The Shepherd

Coffee Creek Association, April 2024

Singspiration

A friendly reminder from your Coffee Creek Music Coordinator: Rev. Joshua Jackson.

To the fellow churches of the Coffee Creek Association- Our annual spring Singspiration is soon approaching and will be held on 19th of May, 2024, at 6 p.m. The location of this year's event will be Kimberlin Creek Baptist Church, 4756 E. State Rd. 356, Scottsburg, IN 47170.

Each church is asked to bring a music selection or other form of praise, this could include a poem, or perhaps some Scripture verses from the Bible.

Also please bring some finger foods to share for a time of fellowship after the program.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me by email at <u>Joshua.jackson50@aol.com</u> or by phone at (1-812-) 707-1020.

Please let me know by May 5th 2024 if your church plans on taking part in the spring music program so we can begin working on the order of service for the program.

Blessings,

Rev. Joshua Jackson

From Patty Short

State ABWM

The state officers will be meeting on April 27 for their spring retreat. Please pray for us as we travel and continue planning Summer Conference and Women's Day as well as refresh ourselves and fellowship together. The next state officer newsletter will be published after this gathering so watch for it and the information that it will contain. **Summer Conference** is in June so registration information is expected to be in this next issue of our state newsletter. We'll be back at Franklin College but staying at hotels instead of a dorm. If you plan to attend, you need to make a reservation **NOW** as the rooms are filling quickly (there is another group meeting there that has increased the demand for motel rooms.)

Coffee Creek Association ABWM

Sewing Seeds of Love

6 ladies and our 1 gentleman met at New Providence Baptist Church on April 16 and continued sewing items for Cradle in Scott County along with some other projects. That night we completed 3 bibs and 1 lap throw and worked on other projects. (We didn't meet on April 2 due to the storms that were booming

everywhere that evening.) We still have lots of fabric so please join us at our next session on **Tuesday**, **May 7** at Bethel Baptist Church **from** <u>6-8 pm</u>! Note the time change! This will be our final session for this spring. We will resume again in September.

Scholarship

Please don't forget our scholarship student, Ashley Walton. Ashley attends Indiana University Bloomington. Her final exams are April 29-May 3 with the last day of classes being May 3, 2024. Please pray for her during this time and maybe send her some small gifts (she likes chocolate, Starbucks & Jimmy Johns)—this last week of school is very stressful for students! (We will be assigned a new student at our Summer Conference for the next school year.)

2024 Spring Conference

This year's spring Conference was held April 20 at Bethany Baptist Church with our theme "Unstoppable Us"-- I think it was one of the best we have ever had! We had 20 ladies present and numerous silent auction baskets and there were some bidding wars happening—all in good fun! The officers worked really hard to make it successful and we have a great team! My thanks to all of them for making it such a success! Also the ladies of Bethany gave us a feast for breakfast and served a wonderful lunch—GREAT JOB LADIES! THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WERE PRESENT!!

Our next Association wide ABWM will be in October for our Fall Conference. Hope to see you there!

Disaster Relief

Our planning team did not get to meet after the Mayfield trip (only busy people serve on our team ©) so we have not set a date for our June trip. That will happen this next week so watch for special announcements. We will be going to Eastern KY where they are recovering from the July 2022 flood.

On a personal note, I actually took this week off from my calendar (didn't look at it once!)—I think that was a first for me—but it's over now and back to "work" I go!

Patty Short, CCA ABWM President. Cell: 812-595-1082. Email: ppshort@frontier.com

ABM

We will be having our next ABM meeting on May 7th at 6:30 pm Our host Church will be Bethany Baptist Church. Also Dale Armstrong will have the association Disaster Relief Trailer there as well at 5pm and if any men would like to help Dale in checking and servicing the equipment that is within the trailer it would be greatly appreciated.

Rev. Joshua Jackson, ABM President.

Alpha

Greetings to our sister churches of the Coffee Creek Association. Hope all is well with you.

We were blessed to have Good Friday Services and appreciated the visitors that also came to worship with us. We had a wonderful turn out for our Easter morning service as we celebrated our Risen Lord!

At our Sunday morning service (4-14-2024) Ethan Peacock came forward and made his profession of faith. We will be setting a time for his baptism service.

We have been having a great time at our Wednesday night bible study and choir practice.

We worshiped with the Rural Community Fellowship on Thursday evening at 7pm at Bethany Baptist Church. It was very well attended, great music and preaching. And of course, there was a time of fellowship and refreshments after worship.

When you see this Shepherd Alpha will have had their spring yard sale (4-12-2--24). A great amount of work has gone into this and it was also a wonderful time of fellowship. We hope it will be a successful yard sale.

