

139th Annual Meeting of the
Sevier County Baptist Association



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Coming Together in love

*"Finally, all of you be of one mind, having
compassion for one another: love as
brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous."*

- 1 Peter 3:8

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Welcome

As we gather for our 139th Annual Meeting, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to each of you for your unwavering support and prayers throughout this past year. It is a privilege to serve as your Associational Mission Strategist, and I am continually amazed by the dedication and faithfulness of our church families.

This year has afforded me numerous opportunities to be a witness in our community. Whether it was helping to provide meals for those in need, offering rides to those without transportation, volunteering at the Pregnancy Resource Center, offering a word of encouragement, or organizing service projects, I have been blessed to see the love of Christ in action. Being actively involved in local ministries has not only deepened my faith but has also allowed me to build meaningful relationships with those we serve.

As I reflect on these experiences, I am reminded of the power of collective effort in advancing the Kingdom of God. The impact we can have when we come together, united in purpose and mission, is truly remarkable. I encourage each of you to consider how you might get involved in volunteering, donating, or supporting our local ministries. There are countless ways to make a difference, and every act of service, no matter how small, contributes to the greater work God is doing in our community. Despite the challenges and hardships we face in this world, we have a steadfast hope in Jesus Christ. We are victorious in His name, and it is through Him that we find the strength to persevere and continue our mission.

As we begin, I want to extend a warm welcome to each of you. I look forward to what God has in store for us as we continue to work together to further His Kingdom.

In the love of Christ,
Justin Johnson



Associational

Leadership 2024

Officers

Edward King, Moderator
Glenn Metts, Vice Moderator
Danny Sutton, Treasurer
Justin Johnson, Clerk

Directors/Coordinators

David Wilson, Prayer
Glenn Metts, Discipleship
Gary Blunt, Stewardship
Herb Caughron, Men's Ministry

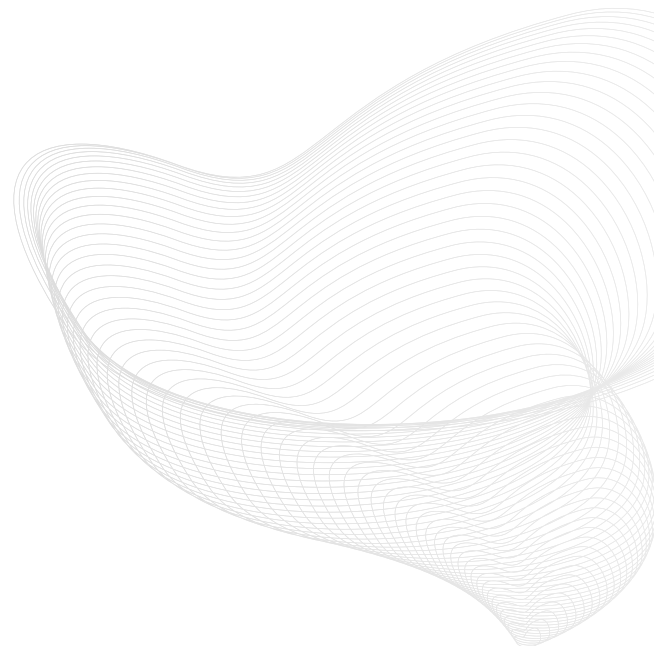
Erle Shepard, Camp Smoky Committee
Linda Wilson, WMU/Women on Missions
Rachel Truman, Youth
John & Kaye Thomas, Disaster Relief

Staff

Herb Caughron, Building & Grounds
Jonathan Bryant, Camp Smoky Caretaker
Chasslene Bryant, Camp Smoky Caretaker
Justin Johnson, Associational Mission Strategist (AMS)

Ministries Supported

Joey Buck, Dollywood Chaplain
Ryan Huskey, SMARM
Jodie Lamon, SMRM
Jeremy Sandifer, The Kings Academy
April Gillispie & Mallory Griffin, Isaiah 117 House
Valerie Millsapps, Pregnancy Resource Center



2024 Program

SESSION ONE: MONDAY, OCTOBER 21ST - 6:30PM

Shiloh - Pastor Glenn Metts

Opening Video - “By Our Love”

Welcome & Call to Order - Edward King, Moderator

Opening Prayer - Donny Hatfield

Worship - Led by Shiloh Praise Team

Seating of Messengers, Adopt Program, & Recognize Guests - Moderator

Recognition of New Pastors - Justin Johnson, AMS

Time of Prayer for Repentance & Revival - Pastor Glenn Metts

Video from the TN Baptist Mission Board - “Message from Randy Davis”

TBMB Representative - Mark Miller, Discipleship Specialist

Election of Moderator/Vice Moderator for '24-'25 - Moderator / Vice Moderator

New Business - Edward King, Moderator

Offering - Special Music by Sully Smith & Macy Miller

Message - Rick Curtis, Assistant to the President for Convention
& Associational Relations, NAMB

Benediction & Prayer - Justin Johnson, AMS

2024 Program

SESSION TWO: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND - 6:30PM

Henderson Chapel - Pastor Rick Loveday

Opening Video - “By Our Love”

Welcome & Prayer - Glenn Metts, Vice Moderator

Worship - Led by Ellie Brooks & Deven Asbell

Call to Order - Glenn Metts, Vice Moderator

New Business - Glenn Metts, Vice Moderator

Time of Prayer for Cooperation & Encouragement - Linda Wilson, WMU Director

IMB Video - “Reaching the Nations, Together”

Men’s Ministry Report - Herb Caughron, Men’s Ministry Director

AMS Report - Justin Johnson, AMS

Offering - Special Music by Macy Miller

Message - Pastor Ronnie White, Paw Paw Hollow

Benediction & Adjournment - Pastor Glenn Metts

138th Annual Meeting Minutes

Sevier County Baptist Association

-2023-

Monday, October 16, 2023 | Session 1

Zion Hill Baptist Church

The opening video, "This We Pray" was played at the beginning of the meeting to point to the theme for the new year.

Pastor David Wilson welcomed everyone & led us in prayer.

Ed King, Moderator, called us into session for the 138th Annual Meeting. He asked for a motion to seat the Messengers & adopt the program. A motion was made & seconded, the motion passed. He also welcomed our guests & invited them to any meeting we have at the Association.

Justin Johnson, AMS, came to say a special thanks & appreciation to the pastors, recognized the new pastors since we last met, & asked everyone to remember the churches without a pastor in prayer.

New pastors: Kevin Treadaway (Jones Chapel), Jerry Lowe (New Salem), & Shane Cogdill (Boyd's Creek, int.)

Churches without a pastor: Blowing Cave, French Broad Valley, & Laurel Branch.

Zion Hill's praise team led us in worship. We sang "Send the Light" & "How Great Thou Art".

Justin Johnson, AMS, introduced Valerie Millsapps as the speaker for the Ministry Spotlight. Valerie, CEO of Pregnancy Resource Center, came to share about this ministry, shared a video of a brave mom, & reminded us of the various ways we can connect with them.

Glenn Metts, Vice Moderator, led us in electing a Moderator for the upcoming year. David Wilson, Pastor of Millican Grove, nominated Ed King to serve a second term. A motion was made & seconded, Ed King was elected to serve again this year as Moderator.

Ed King, Moderator, led us in electing a Vice Moderator for the upcoming year. David Wilson, Pastor of Millican Grove, nominated Glenn Metts to serve a second term. A motion was made & seconded, Glenn Metts was elected to serve again this year as Vice Moderator.

During New Business, Bill Stephens, Chair of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, came forward with a recommendation to update the Constitution. The updates are highlighted in red in the Book of Reports. This will be voted on in the second session.

We watched the “Golden Offering Overview” video from the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board.

Kelsie Clabo & Stephanie Randolph of Zion Hill presented a gift basket to giveaway on behalf of the Association. Bill Stephens was the recipient.

Justin Johnson, AMS, introduced Joe Sorah, TBMB Representative, to come & share a word on behalf of the TBMB. He talked about the growth that is coming to TN and encouraged us to prepare for the mission field it will present. He shared that the TBMB gives back 15% of what our Association gave to the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions. This year, our Association received \$_____ in return.

Macy Miller, student of Shiloh Baptist Church, & Justin Johnson, AMS, sang “The Blessing” for the offering.

Pastor Justin Randolph, Zion Hill, preached from Matthew 24:36-51. He encouraged us to join God where He is working, even if it’s something new. He also warned us from having a cavalier attitude, a careless attitude, & a callous attitude.

Hal Wilson, Music Coordinator, led us in a hymn of commitment “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”.

Justin Johnson, AMS, gave the benediction & shared Psalm 133:1. He encouraged us to continue in the spirit of togetherness & allow it to propel us to advance the Gospel as one Church, one body of Christ. He prayed and we were dismissed.

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 | Session 2
First Baptist Church of Gatlinburg

The opening video, "This We Pray" was played at the beginning of the meeting to point to the theme for the new year.

Glenn Metts, Vice Moderator, called the meeting into order and invited Pastor David Wilson to welcome everyone back to session #2. David led us in prayer.

FBC Gatlinburg led us in worship. We sang "How Great Thou Art" & "Living Hope".

Justin Johnson, AMS, introduced Valerie Millsapps as the speaker for the Ministry Spotlight. Valerie, CEO of Pregnancy Resource Center, came to share about this ministry, shared a video of a brave mom, & reminded us of the various ways we can connect with them.

For New Business, Bill Stephens, Chair of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, presented the changes they recommended making in the Constitution (changes are highlighted in red in the Book of Reports). There was no discussion & the vote was unanimously in favor of the change. The motion passed.

Following New Business, we had a few officer reports: Herb Caughron (Men's Ministry), David Wilson (Memorial Report), & Danny Sutton (Treasurer's Report) with a video update from the Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes in between.

Justin Johnson, AMS, presented the proposed budget for 2024 on behalf of the Finance Committee. There was no discussion & the motion was approved to accept the budget. Justin also gave the Registration Report: 112 people at the meeting this year with 20 of our 62 churches represented. Justin presented a gift basket to giveaway on behalf of the Association. Andrew Wilson was the recipient.

We watched a short video from IMB president, Paul Chitwood, titled "The Great Pursuit" & Justin Johnson, AMS, shared that our Association has been given the opportunity to "adopt" a Missionary Kid through IMB. More information can be given by calling the office or stopping by.

Jimi Moore, Student of FBC Gatlinburg, sang "I am Barrabus" for the offering.

Pastor Nick Moore preached from Daniel 1 & encouraged us to press on with the Gospel to the lost. His points from the sermon were: God gives us fully to Babylon, God gives us faith in Babylon, & God gives us favor over Babylon.

Hal Wilson, Music Coordinator, led us in a hymn of commitment “He Leadeth Me”.

Glenn Metts, Vice Moderator, led the benediction, thanking everyone for being a part of the Annual Meeting this year. He expressed joy in coming together as the Bride of Christ & encouraged us to continue in the spirit of unity. He called on Dan Spencer, Pastor of FBC Sevierville, to lead us in a prayer over the nation of Israel. We then closed the meeting & a special gift was offered to each pastor on behalf of Gatlinburg First in light of it being Pastor Appreciation month.

Respectfully Submitted,
Justin Johnson (Clerk)

PASTOR'S LEARNING COMMUNITY

A place where pastors come together for encouragement, fellowship, & learning. We explore a variety of topics that are relevant to your professional & personal life. The purpose of Learning Communities is to provide practical help for your ministry & foster meaningful relationships with other pastors who understand you.



TAKE YOUR MINISTRY TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Join us around the table each month for open discussions around topics that you can learn from & those you can share valuable insight for!



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Show up month to month for a couple of hours to let someone else pour into you. You give so much of your time, but you can't pour from an empty cup!



Practical Learning

Whether we address specific topics or share valuable resources, you're bound to walk away with something you can apply to your life/ministry that day.

CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name

This body shall be called the Sevier County Association of Baptists, Inc.

Article II. Purpose

The purpose of this association shall be:

- to promote Christian fellowship and cooperation among the churches affiliated with this body;
- to encourage mutual cooperation with the Tennessee Baptist Convention and Southern Baptist Convention in carrying out the Great Commission;
- to uphold the doctrines of our Baptist faith as stated in the Baptist Faith and Message of 2000.
- to affirm that marriage is recognized and accepted to be the union of one man and one woman in holy matrimony; regardless of any law or statement made opposing this – whether by local, state, national government, or Supreme Court ruling.

Article III. Authority

This Association is a self-determining body under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. It determines its own membership and programs, but has no authority over the churches affiliated with it. However, the Association may, upon invitation from a church, advise with that church. It may also withdraw fellowship from a church considered by the Association to be out of harmony in doctrine or conduct.

Article IV. Membership

Section 1. Affiliation

A Baptist church desiring affiliation with the Association will present its petition to the Executive Board accompanied by satisfactory evidence of doctrinal regularity, proper constitution, and acceptable cooperation. Upon approval by the Executive Board, churches may be received into affiliation by a two-thirds majority vote of the annual session.

Section 2. Messengers

Messengers from the churches shall constitute the annual session of the Association. Each church of the association shall be entitled to two messengers for the first fifty members and one additional messenger for every fifty members or the majority thereof, plus two alternate messengers. These are to attend and vote only in the event of the absence of the regular messengers. The pastor or interim pastor will automatically be a messenger. No church shall be entitled to more than ten messengers including the pastor.

Section 3. Dismissal

Should any church disqualify itself by practices or doctrines contrary to those of the Association, or fail to send an Annual Church Profile and/or messengers for three consecutive years, the Executive Board may, upon failing to reconcile such church, recommend dismissal. A two-thirds majority vote in annual session will be required to withdraw fellowship from a church.

Article V. Organization

Section 1. Officers

The general officers of the Association shall be Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer (or Clerk/Treasurer), Sunday School Director, Discipleship Director, WMU Director, Men's Ministry Director, Camp Smoky Director, Music Director, Youth Director, Evangelism Director, and other officers as the Association deems necessary, and *Associational Mission Strategist*.

A. Moderator and Vice Moderator

The Moderator and Vice Moderator shall be elected on the first session of the annual meeting of the Association. Nominations shall be made from the floor. These officers shall take office at the close of the annual session at which they are elected and shall serve through the next annual meeting of the Association. The Moderator and Vice Moderator are eligible to serve two (2) one-year terms in succession. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board and annual session unless such responsibility is designated to the Vice Moderator or other proper person.

B. The Nominating Committee shall nominate the following officers, which shall be elected by the Association annually. In addition, the Nominating Committee shall nominate members of the committees listed in Section 2.

1. **Clerk.** The clerk shall record the proceedings of the annual session and general board meetings and prepare them for print; to preserve all permanent records of this body; and to perform such duties as may be required by order of this body.
2. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall work with the *Associational Mission Strategist* and Administrative Assistant concerning the funds of the Association. They shall be one of three persons authorized to sign for disbursement of associational funds.
3. **Sunday School Director.** Supervise the organization and function of the Sunday School Ministry of the Association.
4. **Discipleship Director.** To supervise the organization and function of the Discipleship Ministry of the Association.
5. **WMU Director.** Supervise the organization and function of the WMU Ministry of the Association.
6. **Men's Ministry Director.** Supervise the organization and function of the Men's Ministry of the Association.
7. **Music Director.** Supervise the organization and function of the Music Ministry of the Association.
8. **Youth Director.** Supervise the organization and function of the Youth Ministry of the Association.
9. **Evangelism Director.** Supervise the organization and function of the Evangelism Ministry of the Association.

Section 2. Committees

The committees of the Association shall be the Camp Smoky Committee, Constitution and By-Laws Committee, Annual Meeting Program Committee, Finance Committee, Missions/Church Planter Committee, Nominating Committee, Personnel Committee, Time and Place Committee, and other committees deemed necessary by this body. The number of each committee shall be determined by the Nominating Committee but shall be in multiples of three, with one-third of the members elected each year for 3-year terms. The *Associational Mission Strategist*, Moderator, and Vice Moderator shall be Ex-Officio members of all committees.

Section 3. Executive Board

- A. The Executive Board** shall be composed of the pastor and two lay members from each church who are elected annually by the church. The general officers of the Association, and chairmen of all general committees of the Association shall be voting members of the Executive board.
- B. Officers and Committees:** The officers and committees of the Association shall be the officers and committees of the Executive Board.
- C. Authority:** The Executive Board shall have authority to act for the Association between sessions, except as limited by this Constitution and any other limits so set by the annual session.
- D. Meetings:** *The Executive Board shall meet monthly on the last Monday of each month, with the following exceptions: the meeting in May shall be on the Monday preceding Memorial Day, October shall have no Executive Board Meeting – instead the Association Annual Meeting shall be held, and there shall be no Executive Board Meeting in December. The Moderator may call special meetings with sufficient advance notice to the membership stating time, place, and purpose of the meeting. A quorum shall be constituted when five (5) Associational churches are represented in the Executive Board Meetings. A specific number of churches is not required for Special Called Meetings.*
- E. The Associational Council:** The Associational Council shall be composed of the officers of the Association and the program organization leaders. The Moderator shall serve as chairman and the Clerk as secretary. *The Council shall meet prior to each Executive Board Meeting on the same day as the Executive Board Meeting. The Council shall not be required to meet prior to a Special Called Meeting.*

Section 4. Trustees

A Board of Trustees, consisting of six members with one-third of the members elected each for a three-year term, shall be nominated annually by the Nominating Committee and elected by the Association. The responsibilities of the Trustees include:

1. To hold in charge, for and in the name of the Association, the titles to all properties of the Association.
2. To negotiate the transfer of titles in case of purchase, or sale of real estate by the Association.
3. To act under the direction of the Executive Board in relation to titles of property and securing of loans for the Association.

Section 5. Facilities

1. The Sevier County Association of Baptists adopts the policy that only member churches of the Association have access to the Association's properties and facilities for performing weddings, including, but not limited to, the Association's office complex and the campus of Camp Smoky.
2. The facilities of the Sevier County Association of Baptists, including, but not limited to, the Association's office complex and the campus of Camp Smoky, shall not be used for any activity that is against our Biblical faith statement and beliefs as outlined in the 2000 Baptist Faith & Message, the Sevier County Association of Baptist's Constitution and By-Laws, and the motion made and adopted by the Executive Board representatives at the September 28, 2015 monthly meeting.

Article VI. Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of this body shall be held beginning the third Monday night in October and continuing through Tuesday evening.

Article VII. Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any annual session of this body provided that one day's notice shall be given to any proposed amendment and that two-thirds of the messenger's present concur.

By-Laws

The latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall be used as authority in deliberation.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

Article I - Name

This body shall be called the Sevier County ~~Association of Baptists, Inc.~~ **Baptist Association.**

Article II - Vision & Mission

~~The purpose of this association shall be:~~

- ~~● To promote Christian fellowship and cooperation among the churches affiliated with this body;~~
- ~~● To encourage mutual cooperation with the Tennessee Baptist Convention and Southern Baptist Convention in carrying out the Great Commission;~~
- ~~● To uphold the doctrines of our Baptist faith as stated in the Baptist Faith and Message 2000;~~
- To affirm that marriage is recognized and accepted to be the union of one man and one woman in holy matrimony; regardless of any law or statement made opposing this – whether by local, state, national government, or Supreme Court ruling.

The vision for the Sevier County Baptist Association is to mobilize churches to strategically engage our community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We will see this vision fulfilled by:

- Promoting fellowship & cooperation among our local churches, TBMB, & SBC.
- Fostering an atmosphere of genuine prayer
- Providing strategic resources/training through TBMB for discipleship that leads to a deeply rooted faith in God & His Word
- Sending Jesus-followers with the Gospel from our “Jerusalem” to the ends of the earth
- Encouraging churches to meet the physical, mental, & spiritual needs in our community

Article III - Authority

This association is a self-determining body under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. It determines its own membership and programs, but has no authority over the churches affiliated with it. However; the association may, upon invitation from a church, collaborate with the church to meet their goals. It may also withdraw fellowship from a church considered by the Association to be out of harmony in doctrine or conduct. **We affirm that marriage is recognized & accepted to be the union of one man and one woman in holy matrimony, regardless of any law or statement made opposing this – whether by local, state, national government, or Supreme Court ruling.**

Article IV - Membership

A - Affiliation

A Southern Baptist church desiring affiliation with the Association will present its petition to the Executive Board accompanied by satisfactory evidence of doctrinal regularity, proper constitution, and acceptable cooperation. Upon approval by the Executive Board, churches may be received into affiliation by a majority vote of the Annual Meeting.

B - Messengers

Messengers from the churches shall constitute the Annual Meeting of the Association. Each church of the Association shall be entitled to two messengers for the first 50 members and one additional messenger for every 50 members, plus two alternate messengers (*not to exceed a total of 10 messengers including the pastor*). Alternates are to attend and vote only in the event of the absence of the regular messengers. The pastor or interim pastor will automatically be a messenger.

C - Disassociation

Should any church disqualify itself by practices or doctrines contrary to those of the Association, or fail to send an Annual Church Profile (henceforth ACP) and/or Messengers for three consecutive years, the Executive Board may, upon failing to reconcile such church, recommend disassociating with said church. A majority vote in the Annual Meeting will be required to withdraw fellowship from a church.

Article V - Organization

A - Officers (*intended to take the place of Article V - Section 1.A & 1.B*)

Officers of the Association shall be as follows:

- Associational Mission Strategist (AMS)** - the role of the AMS is to first & foremost be a servant leader of the Association. *Foundationally*, the AMS must be called to Associational leadership, a person of character, spiritually mature, committed to learning, a leader of leaders, and trustworthy. *Relationally*, the AMS must be emotionally intelligent, an active listener, a supportive coach, authentically vulnerable, and a vocal encourager. *Strategically*, the AMS must be a vision caster, strategist, consultant, leadership multiplier, good communicator, and one with contextual understanding. The AMS may remain in office as long as the Association wishes for him to continue in this office or until he is called to leave.
- Moderator & Vice Moderator** - Both the Moderator and Vice Moderator should be well-versed in parliamentary law and should be thoroughly familiar with the Bylaws and Constitution of the Association. The Moderator will conduct business at Executive Board meetings as well as the Annual Meeting. In the absence of the Moderator, the Vice Moderator will become the presiding officer. The duties of the Moderator include: opening the meetings at the appointed time by calling the meeting into order, having ascertained that a quorum is present; recognizing members who are entitled to the floor; stating and putting to vote all questions that legitimately come before the assembly as motions; protecting the assembly from obvious dilatory motions or

disorder; expediting business in every way compatible with the rights of members; and declaring the meeting adjourned when the assembly so votes, at the time prescribed in the program, or at any time in the event of a sudden emergency affecting the safety of those present. The Moderator & Vice Moderator may serve two (2) years unless they wish to vacate their position early. Both positions will be elected at the Annual Meeting and will take office at the close of the Annual Meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting and must have a majority vote to be elected.

- Treasurer** - The treasurer of the Association is the officer entrusted with verifying financial records & keeping the Board informed of financial status throughout the year via Financial Reports & the Treasurer's Report at the Annual Meeting. He/She may be a signer on the Association's account. The Treasurer may serve multiple terms (*if approved by the messengers at the Annual Meeting*) but is only asked to serve for one (1) year.
- Clerk/Secretary** - The Clerk/Secretary is the recording officer of the Association for Special-called, Executive Board, & Annual Meeting. The Clerk/Secretary may serve multiple terms (*if approved by the messengers at the Annual Meeting*) but is only asked to serve for one (1) year.
- Men's Ministry Director** - Responsible for organizing events and projects throughout the year alongside the AMS to encourage church cooperation & fellowship. The Men's Ministry director may serve multiple terms (*if approved by the messengers at the Annual Meeting*) but is only asked to serve for one (1) year.
- WMU Director** - Responsible for organizing meetings & projects throughout the year alongside the AMS to encourage church cooperation & fellowship. The WMU Director may serve multiple terms (*if approved by the messengers at the Annual Meeting*) but is only asked to serve for one (1) year.

