

# Central Baptist Association Messenger

DOM/AMS Notes from Bro. Jay Hatfield

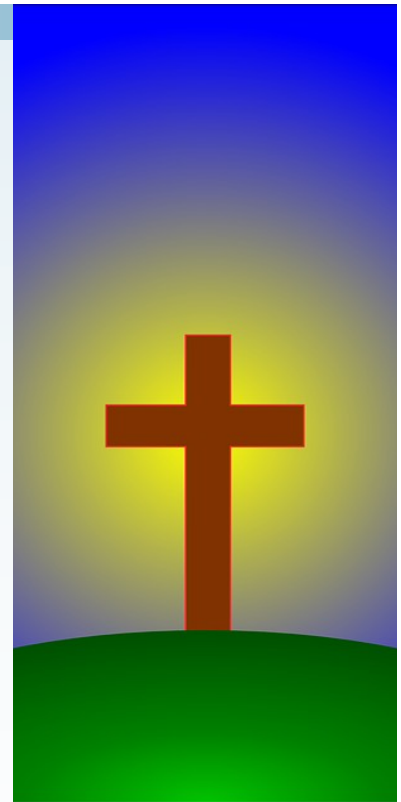
Just recently I preached a sermon at Bradfordsville Baptist Church on Matthew 5:13. It says, "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot."

Think with me for just a moment. How easy would it be to live without salt? What would it be like to go to the grocery store and discover that there is no salt? Nothing would be the same.

Salt is very important to the human body. It is necessary for conducting nerve impulses which is vital for communication between the brain and the body. It regulates fluid balance and blood volume, and it is crucial for maintaining a normal heart rhythm.

Salt is a sustainer of life. Salty sea water will support many more organisms than fresh water. Salt also acts as a preservative and keeps things from spoiling like meat. It is a great condiment because it adds flavor to our food.

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## God's Plan of Salvation

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9



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preserving ability. Salt fends off rot and decay. It is rubbed into meat as an effort to preserve it. As a Christian, we must do all we can to preserve the lives of people from rot and decay that is trying to infiltrate it.

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth." Why, because of your penetrating ability. Salt will penetrate whatever it touches. It is an aggressive substance. You and I have been called to be an active force in this world as a Christian

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth." Why, because of your purifying ability. Salt has a remarkable ability to cleanse a wound. In ancient times, newborn babies were washed in salt to cleanse their bodies and give firmness to their skin. Your life as a Christian can have a purifying affect on the world around you.

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*BE AWARE OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN YOUR CHURCH AND THE ASSOCIATION!*

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### Association News & Events

- **September 21st is the Central Baptist Association Annual Music Night at Lebanon Baptist Church.** Services will begin at 6:00 PM. Church choirs, praise teams, or anyone who would like to sing, play an instrument, or both can call the association office at 270-795-4171 to be put on the program.
- **Festivals** across Washington and Marion Counties. Here are some opportunities for churches to share the gospel. Mackville Festival September 13th. Lebanon Ham Days September 26th-28th. Springfield Sorghum Festival October 3rd - 5th.
- **October 5th Central Baptist Association Annual Fall Meeting at Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM.** Every pastor and messengers from each church should attend. The association will be voting on the revised constitution & bylaws that was presented last October. Guest speakers will be: Daniel Johnson, Regional Campus Minister - Lexington Region; Joe Ball, KY WMU Missions Strategist Boys/Men and Changers; and Frank Stratton, Assistant to the President, Oneida Baptist Institute
- **Central Baptist Association Revival October 6th - 8th.** Services begins at 6:30 PM October 6th at Woodlawn Baptist Church, Evangelist: Rev. Craig Dunbar. October 7th at Lebanon Baptist Church, Evangelist: Rev. John Simpson. October 8th at Bradfordsville Baptist Church, Evangelist: Rev. Daniel Raikes.



## Church News

**Bethlehem Baptist Church**— Roy Cagle is serving as interim pastor. Will be having a Corporate Fast October 29th.

**Bradfordsville Baptist Church**— Collecting items for Christmas shoeboxes. Oct 8th Central Baptist Association Revival 6:30 PM.

**Brush Grove Baptist Church**—

**Central Baptist Church**— Annual Holiday meal will be October 19th. Work on the basement will begin later in October. Another meal will be planned after the repairs are made.

