

MINUTES
Of The
One Hundred Sixty - Second
Annual Session
Of The
ORIGINAL MATES CREEK
DISTRICT REGULAR PRIMITIVE
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Organized in 1849

HELD WITH
LITTLE HOPE & OLD POND
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCHES
at Old Pond Church House
Belfry, Pike County, Kentucky
September 5th, 6th & 7th, 2014

Next session convenes with the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church to be held at Samaria Church House, 1722 Left Fork Blackberry Road, Ransom, Pike County, Kentucky, starting at 10:00 a.m. Friday before the first Sunday in September 2015.

Directions to Samaria Primitive Baptist Church House:
From U.S. 119 at Belfry, KY, take KY-319, go 7 miles to Jct. KY-1056; turn right on KY-1056, go 4 miles to Left Fork Blackberry Road; turn left on Left Fork Road, go 1.7 miles to Samaria Church on the left at mouth of Old House Branch.

OFFICERS:

Moderator.....Elder Randal Thornsburly
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Assistant Moderator.....Elder David A. Thacker
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PROCEEDINGS

Of the One Hundred Sixty-Second Annual Session of the Original Mates Creek District Regular Primitive Baptist Association, held with the Little Hope and Old Pond Churches at Old Pond Church House, Belfry, Kentucky.

FRIDAY MORNING, September 5, 2014:

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder John Jacobs.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J.C. Hager.

Called for the letters from all churches. The letters from Little Hope and old Pond Churches were read. Moved and seconded that we accept the letters and have the names of messengers enrolled in the minutes. Moved and seconded that Elder Robert Worrix, Jr. serve as Moderator pro-tem for the election of officers. Moved and seconded that Elders Barry Thacker and David Jacobs serve as Clerks pro-tem for the election of officers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The Association elected the following to serve for the coming year:

<u>ELDER RANDAL THORNSBURY</u>	<u>MODERATOR</u>
<u>ELDER DAVID A. THACKER</u>	<u>ASST. MODERATOR</u>
<u>DEACON LESLIE HATFIELD</u>	<u>CLERK</u>
<u>BROTHER LONNIE SIMPKINS</u>	<u>ASST. CLERK</u>

Newly constituted churches called for: None. Moved and seconded that we have our Abstract of Principles, Rules of Decorum and Constitution printed in the minutes. Messengers appointed last year to visit Sister Associations reported, and those unable to fulfill their appointments were excused.

Received the letters from Burning Springs Association and the Sand Lick Association of Kentucky.

Correspondence from Sister Associations received and seated as follows:

SAND LICK-VA: Elder Jim O'Quinn, Deacon Wayne Fleming, Fayne Viers, Elder Joshua Price Viers, Elder Roger Rose.

BURNING SPRINGS: Elder Jerry Brown, Elder Doyle Keaton, M.T. Wireman, George Price, Deacon Darrell Nickell, Wilbur G. Moore, Roby Gullett, Donnie Lykins, Bill Salyers.

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: Elder Vance Jones, Ken Taylor, Eddie Bostic, Deacon Norman Jones.

WASHINGTON: Elder George Ben Combs, Deacon Clarence Childress.

UNION: Elder Trillis Adams, Elder Roy L. Adams, Elder Corbin Hampton, Deacon Gary Adams, Deacon Tommy R. Adams.

SAND LICK OF KENTUCKY: Elder David Gambill, Elder Dan Ison.

Welcomed visitors from other Associations and various churches:

SAND LICK-VA: Elder Jimmy Duty, Deacon Bernard Owens, Deacon Carroll Edwards, Jerry M. Stanley.

BURNING SPRINGS: Rose L. Gullett, Ella Mae Nickell.

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER None.

WASHINGTON: Elsie Combs, Joy Combs, Barbara Boyd, Doris Childress.

UNION: Bonnie Hampton, Jean Adams.

SAND LICK OF KENTUCKY: Theda Salyer.

OTHERS: Johnny M. and Tenecia A. Hackney, Birchleaf, VA; Barbara L. Smith, Lancaster, KY.

Moved and seconded that the Moderator make all temporary appointments. All the Deacons from Little Hope and Old Pond Churches, together with Elders Michael Elswick and Raymond Stanley were appointed to arrange for the preaching. They reported the following:

A. Friday morning at Old Pond Church: Elder Trillis Adams.

B. Friday afternoon at Old Pond Church: Elders George Ben Combs, Jim O'Quinn, Jimmy Duty.

C. Friday night at Louisa Church: Elders Shawn Dotson, Doyle Keaton, David Gambill, J.C. Hager, Lic Roger Blackburn.

D. Saturday morning at Old Pond Church: Elders Joshua Price Viers, Dan Ison, Jerry Brown, David A. Thacker.

E. Saturday afternoon at Old Pond Church: Elders Vance Jones, Roger Rose, Paris Blackburn.

F. Saturday night at Samaria Church: Elders Shawn Dotson, Larry Slone, J.C. Hager, Jimmy Lee Smith.

G. Saturday night at Big Creek Church: Elders Paris Blackburn, Joshua Price Viers, Vance Jones, Greg Moore, Randal Thornsby

Committee on Arrangements was appointed as follows:

Noah Slone, Walter Rutherford, Bill Slone, Donovan Blackburn, Virgil Smith, Larry Mounts, Fonso McIntosh, Paul Goff, Berlin Dotson, Ricky Worrix, Plennie Coleman, Wallace Vipperman, Estle Hackney, Arnold Hicks, Arthur Coleman, Danny May, Ballard Bryant, Larry Slone.

Messengers who agreed to visit Sister Associations as correspondence are as follows:

SAND LICK – VA: Friday before the 2nd Sunday in September, 2014. James Clyde Ball, Vester Runyon, Timothy Slone, Larry Mounts, Greg Moore, Paul Goff, Larry Slone, Noah Slone, Richard Tucker.

BURNING SPRINGS: Friday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 2015. Robert Worrix, Jr., John Jacobs, Paris Blackburn, Noah Slone, Ricky Worrix, Roger Blackburn, James Clyde Ball, Timothy Smith, Paul Goff.

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: Friday before the 4th Sunday in September, 2014. James Clyde Ball, Noah Slone, Ricky Worrix, Timothy Slone, Larry Mounts, Larry Slone, Michael Elswick, John Jacobs, Paul Goff, Richard Tucker.

WASHINGTON: Friday before the 2nd Sunday in June, 2015. Paul Goff, Timothy Slone, Vester Runyon, James Clyde Ball, Ricky Worrix, Noah Slone.

UNION: Friday before the 1st Saturday in June, 2015. Paul Goff, Greg Moore, Onis Smith, Timothy Slone, Noah Slone, James Clyde Ball, John Jacobs, Larry Slone, Ricky Worrix, Vester Runyon, Robert Worrix, Jr.

SAND LICK OF KENTUCKY: Friday before the 3rd Saturday in September, 2014. Timothy Slone, Greg Moore, Noah Slone, James Clyde Ball, Ricky Worrix, Larry David Chapman, Larry Slone, Timmy Smith, Paul Goff, John Jacobs, Robert Worrix, Jr., Steve Bryant, James Hackney

Moved and seconded that the Association be adjourned until
10:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

Saturday morning Setember 6, 2014, at Old Pond Church House

The Association met persuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder Noah Slone. Roll called and absents marked. Committee on Arrangements reported the following:

The Committee met at Old Pond Church house, and was called to order by the Moderator.

- #1. Recommend that we omit the reading of the letters from all the churches before the committee, except the letters from Little Hope & Old Pond Churches.
- #2. Recommend that Calvary Church host the Annual Meeting for 2015.
- #3. Recommend that Samaria Church host the Association for 2015.
- #4. Called for the circular letter written by Elder Greg Moore. The letter was read and recommended for approval by the full body of messengers on Saturday morning.
- #5 Recommended that the Clerk be authorized to procure services to restore our old original hand-written ledger book to readable condition.
- #6. Recommend that we carry on our work on Saturday in the usual manner.

Moved and seconded that the committee's work be accepted and that they be discharged.

Moved and seconded that our Annual Meeting be held with Calvary Church, beginning Friday before the last Saturday in March, 2015.

Committee on preaching reported the following for Sunday:

Song and prayer by Elder Vance Jones.

- 1.) Brian Moore
- 2.) J.C. Hager
- 3.) Randal Thornsbury

Dismissed with song and prayer by Elder Robert Worrix Jr.

Moved and Seconded that the preaching committee be discharged after services on Sunday.

Called on Union Meetings appointees to report. They reported and those unable to fulfill their appointments were excused. Union meetings and their appointees for 2015 are as follows:

LOUISA: 16 Rocky Way, Pikeville, KY 41501 Meets Friday before the second Saturday in August, 2015. Lundy Coleman, Paris Blackburn, Paul Dean Justice, David A. Thacker, Jimmy Lee Smith, Onis Smith, David May, Randal Thornsby, David Jacobs, John Jacobs, Barry Thacker, Brian Moore, Raymond Stanley, Garnell Gilbert, J.D. Hager, Trillis Adams, Corbin Hampton, Shawn Dotson, Jeff Dotson, Greg Moore, Roger Blackburn, David Gambill, Riley Grigsby, Daniel Jacobs, Timothy Slone, Terry Thacker, Robert Thacker, Jerry Brown, and all orderly Primitive Baptists of the same faith and order.

NOTE: A Memorial Day meeting will be held at Annie Young Cemetery, East Shelbiana, KY on May 25, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

OLD POND: 167 Church House Hollow, Belfry, KY 41514. Meets Friday before the second Saturday in June, 2015. J.C. Hager, Raymond Stanley, Randal Thornsby, Paris Blackburn, Jimmy Lee Smith, Noah Slone, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, Kenneth Chapman, John Jacobs, Onis Smith, Estle Hackney, Steve Kender, David May, Timothy Slone, Plennie Coleman, Frank Ball, Paul Varney, David Jacobs, Larry Slone, Joe Kinder, David A. Thacker, Ricky Worrix, and all orderly Primitive Baptists are welcome.

NOTE: A Memorial Meeting will be held the second Saturday and Sunday in May, 2015.

BIG CREEK: 21 Stratton Fork Road, Canada, KY 41519 Meets Friday before the third Saturday in August, 2015. Paris Blackburn, Jimmy Lee Smith, Kenneth Chapman, J.C. Hager, David Lee Jacobs, Brian Moore, Greg Moore, Larry Slone, Noah Slone, Raymond Stanley, Barry Thacker, Robert Worrix, Jr., Paul Varney, Estle Hackney, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, Daniel Jacobs, Roger Blackburn, and all orderly Primitive Baptist Elders.

NOTE: A Memorial Meeting for all deceased members will be held Sunday, following the 3rd Saturday in July, 2015.

RACCOON: 5174 Raccoon Road, Pikeville, KY 41501 Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in July, 2015. Raymond Stanley, Barry Thacker, Estle Hackney, Noah Slone, Michael Elswick, Randal Thornsby, Garnell Gilbert, Brian Moore, John Jacobs, David Jacobs, Argle Kendrick, Todd Thacker, Gary Thacker, Jimmy Lee Smith, Ricky Worrix, and all orderly Primitive Baptist ministers.

NOTE: A Memorial Meeting will be held the 4th weekend in October, 2015.

PETER CREEK: 24 Smith Fork Road, Phelps, KY 41553. Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in June, 2015. Paris Blackburn, Randal Thornsby, Steve Kender, Paul Varney, Jimmy Lee Smith, Jeff Dotson, Brian Moore, Michael Elswick,

Shawn Dotson, Joe Kinder, Barry Thacker, Larry Mounts, and all orderly Primitive Baptist elders are welcome.

