



The Link

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THE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
MISSION DRIVEN
CHURCH FOCUSED

May is Associational Emphasis Month. We thank you in advance for taking time this month to choose a week that suits your calendar to pray for the ministries of the Warren Association of Baptists. It is our desire to be a value to our churches and a partner for those churches to reach their Great Commission call from God.

We have developed a PRAYER GUIDE to be used as an insert for your bulletins. We will be happy to print these for your church at no charge. We have offering envelopes available for you as well. The Associational Offering for the next three years will be divided in half. One-half will go toward the debt retirement of the Nueva Vida Hispanic Mission building and the other half will go toward projects to be done in our area by KY Changers coming in June 2013.

Please call the WAB office in you have any questions or to order your inserts and envelopes for your church.



For up-to-the-minute rainout notifications and other softball announcements, "like" Warren Association of Baptists Softball on Facebook.

For a detailed calendar, please visit our website at www.warrenassociation.org



The Link Monthly Newsletter

MAY 2011

Warren Association of Baptists

120th

Semi-Annual Spring Meeting

Tuesday, May 3rd

6 p.m.

Providence Knob Baptist Church

210 Browning Road, Rockfield, KY



Congratulations! 2011 Association Participants

First Baptist Church—NIV

Elizabeth Coleman, Benjamin Daniel*, Becca Geron, Patrick Handley, Jackson Harrell*, Hallie Anna Lindsey, Rachel Redden, Alex Sitz*, Makayla Steward*

Rich Pond Baptist Church—NIV

Ashton Blakeman, Jaren Blakeman, Clayborn Bogle, Karis Bogle*, Lily Burris*, Asmita Gill*, Richard Gill*, Brent McAlister*, Abby Thornton*, Grace Thornton*, Ashtyn Vandiver*

Bethany Baptist Church—KJV

Audrey Evans, Grace Evans, Anna Ragan, Sam Ragan*

Glendale Baptist Church—KJV

Emma Leah Berkley, Ruth Ann Berkley*

Photos on inside page!

* Denotes progressing to State Bible Drill on Saturday, May 7th - 10 a.m. at Bowling Green First Baptist Church

From our Director of Missions

I want to share with you one of the blessings I had lately. As I attended Bible Drill this year, it became apparent to me the value in this event. I was encouraged by children that were 1st to 6th graders that could use their Bibles and quote scripture. Because of Bible Drill, I was blessed to see that there will be a good group of young people who can recall God's Word! In a day when it seems that in the church most are Biblically illiterate, I was blessed because of Bible Drill. Thank you to the children and their hard work as well as those adults that give time to such a great teaching!

Have you heard the "crack of the bat" lately? Its official, softball is back! The WAB softball season began the week of April 25th. I want to say thanks to our Recreation Team for their hard work in getting us up and going! I invite you out to the softball fields; we play Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights.

With Easter behind us, I am encouraged by the churches that participated with this year's FIND IT HERE event. We have seen many lost and disconnected folks prayed for; and over 5,000 *Gospel of John and Romans* scripture booklets delivered by those churches. We must always be aware of the lostness around us!

I am excited about our church plants: Christ Fellowship in Sugar Maple Square (Rich Pond was used to help get this new work going, and they have just celebrated their first year in February); as well as, Community Church at Cedar Springs (Oakland Baptist plant) in the Edmonson County area. They are both doing excellent work for the Kingdom. We have seen Eastwood Baptist plant another campus in the Plano area, temporarily meeting at Plano Elementary School. The first official service was held on Easter Morning. Also, the Church on Main officially began on Sunday, May 1st at the old Emmanuel location. First Baptist is partnering with Hillvue Heights to launch this new work. We have also seen the partnership with Living Hope in the development of churches for two different people groups, Zomi and Chin. Each Sunday, these churches meet in the Living Hope Church building. In a little less than a year, we have seen 6 new congregations started in our area. How awesome it is to be a part of God-sized blessings in the area of new work!

Bible Drill, Softball, Find It Here and Church Planting are a few ways God is using the ministry of Warren Association of Baptists to reach out into our area to expand the Kingdom!

This month is set aside for an emphasis on Associational Missions across our country. I would ask that you and your congregation set aside one week this month and pray for our work at Warren Association of Baptists. We have developed a Prayer Guide that you can use to help lead this effort. These prayer guides come to you at NO COST and are available for you by calling our office and ordering. You may want to have enough to use in your bulletins and we will provide you all you need. We also take a yearly offering during this week as well. This year's offering will be divided between our Building Debit for the Hispanic Building and Kentucky Changers coming in June 2013 to do projects in our area. Thank you in advance for your prayers and support of the Warren Association of Baptists!

In His Name,
Jeff Crabtree



Associational Giving		
<i>The following information is reported as money is received in our office . . .</i>		
Church	Receipts March 2011	Debt Receipts March 2011
Andrew	50.00	
Barren River	200.00	
Bethany	601.13	500.00
BG First Baptist	1,400.00	
BG First Korean	100.00	
Burton Memorial	469.47	
Calvary	200.00	
Clear Fork	171.43	
Dedicated	214.21	
Eastwood	2,743.23	
Faith	66.54	
Forest Park	299.95	
Friendship	302.24	
Glendale	200.00	
Greenwood	797.50	
Hillvue Heights	3,700.00	1,000.00
Iva	48.15	
Living Hope	2,199.48	
Martinsville	100.00	
Oak Forest Church	436.62	
Oakland	500.00	400.00
Plano	308.00	
Plum Springs	50.00	
Providence Knob	1,209.00	
Rich Pond	1,904.75	952.37
Rocky Springs	226.26	
Scottsville Road	100.00	
State Street	75.00	
Woodburn	1,411.71	
TOTALS	20,084.67	2,852.37

Nueva Vida Hispanic Mission			
Weekly Information for March 2011			
Date	Worship	Sunday School	Offering
3/06/11	79	29	472.00
3/13/11	63	28	205.00
3/20/11	64	23	405.00
3/27/11	64	32	259.00
TOTALS	67.5	28	\$ 1,341.00

BULLETIN BOARD

- ◆ The WAB 2010 Annual is complete and can be picked up in the WAB office. Each church will receive one (1) at no charge. Any additional copies are \$3 each.
- ◆ **Iva Missionary Baptist Church**, 124 William Simmons Road, is having a **YARD SALE / BAKE SALE** on Saturday, May 14, from 7 a.m. to Noon. In case of rain, the date will be moved to May 21. The proceeds will be used to send children to CAMP JOY the summer.



If you have something you would like to include in the next Link, the deadline for submission is May 25, 2011.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

NEW GASPER BAPTIST CHURCH is currently seeking a pianist. If interested, please call Rev. Don Cox at 270.202.0258.

VBS SCHEDULE

Please let the WAB office know your VBS dates and we will advertise them for you!

- ◆ **Southside Baptist Church** June 27—July 1
- ◆ **Greenwood Baptist Church** July 18—22
- ◆ **Burton Memorial Baptist Church** July 18—22



CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS

- ◆ Friendship Baptist Church
- ◆ Riverview Baptist Church
- ◆ White Stone Quarry Baptist Church



We rejoice with **Faith Baptist Church** in Scottsville on the calling of their new pastor, Richard Centers on March 16, 2011. Please welcome Pastor Richard along with his wife Donna to the Warren Association and pray for them during this time of transition.

The WAB office will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.