

The Shepherd

Coffee Creek Association, February 2022

From the Moderator...

Annual Association Meeting

196th Annual Session of the Coffee Creek Baptist Association will be held on Sunday, March 13, 2022, 4 PM at New Harmony Baptist Church, 5558 Jack Morgan Road, Austin, IN 47102. Guest Speaker will be Rev. Mark Thompson, Executive Minister of American Baptist Churches of Indiana and Kentucky. Musicians Jay and Dana Stephens. A dinner will be served by the host church following the annual session. All members are encouraged to send representatives to our annual fellowship.

Calling All Pastors!

Each month our associational pastors are invited to break bread together on the second Thursday at Willie D's in Scottsburg. Our Region Minister, Rev. Dan Chadwick, joins us for this time of fellowship, sharing and encouragement. The next get together will be on Thursday, March 10th at 11 AM. Pastor, please come out and join us. Church members, encourage your pastor to take advantage of joining together with brother pastors in Christ.

CCBA Scholarships

For those who are headed to college or trade schools, it is time to complete the 2022 CCBA Scholarship applications. Deadline for this year's submissions will be March 31st. Look for this application, which is included in this issue of the Shepherd, and encourage students to fill this out. We would love to help support your higher educational experience!

From Patti Short

February 2022

Hello ladies of Coffee Creek Association, I am again combining articles for The Shepherd and our February newsletter. I will be mailing the State ABWM newsletter on Monday, February 21.

Please **remember LaDonna Campbell** in your prayers--she is hospitalized with a serious condition.

Scholarship—The State Committee will meet in March to decide upon next years' recipients—it's really not an easy process and we appreciate your prayers. And please don't forget our current scholarship student, Elle Fleenor.

Southeastern Youth Camp is sponsoring a ladies retreat in April. You can find details and registration information at their website: www.sbycamp.com.

The National ABWM Webinars, "Vulnerable Youth: Identifying Predators and Protecting Children" and "Empowering Seniors" were held in February and are now available to watch as a recording. There are 2 in March, titled "Identifying and Managing Bullying Behavior" and "Sustaining Sisterhood." For more information and to register, go to www.abwomensministries.org. These make great programs for your circle meetings.

We made the delivery to the Edna Martin Christian Center on February 12 as planned. We had 13 volunteers at Aldi's to complete the shopping then 11 of those volunteers drove to Indianapolis where Edna Martin Staff were waiting for us along with some Boy Scouts to offload. We bought \$8,734.33 worth of groceries from Aldi's in Seymour! Plus a new Bible was donated for a grand total of \$8754.33 given to them. **Thank you so much for your contribution to this on-going mission that Edna Martin started herself some 60 years ago!** We are very blessed to have both AB Men and ABWM combining efforts for this project—I'm not aware of any other association in the state that has this joint effort. In fact, **the AB Men in our Association are as invested in** this mission project as the ABWM!

I am excited to announce that the Coffee Creek Association AB Men and ABWM are partnering for 2 more projects! We are planning a **mission trip to Western Kentucky in June** to help with clean up/rebuilding after the tornado damage in December 2021. This is in the very early stages of planning and more details will be announced at the annual Coffee Creek Association meeting. The **meeting will take place on Sunday, March 13, 2022, at New Harmony Baptist Church** at 4 p.m. This association meeting is even more important than usual so please mark your calendar and plan to attend! Rev. Mark Thompson, our new Executive Minister of ABC of Indiana and Kentucky, will be the keynote speaker.

The 2nd project is that the Association needs **silent auction baskets** for the annual meeting. The AB Men are making tool boxes and tackle boxes. If your ABWM circle would like to make one, please contact me right away. Money raised from these will go to making improvements on our **Association cabin at Westport Camp**. So bring your checkbook too!

Alpha

Hello to our Coffee Creek Shepherd friends. We had to cancel church 6 February 2022 because of ice on roads and church parking lot. Was glad to get back the following

Sunday. We have finally started up-dating new work needed in our Sunday School Area and Dan McDonald and crew will be doing most of the work.