NOTE: Memorial Meeting will be held the fourth Saturday in June, 2015.

SULPHUR SPRINGS: 4092 Paw Paw Road, Hurley, VA 24620 Meets Friday before the first Saturday in August, 2015. Larry Slone, Estle Hackney, John Jacobs, Paul Varney, Jeff Dotson, Randal Thornsby, David A. Thacker, Shawn Dotson, Noah Slone, Raymond Stanley, Robert Worrix, Jr., Jimmy Lee Smith, Steve Kender, Ricky Worrix, James Clyde Ball, Argle Kendrick, Timothy Slone, Joe Kinder, Larry Mounts, and all orderly Primitive Baptists are welcome.

LITTLE HOPE: 76 Left Fork Ball Fork Road, Pinsonfork, KY 41555. Meets Friday before the first Saturday in July, 2015. Larry Slone, Estle Hackney, Kenneth Chapman, Robert Thacker, Paris Blackburn, David Jacobs, John Jacobs, Robert Worrix, Jr., Noah Slone, Paul Varney, David A. Thacker, Jimmy Lee Smith, Randal Thornsby, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, Michael Elswick, J.C.Hager, Steve Kender, Onis Smith, Roger Rose, Timothy Slone, Vance Jones, Brian Moore, Larry Mounts, and all orderly Primitive Baptists are invited to attend.

NOTE: A memorial meeting will be held the first weekend in August, 2015.

GRAPEVINE: 17519 Grapevine Road, Phyllis, KY 41554. Meets Friday before the third Saturday in May, 2015 Paul Varney, John Jacobs, Jimmy Lee Smith, J.C. Hager, Raymond Stanley, Brian Moore, Randal Thornsby, David A. Thacker, Larry Slone, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, Garnell Gilbert, Noah Edwards, Todd Thacker, Robert Worrix, Jr., Ricky Worrix, Barry Thacker, Plennie Coleman, Gary Thacker, Noah Slone, Steve Kender, Jim Duty, David Gambill, and all orderly Old Regular Primitive Baptists are welcome.

NOTE: A Memorial Meeting for deceased members will be held on Sunday, May 31, 2015. Our regular monthly meeting begins on Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

SAMARIA: 1722 Left Fork Blackberry Road, Ransom, KY 41558. Meets Friday before the third Saturday in June, 2015. Paul Varney, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, Larry Slone, Raymond Stanley, Kenneth Chapman, J.C. Hager, Paris Blackburn, Jimmy Lee Smith, Randal Thornsby, Noah Slone, Estle Hackney, James Clyde Ball, Brian Moore, Vance Jones, Timothy Slone, Plennie Coleman, and we welcome all orderly peace-loving Primitive Baptists to visit with us.

FEDS CREEK: 1854 Feds Creek Road, Feds Creek, KY. Meets the first Saturday in May, 2015. Ricky Worrix, Timothy Slone,

Robert Worrix, Jr., John Jacobs, Paris Blackburn, Noah Slone, Randal Thornsberry, David A. Thacker, Gary A. Thacker, Estle Hackney, Raymond Stanley, Todd Thacker, Larry Mounts, Jimmy Lee Smith, Brian Moore, David Jacobs, James Clyde Ball, and all orderly Primitive Baptists of the same faith and order.

JOHNS CREEK: 2253 Long Fork Road, Kimper, KY 41539.

Meets Friday before the second Saturday in April, 2015. Kenneth Chapman, Noah Slone, David May, Jeff Dotson, Steve Kender, Michael Elswick, Shawn Dotson, Raymond Stanley, David A. Thacker, Jimmy Lee Smith, John Jacobs, Larry Slone, Randal Thornsberry, Onis Smith, Timothy Slone, Larry Mounts.

CALVARY: 631 Varney Branch Road, Kimper, KY 41539

Meets Friday before the first Saturday in June, 2015. J.C. Hager, Shawn Dotson, Paul Varney, John Jacobs, Noah Slone, Randal Thornsberry, Onis Smith, Michael Elswick, Raymond Stanley, Greg Moore, Paris Blackburn, Jeff Dotson, Steve Kender, Jimmy Lee Smith, Brian Moore, David Jacobs, Kenneth Chapman, Timothy Slone, Robert Worrix, Jr., Ricky Worrix and all orderly Primitive Baptists are welcome.

NOTE: A Memorial Meeting will be held Sunday, November 2, 2014 for deceased members.

DRY FORK: 2782 Dry Fork Road, Vansant, VA 24656 Meets

Friday before the second Saturday in May, 2015. Noah Slone, Raymond Stanley, Paul Varney, Brian Moore, Robert Worrix, Jr., Larry Slone, Jimmy Lee Smith, Randal Thornsberry, David A. Thacker, J.C. Hager, Jeff Dotson, Ked Stacy, Garnell Gilbert, Donald Stacy, Jim Duty, Jim O'Quinn, Shawn Dotson, Estle Hackney, James Clyde Ball, Ricky Worrix, Argle Kendrick, Kenneth Chapman, Roger Rose, Ronnie Rose, Larry Mounts, Timothy Slone and all orderly Primitive Baptist ministers are welcome.

NOTE: Memorial service for all deceased members will be held on the second Sunday in July, 2015 on Baldwin Mountain at the cemetery.

FRIENDSHIP: Bob's Branch, Ky Route 1107 Thelma, KY

41260. Meets the fourth Saturday in August, 2015. John Jacobs, Greg Moore, Noah Slone, Randal Thornsberry, Onis Smith, David A. Thacker, Paris Blackburn, Barry Thacker, Raymond Stanley, Estle Hackney, Ricky Worrix, Robert Worrix, Jr., Jeff Dotson, Timothy Slone, Jimmy Lee Smith and all orderly Primitive Baptists elders, brothers and sisters are welcome.

COLUMBUS: 599 Hilock Road, Columbus, OH 43207. Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in April, 2015. Randal Thornsberry, Noah Slone, John Jacobs, David A. Thacker, Onis Smith, David Jacobs, David May, Carmen Gillum, Robert Worrix, Jr., J.C. Hager, Raymond Stanley, Greg Moore, Hesker Gillum, Joshua Viers, Garnell Gilbert, Curt Heath, James T. Dotson, Todd Thacker, Michael Elswick, James Clyde Ball, Steve Kender, Ricky Worrix, Brian Moore, Gary Thacker, Larry Slone, Daniel Jacobs, Jimmy Lee Smith, David Gambill, All other Matthes Creek elders, brothers and sisters are invited to attend.

Our Annual Meeting will be held October 3rd, and 4th, 2015.

DEERFIELD: 4474 Center Road, Linden, MI 48451. Meets 4:00 p.m. on fourth Saturday in June, and second Saturday in October, 2015. Randal Thornsberry, David A. Thacker, John Jacobs, Onis Smith, Michael Elswick, David May, Raymond Stanley, Estle Hackney, Paris Blackburn, Greg Moore, Robert Worrix, Jr., Ricky Worrix, Noah Slone, Timothy Slone, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, Brian Moore, Paul Varney, Hoey Lester, Roger Rose, Jimmy Duty, Robert Thacker, Terry Thacker, David Gambill, Jonathan Cook, Victor Quick, Roger Blackburn, and all orderly Primitive Baptist elders are invited.

NOTE: Memorial service to be held the second weekend in October, 2014.

PLEASANT HILL: 615 Oakland, Urbana, OH 43078. Meets at 4:00 p.m. the third Saturday in April, 2015. J.C. Hager, Daniel Jacobs, David Jacobs, Robert Worrix, Jr., Noah Slone, Lundy Coleman, Paris Blackburn, Barry Thacker, David May, David A. Thacker, Garnell Gilbert, Ricky Worrix, Larry Mounts, David Gambill, and all orderly Primitive Baptist elders.

NOTE: A Memorial service will be held the third weekend of October, (Oct, 18th & 19th), beginning at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.

NEW HOPE: 527 Pinsonfork Road, Pinsonfork, KY 41555. Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in May, 2015. Timothy Slone, John Jacobs, David Jacobs, Daniel Jacobs, Onis Smith, Randal Thornsberry, David A. Thacker, Raymond Stanley, Shawn Dotson, Jeff Dotson, David May, Noah Slone, Paul Varney, Barry Thacker, Estle Hackney, Brian Moore, James Clyde Ball,

Plennie Coleman, Greg Moore, Ricky Worrix, Robert Worrix Jr., Argle Kendrick, and all orderly Primitive Baptist ministers are invited.

Circular Letter called for, read, received and to be printed in the minutes, and that Elder Daniel Jacobs is to prepare the next one.

Agreed that we have 1500 minutes printed, and annex our Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and Articles of Faith, and the obituaries of the following:

BROTHERS: David Coleman, Jr., R.T. Thacker, Mitchie Blackburn, Tom Chapman, Wendell Dotson, Carl Clark, William J, "Bill" Hill, Glen Evan Smith, Ralph Street, Earl Casey, Chester Wolford, Burton Goff, Sonny Lee Hall, John D. Worrix, Jr., Charles May, Johnny Simpkins, Emery Varney.

SISTERS: Effie Blackburn Harlow, Glenna R. Hatfield, Lucille Simpkins, Christine Kendrick, Verlie Vanhooose, Glenna Jean Ball Hatfield, Ruth Blackburn Maynard, Octavia Chapman, Dixie Brant, Dean Tiller, Carol Sue Thompson.

Agreed that the Brother Clerk superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes and that all funds left after paying for the Minutes and other expenses of the Association be left in his care until the next Association.

The finances were dispensed as follows:

BALANCE LEFT ON HAND from last year..... \$3388.07

AMOUNTS RECEIVED AFTER CLOSE OF BUSINESS LAST YEAR:

1. Donations on Saturday and Sunday..... \$799.00

2. Obituaries 50.00

TOTAL..... \$849.00

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE \$4237.07

AMOUNTS PAID OUT since last Association:

Paid for the 2013 Minutes -\$1698.98

Gave Moderator -50.00

Gave Assistant Moderator -50.00

Gave Clerk -50.00

Gave Assistant Clerk -50.00

Reimbursed Peter Creek Church for portable toilets -215.00

Paid for postage and copies -158.40

Gave cash to visiting ministers.....-600.00

Paid for Supplies -62.28

TOTAL AMOUNTS PAID OUT -\$2934.66

BALANCE ON HAND Sept. 5, 2014..... \$1302.41

AMOUNTS RECEIVED THIS YEAR

From the churches Sept. 5, 2014 \$1600.00

For obituaries Sept. 5, 2014	325.00
Donations and other Sept. 5, 2014	50.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS THIS YEAR	\$1975.00
BALANCE LEFT ON HAND SEPT 6, 2014	3277.41
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:	
Checkbook balance:	\$1252.41
Cash and Checks to On Hand to Deposit:.....	\$2025.00
TOTAL FUNDS:.....	\$3277.41

Agreed that our next Association be held with the Samaria Church, at 1722 Left Fork Blackberry Road, Ransom, Pike County, Kentucky, to begin at 10:00 a.m. Friday before the first Sunday in September, 2015. Elder John Jacobs was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon. Elder Jimmy Lee Smith is to be his alternate. Minutes read, approved. Closed with prayer by Elder Robert Worrix, Jr., then adjourned until the time of our next Association.

Signed by: Elder Randal Thornsby, Moderator
Elder David A. Thacker, Asst. Moderator
Deacon Leslie D. Hatfield, Clerk
Deacon Lonnie Simpkins, Asst. Clerk

The Association gives thanks to God, and extends our love and appreciation to the brothers and sisters of Little Hope and Old Pond Churches for their hard work and love in their hosting of the Association.

SUNDAY MORNING September 7, 2014

INTRODUCTION: Elder Vance Jones introduced the service with song and prayer.

