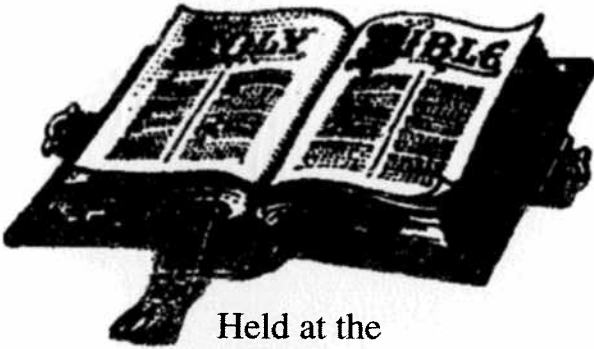


Minutes of the
One Hundred and Eighth Annual Session
of the
*Indian Bottom Association
of
Old Regular Baptist Churches
of Jesus Christ*



Held at the
Indian Bottom Association Building
Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky
September 5, 6, 7, 2003

Hosted By
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Reynolds Fork and Little Mary Churches

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A TRIBUTE TO OUR DECEASED MINISTERS



Elder Wesley Hayes



Brother Donald Francis

The voices of Elder Wesley Hays and Brother Donald Francis have grown silent, yet the fruits of their labors and fond memories of their lives will remain with us for many years to come. As their frail bodies fell, their spirits went to God who gave it. They fought a good fight; they finished their course; they kept the faith; they have gone to receive their reward, a crown of righteousness and a home in Heaven.

**MINUTES OF THE
ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH
ANNUAL SESSION OF THE
INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION OF
OLD REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES
OF JESUS CHRIST
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2003 AND
THE TWO FOLLOWING DAYS**

The Indian Bottom Association, being in session, assembled at our association building at Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, on September 5, 2003 and the two following days. Hosted by the Blair Branch Church and co-hosted by the Reynolds Fork and Little Mary Churches, the association met in the congregational department of the association building for preaching services. After singing some old songs of Zion, Elder Billy Campbell introduced the service and led in prayer. Elder Ivan Amburgey followed with the introductory sermon.

The delegates were dismissed from the congregational department and asked to assemble in the delegate room. Elders Alonzo Mosley and Terry Bryant were appointed by the moderator to remain in the congregational department for preaching services. In the delegate room, Elder Elwood Cornett, the moderator, welcomed the delegates and called upon Elder Emory Caudill to introduce the session and Elder Homer Smith to lead in prayer. The Association, now being assembled, was called to order by Elder Elwood Cornett. He appointed a finance committee to wit: Brothers John Reedy, Darwin Gregory and Bryan Smith. He then called for the letters of the several churches that compose the Indian Bottom Association.

1. A motion was made, seconded, and passed with no objection, to read the letter of the Blair Branch Church. The letter was read by the clerk. By a move and second, with no objection, it was received, along with all other church letters, as they were in regular form; the delegates were seated and all requests and queries were referred to the Committee on Arrangements.

2. The Association was then organized by choosing the following officers:

Elder Elwood Cornett, Moderator
Elder Jim Fields, Assistant Moderator
Elder Don Pratt, Clerk/Treasurer
Brother Bob Banks, Assistant Clerk

(The following brothers had been appointed to count the votes: Phillip Hicks, Estill Blair, and Freddy Watts.)

3. By a move and second, with no objection, the moderator was directed to make all temporary appointments.
4. The moderator appointed a Committee on Ministry composed of one delegate from each church with the entire delegations from the Blair Branch, Reynolds Fork and Little Mary Churches to arrange the preaching services for Friday afternoon and Saturday morning.
5. The moderator called for newly constituted churches desiring to take up fellowship with us. None responded.
6. Churches of our same faith and order who desired fellowship with us were called for. None responded.
7. By a move and second, with no objection, the reading of the Articles of Faith, the Rules of Decorum and the Constitution was omitted. All were directed to be printed in the minutes.
8. The moderator called for corresponding associations of our same faith and order who desired to correspond with us. None responded.
9. The moderator called for transient members and ministers and the following responded: Brothers Danny Dixon, Lonnie Sexton and Earl Mosley.

10. The Committee on Ministry made the following report for preaching services:
 - Friday afternoon: Brothers Theodore Looney and Feldon Ruggles, Jr.
 - Saturday morning: Brothers Frank Newsome, Arnold Bailey, Virgil Combs and Lonnie Gregory.
11. The moderator appointed a Committee on Arrangements composed of one delegate from each church, together with the association moderator, assistant moderator, clerk and assistant clerk.
12. A move and second, with no objection, were made for the Committee on Arrangements to meet on Friday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. to arrange the business for Saturday.
13. By a move and second, with no objection, the Association was adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning. The singing will start in the congregational department at 9:30 a.m.

The Committee on Arrangements met at 1:30 p.m. on Friday afternoon in the congregational department of the association building. After singing, Brother Theodore Looney introduced the service and Brother Willie Crace, Jr. led in prayer. Brother Feldon Ruggles, Jr. then preached, after which the committee arranged the work for Saturday. Elder Charles Shepherd called dismissal.

SATURDAY MORNING

The association met pursuant to adjournment. After singing some songs of Zion, Elder Elwood Cornett, our moderator, welcomed everyone and called upon Elder Bill Halcomb to introduce the session and Elder Layton Phipps to lead in prayer.

1. The clerk called the roll and marked the absentees.
2. The report of the Committee on Arrangements was given by the

clerk of the association. The report was approved by a move and second, with no objection, and the committee was discharged.

3. The ministers chosen to preach on the stand were excused to go to the congregational department of the association building.

Elder Elwood Cornett made the following remarks to the delegates of the association:

We are where we are by the grace of God. According to this year's church letters, we have baptized 65 people in our 43 churches. In 1979, my first year as moderator, we baptized 108 people in our 21 churches.

The scriptures command us to "do the work of an evangelist." We sometimes forget that what we are about as Christians is to do the work of an evangelist. We need to do more. What society accepts is not our guide and does not change the fact that right is right and wrong is wrong.

We must have peace and unity in our hearts and in and among our churches. Confusion and differences hinder the work of evangelists. We need to do the work of an evangelist in our own household and among our families.

To do the work of an evangelist, we must have the spirit of the living God. We must study, pray, look to God for understanding, and let love flow from our hearts. A Regular Baptist minister should be any neighbor's best friend. We must tell the truth in such a way that it will touch the world's heart and cause them to cherish our friendship. To do the work of an evangelist, we must keep ourselves unspotted from the world and bear the image of our Heavenly Father. This includes not meddling in worldly affairs, not dressing as the world, and not being involved in the world. Let's get closer to the Lord and therefore our people will desire to get closer to the Lord.

In conclusion, let's get our hearts aimed toward Heaven, the Lord is still in the saving business. Let's do the work of an evangelist.

4. The Committee on Finance reported a sum of \$8,940.00 collected from the various churches. By a move and second, with no objection, the report was received and the committee discharged.
5. By a move and second, with no objection, the minutes of this session of the association were ordered to be printed. The clerk is to be secretary/treasurer. According to the amount of money collected and the cost per minute, the clerk is to decide how many copies to have printed and distributed to each church.
6. By a move and second, with no objection, the dates of the union, communion and memorial services are to be printed in the minutes.
7. The circular letter was read by Elder H.B. Reedy, Jr., who had been chosen last year to write a circular letter for approval by the association this year. By a move and second, with no objection, the letter was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.
8. A. The Committee on Ministry, being the same as on Friday, chose the following ministers to preach on Sunday, to wit:
Elders Bob Amburgey, Danny Dixon, Jim Fields and Elwood Cornett.
B. The Committee on Ministry chose Elder Don Pratt to preach the introductory sermon for the 2004 session and Brother Feldon Ruggles, Jr. to be his alternate.
C. The Committee on Ministry chose Elder Elwood Cornett to write a circular letter for approval next year.
9. By a move and second, with no objection, obituaries are to be printed in the minutes. They are to be typed and double spaced.
10. The treasurer's report was given. By a move and second, with no objection, the report was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes. The report is as follows:

Balance on hand (9/6/02)	\$983.69
Collections:	
Church Contributions	\$8,777.00
Interest	\$31.23
Total in treasury	\$9,791.92
Expenses:	
Printing 3,828 Minutes	\$8,536.44
Safety deposit box	\$50.00
Typing	\$200.00
Total expenses	\$8,786.44
Balance in treasury (9/6/03)	\$1,005.48

11. The treasurer of the trustees, Elder Emory Caudill, gave his report. By a move and second, with no objection, the report was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes. The report is as follows:

Balance in treasury (9/5/02)	\$2,720.27
Collections:	
Church contributions	\$13,530.00
Sunday services	\$1,651.00
Donations	\$10,469.69
Concession stand	\$371.76
Total in treasury	\$28,741.69
Expenses:	
Payments on loan	\$10,800.00
Payment on carpet	\$5,000.00
Insurance	\$954.60
Kitchen and supplies	\$1,949.06
Utilities	\$1,171.01
Labor and materials	\$4,736.06
Stamps	\$30.00
Checks	\$20.00
Total expenses	\$24,660.78
Balance in treasury (9/6/03)	\$4,081.18
Amount owed on carpet	\$4,783.77

12. By a move and second, with no objection, it was agreed to correct an omission in the 2002 minutes and include last year's move and second, with no objection, to appoint Elder Roger Gibson as an Indian Bottom Association Building Trustee in the 2003 minutes.
13. There was no report from the Committee on Council because no official meeting was conducted during the past year. Elder Elwood Cornett, our moderator, appointed the same members to serve another year as the Committee on Council. These brothers are: Elwood Cornett, Frank Newsome, Ivan Amburgey, Homer Smith, Feldon Ruggles, Jr., Toby Breeding, and Danny Dixon.
14. The request of Item 16 of our 2002 Association was read by the clerk. By a move and second, with no objection, it was agreed to print the church maps in the 2003 Association minutes.
15. The request from the Cedar Grove Church to host the 2004 Association was read and a verbal request to co-host was made by the Big Leatherwood Church. By a move and second, with no objection, the requests were granted. The Friendship and Big Creek Churches also made verbal requests to co-host the 2004 Association. By a move and second, with no objection, the requests were granted.
16. The request from the Kingdom Come Church to remove the name of Bert Fields from the list of ordained ministers was read. By a move and second, with no objection, the request was granted.
17. The requests from the Big Cowan and Little Bethlehem Churches to include the dates and times of appointed church meetings in the 2003 minutes were read. By a move and second, with no objection, the requests were granted.
18. The request from the Little Mary Church to change the current orders to expand the list of associations from which we can re-

ceive members by recommendation under the church watch care to include all churches that can trace their heritage to the Burning Springs Association of United Baptists was read. After discussion, a move and second was made to grant the request. An objection was filed and the delegates voted, by standing vote, to deny the request.

19. The request from the Little Bethlehem Church to remove the name of Bordes Slone from the list of ordained ministers was read. By a move and second, with no objection, the request was granted.
20. The request from the Summertown Church to change their memorial meeting from the 2nd Sunday in May to the 2nd Sunday in June was read. By a move and second, with no objection, the request was granted.
21. By a move and second, with no objection, the clerks were directed to write a tribute to the deceased ministers of the Indian Bottom Association.
22. By a move and second, with no objection, the clerks were directed to write a resolution of appreciation to the building trustees and volunteers for the work on the Association Building, especially recognizing the efforts of Brothers Roger Gibson and Emory Caudill.
23. By a move and second, with no objection, the clerks were directed to write a resolution of appreciation to the Blair Branch, Reynolds Fork and Little Mary Churches for hosting the 2003 session of the Indian Bottom Association.
24. There was a move and second, with no objection, to have services at the association building on the following odd-Sundays: November 30, February 1, May 30 and August 1.

25. By a move and second, with no objection, the minutes of the 2003 session of the Indian Bottom Association were accepted without being read and ordered printed in the minutes.
26. By a move and second, with no objection, we adjourned until the 2004 session of the Indian Bottom Association convenes on Friday, September 3, 2004. The moderator called on Elder Lonnie Gregory to lead us in the closing prayer.

SUNDAY

A large congregation gathered at the association building on the last day of the one hundred and eighth session of the Indian Bottom Association. After lifting our voices in the beautiful sounds of the age-old songs of Zion, Elder Elwood Cornett, the moderator, welcomed the congregation and called upon Elder Bob Amburgey to introduce the services and lead in prayer. He was blessed to preach upon the goodness of the Lord and the need for all sinners to repent. He was followed by Elder Danny Dixon. Elder Danny preached of the need for God's people to stand up and be counted and to put on the whole armor of God. Amid much shouting, rejoicing, and preaching by many brothers, the services came to a close. Elder Don Pratt led in the prayer of dismissal, bringing to an end the 2003 session of the Indian Bottom Association.

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
TO HOST CHURCHES**

We, the Indian Bottom Association, wish to express our love and appreciation to the Blair Branch, Reynolds Fork and Little Mary Churches for hosting the 2003 session of our association. The building looked great and the food was wonderful. You made us all feel loved, appreciated and thankful to God for His blessings. We especially appreciate our sisters for their hard work. We also thank those who worked in the concession stand. May God abundantly bless you.

Indian Bottom Association

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO
BUILDING TRUSTEES & VOLUNTEERS**

We, the Indian Bottom Association, wish to express our love and appreciation to the building trustees and all those who helped make the 2003 session of our association a great success. Your unselfish labors and dedication to our association have caused us to rejoice. We especially appreciate the diligent and lengthy efforts of Brothers Emory Caudill and Roger Gibson. May God bless you for your labor of love.

Indian Bottom Association

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren:

After many prayers, much meditation, and several failed attempts, this is my offering as the circular letter, for your consideration. Let us consider where we have been, where we are today and in which direction we intend to travel in the future.

The Holy Bible is the foundation of our beginning, from which the founding fathers established our Constitution, Articles of Faith, and Rules of Decorum. From these documents our doctrines were defined, our practices were established, we were given a direction in which to travel, and the old brothers were not moved from that foundation.

Our beginning has been reviewed and defined by our recently compiled book of operations. It is a very necessary, but imperfect representation intended as a guide for an imperfect people. Included in that book was a statement of our doctrines. We studied and restated those without compromising the principles of why we have each one. An agreement came into being, which evaluated the line of intended travel. The Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum are the platform of our foundation and these were considered to be sound.

The future of our doctrines, practices and direction seems to be of no concern to some. Others would have us believe the founding fathers built our foundation void of debate and continued questioning. From the beginning of time there have been challenges to rule and order. God forbid that we should want to omit order and discipline from our churches. Even by observing society we understand that a lack of order undermines discipline, thereby promoting chaos.

There are those among us who would remove the very foundation from which we were established, deleting any similarities brought from our past, the ancient landmarks.

I am dismayed and grievously concerned by what I have observed. Lined congregational singing is from our beginning, but it is gradually being replaced by men and women individually singing songs which do not praise, honor, or lift up Jesus. There is tolerance of

behavior unbecoming a Christian. Preaching of unsound doctrines is not being challenged. Those individuals and the Moderators who allow such conduct and preaching should be called before the “Committee on Council” to explain why these are not dealt with, severely.

We are taught in Titus 2:6,7,8 and 11-15, “Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded. In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works; in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say to you. For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lust, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.”

Jesus stated in Mark 16:16, “He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.”

Paul wrote in Romans 10:9,10 and 11, “That if thou shall confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.”

Luke quoted Paul’s preaching in Acts 2:38, “Repent and be baptized.”

This is the example Jesus gave unto us, Matthew 3:13 and 15, “Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. Suffer it to be so now; for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him.”

Is it really as it appears? As though the worldly feeling of some members is; to dress as the world, talk as the world, and behave as the world, affects nobody, but me. Is there no thought for bringing reproach upon Jesus Christ and the church? Or is the challenge to see just how far one can stray from Christ like conduct?

Moderators and deacons remember your duties, as we are instructed in II Thessalonians 3:6, “Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother (and sister) that walketh disorderly.” Is this an expected response? “I don’t want to hurt anyone’s feelings. I will surely be unpopular, now.” Is this a popularity contest? It absolutely is not! Shall we ignore the very obvious? God is not mocked! How long will we sit idly by and do nothing?

The lottery and bingo are a hoax perpetrated upon our people by Satan and legislatures of this nation. Gambling is still a sin and God is not pleased.

These statements and questions are about godly and orderly conduct, and not being afraid to take proper corrective action. Let us behold our face in the mirror and know whom we see. God, please, help us to forget about numbers on our rolls, but bless us instead to be fervently and effectually aware of our need for orderliness, righteousness and godliness in your house. I pray we still have time to make amends to God.

Your brother in Christ,
Elder H. B. Reedy, Jr.

UNION, COMMUNION AND MEMORIAL SERVICES

MARCH

LITTLE ZION:

Union meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in March.

Ministers called: Toby Breeding, Frank Newsome, Feldon Ruggles, Jr., Elwood Cornett.

Communion: Second Sunday in June.

Memorial: Second Sunday in July.

Ministers called: Alonzo Mosley, Danny Dixon, Virgil Combs, Emory Caudill.

Fields Cemetery Memorial: Sunday, May 30, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.
(in case of inclement weather, memorial will be at the Little Zion Church).

SUMMERTOWN:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in March.

Ministers called: David Nichols, Don Pratt, Allan Whitaker, Ronnie Robinson, Emory Caudill.

Communion: Second Sunday in September.

Ministers called: Homer Smith, Wayne Caudill, Earl Combs, Dean Jacobs.

Memorial Meeting: Second Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Virgil Combs, James Caudill, home ministers.

APRIL

BRIGHT MORNING STAR:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in April.

Ministers called: James McClanahan, Johnny McClanahan, Theodore Looney, Billy Campbell, Eugene Thacker.

Communion: First Sunday in May.

Memorial: First Sunday in June.

Ministers called: James Slone, Anthony Hagerman, Tommy Hagerman.

ROSE OF SHARON:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in April.

Communion: First Sunday in August.

Memorial: First Sunday in May.

Ministers called for various meetings during 2004:

January: Danny Dixon, Squire Watts, Homer Smith.

February: Milburn Slone, Marty Slone, Marion Slone.

March: John Bowling, Coy Tolliver, Clifford Hughes.

April: Monroe Breeding, Jr., Sherman Williamson,
Bill Halcomb.

May: Curl Dixon, Bill Tackett, James Everage.

June: Jenkins Cemetery Meeting: All of the same faith
and order.

July: Jim Fields, Jack Varney, Ellis Adams.

August: Benny Slone, Terry Bryant, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.

October: Elwood Cornett, Roger Gibson, Emory Caudill.

November: Irvin Stollings, Hurley Short, Hurshell Short.

December: Roy Slone, Woodrow Tackett.

DEFEATED CREEK:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in April.

Ministers called: David Nichols, Roy Slone, Merle Caudill,
Squire Watts, James Caudill.

Communion: Second Sunday in August.

Memorial: Second Sunday in July.

Ministers called: Emory Caudill, Toby Breeding,
Charles Shepherd, Roger Fields, Elwood Cornett.

BLAIR BRANCH:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in April.

Ministers called: Terry Bryant, John Fields, Toby Breeding,
Alonzo Mosley.

Communion: Third Sunday in July.

Memorial: Third Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Merle Caudill, Elwood Cornett, Danny Dixon,
moderator, assistant moderator.

ROCK FORK:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April.

Ministers called: Jim Fields, Elwood Cornett.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September.

Ministers called: Merle Caudill, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.

Memorial Meeting of deceased members: Second Sunday in October.

Ministers called: Danny Dixon, Squire Watts.

Memorial Meeting, Bolyn Cemetery: May 30, 2004 at 4:00 p.m.

Ministers called: Jerry Manns, Earl Slone, Don Pratt.

NORTHERN NEW HOME:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in August.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in June.

Ministers called for various meetings during 2004:

March: Barry Tiller, John Fields, Elwood Cornett,
David Nichols.

April: Benny Slone, Layton Phipps, Toby Breeding.

May: John Eldridge, Coburn Ison, Ronnie Robinson,
Milburn Slone.

June: H. B. Reedy, Jr., John Bowling, home ministers.

July: Terry Bryant, Clifford Hughes, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.

August: Billy Campbell, Barry Tiller, Howard Owens,
Ross Wright, William McClanahan.

September: Woodrow Tackett, Emory Caudill, Roger Gibson,
Lonnie Gregory.

October: Jim Fields, Curl Dixon, Lehman Gilliam,
Danny Dixon, James Caudill.

LITTLE BETHLEHEM:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April.

Ministers called: Virgil Combs, Roger Gibson, Elwood Cornett,
Ellis Adams, Dean Jacobs.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in August.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September.

Ministers called: H.B.Reedy, Jr., Bob Amburgey, Don Pratt,
Marvis Short, Chester Gibson.

LITTLE JEWELL:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April.

Ministers called:

Thursday, April 22, 2004 at 6:30 p.m.: Elwood Cornett,
Ivan Amburgey.

Friday, April 23, 2004 at 6:30 p.m.: Charles Shepherd,
Lonnie Sexton.

Saturday, April 24, 2004 at 6:30 p.m.: Barry Tiller,
Milburn Slone.

Sunday, April 25, 2004 at 9:30 a.m.: William McClanahan,
Theodore Looney, Jim Blankenship, Billy Campbell.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in June.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in October.

Ministers called: Feldon Ruggles, Jr., Jimmy Hall, Roger
Gibson.

MAY

POOR FORK:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Lehman Gilliam, Roger Gibson, Terry Bryant,
Danny Dixon, William McClanahan.

Communion: First Sunday in July.

Memorial: First Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, David Nichols, Ellis Adams,
Squire Watts, Roger Gibson, Jim Fields.

MOUNT OLIVET:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Terry Bryant, Jim Blankenship, Frank Newsome,
Merle Caudill.

Communion: First Sunday in August.

Memorial: First Sunday in July.

Ministers called: Danny Dixon, home ministers.

HEMPHILL:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Frank Newsome, Danny Dixon, James Caudill,
Jim Fields, Squire Watts, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.

Communion: First Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Don Pratt, Jim Blankenship, Billy Campbell.

Memorial: First Sunday in October.

Ministers called: Lonnie Sexton, Alonzo Mosley, Terry Bryant,
Ivan Amburgey, Ross Wright.

BETHANY:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: L.D. Mosley, Nelson Craft, Marvis Short.

Communion: First Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Clifford Hughes, Lonnie Gregory.

Memorial: First Sunday in October.

Ministers called: Milburn Slone, Jim Blankenship.

PILGRIMS HOME:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Ivan Amburgey, Theodore Looney,
Jim Blankenship, Arnold Bailey, James Caudill.

Communion: First Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Carvel Edwards, Billy Campbell, Toby Bailey,
James McClanahan, Arnold Bailey.

Memorial: First Sunday in July.

Ministers called: Johnny McClanahan, William McClanahan,
Frank Newsome, Jim Fields.

Odd-Sundays/Ministers called:

February 1, 2004: Jim Blankenship, Toby Bailey,
Freddy Frazier.

May 30, 2004: Jimmy Hall, Clinton Williams,
Theodore Looney.

August 1, 2004: Carvel Edwards, Billy Campbell,
James McClanahan.

October 31, 2004: Terry Bryant, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.,
Ellis Adams.

All of the same faith and order are welcome.

LITTLE DOVE:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Ellis Adams, Billy Campbell, Jim Blankenship.

Communion: Second Sunday in July.

Memorial: Second Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Ivan Amburgey, home ministers.

EMMANUEL:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Barry Tiller, Terry Bryant, Jimmy Hall,
Feldon Ruggles, Jr., Billy Campbell.

Communion: Second Sunday in June.

Memorial: Second Sunday in July.

Ministers called: Jim Blankenship, Toby Bailey, Frank Newsome,
Harvey Creech.

REYNOLDS FORK:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, Harvey Creech, Terry Bryant,
Frank Newsome, William McClanahan, Danny Dixon.

Communion: Third Sunday in June.

Memorial: Third Sunday in July.

Ministers called: Jim Fields, home ministers.

BULL CREEK:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Benny Slone, Howard Owens, Bill Halcomb,
Bob Combs, Merle Caudill, Allan Whitaker.

Communion: Third Sunday in August.

Memorial: Third Sunday in June.

Ministers called: All of the same faith and order.

Melton Cemetery Memorial: Second Sunday in June.

Jent Cemetery Memorial: Third Sunday in July.

Collins Cemetery: First Sunday in October.

GARDEN OF LOVE:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Jim Fields, Emory Caudill, Toby Breeding,
H.B.Reedy,Jr.

Communion: Third Sunday in June.

Memorial: Third Sunday in September.

Ministers called: Earl Mosley, Alonzo Mosley, home ministers.

NEW BETHLEHEM CHURCH:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Billy Mosley, Michael Everage, David Smith,
Ronnie Robinson.

Communion: Third Sunday in July.

Memorial: Third Sunday in September.

Ministers called: Bob Combs, H.B.Reedy,Jr., home ministers.

JUNE

KINGDOM COME:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Wayne Caudill, Roy Slone,
Allan Whitaker, Merle Caudill, Vergle Caudill.

