

The Shepherd

Coffee Creek Association, February 2021

You Are Invited to Attend the
195th Annual Session
of the
Coffee Creek Baptist Association
of Indiana

to be held with the
Bethany Baptist Church
2116 N. Bethany Road
Deputy, Indiana 47230

The Annual Meeting
will Commence at
4:00 p.m.

Followed by a
Time of Worship with
Speakers
Kyle and Debbie Witmer
American Baptist International Missionaries to Thailand
and
Music
Meta Clark

Due to COVID
All in attendance will be required to wear masks,
social distancing will be observed
and no food will be served afterwards

The Coffee Creek Baptist Association of Indiana
*Worshiping and Serving Our Lord Jesus Christ
Since 19 August 1827*

Alpha·Austin·Bethany·Bethel·Coffee Creek·Commiskey·Elizabeth·
First Marion·Hopewell·Kent·Kimberlin Creek·Lancaster·Lick Branch·
New Harmony·New Providence·Scaffold Lick·Scottsburg·
Tea Creek·Underwood·Vienna

Greetings from your CCA Treasurer

Just a note to let all of you know that all churches have paid their dues for 2020-2021. It was a challenge I know for some of you but you got it done and I am excited to let you all know it.

May God richly bless each of your churches during this coming year.

Judy Peacock

Information

Hello Coffee Creek Association Pastors,

I wanted to reach out to you to let you know about a church directory that the Scott County Herald will be printing once a month in the local paper. If you are interested in being listed in this directory, give Andrea Ratts a call at (812) 620-7505. She will give you all the details you need.

Blessings,
Tyler Griffin

Scholarship Application

The Annual Coffee Creek Baptist Scholarship Application is attached. Please share this information with your high school seniors and returning college students. Applications are due by March 31st and scholarships are awarded at Singspiration, May 16th, 6 PM at Kimberlin Creek.

Alpha Baptist Church

It's good to be able to send some news from our church after such a long time! It's been an issue with new internet service, new computer, and an old woman trying to remember passwords, etc. Thanks to my son and daughter-in-law, Bob and April, for all the help. I couldn't have done it without you.

We have lost more good friends and neighbors since our last issue and more have been ill, required tests, etc. Bonnie Carroll has lost her mother after a valiant and brave fight against late life illness. Mildred Brawner, Bonnie's mother, was 94 years old and passed away recently. She was also the grandmother of David Carroll, pastor at Vienna Baptist Church. Our heart-felt prayers and wishes go out to all the families involved.

Susie Sipe got a good report from her doctor earlier this month, and we're so glad to hear about this. Thelma Shuler was taken by ambulance to the hospital with a heart issue, and is now home and recuperating. Good friend and Church Treasurer, Shirley Perkinson, will undergo back surgery in early March, and we ask you to pray about this matter, that Shirley might be restored to good health.

Snowbirds, Bill and Ruth Ann Herald got their second Covid-19 shots, and the last radiation treatment for Bill and they headed South! What a blessing!

Had to skip the January ABM & ABW meetings due to weather and Covid! Pastor Stan Carroll was quarantined at home due to the virus and pneumonia. Pastor Bob Flynn filled the pulpit for Stan on that Sunday. Stan is now back in the pulpit and doing very well. Praise God!

If all goes well, Alpha will again make a go at celebrating our 125th anniversary a year late! No guarantees.

Jackie McGannon

Austin First Baptist Church

“God is good all the time and all the time God is good”. I remember Bern Kiser making this statement. He certainly will be missed by all of us in the Coffee Creek Association. We tend to forget that God is good when we are sick, equipment in house or out breaks down, weather is disagreeable or we have to wear masks, but He is good all the time and He is with us through all of our troubles.

We at Austin First Baptist are thankful that we have been able to keep our doors open most of the time. Hopefully, we will soon be able to start our youth program again.

Our interim minister, Aubrey Bessinger, has faithfully been bringing us words of encouragement on Sunday morning. Sunday night we are studying the book of Matthew.

Bethany Baptist Church

Things are beginning to look better with the vaccine starting to get out for covid-19. Some are still afraid to take it, but it is a choice that I am going to complete. I have already taken the first shot and am scheduled to take the second on March 18. I have had the covid-19 and am a survivor. Several of my friends and family have not been as fortunate.

My wife and some of the ladies of the church had a birthday party for me on Friday evening and my 92 year old uncle came from Chillicothe, Ohio. Uncle Don has been Covid-19 home bound for over a year and has had his shots and felt comfortable enough to come out of hibernation. It was a joy to see him. Now we owe him a visit to Ohio.

We celebrated Valentine's Day with a spaghetti dinner after morning worship. The youth are meeting and beginning to plan activities. They recently completed cross paintings. It is really interesting how they

have a variety of interpretation. Everyone was given the same supplies and instruction, but no two pictures were the same.

We have begun to gather for prayer, fellowship and lunch the first Monday of the month for anyone that is able to come. Our first meeting was February 1 and was well attended. We're hoping this turns into a regular monthly event.

As Baptists, fellowship is one of the key elements of our Christian walk. To put it mildly our mental health needs the interaction of Christians. As we get older the church sustains us and enriches us thru Christian fellowship. Covid-19 has challenged our Christian walk as never before. Our church is open now with services on Sunday: SS 9:30; Worship 10:30; Evening service 6pm; Choir Wednesday 6:30 with Youth 7. Staying steadfast since 1838. Come worship and visit with us anytime. Mask still encouraged.

