

# BLOOD RIVER REVIEW

NEWSLETTER OF BLOOD RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



*August 2 - Roger Rice, Altona*  
*4 - Chrystie Chapman, The Spring*  
*14 - Jason Medley, Sharpe*  
*16 - Tim Cole, BRBA*  
*16 - David Little, Dexter*  
*21 - Ryker Wilson, Locust Grove*  
*22 - Rick Yanbrough, Ledbetter*  
*22 - Ginger Severns, Memorial*  
*23 - Cassie White, Lakeview*  
*29 - Randy Kuykendall, West Fork*  
*29 - Charles Miles, Sinking Spring*

#### *Staff Anniversaries*

*1st Sunday - Mark Fluweatt, New Bethel, 2013*  
*2nd Sunday - Todd Dotson, Olive, 2013*  
*4th Sunday - Rick Johnson, New Bethel, 2015*  
*Duane Holland, Holly Hills, 2010*

#### *Wedding Anniversaries*

*Brad & Robin Walker, Briensburg*  
*August 2, 2003*

*Roger & Janice Rice, Altona*  
*August 4, 1973*

*Curtis & Marlene Rice, Kinksey*  
*August 6, 1966*

*Larry & Ann Salmon, Coldwater*  
*August 9, 1969*

*Ryker & Jennifer Wilson, Locust Grove*  
*August 11, 1998*

*Jonathan & Erin Clark, BEM*  
*August 13, 2005*

*Tim & Tammy Cole, BRBA*  
*August 20, 1982*

*Terry & Jo Ann Josteyn, Scotts Grove*  
*August 22, 1987*

*Doug & Sarah Sanders, Bethlehem*  
*August 23, 1986*

**WMU QUARTERLY MEETING**

**JULY 25, 2016**

**7:00 PM**

**GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**MURRAY, KY**

**EVERYONE INVITED!**



**Blva:** "We are being 'Submerged' next week. Our VBS begins Sunday night July 24th and goes thru Thursday July 28th. We will serve supper each night from 5:00 - 5:45 and classes from 6:00 - 8:30. Our family night will be Friday night at 6:00. Our VBS Kick-off/Back to School Bash will be Saturday, July 23 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00. All are invited."

**Kirksey:** "We will host VBS from July 23-24, Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday after lunch group will go to City Park Pool. Parents can pick up children at 3 pm at City Park or at the church at 3:15."

**New Bethel:** "During the week of June 7th, our New Bethel Youth, along with Rachel Solomon, participated in Centrifuge at Union University in Jackson, TN—our Youth Group may be small in number but they are great in heart. On June 7th, our Young At Heart Seniors went to Country Crossroads in Murray on their monthly outing and found that the food was still just as good as it was when it was in Hardin. On June 12th, in the morning service, Job and Tosha McWenters spoke about their Mission endeavor to Eastern KY, where they, along with their children Kaelyn and Ziley, plan to serve as Missionaries at God's Appalachian Partnership in McDowell, KY. Also on June 12th, the evening service was a Fellowship Picnic Service at Mike Miller Park. New Bethel Boy's Basketball Camp was June 13th-15th and it was a great time for the kids and everyone involved. June 22nd was Mexican Night for our WOW and Alpha children's classes—these are precious kids. On June 25th, we had our VBS, Pets Unleashed, where Jesus Cares For You. This year it was a one day event from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and everyone there had a great time. Lord we thank you for Brother Mark and Jackie—what a blessing they are."

**New Zion:** "Hebrews 13:1 'Let brotherly love continue.' Summer greetings from New Zion! We hope everyone has had enough rain because we are in prayer that it moves out of here for a while. The storms left their mark on so many with flooded homes and vehicles, tree damage and washed out roads. Even with the power out we still came together and held our Wed. night mission services and with the bridge washed out by the church, many found their way to attend Sunday worship services. Our homecoming was such a blessing this year and if you missed it, you truly missed out. Vacation Bible School was a huge success with great numbers, great lessons and snacks, and the penny war between the girls and boys ended up with the boys winning. Girls start saving those coins for next year. Special thanks to everyone who worked so hard to bring 'Submerged' together. Our mission team shared their experience with us on two separate evenings due to vacations and what a blessing their testimonies were. We had 15 on the mission field this year. June 19th we recognized our Fathers and Austin Joseph was the youngest and Bro. Rose the oldest. July 14th the Senior Saints are headed to Lamberts to catch some flying rolls. July 31st the Bus Ministry will hold a water play day with balloons, games and snacks. Our WMU ladies are making blankets for our bus kids and a sew date will be announced soon. Our new church building is so close to being complete. God is doing amazing things here at New Zion and we ask that you be in prayer for us as we make the move in a few weeks. Our nation is seeing so many horrible acts of hatred and there is so much sickness and sorrow, so let us remember those four words in Hebrews 13:1 'Let brotherly love continue.'"