Communion: First Sunday in July.

Memorial: First Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Don Pratt, Lehman Gilliam, Ellis Adams,
Clifton Hampton, home ministers.

CLEAR FORK:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Squire Watts, Milburn Slone, Hurley Short,
Frank Newsome.

Communion: First Sunday in July.

Memorial: First Sunday in October.

Ministers called: Alger Mullins, Bob Combs, Alonzo Mosley,
L.D. Mosley.

NEW HOME:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Terry Bryant, Jim Fields, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.,

Lonnie Gregory, Bill Halcomb.

Communion: First Sunday in July.

Memorial: First Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Eugene Thacker, home ministers.

HAPPY HOME:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Feldon Ruggles, Jr., Virgil Combs,

Howard Owens, Terry Bryant, Bill Halcomb,

Monroe Breeding, Ross Wright.

Communion: First Sunday in July.

Memorial: First Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Don Pratt, home ministers.

CHESTER HOGG MEMORIAL:

Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Danny Dixon, David Nichols, Doug Gibson,

Howard Owens, Harvey Creech, Roger Gibson.

Communion: First Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, Ellis Adams, Bill Tackett.

Memorial: First Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Don Pratt, Ellis Banks, Ross Wright,

Emory Caudill, John Eldridge, Lawrence Brown.

MOUNT OLIVE:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Frank Newsome, Jimmy Hall, Squire Watts,

Terry Bryant.

Communion: Second Sunday in July.

Memorial: Second Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Alonzo Mosley, Carl Slone, home ministers.

ROCK OF AGES:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Steven Hagerman, Michael Hagerman,
Tim Smith, James Slone, Gary Mosley, Alonzo Mosley.

Communion: Second Sunday in July.

Memorial: Second Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Billy Mosley, Benny Slone, Michael Hagerman,
Steven Hagerman, Frank Newsome.

FRIENDSHIP:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Bob Amburgey, Squire Watts, Howard Owens,
Toby Breeding.

Communion: Third Sunday in August.

Memorial: Third Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Roger Gibson, Emory Caudill, H.B. Reedy, Jr.,
Luther Combs, John Eldridge.

BIG LEATHERWOOD:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Jim Fields, Howard Owens, Alonzo Mosley.

Communion: Third Sunday in August.

Memorial: Third Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Danny Dixon, James Caudill, Lehmann Gilliam,
David Nichols, Squire Watts, Harvey Creech, Alonzo Mosley.

BETHLEHEM:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Howard Owens, Toby Breeding,
Elwood Cornett, Barry Tiller, Merle Caudill.

Communion: Third Sunday in July.

Memorial: Third Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Harvey Creech, Terry Bryant, Theodore Looney,
Frank Newsome, Squire Watts, Ivan Amburgey.

DIXON MEMORIAL:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: All of the same faith and order.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September.

Ministers called: All of the same faith and order.

Memorial at Dixon, Back & Smith Cemetery: Fourth Sunday
in May.

Memorial at Spring Branch Cemetery: Second Sunday in June.

BIG COWAN:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Barry Tiller, James Caudill, David Nichols,
Lonnie Sexton.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September.

Ministers called: Jim Blankenship, Virgil Combs, Jim Fields,
Harvey Creech.

IVY POINT:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Virgil Combs, Jim Fields, Lonnie Gregory,
Squire Watts.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Harvey Creech, L.D. Mosley,
Feldon Ruggles, Jr., James Slone.

TOLSON CREEK:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June.

Ministers called: Roger Gibson, Howard Owens, Billy Campbell,
Reed Hampton, Gary Mosley.

Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.

Memorial: Fourth Sunday in August.

Ministers called: James Caudill, home ministers.

BIG CREEK:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June.
Ministers called: Charles Shepherd, Barry Tiller, Howard Owens,
Jimmy Hall.
Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.
Ministers called: Lonnie Gregory.
Memorial: Fourth Sunday in August.
Ministers called: Jim Fields, Benny Slone.

CEDAR GROVE:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June.
Ministers called: Jim Blankenship, Jim Fields, Merle Caudill,
Jerry Manns, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.
Communion: Fourth Sunday in August.
Memorial: Fourth Sunday in May.
Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, Bill Halcomb,
home ministers.

LITTLE DAVID:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June.
Ministers called: Danny Dixon, Paul Watson, Ivan Amburgey,
Alonzo Mosley, James McClanahan.
Communion: Fourth Sunday in July.
Memorial: Fourth Sunday in August.
Ministers called: Jimmy Hall, Feldon Ruggles, Jr.,
Lonnie Sexton, Harvey Creech, Squire Watts.

JULY

LITTLE BETHANY:

Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in July.
Ministers called: All of the same faith and order.
Communion: Fourth Sunday in August.
Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September.
Ministers called: All of the same faith and order.

AUGUST

HURRICANE GAP:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Bobby Amburgey, Clifford Hughes,
Terry Bryant.

Communion: Third Sunday in August.

Memorial: Third Sunday in October.

Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, Harvey Creech,
Feldon Ruggles, Jr.

SEPTEMBER

LITTLE MARY:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in September.

Ministers called: Jim Blankenship, Billy Campbell,
William McClanahan, Squire Watts.

Communion: Second Sunday in October.

Memorial: Second Sunday in August.

Ministers called: Feldon Ruggles, Jr., Benny Slone, Bill Halcomb,
Lonnie Gregory.

MOUNT ZION:

Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in September.

Ministers called: William McClanahan, Keith Thomas,
Elwood Cornett, Bob Amburgey.

Communion: Second Sunday in June.

Memorial: Second Sunday in April.

Ministers called: Bill Moore, home ministers.

LILY OF THE VALLEY:

Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in September.

Ministers called: Squire Watts, Lonnie Sexton, Ivan Amburgey,
Charles Shepherd.

Communion: Third Sunday in October.

Memorial: Third Sunday in May.

Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, William McClanahan,
Jim Blankenship.

DELEGATES TO THE 2003 ASSOCIATION

Cedar Grove—Bonnell Watts, Paul Sparkman, Bill Johnson

New Home—Ronnie Robinson, Johnny Watson, Marty Slone

Defeated Creek—Gary Caudill, Matt Combs, Bryan Smith

Reynolds Fork—James Amburgey, Ivan Amburgey,

Cordell Amburgey

Bull Creek—Virgil Combs, Truman Jent, Earl Combs

Ivy Point—Emory Slone, Benny Slone, Johnny Slone

Little Dove—Willie Potter, Devon Slone, Merle Caudill

Tolson Creek—Phillip Combs, Emory Caudill, Marshall Roark

Dixon Memorial—Burnett Caudill, Elmer Caudill, Relon Hampton

Big Creek—Bill Tackett, Arthur Pendleton, James Everage

Happy Home—Duane Hall, David Smith, Alger Mullins

New Bethlehem—Wayne Keene, Mickey Amburgey, Robert Everage

Clear Fork—Jeffery Combs, Lee Fugate, Franklin Fugate

Northern New Home—Bill Halcomb, Frank Copley, Glenn Back

Blair Branch—Ellis Adams, Allan Adams, Dean Jacobs

Mount Olivet—James Caudill, Lowell Caudill, Danny Holliman

Little Zion—Beckham Fields, Johnny Fields, Kenny Oliver

Hurricane Gap—Charles Shepherd, Glenn Sparkman,

Lowell Shepherd

Kingdom Come—Roger Fields, George Roark

Poor Fork—Harvey Creech, Barry Newsome, Joe Steely

Big Cowan—Green Callihan, Lawrence Sumpter, Jerry Day

Little Mary—Lonnie Gregory, Darwin Gregory, Daniel Cremeans

Mount Zion—L.D. Mosley, Carl Mosley, Donnie Collins

Friendship—George Shea, Robert Whitaker, Harlan Eldridge

Little Bethlehem—Bob Amburgey, John Reedy, Marvis Short

- Little Bethany—Joe Slone, James Slone
Garden of Love—Don Francis, Gary Mosley
Rock Fork—Arlie Jackson, Willie Crase, Jr., Gary Compton
Summertown—Bob Combs, Marvin Sparkman, Sim Shepherd
Emmanuel—Monroe Bailey, Columbus Fleming, John Spahr
Hemphill—Jimmy Hall, Bob Sparks, Clinton Williams
Bethlehem—Walter Sheets, Billy Campbell, Johnny Deel
Bethany—Woodrow Tackett, Harvey Ross, Jr., Fred Ross
Lily of the Valley—Clifford Hughes, Lonnie Bryant, LeRoy Cremeans
Little David—Frank Newsome, William Stacy, Lando Deel
Big Leatherwood—Lehman Gilliam, Darrell Newsome,
David Nichols
Mount Olive—Eugene Thacker, Freddy Compton, Roy Slone
Chester Hogg Memorial—James Ison, Roger Gibson, David Ison
Bright Morning Star—Steve Hagerman, Michael Hagerman
Rock of Ages—Garland Slone, Tommy Hagerman
Pilgrims Home—Arnold Bailey, Wayne Belcher, Lew Bailey
Rose of Sharon—Layton Phipps, Bill Conley, James Webb, Jr.
Little Jewell—Monroe Breeding, Terry Bryant, John Burke

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Cornettsville, KY 41731
Phone: 606-633-0804

Clerk:

Venson Whitaker
1059 Highway 1103
Cornettsville, KY 41731
Phone: 606-633-7659

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:

Eld. Danny Dixon
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Cornettsville, KY 41731
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Eld. Virgil Halcomb
Whitesburg, KY 41858

(Cedar Grove Church... continued)

Eld. Squire Watts
860 Straight Fork Rd.
Cornettsville, KY 41731
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Bro. Zennith Ison
340 Perkins Branch
Jeremiah, KY 41826
Phone: 606-632-3632

CHESTER HOGG MEMORIAL CHURCH

Charlestown, IN

Moderator:
Eld. John Eldridge
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Hodgenville, KY 42748
Phone: 270-325-4545

Clerk:
Mike Bowen
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Mt. Washington, KY 40047
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Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:
Eld. Ellis Banks
2134 Greenbrier Rd.
Mt. Washington, KY 40047
Phone: 502-538-7283

Eld. John Eldridge
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Hodgenville, KY 42748
Phone: 270-325-4545

Bro. Lawrence Brown
3790 Highway 160
Charlestown, In 47111
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CLEAR FORK CHURCH

Route 1088, Lotts Creek, KY

Moderator:
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HC 77 Box 90
Gordon, KY 41819
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Clerk:
Franklin Fugate
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Fisty, KY 41743
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Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

DEFEATED CREEK CHURCH

Defeated Creek, Linefork, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Elwood Cornett

262 Elwood Road

Blackey, KY 41804

Phone: 606-633-9269

Clerk:

Keith Smith

1470 Defeated Creek Rd.

Linefork, KY 41833

Phone: 606-633-4181

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.

DIXON MEMORIAL CHURCH

Highway 7, Jeremiah, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Carl Back

P.O.Box 44

Jeremiah, KY 41826

Phone: 606-633-4344

Clerk:

Relon Hampton

P.O.Box 62

Premium, KY 41845

Phone: 606-632-3081

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:

Eld. Carl Back

P.O.Box 44

Jeremiah, KY 41826

Phone: 606-633-4344

Eld. Curl Dixon

14908 Chad Lane

Williamsburg, OH 45176

Phone: 513-724-7170

Eld. Homer Smith

218 Sycamore Loop

Jeremiah, KY 41826

Phone: 606-633-0281

Eld. Allen Whitaker

390 Tutor Branch

Jeremiah, KY 41826

Phone: 606-633-9486

(Dixon Memorial Church... continued)

Eld. Roger Whitaker
1989 Johnson Fork
Premium, KY 41845
Phone: 606-633-0157

Eld. Rulah Whitaker
8028 Bates Road
Faubush, KY 42544
Phone: 270-866-4742

Bro. Relon Hampton
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Premium, KY 41845
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EMMANUEL CHURCH
Rt. 63, off Rt.83, Haysi, VA

Moderator:
Elder Toby Bailey
HC 01 Box 720
Birchleaf, VA 24220
Phone: 703-865-4407

Clerk:
Tommy Prater
P.O.Box 245
Feds Creek, KY 41524
Phone: 606-835-2199

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:
Eld. Carvel Edwards
RR 1 Box 245
Haysi, VA 24256
Phone: 276-835-8563

Bro. Columbus Fleming
Rt. 2, Box 355A
Haysi, VA 24256
Phone: 276-597-7097

Bro. Theodore Looney
P.O.Box 131
Breaks, VA 24607
Phone: 276-531-7017

Bro. Randy Robinson
1051 Greenway Drive
Elizabethtown, KY 42701
Phone: 270-737-2934

FRIENDSHIP CHURCH

Ike Singleton Road, Waynesburg, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Emory Caudill

91 Emory Lane

Blackey, KY 41804

Phone: 606-633-4316

Clerk:

Robert Whitaker

59 Bobby Noe Rd.

Lancaster, KY 40444

Phone: 859-548-2726

Regular Meeting Time: Third Saturday and Sunday.

GARDEN OF LOVE CHURCH

St. Mary's, OH

Moderator:

Eld. Gary Mosley

626 Country View Circle

Lima, OH 45801

Phone: 419-221-0340

Clerk:

Michael Everage

P.O.Box 234

St. Mary's, OH 45885

Phone: 419-394-7041

Regular Meeting Time: Third Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Ministers:

Eld. Michael Everage

P.O.Box 234

St. Mary's OH 45885

Phone: 419-394-7041

Eld. Billy Mosley

607 Willard Ave.

Lima, OH 45804

Phone: 419-229-6607

Eld. Gary Mosley

626 Country View Circle

Lima, OH 45801

Phone: 419-221-0340

Eld. Carl Slone

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Kendallville, IN 46705

Phone: 219-897-2795

(Garden of Love Church... continued)

Eld. Tim Smith
237 N. Cherry Street
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HAPPY HOME CHURCH

Amburgey, KY

Moderator:
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P.O.Box 44
Jeremiah, KY 41826
Phone: 606-633-4344

Clerk:
Alger Mullins
132 Seals Hollow Rd.
Litt Carr, KY 41834
Phone: 606-642-3792

Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.
Appointed Meeting Time: Third Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

Ministers:
Eld. Alger Mullins
132 Seals Hollow Rd.
Litt Carr, KY 41834
Phone: 606-642-3792

Eld. Ollie Mullins
4685 Big Branch Rd.
Amburgey, KY 41801
Phone: 606-642-3316

Bro. Duane Hall
2324 Mallie Rd.
Mallie, KY 41836
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HEMPHILL CHURCH

Neon, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Jimmy Hall

6071 Robinson Creek Rd.

Robinson Creek, KY 41540

Phone: 606-639-6558

Clerk:

Bobby Boyd

1668 Collins Hwy.

Pikeville, KY 41501

Phone: 606-432-3684

Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Third Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

Ministers:

Eld. Jimmy Hall

6071 Robinson Creek Rd.

Robinson Creek, KY 41540

Phone: 606-639-6558

Bro. Clinton Williams

255 Haywood Branch

Prestonsburg, KY 41653

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HURRICANE GAP CHURCH

Highway 160, Gordon, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Charles Shepherd

HC 77 Box 90

Gordon, KY 41819

Phone: 606-589-5458

Assistant Clerk:

Keith Smith

1470 Defeated Creek

Linefork, KY 41833

Phone: 606-633-4181

Regular Meeting Time: Third Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

Ministers:

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HC 77, Box 90

Gordon, KY 41819

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IVY POINT CHURCH

Highway 550, Garner, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Alonzo Mosley

Box 234

Garner, KY 41817

Phone: 606-785-3430

Clerk:

Jeff Hall

P.O.Box 44

Littcarr, KY 41834

Phone: 606-642-4143

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: First Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

Ministers:

Eld. Tim Cornett

Carrie, KY 41725

Phone: 606-785-3541

Eld. Reed Hampton

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Blackey, KY 41804

Phone: 606-633-0915

Eld. Alonzo Mosley

Box 234

Garner, KY 41817

Phone: 606-785-3430

Eld. Keith Thomas

Pippa Passes, KY 41844

Phone: 606-368-2096

Bro. Benny Slone

300 Solar Place Rd.

Somerset, KY 42503

Phone: 606-451-2444

KINGDOM COME CHURCH

Rt. 588, Premium, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Roger Fields

2656 Defeated Creek

Linefork, KY 41833

Phone: 606-633-0871

Assistant Clerk:

Matt Combs

11768 Highway 160

Whitesburg, KY 41858

Phone: 606-633-9890

Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

(Kingdom Come Church... continued)

Ministers:

Eld. Roger Fields
2656 Defeated Creek
Linefork, KY 41833
Phone: 606-633-0871

Bro. Clifford Gilbert
Box 28
Linefork, KY 41833
Phone: 606-633-9563

Bro. George Roark
Box 117
Roxana, KY 41833
Phone: 606-633-3172

LILY OF THE VALLEY CHURCH

Proctorville, OH

Moderator:

Eld. Lonnie Gregory
4910 Flemingsburg Rd
Morehead, KY 40351
Phone 606-783-0886

Clerk:

Clifford Hughes
49 Private Dr. 335
Township Rd. 88
Proctorville, OH 45669
Phone: 740-886-7924

Regular Meeting Time: Third Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:

Bro. Clifford Hughes
49 Private Dr. 335
Township Rd. 88
Proctorville, OH 45669
Phone: 740-886-7924

Bro. Felden Ruggles, Jr.
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Ironton, OH 45638
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LITTLE BETHANY CHURCH

Sawmill Road, Jeffersonville, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Hurley Short

1595 Sawmill Rd.

Jeffersonville, KY 40337

Phone: 859-498-0669

Clerk:

James Slone

11643 Hope Means Rd.

Means, KY 40346

Phone: 859-497-6446

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:

Eld. Hurley Short

1595 Sawmill Rd.

Jeffersonville, KY 40337

Phone: 859-498-0669

Eld. James Slone

11643 Hope Means Rd.

Means, KY 40346

Phone: 859-497-6446

Bro. Hurshell Short

1605 Sawmill Rd.

Jeffersonville, KY 40337

Phone: 859-498-7440

Bro. Joe Slone

6763 Garland Hollow Rd.

Means, KY 40346

Phone: 859-768-9515

Bro. Michael Smallwood

11655 Hope Means Rd.

Means, KY 40346

Phone: 859-499-3250

Bro. Northern Smallwood

Allen, KY

LITTLE BETHLEHEM CHURCH

Highway 160, Brinkley, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Don Pratt

19 Pauley Hollow

Sassafras, KY 41759

Phone: 606-642-3815

Clerk:

Bob Amburgey

1810 Hwy. 582

Pinetop, KY 41843

Phone: 606-785-4043

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

(Little Bethlehem Church... continued)

Ministers:

Eld. Bob Amburgey
1810 Highway 582
Pinetop, KY 41843
Phone: 606-785-4043

Eld. Chester Gibson
Box 186
Leburn, KY 41831
Phone: 606-785-3709

Eld. H.B.Reedy,Jr.
209-A Aquaduct Dr.
Richmond, KY 40475
Phone: 859-626-0103

Bro. Marvis Short
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Hindman, KY 41822
Phone: 606-785-5275

LITTLE DAVID CHURCH

Haysi, VA

Moderator:

Eld. Frank Newsome
Rt.2, Box 302
Haysi, VA 24256
Phone: 276-597-7945

Clerk:

C. Paul McClanahan
1152 Pleasant Valley Road
Cedar Bluff, VA 24609
Phone: 276-963-8403

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Second Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

Ministers:

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Cedar Bluff, VA 24609
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Eld. Frank Newsome
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Haysi, VA 24256
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Eld. Oscar Raines
2071 Tamarak Dr.
Lexington, KY 40504
Phone: 859-278-5770

Eld. Bobby Yates
Rt. 2 Box 580
Haysi, VA 24256
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(Little David Church... continued)

Bro. Hase Hatfield
34 Willow Lane
Gilbert, WVA 25621
Phone: 304-664-8139

LITTLE DOVE CHURCH

Little Dove Church Road
Sassafras, KY

Moderator:
Eld. Don Pratt
19 Pauley Hollow
Sassafras, KY 41759
Phone: 606-642-3815

Clerk:
Merle Caudill
140 Pane Drive
Jeremiah, KY 41826
Phone: 606-633-3144

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.
Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

Ministers:
Eld. Merle Caudill
140 Pane Drive
Jeremiah, KY 41826
Phone: 606-633-3144

Bro. David Smith
838 Mink Branch Rd.
Craynor, KY 41635
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LITTLE JEWELL CHURCH

Ashland, KY

Moderator:
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RR 1, Box 1641
Greenup, KY 41144
Phone: 606-473-6086

Clerk:
John M. Burke
170 McKnight St.
Ashland, KY 41101
Phone: 606-324-2358

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.
Appointed Meeting Time: Each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

(Little Jewell Church... continued)

Ministers:

Eld. Terry Bryant
RR 1, Box 1641
Greenup, KY 41144
Phone: 606-473-6086

Eld. Monroe Breeding
1103 Deatsville Rd.
Shepherdsville, KY 40165
Phone: 502-543-1451

Eld. Euel Ratliff
3409 Slem St.
Ashland, KY 41101
Phone: 606-324-9793

LITTLE MARY CHURCH

Rt. 1895, Morehead, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Lonnie Gregory
4910 Flemingsburg Rd
Morehead, KY 40351
Phone: 606-783-0886

Clerk:

Coy Tolliver
HCR 69 Box 1335
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Phone: 606-768-9014

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Ministers:

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Eld. Barry Tiller
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Bro. John Bowling
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LITTLE ZION CHURCH

Highway 15, Jeff, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Jim Fields

966 Tolby Branch

Hallie, KY 41821

Phone: 606-633-7014

Clerk:

Jay McCool

315 Campbell Town Rd.

Cornettsville, KY 41731

Phone: 606-633-0383

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Fourth Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

Ministers:

Eld. Jim Fields

966 Tolby Branch

Hallie, KY 41821

Phone: 606-633-7014

Eld. John Fields

44 Cross Road

Jeremiah, KY 41826

Phone: 606-633-5749

Eld. Roger Gibson

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MOUNT OLIVE CHURCH

Slonefork Road, Garner, KY

Moderator:

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Garner, KY 41817

Phone: 606-785-0784

Clerk:

Roy Slone

P.O.Box 177

Isom, KY 41824

Phone: 606-633-0246

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Fourth Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

(Mount Olive Church... continued)

Ministers:

Eld. Freddy Compton
8276 Ky. Rt. 1428
Allen, KY 41601
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Eld. Earnest Smith
Leburn, KY 41831
Phone: 606-785-4718

Eld. Eugene Thacker
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Garner, KY 41817
Phone: 606-785-0784

Bro. Jeff Slone
HC 66, Box 8010
Faubush, KY 42544
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Bro. Roy Slone
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Isom, KY 41824
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MOUNT OLIVET CHURCH

Blackey, KY

Moderator:

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262 Elwood Road
Blackey, KY 41804
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Clerk:

Curtis Caudill
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Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:

Eld. Toby Breeding
851 Spring Branch Rd.
Jeremiah, KY 41826
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Eld. James Caudill
P.O. Box 179
Blackey, KY 41804
Phone: 606-633-5415

(Mount Olivet Church... continued)

Eld. Elwood Cornett
262 Elwood Road
Blackey, KY 41804
Phone: 606-633-9269

Bro. Wallace Bolling
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MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Perkins Branch, Hindman, KY

Moderator:
Eld. L.D. Mosley
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Hindman, KY 41822
Phone: 606-785-0146

Clerk:
Donald Lee Collins
340 Collins Branch Rd.
Pinetop, KY 41843
Phone: 606-785-0330

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:
Eld. Donald Collins
66 Haynes Drive
Hindman, KY 41822
Phone: 606-785-3774

Eld. Earl Mosley
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Leburn, KY 41831
Phone: 606-785-5778

Eld. L.D. Mosley
579 Combs Branch Road
Hindman, Ky 41822
Phone: 606-785-0146

NEW BETHLEHEM CHURCH

Off Rt. 80, Talcum, KY

Moderator:
Eld. Carl Slone
Box 322
Hindman, KY 41822
Phone: 606-785-5595

Clerk:
Robert Everage
5297 Big Branch Rd.
Amburgey, KY 41773
Phone: 606-642-3020

(New Bethlehem Church... continued)

Regular Meeting Time: Third Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: First Sunday at 6:00 p.m.
Odd Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Ministers:

Eld. Odis Ritchie
477 Owens Branch Rd.
Hindman, KY 41822
Phone: 606-785-3743

Eld. Carl Slone
Box 322
Hindman, KY 41822
Phone: 606-785-5595

NEW HOME CHURCH

Highway 550, Leburn, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Ronnie Robinson
Box 222
Pippa Passes, KY 41844
Phone: 606-368-4521

Clerk:

Bro. Johnny Watson
1335 Hollybush Road
Hollybush, KY 41844
Phone: 606-368-2235

Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

Ministers:

