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November

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*I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. Psalm 9:1*

Nehemiah ~ Esther ~ Job ~ **Psalms** ~ Proverbs ~ Ecclesiastes ~ Song of Songs



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Jim's Journal

Classic leadership riddle: In a bacon-and-egg breakfast, what's the difference between the chicken and the pig?

Answer: The chicken is involved, but the pig is committed.



In leadership circles, the point is often made that we ought to find and develop people with pig-like commitment. However, I wonder about that. I can argue that idea both ways. On one hand, I want people around me who are committed to this cause to which I've given my life. People who own it. Absolutely, I want to serve Jesus with other people who are willing to die to self, take up a cross and follow Jesus. There is something to be said for the commitment of a pig. There is something to be said for a kind of all-in attitude that won't take no for an answer and refuses to make excuses. This is what I want for myself and this is what I look for in leaders and in people we invite into leadership. Pig-like commitment: Are you involved or committed?

On the other hand, there is this: a pig gives once. He may give a lot and it may be pretty awesome but at the end of his giving, he is done. There is nothing left. This is a one-shot gig for the pig, and not even a willing one. You might argue that the modern American pig is *built* for producing bacon, but I bet the pig would beg to differ. What the pig is doing is contrary to its nature. It doesn't throw itself on a sword for the sake of your breakfast. This is a forced commitment.

What the pig does under great duress, the chicken does naturally. Laying eggs is what chickens are built to do. They live to lay eggs. And all things being equal, a chicken is compelled to keep laying, keep giving and giving. A chicken's compulsion is not the same brand of compulsion as a pig, and a chicken isn't done quite so quickly. So, who is the better player in this riddle — the pig or the chicken?

Here's what I think. I think that as a leadership riddle, the answer is YES!. A good leader has both the heart of a bacon-maker and the enthusiasm of an egg-maker — all in for the cause of Christ, but with delight and a sense of call to this work, to keep giving not out of obligation but with joy.

Are you a pig, a chicken, or — in the best sense of it — *both*? As we move toward the end of 2019 and look ahead to 2020, I think it will take BOTH! And your NKBA wants and needs your partnership because WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER! (Just like BACON AND EGGS) Your ongoing financial support makes it possible for us to support and help new churches, existing churches, and provide the BEST in leadership training across our area. Thank you for your investment! We CONTINUE to need it!

Your Lead Follower,

Jim

Widows Helping Widows, Moving Forward With Hope

Widows Helping Widows, Moving Forward With Hope, is an alliance of widows in Northern Kentucky. We meet monthly to offer positive support and encouragement to each other in a safe environment. No one understands the heart of a widow better than other widows. If your needs are emotional, we are a safe place to express your emotions. If your needs are physical, we share resources we have found to help with practical matters such as health, home/car maintenance, etc. If your needs are social, our group is a great place to find friendship with others on this widow journey. If your needs are spiritual, we can lean into each other in prayer and support. Our meetings are centered around the love of Christ and sharing His love through our circumstances. Whether you are just beginning your widow walk or you have been widowed for years, we believe you will find hope in our meetings. **This is an open invitation to join us, no matter where you are on your journey.**

Sunday, November 3, 3:00 – 4:30

Northern Kentucky Baptist Association Office, 3001 Riggs Rd., Erlanger, KY 41018

Guest speaker, Chef Meagan Stehlin. Megan is going to show us how to prepare a new holiday side dish. Lots-a-squash!

Saturday, December 7, 11:00 – 1:00 Christmas Brunch – bring a covered dish. Coffee, tea and juice will be provided.

Boone County Library – Meeting Room A at Scheben Branch, 8899 U.S. 42, Union, KY 41091

Bring a new pair of women’s socks or gloves for donation to a local homeless shelter.

Confirmation of your planned attendance is not required but is appreciated.

Contact Mary Jane Schopp 859-334-0690 (call or text) for more information or to confirm attendance.



NKBA Fall Meeting—Monday, November 4, 2019

First Baptist Church of Walton,

47 South Main Street, Walton, KY 41094

Guest Speaker is Rev. Steve Ayers, Bowling Green, KY

Leadership IQ for Pastors and Church Leaders—9:00 a.m.



