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# BLOOD RIVER REVIEW

NEWSLETTER OF BLOOD RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



- March 2 - Robin LaChance, Bethel*  
*7 - John Bedwell, Spring Creek*  
*11 - Charles LaChance, Bethel*  
*13 - Erin Clark, BEM*  
*21 - Bonnie Coffenberry, Pleasant Hope*  
*23 - Mark Thweatt, New Bethel*  
*28 - Leslie Miles, Northside*  
*30 - Rob Ison, Poplar Spring*  
*31 - Doug Sanders, Bethlehem*

#### *Staff Anniversaries*

- 1st Sunday - Brad Walker, Briensburg, 2010*  
*2nd Sunday - Ed Chapman, The Spring, 2013*  
*Damian Alvarez, el Manantial, 2015*  
*4th Sunday - Shawn Hanes, Cherry Corner, 2010*

#### *Wedding Anniversaries*

- Randy & Karen Kuykendall, West Fork*  
*March 18, 1978*
- Duane & Carolyn Holland, Holly Hills*  
*March 30, 1968*



## Children's Pinewood Derby

**March 12, 2016**

**9:00 a.m.**  
**Dexter Baptist Church**  
**Dexter, KY**



*April 24,*  
*2016*

**Elva:** "We had a great Baptist Men's Day and we thank everyone who participated: speakers, cooks, and eaters. Our youth are busy. They hosted a spaghetti supper to raise money for future projects and the boys have started a basketball team. We have a group going to Ronald McDonald House in Memphis on March 12th. We are collecting change in baby bottles for Hope Clinic. We are doing the 'War Room' bible study on Wednesday nights for the next five weeks."

**Flint:** "We are searching for a part-time Youth Director. If interested, contact Bro. Glenn Cope at 270/759-2401 or mail a resume to him at 1406 Flint Rd., Murray, KY 42071."

**New Bethel:** "Upwards Basketball has started, with lots of kids, parents and grandparents participating and/or attending—lots of fun for everyone. On January 13th, Lifeline Screening was back here at New Bethel with lots of folks taking advantage of the opportunity to have their health checked out. On January 17th, we had the Birthday Bash, celebrating everyone's birthdays in the PLC, with Fellowship, Prayer, Devotion, Games and Cake and Ice Cream. On January 31st, in the evening service, we observed the Lord's Supper as ordained by Christ Jesus. Our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering went well and now we're filling up baby bottles with change for the Haven of Hope, HOPE Clinic."

Breakfast Fellowship returns on February 7th. Our Valentine's Banquet is February 13th. The Marriage Retreat in Branson, MO is February 19th-21st. The New Bethel Men's Breakfast is February 28th at 9:00 a.m. in the PLC. Secret Pal for our New Bethel ladies will be starting soon. Thank you Lord for sending Brother Mark and Jackie here to New Bethel. We love and appreciate them."

**New Zion:** "John 3:16 'For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' Old man winter may be at it again but it hasn't slowed us down here at New Zion. Our youth group began their drama practice. Rachel Lane is active in her women's jail ministry and John Harpole in the men's jail ministry. Van Russell's Sash Ministry is sharing the gospel at Green Acres, Heritage Manor, Generations, and Hills Manor Nursing Homes. We verbally read through the Bible again and it took us 84 hours and 20 mins. Special thanks to all the timers and each one who participated. Feb. 14th @ 9:30 a.m. Glad Heart will perform for Valentine's Day and our cooks will be preparing pork loin for our annual Valentine's supper. Due to the snow our Senior Saints had to postpone the crowning of their King and Queen for 2016 and will reschedule. The construction on our new church is moving right along and we hope to be in it by this fall. On Jan. 31st we had 196 in Sunday School and give God the glory for this great number. March 6th we will be showing the movie War Room in our pm services @ 5 o'clock. With Feb. being the month when we show love for one another let us remember the greatest gift of all and if you get the opportunity share this gift with someone. Happy Valentine's Day!"

**Oak Level:** "Brother Tanner Dikin will be ordained to the Gospel Ministry on March 13th at 2:00 p.m. at Oak Level Baptist Church. Your ordained people are invited along with anyone who would like to attend. Bro. Dikin is a member here and has been called to the Open Door Baptist Church in Mayfield."

