director. Send application and resume to Hamptons Crossroads Baptist Church, 109 Stallion Road, Cookeville, TN 38506.

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Minister of youth, part-time, 20+ hours. Bellevue Baptist Church in Nashville. Minister to students, 7th-12 grades. Associate degree required, seminary degree preferred. E-mail resume to youth@bellevuebaptist.com or mail to Lisa Willoughby, c/o Bellevue Baptist Church, 7400 Highway 70 South, Nashville, TN 37221.

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Fairfield Baptist Church's growing youth group is in need of a full-time youth pastor. We offer a competitive salary and are looking for someone with a heart for God, a passion for ministering to and with youth, and a willingness to relocate. Good leadership, communication, and teambuilding skills are a must. Please mail your resume to Fairfield Baptist Church at 1863 Hwy. 100, Centerville, TN 37033 or e-mail us at fairfieldbapt812@bell.south.net.

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Diverse, loving, Southern Baptist church in urban-setting seeking team-oriented minister for youth and parents. Bivocational opportunity looking for passionate evangelist, along with leadership and teaching skills. E-mail resume: youthministerteam@shelbyavebaptist.com.

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Middlefork Road Baptist Church is currently seeking a part-time youth minister. Resumes will be received until Oct. 20. Please send resume with cover letter to Middlefork Road Baptist Church, 3955 Middlefork Rd., Luray, TN 38352.

MINISTRY — POSITIONS

Bird's Creek Baptist Church is seeking a bivocational music director and a minister to students. Please send resumes to Bird's Creek Baptist Church, 2245 Whitlock Road, Paris, TN 38242, Attn: Ray Anderson, Chairman.

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MINISTRY — COMBINAT

Central Baptist Church in Ridge, Tenn., (www.orcbc.org) accepting resumes for the position of minister of music/adults. The church has a live vision broadcast of its Sunday morning worship service on cable TV and a 30-minute broadcast (see www.likethese.org) which airs on entire Greater Knoxville/Burg area twice a week in time. We are looking for a minister who will direct a blended music worship. Please send resumes to bby@orcbc.org or Dr. Mullins, 130 Providence Oak Ridge, TN 37830.

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First Baptist Church, Troy, is seeking a full-time pastoral spiritual growth for adult children. This person will be responsible for the direct development of an adult group ministry that meets on and off campus. He will oversee the children's ministry grades 1-6. We are a church with 450-500 in v. Interested applicants should send their resume to Personnel Committee, First Baptist Church, Box 286, Troy, TN 38260.

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Farley Community Church, growing SBC church in Huntsville, Ala., is seeking a full-time minister of music and youth. Send resumes to Personnel Committee, Farley Community Church, 12302 Bell Road, Huntsville, AL 35803, nel@farleycc.org.

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Central Baptist Church of Tenn., is seeking a youth/college minister. Applicants should have 3 years full-time experience in youth and/or college ministry. Southern Baptist church with a growing church with 250 worship. Our web www.cbcmartin.org. description is available upon request. Send resume to Youth Search Committee, P.O. Box 100, Martin, TN 38237 or youthsearch@cbcmartin.org.

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Eating on the go often means making poor food choices. To make better choices, keep these things in mind:

- Stay away from fast food restaurants and buffets. Being healthy is all about making wise choices: portion control, grilled instead of fried, salad dressing on the side, fresh vegetables instead of fries, fresh fruit for dessert, etc.

- Eat three to five times a day. Be sure to eat breakfast — it doesn't have to be big, just a protein, a carb, and a dairy will kick-start your day. Grab an extra fruit or fruit before you leave home for a mid-morning snack. Eat lunch. Have an afternoon snack and then eat a light dinner.

- Drink plenty of water.

Exercise

Take every opportunity to exercise when you are on the go.

- When traveling by car, take frequent walk breaks at parks, rest stops, tourist sites, etc. If traveling by plane, check in if necessary, and then walk around the airport time to board.

- However you are traveling, it is important to exercise your legs. While sitting, blood can collect in the lower part of your body and create deep vein thromboses (blood clots). Just moving each heel up and down for a minute will pump the blood to the upper portion of your body.

- Most hotels have some type of exercise facility. If not, exercise in your room with a jump rope, exercise ball, or a DVD.

Sleep

It can be difficult to get a good night's sleep when you are away from home. Some tips for improving sleep:

- Exercise more than one to two hours before bedtime.

- Don't eat a big meal just before going to bed.

- Bring your pillow from home. Sometimes that is all you need.