1. Brian Moore
2. J.C. Hager
3. Randal Thornsby

Dismissed with song and prayer by Elder Robert Worrix, Jr.

CIRCULAR LETTER

To the elders, messengers, Brothers and Sisters of the 162nd Annual session of the Mates Creek District Regular Primitive Baptist Association, held with the Little Hope and Old Pond Church.

Brethren, by the request of the brethren of our last association and by the grace of God, I will try to write this letter. I pray it will be to the glory of the God of heaven.

Paul wrote, as I feel, "Grace to you and peace from God our father and the Lord Jesus Christ". Grace, no doubt, sums it up. The bible teaches us that we are complete in him. First Peter chap. 1 verse 3; "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead". Brethren, we preach and hold fast the doctrine of a sure salvation that has been put forth, for many years. I believe with all my heart, as the bible teaches us, that without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins. I also love these words dearly as well. "Once unto the end hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself". He chose us out, we did not choose him. The bible also teaches us that it is not by works, but by grace. Ephesians Chap. 2 verse 8, 9 and 10: "For by grace are ye saved, through faith and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not of works least any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works which God the father has before ordained, that we should walk in them". So we understand and know that grace is the unmerited favor from God. Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. We also find it written, "We beheld him the only begotten of the father, full of grace and full of truth". With no doubt in my mind I will write this as well. He did not offer himself to us, but unto God on our behalf. I hope you will accept this letter and if there has been any comfort from the words written. Give God the praise, glory and honor for it all. For it all belongs unto him. He blesses us to worship him. I pray he will continue to smile upon us, as well as our brothers and sisters we fellowship with, as well as those we have yet to meet, or may never meet. Praise God he knows them all. By his grace we will all be together some sweet day, at the foot of his throne.

A Brother in hope , God Bless and love to all
Elder Greg Moore

MESSENGERS REPRESENTING THE SISTER CHURCHES

LOUISA: Ireland Adkins, James Nickells, Noah Slone, Kenneth Slone.

Alternate: Todd Thacker

OLD POND: Cecil Hatfield, Walter Rutherford, Bernie Newton, Jr., Michael Elswick.

Alternate: Raymond Stanley

BIG CREEK: Bill Slone, Herschel Stevens, David Lee May, Larry David Chapman.

Alternate: Tim Thacker

RACCOON: Clifton Preece, Lonnie Collins, Otis Thacker, Donovan Blackburn.

Alternate: Jeff Belcher

PETER CREEK: Randy Kender, Floyd Coleman, Bill Smith, Virgil Smith.

Alternate: Jared Kender

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Brian Moore, Ronald Moore, Terry Blackburn, Larry Mounts.

Alternate: Justin Blackburn

LITTLE HOPE: Fonso McIntosh, Gennis Smith, Millard Whitt, Frank Ball.

Alternate: Raymond Stanley

GRAPEVINE: Harold Abbott, Leon Adkins, Paul Goff, Dean Anderson

Alternate: Argle Kendrick

SAMARIA: Jeff Dotson, Ernie Justice, Dave Dotson, Berlin Dotson.

Alternate: Bill Yates

FEDS CREEK: Ricky Worrix, Timothy Slone, Ricky Blair, Ernest Seth Shortridge.

Alternate: Larry Mounts

JOHNS CREEK: Carl Coleman, Plennie Coleman, Edward Coleman, Barry Thacker.

Alternate: Paul Varney

CALVARY: Duke Chapman, Steve Bryant, Lawrence Williams, Wallace Vipperman.

Alternate: Ricky Ratliff

DRY FORK: Vester Runyon, Ronald Moore, Estle Hackney, Brian Moore.

Alternate: Shawn Dotson

FRIENDSHIP: Arnold Hicks, Troy Wheeler, Troy Wheeler, Jr., David May.

Alternate: Martin Childers

COLUMBUS: Richard Justice, Trimble Stanley, Arthur Coleman, Roger Blackburn.

Alternate: Paris Blackburn

DEERFIELD: Harold Blackburn, John Holyfield, Danny May, Jack Davis, Jr.

Alternate: Jack Davis

PLEASANT HILL: Carmen Gillum, Lenny Boatwright, Jack Scott.

Alternate: Ballard Bryant

NEW HOPE: James Hackney, Kenneth Chapman, Larry Slone

Alternate: None

VISITING ELDERS

Jim O'Quinn	126 O'Quinn Street, Haysi, VA 24256
Roger Rose	1081 Lazarus Br, Haysi, VA 24256
Vance Jones	3460 Highway 268 East, Pilot, NC 27041
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Trillis Adams	11 Angler Rd, Eolia, KY 40826
David Gambill	344 Williams Branch Rd, Hazard, KY 41701
Corbin Hampton	190 Tate Hampton Rd, Eolia, KY 40826
Jerry Brown	3 Muddy Branch Road, West Liberty. KY 41472
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Jimmy W. Duty	351 Elder Lane, Bee, VA 24217

MATES CREEK CHURCHES

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>MODERATOR</u>	<u>COMMUNION</u>
Louisa	Robert B. Worrix, Jr.	Aug., 2nd Saturday
Old Pond	Michael Elswick	June, 2nd Saturday
Big Creek	Randal Thornsbury	Aug., 3rd Saturday
Raccoon	Paul Dean Justice	July, 4th Saturday
	David A. Thacker	
Peter Creek	Jimmy Lee Smith	June, 4th Saturday
Sulphur Springs	Brian Moore	Aug., 1st Saturday
Little Hope	Raymond Stanley	July, 1st Saturday
Grapevine	Estle Hackney	May, 3rd Saturday
Samaria	Paul Varney	June, 3rd Saturday
	Jeff Dotson	
Feds Creek	Ricky B. Worrix	May, 1st Saturday
Johns Creek	Paul Varney	April, 2nd Saturday
Calvary	David A. Thacker	June, 1st Saturday
Dry Fork	Shawn Dotson	May, 2nd Saturday
Friendship	David May	Aug., 4th Saturday

Columbus	Lundy Coleman	April, 4th Saturday
Deerfield	J.C. Hager	June, 4th Saturday
Pleasant Hill	Greg Moore	April, 3rd Saturday
New Hope	Kenneth Chapman	May, 4th Saturday

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MATES CREEK MINISTERS

Opa Thacker	2405 St. Rt. 131, Goshen, OH 45122	513-625-7705
Lundy Coleman	14230 Havens Corner Rd, Pataskala, OH 43062	740-927-4603
Paul Dean Justice	901 Teasel Dr. Kingsport, TN 37660	423-398-5136
John Jacobs	16 Thornsbury Lane, Canada, KY 41519	606-353-0622
Paul Varney	95 Prater Drive, Pikeville, KY 41501	606-432-9942
Paris Blackburn	13290 Trenton Rd., Galena, OH 43021	740-965-1484
Jimmy Lee Smith	487 Ashlick Fork, Phelps, KY 41553	606-456-7827
J.C. Hager	7138 Brittwood Ln., Flint, MI 48507	810-232-4173
Noah Slone	842 Red Creek Rd., Pikeville, KY 41501	606-437-7551
David B. May	2155 Stratton Fork Rd., Canada, KY 41519	606-353-8045
Greg Moore	8881 Canoe Dr., Galloway, OH 43119	614-870-6307
Onis Smith	2664 Meathouse Rd., Canada, KY 41519	606-353-9373
Randal Thornsbury	P.O. Box 1127, Belfry, KY 41514	606-353-9234

David A. Thacker	2865 Stratton Fork Rd., Canada, KY 41519	606-353-9887
Michael Elswick	106 Stanley Lane, Canada, KY 41519	606-353-4207
Lonnie Worrix	300 Overstreet Way, Apt #303, Columbus, OH 43228	740-804-2606
David Jacobs	12321 Gage Road, Holly, MI 48442	248-217-0840
Richard Tucker	P.O. Box 141, Raccoon, KY 41557	606-437-6015
Kenneth Chapman	P.O. Box 52 Pinsonfork, KY 41555	606-353-9292
Frank J. Ball	569 Ball Fork Rd., Pinsonfork, KY 41555	606-353-9548
James T. Dotson	9400 Crawl Rd., DeGraff, OH 43318	937-585-2955
Argle Kendrick	P.O. Box 3334, Pikeville, KY 41502	606-437-0602
Estle Hackney	325 Flannery Br. Rd., Mouthcard, KY 41548	606-835-0129
Raymond Stanley	2507 Road Fork Rd., Sidney, KY 41564	606-353-0810
Steve Kender	86 Cow Branch Rd., Phelps, KY 41553	606-456-0947
Robert Worrix Jr.	1111 Burning Fork Rd., Pikeville, KY 41501	606-437-6084
Todd Thacker	456 Pine Fk. Rd., Shelbiana, KY 41562	606-437-5320
Jeff Dotson	2275 Left Fk. Blackberry Rd., Ransom, KY 41558	606-427-9066
Shawn Dotson	4246 State Hwy., 1056., Ransom, KY 41558	606-427-7274

Brian Moore 4733 Dismal River Rd. Oakwood, VA 24631
276-935-4360

Barry Thacker 747 Hurricane Rd., Kimper, KY 41539
606-595-7374

Ricky Worrix 201 Left Penhook Rd., Harold, KY 41635
606-478-5337

Larry Slone 1109 Big Blue Springs Rd., Ransom, KY 41558
606-427-9160

Gary Thacker 404 Pine Fork Rd., Shelbiana, KY 41562
606-437-5675

Daniel Jacobs 12321 Gage Road, Holly, MI 48442
330-687-0093

Larry Mounts 1104 Big Red Road, Hurley, VA 24620
276-566-8878

Timothy Slone 1509 Biggs Branch, Pikeville, KY 41501
606-437-0011

Plennie Coleman P.O. Box 187, Canada, KY 41519
606-969-6627

James Clyde Ball P.O. Box 2586, Abingdon, VA 24212
276-628-6983

Joe Kinder 3300 Mooresville Hwy., Lewisburg, TN 37091
931-652-0314

Carmen Gillum 1815 Ravenswood Ave., Dayton, OH 45406
937-270-2054

Licentiates:

Roger Blackburn 185 Choctaw Drive, Dry Creek, KY 41035
502-545-0803

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

LOUISA	Elder Ricky B. Worrix, Assistant Clerk 201 Left Penhook Road Harold, KY 41635	100
OLD POND	Shelby Jean Hill, Clerk P.O. Box 001, Forest Hills, KY 41527	50
BIG CREEK	Bill Slone, Clerk 7917 State Hwy. 194E. Kimper, KY 41539	150
RACCOON	Jeff Belcher, Clerk 451 Pine Fork, Shelbiana, KY 41562	150
PETER CREEK	Randy Kender, Clerk 1095 Ashlick Fork Phelps, KY 41553.....	75
SULPHUR SPRINGS	Justin Blackburn, Clerk 3340 Old Lesters Fork Rd., Grundy, VA 24614	40
LITTLE HOPE	Frank J. Ball, Clerk 569 Ball Fork Road Pinsonfork, KY 41555.....	60
GRAPEVINE	Timothy Slone, Clerk 1509 Biggs Branch Pikeville, KY 41501	60
SAMARIA	Leslie D. Hatfield, Clerk 8380 State Hwy. 1056 McCarr, KY 41544-8302.....	100
FEDS CREEK	Ernest Seth Shortridge, Clerk 300 Laurel Fork Road Steele, KY 41566.....	30
JOHNS CREEK	Carl Coleman 3243 Long Fork Road Kimper, KY 41539	60
CALVARY	Barry Thacker, Clerk 747 Hurricane Creek Road Kimper, KY 41539	50
DRY FORK	Vester Runyon, Clerk 1009 Faith Dr. Vansant, VA 24656-7575	60