Eld. Mickey Amburgey
Box 006
Litcarr, KY 41834
Phone: 606-785-5917

Eld. Bill Moore
Leburn, KY 41831
Phone: 606-785-4888

Eld. Ronnie Robinson
Box 222
Pippa Passes, KY 41844
Phone: 606-368-4521

Eld. Milburn Slone
Garner, KY 41817
Phone: 606-785-5863

Bro. Jim Rush
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Garner, KY 41817
Phone: 606-785-3415

Bro. Clyde Slone
Mallie, KY 41836

(New Home Church... continued)

Bro. Marty Slone
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Garner, KY 41817
Phone: 606-785-3077

Bro. Harlis Watts
Mousie, KY 41839
Phone: 606-946-2479

NORTHERN NEW HOME

Stumpy Lane, Goshen, OH

Moderator:
Eld. Bill Halcomb
1259 James Road
Hamilton, OH 45013
Phone: 513-896-6800

Clerk:
Jack Varney
1379 Fay Road
Loveland, OH 45140
Phone: 513-575-4256

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
 Second Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Ministers:
Eld. Bill Halcomb
1259 James Road
Hamilton, OH 45013
Phone: 513-896-6800

Eld. Clayton Montgomery
8290 Fields-Ertle Rd.
Cincinnati, OH 45249
Phone: 513-489-9007

Eld. Irvin Stollings
8408 South Mountain Rd.
Pound, VA 24279
Phone: 276-796-7311

Eld. Sherman R. Williamson
9135 Haines Rd.
Waynesville, OH 45068
Phone: 937-885-3191

Eld. Jack Varney
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Loveland, OH 45140
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Bro. Dean Hall
15 West Landale
Lebanon, OH 45036
Phone: 513-465-4575

PILGRIMS HOME CHURCH

Vansant, VA

Moderator:

Eld. Arnold Bailey

Rt.1, Box 512

Vansant, VA 24656

Phone: 276-597-2424

615-597-3055

Clerk:

Leo Bailey

Rt.1, Box 570-C

Vansant, VA 24656

Phone: 276-597-8197

Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Ministers:

Eld. Arnold Bailey

Rt.1, Box 512

Vansant, VA 24656

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Eld. Dexter Church

1630 Rivers Rd.

Green Cove Springs, FL

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Eld. Lonnie Thacker

490 Georgia Rd.

Gray Court, SC 29645

Phone: 864-683-4466

Bro. Arnold Deel

Rt. 2, Box 340

Haysi, VA 24256

Phone: 276-597-7138

POOR FORK CHURCH

Cumberland, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Harvey Creech

Partridge, KY 40862

Phone: 606-589-5798

Clerk:

Joe Steely

P.O.Box 1919

Middlesboro, KY 40965

Phone: 606-248-0750

Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Fourth Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

(Poor Fork Church... continued)

Ministers:

Eld. Toby Bailey
HC 01 Box 720
Birchleaf, VA 24220
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Eld. Harvey Creech
Partridge, KY 40826
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REYNOLDS FORK CHURCH

Highway 1393, Mallie, KY

Moderator:

Eld. Lonnie Sexton
P.O.Box 233
Littcarr, KY 41834
Phone: 606-642-3128

Clerk:

Denver Ritchie
365 Ellis Bentley Rd.
Mallie, KY 41836
Phone: 606-785-3766

Regular Meeting Time: Third Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Fourth Sunday at 6:00 p.m.
Each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Ministers:

Eld. Ivan J. Amburgey
6613 Hwy. 582
Pinetop, KY 41843
Phone: 606-785-3034

Eld. Nelson Craft
65 Craft Lane
Hindman, KY 41822
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Eld. Lonnie Sexton
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Eld. Marion Slone
56 Taylor Road
Mallie, KY 41836
Phone: 606-785-4653

Eld. Paul Watson
P.O. Box 15
Mallie, KY 41836
Phone: 606-785-5028

Bro. Phillip Hicks
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Pinetop, KY 41843
Phone: 606-785-4713

(Reynolds Fork Church... continued)

Bro. Johnny Patrick
Phone: 606-785-3395

Bro. Denver Ritchie
365 Ellis Bentley Rd.
Mallie, KY 41836

Bro. Walter Thomas
63 Trace Caney Road
Pippa Passes, KY 41844
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Phone: 606-785-3766

ROCK FORK CHURCH

Rt 80, Knott/Floyd County Line, KY

Moderator:
Eld. Earl Slone
P.O.Box 59
Wayland, KY 41666
Phone: 606-358-9866

Clerk:
Archie Jackson, Jr.
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Garrett, KY 41630
Phone: 606-358-4941

Regular Meeting Time: Fourth Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: First, Second, Third Sunday at 5:00 p.m.
Odd Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Ministers:
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McDowell, KY 41647
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Eld. Jerry Manns
53 Reed Branch
Hueysville, KY 41640
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Eld. Earl Slone
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Wayland, KY 41666
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Eld. Keith Sparkman
Mousie, KY 41839
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Bro. Jimmy Conley
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Phone: 606-946-2794

Bro. Willie Crace, Jr.
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Martin, KY 41649
Phone: 606-285-1403

(Rock Fork Church... continued)

Bro. Dewayne Mullins
3438 Hwy. 7 South
Dema, KY 41859
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Bro. John W. Potter
993 Wilson Creek
Langley, KY 41645
Phone: 606-285-0690

Bro. Daryl Slone
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ROCK OF AGES CHURCH

Ligonier, IN

Moderator:
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Wawaka, IN
Phone: 260-761-4004

Clerk:
Anthony Hagerman
4575 W. 900 N.
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Phone: 219-761-1025

Regular Meeting Time: Second Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Ministers:
Eld. Tommy Hagerman
Ligonier, IN
Phone: 260-761-5120

Eld. Mitchell Patrick
Ligonier, IN
Phone: 260-894-3833

Eld. Garland Slone
Wawaka, IN
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Bro. Anthony Hagerman
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Bro. Willard Johnson
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ROSE OF SHARON CHURCH

P.O. Box 315, Beaver, OH

Moderator:

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Clerk:

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Regular Meeting Time: First Saturday and Sunday.

Appointed Meeting Time: Odd Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

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Moderator:

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Appointed Meeting Time: Second Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

Ministers:

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STATISTICAL TABLE

Church	Rc'd by Exp & Baptism	Rc'd by Letter	Restored	Rc'd by Recommendation	Dismissed by Letter	Lost by Death	Excluded	Total Membership	Meeting Time	Sat. Service Time	Contribution
Cedar Grove	8	0	1	0	0	5	0	170	4	9:30	\$450
New Home	1	2	0	0	2	1	1	47	1	9:30	\$200
Defeated Creek	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	24	2	9:30	\$200
Reynolds Fork	3	3	0	0	1	0	5	104	3	9:30	\$300
Bull Creek	1	0	1	0	1	0	2	63	3	6:00	\$200
Ivy Point	1	7	0	1	0	3	5	49	4	6:00	\$150
Little Dove	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	97	2	9:30	\$400
Tolson Creek	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	4	6:30	\$300
Dixon Memorial	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	39	4	9:30	\$125
Big Creek	1	1	0	2	0	0	1	53	4	3:00	\$300
Happy Home	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	33	1	9:30	\$125
New Bethlehem	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	25	3	9:30	\$125
Clear Fork	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	21	1	9:30	\$150
Northern New Home	2	0	0	1	0	3	2	78	4	6:00	\$300
Blair Branch	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	97	3	6:30	\$450
Mt. Olivet	3	0	0	0	0	6	3	102	1	6:30	\$450
Little Zion	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	20	2	6:30	\$250
Hurricane Gap	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	35	3	6:30	\$250
Kingdom Come	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	13	1	9:30	\$125
Poor Fork	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	21	1	5:00	\$200
Big Cowan	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	34	4	9:30	\$225
Little Mary	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	37	2	6:00	\$300

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Mount Zion	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	21	2	6:00	\$100
Friendship	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	3	4:00	\$150
Little Bethlehem	1	4	0	0	2	1	1	25	4	9:30	\$200
Little Bethany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	4	9:30	\$100
Garden of Love	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	23	3	7:00	\$100
Rock Fork	17	1	3	4	1	2	18	113	4	10:00	\$350
Summertown	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	19	2	5:30	\$150
Emmanuel	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	36	2	5:00	\$200
Hemphill	1	0	0	2	3	0	3	24	1	9:30	\$110
Bethlehem	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	104	3	9:30	\$250
Bethany	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	28	1	6:00	\$100
Lily of the Valley	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	3	4:30	\$130
Little David	6	4	0	4	0	2	1	57	4	9:30	\$250
Big Leatherwood	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	44	3	6:00	\$200
Mount Olive	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	16	2	9:30	\$150
Chester Hogg Mem	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	19	1	5:00	\$200
Bright Morning Star	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	8	1	10:00	\$25
Rock of Ages	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	2	6:00	\$100
Pilgrim's Home	3	0	1	0	2	2	0	37	1	10:00	\$200
Rose of Sharon	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	1	5:30	\$100
Little Jewell	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	32	4	9:30	\$200
TOTALS	65	30	7	16	29	52	68	1878	-	-	\$8,940

Obituaries

EUGENE ADAMS

Eugene Adams was born February 21, 1923, and departed this life on May 26, 2003, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington, Kentucky. Eugene was the son of Stephen and Lucinda Back Adams of Jeremiah, Kentucky. He married Jenette Adams on December 24, 1943. To this union were born five children, Carla Slone of Jeremiah, James R. "Ginger" Adams of Letcher, Stephen "Ted" Adams of



Letcher, Gary Eugene Adams of Jeremiah, Terry Wayne Adams of Jeremiah, and an adopted daughter Sharon Cornett.

Nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren survive him. He also leaves to mourn his passing a brother, Ellis Adams of Jeremiah and two sisters, Pressie Adams of Jeremiah and Lucille Gilkeson of Dayton, Ohio. Two brothers, Melvin Adams and Ray Arnold, and four sisters, Arminta Blair, Roseanna Adams, Martha Caudill, and Tina Adams preceded Eugene in death.

Eugene was a loving husband and father. He was a talented repairman and spent his working days in the mines of the surrounding area. He was a generous and caring individual who loved life and gave freely of his talents and resources to help his church and his neighbors. Eugene was a man who loved to laugh and make others laugh. His practical jokes were legendary. Eugene took pride in his gardening abilities and loved to share the fruits of his labors with family and friends.

Eugene lived his life as an example for others. His family drew strength from the example he set. Always a man of faith, he formally

proclaimed a profession of faith in July, 1974, joining the Blair Branch Old Regular Baptist Church. He was an active member of the church, serving as the treasurer for 24 years and as a deacon for 26 years.

Written By: Jenette Adams and members of the family

Life is so precious even though you are gone
Holding on to memories, keeping them fond
I'm always remembering your smiling face
Remembering everything of your wonderful grace

I know you are in heaven, in the sky up above
But I'll always hold onto your everlasting love
You were the kindest person I ever did meet
I know for me you would have walked on nails
Without shoes on your feet

You were a Christian; your soul was saved
To your church so many contributions you had given
You have no more suffering and now no more pain
I hope from this more Christians we will gain

What was I doing? You'd always ask
Pushing me forward and keeping me on task
You are my hero you always held me so near
Now with you as my guardian angel I have nothing to fear

I know you are somewhere joking of anything you can find
Saying what first pops up on your mind
You told me about Jack, how he said he was doing nothing
But I have to tell you this I have to tell you something

You have taught me so much and from you I have learned
Take care of what you get and what you have earned
Please watch over me forever and through it all
I love you so much, yes, I love you, Papaw

Written for my Papaw
By: Andia Adams
May 28, 2003

MABEL AMBURGEY

“Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children rise up, and call her blessed.”

The waters of Trace Fork of Irishman are still flowing and the birds are still singing happily on its banks, but sadness is upon the land. The family, friends and neighbors of Mabel Amburgey are mourning the loss of the one they loved so much. Her soft voice and pleasant smile are sadly missed. She has been a part of our world and our lives for many, many, years, but God called and she answered His call with rejoicing. The saints of God rejoiced as the angels carried her to rest around His alter and await the resurrection of the dead. Our world will be a bit more lonely but the hope of meeting again in Heaven can carry us through the days ahead.

Mabel Amburgey was born to Enoch and Polly Mullins Pridemore on September 8, 1915 and passed from this life on Wednesday, May 16, 2001, at Hazard, Kentucky, having lived 85 years, 8 months and 8 days. Mabel is survived by six sons, Darris and wife, Willa Dean, Hagan and wife, Barbara, Danny and wife, Patty, Sammy and wife, Alberta, Donald and wife, Patricia; one daughter, Polly and husband, Paul Couch; one sister, Susie Mullins; 17 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; 4 great-great grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, 4 brothers, 3 sisters and 3 grandchildren, Donna, Anthony and Patrick.

Mabel was an old-fashioned, hard-working and praying mother. She struggled with the needs and demands of life and worked hard to raise her family. Jesus promised “Lo, I am with you always.” Surely, he helped her through the storms and troubles of this life by being



her guide and shelter in the seasons of storm. She walked with God. Mabel desired for her children and grandchildren to turn to God and seek the salvation that she found in His mercy. Mabel was a good mother and grandmother. Her footsteps will walk through the memories of her family, children and grandchildren, and much can be learned by following in her path.

Mabel was a member of the Little Dove Regular Baptist Church for many years. She was faithful in her support and attendance as long as she was able. She enjoyed a good old-time meeting full of singing, preaching, shouting and praising the Lord. The feelings of her brothers and sisters can best be expressed in the lines of an old-time song:

“Dearest sister, thou has left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel,
Yet again we hope to meet you,
When the day of life is fled.”

The roots of this family are tied to the hills, valleys and waters of Trace Fork of Irishman. Many fond memories of childhood will remain alive in their minds as life goes on, but the “flower” of their lives has been transplanted by God into His garden. Let us “Be not afraid” of the days ahead, but prepare for the time when the family circle will meet again around the throne of God. Jesus has promised to each of us “Lo, I will be with you always”. Let us seek Him while He may be found.

Elder Don Pratt

GRACE SEALS AMBURGEY

We’ve been in a storm it seems like forever. For the last 38 days before her death, Mom tried to ride out the storm at the Hazard ARH Hospital. We saw her suffer greatly, but finally on May 20, 2002 at 7:00 pm, God reached out his hand and took her home.

She was born into the family of Millard and Toni Seals, being one of fourteen children. Five brothers and three sisters preceded her in death.



On December 10, 1938, Mom married Wiley Amburgey and to this union was born 8 children, 4 boys and 4 girls. The oldest girl, Jewell Fields has already gone on. Those remaining are Cornell Amburgey, Charlotte Banks, Sue Banks, Wiley Amburgey Jr., James Amburgey, Deborah Huff, and Joey Amburgey. Her family grew to include 29 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, and 5 great great-grandchildren. She

was preceded in death by dad, one daughter, Jewell, and one grandchild, Lisa Banks. God blessed them with many happy years together, but since Dad died she hadn't been quite the same. She missed him so much. I told her at the hospital that I had the greatest mother that ever lived. She just shook her head and said, "I've got the greatest kids."

I think it's a little coincidental that Mom and Dad both left this world around 7:00 in the evening. The #7 in the Bible represents completeness, but Mom wouldn't think everything was complete until all the family makes it to heaven.

Mom loved for us to come visit her. She said it helped pass the time. After Dad died, one of her favorite ways of passing time was to sit at the kitchen table and look out of the window. She liked to watch the grandkids play and to know that everyone had returned home safely. I feel she is now sitting at a table prepared by God and watching out Heaven's window, waiting for all her family to come to the safety of God's heavenly home.

Mom joined the Reynolds Fork Old Regular Baptist Church in 1962. She appreciated what God had done for her and often raised her hands praising Jesus Christ. She prayed many prayers for her children and desired that all her family would be saved and reach the safety of that heavenly home.

Written by Grace's Son, Wiley Amburgey Jr.

EDWIN BACK

A year has past since Daddy went to be with the Lord, but the emptiness is still here. Edwin passed away on July 3, 2002, at his home with his family by his bedside. Edwin was born on May 7, 1928, into the home of the late Lloyd and Sally Adams Back.

Edwin married Mattie Lou Caudill on August 22, 1953. They were blessed with 7 children, Alma Rose, Timothy Joseph, Edward Allen, Artie Darlene, Tommy, Darryn, and Adrian; six grandchildren, Christy Ann Duke Kincaid, Teresa Rose Back, Thelma Rebecca Back, Blake Edward Back, Baylie Elizabeth Darlene Back and Alice Paige Back; and two great granddaughters, Hannah Mariah Kincaid and Isabella Eden Kincaid.

Daddy was a good Christian man. He was a member of the Faith Independent Baptist Church. He was not able to attend church much the last few years of his life due to poor health. He was greatly loved by his brothers and sisters in Christ which was evident by their visits and their prayers. He was especially pleased when church services were held for him in his home.

Daddy told Mom a month before he died he didn't have long to live. He wanted to go to Heaven but he hated to leave us behind. Someday, I pray, we will all be together in Heaven and our family circle will be complete again. I know Daddy's waiting to welcome us in.

Surviving, other than his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, are four sisters, Virginia Holleneger, Patricia Slone, Martha Lena Gibson and Margaret Caudill and two brothers, Norman Back and Donald Back. One infant daughter, Artie Darlene Back;

one brother, Stanley Back, and two sisters, Pansy Blair and Ersie Combs, preceded Edwin in death.

A Daddy's Love

You were my Daddy and my friend,
I held on to you right to the end.
Your love helped me through the years,
Through the joy and the tears.

You gave me money you couldn't spare,
Until I was grown I was unaware.
You gave up a lot to raise us kids,
Oh how I miss you and all you did.

We held your hands as you slipped away,
We were praying the Lord would let you stay.
We miss you each and everyday,
And someday we'll all be with you to stay.

Written by a heart-broken daughter, Alma Rose Blair

JOE BACK

We have said farewell to Joe Back and a feeling of finality still dwells with his family. I have been asked to prepare this obituary and a very similar version was read at his funeral in October, 2002 in Mt. Orab, Ohio, where he is buried.

Joe Back married my oldest sister, Lucille, when I was just a little boy in the fall of 1959. He was "one of the family." Joe was born on March 28, 1938, in Letcher County, Kentucky, to John and Eva Back. He had seven brothers and two sisters. Custer lives in Rineyville,



Kentucky, Lee lives in Cincinnati, Ohio, Willie lives in Whitesburg, Kentucky, and Hobert died in May of 2003. Howard, Earl, and Evert died as babies. Joe's sisters are Elma Eldridge of Somerset, Kentucky, and Laura Caudill of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Joe left the mountains as a young man to earn a living in Cincinnati, Ohio. He fell in love with Lucille Fields and they were married on August 22, 1959, by her grandfather, the late Elder Beckham Fields. They remained together through famine and prosperity; through the good times and the rough times; in sickness and health. They lived most of their lives together in Ohio.

Joe and Lou's oldest child, Brenda Sue, is married to Willie Butts and lives in Ohio. Brenda has two sons, Donnie and Jessie Lytle. The second daughter, Frances Ann, is married to Rick Hall and lives in Florida. They have two sons, Aaron and Andrew Hall. Joe and Lou's son, Robert Dale, lives in Ohio and has two children, Brittany and Brandon. There is also a special little girl that Joe called his adopted granddaughter. Joe and Lou babysat her for a long time and loved her very much. Her name is Katie Jordan.

Joe worked long hours for several years at Electro-Jet Tool Company in Cincinnati. He loved farming and tractors. A few years ago he became disabled and could not work. He and Lou moved to Florida where he died October 18, 2002.

Many years ago Joe started going to church and traveled to many different churches in several states. He especially loved to attend the annual association meetings. He made many special friends on these trips. He got saved and joined the Northern New Home Church in Goshen, Ohio, in 1983. He was a dedicated member and loved his brothers and sisters in the church.

While we have feelings of finality, we also have feelings of excitement for Joe. Since June, 2002, he had been very sick and amazed doctors more than once when he continued to live after they said he was going to die, but that suffering and anxiety is over now and Joe is at rest with the Lord. We are excited for the joy we believe he is experiencing, and it is eternal. There is no finality there. I am sorry for my sister and the family but I am happy for Joe.

Written for the family by a brother-in-law, Elder Jim Fields

ALTIA DEEL BAILEY

Most of all beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by dozens and hundreds. Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows, brothers, sisters, aunts, and cousins, but we only had one beautiful mother in the world. Our memories of our mother are like exquisite treasures, which we will hold in our hearts as long as we live. We would like to share with you the obituary and memories of our loving mother and grandmother, Altia Deel Bailey.



Altia was the third of eleven children born to Marion and Isabelle Boyd Deel on the fourth day of November, 1914, in Buchanan County, Virginia. She was called home to paradise on the twenty-fourth day of December, 2002.

Altia married Elder Evans Bailey on the twenty-first day of June in 1932 and from this union was born six sons and five daughters: Johnny, Willoughby, Hanford, Everette, Arnold, Mable, Pansy, Pearly, Leo, Donna, and Connie.

She was preceded in death by her husband of sixty years who passed away October 3, 1992; two sons, Willoughby and Hanford; one granddaughter, Jennessell; three sisters, Phoebe, Lucy, and Nannie; and five brothers, Hollie, Vady, Tolby, Thurman, and Troy. She is survived by five daughters, Mable Gibbs of Hurley Virginia, Pansy Hawkins and Pearly Marie Baker, both of Vansant, Virginia, Donna Jean Turpin of Pikeville, Kentucky, Connie Lou McClanahan of Grundy, Virginia; four sons, Johnny, Everette, Leo, and Arnold Bailey, all of Vansant, Virginia; two sisters, Gertrude Deel and Trula Dee, both of Vansant, Virginia; nineteen grandchildren; and thirteen great grandchildren.

All through our mother's life we found her to be strong, true, and generous; to give without expectation of return; to practice humility;

to make the best use of time and opportunity; to keep her mind pure and prayerful; to extend sympathy and caring to those in distress; to seek truth and righteousness; to work, pray, and serve daily; to aspire greatly; labor cheerfully; and to take God at his word. This she did in her travel heavenward.

Our mother became a member of the Pilgrims Home Church at Prater, Virginia, in 1947. She has recounted her experience of salvation to us many times. The Lord had shown her in a dream what her heavenly inheritance would be like. She told of seeing a piece of land in Heaven which was green, peaceful, and beautiful. Our mother and father were instrumental in founding and supporting the Pilgrim's Home Church. This support and caring has extended almost 57 years. For all these years they walked by faith and stood on the word.

Our mother and father were Christians who taught the importance of living a Christian life. Several of the children and grandchildren have become Christians, which gave them immense happiness and satisfaction during their lifetime.

In her final years, our mother had a great deal of sickness but her faith and commitment to the Lord never wavered. She was a great believer in prayer and the Lord's ability to answer. Mom enjoyed going to church as often as her health would allow. She loved to hear praying, singing, and preaching. These were songs she would sing to and with us right up until the end of her days.

We remember as children, everyone going to church together and our mother fixing big meals after church services. She took care of all eleven of her children, gardened, canned, and helped run a family owned grocery store. Our remarkable Christian mother worked very hard and always warmly welcomed preachers and church members to her home over many years.

A few days before our mother died, her son, Leo, said he dreamed of seeing our mother's passing away. He described it as seeing her soul rise from her body and go straight up to Heaven into God's waiting arms, and we believe God's words for our mother were, "Well done and welcome home, my good and faithful servant."

So even though losing you is still heartbreaking and unbearable

for us, we know, Mommy, you are waiting for us in glory with God. Waiting with our dad and other family members who have passed on, but we know in our hearts, someday there will be a heavenly reunion for all God's children. We will see you there our dear, precious, and loving mother.

Written by her children

DELETHA BALDRIDGE

It is with a sad and bewildered heart that I submit an obituary of Deletha Baldridge. Deletha was born on July 4, 1917, in Johnson County, Kentucky. She was born into the home of Jeff and Rachael Conley Owens who preceded her in death. In her early years they moved to Knott County where she met her husband, the late Preacher Olus Baldridge. To this union were born two children, Chloron, an infant son who preceded her in death, and a daughter, Betty Sue Watts who also preceded her in death. Later in the years Deletha and Olus took into their home two twin girls, Linda and Brenda, who they raised as their own. Deletha passed away from this life on March 22, 2003, in Hazard, Kentucky. Also surviving are two sisters, Margie Slone of Bypro, Kentucky, and Daisy Cornett of Emmalena, Kentucky; two brothers, Edgar and Ellis, preceded her in death. Deletha is also survived by seven grandchildren, Tommy (Jessie) Watts, Tony (Jeanie) Watts, April (Raegan) Everidge, Derwin (Deana) Combs, Dalarie (Kevin) Anderson, Jeremy (Amy) Combs, and Destry (Pam) Maggard; eight great grandchildren, Tonyua (John) Reed, Andrea Watts, Malachi, Hannah Maggard, Caleb, Kaylee, Dawson, and Ava Combs; and one great great grandchild, Joshua Reed.