We have our ABW and ABM meetings on the 4th Wednesday nights of the month at 6:30pm. Join us if you can make it at Alpha Baptist Church, 8089 N. Whitsitt Rd., Deputy, In. 47230

Our women's group is planning a yard sale on 13 & 14 May 2022 at our church community building from 9am - 4pm. We will keep you posted.

We are asking prayers for Jack Perkinson because of serious leg surgery and for his son Dale Perkinson who is also having serious health issues.

Pray all are doing well and look forward to seeing you at our Coffee Creek Association Annual Meeting March 13, 2022.

Our Association is needing someone to use their love for youth to become our American Baptist Youth Association Leader. It can be an individual or a man & woman team. Let me know if you are interested: Stan Carroll, (C) 502-802-3511

Your reporter, Jackie McGannon

Austin

Greeting to the other Coffee Creek Association Churches from Austin 1st Baptist.

The Month of February is a time when we think about who we love and why we love them so much. Why those in our lives are so important to us. In the Gospel of John Chapter 3:16-17 we read that we were so important and loved by God that He gave his Son for us.

v.16- For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. That whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. v.17-For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

In Christianity Agape love is considered unconditional love- the love of God for man and man for God. We often write love letters to those who are important to us, and we care about. The Bible is God's love letter to us. In John 10:10 it says -The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come that they may have life and have it to the full. This Month take an opportunity to rediscover God's Love for Us.

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Lena Spence. Lena was a 74 year member of Austin First Baptist and well loved by all who knew her. We rejoice that she is now with her Lord and Savior, but will miss her smiling face. Please keep her family in your prayers.

We now have a Blessings Box for the Community to utilize if needed. We also have an updated Facebook page as well.

Blessings,

Pastor Joshua Jackson

Bethany

Big shout out to our ABY! The youth invited the Church to Kansai for a Valentine Luncheon. We had 21 take them up on this offer. This was a wonderful time of fun and fellowship.

Our choir begins practicing for Easter. We look forward to praising our Lord thorough song.

Plans are underway for Easter Sunrise Breakfast, Mother's Day & Father's Day celebrations, as well as VBS. Stay tuned for more information...

Coffee Creek

We had a great Valentine's Day Dinner on February 9th, we had Chicken, mash potatoes, salad, and cake, we had around fifty people in attendance. We are very excited to be working on our 200-anniversary celebration on May 1st, but let's not forget March. On March 20th we will be having our Friends and Family Day, it's a great way to introduce your friends to our Pastor, meet new people, greet old and new friends, as well as learn more about our church families and our neighboring community.

March 20, 2022, Friends and Family Day, 10:30 a.m. Pitch -in dinner after church.

Thanks

Pastor Keith Smith

Kent

Greetings from your friends at Kent

We are so excited about our newest endeavor here at Kent! For approximately a year we have implemented what we call "Monthly Missions". Each month (or more often) we do a mission for someone. We have provided muffins to state workers, built a ramp, made and delivered cards to the nursing home, donated clothes to the school nurse, assisted in sending supplies to Mayfield, Kentucky...and the list goes on. This has been a heartwarming experience.

Our youth participated in our Christmas breakfast, caroling, a trip to the cave, and New Year's Eve game night. They have a lock-in scheduled for February 25th. We have reinstated our

“Time with Tony” during the morning worship. The children spend a few minutes with Pastor Tony before going to Children’s Church. Everyone enjoys this time because we are never sure what the kids might say!

Saturday, February 12th our church had Valentine Fun complete with pizza, games, saran wrap ball and lots of laughs. In March we plan to visit the Newport Aquarium or EnterTRAINment Junction. Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 20-24th. Come join the fun!

In this difficult time, we must continue to pray and support each other remembering that through God we can get through anything.

It saddens us to inform you that God has chosen one of our angels to join him in Heaven. We have lost our dear friend Sue Welch. She touched many more lives than she knew. Sue was an awesome Sunday school teacher, leader of our womens group, salad and banana pudding maker, leader in VBS, and had the voice of a bird. She was always our “go to” person. Sue had a heart of gold and always saw the best in everyone. Even though our hearts are heavy, we know she is “In the Garden” “Ringing the Bells of Heaven”. She will be so terribly missed! Please keep her loved ones in your prayers.

