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Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth." Hosea 6:3

Lamentations ~ Ezekiel ~ Daniel ~ Hosea ~ Joel ~ Amos ~ Obadiah



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# Jim's Journal



## DOM Report Spring 2022

This will be my last report as your Lead Follower. It has been my highest and greatest honor to serve the churches of the Northern Kentucky Baptist Association these last eight years. There have been many joys and days of sorrow.

As I close this chapter, I am glad to see the NKBA coming out of the COVID era and beginning to move into mission. I am THRILLED that Al Weeks is leading the first of many teams to travel to Alaska. I am excited that my home church and my pastor, our State Baptist President, Dr. Harold Best is leading teams to do work each month in Western Kentucky. Our local missions continue to thrive at NKU with Josh Skipper, the MAC with Amy Wilhellmus, the Cornerstone Fellowship and Mike Rowe, the HOPE ministry with Adam Crews, and all our multi-ethnic church planters with Chinese, Korean, Burmese, Hispanic, African Immigrants, Deaf, and soon to be launched an Arabic church!

I know the GREATEST days are ahead for the NKBA and I am certain that our search team will bring a great candidate forward who will take the NKBA to an even greater, God-glorifying future.

The past few years have been very difficult personally. I have had mental health battles with depression and anxiety, COVID, and very personal family struggles. In recent days the rumor mill has turned its attention to me and my family. While this is entirely personal, I will tell you that these struggles have impacted my marriage and family. We have all been seeking to find healing and wholeness, but we have not found an end at this point. It was for this reason, that I felt that the best thing for me to do was to continue to work on these personal and family struggles and leave my work with the NKBA. I shared my struggles with the Personnel team and to some close friends. While there is a separation, I will always hold out hope that healing can and will take place. We have not divorced, but it is possible that this could be the result, but that has not yet been written. Without going into any further detail, I hope this will be sufficient for everyone's curiosity and who "NEED TO KNOW!" Well, now you do.

I am pursuing a next chapter to work and serve Christ in the world of business and education. I hope to be able to be a witness there working with people who overwhelmingly are lost and far from God. My hope is to remain in NKY. I ask the NKBA to allow me to remain in the condo owned by the Association through the end of the year. The NKBA will have NO COST as I have paid the monthly fees and utilities since moving in. This is an asset that was procured during my tenure and has an immediate value of around \$140,000 or more to the NKBA. It can be immediately returned to Baptist Life Communities at any time and the Association will have resources to continue it's ministry in the future. This will be true of other churches that may close in future years due to legacy plans drawn up with local churches.

I am grateful to have been your Lead Follower. I have sought to work diligently to focus our attention on our mission locally and particularly a lost world whose ONLY HOPE IS JESUS.

Thank you again for the opportunity to serve you. I will always be a servant to our churches and any of our Pastors and people.

Your Lead Follower,

**JIM**





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### Join us on Saturday May 14 for our Annual Walk for Life

We're walking together again! Gather your family, friends, neighbors, church and co-workers and take the 2-mile Walk for Life with us. Walk at Pioneer Park in Covington or Pendleton County Fairgrounds in Falmouth.

There will be refreshments and a FREE hot dog cook out after the walk. Plus, we will be awarding prizes for the top 3 walkers. Gather \$25 or more in pledges and get a FREE Walk T-shirt! [Visit our website for more information.](#)

### NKBA DOM Search Committee Update

The NKBA DOM Search Committee is making steady progress. It was reported at the NKBA Spring Meeting that the search committee hopes to have a candidate selected this summer. Your prayers are requested for the search committee, the candidate that the Lord is preparing for this position, and for the candidates family. Please also be in prayer for Jim Woolums and his family as he transitions to his next calling from the Lord.

### Burlington Baptist Church Work Crew



The Burlington Baptist Church took our first team to Western KY last week. We were able to stay at Zion's Cause Baptist Church and redo a gutted mobile home. We are planning on taking a team each month (May-Sept). We had a few churches mention they had some people who would like to go help. We would be glad for anybody who would like to go to contact Burlington Baptist and let us when they would like to go. We plan on taking both week long trips (Mon-Fri) and long weekends (Thurs - Sat) based on people's availability. To see the Kentucky Today story on this project, [visit this link](#). To contact Burlington Baptist Church, call 859-586-6529 or Email: [bbc@isoc.net](mailto:bbc@isoc.net).

**NKBA Budget Income by Church**  
**January— April 2022**

Church	Giving	Church	Giving
01 Anchor	448.05	44 Latonia	1,335.48
02 Ashland Avenue	1,723.39	45 Licking Valley	2,305.00
04 Beechgrove	683.00	46 Living Church	600.00
05 Belleview	4,544.71	47 Living Hope	800.00
06 Bellevue, FBC	75.00	48 Ludlow, FBC	1,203.00
07 Bethesda Community	0.00	49 Macedonia Missionary	0.00
08 Big Bone	3,196.60	50 Madison Avenue	0.00
09 Brooksville	1,042.85	51 Main Street	1,573.14
10 Bullittsburg	876.00	52 Mentor	2,320.00
11 Burlington	12,162.34	53 Mercy Ridge	1,000.00
12 Christ Baptist	0.00	54 New Banklick	2,165.99
13 Church @ Garden of Hope	0.00	55 New Reality	0.00
14 Cold Spring, FBC	2,896.72	56 Newport, FBC	0.00
15 Cornerstone	1,330.00	57 Ninth Street	0.00
16 The Cornerstone Fellowship	300.00	58 Oak Island	75.80
17 Covington, FBC 4th Street	300.00	59 Oak Ridge	4,581.13
18 Covington, FBC 9th Street	0.00	60 Persimmon Grove	1,500.00
20 Crosspoint Church	519.00	61 Petersburg	1,000.00
21 Dayton, FBC	1,185.16	62 Piner	2,732.31
22 East Dayton	300.00	63 Pleasant Ridge	2,089.20
23 Elsmere	1,185.68	64 Redemption	0.00
24 Emmanuel Chapel	600.00	65 Rosedale	285.16
25 Erlanger	600.00	66 Sand Run	0.00
26 Fairlane	2,027.18	67 Second Twelve Mile	1,622.04
27 First Twelve Mile	1,315.67	68 Silver Grove, FBC	1,964.94
29 Florence	0.00	69 South Side	500.00
30 Fort Mitchell	1,500.00	70 Union	3,145.00
31 Fort Thomas, FBC	0.00	71 Visalia	1,200.00
32 Good Shepherd Korean	500.00	72 Walton, FBC	4,172.18
34 Grace Independence	36.92	73 West Covington	1,000.00
35 Grants Lick	1,555.01	75 Zion Chin	0.00
36 Hebron	3,574.78		
37 Hickory Grove	6,250.00		
38 Highland Heights, FBC	2,498.76		
39 Highland Hills	0.00		
42 Kento-Boo	400.00		
43 Kenton	95.40		
		Total Budget Giving	\$92,892.59

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**Mark Your Calendars  
Upcoming Events**

- May 2—NKBA Spring Meeting, 6:30p, Christ Baptist Church  
Spring Book of Reports located on NKbaptist.org “Resources” button
- May 8—Mothers’ Day
- May 30—Memorial Day, NKBA Office Closed