**Pleasant Valley:** "Follow the yellow brick road . . . . .that is what we will be doing on Saturday, February 20, 2015. Our annual Sweetheart Banquet will be taking place. The Wizard of Oz is the theme. Everyone looks forward to the dinner and show that the youth put on under Robin Bedwell and Deanna Pearson's leadership. It is always an opportunity to invite folks to come to church and a message in the show to point to following the road to Christ. Bro. Jack and Jana received answer to prayer for their granddaughter when the doctors said she had a tumor on her heart. Their first response was to go to God in prayer and turn to others to join them in prayer. The follow up appointment the following week showed the tumor had turned into a calcium deposit. We had some Holy Hands going up in praise Wednesday night. The doctors never have the final say. We always have hope where there is God and confirms our faith that there is much power in our prayers. Christian Byars and Hope Pratt made the All Star basketball team recently. We are always proud of our youth's personal achievements. They represent not only their school teams well but God's spiritual team. They are active in church in attendance and the activities. May God richly bless all of our efforts and we honor Him thru our efforts."

**Sugar Creek:** "*Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.*" 1 John 4:7 The month of February brings about love and there is no love like God's love. We hope everyone is staying safe and healthy and hopefully we will have some warmer weather soon. Bro. Jordan is teaching on Romans during our Wednesday night bible study, he is doing a wonderful job of going in to depth about our faith and belief in Jesus Christ. Any one is invited to join us for this bible study each Wednesday night at 7:00 pm. Our youth is planning to attend youth camp this year at Centrifuge at the Union University in Jackson TN (12 students and 3 adults), and there are several fund raisers going on to help pay for this camp. If anyone is interested in helping with the cost of this camp, please contact Bro. Austin Chapman via text/phone call at 270-205-8108 or you can email him at [broaustinc@gmail.com](mailto:broaustinc@gmail.com). We had to cancel our Valentine's Dinner and Dessert Competition due to the weather, but have rescheduled it for February 21 at 6:00 p.m. The Baptist Men's Day breakfast was a huge success this year, with approximately 63 coming out to eat breakfast that was prepared by the men. We had a church wide Sunday school class following the meal. What a delicious meal and fellowship was enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to everyone who helped with this event. We are excited about everything that is happening at Sugar Creek and look forward to what God has in store in the coming months. We would like to welcome Del Fleming to our Sugar Creek family. Remember: *'Worry ends when faith in God begins.'*"

**Symsonia:** "We have Bible studies going on for men and women now. We are collecting change for the Hope Center as we observed Sanctity for Human Life and are also collecting items for Bag's of Hope. Our men enjoyed our annual Men's Breakfast. Ike Murphy was our guest speaker for the breakfast. Allie Prick shared with us during the worship service."

**Yanzora:** "With all the beautiful snowfalls for the month, some of our activities were cancelled, but it was great to get back to the Lord's house and enjoy the fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Several of our members attended the Gospel singing at Grace Baptist on January 15. Bro. Bill's daughter, Michelle, had surgery in Louisville and is doing great. We praise the Lord for all He has done for her. It is so good to see her singing in the choir again. On the fifth Sunday, we enjoyed Bro. Tim and Mrs. Clayton, who did a mini concert for us, along with our own people who rendered specials. Bro. Tim and Mrs. Clayton did a special on the piano and it was great. Following the service, we met in the family life center for cake and ice cream to celebrate birthdays for Carolyn Pitt, Bro. Bill, Bro. Carl, and Darrell and Tracy Puckett's anniversary."



**JUNE 18-23**  
**Calloway County**

**CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE:  
bloodriverassoc.org**



**Children/Youth Skate Night  
3rd Thursday each month  
6:30 - 8:30 pm  
Circus Skate in Murray**

**Church Leader for your group must attend.  
Cost: \$3.00/person, sponsored by BRBA**

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**CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS:**

<i>Grace</i>	<i>Hamlet</i>
<i>Ledbetter</i>	<i>Old Salem Road</i>
<i>Salem</i>	<i>Union Ridge</i>