FRIENDSHIP	Elder Michael Elswick, 106 Stanley Lane, Canada, KY 41519.....	20
COLUMBUS	Sandra Harris, Clerk 14230 Haven's Corner Road Pataskala, OH 43062	50
DEERFIELD	Barbara Holyfield, Clerk 3033 Woodlawn St. Walled Lake, MI 48390	60
PLEASANT HILL	Phyllis Moore, Clerk 8881 Canoe Drive Galloway, OH 43119	40
NEW HOPE	Larry Slone, Clerk 1109 Big Blue Springs Rd., Ransom, KY 41558.	40
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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CORRESPONDENCE

UNION	Deacon Jimmy Webb, Clerk 47 Chevy Drive Jenkins, KY 41537	25
BURNING SPRINGS	Elder Jerry Brown, Moderator 11479 Highway 172 West Liberty, KY 41472.....	25
SAND LICK- VA	Deacon Johnny Viers, Clerk 286 Pleasure Drive Haysi, VA 24256.....	25
LITTLE YADKIN RIVER	Elder Vance Jones, Moderator 3460 Highway 268 East Pilot, NC 27041	25
MOUNTAIN	Roy L. Truitt, Clerk 102 Gentry Street, Galax, VA 24333	25
WASHINGTON	Elder Victor Church, Clerk 8839 Maple Rd. Pound, VA 24279.....	25
SAND LICK- KY	Terry Meade, Clerk 9563 Highway 772, West Liberty, KY 41472.....	25
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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO INDIVIDUALS

Moderator	Elder Randal Thornsby P.O. Box 1127, Belfry, KY 41514	25
Asst. Moderator	Elder David A. Thacker 2864 Stratton Fork Road Canada, KY 41519	25
Clerk	Deacon Leslie Hatfield 8380 State Hwy. 1056 McCarr, KY 41544-8302	49
Asst. Clerk	Brother Lonnie Simpkins 35 Fonso Stanley Ln., Canada KY 41519	12
	JoAnn Napier 6863 Sun Ridge Drive Waynesville, OH 45068	10
	Ruth Wolford 486 Pawpaw Rd., Hurley, VA 24620	7
	Robert L. Webb The Primitive Baptist Library 416 Main St., Carthage, IL 62321	2
		130
	<u>TOTAL MINUTES TO DISTRIBUTE</u>	1500

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be called the Original Mates Creek District Regular Primitive Baptist 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 their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

3. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their membership in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excluded and deceased since the last Association.

4. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical powers over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.

5. The Association when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper Decorum.

6. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the messengers present, and that by secret ballot.

7. Newly constituted churches may be admitted into the union who shall petition by letter and messenger, 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 a representation in the Association.

9. Every query presented by any church to the Association, being first debated in their own church, shall be taken up by the Association.

10. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it shall be withdrawn by the member who made it.

11. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association, the best way and method for effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of future Associations.

12. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an Association fund for defraying the expenses of the same, for the raising and supporting 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 the hands of their messengers to the Association, and those monies thus contributed by the churches and received by the Association shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, who shall be accountable to the Association for all monies received by him, and pay out of the same according to the Association.

13. There shall be an Association book kept, wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by the Secretary chosen for that purpose, who shall receive compensation for his trouble.

14. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises.

15. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made at any time by majority of the union when they deem it necessary.

16. The Association shall have power: (1) To provide for the general union of the churches. (2) To preserve inviolably a chain of communication among the churches. (3) To give the churches necessary advice in matters of church difficulty. (4) To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association. (5) To appropriate those monies by the churches contributed for an Association fund to any purpose they may think proper. (6) To appoint any member or members by and with their consent to transact any business they may see necessary. (7) The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union which shall violate the rules of this Association, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion. (8) To admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association. (9) The Association shall have power to adjourn themselves to any time or place they may think most convenient to the churches of the Association.

17. We welcome any and all orderly and peace-loving Primitive Baptist to visit with us.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true living God, who is the Creator, upholder, and righteous disposer of all things; and that He is self-existent, independent, omnipotent and eternal.

2. We believe that Jesus existed in His mediatorial Person as the head and life of His body, the church from everlasting.

3. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, personal and unconditional election; that the elect, or church, is and was and shall forever remain His body and fullness, and their spiritual life is hid with Christ in God.

4. We believe in the doctrine of total depravity of human nature, and that recovery from that condition is wholly and exclusively by the sovereign, free and unmerited grace of God.

5. We believe the atonement made by Christ was full and complete and exclusively for the elect, or heirs of promise.

6. We believe the doctrine of God's predestination in every sense as the Bible teaches it.

7. We believe that all the elect vessels of mercy, chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world, shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the regenerating power of God's grace, and shall ultimately enjoy heaven and immortal glory.

8. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the bodies, both of the just and the unjust, and the happiness of the righteous shall be eternal, and the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting.

9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the subjects, and the true mode of baptism is immersion, foot washing as an example.

10. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as translated under the reign of King James, are a revelation from God, inspired by the Holy Ghost, and that the New Testament is the standard of faith and the only authorized rule of practice to the church of God under gospel dispensation. We therefore consider ourselves solemnly bound by our allegiance to the King of Zion to reject, disclaim and disfellowship all modern and ancient religious institutions or societies of which we have neither precept nor example in the New Testament.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the messengers present, and that by secret ballot.
3. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to speak.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted by any except the Moderator until he is done speaking.
5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before so as to make remarks on his slips, failings and imperfections, but fairly state the case and matter as he can to convey his ideas.
6. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.
7. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.
8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association, nor whispering in time of public speech.
9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term or appellation but the title of "Brother."
10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in a speech or prohibit him from speaking until he give his light on the subject, except they break the Rules of Decorum.

11. Names of several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as many times as the Association may require.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as another member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall have no vote except the Association be equally divided. In that event he shall give the casting vote.

13. Any member who shall willfully or knowingly break any of these rules shall be reprovved by the Association as they think proper.

ORDINATION OF AN ELDER OR DEACON

(Work of the Presbytery)

- 1st Organized by choosing Moderator and Clerk.
- 2nd Select one to question candidate.
- 3rd Select one to make prayer.
- 4th Select one to give charge.
- 5th Call for candidate from spokesman for church.
- 6th Examine candidate. Any one of the Presbytery has right to ask questions if he desires.
- 7th If candidate is found satisfactory, then proceed with prayer and laying on of hands.
- 8th Charge is now delivered.
- 9th Candidate is now returned to the spokesman for the church as an ordained Elder or Deacon.
- 10th Minutes of proceeding read, and approved.
- 11th Adjourn.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF THE ORIGINAL MATES CREEK DISTRICT REGULAR PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION													2014
CHURCHES	MODERATOR	CLERKS	Year Established	RECEIVED BY BAPTISM	RECEIVED BY LETTER	RECEIVED BY RELATION	RESTORED	DISMISSED BY LETTER	EXCLUDED	DECEASED	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	SATURDAY OF MEETING	Contributions of each Church
Louisa	Robert B. Worrix, Jr.	Ricky B. Worrix	1825	0	1	0	0	-1	-1	-2	64	2nd	\$100.00
Old Pond	Michael Elswick	Shelby Jean Hill	1843	0	0	0	0	-2	0	-4	17	2nd	\$60.00
Big Creek	Randal Thornsby	Bill Slone	1857	2	0	0	0	0	0	-3	52	3rd	\$150.00
Raccoon	Paul Dean Justice	Jeff Belcher	1820	0	1	0	0	0	0	-2	56	4th	\$150.00
Peter Creek	David A. Thacker	Randy D. Kender	1869	1	3	0	0	0	0	-3	61	4th	\$100.00
Sulphur Springs	Brian Moore	Justin Blackburn	1863	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1	21	1st	\$50.00
Little Hope	Raymond Stanley	Frank J. Ball	1893	0	1	0	0	0	0	-1	43	1st	\$60.00
Grapevine	Estle Hackney	Timothy A. Slone	1889	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	3rd	\$60.00
Samaria	Paul Varney	Leslie D. Hatfield	1898*	2	0	0	0	-1	0	-4	109	3rd	\$150.00
Feds Creek	Jeff Dotson	Ernest Seth Shortridge	1894	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1st	\$50.00
Johns Creek	Ricky B. Worrix	Ernest Seth Shortridge	1936	0	0	0	0	0	-3	0	23	2nd	\$100.00
Calvary	Paul Varney	J. Carl Coleman	1951	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2	30	1st	\$100.00
Dry Fork	David A. Thacker	Barry Thacker	1962	1	0	0	0	0	-1	2	41	2nd	\$75.00
Friendship	Shawn Dotson	Vester Runyon	1925	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2	6	4th	\$20.00
Columbus	Estle Hackney	Gwynnda Travis	1967	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	4th	\$75.00
Deerfield	Lundy Coleman	Sandra Harris	1971	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1	65	4th	\$150.00
Pleasant Hill	J.C. Hager	Barbara Holyfield	1972	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	32	1st	\$100.00
New Hope	Greg Moore	Phyllis Moore	1991	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	4th	\$50.00
18	James T. Dotson	Larry Slone		11	6	3	0	-4	-5	-23	733		\$1,600.00
	Kenneth Chapman												

*Correction

NIGHT, ODD SUNDAY AND OTHER MEETINGS

LOUISA: Odd Sunday.

OLD POND: First Wednesday night, Fourth Sunday night, Odd Sunday, New Year's Eve night.

BIG CREEK: First Saturday night.

RACCOON: None.

PETER CREEK: None.

SULPHUR SPRINGS: None.

LITTLE HOPE: Third Sunday night at 6:00 p.m.

GRAPEVINE: Fifth Sunday.

SAMARIA: None.

FEDS CREEK: None.

JOHNS CREEK: None.

CALVARY: None.

DRY FORK: Fifth Sunday, New Year's Eve night.

FRIENDSHIP: None.

COLUMBUS: None.

DEERFIELD: None.

PLEASANT HILL: None.

NEW HOPE: None.

DAVID COLEMAN JR.

Our spirits know a servant of God is getting a much needed rest from his labor. Our heads know that a man that has been suffering with pain for many years is now pain free and no longer exhausted. It's our hearts that's giving us the trouble. It is with much sadness that we attempt to pen the obituary of a beloved husband, daddy and papaw.

David Coleman, Jr., was born October 2, 1946 on Upper Pompey Road, a son of the late David and Darcus Thacker Coleman. He fell to sleep in the arms of Jesus march 6, 2014; making his stay on God's footstool 67 years, 5 months and 4 days. Brother Garnell Gilbert was



blessed to say it beautifully at the funeral, "there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel." David was the 28th of 30 children. He was preceded in death by 16 brothers - Clyde, Carl, Nathaniel, Granville, Zeldon, Elmar, William, Russ, Danville, Clarence, William Austin, John Jesse, Rexall, Russell, Fletcher and Steve; 8 Sisters - Darcus, Avonelle, Emolene, Utha, Evelyn, Martha, Ledna Mae and Lois.

In may 1964, David started dating a sweet little girl, Alice Fay Adkins. She would become the one true enduring love of his life. On his 18th birthday, October 2, 1964, God joined together two halves and make them one complete whole. They grew up together, had 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 49 years and 5 months of undying love, blissful happiness and total faithfulness that rivals fairy tales and "happily forever afters"! It was a union that most people can only dream of having. He called her the most beautiful girl in the world, and she thought he was the closest thing to perfection on earth!!