C - Associational Teams (*intended to take the place of Article V - Section 2*)

Team members are asked to serve for at least one (1) year, but may serve multiple terms if approved by a majority vote at the Annual Meeting. Team Members may be asked to step down if they are not fulfilling their duties as active team members. Each team below will need to have an odd number of members so voting (if needed) can take place.

- Administrative** (Stewardship, Personnel, Constitution/Bylaws, Recommendations/Nominations)
- Discipleship** (Small Groups, Prayer, Youth/Children, Contact for Supported Ministries)
- Ministry/Missions** (Ministry/Missions, Evangelism, WMU/Women on Mission, Men's Ministry, Disaster Relief)
- Vision** (Vision-Casting, Event Planning, Future Development)
- Campus Ministry** (Camp Smoky, Summer Camp, Campus Events)

D - Executive Board

- 1) The voting members of the Executive Board shall be composed of the pastor and two lay members from each church who are elected annually by the church. **Officers and Associational Team Leaders** shall also be voting members of the Executive Board.
- 2) The Executive Board shall have authority to act for the Association between sessions, except as limited by this Constitution and any other limits so set by the Annual Meeting.
- 3) The Executive Board shall meet monthly on the last Monday of each month, with the following exceptions: the meeting in May shall be on the Monday preceding Memorial Day, October shall have no Executive Board meeting – instead, the Associational Annual Meeting shall be held, and there shall be no Executive Board meeting in December. A Special-Called meeting shall require sufficient advance notice to all members from **the AMS or Moderator** stating the time, place, and purpose of the meeting. A quorum shall be constituted when five (5) Associational churches are represented in the Executive Board Meetings. A specific number of churches is not required for Special-Called Meetings.
- 4) An Executive Council shall be composed of the Officers & Associational Team Leaders. The Moderator shall serve as chairman and the Clerk as secretary. The Council shall meet prior to each Executive Board Meeting on the same day as the Executive Board Meeting. The Council shall not be required to meet prior to a Special-Called Meeting.
- 5) **If the Moderator and Vice Moderator are absent from a scheduled meeting, a temporary Moderator may be nominated & elected to serve at the specific meeting.**
- 6) **If an officer position becomes vacant before the Annual Meeting, the Executive Board may nominate & elect, as needed, a person to fill the vacancy to complete the unexpired term.**

E - Trustees

A Board of Trustees, consisting of five members each elected for a three-year term, shall be nominated annually by the **Administrative Team** and elected by the Association at the Annual Meeting. The responsibilities of the Trustees include:

- To hold in charge, for and in the name of the Association, the titles to all properties of the Association
- To negotiate the transfer of title in case of purchases, or sale of real estate by the Association or its entities
- To act under the direction of the Executive Board in relation to titles of property and securing of loans for the Association

F - Facilities

The Sevier County Baptist Association adopts the policy that only member churches of the Association have access to the Association's properties and facilities, including, but not limited to the Association's office complex and Camp Smoky, for performing weddings, birthdays, and family reunions. The aforementioned properties and facilities, **along with the Block Party Trailer and Disaster Relief Trailers**, shall not be used for any activity that is ~~against~~ **not in agreement with** our Biblical faith statement and beliefs as outlined in the Baptist Faith & Message 2000, the Association's Constitution & Bylaws, and the motion made & adopted by the Executive Board representatives at the September 28, 2015 Executive Board Meeting.

Article VI - Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of this body shall be held ~~beginning the third Monday night in October and continuing through Tuesday evening~~ **on the third Monday & Tuesday evenings in October each year.**

Article VII - Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any **Associational Annual Meeting** provided that at least one day's notice is given – **as well as time for discussion** – to any proposed amendment and that a **majority** of the messengers ~~present concur~~ **represented vote in favor of said amendment.**

By-Laws

The latest edition of Robert's Rule of Order shall be used as authority in deliberation. To uphold the doctrines of our Baptist faith as stated in the Baptist Faith and Message 2000.

HISTORICAL TABLE

Year	Place of Meeting	Annual Sermon	Moderator	Clerk
1886	Sevierville	Rev HC Hampstead	P Stafford	JF Sharp
1887	Henderson's Chapel	Rev JM Salts	JF Sharp	WA Bowers
1888	Unavailable			
1889	Walnut Grove	Rev Richard Evans	JJ Ellis	JP Price
1890	New Salem	Rev SF Paine	JJ Ellis	DW King
1891	Providence	Rev Richard Evans	JJ Ellis	WA Bowers
1892	Wear's Valley	Rev Richard Evans	DW King	WA Bowers
1893	White Oak Flats	Rev I Branson	DW King	WC Allen
1894	Sevierville	Rev John Russell	DW King	JA Jenkins
1895	Walnut Grove	Rev Richard Evans	JA Householder	JA Jenkins
1896	Antioch	Rev JS Baxter	Pink Maples	JA Jenkins
1897	Jones' Chapel	Rev SM McCarter	JF Hale	JA Jenkins
1898	Jones' Chapel	Rev Evans Hurst	JW Coker	JT Hill
1899	Knob Creek	Rev JF Hale	JW Coker	SF Rogers
1900	Henderson Chapel	Rev JR Clabough	JP Price	JT Hill
1901	Bethel	Rev DB Ogle	JWH Coker	JT Hill
1902	Powder Springs	Rev HB Clapp	SC Atchley	JT Hill
1903	Sugar Loaf	Rev JR Clabough	SC Atchley	JT Hill
1904	White Oak Flats	Rev WE Conner	JWH Coker	RN Ownby
1905	Gist's Creek	Rev GS Houser	JWH Coker	SA Maples
1906	Sevierville	Rev JJ Abbott	JWH Coker	SA Maples
1907	Evan's No 1	Rev LA Hurst	JWH Coker	SA Maples
1908	Walnut Grove	Rev JF Hale	SA Maples	HD Bailey
1909	Antioch	Rev MC Atchley	SA Maples	JTM Connatser
1910	Wears Valley	Rev SC Atchley	SC Atchley	DRM Mullendore
1911	Beech Springs	Rev JF Hale	SC Atchley	WW Rule
1912	Zion Hill	Rev DRM Mullendore	JA Atchley	WW Rule
1913	Alder Branch	Rev JJ Taylor	JF Hale	WW Rule
1914	Zion Grove	Rev SC Atchley	JF Hale	WW Rule
1915	Millican Grove	Rev GS Houser	RE Rule	WW Rule
1916	New Salem	Rev SM McCarter	RE Rule	WW Rule
1917	Sevierville	Rev WA Masterson	RE Rule	WW Rule
1918	Evan's No 1	Rev DL Atchley	SC Atchley	WW Rule
1919	Pigeon Forge	Rev WE Conner	SC Atchley	WW Rule
1920	Zion Hill	Rev AW McDaniels	GF Ownby	WW Rule
1921	Friendship	Rev Henry Webb	Seldon Ogle	WW Rule
1922	Laurel Grove	Rev RE Corum	Seldon Ogle	WW Rule
1923	Alder Branch	Rev LS Carnes	RE Corum	Sally Headrick
1924	Zion Grove	Rev JA Caylor	SC Atchley	Sally Headrick
1925	Elkmont	Rev SM McCarter	Walter Ownby	Sally Headrick
1926	Jones' Chapel	Rev JE Hicks	WA England	Mrs SH Adams
1927	Antioch	Rev Ernest Parrott	WA England	Seldon Ogle
1928	Sevierville	Rev Robert King	Dr JW McMahan	RN Ownby
1929	French Broad Valley	Rev WA Masterson	Dr JW McMahan	RN Ownby
1930	New Salem	Rev LS Carnes	TJ Stafford	JA Kyker
1931	Millican Grove	Rev GH Hinchey	TJ Stafford	JA Kyker
1932	Bethel	Rev AE Cate	Herman Matthews	Ray Miller
1933	Providence	Rev WW Bailey	Herman Matthews	Ray Miller
1934	Hill's Creek	Rev Will Weaver	Herman Matthews	Ray Miller
1935	Pigeon Forge	Rev J Lacy Brasham	Herman Matthews	Ray Miller
1936	Dupont	Rev OM Drinnen	J Lacy Basham	WA England
1937	Zion Grove	Rev Lee Reed	Walter Ogle	EE Price
1938	Rocky Grove	Rev WE Watson	Walter Ogle	EE Price
1939	Paw Paw Hollow	Rev Ernest Parrott	TJ Stafford	EE Price
1940	Zion Hill	Dr John D Freeman	JA Kyker	EE Price
1941	Alder Branch	Rev JL Helton	JA Kyker	EE Price
1942	Gatlinburg	Rev HG Matthews	JA Kyker	EE Price
1943	Beech Springs	Rev FM Harbin	JA Kyker	HJ Beasley
1944	New Salem	Rev Walter Ogle	JA Kyker	HJ Beasley
1945	Banner	Rev WL Blanton	JA Kyker	HJ Beasley
1946	Valley View	Rev OP Chesney	JL Helton	Walter Ogle
1947	Sugar Loaf	Rev MF Reed	JL Helton	Walter Ogle
1948	French Broad Valley	Rev Roy Arwood	JL Helton	Walter Ogle

1949	Knob Creek	Rev JH Blair	JL Helton	JC Chapman
1950	Roaring Fork	Rev Luther Clark	JL Helton	EE Price
1951	Shady Grove	Rev AC Wadley	James H Atchley	EE Price
1952	Gist's Creek	Rev JO Carter	James H Atchley	EE Price
1953	Oldham's Creek	Rev Ernest Parrott	James H Atchley	EE Price
	Sevierville First			
	Zion Grove			
1954	Bethel	Rev John Fox	IC Frazier	JH Stogner
	Antioch			
	Gum Stand			
1955	Millican Grove	Rev Robert King	IC Frazier	JH Stogner
	Boyd's Creek			
	Richard's Cove			
1956	Zion Hill	Rev AC Wadley	James H Atchley	Ray Miller
	Sevierville First			
	Maples Branch			
1957	Walnut Grove	Rev J Lauderback	Joel Carr	Walter Ogle
	Sevierville Second			
	Dupont			
1958	Alder Branch	Rev Lloyd Loveday	Joel Carr	Bill Atchley
	Pigeon Forge			
	New Era			
1959	Wears Valley	Rev Elmer Crawford	Jack Bailey	Don Gibson
	Sevierville First			
	Boyd's Creek			
1960	Pigeon Forge First	Rev Kyle Rule	Jack Bailey	Don Gibson
	Sevierville Second			
	Oak City			
1961	Beech Springs	Rev T Lee Ownby	WA Galyon	Don Gibson
	Sevierville First			
	New Salem			
1962	Sevierville First	Gordon T Greenwell	Elmer Crawford	Don Gibson
	Knob Creek			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Jones' Chapel			
1963	Dupont	Herbert Gibson	Lloyd J Loveday	Don Gibson
	Sevierville First			
	Sim's Chapel			
	Smoky Mnt. Academy			
1964	Antioch	OC Craig	Lloyd J Loveday	Bobbie Williams
	Smoky Mnt. Academy			
	New Era			
	Laurel Grove			
1965	Sevierville First	Walter Ownby	WW Cope	Bobbie Williams
	Camp Smoky			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Shiloh			
1966	Pigeon Forge First	William Keebler	WW Cope	Mrs AP McCarte
	Camp Smoky			
	Sevierville First			
	Antioch			
1967	Sevierville First	Robert Cody	WW Cope	Bill Atchley
	Camp Smoky			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Covemont			
1968	Pigeon Forge First	WA Galyon	Vernon H Fieldon	Ulyss Thomas
	Camp Smoky			
	Sevierville First			
	Valley View			
1969	Sevierville First	Ralph Cline	Ralph Cline	Ulyss Thomas
	Camp Smoky			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Roaring Fork			
1970	Pigeon Forge First	Melvin Carr	Ralph Cline	Lola B Moon
	Camp Smoky			

