

# *The Shepherd*

*Coffee Creek Association, May 2022*

## **5th Sunday Hymn Sing**

The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Hymn Sing will be held on Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at Coffee Creek Baptist Church at 6 PM. Everyone is welcome & encouraged to come and share.

## **2022 Rural Fellowship Schedule**

### **June 16, 2022**

Where: Coffee Creek Baptist 2045 IN-250, Paris Crossing, IN 47270

When: 7PM

Message: John Riggs from Coffee Creek Christian

Mission: Jennings County Coordinating Council

### **July 21, 2022**

Where: Alpha Baptist Church 8089 N Whitsitt Rd, Scottsburg, IN 47230

When: 7PM

Message: Keith Smith from Coffee Creek Baptist

Mission: The Clearing House in Scottsburg

### **August 18, 2022**

Where: Graham Presbyterian Church 10 East Co Rd 600 S, North Vernon, IN 47265

When: 7PM

Message: Damon Marling from United Christian Church

Mission: Wayside Inn Homeless Shelter

James A Redmond

Call or Text 812-767-1642

Deacon at Coffee Creek Baptist Church

## **ABWM**

I have had the opportunity to speak at several of our association churches over the past 6 weeks about our upcoming mission trip. Everyone has been very open and welcoming to me and I really appreciate that! Even more so, everyone has been extremely generous with giving for our mission trip. Currently, we have over \$4,000 to cover our expenses, mostly thanks to you!! This is incredible and far exceeds my expectations so I say "Thank you! Thank you from the bottom of my heart." This allows us to go to Western Kentucky without any individual participant paying anything out of their own pocket!

**If you haven't turned in your registration form yet but plan to go, you need to do so immediately. We are ready to make specific plans for housing/beds, food and transportation.**

We will be in Western Kentucky June 16-18, 2022. Please pray for us. Pray for us now as we plan and prepare. Satan has been trying to throw some “roadblocks” at us but your prayers of support are making these “roadblocks” ineffective. Pray for us to have safe travels to and from the region and for safety as we do the work assigned to us by their disaster coordinator. Pray that we minister in the most effective ways as the hands and feet of Jesus.

Sometime after we return, we will be sharing pictures and stories of what we did while in Western Kentucky. Be sure to look for times of gathering. We will also show you how/where your donations were spent.

Summer Conference for the ABWM ladies is July 8-9, 2022 at the St. Joseph Retreat & Conference Center in Tipton, IN. Registration forms were included in the May ABWM newsletter. The deadline to submit your registration form is June 10 which is near so please come! It would be great to see several ladies from our association!

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at my contact information below.

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## **Alpha**

Happy “All-most” Summer to all of our brothers and sisters in CCA! Other than storms passing through, we hope your summer is beginning well.

Alpha has undergone some trying times lately with illnesses, Covid, surgeries, etc., but we remain steadfast. Our updating process is ongoing, with some more additions and corrections to our old Sunday School area’s remodeling project. It is nearer and nearer completion.

Our ABW’s Spring Yard Sale was very successful! We were a threat to existing businesses that sell clothing, shoes, household items, books, purses, toys and even a set of golf clubs! Thanks to all who helped in this endeavor, and to you who came to buy! Don’t be discouraged if you didn’t make it out to Alpha this time – another one is being scheduled for the fall. No date yet.

Prayer for our members who remain in medical facilities: Jack Perkinson; Annette Stout; Mike Pruet; and I’ll add my husband, Vince McGannon.

Pastor Stan Carroll led the worship service for the first of this year’s Rural Community Fellowship meetings. It will be at Alpha in July.

Personal opinion, but wasn't "Singspiration" one of the best ever? So much great music in praise for Our Father and His Son. So much fellowship. And most of us were near dancing in our pews with "The Best Boy Band of Leota" doing a great performance! Thanks guys!