Deletha was a member of the New Home Church where she served dutifully with her husband, Olus, who was the moderator for many

years. She would open her home after church and feed the many people that would stop by. She did not want anyone to leave hungry. Deletha bore her illness with patience. She was fortunate to have her grandson, Tommy, there to see her every need. Tommy, you are to be commended for taking such great care of her. You did everything you could. Even though she never had a son to see grow up, she treated her sons-in-law, Ray and me, as her own. There are so many great things I could write about Deletha but time and space does not permit.

Submitted by her son-in-law, Moses Maggard



CLIFFORD BENTON

Clifford Benton, 83, of Rawcel Heights in Morehead, died Wednesday, April 10, 2002, at Life Care Center in Morehead. He was born March 19, 1919, in Morgan County to the late James Franklin and Barella Morris Benton. He was a retired farmer, a teacher in the Morgan County School System for 15 years, a former night watchman for Maloney's in Morehead, a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, and a member of Little Mary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Julia Mae McGlone Benton; one son, Timothy Dean (Janet) Benton of Flemingsburg; a daughter, Jean (Daniel) Jent of Hillsboro; 10 grandchildren, James Jent, Lee Jent, Donnie Jent, Janie Jamison, Jody Spivey, Deana Benton, Scotty Benton, Anna Benton, Tyler Benton, and Kelly Benton; and 8 great grandchildren, Jaimie Ann Jent, Amanda Jent, Christian Jent, Hannah Jent, Kelsey Jent, Ariel Jent, Tyler Jamison and Nathan Spivey.

The funeral services were conducted on Friday, April 12, 2003 at the Northcutt and Son Funeral Home for Funerals with Elder Lonnie Gregory officiating and burial was in the Morris Cemetery on Caney in Morgan County.

ELSIE BLACK

Elsie Marie Gregory Black , 75, of Hillsboro, died Tuesday, October 2, 2001, at the home of daughter, Sharon Lowe of Morehead. Mrs. Black was born January 9, 1926 in Rowan County, a daughter of the late Matthew and Mary Tennie Caudill Gregory. She was a member of the Little Mary Church.

Additional survivors include a son, Darrell C. Black of Hillsboro; two daughters, Carolyn Marie Charles of Clearfield and Linda Mains of Augusta; three brothers, Lonnie Gregory and Larry Gregory, both of Hillsboro, and Willie Gregory of Morehead; four sisters, Olive Harris, Margie Branham, Delphia Cox, and Beatrice Cox, all of Hillsboro; six grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

The funeral was held on Friday, October 5, 2003 at the Little Mary Church in Maxie Flats with Elders Lonnie Gregory, Barry Tiller and Feldon Ruggles, Jr. officiating and burial was in the Little Mary Cemetery.



JOHN M. BLAIR

John M. Blair passed away on April 10, 2003 at the Whitesburg Hospital. John M. was born on September 8, 1926, into the home of the late Bill and Bettie Blair at Jeremiah, Kentucky. Also born into this home were five more sons, Frances, L.B., Manon, James Edward, Greenie, and one daughter, Ivy Sue.

John M. was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He was proud to serve his country. Thanks to John M. and others like him, we



have our freedom today. John M. was also a retired coal miner.

On April 30, 1960, John M. married Mary Helen Blair and to this union two sons, Adrian and Enos, were born. Surviving John M. is his wife of 42 years, Mary Helen, along with two sons, Adrian and wife, Stacey, of Letcher, Kentucky, and Enos and wife, Kyra, of Knights Town, Indiana. Also surviving are one granddaughter, Rhiannon Blair; one step-granddaughter, Kodi Adams; and one grandson, Levi Blair. One brother, Manon, also survives John M.

On the second Saturday night in August, 1987, John M. joined the Blair Branch Church at the Tolson Creek Church. On the following Sunday at the Blair Branch Church, he was baptized by Bro. Ellis Adams and Bro. I.D. Back. He was a good Christian man and will be greatly missed not only by his natural family, but also by his many brothers and sisters of the Lord.

John M. loved his family very much. He especially loved to go fishing with his grandson, Levi. He loved to joke and laugh with his family and friends. He enjoyed life and he let those he loved know that he loved them.

In the last few years of his life, being a diabetic took a toll on John M.'s body. He had to have a toe removed and for quite a while he was unable to get around. It really got to him, not being able to go to church, but he was thrilled when his brothers and sisters from the church would stop by for visits.

I know the family has a lot of precious memories of John M. Hold those memories close to your heart and they will help ease the pain of separation. If you want to see John M. again someday, you will have to seek the same Lord that he did.

Heaven
The streets are gold
Just like I was told.
No more aches and pain,
I don't even need my cane.

My Lord is so wonderful,
I have no needs.
Come and be with me,
That is my plea.

Written by the family

To: Pa that I love

Thank you for coming to this service tonight. When I was a little boy and lived in the rolling hills of Kentucky, my Pa was as healthy as an ox. Then a sorrow time came when I had to move to the corn fields and flat lands of Indiana. Then his diabetes started hurting his foot and he lost his big toe on his right foot. He wasn't doing well afterward. Then recently he died of a massive heart attack. But there was something special with my Pa, John M.'s death. He was talking and fell over dead. A good related friend said, "How appropriate that he was doing what he did best, talking." I think we shouldn't let death put us in depression, we should celebrate his life. My Pa though was a great man through the eyes of God. He would run his mouth all the time. I wish I could have been around to hear what he had to say. My Pa also told you how it was. When you get home tonight, call a friend, call a cousin, niece, nephew, uncle, aunt, mom, or dad and tell them how much you love them, because you never know what's going to happen. Thank you for listening to me and God be with us all. Love you Pa.

Written by: Grandson, Levi

LUCINDA SMITH BLAIR

Lucinda Smith Blair passed away from this life on March 31, 2003 at St. Mary's Hospital in Norton, Virginia. She was born in Knott County, Kentucky on March 26, 1911, being 92 years and five days of age at the time of her passing.

Lucinda was the daughter of the late Richard and Maggie Smith. She married Rankin Blair in October of 1925, a loving union for 61 years until the time of dad's passing in September, 1986. Lucinda and



Rankin's marriage was blessed with several children, two of whom preceded her in death, Elva Crocker and a son, Herbert. Surviving children include one daughter, Josephine Breeding of Isom, and four sons, Dennis, Ivan, and Danny of Jeremiah, Kentucky, and Chester of Middletown, Ohio. Also surviving are 22 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren, and 7 great great grandchildren.

Mom lived a rich full life, enjoying relatively good health prior to her death. Even at the age of 91 she enjoyed housekeeping, quilting, and visiting with her many family members. She was a member of the Blair Branch Old Regular Baptist Church and was able to attend church until the time of her passing. She will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Though time can change so many things,
We know one thing is true...
Time can never change the love
That's in our hearts for you.

When the real world seems too big
And life gets overwhelming
We think about you and how you always loved us...
And somehow, that still makes us feel safe and secure
And we know we can handle
Whatever comes our way.

Written by Lucinda's loving family

JESSE JAMES BROOKS

With broken hearts we will try to write this obituary of Jesse James Brooks. Jesse was born April 8, 1935, at Freeburn, Kentucky, and departed this life on July 26, 2003 at Buchanan General Hospital, making his stay on earth 68 years, 2 months, and 18 days. He is survived by his loving wife, Elvia, of 50 years. To this union were born 4 children, Dana Brooks of Haysi, Virginia, Arlie Brooks of Morristown, Tennessee, Arlene Adkins of Haysi, Virginia, and Norma Jean McClanahan of Nashville, Tennessee; nine grandchildren; one

step grandson; 3 great grandchildren; and one step great granddaughter. He is also survived by one brother, Buford Brooks of Clintwood, Virginia, and one sister, Margaret Deel of Wise, Virginia. He was preceded in death by two brothers, one sister, and his parents, James David and Polly Yates.



Jesse went through heart surgery on the 27th of March at Kingsport, Tennessee. After his surgery, when he was capable of speaking to us, he stated that he had taken a train to Heaven to talk to the Lord. He said Heaven was the most beautiful place he had ever seen. Jesse asked the Lord if he could stay in Heaven and the Lord told him he had to come back here and stay a little while longer to be with his wife and children, then he could come later and stay with him. So Jesse came back and stayed with us four months and twenty three days until his passing.

During this time Jesse joined the Pilgrim's Home Church on June 1, 2003. He said he wanted to get well enough so he could walk out in the water and be baptized. On June 14, 2003, he walked to the water with help from Brother Harold, Brother Allen Deel, Brother Arnold, and Brother Theodore and he was baptized.

Jesse loved having his family, friends, neighbors, and brothers and sisters of the church come by and visit him. He would ask his family and friends to sing Christian songs for him. Jesse was a loving husband and father. We believe with all our hearts that he is resting with the Lord in Heaven.

Written by: Jesse's heartbroken family

GROVER CLEVELAND BUSH

It is with a sad and broken heart I try to write this obituary of my uncle, Grover Cleveland Bush. Grover was born on December 15, 1950 and entered into eternal rest on December 17, 2001. Grover was born in Scott County to Orbin Henry and Mary Gertrude Lucas Bush.

Grover enjoyed fishing with his family and friends. He attended Dungannon High School. He was preceded in death by his brothers, John Henry, John Wayne, and George Albert Bush; two half brothers, Tony and Willis Bush; and two sisters, Maxine Bush Blair and half sister, Janice Bush.

Family survivors are Phyllis Bush Colley, Iona Robinette, Alma Dean, and Betty Prescott; one brother, Tommy Bush; and several nieces and nephews.

Grover, you are missed so much by each and every one that loved you. Grover was a farmer all his life, working with the soil.

The last few years, Grover was very sick. He had a hard road to travel, but never gave up until the good Lord called him home. Grover, this poem was picked out just for you by your niece, Suzanne Sands, to help the family through their time of loss and to remember you by.

I'm Not Here

I've gone to a place where the flowers bloom
So don't look for me in some dark tomb.

I've gone to a place, where love abounds,
Where angel's harps make heavenly sounds.

I've gone to a place where angels take flight,
Where the sun shines eternal and there will be no more night.

I've gone to a place where I am so happy and free,
Where we'll walk the streets of gold, God's children and me.

Wrote by your Aunt Brenda Fuller who loved you very much.

KATHY COLLEY

Kathy Colley, 58, of Commiskey, Indiana, passed away on August 4, 2003, at the Columbus Regional Hospital. Kathy was born January 16, 1945. She was the daughter of Luchian and Margaret Coffman Wright. She married Folice Colley on October 18, 1963 in Indianapolis, Indiana.



Kathy was a homemaker and a member of the Commiskey Baptist Church. She attended Paris Crossing High School and enjoyed gardening, flowers, crafts, and yard sales. She is survived by her husband, Folice, and four daughters, Shelia Colley, Valerie Colley, Ann Wilson of Commiskey, and Jenny Colley of Columbus, Indiana. She had five brothers, John and Walter Wright of Indianapolis, and Bill, Richard, and Ernie Wright of Commiskey; three sisters, Mary McKinney of Indianapolis, Shirley Ward of Seymour, Indiana, and Linda Collie of Jeremiah, Kentucky; and three grandchildren, Ryan, Kelsey, and Brandon Wilson of Commiskey, Indiana.

Submitted by family members

JOHN STEVEN COLLEY



It is with sad, but loving memories and with the help of the good Lord, that I try to write this obituary of our loving son, brother, stepbrother and uncle, John Steven Colley (known to his friends as Stevie). Stevie was born on August 21, 1961. He entered into rest on May 27, 1995, making his stay

here on earth 33 years. Stevie was born to Lamar Colley and Mary Hylton. He was a coal truck driver for years. He attended Haysi High School. His love for trucks and motorcycles was his hobbies, sometimes he would work all night on his truck. He rode motorcycles in racing, winning trophies that were his alone. Stevie enjoyed life to its fullest. Stevie's stepmother, Phyllis Bush Colley, loves Stevie and watched him grow into a fine young man.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, one uncle, and three aunts. Those that were left behind to grieve their loss are his father, Lamar Colley, and his mother, Mary Hylton; his stepmother, Phyllis Colley; brothers, Marlow and Billy; sister, Brenda; one son, Jerry Steven; one daughter, Amanda Colley; one sister-in-law, Sally Colley; and many friends that today still grieves his loss. Stevie, you are missed each and every day by your nine nieces and nephews, Fitzahus, Trevor, Sarah, Matthew, April, Jonathan, Nora Rose, Henry, Lucy; and Suzanne Sands, and Denise Dixon Sands who never got a chance to know you, but each day around the home place you are talked about and missed. Stevie, I pray that you have found peace and love in the arms of Jesus. Our loss was the Lord's gain. Sleep on, brother, until we meet again. Missed by family and friends of John Steven Colley.

Wrote by a broken hearted stepsister, Brenda Fuller



ISABEL COMBS

Isabel Sumner Combs was born on March 10, 1910, to Angeline and Steve Sumner. On November 22, 1927, she married Troy Combs and to this union the following children were born, two sons, J.C. and Justin, and one daughter, Pauline Combs Godsey, all of Lotts Creek, Kentucky. Along with three children, surviving are also

5 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Isabel and Troy were married for 75 years when God called her home on January 27, 2003, at the age of 92. She was a member of the Summertown Regular Baptist Church. She is greatly missed, but we believe that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written By: Brenda Combs

POLLY JANE DEEL COMPTON

Polly was born in Buchanan County, Virginia, on January 12, 1922. She was the daughter of the late George W. and Missouri Deel, and the oldest of their eleven children. She married Hosea Compton on March 30, 1944. To this union were born seven children, nine grandchildren, and ten great grandchildren. Polly was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother, taking care of everyone was her profession. She was a wonderful lady who knew how to survive for 81 years in this world and will live eternally in Heaven.



My Precious Flower

My Grandma was like a flower
 She bloomed with kindness
 She shimmered in the sun
 She was admired by everyone
 She was the lily of my valley
 She was the setting sun
 She was a grandma to everyone
 This lady I call Grandma will be sadly missed
 As I look to the Heavens to see
 I will see this precious flower
 With her shiney wings

Written by Polly's granddaughter, Michelle Harbin

May I go now?
Don't you think the time is right?
May I say good-bye to pain-filled days
And endless nights?
I've lived my life and done my best,
An example tried to be,
So can I take that step beyond
And set my spirit free?
I didn't want to go at first
I fought with all my might!
But something seems to draw me now
To a warm and loving light
I want to go!
I really do!
It's difficult to stay.
But I will try as best I can
To live just one more day...
To give you time to care for me
And share your love and fears
I know you're sad and are afraid
Because I see your tears
I'll not be far, I'll promise that;
And hope you'll always know
That my spirit will be close to you
Wherever you may go.
Thank you so for loving me
You know I loved you too.
That's why it's hard to say good-bye
And end this life with you.
So hold me now, just one more time,
And let me hear you say,
Because you care so much for me,
You'll let me go today

MARGARET JOYCE SHEPHERD CORNETT

Margaret Joyce Shepherd Cornett was born on December 14, 1931, to Troy and Della Shepherd in Benham, Kentucky. She married Raydean Cornett of Linefork, Kentucky and to this marriage were born five children, Jessie Francis Cornett-Smith, Michael Ray Cornett, John David Cornett, Richard Earl Cornett, and Judith Elaine Cornett-Boggs, twelve grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. Margaret's twin brother, Morris, preceded her in death. Two sisters and two brothers, Mary



Francis Shepherd-Kinard, Gladys Elaine Shepherd-Pacheco, Charles Troy Shepherd, and David Ray Shepherd survive her. Margaret and her siblings were blessed to live wholesome lives filled with love and nurturing from their parents. They were taught good morals and respect and honored their mother and father by following their religious teachings and examples. Margaret graduated from Kingdom Come High School

and went on to attend Berea College to study for her teaching degree. While at Berea College she met her life-long friend, Francis Vansant-Edwards, whom remained her dearest friend until her passing.

Margaret was a virtuous woman and had faith in God and Jesus Christ. As a result she joined the Northern New Home Church and was baptized in 1972 and at the time of her death, she was a member of the Hurricane Gap Church. Margaret's devotion in life was few but plentiful, faith in God and family love, both of which were in abundant supply and given freely. Faith in God helped sustain her through life's many struggles and family love helped her raise her children. Wealth and strength are not always measured by money and physical strength. Margaret was not wealthy in a monetary sense nor was she physically strong. Her faith in God provided wealth beyond compare, strength provided by family love enabled her to carry on. The legacy that Margaret leaves for her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and future generations to come is very basic and has withstood the test of time. Faith in God and family love, these two things Margaret believed in most and instilled in her children before leaving this world on July 6, 2002. There is no greater legacy in life than these that a mother can leave her children. Margaret was laid to rest on July 8, 2002, at Monte Vista Cemetery.

BARRY KEITH DEEL

With the help of the good Lord, I will write a little about our son, Barry Keith Deel. He was born on January 18, 1958. His older brother, Steven Gene Deel, precedes him in death. Barry and Steven were very close in age and also in every other way. Steve was already sick when Barry had his first car accident in 1988. He prayed so hard, as we all did, for Barry to get better. The Lord answered our prayers when he woke

up from a coma after 23 days on life support. He had to learn everything all over again, just like a newborn baby. He stayed in Roanoke Hospital for two months, then was transferred to Health South, a rehabilitation center in Princeton, West Virginia, where he learned to walk and talk all over again. God didn't allow complete restoration to Barry, but this wasn't our choice to make. It was all in God's plan and not ours. For we knew God's ways are not our ways, but we accept his will. Barry was injured in another car wreck on Sunday evening, and once again it was a severe brain injury, but much to our dismay, this time he could not get better. Thankfully, this time he was ready to go. His whole heart's desire was to go home with Jesus, and all the Apostles whom he called his brothers. He talked about them as if he knew them personally. I feel that he did have a personal relationship with Jesus. He told me so many times that he could almost feel Jesus' arms wrapped around him and how he just wanted to go home with Him, but Jesus would always say, "Barry, it's not your time yet!" Two sisters, Pam Deel Cantrell and Amanda Deel Coleman, survive Barry. Four nieces, Kimberly, Jessica, Sarah, and Emily, two nephews, Jeffrey and Steven, and also several aunts, uncles and cousins survive Barry as well. We will miss him so very much, but we realize that we all must keep the appointment that Barry has already met. So we keep this hope alive

in our hearts, that someday soon we will see him again in that beautiful home called Heaven that Jesus went away to prepare for all his children who love him and keep his commandments. Barry has just passed from this veil of tears to life everlasting. Someday soon we will join him, never to be separated again.

WILLIAM FERRELL DEEL

Wid was born in Buchanan County and lived at Russell Prater before making a home in Tazewell. He was born on December 9, 1940, and went home to be with Jesus on January 6, 2003, following a long illness.

Wid was married to Katie Looney Deel for 42 wonderful years. He is survived by his wife, Katie; three daughters, Karen Deel and husband, Chris, of Vansant, Jennifer Owens and husband, Jeff, of Vansant, Sondra Sutherland and husband, Tim, of Pawleys Island, South Carolina; and one son, Jamie Deel and wife, Patti, of Tazewell. He also leaves to mourn his loss five grandchildren, Amy, Sara, Heather, Kaitlynn, and Jake.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George W. and Missouri Deel; one grandchild, Infant Owens; three brothers, Archie, Paris and Nubern; and two sisters, Melvinie Conaway and Larnie Gay Deel.

Left to mourn his loss are two sisters, Euvie Dales of Pounding Mill, Virginia, and Polly Compton of Vansant, Virginia; and three brothers, Donald Deel of Haysi, Virginia, Lando Deel of Tazewell, Virginia, and Earl Deel of Vansant, Virginia.

Dad was a quiet man of few words, but when he spoke, it was always words of kindness and wisdom. He was never quick to judge or speak harsh. His gentle eyes were always open when anyone needed someone to turn to. Dad was a family man, always there ready to



catch us and pick us up when we fell, a strong outreached hand to guide us on our way. The one thing that Dad had that made him so special was a smile that could change any situation that we were in. When our hearts are breaking we can look to Heaven and see Dad smiling.

Dad suffered a long time, but through his sufferin God gave us many blessings. We can look back and remember all of the happy times we had together, even while he was sick. We got to watch him talk to God almost every minute he was awake, we listened while he begged God to have mercy on him and forgive him for all of his sins. We were overjoyed as he asked God if there was anything standing in his way, and if so, to just show him, and then we praised God for the smile that lit up his face. Our Dad said, "Oh, if only you could see what I've seen." That was the happiest day of his life. He wanted to share his testimony by baptism on August 24, 2002.

Jesus said, "Verily, Verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life."—John 5:24

Written by: His Loving Family

Elder JOSEPH F. DEEL

It is with sadness I try to write an obituary of my father, Joseph F.

Deel. I ask the Lord's help...



Dad was born January 22, 1923, to Emory Floyd Deel and Nancy Jane Deel. The Lord took him on August 25, 2002. He was 79 years, 7 months and 3 days old. He was one of nine children, Robert, Emory, George Deel and Rosa Ramey,

that are living and David, Elmer, Earl Deel and Ocie Hill, which are now deceased.

Dad married Minnie Deel on August 10, 1946. They had six children, three boys and three girls; Jim, Ronnie and Gallie are the boys; Joan Coleman, Pat Compton and Marcella O'Quinn are the girls. Pat passed away in April, 1997. He also leaves to mourn his grandchildren, Renita Thacker, Bryan Compton, Carmie Deel, Shana O'Quinn, Ginger Gurel, Nathan Coleman, Savannah O'Quinn and Matthew Deel. He has four great-grandchildren, Roseanna, Jessica, Alan Cole Thacker and Patrick Lee Compton.

I cannot begin to tell you what a wonderful person my father was. He tried to teach us what was right, he always told us to "Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them To Do Unto You." He taught us against selfishness, he always put everyone before he did himself, even when he prayed, he'd pray for everyone else first, then he'd ask God so humbly to remember him.

He was a hard working man. He enjoyed his cattle as a pass time. He was an humble Christian and loved the Lord with all his heart, soul, mind and strength. He was of the Old Regular Baptist faith for 51 years. He was a faithful member of the Russell Prater Church. He enjoyed visiting the Little David Church with me for as long as he was able.

He was a very patient man in his illness, he had no speech but when he prayed I could feel it. I have never known of him losing his temper or saying a harsh or hurtful word to anyone. He set a good example and let his light shine for all to see.

He was a veteran of World War II. He worked in the mines as long as he was able. He had black lung, bone marrow cancer - stage II and he had strokes. I tried my very best to help him in his pain in every way I could.

As a child, age 10, I took the Rheumatic Fever and would wake up in the night, sick. He and mom would wrap me up in a blanket and stir up the fire, Dad would lay his hands on me and pray for me and I'd be alright. He taught us faith. I can't thank God enough for a father like this. He seemed so soft spoken but could say so much in just a few words. I'm glad we could have him for awhile.

The night when he passed away, I told him I hope to meet him over there where there'll be no more pain, sorrow or heartaches. He had prepared for that land I feel he so deservingly received.

In our youth, he taught us, among many things, Repentance and Forgiveness, John 3:16, "The Golden Rule," and "The Ten Commandments." Sleep on Dad... I love you and miss you.

Written by his daughter, Joan Coleman "Sis"



LOLA DIXON

Lola Halcomb Dixon was born on April 8, 1915 to Nerva and Bee Halcomb. In August of 1936, she married Gillis Dixon. This union brought forth ten children; eight sons, Herbert, Harold, Eumble,

Manius, Orville, Ellis, Herman and Vernon Dixon; and two daughters, Janiva Sexton and Irene Cook.

Lola had 23 grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren, and 4 precious great- great-grandchildren, having a legacy of five generations before her passing. On October 26, 2002, at the break of dawn, Lola entered into eternal life. She fell into the Lord's arms as she lay in her bed asleep.

Lola loved her church and enjoyed many meetings filled with singing and preaching. Joy and happiness filled her heart as you could see on her face when she walked through the church doors. The love that Granny (as she was so often called) had was shown through all she had done for her family. The many meals that she cooked for the children and grandchildren could not be numbered. Each meal was cooked with love and kindness. Her love extended not to just her family but to anyone who came through her door. Her

home and table were always open. She is so greatly missed and thought of each day. Knowing she is in Heaven with the angels is what eases our loss.

We love you Mom.
We love you Granny.



MARY ELIZABETH EVERAGE

Mary Elizabeth Everage was born in Knott County, Kentucky on September 16, 1948, to the late George and Dorothy Everage. She passed from this life on October 11, 2002. She is survived by one sister, Marie Everage of Austin, Indiana and two brothers, James Everage of Scottsburg, Indiana and Billy Everage of Austin, Indiana. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and relatives also mourn her passing.

Mary joined the Little Bethlehem Church of Regular Baptist on March 1, 1987. By joining the Little Bethlehem Church and being baptized, she “answered a good conscious toward God.” She wanted the world to know that she was “a child of the King”. Mary felt that God had answered her cries for mercy and had filled her with a hope for Heaven. Her faith became reality on October 11, 2003. As she answered the call to “Come away, my love, my dove, come away”, her soul was carried by the angels to rest under the alter of God until soul and body reunite on that final day. Mary was a faithful member who loved and supported her church. She is greatly missed by her brothers and sisters of the Little Bethlehem Church.

