

# **Newsletter January 2023**

**Coming Events and Information** 



## **A Word from Charles**

Happy New Year Everyone, 2023 is here and we will see what will happen. I remember when 2020 came, I preached this sermon series on Perfect Vision 20/20. I was so excited about this series and prayed for things to happen. Well, I finished the series and a few weeks later things happened, we closed indoor services for 9 weeks. So much for what I thought that the perfect vision would be, we were taught many lessons in 2020. Needless to say, Covid 19 really hurt our ministry efforts. It has been one of the most

difficult times that I have seen in the ministry of the church. Churches, Pastors, and staff have had to deal with a lot of different things.

As we begin this New Year one of the Bibles verse that comes to mind is Matthew 6:33 (NKJV). "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you." When I read this scripture, I see the importance of putting God first in my life. 2023 is a gift from the Lord. How are we going to use that gift? Believe this, you will use this gift one way or another. We can be wise, or we can be immature. One of my life sayings, "You are young only once, but you can immature all your life." Let us think about how we can use these next 12 months wisely. I am reminded of Psalm 90:12, "So teach *us* to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." May God's Word speak to us.

I always find the New Year exciting. It is a year of opportunity, a year of setting goals and achieving goals. When I think about the New Year, I think about the previous year. What did I learn these last 12 months that will provide wisdom for decision making in the next 12 months? Putting God first is essential for 2023. During 2020, we learned about the meaning of the word essential. As a follower of Jesus Christ, we must continually remind ourselves of what is essential in doing God's will in our lives. Let us set spiritual goals for Christ. This week, I was thinking about gospel conversations for 2023. Increasing gospel conversations would be a great goal for 2023.

are to look over our spiritual gifts and see those that need to be exercised. Usually, one of the top resolutions of the New Year is exercise. Let us exercise all our Spiritual Gifts. We are to review our Spiritual Disciplines for the coming year to see on what we need to focus. As I stated earlier it is a great opportunity to grow spiritually.

A couple of things coming up in January. On <u>**Tuesday, January 10th at 10am,</u>** we will have a pastors' fellowship here at the NKBA office. It will be a time of fellowship and prayer. There will be a meal provided. We should finish around noon. <u>**Tuesday, January 10th at 6pm**</u>, we will have a Bi-vocational pastors' fellowship. We will eat at 6 and enjoy a time of fellowship and prayer.</u>

On <u>Thursday January 19<sup>th</sup></u>, we will have Ready Church event at<u>Burlington</u> <u>Baptist Church at 6:30-8:30 pm</u>. Ron Crow, KBC Disaster Relief Director, will be leading the event. It is event for all members of our churches, and it informs us on things each church can do during a disaster. During Christmas, I was concerned that with the frigid temperatures we could have had a disaster.

Happy New Year, Bro. Charles



READY CHURCH January 19, 2023 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Burlington Baptist Church

Open to all interested church members. Churches can prepare for disaster by developing a strategy to

minister to their communities during a crisis. This is done through facilities preparation, member training, securing supplies, and developing protocols to activate the church's disaster response plan.

READY CHURCH is a strategy plan to assist churches in preparing for disasters that can strike their communities. It helps churches prepare, connect, and respond in times of disaster. The plan identifies some of the likely disaster scenarios that may occur in a church's community and why the congregation needs to be prepared if it is to be effective in ministry.

Click here for a flyer to share with your church.

Contact the NKBA office to give us a count of those attending. Thank you!



#### Worship & Music Roundtables Worship & Music Shop Talk

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 Worship Roundtable, 9:30 AM, Erlanger Baptist Church Worship Shop Talk, 6:00 PM, NKBA Office

Worship & Music Roundtables & Shop Talks are discussion-based networking and training events. They are intended for full-time worship leaders, part-time worship leaders, bi-vocational worship leaders, volunteer worship leaders, spouses or other church members interested in knowing more about leading worship. For more information and to register for

this free event, visit Worship Roundtable & Shop Talk - Kentucky Baptist Convention.



#### Positions Available Care Net Pregnancy Services

Florence · Cold Spring · Williamstown Care Net is growing, and we will be taking resumes for the part-time position of client intake specialist at our Cold Spring and Williamstown locations. Visit <u>https://carenetnky.org/about-us/employment-opportunities/</u> to learn more.



#### Pastor Position Available First Baptist Church, Dayton, KY

The First Baptist Church of Dayton, Ky., is seeking a new pastor. Our current pastor is retiring as of January 1, 2023. Interested applicants should send a cover letter, resume, at least three references and a sample sermon – either a

video copy (DVD) or a link to the sermon online. Applications can be mailed to the church, 501 Dayton Avenue, Dayton, KY 41074, to the attention of Gail Myers, chair of the pastoral search committee, or emailed to <u>FirstBaptistDaytonKy@fioptics.com</u>. All applications will remain confidential. The final vote for a new pastor will be made by the congregation, following the rules set forth in the church constitution and bylaws. Questions can be directed to Gail at the above email address. Application deadline is January 30, 2023.



#### Part Time Worship Leader Needed Piner Baptist Church, Piner, KY

We are looking for a Minister of Music at Piner Baptist Church in Piner, KY. This is a bi-vocational (part-time, approximately 6 hours per week) position. If interested, please send resume to: office.assistant@pinerbaptist.org.

Job Description:

- Born again Christian, servant hearted, with a genuine passion for worship, music, and Christian unity.
- Agreement and observance of the Baptist Faith and Message 2000.
- Ability to sing and read music. Ability to play a musical instrument optional.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Basic understanding (or willingness to learn) church presentation software.
- Must undergo a background check.
- Work weekly with pastor to plan, prepare and provide direction for a blended worship service on both Sunday mornings and nights.
- Oversee Praise Team through recruitment, rehearsals and musical training.
- Lead and direct worship at weekly scheduled and special services.
- Enlist and use the talents within the church congregation.
- Attend appropriate meetings.
- Maintain copyright records and adhere to lawful guidelines applicable to the use of copyrighted material.

Piner Baptist Church, 15044 Madison Pike, Morning View, KY 41063, 859-356-3222



### Children's Director Fort Mitchell Baptist

Fort Mitchell Baptist Church has an immediate opening for a Children's

Director. Interested applicants should mail a cover letter and resume to the church.

Applications can be mailed to Fort Mitchell Baptist Church, 2323 Dixie Highway, Fort Mitchell, KY 41017.

#### Mark Your Calendars:

- January 10 NKBA Pastors' Fellowship, 10 a.m. January 10 NKBA Bi-vocational Pastors' Fellowship, 6 p.m. January 19 Ready Church Conference January 22 Sanctity of Life Sunday February 28 Worship & Music Roundtable/Shop Talk

<u>nkbaptist.org</u>

