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Baptist Press

Southern Baptists need to recommit to Cooperative Program giving that embraces shared theological beliefs while accepting various differences among fellow churches, Jeff Iorg told the Executive Committee during its meeting Sept. 22-23 in Nashville.

Iorg, president and CEO of the SBC Executive Committee, said Cooperative Program giving is suffering from the cultural trend of “expressive individualism” seen in phenomena ranging from “obsessive sharing on social media to convincing children they can choose their gender,” although he acknowledged programmatic and political reasons for the shift as well.

Read more at <https://bit.ly/42lr90z>

Author: Diana Chandler | LifeWay

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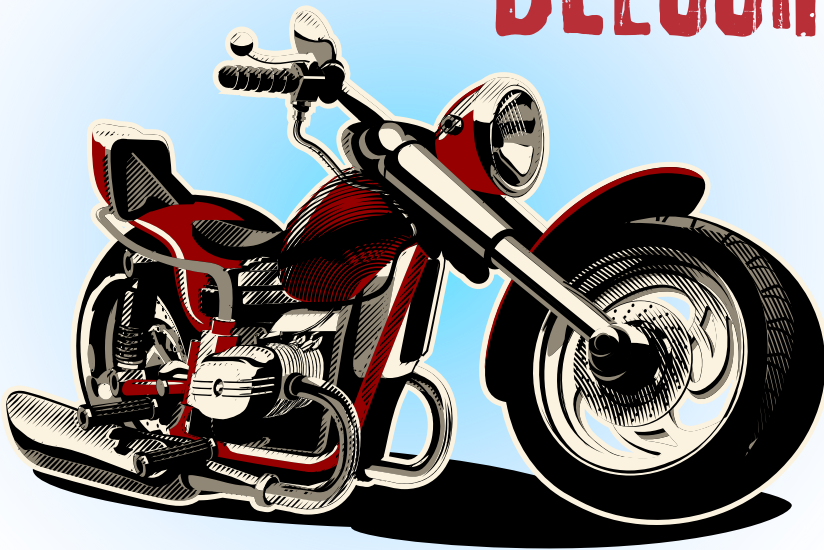


Open Church Positions

- **First Baptist Church Pigeon Forge** - Are you interested in working with small children in a church setting? Can you dedicate three hours each Sunday morning to caring for our littlest worshippers? First Baptist Church Pigeon Forge is seeking a part-time nursery worker on Sundays (other opportunities for work are possible). Candidates must be at least 18 years old, have a high school diploma or equivalent, and have a current CPR certificate. A background check will be required. If interested, please email office@fbcpf.org or call the church office at (865) 453-4647 during business hours.
- **First Baptist Church Pigeon Forge** - Are you looking for a place to serve God? A church in one of the most visited cities in the United States needs a Family Pastor. Are you an ordained Southern Baptist minister looking to serve alongside a seasoned Senior pastor? Can you build relationships and make disciples with young families and children in a small community with a diverse population? If so, please send your resume to office@fbcpf.org. or First Baptist Church P.O. Box 98 Pigeon Forge, TN 37868.
- **Churches without a pastor:**
- Grace
 - Providence
 - Zion Hill

Please call the office with
any updates to church
positions ... thanks!

BLESSING OF THE BIKES



Roaring Fork Baptist Church is
hosting a Blessing of the Bikes event
& you're invited! Come out to
fellowship & pray together!

OCTOBER 11TH | 10AM - 12PM

"Finding True Excitement in Christ"

Written by Justin Johnson | AMS

There is something about autumn that stirs excitement in the air. The cooler mornings, the changing leaves, football under the lights, and yes, even the first sip of a pumpkin spice latte remind us that this season brings a unique kind of joy. We naturally lean into the rhythms of the season and find reasons to celebrate.

But here is a thought worth considering: what if we carried that same sense of excitement into our walk with God? What if prayer, worship, and time in the Word filled us with as much anticipation as Saturday's big game or that seasonal cup of coffee?

The truth is, nothing compares to time spent with the Lord. Football fades, leaves fall, and pumpkin spice eventually disappears from the menu, but the presence of God is constant. Worship lifts our hearts above our circumstances, prayer draws us into His presence, and Scripture gives us wisdom and strength to keep moving forward. My encouragement for you this month is simple: lean into Him with joy. Let's be just as eager to gather in prayer and praise as we are to celebrate the traditions of the season.

I also want to say thank you. Your faithfulness, your leadership, and your service are making a difference.

Ministry can be demanding, but I see the ways you are investing in your churches and communities. That kind of steady obedience honors God, and it blesses people more than you may ever know.