	Sevierville First			
	Jones Chapel			
1971	Sevierville First	Andy Ball	Ralph Cline	Lola B Moon
	Camp Smoky			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Mountain View			
1972	Pigeon Forge First	LL Whaley	Bethel Crisp	Maxine Hodges
	Camp Smoky/Calvary			
	Sevierville First			
1973	Sevierville First	Ulyss Thomas	Bethel Crisp	Bill Atchley
	Zion Grove			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Oak City			
1974	Pigeon Forge First	Glenn R Whaley	Earl Lane	Marilyn Householder
	Zion Grove			
	Sevierville First			
	Millican Grove			
1975	Sevierville First	William E Barnes	Earl Lane	William E Barnes
	Zion Grove (Camp Smoky)			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Boyd's Creek			
1976	Pigeon Forge First	Grant Jones	Ray F Williams	William E Barnes
	Zion Grove			
	Sevierville First			
	Zion Hill			
1977	Sevierville First	Don Compton	Ray F Williams	William E Barnes
	Zion Grove			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Henderson's Chapel			
1978	Pigeon Forge First	Charles Barrett	Ralph Cline	Lola B Moon
	Zion Grove			
	Sevierville First			
	New Salem			
1979	Sevierville First	Jack Bailey	Ralph Cline	Lola B Moon
	Zion Grove			
	Pigeon Forge First			
	Wears Valley First			
1980	Pigeon Forge First	Orville Parton	Drake Kimbrell	Lola B Moon
	Zion Grove			
	Sevierville First			
	Banner			
1981	Sevierville First	Dr Charles C Maples	Billy Davenport	Lola B Moon
	Zion Grove			
	Knob Creek			
	Paw Paw Hollow			
1982	Pigeon Forge First	Andy Ball	Billy Davenport	Bobbie Williams
	Zion Grove			
	Oak City			
	Gum Stand			
1983	Sevierville First	W W Cope	Steve Jett	Bobbie Williams
	Zion Grove			
	Millican Grove			
	Beech Springs			
1984	Pigeon Forge First	Glenn R Whaley	Roy Gose	Bobbie Williams
	Zion Grove			
	Wears Valley First			
	Dripping Springs			
1985	Gatlinburg First	Glenn R Whaley	Roy Gose	Bobbie Williams
	Zion Grove			
	New Era			
	Union Valley			
1986	French Broad Valley	Lloyd Loveday	Ernie Coleman	Bobbie Williams
	Bethel			
	Valley View			

	Oldhams Creek			
1987	Antioch	Charles Harkleroad	Joe Wren	Patsy Bradford
	Dupont			
	Jones Chapel			
	Zion Hill			
1988	Knob Creek	Hudson Chesteen	Joe Wren	Patsy Bradford
	Wears Valley First			
	Henderson's Chapel			
1989	Sevierville First	Ed Adams	John Smith	Nancy Carpenter
	Beech Springs			
	Alder Branch			
1990	Paw Paw Hollow	Ronald Reagan	John Smith	Nancy Carpenter
	Oak City			
	Millican Grove			
1991	Roaring Fork	Ronnie White	Leon Mayo	Larry Leming
	Oldhams Creek			
	Dupont			
1992	Alder Branch	Terry Bradshaw	Leon Mayo	Barney Evans
	Knob Creek			
1993	French Broad Valley	Wayne Stinnett	Dallas Gibson	Nancy Carpenter
	Sevierville First			
	Pigeon Forge First			
1994	Walnut Grove		Dallas Gibson	Penny Lindsey
	Mount Zion	Billy Ogle		
	Lebanon			
1995	Antioch		Ronnie White	Penny Lindsey
	Gatlinburg First	Dallas Moore		
	Henderson's Chapel			
1996	Red Bank		Ronnie White	Penny Lindsey
	Richardson's Cove	Russell Irwin		
	French Broad Valley			
1997	Seymour First	Richard W Everett	Ernie Coleman	Penny Lindsey
	Calvary	John Tarwater		
	Roaring Fork			
1998	Sevierville First	Dr Jerry Rankin	Michael T Justus	Glenda Spradlin
	Zion Hill	David Ayers		
	Valley View	Richard W Everett		
1999	Pigeon Forge First	Doug Sager	Michael T Justus	Glenda Spradlin
	Mountain View	Bruce Yates		
	Paw Paw Hollow	Richard W Everett		
2000	French Broad Valley	Fred Davis	Wayne Stinnett	Glenda Spradlin
	Shiloh	Robert Weaver		
	Bethel			
2001	Wears Valley	Jerry Tidwell	Wayne Stinnett	Glenda Spradlin
	Zion Grove	Klay Aspinwall		
	Bells Chapel			
2002	Beech Springs	Dallas Gibson	W.A. Galyon	Glenda Spradlin
	Mount Zion	Kevin Maples		
	Roaring Fork	William Burton		
2003	Sims Chapel	Randy Davis	W.A. Galyon	Deloris Huskey
	Hills Creek	Ed Cloud		
	Oak City			
2004	Grace Baptist	Mike Boyd	Floyd Powell	Deloris Huskey
	Millican Grove	Billy Stidham		
	Valley View	Russ Cooper		
2005	Gum Stand	Phil Hoskins	Floyd Powell	Deloris Huskey
	Red Bank Baptist	Joe Hutchinson		
	Alder Branch	John Churchman		
2006	Sevierville 1st	Bruce Yates	Kim McCroskey	Deloris Huskey

	Gists Creek	Al Smith		
	Mountain View	Ken Stansberry		
2007	Paw Paw Hollow	Ben Knight	Kim McCroskey	Deloris Huskey
	Beech Springs	John Troutman		
	Hendersons Chapel	Ronald Reagan		
2008	Dupont	Gary Rickman, TBC	Ed Cloud	Deloris Huskey
	Millican Grove	Kim McKroskey		
	Valley View	Ron Herrod		
2009	Bethel Baptist	Dr. Walter Crouch	Ed Cloud	Deloris Huskey
	Gum Stand	Travis Russell		
	Richardsons Cove	Brent Blake		
2010	Mountain View	Rob Carr	John Troutman	Deloris Huskey
	Sevierville 2nd	W.A. Galyon		
	Zion Hill	Dr. Randy Davis		
2011	Knob Creek	Bill Black	Preston Joslin	Deloris Huskey
	Seymour 1st	Floyd Powell		
	Antioch Baptist	Jimbo Whaley & Greenbriar		
2012	French Broad Valley	Carl Willis, TBC	Preston Joslin	Deloris Huskey
	Paw Paw Hollow	Jack Hitch		
	Roaring Fork	John Troutman		
2013	Grace Baptist	Bobby Fields	Floyd Powell	Deloris Huskey
	Valley View	Dale Ellenburg		
	Beech Springs	Jim Hutson		
2014	Oak City	Ron Herrod	Floyd Powell	Deloris Huskey
	Jones Chapel	Billy Ogle		
	Hendersons Chapel	Danny Sutton		
2015	Pigeon Forge 1st	Jeff Bodziony	Richard Compton	Deloris Huskey
	Red Bank Baptist	David Wilson		
	Union Valley	Greg Bolton		
2016	Wears Valley 1st	Lewis McMullen, TBC	Richard Compton	Laura Layfield
	Alder Branch	Chris Kirby		
	Zion Grove	Bill Stephens		
2017	Walnut Grove	Dan Spencer	David Wilson	Laura Layfield
	Oldhams Creek	Craig Mintz		
	Mountain View	Special Hymns		
2018	1st Baptist Sevierville	Garry Eudy, TBMB	David Wilson	Laura Layfield
	Roaring Fork	Dr. Randy Davis		
	Beech Springs	Michael Hill, NAMB		
2019	Lebanon	Anthony Kendall	Justin Randolph	Laura Layfield
	Shiloh	Greg Rains		
	Sims Chapel	Steve Mouzon		
2020	Connect Church	Dr. Charles A. Fowler	Justin Randolph	Laura Layfield
	Kodak Community	Various Testimonies		
2021	Maples Branch	Justin Johnson	Larry Henry	Justin Johnson
	Covemont	Dwayne White		
	New Era	David Hodges		
2022	Seymour First	Dr. Tommy Smith	Larry Henry	Justin Johnson
	Mountain View	Ryan Keaton		
	Gum Stand	Joey Buck		
2023	Zion Hill	Justin Randolph	Ed King	Justin Johnson
	FBC Gatlinburg	Nick Moore		

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Alder Branch

Ed Krejei

Beech Springs

Wayne Hayes
Pollie Baggett
Judy Huffaker
Jerry Harold
Mac Gass

Henderson Chapel

Genemarie Clark
Ray Watson
Bill Elder

Maples Branch

Gladys Throop
John Riley
Keegan Profitt

Mountain View

Barbara D. Huff
Olive G. M. Holland
James H. Maples
Susan R. C. Brown
Kenneth "Kenny" A. Helton
Debbie N. Baker

Oak City

Richard Smith
Tommy Berrier
Ann Romines
Shari Griffith
David Foulk

Paw Paw Hollow

Kermit Troutman
Wayne Underwood
Edna Underwood
Bob Underwood
Imogene Watson
Ray Underwood

Red Bank

Dorothy I. Reagan
Anna Blalock
Dan Blalock Jr.
Peggy Gordon

Sevierville First

Margaret Etherton
Clara Frazier
Welby Stayton
Carl Torbush
Betty Jean King
Dot Ladd
Cindy Smith
Evelyn Murrell
Rhonda Moncrief
Lois Stevens
David Hayes
Judy Pentecost
Ruth Krauss
Faye McGinnis
Ola Mae Roberts
Daraul Holmes, Sr.
Sue Mann
Jerri Dixon
Herb Kraehmer
Doug Knotts
Judy Wolterman
Carolyn Henderson
Lee Woods
Betty Ham
Jim Smith
Steve Lamb
Richard Atchley
Don Coldwater
Dottie Simpson
Francis Lofton
Jon McCandless
Harry Catlett
George Hemphill
Norma Hester
Katherine Webb
Melba Kelly

Sevierville First

Judy Thompson
Jack Denton
Lois Spring

Shiloh

Clyde Loposser

Valley View

Steven G. Shinlever
Alicia Hunter
James Hunter
Ruby H. Ownsby
Ben C. Clabo

Waldens Creek

Ollie A. Ownby

Walnut Grove

Faye Breeden



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Sevier County Association of Baptists