- Bring some "white noise" to drown out unfamiliar noises. This might be radio music played very low or a "white noise" that you can pick up in stores.

Remember, if you have to be on the go, get going on wellness. □ — Quintana is director of the employment wellness program for GuideStone Financial Resources.

a way with words

hat's in a name?

Hugh X. Lewis

Your father left you with his name;

it was all he had to give.

Remember that it never comes to shame

as long as you shall live.

Well, this name now belongs to you —

Wear it proudly and with pride.

Your name that if you live up to

the gift is justified.

To keep the name untarnished then

as his father gave to him.

Your children will be honored when

you pass it on to them. □

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Pass on the baton

By Craig Christina

Focal Passage: Joshua 24:14-28, 31

One of the greatest challenges facing those in leadership positions is knowing how to pass on the baton. Some key leaders don't want to give up their responsibilities when the time comes. Others never learn how to empower the next generation to lead with the same level of love and sacrifice. Still others try to recruit fresh leadership, only to fail in the process.

Before Joshua exits the scene, God reveals — through Joshua — several insights in how to prepare and equip the next generation to lead.

Remember the positives. Before Joshua asks the people to do anything, he reminds them of the positives. He actually gives the people a history lesson as he recalls all that the Lord has done for them (vv. 1-13). In other words, he motivates the people by helping them to refocus their hearts on their great and awesome God.

Before we ask people to serve God in leadership positions, we need to give them a little history of how God has been (and is currently) at work in the church. God has led us to this point, and now He has prepared you for even greater things in the days ahead. Every congregation has experienced negatives, so remind the people of the Lord's faithfulness to them.

Restate the pattern. Joshua never asked the people to do anything that he wasn't willing to do himself.

He set an example for them when he publicly declared, "As for me and my family, we will worship the Lord" (v. 15). Joshua was offering a pattern for leadership by explaining that he had sacrificed other things in order to put God first in his family.

Younger generations need to be challenged to put Christ first. Instead of simply preaching to them about it, demonstrate it as well. Be honest about the challenges and the joys of living passionately for Jesus. We are always blessed when we decide as a family to worship the Lord only and put Him first.

Remove the pitfalls. Godly leaders understand that putting Christ first means other things will be sacrificed. We can't worship God and sports, God and the river, or God and money. We must remove those idols and activities that preclude our participation in leadership.

Joshua clearly articulates the necessity of purging our hearts, our minds, and our schedules of those things that compete with God (v. 14). Joshua actually restates this imperative three more times in different ways (vv. 19-20, 22-23). "God is a jealous God" (v. 19). We cannot follow Him or lead others to follow Him unless He takes first place.

Renew the pledge. Because the people were willing to accept these conditions, Joshua led them to renew their covenant with the Lord (vv. 25-27). When others are asked to lead, they need to be willing to make a commitment.

Be obedient

By Bob Orgeron

Focal Passage: Hebrews 3:16-4:13

The ancient Israelites failed to remain true to God, which resulted in 40 years of wandering in the wilderness. Verse 17, states that the bodies of these fell in the wilderness and a new generation was raised up under the leadership of Joshua, who led them into the Promised Land. In the context of chapter 3, verses 11 through chapter 4, verse 13, the promise land is designated as a land of rest.

The term "rest" in chapter 3, verses 16 through 19 is obviously referring to the Promised Land, but in chapter 4, verse 1 through 13 the reference is to yet another "rest." LifeWay commentary writer Kendal Easley states: "This 'rest,' most likely designates the new, fulfilling life Christians enjoy, including the inner peace that accompanies forgiveness of sin (Easley, p. 41).

This week we will see, the parallel between the believers entering into God's "rest," by faith and obedience, contrasted with unbelievers disobeying and failing to enter into God's rest.

Examples of disobedience, vv. 16-19. In the opening passage we find in verses 16 through 19 five rhetorical questions. It is obvious that these five questions are not seeking information but are rather pointing to information commonly known.

This rhetorical device is used to warn the reader of the disobedience of the ancient Israelites and the consequences of such disobedience. It is interesting to note, that the first question is answered by the second question and the third question is answered by the fourth question. And the writer uses the fifth question to

draw the reader back to chapter 3, verse 11. He repeats in verse 18, what he had previously stated in verse 11, *As I swore in My wrath, 'they shall not enter My rest.'* The emphasis here is that the ancients had heard the teachings and instructions of God and disobeyed. The reminder that disobedience carries a high price follows this example of disobedience. Verse 19, plainly says, ... *they were not able to enter the promised rest due to their unbelief.* Verse 17 reveals the severe consequence in that an entire generation of people fell in the wilderness in unbelief.

