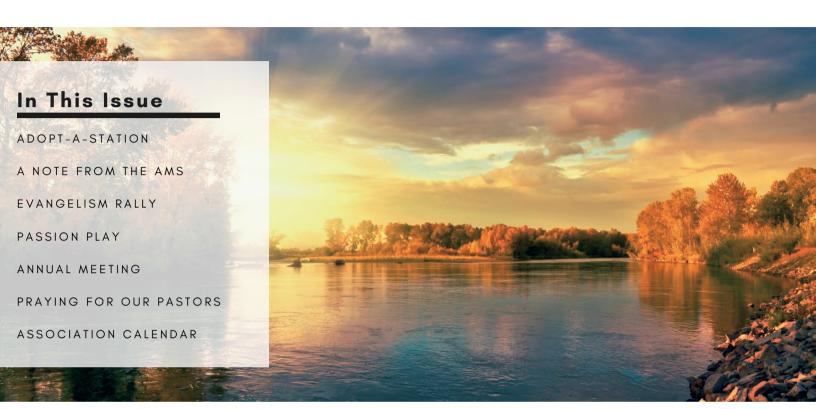


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"In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began."

TITUS 1:2

OUT OF THE COMFORT ZONE

By Justin Johnson | AMS

I'm sure you've noticed it. It's been happening for years & I think we've all recognized it.

Unfortunately, not many have done anything about it and it's doing more harm than good.

I'm talking about the fact that we've become lax in sharing the Gospel. Before you respond in defense of your efforts to spread the Word of God, I am fully aware of others who are being diligent about living out their faith & sharing their story with others here, there, and everywhere. But overall, especially here in Sevier County, there is a great need for people to come to Christ -- whether they're sitting in our pews or walking by in the grocery store, we have a Gospel that was meant for ALL people.

I think one reason we've seen this decline in evangelism is because we've deemed it a task strictly for the pastor of the church. After all, he most likely gives an opportunity at the end of the sermon for anyone to respond to the Gospel; so that's good enough, right? Wrong. Sharing the Gospel is the responsibility of every follower of Jesus (Matthew 28:18-20). Never forget what the Lord did for you...when we treasure the truth of God's saving grace, our natural response should be a life of worship & praise -- which includes telling others what He's done!

I believe another reason is because we've become timid about sharing the Gospel. We're living in a culture where the world knows about Scripture, except they use it to justify what they believe instead of pulling out the truths of God & the way He says we ought to live...and if we're honest, it catches us off-guard. I recently heard a quote that really resonated with me, it went something like this: "Being brave doesn't mean we're not afraid; instead, bravery is still being afraid and doing it anyway". So I urge you, brothers & sisters, to get back in the Word of God...read it, study it, meditate on it, & pray it. I am an advocate for spending time with God in the pages of His Word. You may not have all the answers, but I truly believe that the more we study Scripture and learn from it the more comfortable we'll be in telling others about its Author. Don't let the living Word of God lay idle on the shelf, let it become a daily part of your life, & one promise I can make is that you will never regret it!





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At Greenbrier

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ANNUAL MEETING

By Justin Johnson | AMS

I'm excited to be gearing-up for our 137th Annual Meeting this year and I hope you are too! God has been working in & through our association and I can't wait for you to hear about all He's done. Early registration will open Sunday, October 2nd. You'll find it online at sevbaptist.org/register.

Session 1

Seymour First 11621 Chapman Hwy Seymour, TN 37865

Speaker: Dr. Tommy Smith, President of Johnson University

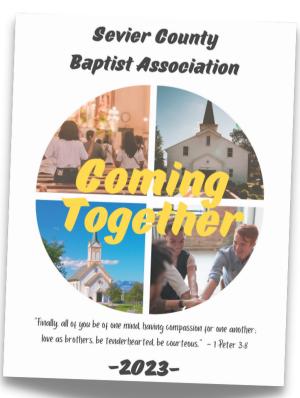
Session 2

Mountain View 1406 Walt Price Rd Sevierville, TN 37876

Speaker: Ryan Keaton, Emerging Generations Specialist TBMB

Session 3

Gum Stand
3031 Veterans Blvd
Pigeon Forge, TN 37863
Speaker: Joey Buck, Dollywood Chaplain