Jackie McGannon

### **Austin**

We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of our beloved pianist, Brenda Roth. Brenda passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Services will be held at Adams Family Funeral Home in Scottsburg on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM. Visitation will be from 11 AM to 2 PM.

### **Bethel**

Greetings from Bethel Baptist in Leota,

A number of Bethel folks attended the Singsperation last Sunday and enjoyed a fine time of being gathered and singing. It was also very nice to see so many young people receive scholarship gifts from the association.

After much meetings and barn/brain storming. We are going to begin doing a new thing here in Leota. This thing will be referred to as the Leota Workshop Series. Beginning on 5/22/22 Bethel will be offering workshops designed to get people in touch with their inner creative selves. Using local resources and our own God given giftedness, we are going to explore creation and our own creativeness. Some of the offerings at the Leota Workshop Series will include, among other offerings: driftwood art, clay creations & pottery, barn quilts, photography, campfire cooking, fossil hunting, painting, wreaths and twig vases. These events will be offered on a regular basis throughout the summer and into the autumn and will be open to the community. We anticipate a fun, productive and perhaps even therapeutic time as we gather together and work with our Lord to both enjoy and participate in and with creation. Furthermore, we anticipate that God will work and do a new thing in and through us as we labor together. Peace and Creativity to you all as you dive into the summer months.

Pastor Bruce, (p.b.)

### **Bethany**

Happy Summer!! We've gone from Spring to Summer in a flash and that means that VBS will soon be upon us. Our VBS will be held July 8-10, details to follow next month.

Big shout out to Kimberlin Creek & all that participated in the Singspiration. Bentley, our soloist, really enjoyed his pay for singing. He said the cookies were awesome! It was wonderful to see so many come out and sing praises to the Lord. Congratulations to all the scholarship recipients.

### **Kimberlin Creek**

Greetings, Sister Churches,

Last Sunday, we were blessed to License Pastor Tyler Griffin into the Gospel Ministry. He has done a wonderful job leading our youth here at Kimberlin Creek for over 5 years and hopefully for several more. God bless him and his wife, Leah in all their future endeavors.

Our 4:12 Youth led by Pastor Tyler, got to go see a Louisville Bats game this month. Plus they had some preparations for their Mission Trip this summer to Rainbow Acres in Arizona. We have 11 youth going: Hayden, Alec, Tristyn, Luke, Molly, Ethan, Bel, Hunter, Destiny, Philip & Savannah and 5 adults: Tyler, Leah, Angie, Andrew & Stephen, leaving on July 2<sup>nd</sup> & returning on July 9<sup>th</sup>. We ask each of you to keep them in your prayers until they have returned home.

We will celebrate with our graduates this year on June 12<sup>th</sup>: Mayci Furnish from Austin HS; and from Scottsburg HS, Alec Beaver, Alexis Caudell, Zachery McNeely, Kalyn Sebastian & Lily Walsh. Then moving up from Kingdom Kids to 4:12 Youth will be Molly Bledsoe, Macy Gibson, Molly Gregg, Taren James & Lorelei Sands. And finally, we celebrate with those who can now fully read their Bible & moving up to the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Colton Asdell, Kinsley Hurt, Kenzie Sebastian & Lylah Yount. Then following our Youth Sunday celebrations, we will have our annual Church-wide Picnic on the church grounds where everyone can finally celebrate with a pitch-in meal. Pastor Tim is so excited that we are able to have these special events once again.

Coming up in June we will again be having a Red Cross Blood Drive in our Family Life Center on the 14<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to "GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE" please make plans to come here that day. Time is from 3-8 PM. You may also call for an appointment at 812-889-2428 or go to the Red Cross website.

May all of you have a wonderful and blessed summer.