Mary was a very quiet and simple person but she was unashamed to show her love for others. Her abundant love was returned by family members and all those who knew her. Her passing has left a

great void in our lives. However, the pain of death is overshadowed by the joy and the hope that we can all meet again around the throne of God. Rest on, Sister Mary, we will join you someday.

Elder Don Pratt



ASTOR AND THELMA FIELDS

Our parents, Astor and Thelma Fields, have left this earthly home; they resided at 280 Astor Fields Road on Big Cowan. Our Dad passed away on December 18, 1999, he was sixty-seven years old. He was the son of Foster and Mary Jane Fields of

Big Cowan. Mom was the daughter of Henry and Martha Church Niece of Letcher County, she was seventy-one and passed away on August 7, 2003. Mom and Dad both were the youngest and last surviving members of their immediate family. They were born in Letcher County and led a very simple life with a few basic rules of life. These were: Don't talk bad about people, treat others as you want to be treated, don't pretend about who you are—be who you are, and don't live beyond your means and pay your bills.

Dad was a coal miner in the smaller mines many years ago and Mom always seemed to make things stretch. Now as parents, we all four marvel at how in the world they managed with what they had and still set an extra plate or bed when needed. Mom never complained or talked about what she needed, she would say, "I have

what the good Lord intends and that is enough for me.” Mom was a member of the Big Cowan Old Regular Baptist Church where she loved attending the meeting and joining with her friends in worshipping the Lord.

The four of us (Astor Fields, Jr., Terry Mark Fields, Henrietta Fields-Banks, and Brenda Fields-Mullins) have a sadness that just won't go away. Losing Dad was hard, but we did not realize the foundation that our mother was during that loss, until we lost her too, and had to assume the total heartbreak at her going. During Dad's passing she buffered that hurt even though her heartache had to have been enormous. Losing both gave us a small insight into how much we counted on her comfort and counsel and just knowing she was there. Each of us witnessed her strength and faith for almost four years, never seeing it falter or weaken even during the most difficult times. Her faith in the lord was with her even on her final day, spending thirty days in the Whitesburg Hospital, did we ever hear her say, “why me?” We may have wondered it and even said it, but not Mom. She had an inner and eternal knowledge of what was happening and her faith and trust in the Lord seemed to grow, as things got harder. Our memory of her is filled with love and hope that we can be at least as half of a good person that she was, that is a promise the Lord gives to us. All we have to do is honor our part here on earth, the Lord's promise is eternal and never changing. Our legacy to our parents is to honor their wishes and to forever keep their memory alive throughout the up coming generations and hoping that with the help of the Lord they will know that their four children, eight grand-children and ten great-grandchildren who loves them beyond measure and their memory shall never fade but grow stronger with each new addition to the family.

RACHAEL SIZEMORE FIELDS

On Friday, May 2, 2003, Rachael Sizemore Fields of Sassafras, Kentucky, passed away. She was 82 years, 3 months, and 23 days young. Rachael was the daughter of William and Mary Noble



Sizemore. She was born on January 9, 1921.

Rachael married Edward Fields on January 29, 1940. They spent most of their life on Irishman Creek where they raised two sons, Otis and Bruce. Rachael was preceded in death by her husband, Edward; son, Otis (Carol); grandson, John Fields; three sisters; and two brothers. Rachael left behind a son, Bruce (Joyce); a brother, Arthur Sizemore; 2 sisters, Alvirta Hardin

and Roberta Mullins; and 10 grandchildren, Otis (Penny) Fields, Rachel Sue (Joey) Parks, Tammy (Wayne) Cornett, Bruce Edward Fields, James Michael (Stephanie) Fields, Jason Matthew (Angie) Fields, Rachael Healaine Fields, Berlin Edward Fields, Angie Waugh, and Cassandra Fields. She also leaves behind 19 great grandchildren, and one special great grandchild who she helped raise, Alex Thomas Fields. Grandma you'll be greatly missed

Written by: Grandson, Berlin Fields, and Son, Bruce Fields
 "Mother's not dead she's only sleeping"

DONALD B. FRANCIS

As we set here so broken hearted with an emptiness that only God can heal, we will try to write the obituary of our precious Daddy. We could fill up many, many pages of kind works and deeds that Daddy done but the life that Daddy led already explains it all.

Daddy leaves to mourn his passing, Mommy, Marna Joyce; one son, Michael Francis; five daughters, Kathy Slone, Kandy Jacobs, Sherry Childers, Reece Casebolt and Deseriee Jones; five sons-in-law, Hershel Jacobs, Claude Childers, Ricky Casebolt, Michael Jones and one preceded him in death, Harlan Slone. He leaves to mourn his passing his precious grandchildren, which he cherished with all

his heart, Rolan, Jason and Robin Slone, Jamie and Jennifer Slone, Clarissa Nolan, Amanda Jones and Haley and Shana Casebolt. He also had three step-grandchildren, Kenneth, Courtney and Steven. Daddy also leaves other relatives and a host of friends.

I remember back two years ago when they told Daddy he had cancer and only had six months to a year to live, what he reaction was: He said, "It's in God's hands and until He gets ready for me I'll be right here."



He told me on the way home that day that he wasn't going to accept that because he wanted to be with his family and stay with us as long as he could. He lived two years. The doctor said he was strong willed and had lots of faith.

Daddy had great faith and he showed it to us in the time of his sickness. Daddy belonged to the Ivy Point Church which he loved a lot and worked hard for the church until he became too sick ... Daddy loved his church family.

As we sat near Daddy's bed and watched his sweet exchange, I will never forget how I seen Daddy lighten up. He looked like he had a light shining on him and I know that was God taking him home, away from his pain and suffering.

Daddy, we love you and you already knew that, we miss you so much ... We will take care of Mommy and be good to and love one another. We will never forget what you taught us and how you taught us. We will tell your smaller grandchildren that are too small to understand about you and each step they grow we know you'll be looking down on them and each step we take, Daddy, will be a step closer to you. We will not say goodbye, but just sleep, Daddy, until we meet again We Love You!

Your Broken Hearted Family

DAVE D. Y. GODSEY

Sorrow fills our hearts as we mourn the loss of our beloved father, Dave D.Y. Godsey. Yet at the same time, we celebrate his life, the values, and the moral lessons that he instilled in our lives.

Dad's life took many different directions. He was a son, a brother, a husband, a father, a grandfather, a great-grandfather, a coal miner by profession, but a builder at heart. Most important of all, he was a child of the King. Dad accepted

the Lord into his life many years ago, and was baptized. He was a charter member and an ordained deacon of the Summertown Old Regular Baptist Church on Big Fork of Lotts Creek. He was instrumental in the founding and building of this small church and was a faithful member until his death.

D.Y. Godsey was survived by his wife of 54 years, Maggie Sumner Godsey. From this union were 6 children, Stephen Godsey, Darrell Godsey, Judy Fugate, Shelia Campbell, Revena Gwinn, and Darlene Cole. Other survivors include 18 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, 2 brothers, 3 sisters, and a host of family and friends. D.Y. Godsey was born on June 23, 1927, in Breathitt County, Kentucky, and passed from this life on August 4, 2003, living on this earth 76 years, 1 month and 12 days. He was preceded in death by his parents, Dave and Florence Combs Godsey, and 2 brothers, Jerry and John.

His life seemed so short to the ones he left behind but it was long enough for him to instill many wonderful traits and values in his children. Hopefully, these traits and values will shine on for many years to come in our lives and those of our children.

Dad has gone to be with the Lord in his new home where he won't be in any pain or suffer anymore. Dad will be with us always

in our hearts until we are united again in Heaven.

Written by his daughter, Judy Fugate

SAMUEL EDWARD GREGORY

This is written in loving memory of Samuel Edward Gregory. Samuel was born on December 30, 1983, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington, Kentucky, to Larry and Bonita Gregory of Hillsboro, Kentucky. Samuel left this world on October 5, 2002, to be with the Lord. The Lord gave him to us here on earth for eighteen wonderful years, nine months and five days.



When Sam was born, he was five days old when he had surgery to implant a shunt into his head. He was a miracle from the beginning of his life down to the last day. God gave us an opportunity to be a family with Sam, therefore we've felt blessed. Every person that ever met Sam was impressed by his big blue eyes, the little noises he made and his grand smile. Samuel loved to fuss with his parents and sisters and would become really excited when they fussed back. All of the memories and the sounds that came from his blessed little mouth will never be forgotten.

Sammy was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Mathew (1961) and Tennie (1968) Caudill Gregory; four uncles on Dad's side, Sam Edward Gregory (killed April, 1944 in World War II), James Charles Gregory (1955), Dorsie Willard Gregory (1963), and Lloyd Gregory (1969); and three aunts on Dad's side, Lena Mae Gregory Eldridge (1989), Elsie Marie Gregory Black (2001), and, about nine months after Sam died and before this was complete, Sam's aunt Olive Mae Gregory Harris (2003), passed.

Samuel is survived by his parents, Larry and Bonita J. Gregory,

Hillsboro, Kentucky; two sisters, Angela J. Gregory, Morehead, Kentucky, and Amber Dawn Gregory, Hillsboro, Kentucky; two brothers, Christopher Dean Castetter, Columbus, Indiana, and Larry Mathew Reed, Phoenix, Arizona; two nephews, Hunter and Ethan Castetter, Columbus, Indiana; and maternal grandparents, Herman and Eva Fannin, Sandy Hook, Kentucky.

Dad's Surviving Siblings

Two uncles, Willie Burl (and Judy) Gregory and Elder Lonnie (and Hester) Gregory of Morehead, Kentucky and three aunts, (Elbert and) Beatrice Gregory Cox, (Don and) Delpia Gregory Cox, and Margie Gregory Branham, all of Hillsboro, Kentucky. Sam is survived by a host of cousins.

Mom's Surviving Siblings

Two uncles, Earnie (and Vickie) Fannin of Murray, Kentucky, and David (and Jennifer) Fannin of Paris, Tennessee and three aunts, (Hal and) Kathy Fannin Fuqua, New Concord, Kentucky, (Allen and) Connie Fannin Cassidy, London, Kentucky, and (Phillip and) Carol Fannin Cox, Olive Hill, Kentucky. Sam is survived by nine cousins.

Written sadly by the ones who
knew him best and loved him the most,
Larry, Bonita, Angela and Amber Gregory

OLIVE MAE GREGORY HARRIS

Olive Mae Gregory Harris, age 84, of 133 Stepping Stone Lane, Hillsboro, Kentucky, passed away Saturday evening, June 21, 2003, at her residence.

She was born on March 18, 1919, in Rowan County, Kentucky, and was the daughter of the late James Matthew Gregory and Mary Tennie Caudill Gregory. Her husband, Carless D. Harris, preceded her in death on October, 1972.

She is survived by five sons, Dallas Ray Harris of Flemingsburg,



Kentucky, Donnie Wayne Harris of Maysville, Kentucky, Carl Adrian Harris of Georgetown, Kentucky, Samuel Justen Harris of Nicholasville, Kentucky, and Danny Lee Harris of Hillsboro, Kentucky; four daughters, Betty Jean McKee and Mary Louella Sexton, both of Flemingsburg, Kentucky, Shirley Ann Tolliver of Frankfort, Kentucky, and Debra Lynn Harris of Hillsboro, Kentucky, who was her mother's caregiver for 22 months; three brothers, Elder

Lonnie Gregory and Willie Burl Gregory, both of Morehead, Kentucky, and Larry Dean Gregory of Hillsboro, Kentucky; and three sisters, Margie Branham, Delphia Cox and Beatrice Cox, all of Hillsboro, Kentucky. Also surviving are 33 grandchildren, 43 great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

Mrs. Harris was preceded in death by three sons, Glennis Roger Harris, Denver C. Harris and Robert Joe Harris; four brothers, Lloyd Gregory, Dorsey Gregory, Sam Gregory and Charles Gregory; and two sisters, Lena Eldridge and Elsie Black.

Mrs. Harris was a homemaker and had been a member of the Poplar Springs United Baptist Church for 37 years, and then a member of the Little Mary Old Regular Baptist Church for the last 20 years of her life.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday, June 25, at the Little Mary Church and were officiated by Brother Junior Ruggles, Elder Lonnie Gregory and Elder Barry Tiller. Burial was in the Caudill Cemetery at Sharkey, Kentucky.

Submitted by children and family.

God saw you getting tired
When a cure was not to be
So he closed His arms

Around you and whispered
"Come to Me".
You didn't deserve what
You went through
And so He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best.
In tears we saw you sinking,
We watched you fade away.
Our hearts were broken-
You fought so hard to stay.
But when we saw you sleeping
So peacefully-free from pain
We could not wish you back to
Suffer the pain again.



**WESLEY AND
ELLA MAE HAYES**

It is with a sad and broken heart and with the help of the Lord, I will write the obituaries of Brother Wesley and Sister Ella Mae Hayes. Brother Wesley was born on May 9, 1928, and left this world on July 18, 2003, making his stay on earth 75 years, 2 months and 13 days. He was the son of John Richard and Nancy Moore Hays.

Sister Ella Mae was born on November 28, 1936, and left this world on July 20, 2003, making her stay on earth 66 years, 7 months and 21 days. She was the daughter of Glennis and Louelza Collins Wallen.

At an early age, Wes and Ella Mae met and married. To this union were born five children, three boys and two girls, Kenneth Donnie, Danny Lee, David Wesley, June Carol Watts and Nancy Lou Dingus, all of Leburn, Kentucky. Wes and Ella Mae had nine

grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, eight step grandchildren, and twelve step great grandchildren. They also had one deceased grandson.

Wes and Ella Mae had a long life together, 51 years. Even in death, they didn't stay apart very long, only two days.

About 38 years ago Wes found an emptiness no one could fill but God. He has been in the church about 36 years. Brother Wes was a member of the Mount Olive Church on Slone Fork at Garner, Kentucky. At the time of his death, he was the moderator of the church.

Sister Ella Mae found the Lord about 11 years ago. She was a very faithful member of the Cross Roads Church on Odgen Creek, Kentucky. In their lives nothing or no one came before the Lord.

Ella Mae always put me and the rest of her family on the prayer list. I don't know any one that believed in prayer any more than these two people.

I miss them very much, the talks we used to have, no matter what we started talking about, we always brought the Lord or the Bible into the conversation very quickly. I felt as if I had gained a mother and father when I married June, because they treated me just like they did their children. Wesley and Ella Mae are missed very much. All of us see now more than ever how much we all loved these two big hearted people. I say this because as long as I've known them, I never knew of them turning anyone down for anything, no matter what it was, if they could do it.

Even the children didn't realize how many lives their parents had touched until Wes and Ella Mae's funeral. They look back now and see what wonderful parents, and grandparents, they had. They just all hope to see them again. As they know, their parents are just asleep now, waiting for the Lord to take them home.

Written for the family by: Son-in-law, Lee Roy Watts

PAUL HICKS

It is with a sad heart I will try to write the obituary of Paul Hicks. Paul was born on December 22, 1969 to Lawrence and Roxie Hicks of Hueysville, Kentucky, and passed away on April 5, 2003.

Paul met and married Sarah Crider and chose to continue living at Hueysville. Paul was employed by R & J Well Service as a tool dresser.

Paul liked to hunt and fish and spent many hours out in the hills and down by the water. On Saturday, April 5, 2003, Paul was going to enjoy another sport, but his life was cut short by a massive heart attack and he was pronounced dead at our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin, Kentucky.

Paul was preceded in death by one son, Paul Blake, and is survived by his wife, Sarah, his daughter, Khayla, one step-son, Michael, his parents, Lawrence and Roxie Hicks, his sister, Michelle Handshoe, and his brother, Brent Hicks; not only was Brent his brother, but he was his special friend, too.

When we lose someone we love, we need to feel God's love then more than anything else in the world. When our world was turned upside down at the funeral, we found out that Sarah is pregnant and Paul knew but they had not told anyone yet. It helps to know that through this child Paul lives on.

Death at such a young age lets us know that we should always be ready for we know not what time our time will come to meet the Lord.

Written by the Family

**WILMA KAY (FRANCIS)
HOWARD**



Wilma Kay (Francis) Howard, 46, of South Lebanon died peacefully on Wednesday, January 1, 2003 at Hospice of Cincinnati, following a long illness. Born April 29, 1956 in Salyersville, Kentucky, the daughter of Walter and Marie (Jenkins) Francis, she had lived in Warren County for the past 28 years. She had been employed at SRI, Inc. in Mason for the past ten years and was a member of the Northern New Home Church in Goshen. Preceded in death by her parents; brother, Henry Francis; and sister, Helen Walker. She is survived by her devoted husband of twenty nine years, James Herman Howard; son, James Jason Howard; daughter, Shawna Howard; step-mother, Anna Sue Francis, all of South Lebanon; brothers, Harry Francis and Jeffrey Hall, both of South Lebanon, Gray Dale Francis of Lebanon and Doug Francis of Morrow; sisters, Kathy Howard, Linda Sue Deaton, Jennifer Gadis and Laranda Krebs, all of South Lebanon, Catrina Lehman of Lebanon, Hazel Collins and Deidra Bowman, both of Kentucky; grandson, Logan Michael Howard of South Lebanon; and a host of nieces, nephews and other dear family and friends.

Visitation was Friday evening with the funeral service on Saturday, January 4, 2003 at the Stine-Kilburn Funeral Home, Lebanon. Burial was in the Deerfield Cemetery, South Lebanon.

DEBORAH LYNN HUFF

Though I've written many things over the course of my life, the obituary of Deborah Lynn Huff is the most difficult thing I've ever



had to write.

Debbie was born on April 7, 1957, to Grace and Wiley Amburgey. She was the seventh of eight children and grew up among a close, loving family. After a whirlwind courtship (Deb always said that when it was right, you didn't have to think too long about it), she married the only man she said she'd ever loved, Tad Huff, on February 5, 1983. To this union was born Amber, Joshua and Katelynn Huff.

There are so many things I could say about Debbie, but I don't think there's enough paper in this world to write it. People who had known her for ten minutes could immediately see what an amazing, special person she was. She was not only a teacher by trade, but also one in every aspect of her personality (you could tell by the way she kept her children-and even her husband in line!) To Debbie, there was nothing more important than her family. She gave and sacrificed to her children without giving a thought for herself. The kindness and love I could find in those hard, brown hands is something I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

Debbie's love and compassion were unmatched. She also possessed a quick wit and a sense of humor. She could be as honest and forthright as she was kind. Deb was loyal, hard-working, and brave. She's the bravest person I have ever known and remains an inspiration to all who knew her. I looked around at all the faces at the funeral home and wondered if she knew what an impact she had on so many lives. There's an old Japanese belief that life is like a piece of clay and each person and event molds us into what we are. The imprint Debbie left on the people she met was a lasting one-you were forever changed.

She was a child of God as well as a wife, mother, and friend.

Debbie loved the Lord and His church. There is no doubt in my mind that when she left this world on April 24, 2003, she went to a Heavenly home in glory. She was in the middle of remodeling her house-but now she is in mansion.

I think I speak for all of us when I say we loved her and will miss her. The memory of her will live here in this world like her soul lives on in Heaven. Never again will she hurt, cry, or have sorrow. I know this is not good-bye, but merely, until I see you again, Mom, I love you.

**DONNA “DONA”
HALE AMBURGEY
ISON**

Donna “Dona” Hale Amburgey Ison, daughter of the late Elijah and Maggie Blair Hale, was born in Knott County, Kentucky, on January 1, 1913. She entered eternal



life on Wednesday, February 26, 2003, at her residence on Crases Branch in Letcher County, being 90 years, 1 month, and 25 days of age at the time of her passing.

Donna was married to the late Glaydon Amburgey, who passed away on January 28, 1975. She later married Kearnie Ison, who entered eternal life on October 12, 1987.

Donna was a member of the Mt. Olivet Old Regular Baptist Church at Blackey, Kentucky. She was also a member of the Blackey Senior Citizens.

Donna is survived by three sons, Bruce Bates of Helenwood, Tennessee, Donald Amburgey of Cleveland, Ohio, and James Amburgey of Ulvah, Kentucky; three daughters, Sherelene Tull of Jacksonville, Florida, Bettie Hunley and Pam Francine Sexton, both of Letcher, Kentucky; one step-son, Kearnie Ison Jr. of New Hudson,

Missouri; and two step-daughters, Shelia Rudia of Lincoln Park, Missouri and Teresa Gross of Jackson, Kentucky. Also surviving are 28 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren, 1 great-great granddaughter and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Donna was preceded in death by two sisters, Dalma Amburgey and Dellas Kays and three brothers, Dura Hale, David Hale, and Arthur Hale.

We always wondered why God took you so fast, Mom, until a few months ago. Mom and Dad, your brown haired little baby girl is coming your way. Take her to meet our Lord and Master. I know both of you are with Him. Some day I have a great hope of seeing you again. Mom and Dad were the greatest parents anyone could ever have. I miss you, we all miss you.

Written by son, James "Jim" Amburgey



ATHA RITER ISON

It is with sad hearts but many wonderful memories that we write the obituary of our loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister. Atha Riter Ison of Kingdom Come, was born on May 15, 1927 to the late Dewey and Minalee Ison. On October 20, 1945, Atha married her companion of over 56 wonderful years, Komos Ison. God blessed the couple with three wonderful children: Lonnie Dale Ison, Linda

Gail Cornett, Donna Denise Holbrook and one infant daughter, Lela Mae Ison, who preceded Atha in death in 1949. Atha was the proud grandmother of four grandsons, one granddaughter, and six great-grandchildren. She also leaves behind three brothers, William McKinley Ison, Lenville Ison, and Doyle Ison, and one sister, Bettina Ison. Also preceding her in death were two brothers, Deamer and Wayne Ison. Atha passed away on March 27, 2002, leaving a lifetime

of precious memories and lasting impressions on all of those who knew her.

**CINDA COMBS
ISON AND
ANZIL ISON**



Cinda and Anzil were married December 19, 1931. They were the loving parents of Louise Thomas of New Point, Indiana, Lelah Faye Williams of Richmond, Indiana, and one deceased daughter, Rosalee Ison. They have five grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and two great- great grandchildren. Cinda was a member of the Mount Olivet Church. She was the daughter of Greenberry and Ida Combs of Jackson, Kentucky. A brother, Pedro Combs, of Gilmore, Kentucky, survives Cinda. She has two deceased sisters, Lizzie Combs and Parrot Neace, and six deceased brothers, Henry, Madro, Boone, Isachar, Rhudell and Bert Combs. Anzil was the son of Kelly and Callie Ison of Oscaloosa, Kentucky. Anzil is survived by two sisters, Madge Sergent and Oma Bates, and three brothers, Edgar, Coy and Komos Ison. He has two deceased sisters, Opal Ison and Avie Taylor, and one deceased brother, Manus Ison. Cinda and Anzil resided in Whitco, Kentucky. They were the owners of Ison Radio and T.V. Repair. Cinda and Anzil are lovingly remembered and sadly missed by their friends and family. They will never be forgotten.

GARY KILGORE

It is with a heavy heart I will try to write the obituary of my friend - my brother in the Lord, Brother Gary Kilgore.

Gary was born to Harley and Clida Collins Kilgore on June 9, 1950 at Garrett, Kentucky. Gary met and married Phyllis Griffey on March 31, 1973 and was blessed to have a son, Larry Dwayne on September 10, 1974. He was such a loving and caring husband and father.

Gary worked at several jobs. He was a heavy equipment operator - working for different companies until he decided to become self-employed in his last working years.



Gary started helping our church, along with Ancil Smith, to get the property ready for the construction of our new church.

Arlie and Gary became very good friends. Arlie always invited him to come to church and for a long time Gary always had one excuse or another not to come. The excuse he used the most was that he did not want to go to church with hypocrites. So, finally Arlie asked him if he would rather go to church with hypocrites for awhile or live in hell forever with them. That got his attention, and he started coming to church.

In January, 2002, Gary was diagnosed with lung cancer. He fought the battle hard. We thought for several months that he had won the fight. All during this time he continued to help the church. He planned and designed the baptistery in the shape of a cross. It is so beautiful! Finally Gary got saved and was baptized by Elder Earl Slone and Brother Jimmy Conley. He loved the church family so much!

Gary was such a blessing to our church. He witnessed to everyone he could right up to March 11, 2003, when God opened the gates and let him in.

Also to mourn his passing, he has 3 brothers, Allen, Jimmy and Harold Dean, a host of nieces, nephews and, friends and other loved ones and his church family.

There are so many good things I could tell you about Brother Gary, but of all the things I could tell you, the most important is that he was saved and is now resting in the arms of Jesus.

Written by his sister in the Lord,
Sarah Jackson



ANDY KISER, JR.