Concern for obedience, vv. 4:1-7. The negative example used in the five rhetorical questions serves as a warning to the first-century believers. Certainly, the disobedience of the former generation was a challenge to these first-century believers to walk in obedience before the Lord. At all cost they must avoid making the mistake of their forefathers. Throughout the passage, the writer employs the theme of "rest."

First, there is the failure of the ancient Israelites to enter into "rest" which is clearly a reference to the days of the Exodus from Egypt and the wilderness wanderings. Next, in chapter 4, verse 1, the promise of rest is offered to the first-century believers. Then in verse 4, there is a reference to the entrance of God into His rest on the seventh day. And in verse 7, the writer points to a further opportunity for "rest," introduced to the Israelite of David's day, offering an urgent invitation to "entering into the rest of God, today."

Easley states, "rest represented the enjoyment of the blessings of the Promised Land for the first-century believers the writer addresses 'rest,' which most likely stood for the enjoyment of the spiritual benefits of sal-

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Every ministry has a season, and there are times when it may become necessary to step back from our responsibilities. But this is the exception, not the rule. Many Christians quit too easily. When challenges arise, temptations beckon, or inconveniences emerge, they withdraw and walk away. God expects us to commit to leadership and service. Some of our greatest blessings come when we stay the course and allow God to build spiritual muscle instead of wimping out. Joshua erected a large stone as a memorial to their commitment. Perhaps we should give new leaders some token to remind them of their pledge to Christ.

Release the potential. Once the people recommitted to worship God only, it was time to send them out. Joshua didn't follow them home, hover over them, or dictate to them. He allowed them to lead in their own homes and communities.

Let a leader lead. Once we empower someone to serve, we should allow the Lord to release their potential. Yes, they will fail on occasion. But with love and encouragement, godly leaders will succeed in fulfilling God's purposes and you will have passed on the baton. □ — Christina is pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson.

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vation" (Easley p. 41). So then we find a progression between the days of Moses to the days of David to the days of the first-century Christian, to the application of "today," to our contemporary times. Verse 4, speaks to the quality of the "rest," in that God "rested," on the seventh day from all His works. This seventh day "rest," is a symbol of the true rest to come in Christ.

Exhortation about obedience, vv. 4:8-13. Verses 12 and 13 present a strong challenge toward obedience. The writer employs several strong descriptions of God's Word. He makes the important point that God cannot be trifled with. His Word is quick and powerful, is sharper than any two-edged sword, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

The word "open," from verse 13, suggests an interesting word picture according to one commentator. It was used in regard to a criminal trial where a sharp dagger would be bound on the neck of the accused, with the point just below his chin, so that he could not bow his head, but had to face the court. Here the idea is a grave face-to-face encounter with one's judge.

The point is that we each must choose carefully for "everything is open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do." The point is when an unbeliever comes under the scrutiny of God's Word, he will be unavoidably face-to-face with the perfect truth about God and about himself. □ — Orgeron is pastor of Park Avenue Baptist Church, Nashville.

Deaths

◆ **Fred Lee Hawkins Jr.**, 83, of Columbia, a retired International Mission Board missionary, Tennessee Baptist minister, and historical researcher, died Sept. 8 in Columbia. A native of Rockingham, N.C., he graduated from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas; and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N.C. He also worked as minister of music and



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religious education at Immanuel Baptist Church, Knoxville; First Baptist Church, Clinton; and in churches in Texas and N.C. For 30 years, he served in Brazil as a missionary under the Southern Baptist International Mission Board, Richmond, Va. He moved to Columbia in 1985. Since that time he has been a member of Northside Baptist Church.

Leaders

◆ **James E. Ferguson III** recently resigned as pastor of Fruitland Baptist Church, Humboldt. He is available for supply, revivals, or interim work and may be contacted at (731) 723-9295.

◆ **First Baptist Church, Smithville**, has called **Mark Bass** of Clinton as pastor effective Sept. 3. A graduate of Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, and Dallas Theological Seminary, Texas, he and his wife Emily served as Tennessee Baptist Convention student missionaries.



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The Basses also served as teaching missionaries in Honduras. Mark additionally has served as a pastoral intern at Stevens Street Baptist Church, Cookeville, and on the staff of a church in Dallas.

◆ **Poplar Heights Baptist Church, Jackson**, has called **Patrick McGill** as pastor effective Sept. 10.

