The Shepherd

Coffee Creek Association, July 2021

From the Moderator

People frequently wonder what in the world is the Coffee Creek Baptist Association in the first place. Or, they wonder what the big deal is and why we should even bother with having associations of churches anymore. I wrote the following for our church's June 2021 newsletter to help answer that question for people and I thought I would share it with all y'all. Please let me know if you found these brief words helpful for answering these two questions for yourself, or our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Grace and peace,

Rev. Timothy Mohon, Moderator

Dear Church Family,

It was a pleasure to host our association's annual Singspiration this past Sunday (16 May) and it was a delight to welcome all of our guests. With the lingering of COVID, I did not know what to expect attendance wise, so I only printed 50 bulletins.

Oh, ye of little faith. We had 91 present and 12 out of 20 churches of the Coffee Creek Baptist Association represented. Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!

If you were not able to attend, I encourage you to come out for our next associational event in September when we will be holding our annual Revival meetings. It is always a blessing to meet with sisters and brothers from our various member congregations and to hear the preaching of God's Word from our different pastors.

Have you ever wondered what the Coffee Creek Baptist Association is in the first place? Why does it matter?

Well, simply put the CCBA is a fellowship of like-minded churches here in our immediate area. The association has been coming together as a family of American Baptists since 1827 and is made up of the following sister congregations:

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

At the Singspiration we came together to praise our Lord Jesus Christ through music and the various churches brought musical selections (thank you Leah Griffin for organizing this!). We heard a report from Don and Sarah Snyder about the Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp and met the new Executive Director, Dave Purcell (and received a very generous offering for the camp's ministries of \$1,250.00). We were also blessed to award five college students from our churches each a \$1,000.00 scholarship. It was a great evening in the Lord!

This leads me to the second part of the question: Why does it matter? Simply put, we come together as an association of churches to do together what none of us can do alone.

All of us could have held musical events in our own congregations but it is so much more exciting to come together as the larger body of Christ to praise our Lord. None of our congregations can operate a summer camp on their own but when we come together with one another (and actually six other associations!) we can carry out this vital ministry. And, we were able to award five college scholarships this year totaling \$5,000.00! Again, we join together to do what none of us can do on our own!

And this was just one event. In the coming year I encourage you to come and check out what all we do as our Coffee Creek associational family. You will be blessed indeed to learn how we worship and serve our Lord Jesus Christ...together!

With God's Love for You All,

Pastor Tim Kimberlin Creek Baptist Church

Coffee Creek Association Revival

Coffee Creek Association Revival 2021, September 13 - 17 at 7pm; Wednesday youth at 6pm

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
13th Monday	Hopewell	Pastor David Schill
14th Tuesday	Kimberlin Creek	Pastor Mike Payne
15th Wednesday	Bethany	Pastor Timothy Mohon
16th Thursday	Austin	Pastor Steve Herald
17th Friday	Underwood	Pastor Joshua Jackson

Theme: WELCOME HOME FAMILY

Fellowship and refreshments after the worship services. Address of churches will be added later. Plan to come and bring guest and start praying now for this worship time together

If you would like to bring special music (churches or individuals) or you would like to recommend some-one, please contact me as soon as possible.

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Bethany Baptist Church

Be in prayer for our shut-ins as we continue to have some whose health is not good enough to come to services. We stand united as a body of believers in these unprecedented times.

On a more positive note, we are having an All Ages VBS, "Make a Splash with Jesus" on July 30th and 31st from 6-8:30 PM and Sunday morning, August 1st at 10:30 AM. There will be a picnic lunch provided with water slide following the morning service, bring your bathing suite!! Everyone is welcome to attend. The congregation is looking forward to this event.

Nothing better or more satisfying than planting seeds, watering, and seeing growth in the flock of the Lord Jesus' Church here on earth.

