

# Central Baptist Association Messenger

DOM/AMS Notes from Bro. Jay Hatfield

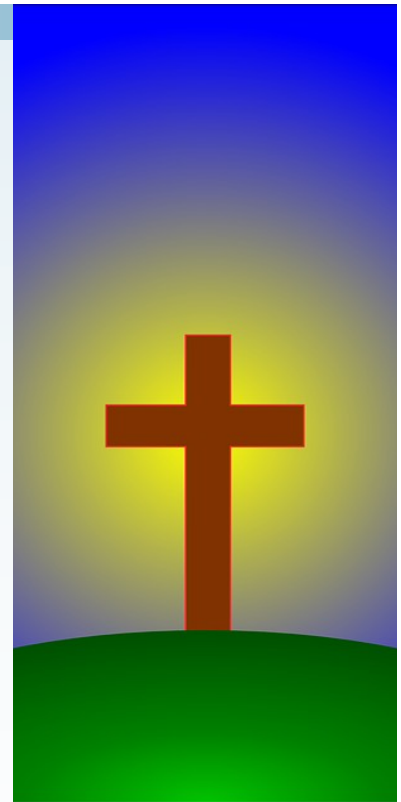
HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! I trust that you have had a blessed Christmas with your family and friends. Yes, it is hard to believe, but here we are in 2026. What will this year hold for all of us?

To begin with I pray that we see more people coming to Jesus Christ over this year. For that to happen we must also see more people stepping up their efforts in sharing the gospel with the lost. Would you be willing to do that?

I hear people say all the time that they don't understand why there are not more people in church. I believe the bigger question is, what are we each doing to bring more people into the church?

As we start into 2026 let the light of Jesus Christ shine through you. Smile, give praise to the Lord, and let people know how much you love Him. When people do come into the church, be positive. They don't want to hear negativity. Pray that God will use you to draw people to Him.

Let us see more from our churches in the way of ministry and reaching lost souls for Jesus Christ in this upcoming year.



## 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



## DOM/AMS Notes from Bro. Jay Hatfield Continued

The Central Baptist Association Executive Board Meeting will be January 4th 2:30 PM at Central Baptist Church in Lebanon. We will be having two guest speakers that you will not want to miss. Earl and Robin Pinkston, who are International Missionaries to Malta will be sharing with us about their work. Please encourage mission groups and anyone from your church that would like to hear their message to come. All will be blessed to hear what God is doing through our IMB missionaries. Don't miss it!

We have a new pastor in the Central Baptist Association. Let us welcome Bro. Michael Parks and his wife Shirley to Mount Olivet Baptist Church. They will be a great asset not only to the church, but also to the association. Welcome!

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! GOD BLESS!

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

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### Association News & Events

- January 1, 2026 NEW YEAR'S DAY
- January 4, 2026 Central Baptist Association Executive Board Meeting at Central Baptist Church 2:30 PM Our guest will be Earl and Robin Pinkston who have served in Malta with the International Mission Board since 1998. Earl grew up in Mercer County and graduated from Georgetown College. Robin grew up in Jackson, Tennessee and graduated from Union University. They have three children. Kathryn is a graduate of Union University and is working as a preschool teacher in Jackson, Tennessee. Thomas is a junior studying Business Management and Nathan is a freshman Communications major at the University of Kentucky. Earl and Robin have been on Stateside assignment since August 2025 and will be returning to Malta on January 17, 2026. If you would like to join their weekly prayer updates, you can email them at [prayermalta@gmail.com](mailto:prayermalta@gmail.com), or speak with them afterwards.
- March 8, 2026 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 29, 2026 Central Baptist Association Annual Spring Meeting 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM at Bethlehem Baptist Church
- April 5, 2026 Easter Sunday



## Church News

**Bethlehem Baptist Church**— Went Christmas Caroling

**Bradfordsville Baptist Church**— New sound system is installed

**Brush Grove Baptist Church**—

**Central Baptist Church**— Basement work should be completed in March

**Lebanon Baptist Church**— Church body baked and passed out over 200 pies. Had a Christmas program and candle light service. Women's Fellowship Potluck Breakfast 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM

**Mackville Baptist Church**— Had a Christmas Eve Service, collected for Lottie Moon offering, collected bottle change for House of Hope, Collected food for N. Washington Elementary School food bank.

**Mount Freedom Baptist Church**—

**Mount Olivet Baptist Church**— Bro. Michael Parks has been called as a new pastor.

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

**New Hope Baptist Church**— Went Christmas caroling and delivered fruit baskets.

### 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

**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 shoe box .

**Springfield Baptist Church**— January 7th at 5:30 Kingdom Wednesday for kids and Bible study for adults will start back. American Red Cross Bloodmobile February 9th from 12-5pm.

**Stewarts Creek Baptist Church**— Ground has been broken for new addition of fellowship hall, Sunday school rooms and restrooms on main floor.

**Temple Baptist Church**— Went Christmas caroling December 21st to shut-ins and Nursing Home. Held a Christmas Eve Service. Vision Sunday January 11th.

**Thompsonville Baptist Church**—

**Unity Baptist Church**— Bible Study for mom's is starting back every Thursday at 6pm starting January 8th. Grief share groups meet for men every Monday evening and for women every Tuesday evening.

**Willisburg Baptist Church**— Had Christmas Eve Service.

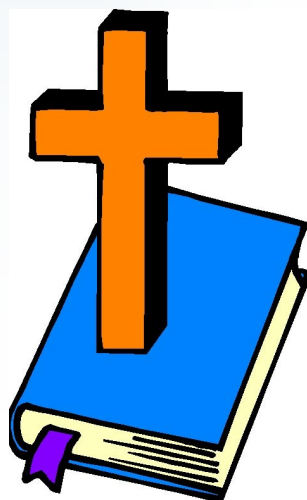
**Woodlawn Baptist Church**— Had a Christmas Eve Service.



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## Kentucky Baptist Convention Events

- January 29th - 31st Shepherding at the Griffin Gate Marriott Resort & Spa in Lexington, KY.
- February 6th - 7th YES—Youth Evangelism Summit at Hillvue Heights Baptist Church in Bowling Green, KY. (Register online)
- February 24th - Discover KBC—For new pastors to meet the KBC staff and learn how they can best serve you and your church. (Register online)
- March 9th - 10th REACH Evangelism Conference at Westport Road Baptist Church Louisville, KY. (Register online)
- May 7th National Day of Prayer