Churches

◆ **Pine Grove Baptist Church, Wildersville**, will hold revival Oct. 1-4. John Adams, pastor, East Union Baptist Church, Jackson, will speak.

◆ **First Baptist Church, Halls**, will hold revival Sept. 24-27. Jerry Drace, evangelist of Humboldt, will speak.

◆ **First Baptist Church, Kenton**, will hold revival Sept. 24-27. Brady Weldon of Martin will speak and Robby Myrick of

Pascagoula, Miss., will lead the music. For more information, call the church at (731) 749-5780.

◆ **Gates Baptist Church, Gates**, will celebrate 100 years of service Oct. 22 during morning worship. William H. (Bill) Smith, former pastor, will speak, and John Yates of Enterprise, Ala., will lead the music. In addition to the celebration, the church will hold a revival Sept. 24-27. Robert Johnson will speak, and David Fowlkes will lead the music. For information, call Jerrell Dawson, pastor, at (731) 836-9887.

◆ **First Baptist Church, Livingston**, will hold a revival Oct. 1-4. Steve Pearson of the Tennessee Baptist Convention staff will speak. Ryan Aldridge, interim minister of music, will lead the music. For information, contact, Don Cobb, pastor, at dlcobb@fbclivingston.com.

Statewide Events

◆ **Christian Women's Job Corps (CWJC) of Nashville** is the recipient of the top 2006 National Samaritan Award from the Acton Institute. The organization, begun by the Woman's Missionary Union, will receive a \$10,000 grant. In addition, the Knox County Baptist Association's CWJC, known as "A Hand Up for Women" in Knoxville, received a grant as part of 2006 National Samaritan Award finalists. The Acton Institute is a nonprofit, ecumenical think tank located in Grand Rapids, Mich.

◆ **Humanitarian** Henri Landwirth, a Nazi concentration camp survivor, is visiting with children of the **Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes**, Brentwood campus, Sept. 19-20. Landwirth is a part of Dignity U

Wear Foundation which provides "brand new clothes for brand new life" to children and families in crisis. The foundation has provided approximately \$30,000 worth of clothing to TBCH over the past two years.



LOUISE PULLIAM of Bolivar sits on a motorcycle after riding for her 85th birthday. The surprise gift was arranged by friends from West Shiloh Baptist Church, Stantonville, on Aug. 27. Louise and her husband, James, are members of the church where James leads the music. Ray Wood, fellow member, is the driver and owner of the Harley Davidson. The Pulliams have served the church six years traveling 42 miles each Sunday to serve it.



HONORED FOR 10 YEARS of perfect Sunday School attendance are, from left, Kelsie Smith and Brittany Smith of North Fork Baptist Church, Shelbyville. They were honored recently by Rick Lamb, SS director. Kelsie and Brittany are sisters and the daughters of Troy and Cindy Smith. Kelsie is a 7th grader and Brittany a senior. Both girls are very involved with basketball, but no matter where they are playing, they always find a church and attend Sunday School.



THIS YOUTH TEAM of Ewtonville Baptist Church, Dunlap, served in New Orleans, La., helping victims of last year's hurricanes. They helped the pastor of New Salem Baptist Church, repair his house and another family work on their house. Following them was a team of adults from the church. Team members are, from left, first row, Jessica Dildine; Carli Swanger; and Brittany Davenport; second row, Jason Dildine, youth pastor; Aaron Basham, and Mayo McGovern; third row, Brian Kearns, senior pastor; Katherine Kiper, Joshua Key; Will Kiper; and Zak Key.



NEW DEACONS OF Eastanallee Baptist Church, Riceville, are, from left, Wylie Richardson, Chad McKeenhan, John Brock, and Heath Frazier. They were ordained Aug. 27.



BREAKING GROUND on Sept. 10 are members of Rock Hill Baptist Church, Lexington. The church will build a new Sunday School annex which will include a multi-use auditorium. Deacons on the row are, from left, Danny Garner, Sammy Scott, Bobby Maners, and Jimmy Stanfill.



MEMBERS OF THE WOMAN'S Missionary Union of Big Hatchie Baptist Association, Covington, stand recently with the Nyoun family from the Sudan who is living at the Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes, Bartlett campus. The WMU members brought these four bicycles and one tricycle to the family. The gifts were donated by the churches in Big Hatchie Association. WMU members pictured from left, Sally Wood, Gail Yarbrough, Frances Fitzhugh, Mary Sam White, Ora Dell Smith, and Wright. The mother and seven children escaped war in the Sudan. Mr. Nyoun is still there fighting as far as the family knows.