In 1966, David had an experience that would change him forever and shape the man that he would lead until his death. He heard Jesus call his name. So he went back home to tell his friends in Kentucky and was baptized on November 11. 2 years later, he was asked to take the preaching stand, and started a lifetime of serving God and His children. He spent the next 45 years about His Father's business - preaching the gospel, studying the written word, sitting with dying family and friends, sharing words of wisdom, comforting the sick and teaching; all while reminding everyone... "It's not about me. It's about Jesus!"

David was a man that wore many hats and worked hard. Before leaving the work force because of an injury and crippling Rheumatoid

Arthritis; he sometimes held down 3 jobs at once to provide for his family and enable his beloved wife to stay home and raise their babies. He took his first job at the ripe old age of 9 or 10. He would go to school an hour early to shovel coal, light and maintain the stove that heated the class room for a dime a day. Later he was a dishwasher at Jerry's, a coal miner, a machinist, line worker, railroad worker, painter, brick layer, carpenter, and mechanic. Even after a long day's work, he was willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. Long after he could no longer work himself, he still was helping and guiding his family and friends with their labors from his wealth of knowledge and experience.

David treasured life and loved to have fun! He never met a stranger and found great joy in talking and joking with anyone that crossed his path. He had an amazing personality and could have you laughing in minutes. In his younger days, he played golf and basketball and was on bowling leagues. Later, he could spend hours fishing and loved to travel with his growing family. But through his whole life he never forgot where he from nor thought he was better than anyone else. He treated everyone equally and was the same no matter where he was or who you were.

David Jr. is survived by his precious wife, Alice Fay, 3 adoring children, Debbie and her husband Donovan Blackburn, Angie and her husband Dwight Buckley, and Chris and his wife Michelle Coleman; 6 grandchildren that thought he hung the moon, Tristan and Jeremy Blackburn, Tara and Alyssa Buckley, and Kristin and Gina Coleman; 3 brothers Lundy Coleman, Paul Coleman, and Perry Coleman; 2 sisters Lucy Pearl Justice and Darcus Ova Thacker and 4 special sisters-in-law, Betty and her husband Bill Coleman, Karen, Leslie and Debbie and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

David was a son that would make any parent proud, husband that made the perfect partner and soul mate, daddy that instructed, guided and had fun with his children, a father-in-law that welcomed you in with open arms, a papaw that taught and entertained, a brother you could depend on, an uncle you could look up to, a trustworthy friend, a cousin to share special memories, a minister you could rely on, but mostly a Child of the King that shared every talent and all the love that God had given him with his natural and church families, friends, co-workers, congregations and even strangers.

No one that crossed his path will forget him. Everyone that was a part of his life will be forever blessed with sweet memories of his laughter, hilarious sense of humor, wisdom, knowledge, faithfulness and the whole hearted way that he loved everyone around him.

Trying to imagine how much you would miss someone is pointless. The reality of it is unimaginable. But by God's grace, one joyous day, we'll meet David again in the air and go home to part no more!

Written by his wife, children and grandchildren

R. T. THACKER

With much sadness I will try to write the obituary of my brother in law and brother in Christ.

Elder R.T. Thacker passed away October 28, 2013. He was born March 2, 1926 at Canada, Ky., to the late Landon and Stella Thacker. He was 87 years old.

Brother R.T. served in the Navy during World War II, for 2 years. Where he met and married Ester Hecker. She preceded him in death August 13, 2011. They were happily married for 65 years. Brother R. T. joined the Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church in 1959. He was an ordained minister and faithful member until he became disabled. He loved the Church and his brothers and sisters in Christ. But most of all he loved Jesus.



To R.T. and Ester's union were born two daughter's Judy Carol Taylor of Morehead, Ky., and Joann Meece of Morrow, Ohio. R.T. had three grandsons: Donald Roland Meece, Travis Paul Meece, and Ryan Craig Meece, (who preceded him in death). Three great grandchildren: Jonathan Craig Meece, Alley Meece, and Andrew Meece, one great great granddaughter: Atlanta Marie Meece. He dearly loved them and they miss him very much.

He was preceded in death by eight brothers and one sister. And a son in law Donald Meece. Brother R.T. is survived by two brothers Edgar and Sonny Thacker of Canada, Ky; two sisters: Lena Mae Bresicker of Maryland and Barbara Ann Leedy of Canada, Ky., a host of nephews, nieces and friends to morn his loss. But I have a hope in Christ our loss was heavens gain. Sleep on Brother R.T. we will meet again.

Written by one who loved him,
Sister in Christ, Beatrice Thacker

MITCHIE BLACKBURN

Mitchie Blackburn, 81 of Pinsonfork, Ky., passed away Wednesday February 26, 2014 at his home.

He was born August 14, 1932 in Pike County, Ky., the son of the late Grover and Ollie Hensley Blackburn. He was



also preceded in death by his first wife, Dorothy Blackburn; sisters, Mary Hensley and Esta Maynard and brothers, Carl, Bobby, Everett, Ernest, Tom and Russell Blackburn.

Mitchie was a retired coal miner, member of the UMWA, a Deacon in the Primitive Baptist Church and a veteran of the United States Navy.

Survivors include his wife, Nellie Hurt Blackburn of Pinsonfork, KY; daughter, Kathy (Greg) Cassady of Stone, KY; brother, Clifford Gene Blackburn of Lovely, KY; grandchildren, Mikel Fraley of San Antonio, Texas and Brian Cassady of Twenty Nine Palms, California; great grandchildren, Cherish, Jacob and Layla Fraley and Haylea Cassady and a host of other family and friends.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 2, 2014 at 11 AM in the R.E. Rogers Funeral home Chapel with the Elders Michael Elswick, Raymond Stanley, Shawn Dotson, Jeff Dotson and others officiating. Burial followed in the Mountain View Memory Gardens, Huddy, Ky., with family and friends serving as pallbearers. Belfry Chapter #141 DAV conducted Military Graveside Services. Visitation was held Friday and Saturday from 6-9 PM in the Funeral Home Chapel with special services both nights at 7PM.

TOM CHAPMAN

Canada, Ky. - Tom Chapman was born August 17, 1923 at Kimper, Ky., and departed this life January 28, 2014, making his stay on earth, 90 years , 5 months and 11 days. The son of the late General and Nancy Varney Chapman, the oldest of 14 children, he was an inspiration to his brothers and sisters.

Brother Tom enlisted in the Army during the World War II conflict in March of 1943, becoming a paratrooper in November, then being assigned to the 101st Airborne Division. This precious Brother served his country with honor, dignity, valor and enormous amount of courage. Being in the heart of conflict, in the battles of Normandy, Holland, parachuting behind enemy lines in Bastogne, Belgium during the battle of the Bulge, cut off from allies, surrounded by the enemy yet he was never cut off from the presence of God. For his valiant service he received the Bronze Star, French Medal of Honor, the Belgium Orange Lancer, Two Presidential Unit Citations, four Combat Stars and the German Occupation Medal.



After being released from that army as a staff sergeant, he returned home and began working in the mines. He met and later married his first wife, Golessa Blackburn Chapman, on June 28, 1952. They were blessed to share 42 years together in beloved happiness until Our Heavenly Father called Sister Golessa home to be with Him on November 5, 1994. Also preceding Tom in death were four sisters, Mildred Deskins, Chrystalene Chapman, Alma Chapman and Helen Johnson and three brothers, James Chapman, Don Chapman and Alvin Chapman.

Brother Tom and sister Golessa were blessed with one daughter, Sharlene Chapman of Cincinnati, Ohio; two granddaughters, Michelle Brown of Cincinnati and Lydia Dildilian of Florida, and two great-granddaughters, Alexandria Taylor Brown and Sophia Brown. Also surviving is his blessed wife, Ruby Anderson Chapman of Canada, Ky.; one step daughter, Jacklyn Leake of Michigan; two step-grandchildren, Tracy Limke and Alisha Limke; brothers, Elster Chapman of McConnellsville, Ohio, Denver (Annie) Chapman of Cincinnati, Doug (Flo)

Chapman of Canada, Ky., and Dee (Jenny) Chapman of Warsaw, Ind.; sisters Mable Donathon of Lake City, Mich., and Marie (Herb) Thornbury of Canada, Ky., and a host of family and friends.

During the period of the late fifties, with work being scarce, Tom and Golessa moved to Ohio, he began working for Senco Products of Cincinnati and after 27 years of service he retired in 1983.

After brother Tom's and Sister Ruby's beloved companions passed away, it appears the Mighty Hand of God, once again touched their lives. We who were blessed to know them can witness to the love, joy, happiness and compassion they had for each other. He would often times speak of the love he had for her, how life was exciting and challenging everyday, there was never a dull moment. They met in September of 1995 at the mates Creek Association hosted by the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church and were married on September 18, 1995 at the Big Creek Church with Elder David Allen officiating, this is the first time Brother David wore a tie.

Brother Tom united with the Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church in the year of Our Lord, October 1988, being baptized by Elder Randall Thornsbury and Elder Michael Elswick. Ordained to the office of a deacon in August 1996, serving the Church faithfully with a commitment of love for Our Precious Savior and the Sheep of his pasture, the inheritance of Our Lord.

We who are alive, sorrow not as others which have no Hope, for if we believe God raised Jesus from the dead, then our precious family, regardless of race, color or creed who have fallen asleep in Christ will live again on that great and notable day of Our Lord.

May we finish with saying, yes our loss is great, our hearts are broken, his seat in the Grand Old Church is empty, but Brother Tom will live within our hearts until we also are blessed to sleep in Sweet Jesus from which none will wake to weep.

I pray to God, in Jesus name we who are alive and remain will continue to follow in the paths of Righteousness as God had decreed in His Holy Script. Being faithful, steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to His abundant Grace, which worketh in us both the will and the do and that of His Own Good Pleasure.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 31, at 11 a.m. in the Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church with Mike Elswick, J.C. Hager, Vance Jones and David Allen Thacker officiating. Burial followed in the Varney Branch Cemetery at Kimper, Ky., with nephews serving as pallbearers.

Visitation was from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday at R.E. Rogers Funeral Home with special services both nights at 7 p.m.

WENDELL (WILKIE) DOTSON

It is with a heavy heart that I try to write this memorial in memory of my Daddy Wendell (Wilkie) Dotson. Wilkie passed away on July 25, 2014 at the age of 73.

He was born Oct. 23rd 1940 at Ransom, Ky. He was the son of Mary (Mag) Dotson and the Late Dennis (Den) Dotson of Ransom Ky.



Daddy was a retired coal miner. He worked hard for His family to make sure we never had to do without. He was a member of the U.M.W.A. He was a deacon and proud member of the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church. He loved his family and was always there for us when we needed him.

His grandchildren were his pride and joy. He never met a stranger. Always had a smile on his face. He loved to pass out 2 dollar bills to newborn babies and others.

He was the most kindest, loving and caring Daddy anyone could ask for. He loved His church and enjoyed traveling to the other churches with his church family whom he loved very much. There will never be another (Hoss Fly).

He is preceded in death by his father Dennis (Den) Dotson and Brothers; Charles Dotson, Eugene Dotson, and an infant brother Larry Gifford Dotson, sister in law Shirley Dotson, and nephew Clinton (lil Butch) McCoy. He left to morn his loss his Mother - Mary (Mag) Dotson, wife of 54 years Margaret "Annie" Whitt Dotson; Children: Teresa (Michael) Dotson New,

Denise (Bernie) Dotson and Duane (Unch) Dotson; grandchildren: John (Michelle) Dotson, Kendra (Baby Durl) Dotson; Brothers: Burl (Glenna Mae) Dotson & Dwight (Kelley) Dotson; Sisters - Helen Dotson, Lola McCoy, Gail (Eugene) Gibbs, Janet Flo (Larry) Scott and a host of nieces and nephews, family and friends.