Pastor Mike Payne

Kimberlin Creek

Dear Sister Churches,

July is the month that is all about our kids. We cancelled the first Wednesday night service of the month because is was Kid's Night at the Scott County Fair. The next week we had 8 kids, 4 adults & 2 youth helpers all go to Junior Camp at Westport. The 3rd week was our Vacation Bible School with an average of approximately 46 Kids and 25 Youth/Adults volunteers. The kids had a ball traveling around on the "Rocky Railway" all week. Then on the last week of the month we are having 4 kids and 2 adults going to Primary Camp. And we are continuing events for them in August with a Back to School Bash on Sunday, August 8th from 2-5 PM.

All the kids that were at VBS are being invited to this event. We will be having bouncy houses, water balloons, a cookout and lots of fun games! Hopefully all of them will be able to attend this event. And since our church year ends in August our church always has a Year-end Bash at the home of our Children's Ministry Chairman, Bobby & Barb Deal. And in just the last few years we include the whole church in this event instead of just our Kingdom Kids group. Plus this year all the kids at VBS are invited to this too. There is always lots of food, fun and games. And if you aren't too careful you will GET WET! There are always lots of water balloons and the kids love getting the adults wet too.

We hope all our churches are having a great summer and are staying safe!

Judy Peacock Church Secretary

Scottsburg

Greetings to the sister churches in the Coffee Creek Association. I pray that you are having a blessed summer; it's hard to believe that school will be starting soon. Plans are coming together for our revival on August 3rd, 4th, and 5th; that's less than two weeks away! We're going to have food, refreshments and fellowship. It's going to be great "Coming Together, Again"! For some of us we have sorely missed fellowshipping with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Rev. Stan Carroll will be starting us off on Tuesday and the Elevation Church Praise Band will provide the music. On Wednesday, Rev. David Schill will bring the message and Chaplain T.C. Baker and Company will open the evening. Then on Thursday, I will be preaching and Pastor Lisa Herald and Family will start us off. Each evening of the revival will begin at 7:00pm and the fellowship and refreshments will be after each service. It promises to be a wonderful evening of great music and the powerful Word of God. I pray that you will have the opportunity to come and join in the celebration. God bless you.

Pastor Kevin

Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp

It has been a good summer camp season and even though school is starting back up camp still has much to offer. You may want to attend a session or you may want to see how you can help by serving God through camp ministry.

- <u>FAMLY CAMP, September 3-6</u> (check-in Friday 6 pm & check-out Monday 10 am) This camp is for husband, wife and kids.
- MAN CAMP, September 17-18 (check-in Friday 5:30/6:00 pm & check-out Saturday 4 pm)

 This camp is for men and boys age 8 and older.
- <u>SENIOR ADULT CAMP, November 5-6</u> (check-in Friday 5:30 pm & check-out Saturday 6 pm)

 This camp is for men and women ages 55 and older.
- <u>IGNITE, November 12-13</u> (check-in Friday evening & check-out Saturday evening)

 This is a Jr./Sr. High retreat for grades 6-12 and youth leaders.

We are happy to send more information or you may find brochures and details on the camp website www.SBYCamp.com.

The RACE for SBYCamp will be on August 7, 2021

- 1. Put together your team of 4 (with a 5th person as an alternate) and Register at www.sbycamp.com/race
- 2. Raise funds (\$500 per team), Extra money raised gets your team extra points!
- 3. Bring friends and family to cheer you on
- 4. Compete! The challenges for the day will not be released ahead of time.

There are two divisions: FIRE & ICE. There will be a winning team for each division. The winning teams will have their photo on the "Race Wall of Fame" in Grace Hall!

Save the Date!! Semi-Formal Banquet: Thursday, November 4, 2021

Thank you for all your support as a church and individuals!

Sarah Snyder

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UPCOMING EVENTS

07/30-08/01 VBS Bethany Baptist Church

08/07/21 ABM Picnic, TBA

08/07/21 The Race for SBYCamp, Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp

08/10-12/21 Revival, Scottsburg First Baptist

09/13-17/21 CCA Revival, TBA

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

August deadline noon 08/28/21

September deadline noon 09/25/21

October deadline noon 10/30/21

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:

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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