Next Year's Theme

	Church	Gifts		
July 2022				
Alder Branch	\$428.00	Millican Grove	\$211.30	
Antioch		Mountain View	\$584.95	
Banner	\$100.00	New Center \$50.0		
Beech Springs	\$1,007.87	New Era \$439.4		
Bells Chapel		New Salem		
Bethel	\$200.00	Northview	\$2,090.56	
Blowing Cave		Oak City		
Boyds Creek		Oldham's Creek \$310.6		
Bradley's Chapel		Paw Paw Hollow \$450.7		
Calvary	\$25.00	Pigeon Forge 1st		
Connect	\$100.00	Providence		
Covemont		Red Bank	\$404.10	
Dripping Springs		Red Bank 1st		
Dupont		Richardson's Cove		
Faith Fellowship		Roaring Fork	\$250.00	
French Broad Valley	\$300.00	Sevierville 1st	\$2,083.33	
Friendship		Sevierville 2nd	\$150.00	
Gatlinburg First	\$50.00	Seymour 1st \$1,082.9		
Gists Creek	\$90.75	Shiloh \$1,202.0		
Grace	\$170.89	Sims Chapel		
Gumstand		Smithwood		
Henderson Chapel	\$232.00	Sugar Loaf		
Hills Creek		Union Valley	\$100.00	
Howard's View		Valley View	\$285.00	
Hurst Chapel		Walden's Creek	\$60.00	
Jones Chapel	\$415.90	Walnut Grove		
Knob Creek		Wears Valley	\$442.00	
Kodak		Williamsburg	\$145.54	
Laurel Branch		Zion Grove	\$165.09	
Laurel Grove		Zion Hill	\$300.00	
Lebanon		Individuals		
Maples Branch	\$46.00	TOTAL	\$13,973.96	

Praying for	our	Pastors

Sept. 4th - 10th Jerry Bailey | Oldham's Creek

Ronnie White | Paw Paw Hollow

Sept. 11th - 17th Lowell Wilson | Providence

Bobby Owens | Red Bank First

Sept. 18th - 24th Danny Sutton | Red Bank

David Ayers | Richardson's Cove

Sept. 25th - Oct. 1 Kim McCroskey | Roaring Fork

Dan Spencer | Sevierville First

FBC Pigeon Forge is hiring a Financial Administrator

Mon. - Thur. | 8am - 4:30pm | Accounting/Bookkeeping exp. required

ASSOCIATION CALENDAR

Calendar

- **September 5** Office Closed for Labor Day
- **September 6** Missions Committee Meeting 6:30pm | Office
- **September 15** Finance Committee Meeting 6:30pm | Office
- **September 12-19** Golden Offering Week
- September 20 Camp Smoky Committee
 6:30pm | Pickel Building
- September 26 Executive Board Meeting
 7pm | Office
- **September 30 October 1 -** TBMB Connection for Girls @ FBC Sevierville



Birthdays

- September 5 Edward Ball | Howard's View
- September 10 Dan Spencer | FBC Sevierville
- **September 13** Erle Shepard | Kodak Community & Jack Huskey | Covemont
- September 15 Danny Sutton | Red Bank
- September 20- Virginia Newman | Sugar Loaf
- September 21 Gayla Coleman | Laurel Grove
- **September 22** Jimmy Miller | Dripping Springs
- September 26 Linda Wilson | Faith Fellowship/Providence
- September 27 Robert Nichols | Former DOM
- **September 28** Heather Thacker Union Valley

Anniversaries

- September 1 Terry & Jeana Kirby | FBC Pigeon Forge
- September 9 Preston & Kathy Joslin | Valley View
- September 18 Chuck & Kimberly Simpson | Williamsburg
- September 24 Rick & Jennifer Loveday | Henderson Chapel
- September 26 Danny & Terrie Sutton | Red Bank



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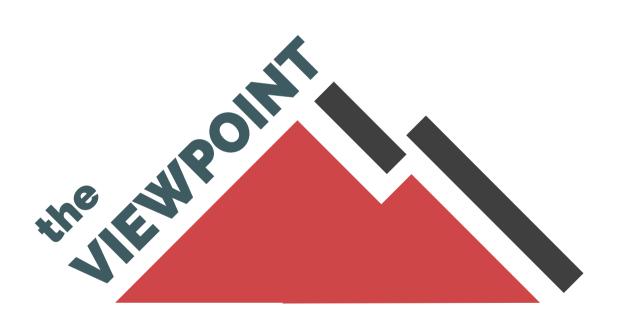
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