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The Nelson Baptist Newsletter

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Big News for the Association

If you haven't heard, on February 4, 2016 the Executive Board voted to sell the Association office building located at 204 W Broadway in Bardstown. We have yet to put the property on the market for the public, but are soliciting offers from our member churches or their partner ministries. Our desire is that this property continue to be used in a way that strengthens churches and grows the Kingdom of God. If your church - or a partner ministry of your church - has an interest in the building please contact us. If we have received no offers after June 1, we will list the property to the public. River View Baptist Church (Bardstown Rd, just south of Mt. Washington) has kindly offered office space to the Association staff that they will be transitioning to once the building sells. As always, the staff of the Association will remain available to you no matter where we are located in our associational region, please reach out to us if there is any need you have, we are happy to come to you.

Association Emphasis Week & The Dollar Day Challenge

Association Emphasis Week is May 15-22. This is a time of the year where we encourage you to do three things: educate, pray and give.

Educate

Educate your church about the Nelson Association; who we are, what we do, why we exist, and why your church is a part of our membership.

Pray

Pray for your partner churches in the Nelson Association. Though we may be separated by miles of country roads and county lines we are working together to reach the lost in this community. This is a cooperative effort, only through supporting one another's ministries will we be able to accomplish the goal that Jesus has given his church. You can download and print out the prayer guide from our website to use at your church.

Give

Pooling our resources as an association gives us the ability to fund ministries that many churches as individual's couldn't. We are issuing the Dollar Day Challenge. On May 22 We are asking for every member of every Association church to give just \$1. If every member meets the challenge we will raise over \$5,000! That money will be used to fund a new church plant in 2016. Publications to advertise the Dollar Day Challenge can be found on the association website.

Our Mission

The Nelson Baptist Association of Southern Baptist Churches exists to strengthen local churches so that they glorify Jesus Christ and demonstrate His love by fulfilling the Great Commission.

Upcoming Meetings

- **Every 3rd Monday** - Multiply 22, Parkway @ 6:30pm.
- **May 5** - Public Prayer, Farmer's Market Pavilion in Bardstown @ 6:30pm.
- **May 23** - Admin Team Meeting @ 10am, Location: TBD
- **May 24** - Strengthening Pastors Strengthening Churches, Parkway @ 10am.
- **August 4** - Executive Board Meeting, River View @ Noon.

Strengthening Pastors Strengthening Churches

The Church Equipping Team of the Nelson Association and the KBC are working with FBC Mt. Washington and Parkway Baptist Church to host several sessions this year that will feature key speakers, supply amazing insights and provide essential training for pastors and church leaders. Those in attendance last year experienced fantastic quality training from speakers across the state. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 24 at Parkway Baptist Church in Bardstown from 10am until 1pm. Claude King will teach those present how to strengthen the prayer ministry of their church. Free lunch will be provided.

Our Vision

"Strengthening Churches,
Sharing Christ's Love"

Room in the Inn for Nelson County

If you have yet to hear about Room in the Inn you are missing out on an amazing ministry that is rapidly growing in this area of Kentucky. Room in the Inn is a homeless shelter that operates by different churches and organizations opening their doors for a night or two each month to the homeless who are part of the Room in the Inn network. Bedding and transportation is provided, all the church is required to provide is a meal and a space for the people to sleep. All bedding and transportation is provided. Room in the Inn provides a way for churches to care for the homeless and needy in their community without having to develop a complex program that uses a lot of manpower and resources. Several Bullitt County Churches are already a part of this program and have testified to its effectiveness. They have seen people find housing, jobs, but most importantly Christ.

If your Church is in Nelson County and you are interested in learning more about this ministry there is an informational meeting on Thursday May 12 from 7-8pm in Crimmins Hall on the Sisters of Charity Nazareth Campus in Bardstown.

Memorial Day Biker Rally

Rockcastle and Nelson Baptist Associations are partnering together to host a Memorial Weekend Biker Rally along KY150 through Springfield, Bardstown and Mt. Washington. They will be stopping at Sunrise Children's Services in Danville and Mt. Washington to spend time and pray with residents there. A group from the local Faith Riders chapter - led by Ron Lasley, pastor of Beech Grove Baptist Church - will be meeting up early that morning at the intersection of KY61 and KY245 to ride down together. Contact our office if you would like more information.