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**National Collection Week: November 17-24**  
Drop Off Locations:

Woodward Church of God, Athens  
Union McMinn Baptist Church, Niota  
Hill Crest Baptist Church,

*Drop off times do vary for each location—please contact the church.*



### October is Pastor/Staff Appreciation Month

Please take time during this month to do something tangible to show your appreciation, as a church and as individuals, for your Pastor and paid Church Staff. Serving the Lord is a special calling that, at times, can be very demanding and sometimes a seemingly thankless job. You can change that by encouraging your Pastor and Staff by showing them, in tangible ways, how much you love and appreciate them.



**November**  
**November 9-11 Summit**  
Gathering of Tn Baptist—  
Murfreesboro  
**November 3- Pastors and**  
Preachers Fellowship,  
Baptist Center, 7:00 pm

**November— 27-28**  
Thanksgiving Holiday—  
We are closed

**October**  
Cooperative Program  
Emphasis Month  
Pastor/Staff Appreciation  
Month  
**Church messenger report is**  
needed immediately for the  
October meeting  
**October 6—Pastors &**  
Preachers Fellowship,  
Baptist Center, 7:00 pm  
**October 20-22 Christmas**  
Backpack Collection/  
Statewide  
**October 22—Day of Prayer**  
for Baptist Associations  
**October 20—McMinn-Meigs**  
Association Annual  
Meeting, Marshall Hill  
Baptist Church, 7:00 pm



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**Prayer for Revival**  
*Every Monday at the Baptist Center*  
**9:30AM**  
Everyone welcome!

**It's shoebox season!**  
Are you ready to bring Good News and great joy to children around the world? Find our easy step-by-step guide on how to pack a shoebox gift here: <https://sampur.se/step-by-step-guide>

**McMinn-Meigs Association of Baptists Pastors Conference**  
*Meets every Monday morning at 10:00 am at the Baptist Center.*

**Office Hours**  
Monday thru Friday  
8:30 am—4:30 pm  
*Closed for Lunch from 12:30—1:30 pm*

# Links



From Brother Mike. . .  
Mike Farmer, Director of Missions

It is hard to believe that it is time for the annual meeting already. We will be gathering at Marshall Hill Baptist Church on Monday evening, October 20, at 7:00 pm. I hope to see you there.

I want to thank all of you who have been praying for me and my family. My mother finally had her prayers answered. For the past year or so she has longed to go to Heaven. She finally got her wish. I hope we all can live with the anticipation of being there one day.

To say that the world has been chaotic lately does not really accurately portray what is going on around us. Through much of this I am reminded that Jesus faced many people who did not like him. As God, He certainly had the power to stop anything that might happen to Him, but Jesus did not often do that. He did walk away from a crowd who was trying to kill Him because it was not the right time. Yet, in the end He was beaten and killed for those of us who would believe in Him as the Savior of the world.


Many times, Jesus ministered to people who hated Him. Not everyone who benefited from Jesus’ generosity were believers. I cannot imagine how difficult it was to watch people reject the greatest opportunity they would ever have in life, but Jesus let them do just that. In order to be like our Savior, we must also learn to love those who hate us. Jesus promised us that there would be those who hate us because they hated Him. May we be bold to speak truth, and let us do that with compassion for those Jesus called sheep without a shepherd.



**Christian Builders  
needs YOUR Help!**

We build handicap ramps for the disabled and elderly. We are a 100% volunteer organization.

**For more information or to volunteer, please contact Scott Duckworth at 368-3867.**



The Three Words every Church Clerk hates to hear: **ACP’s have been mailed.** The Annual Church letters are here and are ready to pick up during regular office hours. **The are needed for our October meeting ASAP**

### October Celebrations

#### Celebrating Birthdays

02....**Delois Bernard** ..... Central  
06....**Tonya Keaton** ..... First Baptist Riceville  
10....**Jeremy Sneed**..... Rockview  
14....**Justin Brown** ..... Zion Hill  
16....**Jamie Hammonds** . Mount Harmony Niota  
18 **Garry King** ..... Mount Harmony Riceville  
Chris Shaw.....Lakeview  
21....**Steve Jones**.....Good Hope  
28....**Becky Blanchette**... Calvary Etowah  
29....**Jeannie Sneed** ..... Eastview