Congregation	Pastor	Phone	Email / Website	Address
Alder Branch Baptist Church	Rev Bruce Yates	(865) 453-4594	kimy988@yahoo.com	809 Alder Branch Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-0531
Banner Baptist Church	Rev Ricky Lamon		tnmtntop@bellsouth.net	209 Beech Branch Rd , Gatlinburg, TN 37738
Beech Springs Baptist Church	Rev Samuel Grindstaff	(865) 933-0692	pam.cate@beechspringsbaptist.org www.beechspringsbaptist.org	337 W Mount Rd , Kodak, TN 37764-2005
Bells Chapel Baptist Church	Mr David Gibson	(865) 223-4468	sherrywhaley15@gmail.com	1112 Bells Chapel Lane , Seymour, TN 37865
Bethel Baptist Church		(573) 330-7800	jbbrdb@yahoo.com	2776 Bethel Church Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-6386
Blowing Cave Baptist Church	Philip Crick	(865) 429-2697		797 Blowing Cave Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876
Boyd's Creek Baptist Church	Rev Shane Cogdill			1110 Boyds Creek Church Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-0260
Bradley's Chapel Baptist Church	Rev Clay Sutton	(865) 453-3829		1175 Rocky Flats Rd , Cosby, TN 37722
Calvary Baptist Church	Rev Clifford Carpenter			1735 Wears Valley Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862-7658
Connect Church	Rev Anthony Kendall	(865) 365-1750	trishm@cchurch.email www.cchurch.online	1250 Middle Creek , Sevierville, TN 37862
Covemont Missionary Baptist Church	Rev Jack Huskey	(865) 453-1492		2899 Covemont Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862
Dripping Springs Baptist Church	Rev Jimmy Miller	(865) 984-6205		1837 Dripping Springs Rd , Seymour, TN 37865
Dupont Baptist Church	Rev Bill Helton	(865) 654-4232		1711 Dupont Rd , Seymour, TN 37865-6803
Faith Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church	Rev Lowell Wilson	(865) 621-7139	wilson48@aol.com	1222 East Parkway , Gatlinburg, TN 37738
French Broad Valley Baptist Church	Mr Brent Hickman	(865) 933-8360		881 Douglas Dam Rd , Kodak, TN 37764-1756
Friendship Baptist Church	Rev Danny Henry			2579 Happy Hollow Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862
Gatlinburg First Baptist Church	Rev Nick Moore	(865) 436-4685	fbcgat@gmail.com www.fbcgatlinburg.org	111 Oglewood Ln , Gatlinburg, TN 37738-4936
Gists Creek Baptist Church	Rev Tim Dixon		baldlocks35@charter.net	1158 Gists Creek Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876
Grace Baptist Church	Rev Todd Houston	(865) 573-8916	graceseymouroffice@gmail.com	113 Smothers Rd , Seymour, TN 37865-5054
Gum Stand Baptist Church	Rev Ronald Reagan	(865) 774-5997	tkuzjesus@yahoo.com	3031 Veterans Blvd , Pigeon Forge, TN 37863
Henderson Chapel Baptist Church	Rev Ricky Loveday		www.hendersonchapel.com	407 Henderson Rd , Pigeon Forge, TN 37863
Hills Creek Baptist Church	Rev Dustin Shultz	(865) 429-3285	www.hillscreekchurch.com/	154 Hills Creek Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-9169
Howards View Baptist Church	Rev Edward Ball	(865) 453-4305		3865 Forest Trail Dr , Sevierville, TN 37876-6959
Hurst's Chapel Baptist Church	Rev Jeff Blalock	(865) 436-5873	ha50@comcast.net	920 Mill Creek Rd , Pigeon Forge, TN 37863-4536
Jones Chapel Baptist Church	Rev Kevin Treadaway	(865) 429-0897		797 Flat Creek Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876

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Knob Creek Baptist Church	Rev Edward King	(865) 573-0982		959 N Knob Creek Rd , Seymour, TN 37865-6555
Kodak Community Baptist Church	Rev Erle Shepard	(865) 401-2987	Kodakcbc@gmail.com www.kodakchurch.org	3708 Douglas Dam Rd , Kodak, TN 37764-1922 4419 Pittman Center Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-9101
Laurel Branch Baptist Church				
Laurel Grove Baptist Church	Rev Ernie Coleman	(865) 453-7997		2384 Waldens Creek Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862
Lebanon Baptist Church	Rev Greg Watson	(865) 430-3970	gladeslebanon@yahoo.com www.gladeslebanonbaptistchurch.org	820 E Highland Dr , Gatlinburg, TN 37738-5527
Maples Branch Baptist Church	Rev David Hodges	(865) 428-2668		2809 Maples Branch Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876
Millican Grove Baptist Church	Rev David Wilson		dewtrucker29@yahoo.com	1559 Allensville Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-1905
Mountain View Missionary Baptist Church	Rev Jack Hitch	(865) 428-1728		1406 Walt Price Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-7439
New Center Baptist Church	Rev Wayne Smith		tsutton77@aol.com	2669 Old Newport Hwy , Sevierville, TN 37876-2163
New Era Baptist Church	Rev Dwayne White	(865) 654-0808	www.newerabaptistchurch.org/ leijesusleadyou@aol.com	1060 Hardin Ln , Sevierville, TN 37862
New Salem Baptist Church	Rev Jerry Lowe	(865) 453-7882		6449 Henry Town Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876
Northview Church	Rev Greg Rains	(865) 773-3496	info@mynorthview.church/ www.mynorthview.church/ pastorchris@oakcitybc.org www.oakcitybc.org	340 W Dumplin Valley Rd , Kodak, TN 37764-1938
Oak City Baptist Church	Rev Chris Kendall	(865) 286-9582	awhaley37@gmail.com	211 Main St , Seymour, TN 37865
Oldhams Creek Missionary Baptist Church	Rev Andrew Wilson			3629 Boogertown Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-8880
Paw Paw Hollow Baptist Church	Rev Ronnie White	(865) 932-0135	ronthebaptist47@yahoo.com	4470 Douglas Dam Rd , Kodak, TN 37764-1222
Pigeon Forge First Baptist Church	Dr Terry Kirby	(865) 453-4647	beth@fbcpcf.org fbcpcf.org	3290 Parkway , Pigeon Forge, TN 37863-3422
Providence Baptist Church				1379 Providence Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876
Red Bank First Baptist Church	Rev Robert Owens	(865) 428-5225	firstredbank@yahoo.com	2120 Summerfield Ln , Sevierville, TN 37876-7030
Red Bank Baptist Church	Rev Danny Sutton	(865) 250-9444		1530 Old Newport Hwy , Sevierville, TN 37862-5109
Richardson's Cove Baptist Church	Dr David Ayeys	(865) 428-9223	richardsonscove@yahoo.com www.rcbc.us	3107 Pittman Center Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-7640
Roaring Fork Baptist Church	Dr Kim McCroskey	(865) 436-8643	pastorkimdmccroskey@gmail.com www.roaringforkbaptistchurch.biz	215 Church St , Gatlinburg, TN 37738-4807
Sevierville First Baptist Church	Rev Dan Spencer	(865) 453-9001	ichapman@fbcsev.org www.fbcsev.org	317 Parkway , Sevierville, TN 37862-3446
Sevierville Second Baptist Church	Rev Jeremy Gresham		secondbaptistseviervilletn@gmail.com	202 Pigeon St , Sevierville, TN 37862
Seymour First Baptist Church	Dr Corey Cain	(865) 577-1954	info@seymourfbc.org www.seymourfbc.org	11621 Chapman Hwy , Seymour, TN 37865-5047
Shiloh Baptist Church	Rev Glenn Metts	(865) 429-0552	kjpbaker@gmail.com www.shilohseymour.org	1432 Shiloh Church Rd , Seymour, TN 37865-6311
Sims Chapel Baptist Church	Rev Larry Henry	(865) 429-3505	Simschapelkids@gmail.com	3325 Sims Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876

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Smithwood Missionary Baptist Church	Mr Wes Carr		Smithwoodmbc@gmail.com	1236 Smithwood Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862-4713
Sugar Loaf Baptist Church	Rev David Newman	(865) 607-4166		636 Sugar Loaf Rd , Seymour, TN 37875
Union Valley Missionary Baptist Church	Rev Kevin Thacker		unionvalleymissionarybc@gmail.com	855 Union Valley Church Rd , Seymour, TN 37865
Valley View Baptist Church	Dr John Joslin	(865) 654-2123	jjoslin@comcast.net sites.google.com/view/valleyviewbaptistchurch/home	2219 Little Cove Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862-8519
Waldens Creek Baptist Church	Rev Jack Ogle	(865) 453-5805		2796 Waldens Creek Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862
Walnut Grove Baptist Church	Rev Danny Matthews		dmatt383@bellsouth.net	2199 Walnut Grove Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876-2084
Wears Valley First Baptist Church	Rev Michael Barnes	(865) 453-1929	fbcvwpastor@gmail.com www.wearsvalleyfbc.org	3504 Wears Valley Rd , Sevierville, TN 37862-8217
Williamsburg Baptist Church	Rev Charles Simpson	8659082556	chucksimpson1973@hotmail.com	1539 Upper Middle Creek Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876
Zion Grove Baptist Church	Rev Don Letzring	(865) 712-6469	donanjoan@yahoo.com www.ziongrove.org	3319 Camp Smoky Ln , Sevierville, TN 37876-9036
Zion Hill Baptist Church	Rev Christopher Randolph	(865) 428-3722	ttuhoops@gmail.com	206 Zion Hill Church Rd , Sevierville, TN 37876

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Proposed Budget for 2025

Association					Camp Smoky				
	Staff Salaries	Current	Proposed	Diff.		Salaries	Current	Proposed	Diff.
5110	Director Salary	44,000	44,000	▬ 0	7110	Caretaker (1)	15,000	15,000	▬ 0
5111	Housing Allowance	19,000	19,000	▬ 0	7120	Caretaker (2)	7,500	15,000	▲ 7,500
5130	Janitorial Salary	5,020	5,020	▬ 0	7150	Employee Tax	1,720	1,720	▬ 0
5131	Janitorial Supplies	240	240	▬ 0	7160	Employer Tax	1,720	1,720	▬ 0
5150	Employee Tax	6,385	6,385	▬ 0		Total	25,940	33,440	▲ 7,500
5160	Employer Tax	3,750	3,750	▬ 0		Benefits			▬ 0
	Total	78,395	78,395	▬ 0	7210	Christmas Bonus	600	1,000	▲ 400
	Benefits					Total	600	600	▬ 0
5210	Christmas Bonus	1,500	1,500	▬ 0		Operations			
5220	Director Retirement	12,000	12,000	▬ 0	7410	Advertising/Promotions	300	500	▲ 200
	Total	13,500	13,500	▬ 0	7420	Equipment & Supplies	2,500	2,500	▬ 0
	Travel & Ministry				7430	General Maintenance	10,000	10,000	▬ 0
5310	Director Travel	2,500	2,500	▬ 0	7440	Utilities	20,000	20,000	▬ 0
5320	Conventions/Conferences	3,000	3,000	▬ 0		Total	32,800	33,000	▲ 200
5330	Ministry	1,000	1,000	▬ 0		Insurance			
5340	Pastor Wellness	500	500	▬ 0	7610	CS Package Policy	14,750	21,385	▲ 6,635
	Total	7,000	7,000	▬ 0	7620	CS Worker's Comp.	1,200	640	▼ -560
	Operations				7630	Permits/Legal	400	400	▬ 0
5410	Advertising/Promotions	500	500	▬ 0		Total	16,350	22,425	▲ 6,075
5420	Equipment & Supplies	3,000	3,000	▬ 0					
5430	General Maintenance	1,800	1,800	▬ 0					
5440	Utilities	7,000	7,000	▬ 0					
5450	Postage	600	600	▬ 0					
5460	Copier Service	1,200	1,200	▬ 0					
5470	Memorials	200	200	▬ 0					
5480	Literature & Materials	500	500	▬ 0					
5490	Annual Meeting Expense	1,000	1,000	▬ 0					
5498	Payroll Service	650	650	▬ 0					
5499	Associational Leadership	1075	1075	▬ 0					
	Total	17,525	17,525	▬ 0					
	Missions								
5510	Dollywood Chaplain	3,600	3,600	▬ 0					
5520	SMARM	3,600	3,600	▬ 0					
5530	SMRM	3,600	3,600	▬ 0					
5540	The Kings Academy	3,600	3,600	▬ 0					
5550	Women's Care Center	3,600	3,600	▬ 0					
5560	Isaiah 117 House	3,600	3,600	▬ 0					
5570	WMU	500	500	▬ 0					
5580	Missions	4,000	4,000	▬ 0					
5590	Benevolence	500	500	▬ 0					
	Total	26,600	26,600	▬ 0					
	Insurance								
5610	Office Package Policy	4,300	6,755	▲ 2,455					
5620	Office Workers' Comp.	400	200	▼ -200		Association Total	148,120	150,403	▲ 2,283
5630	Trailer Ins.	400	428	▲ 28		Camp Smoky Total	75,690	89,465	▲ 13,775
	Total	5,100	7,383	▲ 2,283		Grand Total Budget	223,810	239,868	▲ 16,058

SCBA ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

The Executive Board will decide on recommendations made from the following teams...



ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Responsible for making recommendations regarding the annual budget, personnel changes, Annual Meeting personalities, updates to the constitution & bylaws, and nominations to fill positions for each team.

Team members will need to meet regularly to ensure these areas are functioning properly & make adjustments as needed.



DISCIPLESHIP TEAM

The goal of this team is to keep our churches up-to-date on valuable resources for small groups & youth/children's ministry. Team members will also be encouraged to pray & lead devotions at meetings & events.

Assisting the AMS in staying connected with the ministries we support will be recommended so that our relationships with ministry leaders continues to flourish & our Association informed of opportunities to get involved.



MINISTRY/MISSIONS TEAM

Team members will need to have a heart for serving others because the focus of this team is on local ministry & outreach, organizing mission trips, & equipping others to share the Gospel effectively.

This team will work alongside our WMU & Men's Ministry in their efforts to serve others here at home & beyond. The AMS may utilize this team to assist in coordinating other events throughout each community.



VISION TEAM

As we seek to be & do all that God created us to be as His followers, it's vital for our network of churches to not only keep the vision before us, but also to ask the Lord to continue revealing Himself to us & show us what we need to be doing.

This team will keep us grounded in the "why" of our ministry together as well as cast vision for the journey ahead.



CAMPUS MINISTRY TEAM

Success of this team will become evident through the well-being & Kingdom impact of Camp Smoky. Team members will need to meet regularly to ensure Camp Smoky is maintaining a group-friendly environment, financial stability, & a well-managed facility.

Team members will be encouraged to assist the Camp Director in developing Summer Camp & other events throughout the year.

THE SUMMIT

the gathering of Tennessee Baptists



November 10-12, 2024

Embassy Suites
1200 Conference Center Blvd.
Murfreesboro, TN

tnbaptist.org/summit2024



As we think about turning the page on the calendar once again we realize how fast time is going. The older people have always told us time goes faster the older you get, and we are all finding it to be so true! Life is like a vapor!

This past year, the Men's Ministry has tried to take care of a few projects. We did some things at Camp Smoky including getting the inside of the residence ready for the new caretakers. There were also a few things at the Baptist Center that needed attention. In June there were seven people from three churches that went to Gray Kentucky for a week. We stayed at the Knox County Baptist Center and painted the interior walls, doors, and trim. We also changed the front doors on a church in Barbourville Kentucky and installed a shelf and a couple of cabinets in the fellowship hall. It was a pleasure to work with Brother Mark Keith, the Director of Missions for Knox County Baptists!

And later in August we were able to build a handicap ramp for a single dad in Kodak. He is an amputee with a young son. It was a pleasure to meet and talk with them and to be a part of helping them with this difficult situation in their lives. He is a Christian and gives God all the credit for providing all he has needed through all of this!

It has truly been a blessing to have been able to serve this Association for around thirty three years as Men's Ministry director. Please continue to pray for the work that we try to do for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! To God be the glory!

God Bless!
Herb Caughron

Group Report - 2024

Name of Group/Person	Dates	Group Type	# of Nights	# of Users	Total	# of Days	# of Users	Total	Sal.	Bap.	Red.	Min.	
Church of the Redeemer	1/5 - 1/7	Youth	2	25	50								
Synergy Camp	1/12 - 1/15	Youth	3	100	300								
Arca del Fuego	1/25 - 1/28	Youth	3	45	135								
Eagle Corp Ministries	2/15 - 2/19	Youth	4	20	80								
Miss Smoky Mtn Pageant	3/2 - 3/2	NA	1	100	100								
Downtown Presbyterian	4/19 - 4/21	Youth	2	56	112								
Holy Ghost Fraternus	5/3 - 5/5	Youth	2	18	36								
Rogersville Baptist Temple	6/9 - 6/14	Youth	6	170	1020				8			2	
Homeland Baptist Church	6/17 - 6/22	Youth	4	24	96				1				
Riverview Baptist Church	6/23 - 6/28	Youth	5	33	165						8		
Valley View BC	7/6 - 7/10	Youth	4	53	212								
Route 180 Youth	7/11 - 7/15	Youth											
Blackwater UMC	7/14 - 7/21	Youth	6	21	126				2	10	15	1	
Stone Memorial HS	7/22 - 7/24	HS Students	2	8	16								
Christ's Explorers Camp	7/25 - 7/28	Youth	3	71	213								
Covenant Church of Naples	7/29 - 8/3	Youth	5	49	245								
Ridgeview BC	8/9 - 8/11	Youth	2	50	100								
Amory Christian Academy	9/15 - 9/18	Youth	3	50	150								
Church of God Woodstock	9/17 - 9/26	Youth	9	70	630								
First Christian Church	9/27 - 9/29	Youth	2	20	40								
Smoky Mountain Outreach	10/3 - 10/6	Church	3	100	300								
Smoky Mountain Jubilee	10/7 - 10/11	Postors	4	50	200								
Amerifest Fundraiser	10/18 - 10/20	Children	2	50	100								
Total Users									1183	4426	0	0	
Total Nights									11	10	23	3	
Total Days									15 - '16	101	11	124	0
Total Users									16 - '17	69	2	64	2
Total Nights									17 - '18	74	0	26	2
Total Days									18 - '19	84	1	61	7
Total Users									19 - '20	87	22	145	25
Total Nights									20 - '21	64	53	41	0
Total Days									21 - '22'	48	7	60	3
Total Users									22' - '23'	33	-	-	-
Historical Records													
4426													
Total # of Users to-date:													
Total # of Users for previous years: '04-05 - 5,264; '15-'16 - 5,616; '16-'17 - 5,987; '17-'18 - 5,742; '18-'19 - 5,318; '19-'20 - 4,625; 2020 - 1,159; 2021 - 3,813; 2022 - 6341; 2023 - 3650													
Total # of Groups Booked This Year: 30													

Treasurer's Report

October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024

Month	Starting Balance	Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
October	121,130.44	12,305.19	17,492.09	115,943.54
November	115,943.54	10,193.04	19,550.76	106,585.82
December	106,585.82	24,664.72	23,884.79	107,365.75
January	107,365.75	24,434.63	26,056.97	105,743.41
February	105,743.41	18,704.57	16,736.88	107,711.10
March	107,711.10	6,567.02	18,812.21	95,465.91
April	95,465.91	22,856.03	21,510.30	96,811.64
May	96,811.64	19,446.37	18,846.04	97,411.97
June	97,411.97	17,554.88	17,774.06	97,192.79
July	97,192.79	22,735.49	13,578.29	106,349.99
August	106,349.99	24,077.62	42,575.88	87,851.73
September	87,851.73	11,155.89	34,367.48	64,640.14
Totals		214,695.45	271,185.75	

Designated Balance	23,264.08
Operating Budget	41,376.06
September 30, 2024 Balance	64,640.14

Designated Accounts

Children's Camp	\$2,622.06
Crusade	\$10,919.83
CS Reserve	\$8,383.33
WMU	\$1,338.86
Total	\$23,264.08

Men's Ministry

Balance 9,151.82

Maime Hill Trust Fund

Available Balance 849.56

Dollywood Ministry

Because of your generous, cooperative giving through your local church to the Sevier County Baptist Association, Tennessee Golden Offering, and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering I am able to serve as an endorsed chaplain of the Southern Baptist Convention at one of the nation's top ranked employer and tourist attraction.

–Thank you for your prayers and offerings, Joey Buck

Who We Are

We are a team of professionals providing care to those who work, stay, or play at Dollywood Parks & Resorts

Consisting of two Chaplains, a nurse, and a family & community relations specialist the team's training, accountability and passions are among the qualifications which enable us to respond to individual and family needs in a manner consistent with Biblical values and ethics.

What We Do

We help employees and Guests sort through the difficulties and joys of life by providing comprehensive care

Celebrations and challenges, triumphs and trials all affect our work and play. As an effort to help people flourish we strive to be proactive through faith-minded outreach with a priority towards employees while serving our Guests as opportunity allows.

How It Happens

The Wellness Team interacts daily with employees and sometimes Guests

By being visible we become available. In our availability we provide care-giving which helps others understand more fully life's events as they relate to their spiritual and emotional wellbeing.

Why We Go

Work and play reach its fullest potential when our lives are lived in relationship with God

Our team averages each month more than 60 significant interactions with employees across all our properties. This includes work-place visits, in-office meetings, home visits, hospital visits and representation at life moments. Among our activities we provide decision guidance, connection to community resources, Bible studies for employees during the workday and Sunday Chapel service for our Guests at the Robert F. Thomas Chapel inside Dollywood.





ANNUAL MEETING PLANNING TEAM

Are you task-driven & goal-oriented? Do you enjoy organization & graphic design? Then I've got just the opportunity for you! I'd be happy to have you join me next year in planning for the Annual Meeting.

**CONTACT ME @
865.453.0124**

Baptist Memorial Health Care System
Memphis, Tennessee
Jason Little, President and CEO

Baptist Memorial Health Care began as a 150-bed hospital in downtown Memphis in 1912. It was formed by the Southern Baptist Conventions of Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas because they recognized a tremendous need for a health care facility in this part of the country. The hospital eventually grew to become the largest private hospital in the world.

The Baptist Memorial Health Care system was created in 1981 to provide an integrated health care delivery system offering a full continuum of care to communities throughout the Mid-South. Today, a total of 24 hospitals in Arkansas, Tennessee and Mississippi; an 1,100-member physician group; and dozens of other entities are affiliated with Baptist.

Baptist Memorial Health Care's staff chaplains are a part of the health care team. Patients, family members and employees know they can ask for a chaplain at any time to augment our health care with spiritual or emotional care.

- The Rev. Jimmy Terry Preaching Series, hosted by Baptist's Pastoral Care Department, observed its seventh anniversary this year. The series, named in memory of a beloved member of Baptist's Board of Trustees and the founder of Tabernacle Baptist Church in Clarksville, Tennessee, welcomes a speaker each month to deliver an evangelical message from Baptist's flagship hospital. Video recordings of each event are posted on our Facebook page. They have been viewed more than 140,000 times and have reached 116,000 people in the past year.
- The Jackson Clinic and Baptist opened the Jackson Clinic-Baptist Outpatient Campus in Jackson, Tennessee. The campus' first facility, a 155,000-square-foot, two-story medical building, includes an outpatient surgery department, diagnostic services and 148 patient exam rooms.
- The Spence and Becky Wilson Baptist Children's Hospital in Memphis is beginning a \$1.2 million project to expand its ear, nose and throat; orthopedic; and general surgical services. Funded by the Baptist Memorial Health Care Foundation, the project will allow the hospital to accommodate up to 286 new surgeries a year.
- The Baptist Health Sciences University College of Osteopathic Medicine's first class of about 90 students will begin their studies in August. Earlier this year, we hosted a ribbon cutting for the 100,000-square-foot College of Osteopathic Medicine building, and First Horizon Bank generously pledged \$1 million to the Baptist College of Osteopathic Medicine Capital Campaign.
- Lown Institute, a nonpartisan think tank, announced that Baptist Memphis had a "fair share surplus" of \$34 million — meaning we gave back that much more to our communities than we received in estimated tax breaks. No other Tennessee hospital had a surplus that large.

Baptist & Reflector

Since 1835, the *Baptist and Reflector* has produced and shared articles and columns that impact Tennessee Baptist Convention churches.

The *B&R* is mailed to nearly homes 26 weeks a year, reaching nearly 40,000 readers. For nearly 11 years in a row, the *B&R* staff has been recognized for excellence in journalism by the Baptist Communicators Association in its annual awards competition.