I know in my heart that my Daddy is in a better place, where he will suffer no more. So until we meet again, Rest in peace my Sweet Daddy.

Written by his daughter: Bernie

CARL THOMAS CLARK

Carl was born on November 13, 1929 to the late Walter and Hazel Clark of Pinsonfork, Kentucky.

Carl passed away at the age of 83 years old August 21, 2013, his wife Cordella at his beside, we were married almost 60 years, I miss him so much; he was ready to go and be with the Lord.

Carl is survived by three sons: Roger (Sheryl) Clark of Gurnee, Illinois, Gary Clark of Palatine, Illinois and Barry Scott (Denise) Clark of Vineland, New Jersey; two granddaughters, Lauren, and Shannon Clark of Gurnee, Illinois.



Carl was a member of The Old Pond Primitive Baptist Church of Bel-fry, Kentucky. Carl always loved to be with his Brothers and Sisters of the Church. He was buried at The Veterans Cemetery on Clark Road Sarasata, Florida.

Written through the tears of love
Dear Cordella & Sons

WILLIAM J. "BILL" HILL

William J. "Bill" Hill, 86 of Forest Hills, Ky., my beloved husband, passed away Tuesday, December 10, 2013. He was in Indiana at our son's house when he left this earth for a better home.

Bill was born June 1, 1927, to the late Dr. W.J. and Mary Farley Hill at Goodman, WV. Bill was a retired teacher, having taught at Belfry High School and Chat-taroy Junior High School. He served in the Armed Forces before getting his education on the G.I. Bill. He graduated from Pikeville Junior College and Eastern State University. Bill was a past Master Mason at Stone Lodge No. 890 F&AM. He belonged to the DAV Chapter No. 141 at Belfry Ky. He loved Old Pond Church and other churches in the Mates Creek Association.

Bill was preceded in death by his wonderful sister, Ruth Gaye "George: Harmon.

He is survived by his wife, Shelby Jean Hill. They were married on July 20, 1963 and on December 21, 1964 were blessed with twin sons, Mark "Glenette" Hill and Barry "Debbie" Hill. He leaves one brother, Thomas E. "JoNell" Hill of Lilburn, Ga., and three step grandchildren Candice Parsley, Travis "Katie" McQuistan and Matt McQuistan. He is survived by several nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews.



His funeral service was held on Sunday, December 15, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at Rogers Funeral Home Chapel with Elders Paul Varney, Raymond Stanley and Michael Elswick officiating. He was buried at Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, Ky. We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

Written by his wife, Shelly Hill

GLEN EVAN (BILL BUCK) SMITH



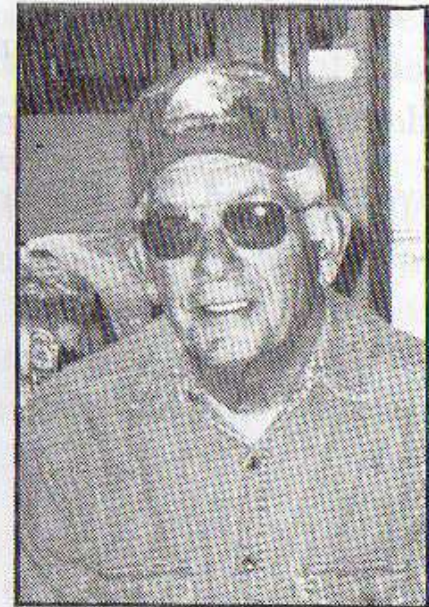
Glen Evan (Bill Buck) Smith departed this life on January 27, 2014. He was born on January 31, 1950, to the late Julius and Pauline Smith. He left behind a loving wife Jackie, one daughter Jessica and a son Glen Jr. He also left behind a grandson Brody, one brother Mike, two sisters Brenda and Bonnie and a special cousin Randy Smith whom was like a brother to him.

Glen joined Petercreek Primitive Baptist Church on June 29, 2005. He was a very faithful member and loved the church dearly. He was a very loving husband and father and had such a love for all his family and friends. Life is not the same without my husband and I long for the day that we will see each other again.

Written by his loving wife Jackie Smith

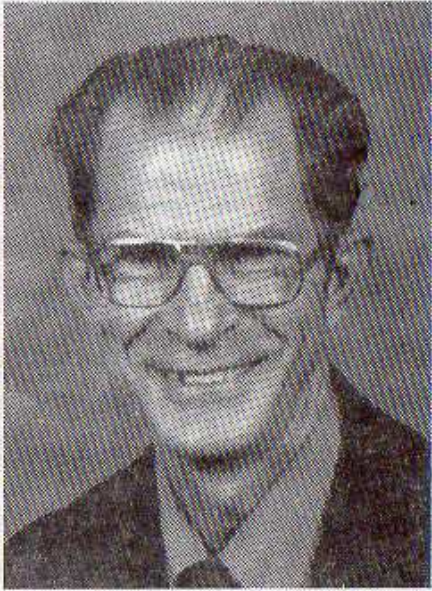
RALPH A. "RAT" STREET

Date of birth was January 8, 1933. Date of death, August 18, 2014. Funeral Services were held at Grundy Funeral Home Chapel, Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 1:00 p.m., by Evg. Mike Rife and Rev. Eddie Wilson. Ralph is buried at Baldwin Mountain Cemetery, Vansant, VA. Pallbearers were Albert Cook, Grandsons & nephews. Honorary Pallbearers were Denny Coleman, Junior Vandyke, Billy Vandyke, Steve Vandyke, Terry Vandyke, Clarence Vandyke, Randy Street, and all of his other relatives and friends.



EARL CASEY

Earl Casey, age 88, formerly of Clay City, Ky., passed away on Thursday, December 19, 2013 at the Wolfe County



Health and Rehabilitation Center in Campton, Ky. Born in Phelps, Ky., he was the son of the late Anderson and Lena Stump Casey and he was a member of the Petercreek Primitive Baptist Church since May 24th, 1964. He is survived by his brother, George Casey of Clay City, Ky., and by his sister, Charlene and her husband, Junior Tay-

lor of Florida. He was preceded in death by his two sisters Hazel Smith and Sadie Thorpe. He was also preceded in death by his brothers: James, Clinton, Glen, Clifford, Ermal, Anderson Jr., Anthony, Thomas and Shorty.

Earl was a very special person who loved the church dearly. Many times he would even walk to church to hear the word of God. He will be truly missed by his family and friends.

Written by a friend

CHESTER WOLFORD

It is with much love, fond memories, and more sorrow that words can express that I will attempt to write the obituary of my father, Chester Wolford, who recently passed away due to a short illness. He was born in Buchanan County, VA., on May 24, 1945 to the late Stella Jane (Blackburn) Wolford and Eugene Wolford. He departed this life on Monday, June 2, 2014.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years. Eddie Ruth Wolford of Hurley, VA; one daughter, Patricia (Jimmy) Blankenship of Haysi, VA., three grandchildren: Laken (Casey) Lester of Grundy, VA and Beverly and Cody Blankenship of Haysi, VA., and one great-granddaughter Hailee Rose Lester. Also, he is survived by two brothers Cecil Wolford of Hurley, VA. & Clifford (Delores) Wolford of Grundy, VA.



He was preceded in death by two sisters Elsie Wolford and Jewelene Coleman and two nephews Cecil Wolford, Jr., and Eddie Paul Wolford.

He was a member of the Sulphur Springs Primitive Baptist Church. He was truck driver for W&L Construction.

He will be deeply missed by his family, friends and co-workers. He never met a stranger. He was a wonderful husband, father and "Papaw".

Little did we know that morning on June 2 what sorrow the day would bring by losing the one we loved so much. Had we the chance to say we love you, or speak a last goodbye, the pain might be less to bear. We miss your voice, your companionship. We have lots of fond memories with you, we all love you and miss you so much.

Love you always
Written by your family

BURTON GOFF

Burton Goff was born on June 23, 1941, a son of the late Rufus and Jettie Goff, and died on Nov. 9 2013.

He is survived by his loving and attentive wife of 51 years, Marlene; his devoted children, Kathy, Chuck, Pam and Michelle; his beloved granddaughters Ashley, Valerie and Sierra; his brother, George Thomas "Jake" and his sisters, Joyce, Mavis, Glenna Gaye and Linda Karen. In addition to his parents, Burton was preceded in death by one brother, Calvin, and one sister, Lois.



Burton was a man who enjoyed all aspects of life including working.

He viewed weed eating, working in the garden, crushing pop cans, power-washing the house, and processing deer, hogs and beef as hobbies instead of chores.

But Burton also knew how to relax. Before his heart condition forced him out of the pig farming business, he spent hours watching his livestock feast on their sloppy dinners or graze on the hill. An avid University of Kentucky basketball fan, Burton loudly and angrily coached the team from his recliner. Yet, despite his stern-sounding voice and crossed brows, Burton was an easy-going man who loved to cut up with family and friends.

Indeed, Burton enjoyed catching up with long-time friends, former co-workers and his extended family. He never met a stranger, either. He liked meeting new people and learning their stories, and his children can proudly say they never saw him behaving rudely or treating anyone with disrespect. He lived by the Golden Rule. To be honest, this sometimes worried his family. On more than one occasion, Burton provided rides to people broken down on the side of the highway or hitchhiking along the road. He always said he'd want somebody to do the same for one of his young'uns. Such actions served as examples to his children and grandchildren, all of whom Burton adored.

During Burton's illness, he realized he wanted a home with the church and he joined the Raccoon Primitive Baptist

It was the same church that generations of his family had been called to join. Burton lived his entire life on Coon Creek and was looking forward to being baptized in that creek. Sadly, that never came to pass, and Burton now rests on a Coon Creek hill where he will remain until he is awakened to go to his eternal home in heaven.

Written by wife and children

SONNY LEE HALL

With a sad heart, humble spirit and God's Divine Grace I write this obituary of my dear friend and I believe a dear and precious lamb of the Great Shepherded.

Sonny Lee Hall was born September 15, 1938 at Canada, Ky., the son of Floyd and Ollie West Hall who preceded him in death. Also preceding him in death were three brothers. Sonny departed this life on February 11, 2014 after a short illness.

Survivors are his loving wife Barbara Sue Hall of Pikeville, Ky., two sons: Gary Lee Hall of Canada, Ky., Brian Keith Hall of Elkhorn City, Ky.; one daughter, Deborah Lynn Starr of Naugatuk, WV. Also surviving one brother Woody Gene Hall of Tennessee, four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Sonny and I had a lot of good times together and several conversations about God and His goodness, He was a strong believer in the sovereignty and the free grace of God, he knew there was nothing he could offer God for the debt of his sins except to praise the Holy Lamb of God who carried his sins to the cross to remember no more against Him for the Precious Blood of Jesus cleansed Him of all sin.

I was blessed to help baptize Sonny and Barbara beneath the sacred wave; they answered that calling and I believe love the Lord. Sonny would talk about a merciful God. Sonny loved his family, friends, neighbors and he and Barbara loved animals and would care for them, they are God's creation.

I think of Sonny often and miss our conversations, but let me say sleep on dear friend, precious Brother until this great and notable day of the Lord, when Jesus shall call and we shall answer.

Elder Michael Elswick

JOHN D. WORRIX JR.

In loving memory, I will try to write the obituary of my brother, John D, Worrix Jr. Age 77. He was born on October 11, 1934 to the late John D. Sr., and Hettie M. Coleman Worrix in



Millard KY. Served in the U.S. Army. He retired from the city of Columbus after 25 years and also retired from American Aggregates after 25 years. He went to be with the Lord on Saturday, March 10 2012. He was preceded in death by one brother Arthur D. Worrix.

