

Dear Church Family,

As we celebrate One-Hundred and Seventy-Five Years of God's Blessings, it has been fun researching our church's history. Unfortunately we know little about the opening days of our congregation since the first 25 years of our minutes do not exist. Thankfully we do have a couple of sources that help to fill in some of the gaps.

Some things that we have learned is that the Kimberlin Creek Baptist Church was constituted on Friday, 1 June 1849, with a membership of thirty-three, while meeting at Plymouth School House. The presbytery or church council that officially recognized our new congregation was led by Eld. William B. Lewis, Moderator, and Eld. James B. Swincher, Clerk, both of whom would later serve as pastor of our church. While we don't know how many participated, we do know that the presbytery was composed of brethren from four local congregations: Bethany, Coffee Creek, Scaffold Lick, White River.

I think it is important that from the beginning we took our Baptist family seriously. We did not try to organize ourselves, but we understood the worth of being a part of something larger.

This intentionality did not end with the events of 1 June but continued three months later. Remembering the importance of connection, our church sent four messengers—Morrow Shields, James Walling, Nathan Dismore, S. Bridgewater—to the Coffee Creek Baptist Association. It was on 1 September 1849 that we united with these four helping churches (and twelve others) and officially became a part of the American Baptist family.

Not only did we join, but we were active from day one. Morrow Shields was assigned to work on an associational committee that day. When arrangements were made for fifth Sunday meetings for the coming year (a means of evangelism like our present-day associational revival services), our church was chosen to host the first one at the end of that same month.

Since 1849 we have continued to value our larger American Baptist family. We have continued to be not only a member, but a leading presence in our association. We also find ways to be an active participant in both the American Baptist Churches of Indiana and Kentucky and the American Baptist Churches of the USA.

With our cultures emphasis on individuality, so many folks see no need for denominations. Many churches today can find no value in connecting with a people larger than their own congregation. I count it a pleasure to pastor a church that being American Baptist is such a deep-rooted element of our DNA. Thank you for this honor and privilege!

I can safely say that everyone has enjoyed having previous pastors visiting with us during this past year. I have found it a real delight to meet and get to know in a small way ministers who have been such a blessing in our "life together."

As great as these encounters have been, I find it especially appropriate that Rev. Mark Thompson, our American Baptist Churches of Indiana and Kentucky Executive Minister, will be sharing with us at the conclusion of this year-long observance...and in the month of September! 175 years ago this month we unified with the American Baptist family, and we are recognizing this at our Homecoming Celebration, on Sunday, 8 September with Rev. Thompson delivering that morning's sermon (and, yes, I have heard him preach before, and I am looking forward to hearing him again!).

Let's have a full house on Homecoming Sunday worshipping and celebrating our Lord Jesus Christ! With Love for You All, Pastor Tim.

Will you hold my hand? Have you ever been asked this question? I'm sure all of us at one point or another have held hands with someone. Growing up we sang a song called Precious Lord hold my hand, and as the older saints would sing you could tell that they knew what it meant to walk hand in hand with Christ. If you would talk to them they would tell you how much joy it has brought them to walk hand in hand with Christ and that even through the hard times when they would want to let go, that God's grip would tighten around their hand and he would see them through whatever fear or problems they faced. I got to thinking about this the other day when my nephews were over visiting. My 2 year old nephew was heading up the sidewalk to come up the steps to the house, as he got to the steps he reached up, as toddlers do and grabbed my hand right around my pointer and middle finger and clamped down. As he went to step up to the first step he lost his balance, causing him to let go of my hand and fall onto his bottom, I quickly reached down and he held his hand up and I took his little hand in my hand, helped him to his feet and up the stairs. Later I got to thinking that's how we sometimes do with God. We take off on our own and are enjoying our independence, and then we come up to something that looks difficult and we reach out and grab God's hand, but do so in such a way that when what looked difficult becomes difficult we let go and fall. My prayer for my life and the lives of my family, immediate and church, is that we would allow God to take our hand as we take his, so that when life gets rough and we want to let go he will keep ahold and help guide us through.