We look forward to participating with Singspiration at Kimberlin Creek Baptist Church on May 19,2024 at 6pm. Hope to see many of you there. Several of our churches bring specials and it is a great time of worship and fellowship. We will also meet the scholarship recipients.

Yours in Christ Jesus, Stan Carroll

<u>Austin</u>

Greeting to our fellow churches of the association. We hope that everyone is doing well and also enjoying all the blessings of the springtime season. We are looking forward to some upcoming events that will soon be taking place here at AFBC. We will be having our Annual Mother /Daughter dinner on May 10th at 6pm in our fellowship hall. We are also preparing for VBS which will be held from June 25th to June 28th from 6 to 8:30 pm each night here at the church.

Blessings, Pastor Josh

<u>Bethany</u>

We will be hosting our first Tuesday of the month fellowship on Tuesday, May 7th at 1 PM in the back Sunday School Classroom. Everyone is invited to come for a time of fellowship and prayer, bring a dessert or snack to share.

May 10th at 6:30 PM we will be honoring our mothers with a family fun night. The men will provide dinner and the ladies will provide the desserts. Everyone welcome for some good food, games and fellowship.

Coffee Creek

We will be having a Wednesday night dinner and fellowship at 7pm on May 1st please call pastor Keith if you would like to join us 502-836-2020.

Sunday nights we are doing a Bible study at 6pm, we are in the book of Jude right now. Remember the bible tells us in 2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. We have just started Rural Fellowship Back up, meeting 3rd Thursday of each month at 7pm. Next Fellowship will be on May 16th at Tea Creek. Come out and join us.

Pastor Keith Smith

Kimberlin Creek

Last Sunday, 4/21, we planted a sycamore tree in the parsonage yard in honor of our 175th Anniversary. Pastor Tim Mohn led us that day with a sermon from Psalm 1:1-6, "Like a Tree Planted by Streams of Water". And in honor of Earth Day, the Sunday he is preaching from Genesis 1:1-2:3, "Should Christians Care About the Environment?". For those who do not understand the Bible, he is always showing us how it fits into our everyday lives.

Pastor Tyler is also showing our Youth this also. After we planted that tree with the help of our youth, Pastor Tyler took several of our youth throughout the county and they cleaned up all of our parks. This is something they do at least a couple of times a year. They have all been working hard in preparation for their mission trip to Rainbow Acres in Camp Verde, AZ this summer. They went a couple of years ago and did such a wonderful job that they were invited to come back. We are so proud of our youth and their leaders, Pastor Tyler & his wife, Leah Griffin.

Also, this month, our Deacons & Pastors provided a special meal for our widows & widowers. It was a wonderful time to be able to sit and talk and enjoy each other's company. Thank you, gentlemen, for doing this service.

This month we also had 3 Baptisms...Keith Bixler, Makayla Nowlin and Lila Craig. Thank you, God for each of these new members into your Kingdom.

As of this writing, Pastor Tyler and Leah are on a much-needed vacation. We pray for safe travels and rest. And later this month, May, will find Pastor Tim & Pam leaving for vacation with family as they have family graduations to attend.

God Bless each of you.

Judy Peacock, Church Secretary

Underwood

Howdy from Underwood! It's been a busy month here at UBC. We now have a new floor finished in our Fellowship Hall. Much like other churches and business places, the floor was ground and sealed. We even have an attractive cross stained into the floor that adds beauty as well as a reminder that fellowship is a gift from the Lord. The Underwood Singers are preparing for Singspiration and we look forward to gathering with our sister churches. We have experienced the greatness of answered prayer throughout the last few months. We seen several folks blessed with peace and healing. God is good and certainly does hear and answer our prayers. We continue to look for ministry opportunities and ways to let our community see Christ. Pastor David declared April as Southeastern Baptist Youth Camp month. We have been collecting donations for the camp. A special offering will be taken on April 28 with the goal of collecting over \$2000 for the month. Bring God's word to others is of maximum importance to UBC and bringing it to young peopled is extremely important. Plus, Pastor David spends a few weeks at camp ministering to the youth. If you'd like to send your kids to a camp with someone from the Coffee Creek Association, Pastor David will be at camp for Specialty Camp - July 8-11 and Primary Camp – July 21-24. As we approach Mother's Day, be sure to give God thanks for your mother or mother figure. When you no longer have them to dote upon, you will greatly wish you had.

Blessings! Underwood Baptist Church

COFFEE CREEK ASSOC. UPCOMING EVENTS

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

2024 Shepherd Deadlines noon on:

05/25/2024 06/29/2024 07/27/2024 08/24/2024 09/28/2024 10/26/2024

11/23/2024 12/21/2024

Please mark your calendars.

Thank You,

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