**Pleasant Hope:** "It has been another busy month here with some helping with KY Changers in Calloway CO. then some members helped with the Jerusalem Project right here in our own Blood River Baptist Association. There were 3 VBS's, breakfast, lunch and dinner served up each day, a home pressure washed, lawn work, landscaping and more. We also started a Wednesday Worship for Youth and had such great response that we decided to continue until school starts. We also have some going on the Mission Trip to Inez, KY Haven of Rest, and started our snack packs for Jonathan Elementary again. Remember God Loves You and sent His Son to die just for you and me."

**Pleasant Valley:** "Summer has been sizzling here at Pleasant Valley. We roasted some hotdogs and smores on a camping trip this past month. The kids had a great time and Bro. George did a devotional at breakfast time over some biscuits and eggs. We want to say a special thanks to Ron and Deanna Pearson for the use of the camper and to Robin Bedwell for her assistance. Bro. George had his first VBS with us and inspired us all with an every evening saying of "Praise the Lord, Glory Hallelujah, and Goodness Gracious". It was so catchy one of the workers answered her phone at work that week with a Praise the Lord greeting! It was a wonderful time. We had kids that had never came

to our church in attendance as well as our own faithful youth. It was a thing of beauty to see such teamwork from the Yummy Kitchen crew who waited on us band and foot, to the pretty craft works, missions, recreation, drama and the teaching of God's word. Anyone that has ever worked one of these events knows it is exhausting but such a blessing. We had a fellowship on July 3 where we were going to shoot off fireworks but was canceled due to rain. Baptists always have a plan B ready and we did with a good game of volleyball. We do plan to reschedule the fireworks on July 13 following a fish fry to welcome Bro. George and Joan Culp. We are so happy they accepted the call to be our Pastor and wife and look forward to where God will lead us."

**Salem:** "Our week with the Kentucky Changers went well. We were blessed with a wonderful group of young adults and crew chiefs who built a much-needed ramp for some folks in our community. It was a hot week for them to work, but it was a very productive week throughout Calloway County. On Celebration night we got to hear from the homeowners who really appreciated all the work that was done. Then Vacation Bible School the last week in June was a blast! The children enjoyed all the activities, and it was a blessing to all who helped. Family night consisted of a bouncy house, a petting zoo, and lots of pizza and watermelon. The Lord blessed us with a beautiful and cooler evening that last night. Bro. Van Russell came on July 10 while Bro. Lucas took a much-needed vacation. We enjoyed seeing he and Barbara again. Our organist, Carol Miller, has been in the hospital. We are praying for her quick recovery. God is so good to us."

**Scotts Grove:** "1st Corinthians 3:11 "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." We had a real blessing with our Ky Changers in June. 4th of July fireworks on hill was canceled due to weather. By God's glory we were able to have it the following Sunday night after church. The blessings were pouring on us. We had good food, lots of kids with family members, fireworks and best for last witnessing to lost souls. Having back to school bash for the youth with pizza party following. Having 5th Sunday night singing. Come join us, we will have preaching afterwards. God bless you. P.s. Thank you bloodriver association for all the work you do."

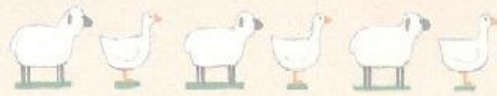
**Sugar Creek:** "I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me." Philippians 4:13. VBS has come to an end and we all had a wonderful time. The kids and adults both had a wonderful time learning about God and participating in so many fun activities. The attendance was great each evening and we collected \$1,600 for Soup for the Soul, what a wonderful blessing that was!!!! Thanks to all the volunteers, teachers, food workers and everyone involved for making VBS such a huge success. During the same week the Kentucky Changers were in Calloway County doing great mission work. We were so blessed to be a small part of that mission and thanks to those who prepared food each day for the workers. I think everyone involved in that was touched in so many ways. That is a wonderful ministry and hopefully Sugar Creek will continue to be involved with them in some small way. Sugar Creek wants to wish Bro. Jordan and Ms. Hailey the very best in their new ministry at Hazel Baptist. You have both been such a joy and blessing to our congregation. May God richly bless you as you continue to serve Him. We have seen Christ's love and compassion through you both. You both will be greatly missed. We are sure God already has someone picked to carry on the work at Sugar Creek and the church will continue to be blessed and continue to grow. We invite everyone to check out our website at [www.sugarcreekmurray.org](http://www.sugarcreekmurray.org). Prayer is the food of life else will fill you when there's nothing left. ~Hermann Steinberg"

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**Bags of Hope Food Pantry**  
**Open Monday & Thursday 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.**  
**4191 Murray Hwy., Hardin KY**

**Please give generously to this ministry,**  
**the need is great.**





## FREEDA HARRIS TOY DRIVE

JULY 25 - NOVEMBER 6

We need new toys, \$10 - \$12 price range, for boys and girls ages 6 mo. - 16 yrs.



Please bring toys to associational office by November 9



Do not wrap toys, you may send wrapping paper, ribbon & tape

Toys will be packed for shipping Nov. 10, 9 a.m., everyone welcome to help pack.