Andy Kiser, Jr. of Beaver, Kentucky passed away April 23, 2003, at Highlands Regional Hospital in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. He was informed eight days earlier that he had lung cancer and a brain tumor. He said he wanted no treatment and that the Lord had been so good to him, to let him live 77 years. He said, "If I lay down tonight and meet my Master, I'm ready to go." Dad was born on February 4, 1926, at Teaberry, Kentucky, making his stay here on earth 77 years, 2 months and 19 days. Dad was the son of the late Andy Kiser and Huldy Hamilton Kiser. Dad was a very handsome young man who at the age of 21 met and fell in love with the love of his life, our mother, Margie Tackett Kiser. They were married 5 months later on March 29, 1948. The Lord blessed them with 55 years and 25 days of a wonderful life together. They had four children, 3 sons, Daylio (Patty) Kiser of Howe, Indiana, Andy Jay (Cathy) Kiser of Bronson, Michigan, Zachary Kiser of Teaberry, Kentucky, and one daughter, Angela Jeffrey Brown of Beaver, Kentucky. They were blessed with nine grandchildren. One beautiful little grandson, Brent Alan Kiser, preceded him in death. Little Brent now has a papaw in heaven with him. We know that they are happy together. They also have 4 great grandsons. Dad had four brothers who preceded him in death, Troy, Arlie, Cecil and Palmer. Surviving are two brothers, Elder

Leonard Kiser of Bypro, Kentucky, and Vernon (Bob) Kiser of Mango, Indiana, and three sisters, Alma Doris Newsome of Beaver, Kentucky, Arizona Blankenship of LaGrange, Indiana, and Alpha Blankenship of Hudson, Indiana.

Dad was a retired coal miner and also a factory worker for nine years in Michigan. Dad said the Lord had forgiven him and he gave his hand to the Zion Old Regular Baptist Church on October 25, 1964, and was baptized by Brother Butler Howell and Brother Auther Hamilton. Dad lived his life for our Lord for 38 years being a deacon for the last 12 years, serving his post well. He was blessed with a wonderful gift of singing. I remember when young brothers in the church would come to our home so Dad would help them learn the tune of their favorite songs. He loved helping them. Dad was a faithful member of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church at McDowell, Kentucky. He loved his brothers and sisters in the Lord and would do anything he could to help them. Dad and Mom spent many hours traveling together to church and to visit the sick and elderly. Sometimes they would be gone into the night and I would worry and tell them they didn't know when to come home. Now that my husband, Jeff, and I are Christians, I understand that they were doing God's work. I thank God that we got to travel with them for a few short years. Dad loved to sit around with his children and grandchildren and tell us tales of his youth and how he was raised. He loved to talk about old times and his many friends. He told us how his father, Andy Kiser, was an Old Regular Baptist preacher and would walk many miles to church. Dad was a wonderful, kind, and loving man who loved everyone and he lived an honest and humble life. If only this world had more men like you were, it would be a much better place to live in. You were a brave soldier, Dad, you kept the faith and as one of your favorite songs says, "You died on the battle field, fighting for our Lord." You gave us wonderful memories that will last forever, and, to my brothers, let's all live for Jesus so we can all be together in Heaven someday, where the best is yet to be. So, sleep on my love, and wait for his appointed time of resurrection, when all God's children will be together forever and ever.

Written by your loving Wife, Margie and Daughter, Angela

EMMA MADDEN

All is quiet and still in the small brick house beside of the road in Isom. Yet, the memories of many years of living and loving are still alive in the minds and hearts of family and friends. Childhood memories of growing up on Madden Fork of Irishman cause tears and laughter as Emma and Hager's "girls" re-live the past days and years. The passing of the mother of the Madden family has left a great void in our lives. Emma's place was the center of the neighborhood and she loved to see company come to visit. Good food, godly conversation and a feeling of love and belonging could always be found in Emma's home.



Emma passed away on Friday, August 29, 2003 at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Health Care Center. She was born on February 6, 1910, being 93 years, 6 months and 24 days of age at the time of her passing. Emma was the widow of Samuel Hager Madden and the daughter of the late William and Cordelia Smith Ritchie. She is survived by three daughters, Oline Mullins, Josephine Holcomb and Marie Reedy, all of Isom; two sons-in-law, Hoover Holcomb and Gillis Reedy; four grandchildren, Nyle Mullins, Ronnie Holcomb, David A. Mullins, and Robert Holcomb; five great-grand children, Richard Mullins, Ronald Shane Holcomb, Kristi Jackson, Brandon Holcomb and Kevin Holcomb; two great-great-grandchildren, Sam Mullins and Dakota Holcomb; along with a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Emma was preceded in death by five sisters, Larcena Moore, Vauda Terry, Fronia Madden, Della Stone and Nettie Fannin, and a son-in-law, Gail B. Mullins.

Emma joined the Little Bethlehem Church on the second Sunday in April, 1950. She was baptized on the second Sunday in May by Elders Steve Pratt and Dan Noble. She later joined the New Home

Church by letter. On the third Saturday in November, 1965, she joined the Blair Branch Church by letter from the New Home Church. Sister Emma was a member of the Blair Branch Church for thirty-seven years and nine months. She loved her church and was a faithful member. She is greatly missed by her brothers and sisters of the Blair Branch Church.

Emma was a quiet, meek person. She loved her family and they watched over her with tender, loving care. Throughout the nights and days, some of the family stayed by her side, making sure that every need was met. Emma made a lasting impression on everyone that met her. Her passing caused much grief and pain but the hope of an eternity together helps us to endure the storm of sorrow. The Bible states that “weeping will endure for a night but there will be joy in the morning.” Emma has entered into her morning of eternity, the troubles of life are left behind and the joys of the Lord are a reality for her.

Elder Don Pratt



ELMER MULLINS

The Psalmist asks in the Bible, “Lord, who may abide in your tabernacle? Who may dwell in your holy hill? And he is answered “He who walks uprightly, works righteousness and speaks the truth in his heart.” Surely Elmer Mullins is abiding with his Lord and savior as those of us left here try carry on without him. It is with a sad but very humble heart that I write the obituary of my uncle, Elmer Mullins.

Elmer was born on March 21, 1934, to the home of Valentine and

Claudia Mullins and passed from this life on November 12, 2002, making his earthly journey 68 years, 7 months and 22 days.

Elmer lived his entire life in the hills of eastern Kentucky, caring for and bringing great pride to his mother, father and sister. Early on he was given the nickname “Shotgun” and he carried that name with him for the rest of his life. On May 18th, 1952, Elmer found his life’s partner in Ruby Faye Mullins and for over fifty years, they lovingly lived together as husband and wife. Elmer and Ruby were unable to have children of their own so they opened their home and hearts to their nieces and nephews. I am but one of those who found a father’s love, a father’s care and a father’s devotion from my uncle Elmer.

Elmer worked very hard during his life, holding jobs at ARH Hospital and Falcon Coal Company. He believed that when you were hired to do a job that you did it to the very best of your ability. He never complained about the hard work and never failed to lend a helping hand to those who were in need.

Elmer and Ruby lived with Leander and Allie Mullins, Ruby’s parents, and cared for them until they left this earth. I know of Elmer’s love and compassion for others first hand because he and Ruby helped my brothers and me care for our dying parents. No matter what they needed, he was there to provide physical help or comfort any hour of the day or night. When they died, he told me that he would be there to help if we ever needed anything and he surely was.

Though a very good and moral man, Elmer realized that he was lost in his sins and heading to an eternity in hell without a Savior. In September, 1979 he received Jesus Christ as his personal savior and began a life long walk with the Lord. Elmer joined Little Dove Old Regular Baptist Church in October, 1979. It was out of a great love for his God and love for his brothers and sisters in Christ that he accepted the call to be ordained as a deacon on March 8th, 1986. Elmer also served as the church treasurer until the sad day he became unable to do so due to his health.

Shortly before their 50th wedding anniversary, Elmer was diagnosed with cancer. Elmer spent days and months in the hospital fighting to get well, but it was not meant to be. He eventually returned

home to spend his last days with his wife, beloved friends and family. I will always treasure the time I spent with Uncle Elmer during his illness. He was so concerned that I got rest, had plenty to eat and that I knew how much he loved me. I found this so amazing because he was the one who was suffering and in so much pain yet he found a way to minister to me. I watched humbly as my aunt Ruby tried her best to meet his every need and to show him her love.

Early one November morning, with Ruby and friends at his side, God called Elmer home. What a joyful moment that must have been when Elmer heard the words that we all should long to hear, "Well done, thy good and faithful servant. Enter in and rest."

I believe with all my heart that my uncle is healed and resting in the arms of his savior, Jesus Christ. It is my desire to meet him again someday in our new heavenly home where we will never again have to say goodbye.

Written by his niece Lisa Terry Stepp



ROSE MAGGARD PERRY

Rose was preceded in death by her father and two brothers, Parker Maggard, Sammy Maggard and Robert Maggard. Survivors include her mother, Alice Maggard of Hollybush, Kentucky; her husband, John Perry of Leburn, Kentucky; and her six children, John Keith Perry of Lake Saint Louis, Missouri, Carols Perry of Hindman, Kentucky, Gwendolyn Bodnar of Hazard, Kentucky, Linda Bohland of Hindman, and Terry Perry and Cheri Roesel of Leburn, Kentucky; seven brothers, Edsel of Deviance, Ohio, Jay Austin and Loy Ellis of Hollybush, Kentucky, Lee of Ligonier, Indiana, Wilkie of Ashville,

North Carolina, Moses of Somerset, Kentucky and Charlie of Hollybush, Kentucky; four sisters, Barcelona Davis of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, Helen Ratliff of Hollybush, Kentucky, Ruth Maggard of Frankfort, Kentucky, and Ethelyn Brewer of Paulding, Ohio; fourteen grandchildren and one great grandson (Michelle, Jeffery, Kristie, Marie, Rachel, Johnathan, Ashley, Jennifer, Jason, Leah and Lesley, Ross, CJ, Caleb and Alex.)

Rose (Maggard) Perry, daughter, wife and mother. She was the sixth child of Alice and Parker Maggard. She grew up and went to school in Hollybush, Kentucky and began at a young age to learn to cook and clean and to prepare for becoming a future bride and homemaker. In her youth, she was a dutiful daughter who willingly assumed responsibility for helping to take care of her younger siblings. (Especially getting the younger children up, clean, dressed and ready for school.) She spent many hours helping brothers and sisters to learn to read and write before they even started to school. She was a surrogate mother to her brothers and sisters and her grandchildren.

When Rose was eighteen she met and fell in love with John Perry and was married on October 15, 1955. She loved her husband and their children dearly and would do anything for them. Rose lived in Kentucky and Ohio, traveling wherever John's next job took them and worked very hard at providing a home for her husband and children. She was very proud of her children (and grandchildren) and their accomplishments in life. Her home was always open to family members and other friends who needed shelter while looking for gainful employment. She was very much a southern hospitable person. She loved to cook and entertain. "Oh, who could forget her delicious cakes, pies or salads." She just loved people!

Rose and John were finally able to retire and move back to Kentucky twelve and one-half years ago. She wanted to be closer to her parents and her children. Rose never forgot a birthday or anniversary. Together they celebrated each child's, grandchild's or great grandchild's birthday or special occasion with enthusiasm. Being closer to her parents, Rose always visited often and was never empty handed, she always had gifts, fruit, vegetables or something to give them.

Rose's 46th wedding anniversary to John Perry would have been on October, 2001 and her 64th birthday on October 28th. "May God keep and bless her forever."

DONALD LESTER PROFFITT

Donald Lester Profitt of Thornton passed away on Wednesday, August 6, 2003, at his residence. Donald was the son of the late Benjamin and Sarah Sergent Profitt. He was born on October 12, 1919, being 83 years, 9 months and 25 days of age at the time of his passing. Surviving are his wife, Geneva Lucas Profitt; 1 son, Donald



Patrick Profitt of Camp Branch; 4 daughters; Janice Livingston of Bloomington, Indiana, Lenice Manns of Hueysville, Betty Addington of Prestonsburg and Rita Pratt of Jenkins; 2 brothers, Denver Profitt of Romulus, Michigan, and Darrell Profitt of Camp Branch; 3 sisters, Vesta Sergent of Mayking, Verta Crosier of Jackson, Ohio, and Versa Turner of Highland Heights; 9 grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren. Donald was preceded in death by 2 brothers, Arnold Profitt and Dennis Profitt and 2 sisters, Verna Boatright and Velma Taylor. Donald was a member of the Blair Branch Old Regular Baptist Church.

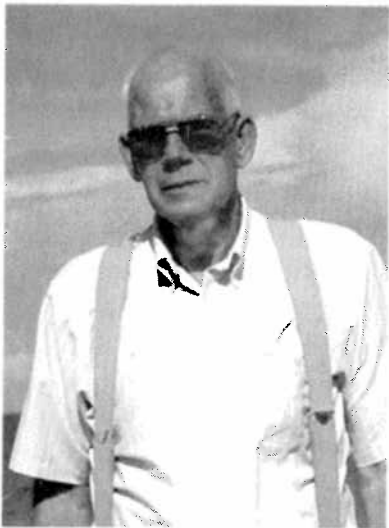
EVELYN REFIT

I pray that God will bless me to write an obituary of our dear sister, Evelyn Reffitt. Sister Evelyn was born on January 24, 1937, at Kitts Hill, Ohio, a daughter of the late Elder R.Z. and Edna Sloan Castle.

She has left to mourn three sons, Charles Jr., Earl Keith and Gary Reffitt. She also had two daughters, Debra Black and Anita Reffitt.

Sister Evelyn was a true sister in the Lord. Sometimes I can close my eyes and still hear her shouting glories to her King Jesus. The Little Jewel Church has lost a good sister but heaven has gained another angel. I say to all that knew her, if you have not called on Jesus to save your soul, I ask of you to please do so before death shall steal your ability to do so.

I miss Sister Evelyn very much but I fully expect to see her on that home coming day, when all of Gods children will come together never more to part. May God Bless all that read this and please give all the glory to Jesus.



RAY ROARK

Ray Roark was born on May 30, 1923 at Roxana, Kentucky. He was the son of the late Boyd and Lizzie Campbell Roark of Ingrams Creek of Letcher County, Kentucky. Ray passed away July 14, 2003, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Health Care Center, being 80 years, 1 month and 14 days of age at the time of his death.

In addition to his wife of 46

years, Ruby Jean Roark, survivors include two daughters, Elizabeth Sue Whitaker of Campbellsville, Kentucky, and Linda Watts of Blackey, Kentucky; one brother, Paul Glenn Roark of Linefork, Kentucky; three grandchildren, Adam Mack Whitaker John Tyler Watts and Melanie Raegen Watts; and one great grandson, Nicholas Adam - Hayden Whitaker. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Renos Roark and Van Venson Roark.

Ray was baptized at the Cedar Grove Old Regular Baptist Church in November, 1973. Ray worked in the coal mines for over 30 years and was a W.W. II veteran. Ray will be missed by everyone who knew him.

Written by: Granddaughter - Melanie Watts



AUSTIN JUNIOR SLONE

By the request of the family I will try by the help of God to write an obituary of Austin Junior Slone of Garner, Kentucky, who passed away on Friday, January 31, 2003 at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center following an extended illness. He was born on May 25, 1943 at Holly Bush in Knott County, Kentucky. He was the son of the late Grum and Rhoda Slone, who preceded him in death. Later in life he met and married Greta Faye Slone of Garner, Kentucky. Into this marriage was born three surviving sons, Scottie Jean Slone and Randy Dean Slone of Garner, Kentucky, and Marty Allen of Harrodsburg, Kentucky. They have five grandchildren and one great grandchild. His wife also survives. Junior was preceded in death with three brothers, Mandy Austin Slone, Bass Junior Slone, and John L. Slone. Two sisters preceded him in death, Linda Slone

and Merkie Slone. He is survived by one brother, Canard Slone of Criola, Ohio, and four sisters, Tina Slone and Margarette Slone of Pippa Passes, Kentucky, Dosie Maggard of Ligonier, Indiana, and Imogene Marek of Hebron, Indiana. Also left to mourn his passing is a host of nieces and nephews, friends and other relatives.

Junior was a disabled coal miner and a member of the Rock Fork Regular Baptist Church. He was loved by all who knew him. He always had a smile and a little laugh when anyone would talk to him. I will always remember this and other good things about him. I have had the pleasure to be with him in this life. I remember when I fell in love with his sister on Caney. Soon after school on Friday, he would come home and head back to Holly Bush to stay with his brother, Bass, and he sure did love the outdoors. He was good hunter. He treasured his hunting. Most of all he felt the need for a savior and began to call upon the Lord. I was pleased to hear his testimony. I am sure there will be an empty place in his home and in the hearts of his family. He suffered with cancer but now this has passed. He has finished his battle and is now awaiting for that noble and resurrection morning. I want to say to his family and loved ones to fall out with sin if they ever want to see their loved one again and go to be with him in a land of peace and joy where there won't be any sickness or dying over there. It is with much sadness to try and write an obituary of a loved one, but it gives me great comfort to write the good news, to feel and hear that they had made peace with God. I had a dream about him last night. In my dream he raised from his casket and was leaping and praising God. This is what we will be doing when we enter into that heavenly place. Please let me beg all of his family and friends to fall out with sin and fall in the arms of Jesus, where there is peace. For He said in the world there is trouble and tribulation, but in me there is peace. Junior found that peace. He is at that peace. I will close this obituary hoping that his family will look to the one that he did.

Written by a sad and broken hearted brother-in-law
and a brother in Christ.

KENNEL SLONE, JR.

Kennel was born on November 11, 1946, and departed this life July 22, 2003, at the age of 56. He was the son of the late Kennel Slone, Sr. and Myrtle Hicks Slone Handshoe.



He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Betty Carolyn Slone; 3 sons, Timothy Wayne Slone of Bulan, Kentucky, Jamie Slone and Kennel Jason Slone (and daughter Kendra) of Amburgety, Kentucky; 2 daughters, Lisa Gail Soto and Carolyn Sue Slone of Georgetown, Kentucky; 4 brothers, Alex Slone, Burton Slone, Daniel Slone and Danny Ray Slone; 4 sisters, Hazel Henson, Margie Hill, Cynthia Henderson and Rosia Lee Slone; seven grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

Kennel was unable to join the church and be baptized after making his peace with God. Some of the last words he spoke were "Praise His holy name." It was a great blessing to watch the change that came over him the last months of his life as he prayed. He has left a good testimony behind and we feel that he is at peace in Heaven.

Written By: Brother Bennie Slone

"No Tears Over Me"

As my walk with you has ended,
 You know I still must travel on.
 For I'm going to be with Jesus,
 And our Father on his throne.
 I know you may want to cry,
 But it's not the thing to do.
 So, please don't shed a tear,
 For I'll be watching you!
 So, as they carry my body
 To it's final resting place,
 Sing some songs of praise,

survive Lula, as do great grandchildren, Samantha Joyce Walls and Richard Benjamin Walls.

Lula was a devoted daughter, wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother at various stages of her life. She enjoyed reading the Bible, walking, quilting, traveling, cooking, gardening, visiting with family and friends, and was always kind to animals. A good neighbor and friend to all, she will be sorely missed.

MINERVA SMITH



It is with a said heart that I will try to write the obituary of our mother, Minerva Smith. Mommy was born November 28, 1912, to Joe and Ibby Coleman and she

passed from this life on November 20, 2002. Both parents have preceded her in death. She had six brothers and two sisters; Honsel, Willard, Howard, Glen and both sisters, Vernie and Clearene, preceded her in death. Two brothers, Walter and Ward Coleman, live in Ohio.

Mommy married Walter Smith in April 10, 1929. To this union twelve children were born, Earnie Hartsock of Norton, Virginia, Avery Smith of Hagarhill, Kentucky, Ellen Roberts of Indian Creek, Kentucky, Walter Smith, Jr. of Inkster, Michigan, Betty Kay Estopp of Dorton, Kentucky, and Judi Gerhard of Wayne, Michigan who survive. She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Smith, and six of her children, Emory, Joe E., Douglas, Curtis, Sidney and Margie Smith. Mommy had thirty-four grandchildren and forty some great grandchildren and there are great great grandchildren.

She was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church since 1939. Mommy worked hard for all her life and never complained. If there is a way to describe my mommy, I think a preacher did it in a story he

With a smile upon your face.
 Because I'll be with Jesus,
 Out of this world's misery.
 So, as they lay my body down,
 Please don't cry for me.
 Over there I'll be waiting,
 To greet you with a smile.
 For we will be together,
 In just a little while.
 Written By: Timothy W. Slone



LULA BACK SMITH

Lula Back Smith, widow of Jerry Smith, passed from this life on Monday, April 14, 2003 at her home at Letcher. The only child of the late Marion and Ida Caudill Back, Lula was born January 31, 1911, being 92 years, 2 months and 14 days of age at the time of her passing.

Jerry and Lula were once regular attendees at local churches. However, injuries suffered in a November, 1990, automobile accident had greatly restricted

Lula's ability to attend various community functions, including church services. She had made a confession of faith and had recently often expressed a desire to go to be with Jesus.

On June 30, 1927, Lula entered into Holy Matrimony with Jerry Smith of Blackey. They rode home from their wedding in the only car in the Carbon Glow coal camps. The disastrous 1927 flood had delayed their planned wedding date one month. Jerry preceded Lula in death on January 5, 1974. To the union of Lula and Jerry was born one daughter, Stella Mae Smith Elam, who survives. A grandson, Richard Marion and his wife, Tina E. Day Smith and a granddaughter, Nancy Joyce and her husband, Sammy Walls, also

told. It was about a girl who left home when she was eighteen. She thought there was something better than what she had, so she went to the city. In the meantime, her dad died and her mom had started to grow old. She wanted to see her daughter again. So, she made flyers and sent them out. The daughter went into a restaurant and saw one, she knew it was her mom and saw she was getting old. Her mom had put a simple message on them. It read, COME HOME, I STILL LOVE YOU. The daughter went home to find the door open. When she went into the house, she asked her mom, "Why is the door open?" She told her daughter that the door had never been closed since you left. That is what our mom was like. She would not go to bed until she knew that we were all in and okay. She would call and ask if we were in for the night. She never hung up on the phone without saying, I love you.

When we were growing up, I remember hearing mommy asking GOD to watch over us and keep us safe. When mommy was in the hospital she asked for her mom and her Aunt Mary Brown. If mommy could tell her children anything, it would be, don't weep or grieve, do not mourn. She would tell us to be good to one another and to love each other for you are all that is left and to live for GOD and I will see you again. Sleep on mommy, sleep in the arms of Christ. You are with the perfect Rose of Sharon and we still have thorns of life to go through. Sharon and we still have thorns of life to go through. We will miss the meals you cooked, the calls asking "are you in", but most of all, seeing you face. You left us good memories. Good night for now, mommy, we love you and we know you are home.

BARBARA ELLEN STILTNER

Barbara Ellen Lane Stiltner, 65 years of age, of the Poplar Creek Section of RR 2, Grundy, Virginia, passed away on Friday, June 2, 2002, in Wellmont Bristol Regional Medical Center, Bristol, Tennessee, following an extended illness. Born in Buchanan County, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Dolly Stiltner Lane. She was a lifelong resident of Buchanan County, a member of the

Bethlehem Old Regular Baptist Church, a loving mother, grandmother, and homemaker. Her husband, Grover Hassell Stiltner, 3 sisters and 4 brothers preceded Barbara in death. She was survived by 4 sons, Timothy Allen and wife Teresa Stiltner, Maxie, Virginia, Gary Scott and wife, Donna Stiltner, Salem, Virginia, David Henry and wife, Becky Stiltner, Pounding Mill, Virginia, and Brian Keith and wife, Kathy Stiltner, Maxie Virginia; two sisters, Jettie Viers, Prater, Virginia, and Betty Deel, Prater, Virginia; one brother, Tex Lane, Maxie, Virginia; 8 grandchildren; and 2 great grand- children.

Barbara was laid to rest on June 11, 2002, in the Frank Stiltner Cemetery on Poplar Creek, Virginia. The funeral services were conducted at the Bethlehem Old Regular Baptist Church with Elders Jim Blankenship, Billy Campbell, James McClanahan, Frank Newsome, and Harvey Creech officiating. Pallbearers were nephews; honorary pallbearers were Dr. William Hunter, Dr. Douglas Green, and the CICU Nursing staff of Wellmont Bristol Regional Medical Center.

Written by Children



LORRAINE FARMER STILTNER

Lorraine departed this earth on Tuesday, April 22, 2003, at the age of 60, following an extended illness. Born in Buchanan County, Virginia, she was the daughter of Mrs. Nona Clevinger Farmer Ratliff and the late Lonzo Guy Farmer. She was preceded in death by her stepfather, Jim Ratliff; one son, Freddie Stiltner, Jr.; one sister, Shirley Duty; and one

brother, Roger Farmer. Lorraine is survived by her husband, Fred M. Stiltner; one daughter, Zelma and husband, Russell Sykes; one son, Darrell and wife, Vicki Stiltner; two sisters, Aileen Blackburn and Ruby Epling; eight step sisters and three stepbrothers; three grandsons, Justin Lee, DeJay Stiltner and Eric Davis; and two step grandsons, Rusty and Shannon Sykes.

