

The Shepherd,

Coffee Creek Association, September 2020

Schedule Change

The date for the CCA Executive Board meeting has been moved to October 11th at 2 PM at Kimberlin Creek.

Alpha Baptist Church

by Jackie McGannon

Alpha's "famous" second annual Yard Sale is over once again with only books, toys and glassware left to be boxed and stored. Our thanks go to those women and men who worked "tirelessly" and gave up their time to set up tables, arrange merchandise, and do clean-up chores. Thanks, too, to our "man of all skills and talent", Mike Pruett, who loaded the van with all the remaining clothing to share with Kimberlin's Shepherd's Closet & Cradle.

Our cleaning project has gone well with carpet, upholstery, and duct work all receiving a good steam cleaning. We were also "sanitized" by a spray treatment to help us continue to avoid germs and viruses.

On Sunday, September 20, our church celebrated American Baptist Women's Sunday. The women of our congregation took care of all the parts of the service. Jill Begley Robbins was our speaker for the day, and did a wonderful job. To continue practicing "distancing" our women stood in their place and sang "I Am A Woman." Thanks, Jill, from all of us.

Another "Thank You" goes to our men, Tim Cruz, Mike Pruett, and Jimmy Shelton for the countless hours of work on our church's interior! Our ceiling and walls are spectacular! Thanks, Guys!

Attendance is increasing, and we remain "masked and distanced." ...except in our hearts where there's hugs aplenty!

Austin First Baptist Church

by Hazel Bates & Shirley Thomas

Greetings from Austin First Baptist!!

It's been awhile since we've had a letter in the Shepherd. We hope to start doing better.

Pastor Jerry Johnson read his letter of resignation on May 31st. We had a going away meal for them. Jerry & Vicky will be missed. Our interim minister is Rev. Aubrey Bessenger. Please pray for our church as we begin the search of a new pastor. Also, pray that we choose the pastor God wants us to choose.

We lost two special men from our church, Terry Danner and Jim Kilburn. They are greatly missed.

We haven't had ABY since March, due to the COVID, sure do miss the kids.

We had our Women's Sunday on September 13th with Suzanne Jackson bringing the message. What a blessing!!

We are looking forward to our Harvest Dinner in November.

We have many on our Prayer List.

In God's Love

Bethany Baptist Church

by Michael Payne

Bethany Baptist Church of Deputy has been meeting regularly on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am Sunday School and 10:30 am Church with Evening Services at 6 pm. Youth on Wednesday at 7 pm. We have been holding our own and spreading the Good News about Jesus Christ. Later today, Sunday, Sept 27th, we will be attending the virtual biennium of the Indiana-Kentucky ABC. Been doing a little services on line also as time allows with usually over 200 views. A little different way to extend the church to those not usually inside. Trustees have been working on the fellowship hall with new paint and we voted to re-roof the sanctuary this past Sunday in metal. God is good all the time and all the time God is good.

Kimberlin Creek

by Judy Peacock

I think I missed last months Shepherd. It was a crazy month. So will try not to make this one too long.

One very good thing we are doing at KCBC is having our weekly Bible study through a Zoom meeting every Thursday night at 7 PM. We plan to continue this until we are able to go back to meeting on Wednesday nights at the church. Hopefully, that will be soon. Speaking of getting back to meeting...we are starting Sunday School back on October 4th. We will start out with just 3 classes...1 Adult class, a youth class and 1 with all the children. They will all be meeting in a bigger room than the regular classroom. We pray that this will be good for all age groups.

Our Youth group has been meeting nearly every Sunday night since June, I think. They also got to take a fun outing to Gatlinburg at the end of August. I think Pastor Tyler got in some Bible Study as well as a lot of hiking and adventures. We are so proud of all our youth. So are so willing to help with any project that they are asked to do. Our 171st Homecoming was on the 13th and the church looked beautiful. Pastor Tyler and Leah along with several youth got it all set up for that day and decided to leave it all set up for the next Sunday too so everyone had a chance to come by and see it. More information was set up than in any previous year.

We missed getting to go to some of our fellow churches because the Fall Revival services were cancelled this year as well as the Singspiration. Let's hope that Carols and Choirs will still happen in December. We pray that everyone is staying safe from the Covid-19 and that we all can be together next year for all our events.

Scaffold Lick

by Kathy Morris

Greetings to our sister churches.

Our church services are doing well, we are all practicing social distance and wearing masks. We hope you all are as well. We hope to be able to get back to be able to have Sunday School and to have regular service soon.

We pray that this Covid Virus will not take anymore precious lives of the people in the USA.

We praise our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, our pastor Rev. David Culley is Cancer

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God Bless and Keep our brothers and sisters in Christ safe.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 11 CCA Executive Meeting, 2 PM, Kimberlin Creek

October 10 Women's Day, Liberty Baptist Church, Tipton, Indiana

NOTE: Everything is subject to change pending current COVID situations.

If you want to submit articles for The Shepherd, the deadlines are as follows.

October deadline noon 10/24/20

November deadline noon 11/28/20

December deadline noon 12/26/20

Please mark your calendars.

If you could send the article either just in the body of your email (for easy copying) or in WORD, this works best for me. I do not have access to Publisher. My mailing address is:

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My goal is to always have the Shepherd to you by 5 PM on the last Saturday of the month for distribution on the last Sunday of the month.

Thank You,

Missy Payne