**BROTHERHOOD  
GOLF TOURNAMENT  
WILL BE  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2016**

**MILLER GOLF COURSE**

**7:00 AM**

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR  
MORE INFORMATION AT A LATER DATE**

### CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS:

*Hamlet                      Ledbetter  
Old Salem Road        Sugar Creek  
Vanzora*

### NEW PASTORS:

*Jordan Roach, Hazel*



Wednesdays - 9:00 a.m. Ministers' Prayer Fellowship, BRBA

July 25, 7:00 p.m. - Quarterly WMU Mtg., Grace  
July 25-Nov. 6 - Freeda Harris Toy Drive, BRBA  
Aug. 5 - Deadline for Scholarship Applications  
Aug. 9, 6:00 p.m. - STF Committee Mtg., BRBA  
Aug. 11, 6:30 p.m. - Mission Board Mtg., Locust Grove  
Aug. 13, 8:00 a.m. - Men's Breakfast, Sugar Creek  
Sept. 5 - Labor Day, Office Closed  
Sept. 8, 6:30 p.m. - Mission Board Mtg., Holly Hills  
Sept. 9, 4:00 p.m. - Senior Adult Rally, Dexter  
Sept. 17, 7:00 a.m. - Men's Golf Tournament, Millers  
Sept. 18-23 - Oneida Mission Trip  
Sept. 23, 6:00 p.m. - Pastor/Deacon/Wives Retreat, Flint

## Men's Breakfast



August 13, 8:00 a.m.

Sugar Creek Baptist Church  
1888 Faxon Rd.

Murray, KY 42071

Please call your reservation in to  
the Associational office by  
August 5th, 270-437-4203

**THE  
 BLOOD RIVER ASSOCIATION  
 MISSION BOARD MEETING  
 WILL BE HELD ON  
 AUGUST 11, 2016  
 LOCUST GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
 1871 LOCUST GROVE RD.  
 MURRAY, KY 42071  
 MEAL/FELLOWSHIP - 6:30 PM  
 BUSINESS MEETING - 7:15 PM**

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July 20, 2016  
 The Summer months are the exciting months for ministry at the Association. It is the time for mission trips and many of our church members have participated in this Great Commission. Kentucky Changers was a big event, over 250 participants in hands-on ministry while sharing the Gospel. It is a thrill to know that teenagers have a passion for ministry. As I become older, I realize my responsibility is to pass on the torch. I pray that my efforts have been an influence on others that will continue the ministry when I have long gone. We are to disciple those in our congregation so they will in turn disciple others. The Jerusalem Project was outstanding. We were able to do a backyard bible club in a mobile home park for the first time and it was very touching to see new faces that heard the Gospel. A group of 45 representing 10 of our churches are in the middle of the Appalachian Mountains at Haven of Rest as I write this article. They are spreading the Gospel in five different locations of Eastern Kentucky. They are doing Bible Schools, Block Parties, and construction. Continue to pray for them as they share the Good News of Jesus Christ. We still have one more mission trip planned for September to Oneida if you are interested contact the office. It is time to start collecting new toys for Freedom Harris Center in Lookout, Kentucky. Our association provides Christmas for 1400 underprivileged children. Please participate in this endeavor. God has blessed us in so many ways, we should in turn pay it forward. The WMU is having their quarterly meeting on the 25 at Grace Baptist. They will be discussing how to further their ministry to the Hispanics. There will be a Men's Breakfast on August the 13 at Sugar Creek Baptist Church. All men are invited to attend. We discuss projects for Baptist men on mission to hook up with to promote the awesomeness of Jesus. It is hard to believe that this year is half over and it is now time to start planning next year's calendar. So be looking for your Annual Church Profile to arrive soon. Please make sure it is completely filled out and accurate so that we can process the statistics properly. We will be putting together next year's calendar as well. The Senior Adult Rally will be September 9 at Dexter. This is our biggest event for Seniors and we would love for all of you to attend. You will enjoy the entertainment that we have lined up for that event and you won't want to miss it at all. The Associational Brotherhood Golf Tournament will be on September the 17. All men of our churches are welcome to participate. This is a time for Baptist men to fellowship together. The Pastors/wives and Deacon's/wives retreat will be September the 23 at Flint. This is a time for us to relax and have a good time in the Lord. I want to thank Gilbertsville First Baptist for hosting this month's Executive Board Meeting. There were 21 churches represented. Next month's meeting will be at Locust Grove. Be much in prayer for our churches who are without Pastors. We are also collecting school supplies until the end of the month to give away through our Bags of Hope Benevolence Center. Just bring your items to the Associational office and we will see that they receive them. Our ending balance for the month of June is \$30,655.32. we are still under budget for the year of \$5,565.42. Blood River Baptist Association is alive and well and we continue to make it a priority to reach the world for Christ. We want to see everyone saved. Thanks for all of your interest in the Associational work. This is your Association and I am your missionary. If you ever need me for anything, don't hesitate to call day or night. I am proud to be a part of the Association and I know that you are too. May God bless is my prayer for you.

Bro. Tim



August 15, 2016  
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 You MUST LIMIT your article to 200 WORDS!