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Listen, you heavens, and I will speak; hear, you earth, the words of my mouth. Let my teaching fall like rain and my words descend like dew, like showers on new grass, like abundant rain on tender plants. I will proclaim the name of the LORD. Oh, praise the greatness of our God! Deuteronomy 32:1-3 (NIV)

Exodus ~ Leviticus ~ Numbers ~ **Deuteronomy** ~ Joshua ~ Judges ~ Ruth



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Jim's Journal



I've been asked many times, what's the difference between a growing church and a declining church? Well, there are many ways to answer that, but for sake of brevity, let me give you one word: **ATTITUDE** (Thanks to Carey Nieuwhof for his book "Didn't See It Coming"). Leaders of growing churches and leaders of declining churches share a common attitude. What do I mean? Let me explain it using comparison and contrast of attitudes.

1. WE CAN versus WE CAN'T. Growing churches make a way when there is no way, which seems to be what God specializes in (at least according to the Bible). It's the difference between people who will point out every reason something will not work versus those who will figure out a way to make it work. **SOLUTIONS or PROBLEMS?**

2. THEM versus US. Declining churches are **INWARDLY** focused. In other words, they focus on themselves. Growing churches focus on who they are trying to **REACH**, not who they are trying to **KEEP**. If all your conversations at church are about the needs, wants, and preferences of your members and keeping them happy, then your church is **INSIDER** focused. Period...

3. PRINCIPLES versus PREFERENCES. Declining churches bend to the preferences of its members instead of principles and strategies that will help them reach **NEW** people. Which is driving your church?

4. PROACTIVE versus REACTIVE. If you and your church never get around to charting a course for the future, you will have no future. I also heard it this way, "Where there is no vision, the people cherish." Growing churches proactively focus on an agenda and issues that can impact and change lives. Declining churches react to problems other people raise and never address their mission/future.

5. NOW versus EVENTUALLY. Growing churches **ACT...NOW**. Declining churches can't make a decision. If you want to be effective in today's culture, you must be able to **ACT**. Talk without action has little value. Too many leaders and churches specialize in talk. Too many churches meet for the sake of meeting. If you talk about the same issues meeting after meeting with no resolution, you're not leading; you are spinning your wheels. Action produces traction. So **ACT**, not impulsively or unwisely, but **ACT!**

A majority of our churches in the NKBA and in SBC life are declining. I believe the issue is **ATTITUDE**. If you want to see God move, make a move. If you want God to do something new, you cannot keep doing the same old thing. As your Lead Follower, I stand ready to help any/every church find a way forward.

Following Him,

Jim

With Rev. Dennis Pethers, International Evangelist, Founder of Rooftop.org

SPIRITUAL AWAKENING CONFERENCE

MARCH 8-9, MAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
ALEXANDRIA, KY 7:00 PM



NKBA
NORTHERN KENTUCKY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SEMINARY EXTENSION

STARTING
MARCH 26th, 2019
AT THE NKBA OFFICE
BB 3100 "HOW TO UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE"

SEMINARY EXTENSION IS BACK AT THE NKBA! IF YOU ARE CALLED TO SERVE IN MINISTRY OR SIMPLY WANT TO DEEPEN YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF GOD'S WORD, PLEASE CONSIDER TAKING OUR COURSES AT NKBA.

CONTACT THE SEMINARY EXTENSION DIRECTOR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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Northern Kentucky Changers Event July 13—18, 2019

The NKBA will be hosting a group of 150 people coming to the area from South Carolina. They will be leading a number of building/renovation projects in our area. This is a great opportunity for your church to put together a team to work on projects in your neighborhood. We had a number of requests for assistance last year that were not chosen. More information coming soon!

ADD THIS TO YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

Week of Prayer for NKBA Missions
May 19—26, 2019

Offering taken for the NKY Changers Event



Ministry Assistant—Moore Activity Center

The Ministry Assistant reports to the Executive Director of the Moore Activity Center. The position is to help the Executive Director with daily ministry needs and up-keep of the building.

You must be a Christian and attend church regularly, have a heart for ministry and inner city people, and have some people skills for working with volunteers.

The position is for 10 hours a week in the school year and roughly 20 hours a week in the summer, totaling 600 hours/year. Pay is \$10.00 an hour.

Hours are flexible, knowing some weeks will have specific needs. Send resumes to: Amy Wilhelmus, macmissions@aol.com.



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Author & Speaker
MELISSA SPOELSTRA

Speaker & Bible Teacher
SHANNON HOFFPAUIR

Comedy by
KRISTIN WEBER

Worship with
MIA KOEHNE

March 15, 2019 @ 7:00 PM
Ft. Mitchell Baptist Church
Ft. Mitchell, KY

 Cokesbury  Extreme Faith Productions

For more information and to register, Visit the website at aspirewomensevents.com/fort-mitchell-ky/ or call the office at Fort Mitchell Baptist Church, 859-331-2160.



