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I have swept away your offenses like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you. (NIV)

Proverbs ~ Ecclesiastes ~ Song of Songs ~ Isaiah ~ Jeremiah~ Lamentations~ Ezekiel



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Jím's Journal



"I didn't see it coming..." Which is what I hear SO MANY people say as their church declines (and a record number close) over many years because these things tricked them into believing their church was OK. So they did not need to make any changes:

- 1) The church has money. (Money in the bank has nothing to do with congregational health. In fact, it often points to sickness, even to the point of death. What are we going to do with it? Take it with us?)
- 2) Members still had their friends in the church. (This is called a HOLY HUDDLE)
- 3) Guests still came to the church. (BUT they never came back)
- 4) Mission giving was still good. (If a church is no longer reaching anyone in the community who is lost and far from God, you simply can't continue to live)
- 5) Meetings were well attended. (Same people come and nothing is accomplished).

I am deeply concerned for churches that are in denial about their present situation and circumstance. It's no time to blame culture or anyone else, but the time to get on your knees, cry out to God, and REPENT of not doing the mission that Jesus gave to the local church (Make Disciples/Seek and to save that which was lost).

Read Thom Rainer's book "Autopsy of a Deceased Church" It is sobering. Five years ago that book was published and it is a surgical view of the situation faced by thousands of churches across the country and more than a few right here in our Jerusalem. It is better for a church to recognize and acknowledge decline and decay and DO SOMETHING, than to pretend that everything is going to be ok if we just keep the doors open. THAT is NO WAY to do the mission of Christ.

I read a book within the past few years that I am re-reading now (much like Rainer's Autopsy) entitled, Change (Your Church) or Die by Josh Hunt. One thing that I am becoming increasingly convinced of is that in many of our churches, PEOPLE FEAR CHANGE MORE THAN THEY FEAR HELL. Not necessarily their own eternity (they believe they are saved and safe), but to make any changes in the church to keep people out of Hell is not relevant or personal to them, so they just don't care. They weigh their personal preferences over the eternity of those who are lost.

Change is constant. That is a fact. The only unchanging aspect of the Christian life is God Himself, His Word, and His mission. (Hebrews 13:8, Matthew 28:18-20, Luke 19:10) Your church is perfectly tuned to get the results you are now getting. If you keep doing what you have been doing, you will keep getting what you have been getting. PERIOD...

Life is a series of choices. Churches die because of decisions people IN those churches make. I am praying constantly and crying out to God that churches recognize their situations, REPENT and RETURN TO THE MISSION...RETURN TO THEIR FIRST LOVE...and let God change us and His church to reach those who are lost and far from Him.

Your Lead Follower,

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Week of Prayer For Association Missions May 19-25, 2019

Offering Goal—\$20, 000

To be used for Northern **Kentucky Changers** event, week of July 13 through 18, 2019.

Spring Fling For Christ East Dayton Baptist Church 1123 Third Ave, Dayton, KY

Friday, May 17, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, May 18, 7:00 p.m. Sunday, May 19, 11:00 a.m.

The guest speaker is Rev. Tom Hinkle, St. Johns Bethel Baptist Church, of Monck's Corner, South Carolina. Come help us praise God!





Dallas Holm Friday, May 17,

New Banklick Baptist Church 10719 Banklick Road, Walton Free Admission, but tickets are required for seating. For tickets visit the church website at www.newbanklickbaptist.org. Love Offering will be received.

in Concert

7:00 p.m.

Dallas Holm is a Gospel Music Hall of Fame inductee and has a Grammy Nomination and numerous Dove Awards. For more information on Dallas, visit his website at www.dallasholm.com.



Train the Trainer Thursday, May 30 5:45-8:30 NKBA Office

SCHEDULE:

5:45pm Registration 6:00pm Dinner (Provided by Association/Church) 6:30pm Who's Your One? training

8:30pm Close

WHO: Pastors, church

planters, and associational mission strategists who have a desire to grow evangelistic leaders through training the trainer.

KEYNOTE: Todd Gray & Andy McDonald

COST:

No cost. Dinner will be provided by the NKBA.

Visit the KBC website to register at www.kybaptist.org/ stories/train-the-trainer-2019,3551.



How can I help?

Northern Kentucky Changers is Coming July 13—19!

Our Kentucky Changers event last year was so effective, we've decided to do something similar this year on a local level. We are encouraging churches to put together teams to work on projects in your neighborhoods that can have a big impact on homeowners. Your church can be involved in this local mission event in a number of ways:

- 1) Recommend families in your community who have small projects to be considered. To apply, send the homeowner's name, address, phone and description of the work needed to the NKBA office at lorne@nkbaptist.org.
- 2) Sign up people/teams to work on projects. You can volunteer for any amount of time that week, from 1 day to all 5 days. Notify the NKBA office of the number of teams/
- 3) Pray that we will have volunteers to do the work and projects and people we can bless!

people you have willing to help and the time committed.