He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Martha Cutright Worrix; Son, Charles Allen (Darla) Worrix; Daughter, Amy (Bob) Davis; six grandchildren, Misty (Brent) Elchert, Jacklynn (Joe) Gleissner, Joshua Darst, Marissa Worrix, Rachel Davis, Bryan Davis, four great grandchildren, Hope, Faith, Landen Elchert, Kayla Davis; five brothers,, William G. (Belma), Harold E. (Patricia), Elder Lonnie B. Bradley (Nora), Bobby (Bev) Worrix, Seven sisters Betty Pierce, Lola Barney, Thursie (Jim) Bates, Evelyn Worrix, Alice (Mike) Richardson, Leann (Dan) Ewald, Loretta (Dave) Bradley, Many nieces, nephews, cousins and other family and friends. By grace of God, we meet John again in Heaven.

Written by Elder Lonnie B. Worrix

CHARLES GARY MAY

With the help of our dear God, we will try to write the obituary of Charles Gary May who was a loving husband, dad, papaw, father-in-law and a dear friend to all that knew him. He was called home to be with the Lord on March 16, 2013 making his stay on earth 70 years, 10 months and 7 days.

He was born on May 9, 1942 in Pikeville, Ky., the son of the late Ireland and Edith (Justice) May. Besides his parents he was also preceded in death by two brothers, Donald and L.J. May and one sister Hilma Arnett.

He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Glenna Gay Goff May of Raccoon; two sons, Charles Thomas and wife Chandra of Mt. Sterling and Timothy Glenn and wife Shelia of Pikeville; one daughter Tammy Regina Charles and husband Wayne of Raccoon; 4 grandchildren, Brittany May, Makaylee Charles, Tanner Charles and J.R. Martin and one great grandchild, Jaylee Martin. He was also survived by three sisters; Marlene Goff, Ocie Goff and Virgie Stapleton.



He was a retired mechanic, which was something he really enjoyed; he also enjoyed carpentry and wood work when he was well. If we ever needed anything fixed or needed to know how to work on something, we would always call on him. In our eyes he could do anything. He suffered for twenty years with heart and lung disease. The last two years were really hard because he was so ill. He always knew where he drew his strength and would praise God each day for his blessings. He would often say no matter how bad he felt it could always be worse. We cannot express what a loving and caring person he was, not just to his family, but everyone who came in contact with him. He and mother had such a special marriage. They were so close. Mother took such good care of him and he appreciated her so much. He loved to go to church and hear all the good preaching and singing; his favorite song was "We Are Blessed", and he always felt blessed even though he was so sick. Although we miss him we would not bring him back. We feel like he is far better off than us. Sleep on dear friend for someday soon the trumpet shall sound and we'll all be together on God's blissful shore.

JOHNNY MACK SIMPKINS SR.

Johnny Mack Simpkins, Sr., age 67 of Beech Creek, WV went peacefully to be with the Lord, with his family at his side, at his home on July 14, 2014. He was born November 7, 1946 at O'Keefe, WV; he was the son of the late Mack and Lucille Edwards Simpkins. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Elizabeth Ann Simpkins and a brother Danny Reece Simpkins.

Johnny was a veteran having served in Korea with the U.S. Army. He was also a retired coal miner of 36 years and a member of the Sarah Ann Church of God for 36 years; survivors include his devoted wife of 43 years Karen (McCoy) Simpkins; 2 children Angela Simpkins and Johnny Mack (Melissa) Simpkins Jr., 6 grandsons, 2 granddaughters, 1 great-grandson, 1 great-granddaughter, 5 brothers Roger (Della) Simpkins of Huntington, WV, Emmett (Sandy) Simpkins of Elizabethtown, KY, Lonnie (Wanda) Simpkins of Canada, KY, Wesley (Rhonda) Simpkins of Huntington, WV, and Terry (Gail) Simpkins of Lebanon, OH., 1 sister Lottie (Bill) Meador of Albuquerque, NM., 11 nieces and nephews and a very special sister-in-law Delores McCoy Spencer and a host of many friends.

Military honors was presented by the DAV Chapter 141 of Belfry, KY and burial at the Simpkins Cemetery at the Right-Hand Fork of Beech Creek, WV.

Johnny loved to go camping and enjoyed time spent with his family and friends. He was a wonderful man being a loving husband, dad, brother and friend. Johnny had a kind and gentle nature, you could feel the love of God in his heart. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Sleep on until we meet again!



Your loving brother, Lonnie

PASTOR EMERY VARNEY

With much sadness I will attempt to write this obituary of my Brother-in-Law, neighbor, friend and Beloved Brother in Christ.

Emery was born January 21, 1945; the son of Fritz and Gabriella Ratliff Varney who preceded him in death. Also preceding him in death were three sisters Geraldine, Joyce and Shirley Varney, and his beloved wife of fifty years Barbara Sue Varney who died July 30, 2012.

Emery is survived by one son Emery Keith Varney of Canada, Kentucky; four daughters Lisa Marie Kidd of Canada, Kentucky, Pamela Sue (Brian) Harlow of Williamson, West Virginia, Rhonda Lynn (Bobby) Taylor of Canada, Kentucky and Ashley Jane Varney of the home. Other survivors are three brothers: Jim (Marsha) Varney of Wellington, Kentucky, Glen (Nina) Varney of Canada, Kentucky, Robert (Brenda) Varney of Hager Hill, Kentucky; five sisters: Loretta (John) Heirs, Debbie (Bruce) May of Canada, Kentucky, Joan Snyder of Perrysburg, Ohio, Anita (Paul) Wolford of Flint, Michigan and Jacqueline (John) Coleman of Kimper, Kentucky; ten grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Emery and Barbara married on September 7, 1962 moving to Toledo, Ohio where Emery was working in a garage (service station) and could he tell you some stories about this as some of you know.



In 1965 they moved back home. Emery began working in the coal mines, where he held several different positions from laborer, foreman, and superintendent - mine manager. He with his brother Glen were owners at Mt Calvary Coal Co. He worked about 30 years in the mines. We who worked for him can say he was a good person to work with and for. He would rather horse play - and cut-up than to eat. It didn't make any difference to Emery no matter how big, how small or what title someone had, when you came on his section or at his mines you were going to

be whipped. I remember one time when he had the mine at the mouth of Dix Fork, I was general mine foreman for Loftus Coal, we were broke down and needed to borrow the part from them. I went to the mine and as you can guess there was a splicing boot for a miner cable which they had made into a paddle. Ouch; you got it right, or should I say, I got it.

Emery accomplished a lot in his life, the greatest thing was to take up his cross and follow the Lord Jesus Christ in baptism to raise to walk in fellowship with the Lord. He united with the Blue Springs Freewill Baptist Church in 1978 and was ordained to the ministry in 1982. Emery loved the church more than any words could describe. He served the church as Pastor for 24 years. He told me in the hospital he was praying he could get one more year, yet he knows he wasn't able, he told Brother Larry and others not to consider putting him back in as Pastor, he wasn't able to do for the church as he wanted to do. Emery remained a faithful member and left a good example for others to follow.

Emery had a way with words, he would say things to his brothers and sisters in the church (jokingly). I dare say should any of us have the courage to do so we would have to run for our lives. He often said he was going to make the pallbearers work hard when they carry him to his grave. I told him they would probably drop him or the sisters would dance on his coffin. I know he would say to his precious brothers and sisters in the Lord how much he loved them and to keep on keeping on.

I close in saying I believe Emery fought the good fight. He kept faith, he finished his course, henceforth there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness. Which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give him at that day and not to him only but unto all them also that love his appearing. The Israelites were blessed to receive victory when David slew Goliath with one small stone. Our precious savior defeated the last enemy which is death, when He rose from the grave and as He live we shall live also. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the work of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the arch angel and with

the trump of God and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Yes our hearts are heavy, our sorrows deep the family circle is once again broken. As King David said while the Child was alive there was hope our Gracious Lord would have mercy and heal him, we all prayed daily for Emery's healing. We cannot bring him back but we can go to him by the Grace of God. I believe he is healed when he awakes he'll have a glorified body like Jesus as it is written, it does not yet appear what we shall be but we know when that which is perfect is come we shall be like Him and be satisfied. Sleep on my precious Brother until we meet again.

Written by unworthy servant,
Elder Michael Elswick

EFFIE BLACKBURN HARLOW

Effie Blackburn Harlow was called home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on January 23, 2014 at her home surrounded by her loved ones.

Born May 7, 1929, she was the daughter of the late Lell and Sarah Blackburn. She was also preceded in death by her loving husband Ray Deward Harlow, four brothers: Ralph Blackburn, Tunis Blackburn, Clarence Blackburn and Rush Blackburn; seven sisters: Nolecca May, Lucille Tuchon, Meldia May, Thelma Hall, Rosetta Williams, LeaBelle Blackburn and Helen Chapman; and one Grandson, Nathan Harold Helton.



She was retired as the director of the Belfry Senior Citizens and was a 43 year member of the Old Pond Primitive Baptist Church.

She is survived by one son, Ricky (Liz) Harlow of Hindman, KY, and one daughter, Elaine (Greg) Helton of Huddy, KY;; five grandchildren:

Ricky Dean Harlow, Darrell Keith Helton, Jennifer (Jason) Sesco, Richard (Alysia) Harlow and Justin Harlow; five great grandchildren: Chase Harlow, Whitney Brooke Helton, Isabella Harlow, Landon Ray Harlow and Katie Harlow; and a special friend Janie Harlow, as well as a host of other loving family and friends.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 pm. Sunday January 26, 2014 at R.E. Rogers Funeral Home with Primitive Baptist Ministers officiating. Burial followed at the Mountain View Memory Gardens at Huddy, KY where she was laid to rest beside her loving Husband, Ray Harlow.

Our lives are forever changed without Grandma; she had a laugh and a smile that would light up any room. Her love for her family was an unbreakable bond, and she loved us with her whole heart. We were blessed to be able to call her Mom and Grandma. Till we meet again, you are forever loved and missed!

Written by her Granddaughter, Jennifer Rae (Helton) Sesco

GLENNA RAE GOOSLIN HATFIELD

Glenna Rae (Gooslin) Hatfield, 66 of McCarr, Ky., passed away at 11:33 PM on Sunday, February 2, 2014 at the Appalachian Regional Hospital in South Williamson, Ky. She was born October 6, 1947 the daughter of the late Douglas M., Sr. and Cuzzie Wallace Gooslin. Also preceding her in death were brothers, Winston, Thomas Lee and Douglas M. Gooslin, Jr. and sisters, Ruby Hardesty, Anna Lou Smith and Nina Mae Musick.



In addition to being a homemaker, Glenna was a past employee of the U.S. Postal Service at McCarr, Ky. and a retiree from Wal-Mart Super Center at South Williamson, Ky. She was a faithful member of the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church at Ransom, Ky., where her sweet singing voice will be sadly missed.

Glenna is survived by her husband, Leslie D. Hatfield of McCarr;

three children, Rhonda Epling and Ronny Lee McClanahan of Richmond, VA and Jonathan McClanahan of Fort Myers, FL; two step children, Jason Hatfield of Hardy, Ky, and Anthony Ward Hatfield of Inez, Ky.; daughters-in-law, Gypsy McClanahan, Crystal Hatfield and Dencie Faye Hatfield; nine grandchildren, Joshua and Taylor Epling, Emma, Ethan and Logan McClanahan, Virginia and Anthony W. Hatfield, Jr. and Cameron and Caleb Hatfield. Surviving also are brothers, Otis (Melissa) Gooslin, Jimmy Dale Gooslin, Gordon (Judy) Gooslin and Brian (Tammy) Gooslin; sisters, Bonnie Young, Jacquelyn Kellione and Nancy (Paul) Cisco and sisters-in-law, Evelyn and Donna Gooslin. Also mourning her passing are many nephews, nieces, friends and church family.

