

# IMPACT



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Be strong and of a good courage

be not afraid,

neither

be thou dismayed

God is with thee thou goest

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Leviticus ~ Numbers ~ Deuteronomy ~ Joshua ~ Judges ~ Ruth ~ 1 Samuel



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# Jím's Journal

Planning has always been a thing with me. I love creating a "to do" list. Before COVID I rarely flew by the seat of my pants. And I always had a Plan B just in case my first plan goes sideways. (Still do)

Because I love to organize, systematize, and control pretty much everything, I genuinely hate it when things don't go *my* way. Do you feel me? (I KNOW I am not the only control freak out there)

#### Sadly, when my life gets interrupted, I sometimes erupt, and it ain't pretty.

Apparently, God loves to challenge my need to control by throwing a monkey wrench into the gears of my life.

God isn't mean. He's not cruel, heartless, or sadistic.

But God will use whatever He must to develop my character and teach me to trust in Him and His control.

I am convinced that God interrupts our plans, agendas, and schedules to reveal our fears, worries, and insecurities...and remind us that HE ALONE is in control.

When I erupt in frustration or explode in anger, God smiles and whispers to my soul, "I've got this. I've got you. And My plans for you are good and better than you can imagine."

Think about it. God interrupted Abraham, Joseph, Moses, Joshua, Gideon, Esther, Peter, Paul and Mary...(those of a certain age will get a flashback)

Hundreds of people in the Bible had unexpected and unplanned God encounters that radically changed the trajectory of their lives.

I love this quote by C. S. Lewis, "If one can, it is good to stop regarding all the unpleasant things as interruptions of one's 'own,' or 'real' life. The truth is of course that what one calls the *interruptions* are precisely one's real life—the life God is sending one day by day."

#### Lewis said it well; You must change your perspective.

Understand and accept that interruptions happen, and they are a part of the life God is sending to us every day.

How about you? Did you expect to do something, go somewhere, or get something, and it didn't happen?

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#### Jim's Journal, continued

Well, welcome to life on planet earth! LOL And remember, God is always more concerned with your *character* than your *comfort*.

Here's what I'm learning (and still in process on this one): When God interrupts my plans, I can choose to adapt, adjust, and trust or miss the opportunity to grow.

It's always best to grow.

So, maybe the next time you get sidetracked or interrupted by life, you can pause and pray, "Jesus, what do You want to do in me and through me in this unexpected and unplanned moment?"

"God's power in you is working to bring about something unique and incredible. In fact, His plan is much more than anything you can ask or imagine! So, don't give up. You can trust Him." Ephesians 3:20 (Paraphrase)

I hope this helps somebody today as you go through life challenges. It's been my greatest honor in life to serve the NKBA and this will forever be home to me (as it has the last 20 years). Thank you for your prayers and support. Now, look forward to all that is before you. The mission is great! Our Savior is greater!

Your Lead Follower (for a few more days),

Jim

# Church Security in Time of Protest Saturday, June 25, 2022, 9:00 a.m.—noon Union Baptist Church

1985 Union School Road Union, KY 41091

SECURIOR SOLUTION

Cost is \$10.00 per person, and may be paid at the door.

Pre-registration is required. Contact the NKBA office at 859-727-6522 or at <a href="mailto:lorne@nkbaptist.org">lorne@nkbaptist.org</a> to pre-register. Please tell us the total number of people attending from your church.

- How do you protect your church in case of protest demonstrations?
- What should the congregation do in order to minimize disruption?
- What is the best response to protestors?

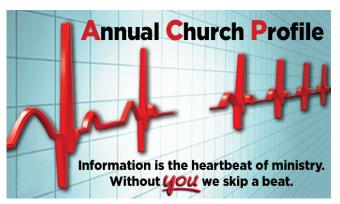
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#### **Position Available**

The Kentucky Race Track Chaplaincy (<a href="www.kychaplaincy.org">www.kychaplaincy.org</a>) is looking for a

ministry associate to assist
the chaplain at Turfway
Park and Belterra Park in
the Cincinnati area. Responsibilities would include
pastoral care to workers
and possible establishment

of Women's and Children's ministries. KRTC ministers to workers in the backside stable areas at thoroughbred race tracks. This is a full-time position based in Northern Kentucky/Cincinnati. Anyone interested should contact Rich Gimmel, KRTC's Director of Ministry Staff at rfgimmel@gmail.com.