This fall also brings reasons for excitement within our Association. Progress is being made at Camp Smoky, and I am grateful for the prayers and support that continue to sustain that ministry. Looking ahead, the Harvest of Hope Gala at the end of the month will be a key opportunity to strengthen partnerships and invest in the future of the camp. Would you join me in praying for God's guidance and blessing, that the event would bring a strong turnout and open doors for new connections?



So, as you enjoy the best of fall, remember this: true excitement comes from walking closely with the Lord. Let's carry that joy into worship, into ministry, and into the opportunities God places before us.

Justin

Knob Creek Baptist Church

9TH Annual Car and Tractor Show

October 25th, 2025 10am-3pm



This year we are partnering with the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board to provide backpacks for children living in poverty in various regions of Tennessee. These backpacks are distributed to boys and girls varying in ages from 2 to 17 years old throughout the state of Tennessee. The backpacks are packed with essential items for the children, such as food, clothing, hygiene items, games, toys, a copy of the Christmas Story, and a Bible.

Lunch will be available, with a variety of things to choose from. There will be an auction of desserts, crafts, gift items and other goodies at around 1pm. We will have music, crafts, games, and a barrel train for the kids to ride as well as other activities. Everyone is welcome!!!

For more information, please call:

Cliff Caldwell 865-621-3103 or Eddie Householder 865-661-4881

Church Address: 959 N Knob Creek Rd, Seymour TN 37865

Church Gifts			
August			
Alder Branch		Millican Grove	
Banner	\$100.00	Mountain View	\$862.22
Beech Springs		New Center	\$50.00
Bells Chapel		New Era	\$339.25
Bethel	\$100.00	New Salem	
Blowing Cave		Northview	
Boyd's Creek	\$52.60	Oak City	
Bradley's Chapel		Oldham's Creek	\$290.35
Calvary	\$25.00	Paw Paw Hollow	
Connect	\$100.00	Pigeon Forge 1st	
Covemont		Providence	
Dripping Springs		Red Bank	\$200.00
Dupont		Red Bank 1st	
Faith Fellowship		Richardson's Cove	
French Broad Valley	\$300.00	Roaring Fork	\$250.00
Friendship		Sevierville 1st	\$2,083.33
Gatlinburg First	\$50.00	Sevierville 2nd	\$125.00
Gists Creek	\$100.00	Seymour 1st	
Grace	\$52.87	Shiloh	\$2,219.00
Gumstand		Sims Chapel	
Henderson Chapel	\$261.00	Smithwood	
Hills Creek		Sugar Loaf	
Howard's View		Union Valley	\$100.00
Hurst Chapel		Valley View	\$285.00
Jones Chapel		Walden's Creek	\$60.00
Knob Creek	\$164.70	Walnut Grove	
Kodak		Wears Valley	\$193.00
Laurel Branch		Williamsburg	\$97.02
Laurel Grove		Zion Grove	\$172.00
Lebanon		Zion Hill	\$159.00
Maples Branch	\$40.50	Individuals	
TOTAL		\$8,831.84	

Praying for our Pastors

Sept. 28th - Oct. 4th

Jerry Lowe | New Salem
Greg Rains | Northview

Oct. 5th - 11th

Chris Kendall | Oak City
Andrew Wilson | Oldham's Creek

Oct. 12th - 18th

Ronnie White | Paw Paw Hollow
Terry Kirby | FBC Pigeon Forge

Oct. 19th - 25th

Bobby Owens | Red Bank First
Danny Sutton | Red Bank

Oct. 26th - Nov. 1st

David Ayers | Richardson's Cove
Kim McCroskey | Roaring Fork

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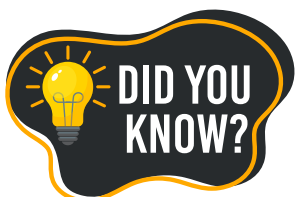
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

-Calendar-

- **September 29th** - Executive Board Meeting
6:30pm | SCBA Board Room
- **October 1st** - Pastor's Learning Community
10am | King's Family Library (1st Floor)
- **October 15th** - Please have ACP completed
- **October 20th** - Annual Meeting Session #1
6:30pm | FBC Pigeon Forge
- **October 21st** - Annual Meeting Session #2
6:30pm | Knob Creek

-In Other News-

- **To receive the newsletter by email, please sign up @ www.sevbaptist.org/viewpoint.** If you wish to continue receiving the Viewpoint in the mail, please call me at the office.
- **Annual Meeting Session #1** - Join us at 5:30pm for fellowship with snacks in the fellowship hall at FBC Pigeon Forge before the first session begins!



30% say their churches have specific methods
for measuring discipleship





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