Kimberlin Creek

Sister Churches,

May your hearts and your home be warm during this cold spell. And we thank God for some of those warm days he has been throwing in here and there. We love those days. May spring be here soon.

Pastor Tyler & Leah, Andrew & Sherri Joyce took several of our youth to Florida at the end of January for the Rock the Universe concerts at Universal in Orlando. Thank God for being with them and bringing them safely home. He also took some of our youth and a lot of nonperishables to the Edna Martin Christian Center on February 12th. And as I write this our 4:12 Youth group is planning their annual Pulled Pork Fundraiser for this Sunday, February 20th. Their plans for the mission trip to Rainbow Acres at Camp Verde, Arizona in July is now a go. This is the 3rd year they have had plans to go and because of Covid it has been cancelled the last 2 years. In case you don’t know what this is, it is a residential Christian Community serving adults with developmental disabilities. We will have 6 adults going...Pastor Tyler & Leah, Angie Avendano, Andrew Joyce, Stephen Spicer & Brittany Walsh. They will be taking 12 youth...Hayden, Alec, Tristyn, Luke, Molly, Lexie, Ethan, Isabel, Hunter, Destiny, Philip & Savannah. We ask that each of you begin now to pray for them and their mission at Rainbow Acres.

Pastor Tim Mohon has been bringing some interesting messages so far this year. This Sunday's message is "Love My Enemies? Are You Kidding Me?" from Luke 6:27-36. This should be one we all probably need to hear. You can hear it on YouTube or Vimeo.

May God Bless All of You,

Judy Peacock, Church Secretary

Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp

LADIES RETREAT

April 1-2, 2022

\$75 Per Person / Includes 3 meals and snacks

Check-in 6PM on Friday

Check-Out 3PM on Saturday

Join us for a weekend of encouragement as our speaker, Kim Wright, takes us through the book of Ezra and from Rubble to Restoration. There will be times of worship, teaching, and breakouts tailored to you! On Friday night, we will have a coffee and dessert bar hosted by Upper Room. They will also be with us Saturday morning so you can get your coffee fix! We will also have several small business owners set up over the time we are together for you to do some shopping. We are so excited to have you join us!

Register at www.sbycamp.com/ladiesretreat

2022 Camp SCHEDULE & Events *Although some camp sessions overlap, they are not combined sessions.

- Ladies Retreat (Ages 15+): April 1-2 / \$75
- Annual Summer Kick-Off: May 21
- JUNIOR CAMP #1 (entering grades 4-6): June 12-17 / \$190
- PAINTBALL CAMP (entering grades 6-12): June 12-15 / \$140
- TEEN CAMP (entering grades 7-12): June 19-24 / \$190
- KINDERGARTEN CAMP (entering grades K-1): June 29-30 / \$50
- JUNIOR CAMP #2 (entering grades 4-6): July 10-15 / \$190
- JUNIOR-SENIOR Camp (entering grades 4-12): July 17-22 / \$190
- MUSIC CAMP (entering grades 7-12): July 17-22 / \$190
- GOLF CAMP (entering grades 7-12): July 19-22 / \$190
- PRIMARY CAMP (entering grades 1-3): July 24-27 / \$140
- The RACE: August 6

- FAMILY CAMP: September 2-5 / \$330 Per Family
- SENIOR ADULT CAMP (ages 55+): September 16-17 / \$75
- Banquet: *November 3*
- IGNITE 2.0 (grades 6-12): November 4-5 / \$75 (Registration Not Open Yet)
- **www.sbycamp.com**

UPCOMING EVENTS

03/13/2022 CCA Annual Meeting, New Harmony 4 PM

04/10/2022 CCA Executive Board Meeting, 2 PM Kimberlin Creek

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

2022 Shepherd Deadlines noon on:

03/19/2022

04/23/2022

05/21/2022

06/18/2022

07/23/2022

08/20/2022

09/17/2022

10/22/2022

11/19/2022

12/17/2022

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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Thank You,

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