In addition, the *B&R* website has grown steadily since it was introduced in late 2015. Our number of page views grows steadily. We also send out a weekly newsletter highlighting not only the top stories in the print issue but other articles that are posted on the website but may not appear in the print issue.

The goal of the paper is to “tell the story of Tennessee Baptists” through news, feature stories and photographs. In 2024, the paper focused on articles highlighting the Five Objectives, a 10-year focus that ends this year while at the same time beginning coverage of stories featuring the Acts 2:17 Initiative which messengers approved at last year’s annual meeting in Chattanooga.

In addition, the *B&R* continued to inform Tennessee Baptists about BlueOval City, located in Haywood County, roughly 40 miles east of Memphis. BlueOval City in Stanton will eventually become a massive Ford plant that covers approximately 4,100 acres. Upcoming articles will continue to keep readers informed of the numerous opportunities that will be available in the months and years to come in West Tennessee.

Tennessee Baptists already have been involved in a lot of disaster relief efforts throughout our state and nation. Teams recently served in Iowa and Texas.

The *Baptist and Reflector* continues to utilize social media tools such as Twitter and Facebook and other outlets to keep Tennessee Baptists aware of breaking news.

The staff monitors trends that could affect Tennessee Baptists and prints those stories to keep readers informed. We also have kept our readers informed of current events throughout the Southern Baptist Convention as well.

The paper continually seeks to enlist new subscribers, either through individual subscriptions or our church plan. We need more churches willing to send the paper to their leadership such as deacons, Sunday School teachers, etc.

For more information about subscriptions, call the *Baptist & Reflector* office at 1-800-558-2090 or (615) 371-2003. We value your support.

Lonnie Wilkey, Editor

Associational Report 2024

Carson-Newman University

From a dream, to development, to its August 1851 opening, Baptists of this state have been instrumental in the creation, maintenance and growth of Carson-Newman. Your partnership and support enable us as Christian educators to help our students reach their full potential as educated citizens and worldwide servant-leaders.

We have had a blessed year at Mossy Creek. Highlights of this past year include:

- Carson-Newman celebrated its third-largest total enrollment in its 172-year history, reporting admission of 2,735 students – a nearly 6% increase from the previous year.
- The University graduated a total of 600 students during the 2023-24 school year.
- The University entered its third year of a five-year strategic plan entitled “*Acorns to Oaks: Pursuing God’s Preferred Future.*” The first fruits of this initiative were opening and utilizing the new state-of-the-art Drama and Ted Russell Center, home to C-N’s School of Health Sciences.
- As of July 2024, the University is overseeing the final stages of completion of the largest construction project in its history — West Campus Commons. This 110,000 sq. foot residence life complex will house 524 students this fall.
- The University broke ground on a new Child Development Lab. This educational facility overseen by the Family & Consumer Science Department will afford children a new learning environment promoting physical, emotional, social, cognitive and language development, while also providing C-N students needed hands-on experience instrumental in their academic pursuits.
- Other campus projects included a new playing surface in Holt Fieldhouse, new turf for McCown Soccer Field and Burke-Tarr Stadium, as well as a stadium video screen and scoreboard.
- The University opened a new Recreation Park on the west end of campus. This facility includes two pickleball courts, two basketball courts, three beach volleyball courts, a softball field, a soccer field and a seating area.
- The Princeton Review cited C-N in its “2024 Best Colleges: Region by Region.” It also recognized C-N in its “Best Online Nursing School Master’s Program.” The University was also named a “College of Distinction” and a “Christian College of Distinction” by the organization Colleges of Distinction for the 10th consecutive year.
- Christianity Today cited the archeological dig of Hyrcania, Herod the Great’s desert fortress, in its “Biblical Archeology’s Top 10 Discoveries for 2023.” The dig was performed by teams from Carson-Newman, Hebrew University, and American Veterans Archeological Recovery.
- In partnership with First Baptist Church Mt. Juliet and Mount Juliet Christian Academy, C-N opened the Nashville Education Center, expanding options for those in Middle Tennessee seeking a C-N degree.
- The University had a successful first year with its new Prison Ministry at Morgan County Correctional Complex. The cohort of 14 students began their pursuit of a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies with an emphasis in Ministry Studies. By the end of the Spring Semester, the majority of students made either the President’s (4.0 GPA) or Dean’s (3.5 – 3.9 GPA) lists.
- In partnership with Manley Baptist Church, we were grateful that students chose to express public professions of faith in Christ by being baptized in Mossy Creek on C-N’s campus during the fall. There were many other public professions of faith who chose to pursue baptism at their home churches instead of in Mossy Creek. We celebrate the life-changing impact of the Gospel that is transforming lives across our campus.
- Partnering with NAMB’s GenSend program, C-N students spread the love of Christ, serving on mission trips in Denver, Los Angeles, Honolulu, Washington, D.C., and Honduras.
- The University presented the annual Ken Sparks Award to 1987 alumnus Jeff Lovingood, who serves as senior associate pastor at First Baptist Cleveland.

Highlights presented here are made possible because of the cooperation, support and generosity of Tennessee Baptists.

Submitted by Charles A. Fowler, President



The King's Academy

Since 1880, Harrison-Chilhowee Baptist Academy has been serving East Tennessee and the world as a distinctively Christian school. For the last 30 years, Tennessee Baptists' accredited Christian boarding and day school has operated under the name of The King's Academy. Located in Seymour, TN, amidst the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains, TKA represents students from across the world. God has blessed us with several significant opportunities to share and advance our mission this year, allowing us to present the gospel to students from nations previously unreached by The King's Academy. It is our fervent prayer that our students will continue to spread the gospel to others, showcasing their achievements and God-given talents along the way.

God's movement and reach continue to unfold through the ministries of The King's Academy as seen below:

- **Countries Represented for the Upcoming School Year:** Currently 18 countries are represented, with the potential of 21 pending VISA applications. This diversity enriches our community and broadens the perspectives within our student body.
- **25% Increase in Dorm Students:** This significant rise in dormitory students underscores the growing appeal and trust in our boarding program, highlighting our commitment to providing a nurturing and supportive residential environment.
- **27 Decisions for Christ:** Witnessing 27 students make decisions for Christ over the past year has been a significant spiritual milestone for our school community, reaffirming our commitment to nurturing faith and spiritual growth.
- **Fundraising:** We have raised over \$1,000,000 in the past fiscal year. This achievement reflects the generous support of our community and the effectiveness of our development efforts.
- **Director of Spiritual Formation:** The creation of a new "Director of Spiritual Formation" position marks our dedication to furthering the spiritual development of our students, providing leadership and guidance in their faith journeys.
- **ACSI Accreditation:** Receiving official ACSI Accreditation, valid for the next six years, reflects our unwavering dedication to academic excellence, Christian values, and continuous improvement, validating our efforts to provide a high-quality education rooted in faith.
- **Financial Sustainability:** We have made significant strides in our financial sustainability, transitioning from a reliance on development funding to cover operations to a remarkable decrease of nearly 60%. This shift has enabled us to allocate funds raised through development efforts more effectively towards enhancing our school and enriching the student experience.
- **Smothers Road Ownership:** Smothers Road, the access road to The King's Academy, is now privately owned. This exciting development allows us greater control over our campus security and traffic management. As part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety of our students and staff, we are initiating the process of installing gates throughout the campus. These gates will enhance security measures and regulate access, providing peace of mind for our TKA community.

These highlights are just a glimpse into the incredible things that Christ is doing on our campus. As we continue to uphold our mission and values, we eagerly anticipate even more blessings, transformations, and opportunities to witness God's hand at work in the lives of our students, staff, and community.

In Christ,

Jeremy Sandefur
Head of School

At Union University, we are honored to partner with Tennessee Baptists as we pursue our mission of providing Christ-centered education that promotes excellence and character development in service to Church and society. The encouragement, prayers, and support of our Tennessee Baptist friends are invaluable in our work of preparing students for a lifetime of service and leadership.



Our motto, “Religio et Eruditio,” is a Latin phrase that can be translated as “Religion and Education.” Or, put another way, “Faith and Learning.” As such, we’ve adopted a new tagline at Union: “Where Faith and Knowledge Unite.” That tagline encompasses the work we do. Uncompromising in our convictions, committed to the truth of Scripture, and passionate about providing students with an excellent education, we seek to be a place where students don’t sacrifice academic rigor or faithfulness to Christ. Christ is Lord over every discipline, and students at Union learn what it means to be Christian teachers, nurses, business leaders, scientists, parents, neighbors, and professionals in whatever path they pursue.

The Lord has continued to bless Union over the past year. Some highlights include:

- We continue to work toward completion of our comprehensive fundraising campaign, “Union 200: Tradition. Truth. Transformation.” Our goal is \$80 million, and just over \$45 million has been given and pledged toward that goal thus far.
- Construction is well underway on a new academic building on the Great Lawn that will house the McAfee School of Business and the computer science and engineering departments. We expect the building to be completed during the 2025 spring semester.
- We’ve filled several key leadership positions over the last year, including Jacob Shatzer as provost, Ray Van Neste as vice president for university ministries, Kenneth Lewis as dean for the Memphis College of Urban and Theological Studies, Dan Slater as dean for the McAfee School of Business, Todd Stanfield as dean for the School of Social Work, and Kim Jones as dean for the College of Pharmacy.
- Union’s School of Theology and Missions recently published a new book, *Recognizing and Responding to the Messiah: Sermons on the Gospel of Mark*, a collection of chapel sermons from Union faculty and staff.
- We announced plans to move forward with fundraising for a new chapel, a facility that will embody Union’s steadfast dedication to Christ-centered education.
- Graduates from our Bachelor of Science in Nursing program in Jackson scored a 100 percent pass rate on the national registered nurse licensure exam. The national pass rate was 87.62 percent.

None of this would be possible without the Lord’s provision and without the support of Tennessee Baptists. Thank you. We are grateful for your friendship, and we ask for your continued prayers as we seek to be faithful to our mission.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dub Oliver".

Samuel W. “Dub” Oliver, Ph.D.
President, Union University



Tennessee Baptist Adult Homes, Inc. Report to Associations, 2024

Phase 1 of the construction of Baptist Village in Humboldt is complete! However, there have been some significant financial issues that have caused a, hopefully temporary, hold on opening. So, we are a bit cautious about making predictions about when this ministry will be available. More about that later in this report. When the entire Baptist Village Humboldt project is completed, there will be 10 duplexes serving 20 financially needy retired pastors and missionaries.

Regarding the financial issues mentioned above, we have downsized our ministry. Here is a snapshot of the steps we took to downsize.

- As White House, in Lebanon, had only 3/8 residents in May, these three men were moved to the one vacancy at Nabi House and the two male vacancies at Rainbow Acres, Jacksboro. This was accomplished in May 2024.
- As White House, in Lebanon, was built to be a group home and, therefore, likely not appealing to a single family looking for a home, the women who live at our Brooks Home facility in Nashville were moved to the larger White House location. Half of the women were moved on June 14th and the other half on June 29th.
- Now that the Brooks Home facility is vacant, it will be freshened up and prepared to be sold. It is in Davidson County and is a single-family home with a finished basement; ideal for a family looking to purchase a home.

It is our hope and belief that this downsizing will make us “right sized” and that there will not be need for further downsizing. Our Father’s Day Offering is one way and our best way to eliminate further cuts to our ministry. As of July 29th, receipts through the 2024 Father’s Day Offering total \$405,628?

Thank you, Tennessee Baptists, for your prayers and your financial support! Thank you for...

Showing What Love Is!

Sincerely,

Mark Anderson, President/Treasurer

Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes

Tennessee Baptist Children's Homes has been welcoming children in hard places with the love of Christ for 133 years! Because of the faithfulness of churches, businesses and individuals who have a heart for children and families who are struggling, we have been able to serve over 255 children and their families over the past year. Thank you for your prayers, for your service, and for sharing your financial resources with TBCH. Our ministry operates without the use of government funds. We have chosen to rely on God's provision through His people to supply the resources necessary to meet the needs of the children and families we serve.