FUTURE EVENTS

10/01 Youth Leaders Zoom mtg., 7 PM10/02 Family Meal, 5:30 PMAdult Bible Study, 4:12 Youth,

Kingdom Kids, 6:30 PM

10/04 Hayride & Soup Supper, 6:30 PM

10/06 Deacons mtg., 12 PM, CCA Exec. Bd. mtg., 2 PM, Bd. of Chr. Min. mtg. 3:30 PM, FUSE for youth at SEBYC, 3-6 PM

10/09 Family Meal, 5:30 PM Business mtg., 4:12 Youth, Kingdom Kids, 6:30 PM

10/11-12 Kingdom Kids Rummage Sale, 8

10/13 OCC Prep Day in FLC, 12-til done

10/14 CCA Pastors mtg. at Denny's, 1 PM Pastor Tim on vacation thru 10/21

10/16 Family Meal, 5:30 PM
Adult Bible Study, 4:12 Youth,
Kingdom Kids, 6:30 PM

10/18 Kingdom Kids Lock-in, 6 PM-9 a.m.

10/19 Shared Blessings, 10 a.m.-2 PM

10/20 Pastor Tyler preaching "Share the Love" Hwy. 356 Cleanup, 12-2 PM; 4:12 Youth Gathering, 2-4:30 PM

10/22 November newsletter articles due

10/23 Family Meal, 5:30 PM
Adult Bible Study, 4:12 Youth,
Kingdom Kids, 6:30 PM

10/26 4:12 Youth at Hardy Lake, 3-10 PM

10/30 Family Meal, 5:30 PM
Adult Bible Study, 4:12 Youth,
Kingdom Kids, 6:30 PM

10/31 4:12 Youth passing out candy on Scottsburg Square, 5-9 PM



1 Timothy 4:12

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who stayed and had lunch with us for our Spaghetti Fundraiser and for those who weren't able to stay, but still donated! We raised \$1,451 for our youth ministry! We serve an awesome God and we have an amazing church family.

What's Happening?

With school starting back, we have begun meeting at Warriors Den on Mondays after school until 4:30. We have our normal Sunday School time and Wednesday evening Bible study and soon we will begin back our high school group after school twice a month. Plus, all of these events happening in September:

Aug 31-Sep 2- Phillip, Olivia, Molly B & Molly G will be attending a Chrysalis
Flight (a weekend retreat for high school students)
Sep 11- Youth Night of the Association Revival
Sep 15- All day gathering to go pumpkin picking
Sep 29- Concert Under the Stars @ SBYCamp

Bible Study

In the next couple of weeks we will begin a study in Wednesday evenings on dating and relationships. We will be focusing on how to form God honoring relationships and what Scripture teaches us about those relationships. Our culture teaches us something counter to what Scripture teaches when it comes to relationships and our youth need to be grounded in what our faith teaches.

Sponsors

Thank you 23/24 Sponsors! Over the last year, our youth have given back over 400 hours in volunteering. Because of your generosity, we can focus on doing ministry instead of having to worry about raising funds to continue the ministry. If you aren't currently a 4:12 Sponsor and would like to become one, please reach out to one of us. We ask that, if you are able to go above and beyond your normal tithes, to set aside just \$4.12 each week to help support our 4:12 Youth Ministry.

Thank you for giving. Thank you for praying. Thank you for your continued support of our 4:12 Youth Ministry. We with an awesome group of youth. We encourage you, if you haven't already, to get to know these awesome teens. They are true blessings in our life.

God's Most Gracious Blessings, Pastor Tyler and Leah

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July/Aug.	31	07	14	21
Meal	32	32	30	32
Adult Bible Study	68	19	32	17
4:12 Youth		12	17	11
Kingdom Kids		13	17	<u>17</u>
Totals	68	44	66	45
Avgs: Meal - 31	ABS - 23		Youth – 13	

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July 31 was not counted in the averages.

175th HOMECOMING

In just two weeks, we will conclude our 175th Anniversary Year of Celebration! On Sunday, September 8th we will have our 175th Homecoming Celebration. We hope you and your family will join in the celebration.

Rev. Mark Thompson, Executive Minister of the American Baptist Churches of Indiana and Kentucky will be bringing our morning message. Following Worship, we will have our annual church family photo and a pitch-in meal. Fried chicken and ham will be provided. We ask that you bring a side dish for the meal. Dessert will be cake and ice cream.

Our committee hopes you have enjoyed our year of celebration, with visiting pastors, dinners, the men's choir and our birthday picnic. I would like to say a special thanks to Janet Bledsoe, Susan Kloke, Linda McDonald, Pastor Tim and Pam Mohon, Jeff Riley and Dana Stephens for all of their hard work and dedication.