Lorraine was a life-long resident of Buchanan County and a member of the Little David Old Regular Baptist Church of the Indian Bottom Association. She was a devoted wife, loving mother, grandmother and homemaker.

Mommy,

I knew, the morning I walked in your room, time would come soon,

I knew, through breaking heart, that we were soon to part.

I knew, through dim window light, that you were alright,

I knew, when you awake and wanted to be straight, it was too late.

Mom, I followed each step of your directions that day,

but you left none for the rest of the way!

I know what it takes to be with you again,

but it's so hard without mommy to step in.

I know for now I'm on my own,

but by the Love of God I'll be led home.

Your Loving Daughter, Sis.

GARLAND SUMNER

Garland was born on April 15, 1915, to his parents, Steve and Angelina Young Sumner, in Knott County, Kentucky. He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Chelsea Irene Sumner; two sons; and one sister, Alice Grigsby. Garland was taken to live among the angels on October 15, 2002, at the age of 87 years, 6 months, and 7 days old. Leaving to



mourn him is his wife, AnnaGail Feltner Sumner. Also surviving is one son, Astor W. Feltner; three daughters, Donna Sue (Hershall) Spencer, Linda Jean (Tom) Dial, and Clara Kaye (Tom) Pailatto; one brother, Willard Sumner; and three sisters, Isabell Combs, Maggie Godsey and Diance Sumner; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was buried October 19, 2002, at the Grigsby Cemetery on Lotts Creek, Hazard, Kentucky. Garland was a man that loved his family, friends, and most of all his Lord. He was a veteran of WWII. At a young age, he learned to play music. He was one of the original members of the musical band called "THE KENTUCKY RIVER BOYS", which was the first band to be broadcasted on WKIC radio in 1954. He was the last member of the band to pass away.

He left a host of relatives and friends to miss him. He is so missed by all that knew him. Brother Garland was a charter member and an ordained Deacon on the Summertown Old Regular Baptist Church. He loved his church and all his brothers and sisters in the Lord.

Written by his wife, Anna Gail
and his sister-in-law, Nancy Feltner Kilburn.



WILLARD AND DELLA THACKER

We, the family of Willard and Della Thacker, would like to write an obituary of our dear mommy and daddy. Daddy was the son of the late Norman and Liza Slone Thacker. Daddy was born on August 9, 1916, and passed away on November 10, 2002, making him 86 years, 3 months and one day old at his death. Mommy was born on June 28, 1928, and passed away on December 28, 1995,

making her stay on earth 67 years 5 months and 28 days old at her death. Mommy was the daughter of the late Teach and Caggie Slone, step daughter of the late Mary Owens Slone. Mommy and daddy had been married 54 years at the time of her death. They had a very big family, eight boys and seven girls, of whom all are living except for two sons, James, who passed away February 24, 1984, who would have been 30 on April 2nd and Gilford, who passed away on June 10th, 2002, who would have been 47 on November 15th. Mommy and daddy were the best parents a child could ask for. They both worked so very hard to raise us, it breaks my heart as I write this just to think about, when times were so hard, how I've seen them struggle to make ends meet so we could have food on the table and clothes on our backs. Daddy worked in the coal mines most of his life. I will never forget how mommy would worry if he was late getting home, afraid he'd had an accident, of course beings kids, we just wanted him to hurry home with the cookies. He would always bring us a treat from his boss, Slim Mann's little grocery store. We would always be standing by the road waiting for him. He never forgot our cookies, even though mommy would always say, "Willard, honey, we are never going to get out of debt if you don't quit charging stuff." The treats still kept coming as long as daddy worked and mommy kept paying the bills. We were very poor but we could not have asked for a better life. We had good parents, something to eat and lots of love. We were a very close family. Mommy and daddy always taught us to love one another and to always do what was right, no fighting, no lying, no stealing, no cheating, no selfishness, and no dirty words. If we broke the rules we paid dearly. Daddy was very strict and didn't care one bit to take his belt to us when he thought we needed a whipping. Neither did mommy but we didn't dread her as bad as daddy. Even though she left stripes on our butts lots of times with a switch, mostly for fighting, as all kids will do. We knew to mind them, if we didn't want a whipping.

We all worked very hard as kids. The boys worked with daddy in the fields and carried mommy's wash water from the creek so she could do our laundry and they always helped with the water for the tubs when she did her outside canning. We girls helped mommy

with the house work and canning, and taking care of the babies while she sewed and did many other things she needed to do. We still found time for fun even though the work was all very seldom done. We had family and friends over almost every evening and it was so much fun listening to the older people talk, boy, did they have some scary tales to tell. We kids would be afraid to go to sleep sometimes. Hazel Daniels was our biggest story teller. We loved her.

Mommy and daddy always seemed like church members to us, even though, mommy had only been in church about 7 years and daddy about 12 years before they died. They were very nice and kind to everyone who knew them and they had lots of friends. They are missed so much and things have never been the same since they have gone. It seems like only yesterday, the grandkids were hollering, grandma, and she was saying, supper's ready, "you all come and eat." She never wanted anyone to leave without eating. Mommy was one of the kindest, most easygoing people I have ever known. I know we can never have them back and we will always miss them, but maybe someday we can all meet again where there will be no more separation. If you still have your mommy and daddy with you, please cherish every moment you spend together. You'll never know how much you miss them until they're gone. We love you, mommy and daddy.

The Thacker family



EDNA THOMAS

Edna Thomas, daughter of the late Tom and Maude Richardson, was born on March 24, 1916, in Letcher County, Kentucky. She passed away on February 20, 2003, at the Whitesburg Hospital at Whitesburg, Kentucky, after a long illness.

Edna was preceded in death by her husband, Linville, and by a son, Virgil

Ray. Both Linville and Virgil Ray died in 1996. Five brothers and one sister also preceded Edna in death. Surviving are one daughter, Bernice Baker of Armada, Michigan; a brother, Arnold Richardson of Colson; five grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren; and four great-great grandchildren. A host of nieces, nephews and friends are also left to mourn her passing.

Edna enjoyed being a homemaker and really loved making quilts, especially for her grandchildren.

Edna was a long time member of the Mt. Olivet Old Regular Baptist Church at Blackey, Kentucky. She loved the Mt. Olivet Church and always could be counted upon in helping out in any way that she could. She attended church as long as she was able and attended a lot of times when she really wasn't able.

“Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints”

FOREST THOMAS

Forest Thomas was born September 8, 1931, to the late R. G. Thomas and Arminda Slone Thomas, and departed this life on December 29, 2002, after an extended illness.

On October 26, 1951, he married Bonnie Slone Thomas, and unto this union 7 children were born; 4 sons, Larry Thomas, Doyle Thomas, Keith Thomas, and Jamie Thomas; 3 daughters, Arminda Mullins, Deborah Davidson, and Angela Smith; 15 grandchildren; 2 step-grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

He was a hard-working man who spent 24 years laboring in the coal mines in order to provide for his family. He enjoyed life and truly appreciated all things which God had created. He had an understanding of nature that few people take the time to acquire. He



is so deeply missed by friends, relatives, and family, but the memories we have of this most special and unique person, with his gentle smile, soft blue eyes and spirited ways will never fade. He will live forever in our hearts.

Although he was small in stature, he was one of the strongest men we have ever known. He could be powerful beyond belief, yet gentle as a feather falling on the skin. He would want his family to be strong now, strengthen and love each other, and rejoice in the fact that as much as he loved life here on this earth, he wouldn't want to come back. Those of us who knew him well can just imagine him in Heaven - how excited he must be, and how excited Heaven must be to have him home. Dear loved ones - listen with your heart—and you will hear the sweetest voice of tenor as he sings in Heaven's choir.

They say that time will heal the pain, but with each passing day, we miss him more - our lives are forever changed.

Your heart stopped beating, but our hearts will whisper your name—

Written by his daughter Mindy Mullins
Presented by his family with mournful hearts.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in the one true and living God, and not withstanding there are Three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, yet there is but one in substance, equal in power and glory, not to be divided and impossible to change in principle and practice.
2. We believe the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the true written words of God and were given by inspiration of God and there is a sufficiency in them contained for our instruction and they are the only rule of our faith and practice.
3. We believe the doctrine of original sin, and that man sinned since the fall, and that men are by nature the children of wrath.
4. We believe in the impotency or inability of men to recover themselves out of the state they are in; therefore, a Savior is absolutely needed.
5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.
6. We believe in the perseverance of the Saints. That by grace through faith they are born again and adopted into the family of Heaven; that they will become equal heirs with Jesus Christ in glory, and that He will raise them up at the last day.
7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Gospel Ordinances; that true believers are the proper subjects and we admit no other.
8. We believe that the true mode of baptism is by immersion, to baptize a person by their own consent, back foremost in the water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

9. We believe that washing of one another's feet is a commandment of Christ, left on record with His disciples, and ought to be practiced by His followers.
10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment when all will be judged according to their deeds done in the body.
11. We believe the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal after death.
12. We believe that no one has the right to administer the Gospel Ordinances but such as are legally ordained and qualified there unto.
13. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to attend church meetings, and that it is the duty of the church to deal with them for neglecting same.
14. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to contribute to the support of the church by defraying all reasonable expenses of same, never neglecting the poor, according to their several abilities.
15. We believe that any doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge the people in their sins or cause them to settle down on anything short of saving grace in Christ for salvation is erroneous and such doctrine will be rejected by us.
16. None of the above articles shall be construed as to hold with particular election or reprobation as to make God partial directly or indirectly so as to injure children of man.
17. None of the above articles shall be altered without legal notice and free consent.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall open and close with prayer.
2. The moderator and assistant moderator, clerk and assistant clerk, shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
3. Only one member shall speak at a time, and shall rise from his seat and address the moderator when he is about to speak.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the moderator until he is done.
5. He shall strictly adhere to his subject and in no wise reflect on the preceding speaker, but define his ideas on the proposition for debate, so far as he can.
6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the same.
7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any subject without permission from the Association.
8. No member of the Association shall have the liberty to laugh during the sitting of the same, nor whisper in time of public speech.
9. No member shall address another in any other form or term than that of "Brother."
10. The moderator shall not interrupt a brother or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his views on the subject unless he shall violate the Rules of Decorum.
11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the clerk, and called as often as the Association may require.
12. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but he shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided, in which event he shall give the deciding vote.
13. Any member who shall willfully and knowingly violate any of these rules shall be reprimanded by the Association as it may think proper.

CONSTITUTION

Having by unanimous voice changed our organization from an annual meeting to an Association, we therefore propose to keep order and rules of an Association according to the following form of government:

1. The Association shall be called the Indian Bottom Association.
2. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying to their appointment, these shall be entitled to a seat.
3. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their full number in fellowship; those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded and deceased since our last Association.
4. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the rights of any of the churches in the union.
5. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum.
6. The Association shall have a moderator and assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, and treasurer, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
7. New churches may be admitted to this union, which shall petition by letter and delegates, and if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.
8. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.
9. Every query presented by the churches to the Association, being first debated in their own church, shall come under the consideration of the Association.
10. Every motion made and seconded shall be considered by the

Association, except it be withdrawn by the party who made it.

11. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an Association fund for defraying the expense of the same. For the raising of which we think it the duty of each church in the Union to contribute such sums voluntarily as they think proper, and send it by their delegates, to be deposited with the treasurer, who shall be responsible to the Association, and pay same out, as the Association may direct.
12. There shall be an Association book kept in which the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary, who shall receive annual compensation for same.
13. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the moderator and clerk before the Association rises.
14. Amendments to this plan of government may be made by majority of the union when in regular session, when so desired.
15. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association; the best method of effecting the same shall be determined by the Association.
16. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by will of the majority of the members present.
17. The Association shall have the power to decide for the general union of the churches and to preserve an inviolable chain of communion among same, giving churches all necessary advice in matters of church difficulty; inquiring into the cause why any church shall have failed to represent itself any time in the Association; appropriate the money received to any purpose it may think proper; appoint any member or members by their consent to transact any business which it may think necessary; withdraw from any church in the union which may violate any of the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association and adjourn to any time or place it may deem necessary.

CHURCH LETTER

We the church of Jesus Christ of Old Regular Baptist faith and order, now in session with the _____ Church, being found in love and fellowship, sendeth greetings, our Christian love and salutation to the ministers and messengers that may compose the Indian Bottom Association, when convened, assembled and in session at our Association building, Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, being hosted by our dear sister, the _____ Church, to commence on Friday before the first Saturday in September, _____ and the two following days.

Dear Brethren:

We are glad that we can correspond with you, and we have chosen these, our beloved Brethren, to bear this, our letter, to you, to wit:

DELEGATES

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

ALTERNATES

4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Dear Brethren, receive our letter and these Brethren to sit with you in all your advisory council. May the Lord bless you in all your work. We are at peace among ourselves. The state of the church is as follows:

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Name	Address	Phone Number
Eld. _____	_____	_____
Eld. _____	_____	_____
Eld. _____	_____	_____
Eld. _____	_____	_____
Eld. _____	_____	_____
Eld. _____	_____	_____

LIBERATED BRETHREN

Name	Address	Phone Number
Bro. _____	_____	_____
Bro. _____	_____	_____
Bro. _____	_____	_____
Bro. _____	_____	_____
Bro. _____	_____	_____

Received by: Experience and Baptism _____; Letter _____;
 Restored _____; Recommendation _____; Dismissed by
 Letter _____; Died _____; Excluded _____;
 Membership _____; Meeting Time: _____ Saturday and
 Sunday of each month; _____ Money sent.

Dear Brethren, pray for us, that Zion may have a travelling spirit
 among us.

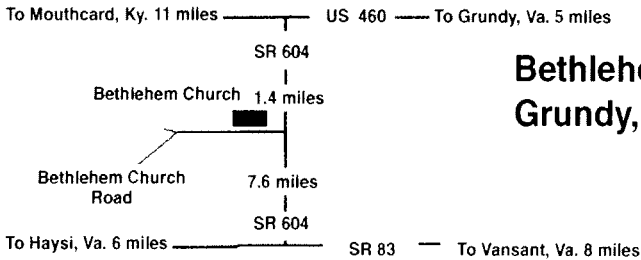
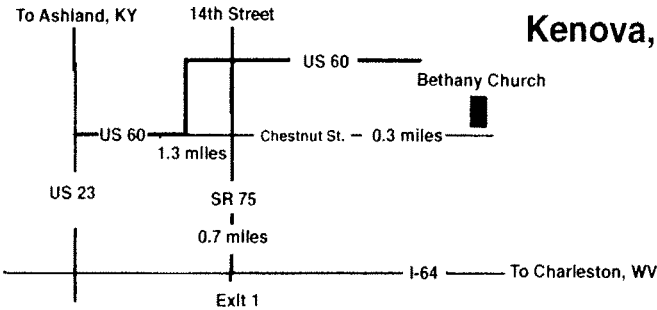
Done and signed by order of the church:

Elder _____, Moderator
 Brother _____, Clerk

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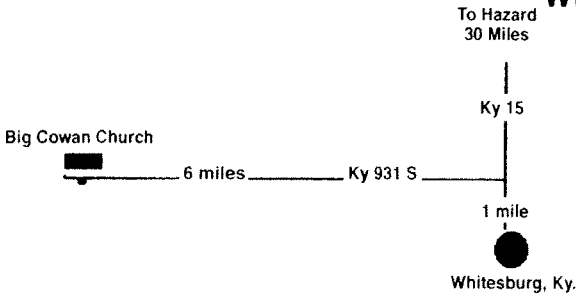
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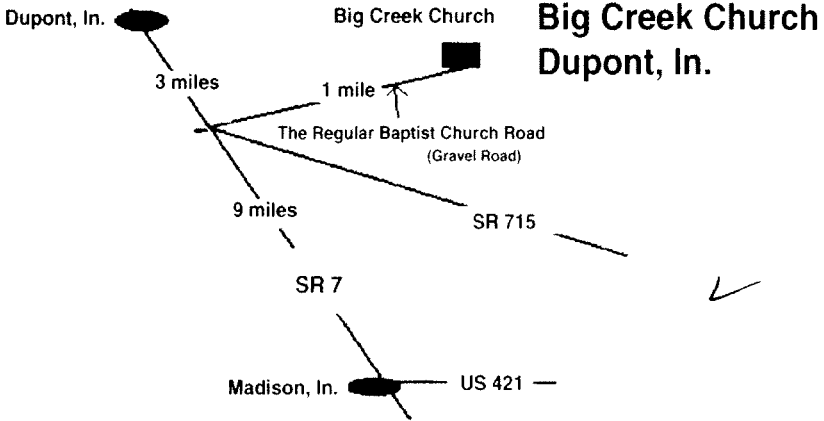
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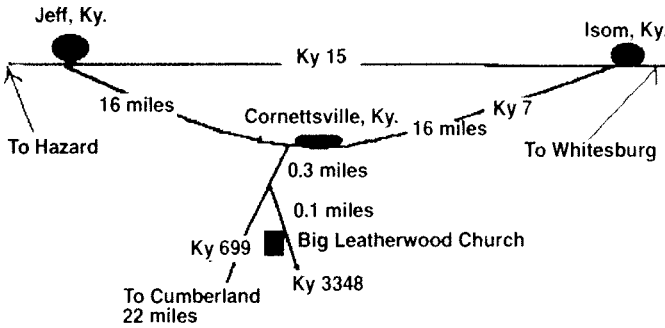
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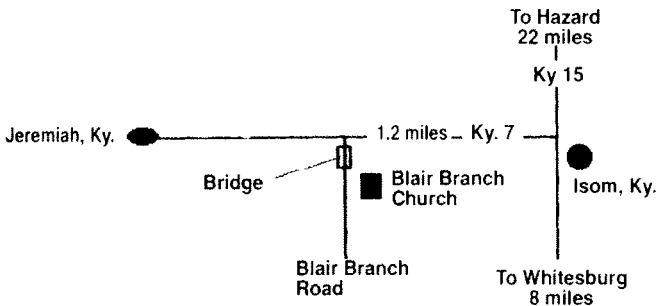
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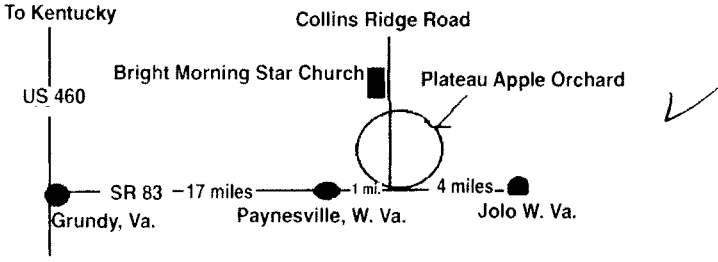


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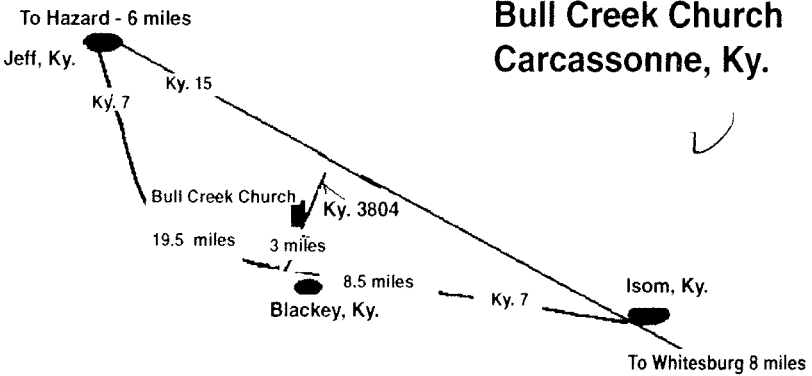


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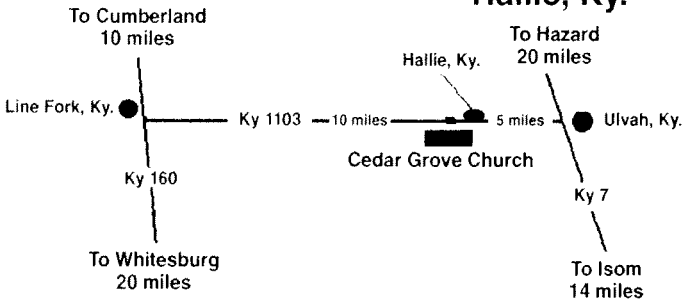
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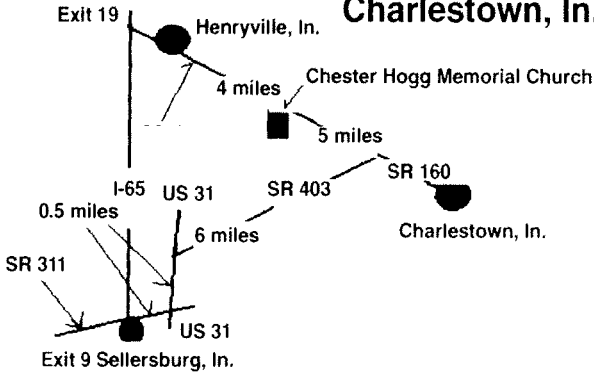


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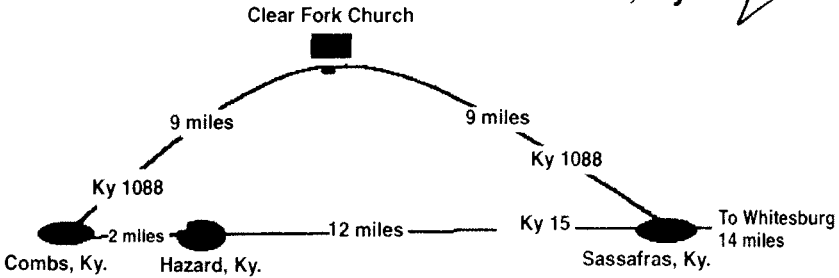


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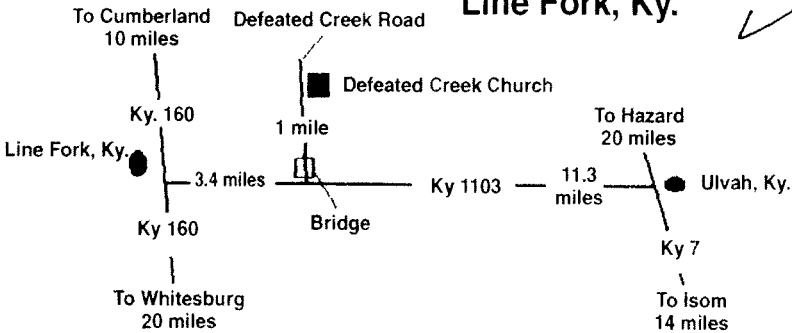
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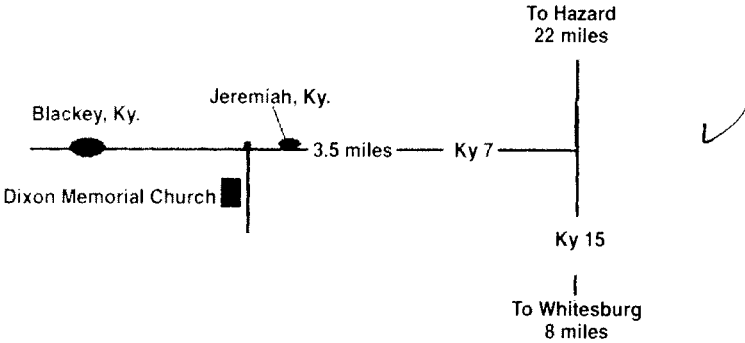


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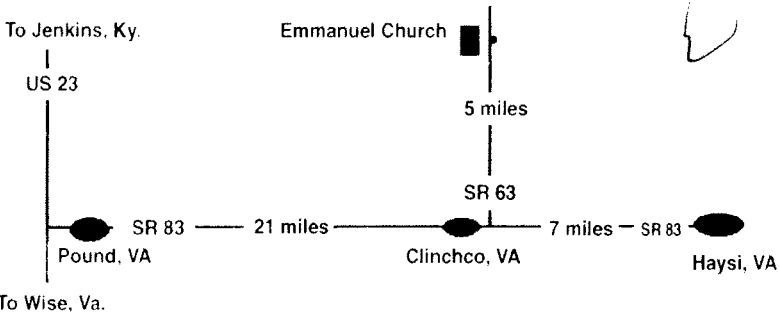