Worship and Business Meeting open to all begins at 3:00 p.m.

Register at the NKBA website “Registration” tab

www.nkbaptist.org/registration. Please contact the NKBA office with questions.

It's almost that time...

**NKBA Christmas
Open House
Thursday, December 5
12:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.**



Come visit us at the NKBA office to celebrate the joy of the Christmas season! We will have a lots of food, treats and fun. We look forward to seeing you and personally wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Children’s Ministry Position Available

Latonia Baptist Church is searching for a Director of Children. This is presently a 15-20 hour position and details can be found here:

<http://latoniabaptist.org/jobs>.



NKBA Budget Income by Church
January—October 2019

Church	Giving	Church	Giving
01 Anchor	1,680.23	42 Kento-Boo	1,000.00
02 Ashland Avenue	4,915.64	43 Kenton	313.71
03 Beaver Lick	4,835.79	44 Latonia	1,669.35
04 Beechgrove	1,535.00	45 Licking Valley	4,378.00
05 Belleview	9,456.84	46 Living Church	0.00
06 Bellevue, FBC	225.00	47 Living Hope Baptist Church	2,000.00
07 Bethesda Community	1,815.00	48 Ludlow, FBC	0.00
08 Big Bone	7,567.49	49 Macedonia Missionary	0.00
09 Brooksville	1,314.57	50 Madison Avenue	1,500.00
10 Bullittsburg	587.00	51 Main Street	16,125.84
11 Burlington	25,043.28	52 Mentor	6,067.00
12 Christ Baptist Church	3,988.02	53 Mercy Ridge	200.00
13 Church @ Garden of Hope	0.00	54 New Banklick	1,608.41
14 Cold Spring, FBC	5,793.13	55 New Reality	0.00
15 Cornerstone	1,496.39	56 Newport, FBC	1,000.00
16 The Cornerstone Fellowship	900.00	57 Ninth Street	0.00
17 Covington, FBC 4th Street	300.00	58 Oak Island	549.00
18 Covington, FBC 9th Street	800.00	59 Oak Ridge	13,114.30
19 Crescent Springs	1,787.19	60 Persimmon Grove	1,450.00
20 Crosspoint Church	715.00	61 Petersburg	2,084.00
21 Dayton, FBC	3,043.16	62 Piner	8,756.00
22 East Dayton	750.00	63 Pleasant Ridge	3,169.99
23 Elsmere	2,989.20	64 Redemption	0.00
24 Emmanuel Chapel	0.00	65 Rosedale	1,085.54
25 Erlanger	3,686.00	66 Sand Run	0.00
26 Fairlane	3,244.63	67 Second Twelve Mile	1,306.76
27 First Twelve Mile	2,429.19	68 Silver Grove, FBC	0.00
28 Flagg Spring	370.00	69 South Side	110.00
29 Florence	0.00	70 Union	10,079.00
30 Fort Mitchell	4,125.00	71 Visalia	1,915.00
31 Fort Thomas, FBC	100.00	72 Walton, FBC	9,203.86
32 Good Shepherd Korean Church	700.00	73 West Covington	1,100.00
34 Grace Independence	542.25	74 Woodhaven	1,206.82
35 Grants Lick	3,633.71	75 Zion Chin Baptist	1,200.00
36 Hebron	10,861.51		
37 Hickory Grove	25,357.50		
38 Highland Heights, FBC	3,638.91		
39 Highland Hills	1,600.00		
40 Highpoint	0.00		
41 Iglesia Cristo La Luz del Mundo	270.00		
		Total	234,289.21

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**Mark Your Calendars
Upcoming Events**

- November 3—Widows’ Ministry Meeting, 3p, NKBA Office
- November 4— Leadership IQ, 9a, FBC Walton
- November 4—NKBA Fall Meeting, 3p, FBC Walton
- November 12– KBC Annual Meeting, Immanuel Baptist, Lexington
- December 5—NKBA Christmas Open House, 12—7p