Our Homecoming offering this year will be going towards our Community Missions. Missions like Cradle, The Refuge, The Clearinghouse, purchasing school supplies and more! You will be able to find envelopes in the pews beginning this Sunday if you would like to give to this special offering.

Don't forget to pick up your copy of our anniversary cookbook! They are only \$10 each. They will make great Christmas gifts!

We are looking forward to a wonderful day on September 8th. We hope you will be a part of the celebration. Thank you, Pastor Tyler

COFFEE CREEK REVIVAL

The Theme for this year's revival is "You Are a Chosen People". The dates for this year are September 9-13 beginning nightly at 7 except Wednesday night the youth will begin at 6. There will be refreshments each night following the service. The schedule is as follows:

Monday at New Harmony with Pastor Keith Smith preaching; Tuesday at Hopewell with Pastor Jacob Ross preaching; Wednesday at Coffee Creek with Pastor Tyler Griffin with the youth at 6 and Pastor Johnny Johnson preaching at 7; Thursday at Commiskey with Pastor Steve Herald preaching; Friday at New Providence with Pastor Mike Cammack preaching. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a few friends with you too.

COMBAT FISH FRY

The Semi-annual Fish Fry will be held on Sunday, September 22 from 12-2 PM. The cost is by donations. So please attend and give generously. Be sure to invite family and friends to come with you.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD MONTHLY DONATIONS NEEDED FOR AT LEAST 150 SHOE BOXES

SEPTEMBER: 150 COLORED PENCILS & 150 GLUE STICKS

OCTOBER: SCHOOL SUPPLIES (ANY OF THE ABOVE)

NOVEMBER: 150 SMALL PAPER TABLETS DECEMBER: 750 SMALL TOYS

JANUARY: 300 COMBS & 300 WASHCLOTHS FEBRUARY: 300 TOOTHBRUSHES

MARCH: 150 BAR SOAP APRIL: 150 ACTIVITY BOOKS

MAY: 750 SMALL TOYS & 150 ACITVITY BOOKS

JUNE: 1800 PENCILS & 750 PENS

JULY: 150 BIG PENCIL SHARPENERS & 150 BIG ERASERS AUGUST: 1800 SMALL ERASERS & 150 CRAYONS (24 COUNT)

Items may be brought during the month listed or anytime you have something available. They can be put in the box under the communion table in the sanctuary.



Mark 10:14-15

When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never

Join us in prayer for all our kingdom kids as they return back to school for another great year. We just finished up our Campfire series. We will begin a Donut series this month.

Thanks to Leah & Tyler for a great time at the End of the Year Party. We were blessed to serve around 30 children at our back to school bash. We have several exciting events planned for this fall. Please mark your calendars for the following: Rummage Sale Fundraiser October 11 & 12. You can help by bringing donations to the church. Our Fall Lock-In will be October 18, 6:00pm, pick-up at 9:00am on Saturday. All children that are planning to come to the lock-in need to complete a 2024 Kingdom Kids permission slip. Permission slips have been sent home with the kids, please return them.

God bless you, Ms Angie, Ms Rita & Ms Malina

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Jason & Jenny Hines, 2000
- 3 Danny & Kami Basham, 2005
- 3 Danny Basham, Sr.
- 4 Andrew Joyce
- 5 Bob & Carolyn Nowlin, 1975
- 10 Alec Beaver, Audrey Hatcher
- 12 Cliff Fee
- 13 Susan Kloke, Carrie Keach
- 14 Penny Koehler, Keith Johns
- 15 Mila Spicer
- 16 Mickey & Becki Hall
- 17 Mitch Gibson
- 18 Brandon Quinn
- 19 Ronnie Dale Daniel
- 20 Albert Hardin
- 21 Imogene Fee, Roxana Wilson, Matt Jones
- 22 Luke & Noel Whitten, 2012
- 23 Matt & Jessica Craig, 2005
- 23 Tim & Karen Brunner, 2006
- 23 Alex Smith, Hunter McNeely
- 24 Cliff & Imogene Fee, 1961
- 25 Ruth Wilson
- 27 Helen Miskell
- 28 Braylen Mace, Rachael Hardin, George Blair
- 29 Hannah Melton
- 30 Greg & Rebecca Huguley, 1995
- 30 Kevin Mace, Noel Whitten

HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY TO ALL GRANDPARENTS ON SEPTEMBER 8TH!