The Annual Church Profile time is quickly approaching! The Church Clerk/ACP Contact Person for your church will be receiving a letter from the Kentucky Baptist Convention with instructions for completing the Annual Church Profile (church letter). The KBC is requesting that every church complete the process online this year. Full instructions will be provided. If you have any questions, or need any assistance during the completion process, please call Lori at the NKBA office, 859-727-6522. I'll be happy to help!



## **NKBA Christmas Backpacks**

We will be collecting backpacks again this year for Christmas distribution to our local ministries. I know that it is early, but many people like to shop the school supply sales during the summer. If you would like to participate this year, it's never too early to start planning! This is the link to the suggested items list.

Last year the NKBA distributed over 900 backpacks to children in Kentucky and Cincinnati. Your gift is greatly appreciated!

For more information visit **KYWMU.org**.

### Please be in prayer for our AMS/DOM Search Team:

Stuart Chowning – Chair, 2022 NKBA Moderator & Pastor Mentor Baptist Mark Webb – Vice-Chair, Pastor Union Baptist

Karin Edgington – Recording Secretary, 2021 NKBA WMU Director

Adam Crews - 2021 NKBA Moderator, Pastor First Baptist Covington 9th Street

David Wiggins – Pastor, First Baptist Walton

Harold Pike – Pastor, First Baptist Dayton

Amy Wilhelmus – Director, Moore Activity Center, South Side Baptist

Bill Clark – Pastor, Hickory Grove Baptist

# NKBA Budget Income by Church January—June 15, 2022

Church	Giving	Church	Giving
01 Anchor	448.05	42 Kento-Boo	600.00
02 Ashland Avenue	2,721.44	43 Kenton	117.50
04 Beechgrove	948.00	44 Latonia	2,003.22
05 Belleview	5,527.64	45 Licking Valley	3,549.00
06 Bellevue, FBC	150.00	46 Living Church	750.00
07 Bethesda Community	0.00	47 Living Hope Baptist	1,000.00
08 Big Bone	5,101.76	48 Ludlow, FBC	1,443.00
09 Brooksville	1,042.85	49 Macedonia Missionary	0.00
10 Bullittsburg	1,156.00	50 Madison Avenue	0.00
11 Burlington	17,703.01	51 Main Street	1,888.44
12 Christ Baptist	0.00	52 Mentor	3,480.00
13 Church @ Garden of Hope	0.00	53 Mercy Ridge	1,000.00
14 Cold Spring, FBC	3,695.86	54 New Banklick	3,328.29
15 Cornerstone	2,004.87	57 Ninth Street	0.00
16 The Cornerstone Fellowship	600.00	58 Oak Island	75.80
17 Covington, FBC 4th Street	300.00	59 Oak Ridge	7,052.57
18 Covington, FBC 9th Street	0.00	60 Persimmon Grove	1,500.00
20 Crosspoint Church	865.00	61 Petersburg	1,000.00
21 Dayton, FBC	1,855.08	62 Piner	3,327.10
22 East Dayton	450.00	63 Pleasant Ridge	2,089.20
23 Elsmere	1,778.52	64 Redemption	0.00
24 Emmanuel Chapel	800.00	65 Rosedale	456.79
25 Erlanger	750.00	66 Sand Run	500.00
26 Fairlane	2,790.68	67 Second Twelve Mile	1,622.04
27 First Twelve Mile	1,501.82	68 Silver Grove, FBC	1,964.94
29 Florence	0.00	69 South Side	500.00
30 Fort Mitchell	1,875.00	70 Union	3,882.00
31 Fort Thomas, FBC	0.00	71 Visalia	1,424.00
32 Good Shepherd Korean Church	600.00	72 Walton, FBC	4,858.22
34 Grace Independence	36.92	73 West Covington	1,250.00
35 Grants Lick	2,336.08	75 Zion Chin Baptist	200.00
36 Hebron	5,002.01	Blessing Light	300.00
37 Hickory Grove	6,250.00	New Cathy Kitchen	300.00
38 Highland Heights, FBC	2,498.76	Shanghai Garden Inc.	300.00
39 Highland Hills	0.00	Total Budget Giving	\$122,551.46

## Northern Kentucky Baptist Association

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# Mark Your Calendars Upcoming Events

June 14-15—SBC Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA

June 19—Fathers' Day/Baptist Men's Emphasis Day

June 25—Church Security Training, 9am, Union Baptist

June 26—Mission Dignity Sunday

July 3—Religious Liberty Sunday

July 4—Independence Day, NKBA Office Closed