**WELCOME NEW PASTORS:**

*Jack Henshaw, New Mt. Carmel*



Wednesdays - 9:00 a.m. Ministers' Prayer Fellowship, BRBA  
Mar. 5, 10:00 a.m. - Children's Ministry Day, BRBA  
Mar. 6 - Pastors' Wives Appreciation Sunday  
Mar. 7, 9:00 a.m. - Evangelism Conference, Southside, Princeton  
Mar. 10, 6:30 p.m. - Mission Board Mtg., Owens Chapel  
Mar. 12, 9:00 a.m. - Children's Racer Event, Dexter  
Mar. 13 - Daylight Savings Time begins  
Mar. 14, 6:30 p.m. - KBC Mobilization Partnership Dinner, BRBA  
Mar. 15, 8:00 a.m. - KBC Mobilization Partnership B'fast, BRBA  
Mar. 20 - Palm Sunday  
Mar. 25 - Good Friday, Office Closed  
Mar. 27 - Easter  
Apr. 8-9 - KY WMU Annual Mtg., FBC Madisonville  
Apr. 14, 6:30 p.m. - Mission Board Mtg., Briensburg  
Apr. 19, 5:00 p.m. - Retired Ministers/Wives, Sirloin Stockade, Murray  
Apr. 24 - On Mission Celebration  
Apr. 25, 9:00 a.m. - Quarterly WMU Mtg./OMC, New Zion  
May 1 - Senior Adult Sunday  
May 8 - Mother's Day  
May 12, 6:30 p.m. - Mission Board Mtg., Kirksey  
May 14, 8:00 a.m. - Men's Breakfast, New Harmony  
May 15-22 - Associational Missions Week, William Skinner Offering  
May 29 - Kentucky Changers Sunday  
May 30 - Memorial Day, Office Closed

***PASTORS WIVES  
APPRECIATION SUNDAY  
MARCH 6, 2016***

***Let your Pastor's wife know how  
much you appreciate her.***



**THE  
BLOOD RIVER ASSOCIATION  
MISSION BOARD MEETING  
WILL BE HELD ON  
MARCH 10, 2016  
OWENS CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH  
6504 AIRPORT R.D.  
KIRKSEY, KY 42054  
MEAL/ FELLOWSHIP - 6:30 PM  
BUSINESS MEETING - 7:15 PM**

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February 15, 2016

Things are running smooth at the office. I hope I did not jinx it. However, all is well. We are knee deep in planning several missions and activities. Don't forget that the "On Missions Celebration" is just around the corner. We have 40 churches who are participating and for that I am grateful. It is good to hear from the actual missionaries that we support through the Cooperative Program giving. It takes place on April 24. Our Kentucky Changers Team is meeting once a month and are working around the clock to make sure all is in place. We still need workers and we are in dire need of finances. If your church can help in any way we would greatly appreciate it. Some churches are taking up special offerings for this ministry. The Mission trips have been made and are ready for all to sign up and go. There is Monticello, Fort Wayne, Inez, Jerusalem Project as well as Kentucky Changers for you to choose from. These trips are all in the summer months. We have one planned for September to Oneida which is in Eastern Kentucky. We would love for you all to join us in reaching our world for Christ. I hope that the snow days are behind us. According to Punxsutawney Phil they are. Spring should be here soon. We had a great executive board meeting at Bethel last week and the harmony was wonderful. It is great to know that our sister churches are in one accord. Our Baptist Builders breakfast was last Saturday and was well attended. We discussed upcoming projects and ate a lot of biscuits and gravy. Yum yum. The Pinewood Derby racecar event is coming up in March. You all need to come by the office and pick up your cars for the race. It is for all ages including adults. What an opportunity to interact with the children and youth of your church. We also provide every third Thursday a skate night at Circus Skate in Murray just for our churches. It is 3 dollars per person and you are welcome to invite guests to come. Our clocks turn back on March 13 that way it will be lighter longer which will allow us to get outside a glance at the wonders of God's creation. Easter falls in the month of March as well. This is a special time for all believers as we celebrate the resurrection of our Savior. The Western Kentucky Evangelism Conference will be March 7th at Southside Baptist Church in Princeton, Kentucky. For more information you can contact us here at the office. The Associational annuals are here and ready for your churches to pick up. I am so proud of our churches and pastors for all the great work that we do together. Through our efforts many have the opportunity to hear the Gospel. My prayer is that many will come to Christ this year. Continue to pray without ceasing for all that is taking place here at the association.

Bro. Tim



March 15, 2016

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