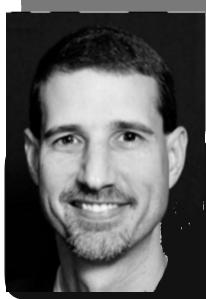
4) Give to the NKY Changers Special Offering take May 19-25, Week

We will only be committing to projects if we have volunteer teams available to complete the work. If there are no workers, there can be no projects! Please be in prayer about this opportunity.



Becoming A CHURCH That **CARES WELL** for the ABUSED

A special evening event for pastors & church leadership teams



With special guest **BRAD HAMBRICK** SUMMIT CHURCH DURHAM NC

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH





MAY 14

SCHEDULE

5pm - DINNER

must rsvp for dinner

6pm — MAIN SESSION

Brad Hambrick

7pm - PANEL DISCUSSION Representatives from social work, law enforcement and trauma/abuse counseling will field texted questions from attendees.

Brad serves as the Pastor of Counseling at The Summit Church in Durham, NC.

He also serves as Instructor of Biblical Counseling at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, a council member of the Biblical Counseling Coalition, and the current Chair of the SBC President's Task Force on Sexual Abuse. Bradwill discuss the need for churches and the second sexual Abuse and the sexto RAISE AWARENESS about sexual abuse, BE A RESOURCE to the abused, RESPOND WELL to abuse & PREVENT abuse in the church.



Register online by scanning QR code, or at the CKNB Facebook page.

Email office@cknb.org or call 859-254-7747





NKBA Income by Church January—April 2019

Church	Budget Giving	Designated	Church	Budget Giving	Designated
01 Anchor	744.36		41 Iglesia Cristo La Luz	270.00	
02 Ashland Avenue	2,050.78		42 Kento-Boo	400.00	
03 Beaver Lick	1,909.09		43 Kenton	151.95	
04 Beechgrove	675.00		44 Latonia	1,335.48	
05 Belleview	4,928.87		45 Licking Valley	1,805.00	
06 Bellevue, FBC	75.00		46 Living Church	0.00	
07 Bethesda Community	495.00		47 Living Hope Baptist	800.00	
08 Big Bone	2,182.78		48 Ludlow, FBC	0.00	
09 Brooksville	458.07		49 Macedonia Missionary	0.00	
10 Bullittsburg 11 Burlington	403.00 10,480.89		50 Madison Avenue 51 Main Street	500.00 4,352.85	16,755.43 Life Recovery
12 Christ Baptist Church	792.58		52 Mentor	1,740.00	
13 Church at Garden of Hope	0.00		53 Mercy Ridge	0.00	
14 Cold Spring, FBC	2,407.64		54 New Banklick	1,608.41	
15 Cornerstone	517.93		55 New Reality	0.00	
16 Cornerston Fellowship	100.00		56 Newport, FBC	400.00	
17 Covington, FBC 4th Street	150.00		57 Ninth Street	0.00	
18 Covington, FBC 9th Street	500.00		58 Oak Island	208.45	
19 Crescent Springs	826.35		59 Oak Ridge	5,593.03	
20 Crosspoint Church	295.00		60 Persimmon Grove	1,450.00	
21 Dayton, FBC 22 East Dayton	827.34 300.00		61 Petersburg 62 Piner	1,343.00 2,936.00	342.00 Hispanic; 687.00 Life Re- covery; 832.00 MAC
23 Elsmere	1,185.68	200.00 Turfway	63 Pleasant Ridge	1,552.87	
24 Emmanuel Chapel 25 Erlanger	0.00 2,636.00	148.60 Turfway, 8093.86 Hispanic	64 Redemption 65 Rosedale	0.00 438.04	
26 Fairlane	1,365.54	300.00 Disaster Relief	66 Sand Run	0.00	
27 First Twelve Mile	984.27		67 Second Twelve Mile	1,306.76	
28 Flagg Spring	130.00	190.00 Life Recovery	68 Silver Grove, FBC	0.00	
29 Florence	0.00		69 SouthSide	0.00	
30 Fort Mitchell	1,500.00	630.00 Life Recovery	70 Union	5,025.00	
31 Fort Thomas, FBC	100.00		71 Visalia	1,213.00	
32 Good Shepherd Korean	200.00		72 Walton, FBC	3,685.47	
33 Grace Dry Ridge	0.00		73 West Covington	500.00	
34 Grace Independence	249.32		74 Woodhaven	474.79	
35 Grants Lick	1,547.51		75 Zion Chin	0.00	
36 Hebron	5.175.03	400.00 Hispanic			
37 Hickory Grove	6,607.50				
38 Highland Heights, FBC	2,563.03				
39 Highland Hills	1,200.00				
40 Highpoint	0.00				

Total Budget Income \$ 95,663.66

Northern Kentucky Baptist Association

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Mark Your Calendars Upcoming Events

May 14—Leadership IQ, Becoming a Church That Cares Well for the Abused, 6pm, Immanuel Baptist Church, Lexington, KY

May 19-25—Week of Prayer for Association Missions

May 27—Memorial Day, NKBA Office closed

May 30—Who's Your 1? Train the Trainer, 5:45pm, NKBA

July 8—NKBA Summer Meeting, Mentor Church, California, KY

July 13-19—Northern Kentucky Changers