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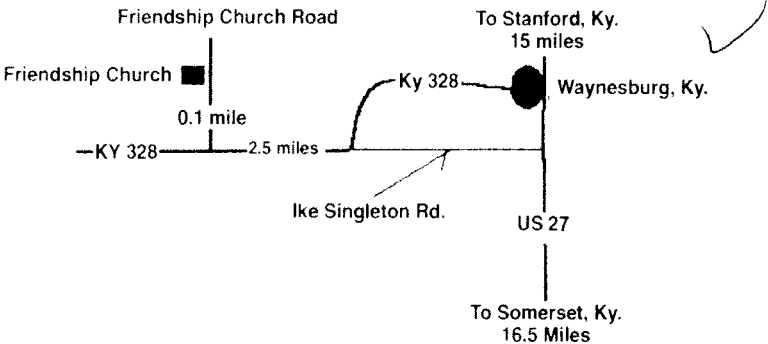
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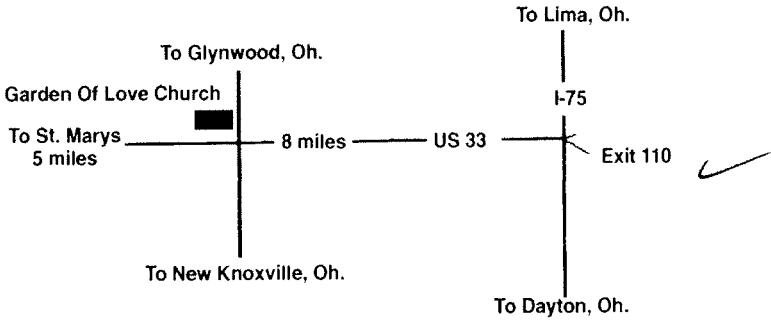


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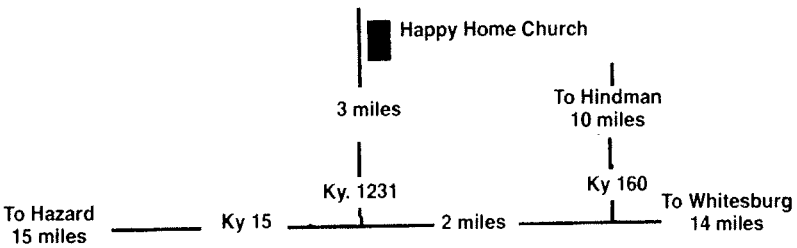


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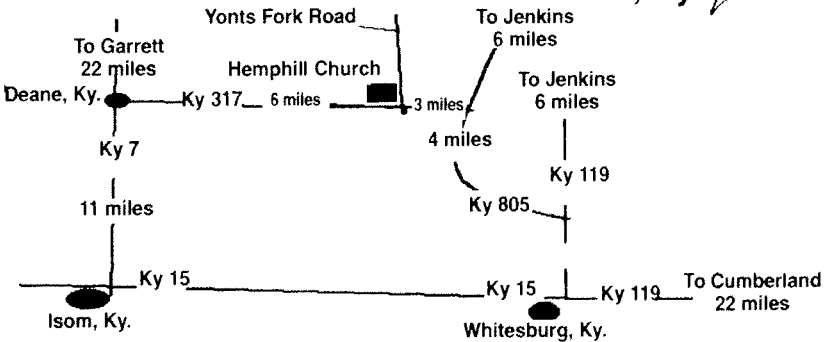
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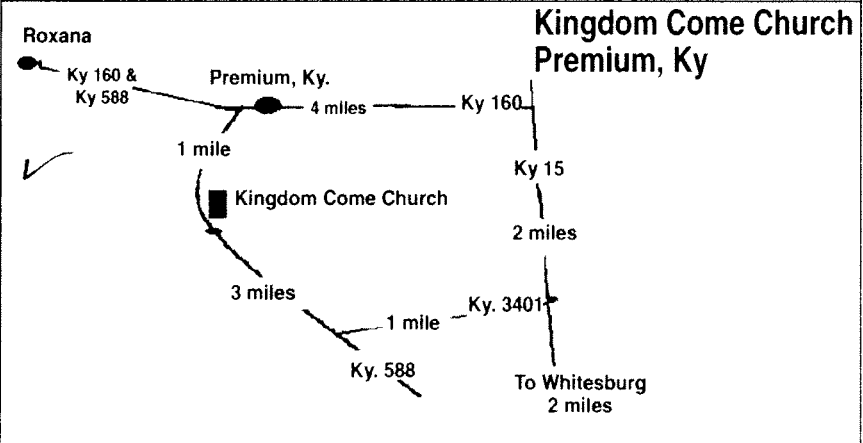
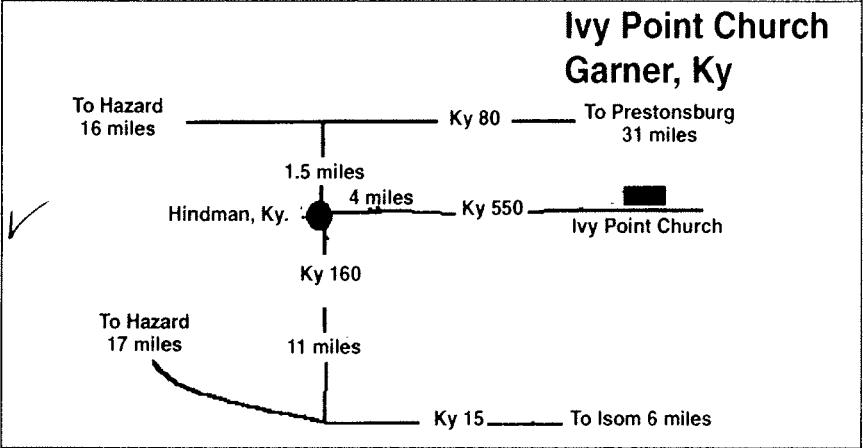
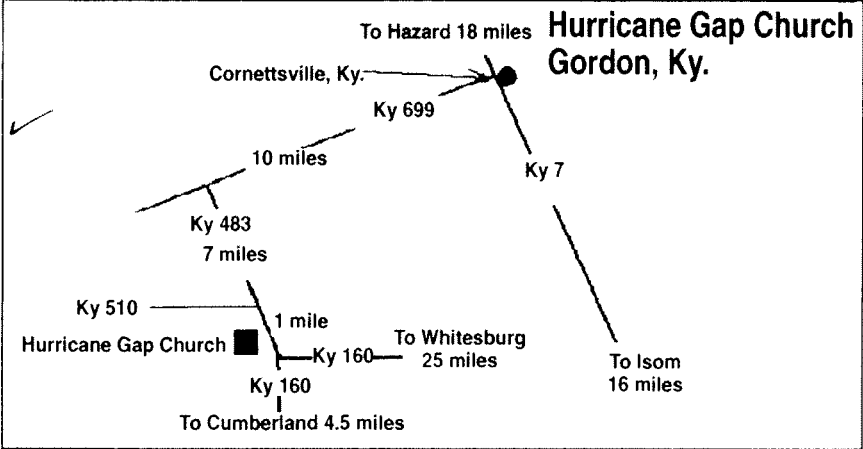
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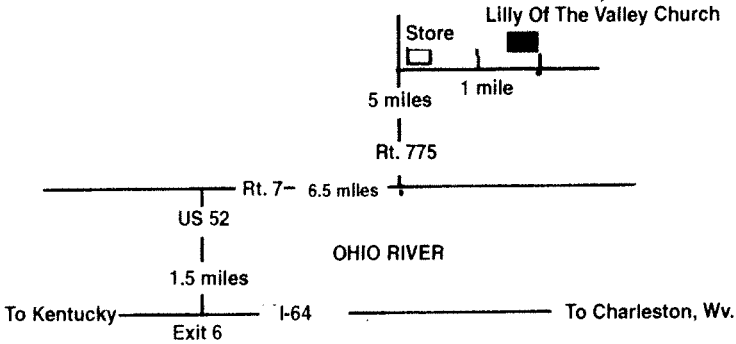


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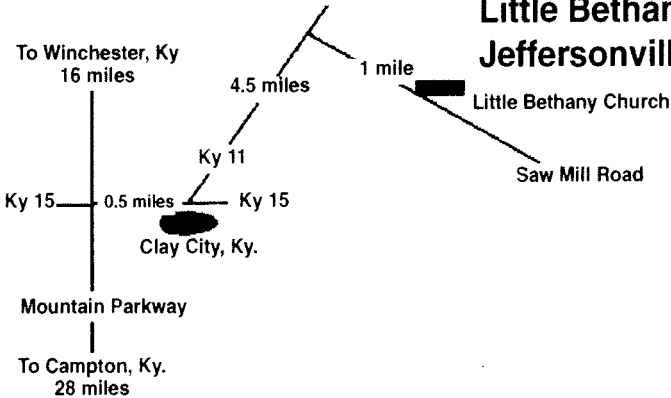


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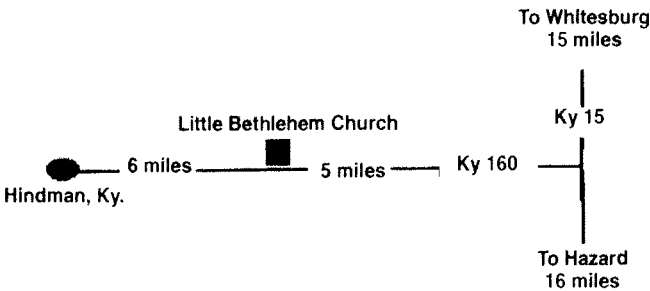
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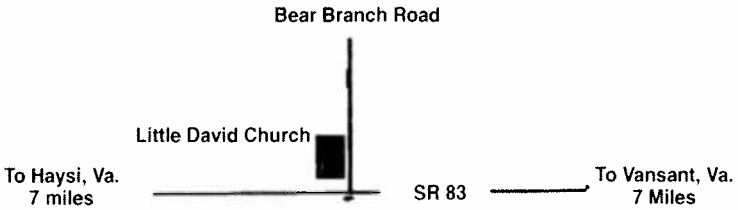


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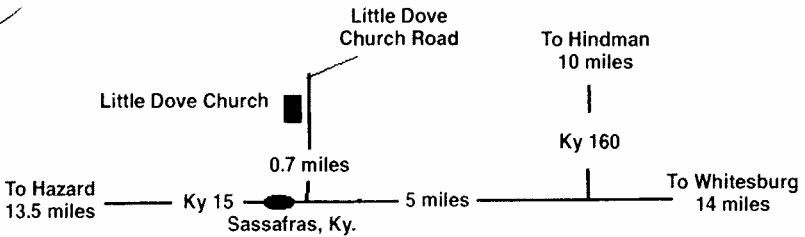


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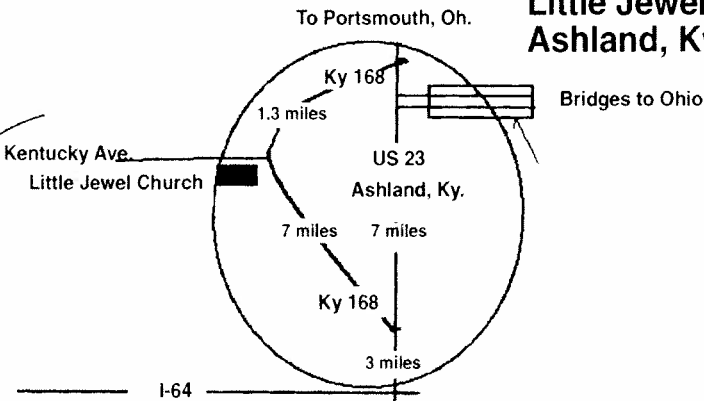
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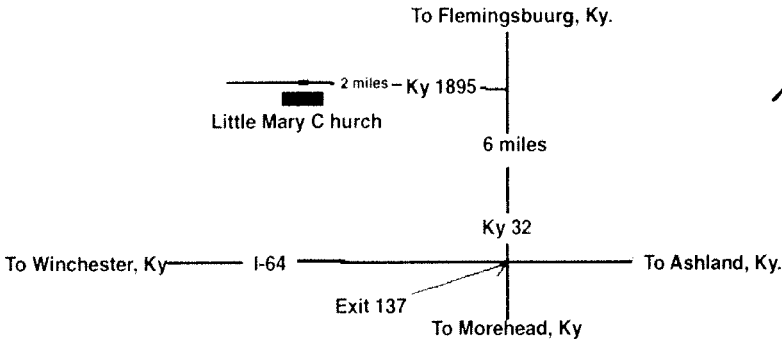


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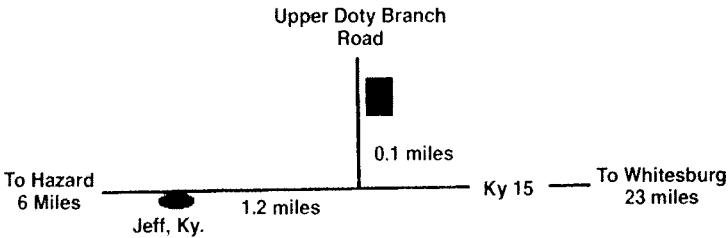


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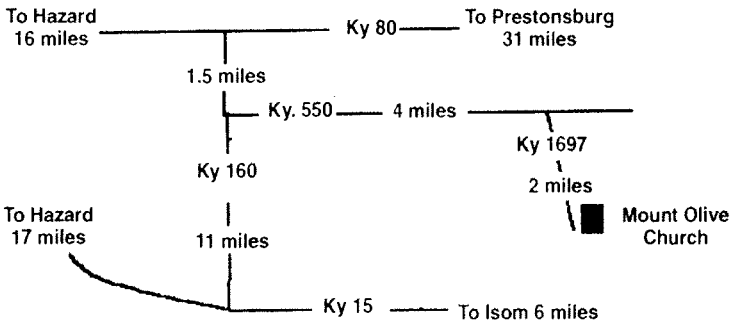
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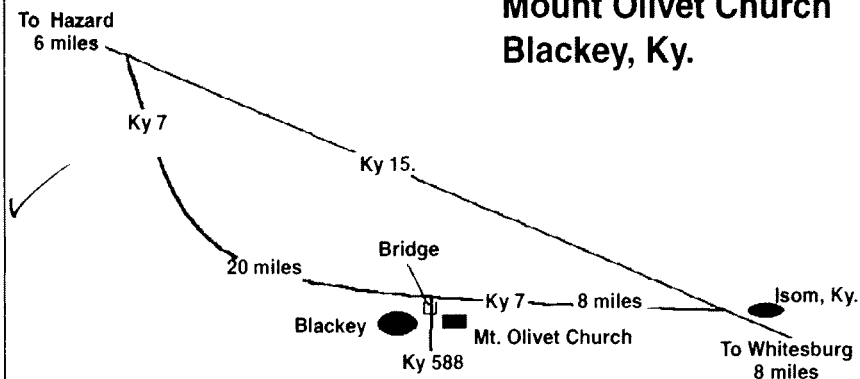


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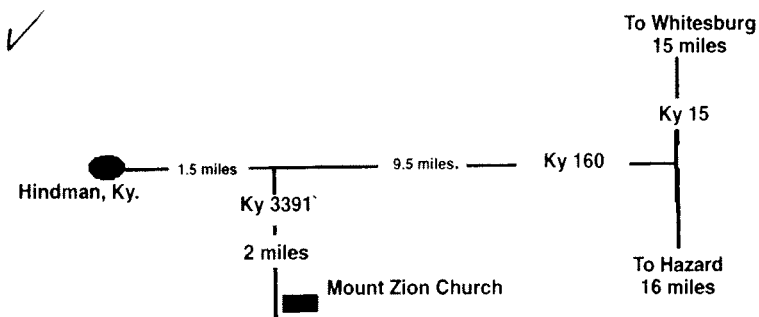


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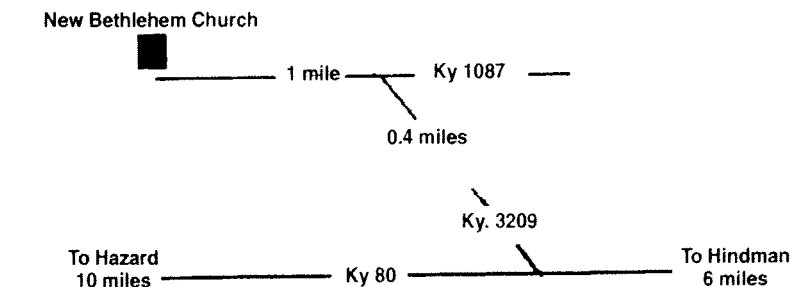
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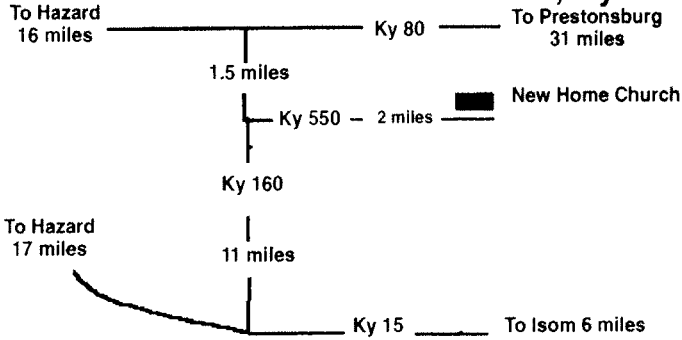


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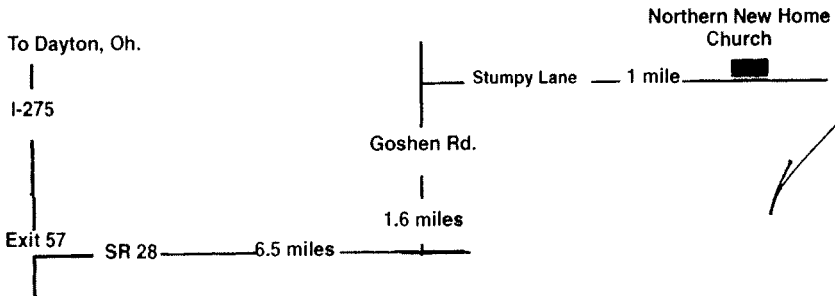


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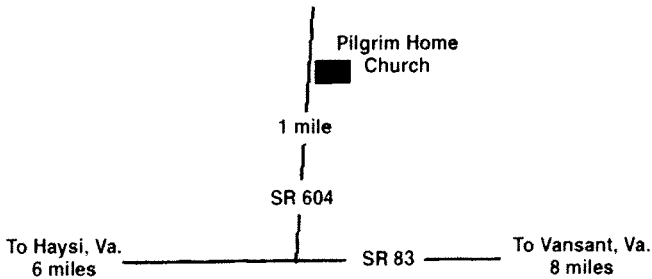
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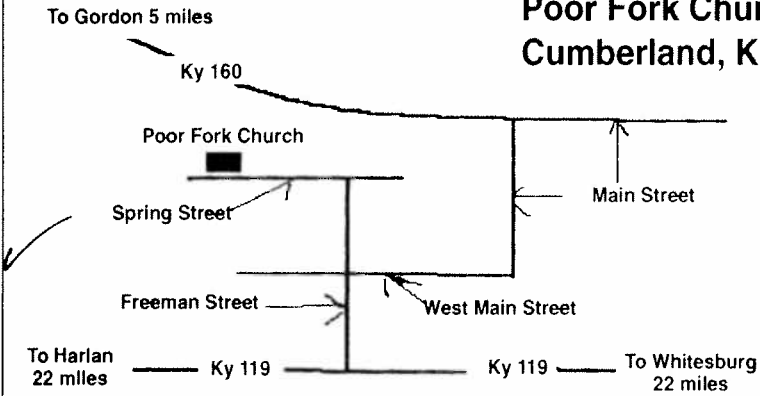


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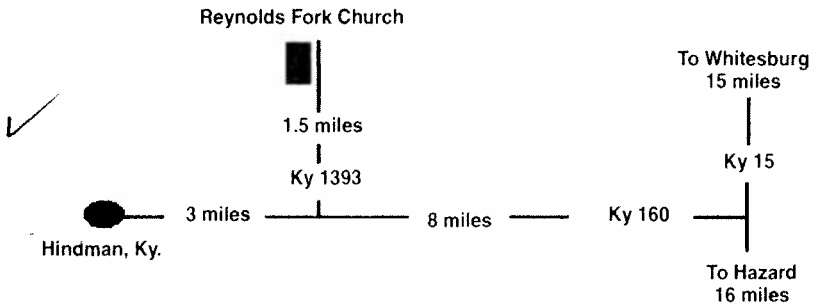


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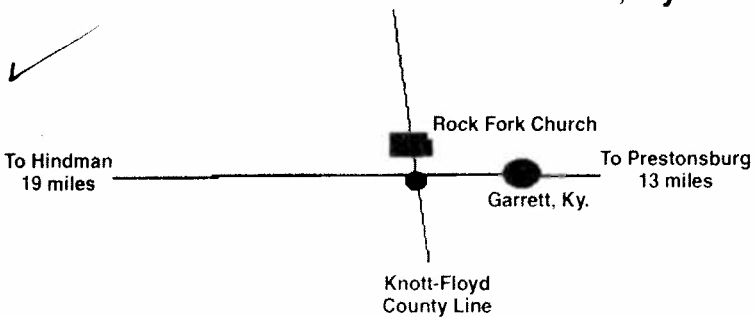
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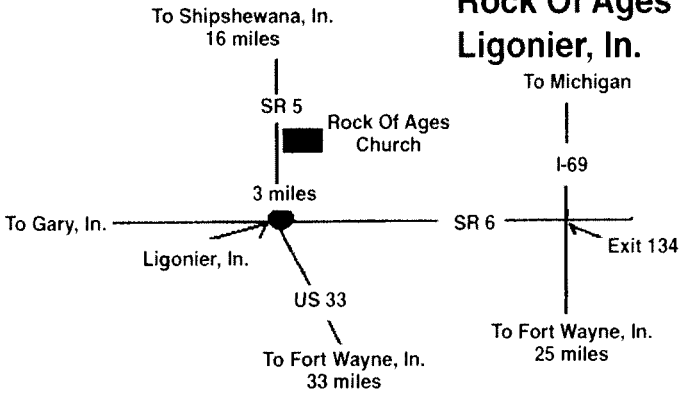


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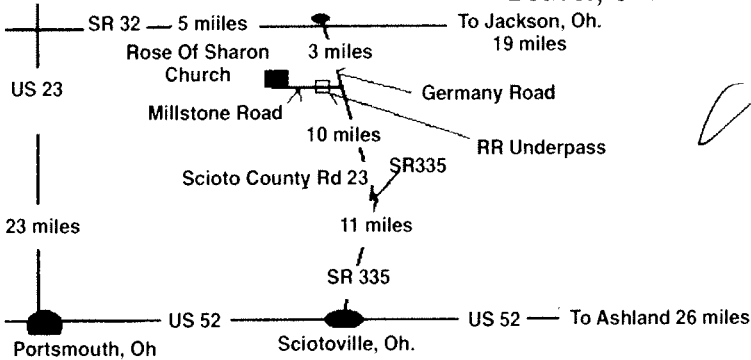


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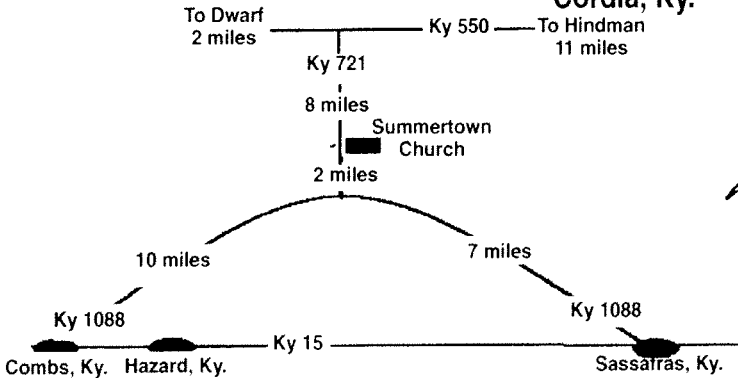
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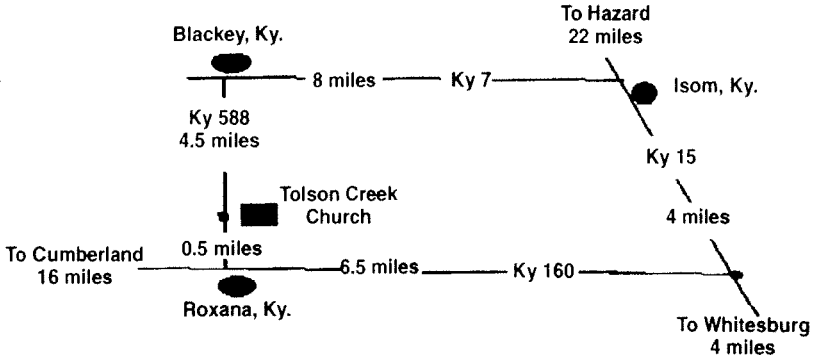


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Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky*

Directions to the Indian Bottom Association:

1. From Hazard, Kentucky, go east on KY 15 to Sassafras (12 miles) then follow signs up Yellow Creek about 1/2 mile to Association.
2. From Hindman, Kentucky, leave KY 80 on KY 160 South about 10 miles to KY 15; turn right, follow KY 15 about 4 miles to Sassafras, follow signs as in direction #1.
3. From Whitesburg, Kentucky, follow KY 15 West to Sassafras about 20 miles; follow signs as in direction #1.
4. Accommodations for campers will be provided and available on the building parking lot. For additional information, contact Emory Caudill.

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