Pastor Mike

Kimberlin Creek

Greetings to our sister churches,

We are so excited that things are happening again. We have started back with Sunday School and it is slowly building. The Youth have gone snowtubing and had their annual pulled pork fundraiser (they raised \$1100 for their mission trip this summer to Rainbow Acres at Camp Verde, Arizona) and they joined the church in a bowling outing at our Scottsburg Lanes. We hope to soon start back having our regular Wednesday night services. Coming up we have another movie night scheduled at the church on March 5th. We love seeing the church doors open for events again.

Our Shared Blessings (free clothes closet) is back open again. If you know of anyone needing clothes, we have a lot and in most sizes for all ages. We have it open on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 PM. It is open to anyone, not just people from Scott County.

We are so proud of our youth group as they will be going again to the Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp over Spring Break to help get it ready for summer camps. This has been an annual event for them for the last few years.

We hope everyone at least 60 years old and older are getting their Covid-19 shots. So we can all be safe this coming year.

God Bless each of you.

Judy Peacock, Church Secretary

Scottsburg First Baptist Church

Greetings to the sister churches in the Coffee Creek Association. I pray that you are all healthy and enjoying this warmer weather. We started in-person worship on February 7th amidst the very cold weather. The weather may have been cold but the fellowship was warm and loving. Everyone was so excited about being back in church. We are now gearing up for Resurrection Sunday. Things will still be a little different, but we will be together to celebrate the Risen Christ. Most of our congregation has had their first COVID vaccine and quite a few have gotten their second shot. It is very encouraging seeing the numbers improving. We are prayerful that we may get back to normal activities in the coming months such as; VBS, summer socials, and 5th Sunday dinners to name just a few. We praise God that we are coming to the end of this chapter in our lives. Through it all we have continued with Operation Bottom Line having only missed giving out diapers in March of 2020 due to the statewide shutdown. Since then we have given away tens of thousands of diapers to deserving families in Scott County. May God bless you and your ministries.

Pastor Kevin

Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp

LADIES RETREAT

Rescheduled to April 23-24, 2021

"Giving Your Best Life"

Ages 15+

We are excited to have guest speaker and author Stephanie Stenger Jones for this uplifting event. We will have times of fellowship, encouragement through sessions, worship, and so much more!

75th Anniversary Celebration

May 15, 2021

SBYCamp is celebrating 75 Years! And we want to celebrate with YOU! This day will be full of activities, live music, food, history, and more! We want to praise the Lord for His work through SBYCamp over the years and thank all of you who have served and given to make SBYCamp what it is today!

-Hannah Joy Eberts-

Administrative Assistant & Marketing

Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp

(812) 591-2515

www.sbycamp.com

Food for thought:

Always pray to have eyes that see the best in people,

A heart that forgives the worst,

A mind that forgets the bad,

And a soul that never loses faith in God.

Planting Your Spring Garden

For the Garden of Your Daily Living

Plant Three Rows of Peas

1. Peace of Mind
2. Peace of Heart
3. Peace of Soul

Plant Four Rows of Squash

1. Squash Gossip
2. Squash Indifference
3. Squash Grumbling
4. Squash Selfishness

Plant Four Rows of Lettuce

1. Lettuce Be Faithful
2. Lettuce Be Kind
3. Lettuce Be Patient
4. Lettuce Really Love One Another

No Garden is Complete Without Turnips

1. Turnip for Meetings
2. Turnip for Service
3. Turnip to Help One Another

To Conclude Our Garden We Must Have Thyme

1. Thyme for Each Other
2. Thyme for Family
3. Thyme for Friends

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love. There is much fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow.

UPCOMING EVENTS

03/14/21 CCA Annual Meeting, Bethany Baptist Church 4 PM

03/31/21 CCA Scholarship Application due

04/11/21 CCA Executive Board Meeting, Kimberlin Creek 2 PM

05/15/21 Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp 75th Anniversary Celebration

05/16/21 CCA Singspiration, Kimberlin Creek 6 PM

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

March deadline noon 03/27/21

April deadline noon 04/24/21

May deadline noon 05/29/21

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:

**Melissa Payne
1310 W Old State Rd 256
Austin, IN 47102**

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

Scholarship Application

Coffee Creek Baptist Association of Indiana

Name of Applicant _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Date of Birth _____

Church Membership _____

Name of Parents _____

College/University that you plan to attend _____

Dates you plan to attend _____

Degree Program _____

Vocation you plan to enter _____

You will need to include the following statements and/or attachments. Your application is not complete until all have been submitted:

- _____ 1. A statement of your Christian faith and involvement in your church.
- _____ 2. A statement of anticipated college expenses and financial needs.
- _____ 3. A letter of recommendation from a teacher or an adult friend.
- _____ 4. A copy of your most recent transcript, accumulative GPA, and class ranking.
- _____ 5. A letter of recommendation from your pastor.
- _____ 6. A recent photo of yourself.

Name of Parents _____

Signature of Applicant _____

Date of Signature _____

Return this application and all attachments by 31 March to the following:

Rev. Timothy Mohon
Kimberlin Creek Baptist Church
4756 E. State Road 356
Scottsburg, Indiana 47170

If you have any questions or concerns you can reach Rev. Mohon by phone at 812-722-7612.

The Coffee Creek Baptist Association Scholarship is funded by the generous contributions of the association's member churches and individuals. The amounts of the actual grants are dependent on the funds raised each year.