TBCH serves children through two programs. Our **Foster Care** program allows us to place children who are in the state's custody into homes where Jesus is loved and served and where children will have this godly influence in their lives for however long they reside in that home. Our foster care team and volunteers span from Memphis to Kingsport. The other program for providing gospel centered care is our **Residential Care** program. Our campuses in Brentwood, Chattanooga and Millington are all in the process of exciting changes related to our Firm Foundations Project.

One of the core values that drives our ministry is that we will provide a safe environment for the children we serve. TBCH has made changes throughout the years to fulfill this core value and we are now faced with the need to make the change in our residential care program to individual bedrooms and baths for each resident. Because of what many of our children have experienced or been exposed to, this need becomes more apparent as each year passes.

TBCH is making sacrifices to bring this vision into reality. We are reducing the size of our campuses without reducing the number of children we serve. While liquidated property is helping us put our plans into action we are still in great need of your financial assistance. Thank you to those of you whose churches give faithfully to the Cooperative Program and who also make a direct gift to TBCH through the Mother's Day Offering or through your annual missions offerings!

- 255 children served in the past year
- 23 adoptions in the last fiscal year and 12 so far this year
- 14 professions of faith in the last fiscal year and 13 so far this year- Praise the Lord!
- 68 foster homes statewide as of the writing of this report
- 128 children in care as of the writing of this report

Defending the Defenseless,

Greg McCoy
President/Treasurer
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(615)371-2029 www.tbfoundation.org

Serving Tennessee Baptists Since 1938

2024 Annual Report to Associations

Since 1938 the Tennessee Baptist Foundation has been of service to Tennessee Baptists and Kingdom causes around the world. The assets under management of the Foundation have grown from \$6,577 to \$199 million during that time. God continues to bless this ministry and we are pleased to make our report to the associations as to highlights for the fiscal year 2023-24 thus far. The Foundation is pleased to offer the following services to Tennessee Baptists:

- ◆ Presenting informational Faith-based estate planning seminars for churches
- ◆ Working with individuals, helping them develop distinctively Christian personal estate plans
- ◆ Assisting individuals in their establishment of various Charitable Trusts
- ◆ Serving as Trustee of trusts and funds committed to its care
- ◆ Providing investment services to Tennessee Baptist churches, associations and institutions
- ◆ Helping churches establish Legacy Ministries
- ◆ Facilitating loans to Tennessee Baptist churches/associations
- ◆ Providing grants for qualifying new ministries and projects

Highlights of the Foundation's stewardship thus far for this fiscal year include (as of June 30, 2024):

- ✓ Client Accounts: 1,152
- ✓ Assets under management: \$199,059,742
- ✓ New accounts and additions: \$14,036,898 (17 new accounts)
- ✓ Educational scholarships: 166 - totaling \$217,500 for 2024-2025 academic year. (Awarded over \$6.5 million in scholarships since 1987)
- ✓ Special Project Grants: we have distributed \$18,562 to assist 4 ministry projects.
- ✓ Cooperative Program: \$356,260 distributed. Projected to give over \$500,000 by October 31
- ✓ Baptist and charitable causes: \$2,641,514 distributed. Projected to give over \$3.5 million by October 31
- ✓ Sam Warner, former Vice President of Development at the Georgia Baptist Foundation, selected as the new President-Treasurer of the Foundation

The Tennessee Baptist Foundation continues its commitment to faithfully steward God's resources, while striving to further God's Kingdom.

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Tennessee Woman's Missionary Union 2024 Annual Report

Tennessee WMU encourages and equips churches and individuals to engage in missions learning and involvement that enables them to fulfill the Great Commission. This report shares information about some of the state events, ministries, and initiatives that have taken place.

Christian Job Corps is a ministry of WMU that seeks to help men and women break the cycle of poverty through job and life skill classes, Bible study, and mentoring. There are 15 Tennessee Christian Job Corps sites in 13 locations. In their 2024 annual ministry reports, these sites reported 1,305 participants in their various programs, 115 graduates, four decisions for Christ, and 342 volunteers serving 16,995 volunteer hours.

Tennessee WMU missionary care ministries are supported through funds from the Missions for Life Fund and the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions.

- **Missionary Parents Fellowship (MPF):** On September 8-9, 2023, 18 parents of IMB missionaries gathered with program personnel at First Baptist Church Hendersonville for fellowship, information, prayer, and encouragement. Tennessee WMU supports the Tennessee MPF by maintaining its database, distributing communication/promotion materials, and helping to coordinate and host the annual state retreat.
- **Encourage Collegiate MKs:** Each year Tennessee WMU assigns a Missionary Kid (MK) who is attending college in Tennessee to every association so churches can encourage them. Eleven MKs were assigned to associations for the 2023-24 school year.
- **Former Missionary Fellowships:** Former missionaries in West, Middle, and East TN gather several times each year for fellowship, connection, and encouragement. Tennessee WMU provides funds for meals during these gatherings.
- **Christmas Gifts:** In December 2023, Tennessee WMU sent gifts to missionary kids and retired missionaries. A \$150 gift was sent to 12 MKs whose parents serve with IMB and are from Tennessee, and a \$50 gift was sent to 69 retired IMB missionaries born in Tennessee.
- **MK Re-Entry Retreat:** Seven missionary kids from Tennessee received travel assistance funds to attend the MK Re-Entry Retreat, hosted by Missouri WMU and the International Mission Board, from August 6 to 10, 2024.
- **Missionary Homes in Mt. Juliet:** The Tennessee Baptist Mission Board has two missionary homes in Mt. Juliet that provide much-needed rest for missionaries on stateside assignment: the Tennessee WMU Missionary House (Mary's House) and the Missions Mobilization Center (MMC) Missions House. Tennessee WMU takes care of reservations and hosts the missionary families for both houses. Donated gift cards are used to stock pantry staples and other household items.

Tennessee WMU awarded \$38,000 in scholarships to 37 students attending graduate school, seminary, and undergraduate schools in Tennessee during the 2024-25 school year. These scholarships are funded through endowments, invested funds, and the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions.

The 2023-24 Tennessee Missions Emphasis theme was "All Things Tennessee." The suggested dates for the Week of Prayer for State Missions were September 10-27, and the 2023-24 Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions goal was \$2,700,000. The total amount given as of August 12, 2024, was \$2,413,116.91. The offering year goes from September 1 – August 31.

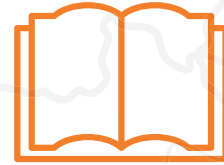
For we are laborers together with God,

Ramona Hicks, President

Vickie Anderson, Executive Director-Treasurer

Celebrating God's work in 2023

As reported by IMB missionaries and partners



141,206
new Christ followers

116,992
baptisms around
the world

879,798
people who heard
the gospel



885,964
views of digital gospel
content in multiple
languages

269,571
individuals disciplined globally

63,481
national believers trained in
leadership and evangelism

21,992
national believers trained to send
missionaries cross-culturally



401,654
people served by human
needs projects

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Sevier County, Sevierville Summary Information For ACP Year 2024

Congregation	Total Members	Resident Members	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	Worship Attendance		SS	SS Avg. Attendance	DT Enrollment	Music Ministry		WMU Enrollment	Mens Ministry	Total Receipts
					46	48				35	0			
Alder Branch, Sevierville	169	143	3	5	46	48	35	0	12	0	0	0	0	\$113,784
Banner, Gatlinburg														
Beech Springs, Kodak	949	450	16	28	225	211	140	0	1	16	0	0	0	\$362,803
Bells Chapel, Seymour														
Bethel, Sevierville														
Blowing Cave, Sevierville	19	17	4	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$18,338
Boyds Creek, Sevierville	38	38	1	0	48	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$42,356
Bradley's Chapel, Cosby														
Calvary, Sevierville														
Connect, Sevierville														
Covemont, Sevierville														
Dripping Springs, Seymour														
Dupont, Seymour														
Faith Fellowship, Gatlinburg														
French Broad Valley, Kodak	473	460	2	0	64	34	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$93,394
Friendship, Sevierville														
Gatlinburg First, Gatlinburg														
Gists Creek, Sevierville														
Grace, Seymour	465	125	0	8	27	21	18	0	8	4	0	0	0	\$84,825
Gum Stand, Pigeon Forge														
Henderson Chapel, Pigeon Forge	268	144	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$85,836
Hills Creek, Sevierville														
Howards View, Sevierville														
Hurst's Chapel, Pigeon Forge	2,024	79	0	0	20	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$30,138
Jones Chapel, Sevierville														
Knob Creek, Seymour														
Kodak Community, Kodak														
Laurel Branch, Sevierville														
Laurel Grove, Sevierville	42	18	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$16,863
Lebanon, Gatlinburg	213	152	0	0	21	23	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$91,410
Maples Branch, Sevierville	75	68	0	0	30	30	30	0	10	0	0	0	0	\$3,025
Millican Grove, Sevierville	236	0	4	0	49	37	38	18	0	14	8	0	0	\$79,536
Mountain View Missionary, Sevierville	0	0	4	3	125	0	71	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$366,280
New Center, Sevierville														
New Era, Sevierville														
New Salem, Sevierville														

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	Members	Baptisms		Members	Baptisms		Members	Baptisms				Members	Baptisms			
Northview, Kodak	86		86	1	0	70	30	30	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	\$322,741
Oak City, Seymour	528	60	526	60	20	420	367	200	0	24	0	24	0	0	30	\$894,859
Oldhams Creek, Sevierville	145	0	126	0	3	39	41	25	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	\$56,632
Paw Paw Hollow, Strawberry Plains	260	5	216	5	8	80	24	40	0	28	13	0	0	0	0	\$144,789
Pigeon Forge First, Pigeon Forge Providence, Sevierville																
Red Bank First, Sevierville																
Red Bank, Sevierville	262	4	0	4	0	55	0	34	0	0	15	0	0	11	0	\$0
Richardson's Cove, Sevierville																
Roaring Fork, Gatlinburg	954	17	400	17	7	160	100	85	0	55	0	55	0	5	0	\$362,858
Sevierville First, Sevierville	4,495	52	4,102	52	87	1,524	2,732	1,047	459	424	296	424	296	852	0	\$7,860,405
Sevierville Second, Sevierville																
Seymour First, Seymour	1,911	30	1,478	30	102	683	822	399	230	251	687	251	687	55	0	\$2,325,463
Shiloh, Seymour	607	15	607	15	0	175	214	120	154	72	0	72	0	30	0	\$535,864
Sims Chapel, Sevierville																
Smithwood Missionary, Gatlinburg																
Sugar Loaf, Seymour																
Union Valley Baptist, Seymour																
Valley View, Sevierville	266	4	191	4	13	155	154	100	29	49	40	49	40	12	0	\$290,799
Waldens Creek, Sevierville	131	0	75	0	0	18	20	15	0	9	0	9	0	0	0	\$18,801
Walnut Grove, Sevierville	101	0	89	0	0	14	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$59,289
Wears Valley First, Sevierville																
Williamsburg, Sevierville																
Zion Grove, Sevierville																
Zion Hill, Sevierville	213	3	209	3	3	82	85	57	12	44	19	44	19	0	0	\$176,946
Sevier County, Sevierville	14,930	225	9,799	225	287	4,146	5,056	2,550	912	997	1,116	997	1,116	1,003	0	\$14,438,034



2025

140TH ANNUAL MEETING

Time & Place Report

MONDAY, OCT. 20TH
6:30pm-session

**FBC PIGEON
FORGE**

Speaker:
Roc Collins, TBMB

3290 Parkway
Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

TUESDAY, OCT. 21ST
6:30pm-session

TBD

Speaker:
TBD