2019
MISSION CONFERENCE

*"He said to them,
Go into all the world and preach the
gospel to all creation."
Mark 16:15*

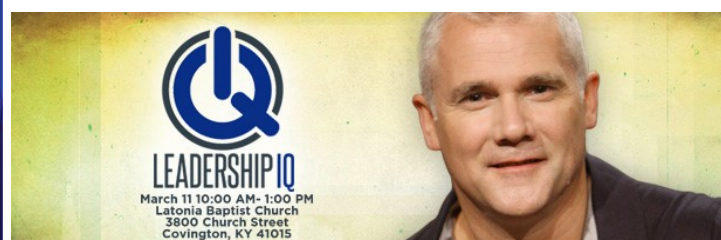
March 23, 2019—9 AM-12:30 PM
Bellevue Baptist Church
6658 5th Street
Burlington, KY 41005
Free Event—Lunch Provided
RSVP by March 15, 2019
859-586-7809




**BREAKING
THE
Silence**

Equipping Families & the Church to Face the Opioid Crisis

March 2, 2019—9 AM -2:45 PM
First Baptist Church Cold Spring
Breaking the Silence will feature two main teaching sessions and multiple breakout opportunities led by experienced professionals including Dr. Mike Kalfas, Dr. Eric Johnson, Rachel Gosney, Jon Cyrus, Jean Schumm, and more.
Registration is \$15 per person at the KBC website, kybaptist.org/recovery.




LEADERSHIP IQ
March 11 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM
Latonia Baptist Church
3800 Church Street
Covington, KY 41015

NKBA Spring Meeting and Leadership IQ
Monday, March 11, Latonia Baptist Church
10:00 am—Leadership IQ with Rev. Dennis Pethers, international evangelist from London, UK.
6:30 pm—NKBA Spring business meeting and worship.

Join us at Latonia Baptist church to celebrate the work of God in our churches and communities. We look forward to worshipping with you!



 **REACH**
evangelism conference
1 Corinthians 3:6

**I PLANTED, APOLLOS WATERED,
BUT GOD GAVE THE GROWTH.**

Register online at www.kybaptist.org/reach
Or call 1-502-489-3576

MARCH 18-19, 2019
Severns Valley Baptist Church
1100 Ring Road • Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Budget Income by Church January—February 2019

Church	Budget	Designated Giving		Church	Budget	Designated Giving	
01 Anchor	264.08			42 Latonia	667.74		
02 Ashland Avenue	937.80			43 Licking Valley	865.00		
03 Beaver Lick	986.66			44 Living Church	0.00		
04 Beechgrove	335.00			45 Living Hope	400.00		
05 Bellevue	3,243.37			46 Ludlow, FBC	0.00		
06 Bellevue, FBC	75.00			47 Macedonia Missionary	0.00		
07 Bethesda Community	495.00			48 Madison Avenue	0.00		
08 Big Bone	1,360.95			49 Main Street	3,814.64	16,775.43	Life Recovery
09 Brooksville	160.67			50 Mentor	1,160.00		
10 Bullittsburg	240.00			51 New Banklick	462.55		
11 Burlington	5,633.24			52 New Reality	0.00		
12 Christ Baptist Church	792.58			53 Newport, FBC	0.00		
13 Church @ Garden of Hope	0.00			54 Ninth Street	0.00		
14 Cold Spring, FBC	1,184.93			55 Oak Island	112.75		
15 Cornerstone	0.00			56 Oak Ridge	3,227.35		
16 Covington, FBC 4th Street	75.00			57 Persimmon Grove	1,450.00		
17 Covington, FBC 9th Street	0.00			58 Petersburg	600.00		
18 Crescent Springs	345.41			59 Piner	2,241.00	1,424.00	Hispanic; MAC; LRC
19 Crosspoint Church	155.00			60 Pleasant Ridge	784.42		
20 Dayton, FBC	544.70			61 Redemption	0.00		
21 East Dayton	150.00			62 Rosedale	330.96		
22 Elsmere	592.84	100.00	Turfway	63 Sand Run	0.00		
23 Emmanuel Chapel	0.00			64 Second Twelve Mile	0.00		
24 Erlanger	150.00	5,681.60	Turfway; Hispanic	65 Silver Grove, FBC	0.00		
25 Fairlane	378.77	300.00	Disaster Relief	66 South Side	0.00		
26 First Twelve Mile	466.53			67 Union	2,513.00		
27 Flagg Spring	60.00	60.00	Life Recovery	68 Visalia	930.00		
28 Florence	0.00			69 Walton, FBC	2,987.58		
29 Fort Mitchell	1,125.00	455.00	Life Recovery	70 West Covington	400.00		
30 Fort Thomas, FBC	100.00			71 Woodhaven	227.86		
31 Good Shepherd	100.00			72 Zion Chin	0.00		
32 Grace Dry Ridge	0.00			73 Iglesia Cristo La Luz	125.00		
33 Grace Independence	66.04						
34 Grants Lick	832.61			Total	\$ 56,145.58	\$24,996.03	
35 Hebron	2,536.55	200.00	Hispanic				
36 Hickory Grove	6,607.50						
37 Highland Heights, FBC	1,372.76						
38 Highland Hills	1,200.00						
39 Highpoint	0.00						
40 Kento-Boo	200.00						
41 Kenton	77.74						

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**Mark Your Calendars
Upcoming Events**

- March 2—Breaking the Silence, 9am, First Baptist Church Cold Spring
- March 8-9—Spiritual Awakening Conference, 7pm, Main Street Baptist Church
- March 11– Leadership IQ with Dennis Pethers, 10am, Latonia Baptist Church
- March 11—NKBA Spring Meeting, 6:30pm, Latonia Baptist Church
- March 16—Bi-Vocational Pastor Brunch/Dinner
- March 17-23—Substance Abuse Prevention Week
- March 18-19 —REACH Evangelism, Severns Valley Baptist, Elizabethtown
- April 19—Good Friday
- April 21—Resurrection Sunday!