**Lebanon Baptist Church**— Collecting items for Christmas shoe boxes. Hosting the Association Music Night September 21st at 6PM. Women's Testimony Fellowship Potluck Breakfast 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM. October 7th Central Baptist Association Revival 6:30 PM. Trunk or treat October 29th.

**Mackville Baptist Church**— The Adult Sunday School Class is meeting and having donuts along with fellowship each Sunday before the class begins. Bro. Ron Miller's last service will be September 14th due to health issues. Bro. Jay Hatfield will be filling in.

**Mount Freedom Baptist Church**— Revival October 12th - 15th, Sunday October 12th service at 11AM meal to follow, Monday and Tuesday 6PM. Rev. Craig Dunbar pastor of Lebanon Baptist Church will be preaching.

**Mount Olivet Baptist Church**— The pulpit search committee is still very hard at work, continue to pray.

### Churches in the CBA

Bethlehem Baptist Church

Bradfordsville Baptist Church

Brush Grove Baptist Church

Central Baptist Church

Lebanon Baptist Church

Mackville Baptist Church

Mt. Freedom Baptist Church

Mt. Olivet Baptist Church

Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church

New Hope Baptist Church

Rockbridge Baptist Church

Springfield Baptist Church

Stewarts Creek Baptist Church

Temple Baptist Church

Thompsonville Baptist Church

Unity Baptist Church

Willisburg Baptist Church

Woodlawn Baptist Church

## Church News Continued

**Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church**— The pulpit search committee is still very hard at work, continue to pray. The 4th annual Tent Revival will be September 14th-17th at 6:30pm. The Annual Hayride and Chili Cookoff will be September 28th at 6:00pm. Trunk or Treat will be October 29th 6-8pm.

**New Hope Baptist Church**— Christmas Shoebox Ministry has started and will run through October.

**Rockbridge Baptist Church**— Food pantry is open the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at 11:30 AM. Praying for one child a day who is receiving a Christmas Shoe Box .

**Springfield Baptist Church**— Had over 100 kids registered and 7 ready to discuss Jesus as their savior during VBS! Annual Fish Fry Wednesday September 17th. Christian Community Connection (CCC) luncheon for senior adults Tuesday October 7th at noon. Meat and drink provided, sides or desserts are appreciated.

**Stewarts Creek Baptist Church**— VBS July 22-26 6:30-9:00PM. The mission work at Brookhaven Trailer Park continues. Thanks to all who volunteer and help out by serving God in ministering to the lives of these children.

**Temple Baptist Church**— Collecting for Christmas Shoe Boxes and Back Packs. Going to Ronald McDonald house to serve food September 20th.

**Thompsonville Baptist Church**— Homecoming September 28 at 11:00 with a fellowship meal following the worship service.

**Unity Baptist Church**— Homecoming Celebration followed by meal and special music Sunday Sept 14th, Camp Calvary Ladies Retreat 9/19/25. Starting a Bible study for moms.

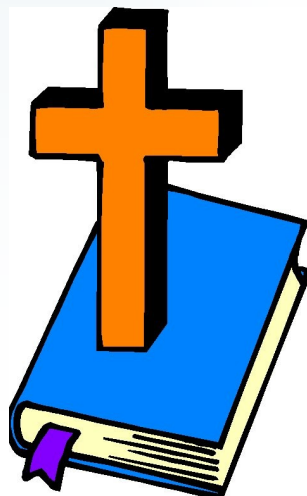
**Willisburg Baptist Church**— Working on church basement to stop flooding.

**Woodlawn Baptist Church**— Youth Revival Oct 3-5 at Knifley Fire Dept. Annual Ride fund raiser for Hope Pregnancy Center Sept 6th at Noon, cars will start lining up at 8 AM. Oct 6th Central Baptist Association Revival 6:30 PM.

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## Kentucky Baptist Convention Events

- September 9th EQUIP (Training) at Hillvue Heights Baptist Church, Bowling Green, KY
- September 12th - 13th Bi-vocational Pastors & Wives Retreat at the Holiday Inn University Plaza in Bowling Green, KY
- September 23rd Revitalize at FBC Bowling Green
- Children's Ministry Sunday
- October 5th Cooperative Program Sunday
- October 10th - 11th Disaster Relief Training at Campbellsville Baptist Church
- October 19th Day of Prayer for Associational Missions
- November 11th Kentucky Baptist Convention Annual Meeting at FBC Cold Spring