Judy Peacock, Church Secretary

### **Scottsburg**

Greetings to all churches in the Coffee Creek Association; I pray that each and every one is finding peace through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Who would have ever thought that not wearing a mask could be so liberating? It has been wonderful to see so many smiling faces, as more and

more people are returning to in-person worship. Easter and Mother's Day were wonderful celebrations as many families came together. We had our two highest attendance numbers since 2019. Praise the Lord! Our church is in the middle of our ReShape Church small group meetings as we are discerning God's leading for our congregation. The meetings have been well attended and everyone is getting their voices heard. We are planning a revival for the last week of July or the first week in August. Last year we had to cancel the revival due to the surge in COVID; our prayer is that God will intervene and we will have it this year. As more details come available, we'll get that out to you.

I have published a book of sermons titled, "Become More Like Jesus: 40 Sermons That Will Change Your Life." It came about because, sometimes, just listening to a sermon once, is not enough. Even if we are paying attention 100% of the time and hear every word of the sermon, it usually does not stick with us. I know, that was me. My goal is to let people take their time in discerning what God is calling them to do in their lives. Most people have told me that they are using the book as a study guide; reading the entire sermon through and then going back, with their Bibles, reading and looking up the passages. This book is written so that anyone can follow the theology and apply the teachings of Jesus to their lives. My prayer is that this book will be used by Christians and non-Christians to become more like Jesus. It is available in softcover, hardcover, and as an eBook and is available at [amazon.com](https://amazon.com) or [westbowpress.com/bookstore](https://westbowpress.com/bookstore).

May God bless and grant traveling mercies to all the members of the Coffee Creek Association, the State of Indiana, and the surrounding region as they go to Western Kentucky, this June, to be the hands and feet of Jesus to those affected by the tornadoes in December of 2021.

Pastor Kevin Sills

### **Underwood**

The old saying that April showers bring May flowers is certainly true at Underwood. We are blooming for Christ in our community. The church continues to attempt to reach those around us for Christ and share His love with those in need. Pastor David will be Camp Pastor at 3 Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp sessions this summer. All of these sessions are in July (Junior Camp #2, Music Camp, and Primary Camp). Members are collecting necessary supplies to help the camp. We encourage our sister churches to send your youth to one of these camps to learn about Jesus. Plans in the works for VBS and what we call "Lawn Chair Worship" (Worshipping outside under our shelter house. As graduation time is upon us, we wish all high school and college graduates the very best and pray God's blessings for each.

## **Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp**

Register for camp!!!! [www.sbycamp.com/registration](http://www.sbycamp.com/registration)

- 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
- **www.sbycamp.com**

### **Food for Thought**

You are holding a cup of coffee when someone comes along and bumps into you or shakes your arm, causing you to spill your coffee everywhere.

*Why did you spill the coffee?*

“Because someone bumped into me!!”

Nope, you spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup. Had there been tea in the cup, you would have spilled tea.

***Whatever is inside the cup will spill out.***

So...when life shakes you (and it WILL), whatever is inside you will come out.

The big question is...”What is in my cup?”

When life get tough, what spills over?...Joy, appreciation, love, acceptance? Hostility, anger, judgement, harsh words and exhaustion?

Life provides the cup, YOU choose how to fill it. Especially right now, it's so important to make sure we fill our cups with the good stuff – forgiveness, joy, words of affirmation; and kindness and love for others. So...What is your cup filled with?

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

05/22/2022 Licensing of Tyler Griffin, Kimberlin Creek, 3 PM  
05/29/2022 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Hymn Sing, Coffee Creek, 6 PM  
06/16-18/2022 AB Men & ABWM Mission Trip to Kentucky  
07/09/2022 ABWM Summer Conference, Tipton, IN  
07/10/2022 CCA Executive Board Meeting, Kimberlin Creek 2 PM  
09/12-16/2022 CCA Revival, TBA  
10/09/2022 CCA Executive Board Meeting, Kimberlin Creek 2 PM  
12/04/2022 Carols & Choirs, TBA

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

**2022 Shepherd Deadlines noon on:**

**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. My mailing address is:**

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**Thank You,**

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