#### Celebrating Anniversaries

03....**Mike & Carrie King**.....Shiloh  
13....**Van & Annie Elkins**.....Rocky Mount  
15....**Seth & Taylor Barselou**.....Marshall Hill  
30....**Greg & Lea Watson** .....Manilla Chapel

#### Church/Association Anniversaries

**Mike Farmer** ..... Director of Missions.....10 years  
**Victor Abernathy**.. Pisgah.....11 years  
**Mike King**..... Shiloh .....15years  
**Karrie Sweet** ..... Association Staff.....5 years  
**Garry King** ..... Mount Harmony (R).....43years

Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD	Church Name	Current	YTD
Antioch	236.64	2,066.30	Good Hope	150.00	1,800.00	Pond Hill	0.00	600.00
Athens First	1,200.00	13,200.00	Goodsprings	242.64	2,877.45	Pope Avenue	241.36	3,176.48
Bethel Springs	0.00	1,000.00	Greenhouse	0.00	1,500.00	Riceville, First	166.50	1,377.16
Bethsadia	0.00	0.00	Hiwassee	0.00	0.00	Rockview	0.00	0.00
Brookhill	0.00	750.00	Idlewild	150.00	800.00	Rocky Mount	0.00	600.00
Calhoun First	400.00	2,400.00	Lakeside	90.06	1,145.74	Rogers Creek	195.00	1,736.00
Calvary, Etowah	50.00	600.00	Lakeview	515.22	4,655.87	Sanford	0.00	1,500.00
Calvary Missionary	25.00	300.00	Manilla Chapel	0.00	200.00	Shiloh	200.00	2,400.00
Central	1,235.86	6,694.82	Marshall Hill	100.00	1,000.00	Short Creek	487.45	5,158.06
Clay Hill	0.00	120.00	McMahan Calvary	161.56	1,505.60	South Liberty	0.00	1,300.00
Clear Springs	438.94	7,319.11	Mnt. Harmony, N	1,490.00	12,513.00	Stephensville	0.00	0.00
Clearwater	400.00	2,700.00	Mnt. Harmony, R	29.00	453.33	Ten Mile	191.24	2,199.90
Coghill	50.00	600.00	Mount Pisgah	750.06	3,869.01	Union Grove, D	0.00	596.15
Cottonport	0.00	1,046.28	Mount Verd	100.00	400.00	Union Hill	534.00	6,299.00
Decatur First	799.08	9,725.82	Mountianside	0.00	0.00	Valley Road	0.00	0.00
Dixon Avenue	0.00	1,100.00	New Beginnings	0.00	0.00	Vally View	0.00	2,440.78
Double Springs	198.60	1,439.20	New Bethel	0.00	0.00	Walnut Grove	896.45	9,092.35
Eastanallee	100.00	1,200.00	Niota First	0.00	0.00	West End	218.05	3,632.35
East Athens	566.59	4,306.07	North Athens	0.00	400.00	West View	105.00	1,374.80
East Niota	201.00	2,010.00	North Etowah	0.00	600.00	Wildwood	100.00	400.00
East View	0.00	0.00	Oak Grove	502.16	2,930.59	Zion Hill	0.00	450.00
Englewood First	997.92	11,844.76	Old Salem	587.09	6,085.96			
Etowah First	0.00	500.00	Pisgah	965.36	6,235.52			
						<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>16,067.83</b>	<b>164,227.46</b>

Contributions received after September 22nd will be reflected in

Church News

- **Idlewild** Welcomed their new pastor Michael Hodsden September the 14th
- **North** has 150 chairs to give away. Please call the office for more information
- If you would like your church to be featured in this news letter you can call and give me the information before the 20th of the next month. This helps the 710 people receiving this newsletter to know what is going on in their church

community. This newsletter is a great way to get people in the doors to testify to them.

**FALL  
FESTIVAL**

NOV | **2** | 4-6PM

**Sanford Baptist Church**

**2283 Co Rd 50  
Riceville**

**Food, Games & Lots of  
Candy**