Funeral services were held Thursday, February 6, 2014 at 12 Noon in the R.E. Rogers Funeral Home Chapel with Elders Paul Varney, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson and Raymond Stanley officiating. Burial followed in the Alley Cemetery, Ransom, Ky. with her brothers and nephews serving as pallbearers.

Visitation was held Tuesday and Wednesday night from 6-9 PM in the Funeral Home Chapel with special services both nights at 7PM.

My Beloved: Though it pleased God to wound me by taking you, I rejoice to know that your suffering is ended, and to feel that your sweet spirit now dwells in the presence of God, your beautiful voice raised in songs in Heaven. I thank God for giving us to each other for almost 29 years. Your undying love still fills my heart; I will love you forever. Rest till I can join you.

Your loving husband, by God's Grace, Leslie

LUCILLE (EDWARDS) SIMPKINS

Lucille (Edwards) Simpkins 92 years old of Lebanon, Ohio formerly of Beech Creek, WV. passed away after a brief illness on February 20, 2014. She was born Sept. 28, 1921 in South Williamson, Ky. She was the daughter of Hezekiah and Ruth (Mosher) Edwards who preceded her in death. In addition to her parents Lucille was also preceded in death by her husband of 54 years Mack Simpkins, a son Danny Simpkins of Winston Salem, NC, one grandchild Elizabeth Simpkins of Beech Creek, WV, and two great-grandchildren Jeffrey Simpkins of Las Vegas, NV. and Jacob Blankenship of Red Jacket, WV. and four sisters and five brothers.



Lucille was a homemaker and a member of the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church at Blackberry, KY. Lucille is survived by one daughter and six sons, Lottie (Bill) Meador of Albuquerque, NM, Roger (Della) of Huntington, WV. Emmett (Sandy) of Rineyville, KY. Johnny (Karen) of Beech Creek, WV. Lonnie (Wanda) of Canada, KY. Wesley (Rhonda) of Huntington, WV. Terry (Gail) of Lebanon, OH. whom she had been living with the past six years. Lucille is also survived by 13 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren & 2 great-great grandchildren.

Mom's love was like no one else. She was always there for her children giving her hugs, her support, her reassurance, her advice or just someone to lean on and listen to. Mom was a strong woman raising eight children when times were very difficult but she trusted in God, His mercy and grace. Mom loved to quilt each stitch was a work of art. Mom missed her church family at Samaria and the sister churches in the Mates Creek Association. She couldn't stay home after her son, Danny passed she missed him so, but due to her heartache and health she had to move away to stay with her son Terry and Gail. Mom loved making Christmas dinner for all the family just to have them together was a blessing for her. She never wanted the family to part, enjoying every moment to the fullest. She will be sadly missed by her children, family and friends. We have so many wonderful and happy memories of you and your love, we were blessed to have you as our mom. Thank you mom for being you.

Sleep on Mom until we meet again to never part no more,
Your son, Lonnie

CHRISTENE LAYNE KENDRICK



God saw you getting tired,
A cure was not to be,
He put His Arms around you and whispered,
"Come to Me!"

A Golden Heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest,
God broke our Hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the Best!

It is with very sad and lonely hearts
and lots of loving memories we will try to
write the obituary of a beloved wife, mommy,
grandmother and great-grandmother, Chris-
tene Layne Kendrick. She was born Febru-
ary 10, 1947 in Pike County, she departed

this life on September 22, 2013, making her stay on earth 66 years, 7 months and 12 days.

She was the daughter of the late Alonzo and Shrilda (Harris) Layne of Kimper, Ky.

Mommy was a housewife, mother and a loving Christian woman. She was a member pf the Louisa Primitive Baptist Church. She was baptized on October 31, 1982. Mommy enjoyed going to Church and praising the Lord. She loved to fellowship with her brothers and sisters in Christ.

Mommy would always tell us "children go to church every time you can, because there may come a time in your life you want to go and you may not be able to".

There were many times Mommy could hardly breathe or make it to get dressed that she would go to church to hear the word of God. She always said that it gave her so much peace and heart filled joy!

On mommy's last few days with us some of the brothers and sisters from church came to the house on the evening of foot washing to wash feet with her; let me tell you that was a very blessed service: The woman that couldn't even walk stood up and praised her Lord! The night before mommy went to be with the Lord, she had very little movement and we called brothers Robbie and Ricky Worrix it was around 11:00 p.m. and they came had prayer and sung for mommy and during one of the songs she lifted her sweet little hands up to praise God! You had to be there to feel the spirit that was so

overwhelming words cant describe! Mommy was a loving and kind hearted woman. She would give you the shirt off her back if she thought you wanted it. She loved nothing better than to try and feed you when you came around her. Family and friend gatherings always meant the world to her and she always fixed enough food to feed ten times as many that came. She always tried to help everybody that she could, even though she had only two children, she took lots of others under her wing and cared for them also.

She left many loved ones and friends behind that will dearly miss her: her daughters, Dorothy Prater and Delores "Ann" Varney: three "grandbabies" Jessica Prater Tibbs Ramsey, Kayla Prater and Brittany Prater: two great grandbabies, Olivia Tibbs and Landon Ireland Tibbs: two step grandchildren Christopher and Alli Ramsey; Two son-in-laws Steve Prater and David Varney and one grandson-in-law David Ramsey. Other survivors are: her sister Renith Justice (Reed): four brothers, Roscoe Layne, Bobby Layne (Trina), Jerry Layne (Nell) and Billy Layne. She was preceded in death by her loving husband Ireland Kendrick, her parents Alonzo and Shrilda (Harris) Layne, two brothers: Leo Layne, and Gartho Layne, four sisters: Betty Layne, Shirley Layne, Ermalene Chaney and Zenith Ray.

Mommy will be sadly missed by us and a host of relatives and friends. Since her passing there have been several of her family and friends that have gone on to the Lord.

Sleep on, Mommy, we will miss you so very much, but we know you are just asleep and you are "Gone Away with a friend." You're not having a hard time breathing, no pain and no more surgeries. We know you are very happy being there with Daddy, God and all the friends and family. Until we meet again in Heaven, we truly miss and Love you.

With loving and happy memories
Dorothy, Ann, Jessica, Kayla, Brittany, Olivia,
Landon, Steve, Davy, David R. Christopher and Alli

VERLIE VANHOOSE

Verlie Vanhooose passed away from this life on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at her home, surrounded by her family. She was born October 18, 1924 to the late Linvil and Nellie Booth Wheeler.

On November 2, 1940 Verlie married Luther Vanhooose, who preceded her in death in 1994.

Verlie is survived by one Son, Luther David Vanhooose, and one daughter Gwynda Travis both of Johnson County, Ky. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Brenda Ratliff, one son Roger Vanhooose and one granddaughter Carolyn Bentley. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

Verlie was a member of the Friendship Primitive Baptist Church in Paintsville Ky. She also enjoyed visiting the Primitive Baptist churches in the surrounding counties as long as health permitted.

She looked forward to and enjoyed visits from family and friends and especially the three young great grandsons who popped in almost everyday for a hug and a cookie.

Mom, we all miss you and think of something you said or did everyday. We the family feel our loss is heaven's gain.

Written by her daughter ,
Gwen Travis

GLENNA JEAN BALL HATFIELD

It is with great sadness that I write the obituary of my precious aunt, Glenna Jean Ball Hatfield, who left this earth to be with our Lord September 11, 2013.



Glenna was born September 28th, 1935 at Pinsonfork Kentucky, to the late Bob and Luna Stanley Ball. Glenna was a member of the Samaria Primitive Church at Ransom, Kentucky. She is preceded in death by her husband Anderson (Ance) Hatfield, three sisters Leola Ball (Luther) Bobbie Jean Ratliff (George) Luelllyn (Bootie) Smith; and a brother John (JB) Ball; a grandson Little John Hatfield; nephews: Thurman Ball, Roger Ratliff and, one niece, Sue Ball.

Glenna is survived by her children Barbara (Jim Runyon) Johnny Ray Hatfield, Cherish (Bobby Lour); two grandchildren: Sara Hatfield and Natalie Lour, and a host of nieces and nephews, family and friends.

Her funeral was held at the Rogers Funeral Chapel at Belfry Kentucky, with the Primitive Baptist Church Elders. She was laid to rest at the Hatfield Family cemetery at Balfork. She is sadly missed by all who knew her. Gone but never forgotten.

RUTH IRENE BLACKBURN MAYNARD

Date of birth November 25, 1930, date of death, September 17, 2013. Funeral services were held at Grundy Funeral Home Chapel, Saturday, September 21, 2013 at 12:00 noon.



Elders were Brian Moore, Shawn Dotson, Mike Smith & Jeff Dotson. She was buried at Greenhills Memory Gardens, Claypool Hill, VA. Pallbearers were Eric Scott Maynard, Craig Meadows, Greg Barnett, Chris Barnett, Tommy Barnett & Brandon Barnett.

OCTAVIA CHAPMAN

It is with a very sad and broken heart that I write this obituary of my dear beloved mother, Octavia Chapman. Mom was 81 years old, born 7th of June 1932 and Jesus took her home on a beautiful Sunday morning May 04, 2014. Mom was the daughter of the late Levi and Betty Honaker Varney. Mom was preceded in death by the Love of Her Life my dad Elder Jeff Chapman who she married December 5, 1947, one precious little daughter (3 mos. old) Rachel Chapman, three brothers: John, Floyd and Rudolph Varney; and three sisters: Annie Chapman, Zellie May and Herma Varney.

Mom leaves behind six children to mourn her passing: Erma E. Chapman of the home, L.B. (Judy) Chapman, Nancy Lois (Thomas E.) Thacker, Betty (Donnie) Canada, Sue (late Jimmy) Hensley and Emma (Darrel) Hunt; four grand-children: Beverly S. (Jeremy) Rosen, James Canada, A.J. (Kimberly) Harris and Ryne Hunt; two great-grand-children: Kaylynn Rosen and Oliver Trenton Harris, who were very Special to Granny. Mom was a very loving Wife, Mother, Granny, Sister, Daughter and just a kind loving friend to all.

Special thanks to some very wonderful people that made Mom's life easier with Great Care!: DemKia Hess and Nanette Thacker and the May family, Special thanks to Dr. Bill Webb and a very Special thank you to Vicki Salisbury Black.

There's not a day that goes by that my heart is not broken and sad, because Mom was my rock, my heart and soul, my whole world; she was what I lived for everyday and I miss her so much. Mom was such a humble and gentle soul, loved by all that met and knew her. Mom was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church for around 43 years and she loved her Church Family so very much. Moms membership was at Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church.



Through your brief illness Mom, you were so sweet and kind and never complained about anything. You're at rest now in the arms of Sweet Jesus, so rest on, I pray we will all follow the footsteps you left behind for us and some sweet day meet you in Heaven. Love and Miss you so much mom.

Written by: her daughter
Erma E. Chapman

"A VIRTUOUS WOMAN

Who can find a virtuous woman?
For her price is far above rubies.

The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he
shall have no need of spoil.

She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

She seeketh wool, and flax, and
worketh willingly with her hands.

She is like the merchants ships; she
bringeth her food from afar.

She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her
household, and a portion to her maidens.

She considereth a field, and buyeth it, with the fruit of her
hands she planteth a vineyard.

She girdeth her loins with strength,
and strengtheneth her arms.

She perceiveth that her merchandise is good:
her candle goeth not out by night.

She layeth her hands to the spindle,
and her hands hold the distaff.

She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea,
she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid of the snow for her household:
for all her household are clothed with scarlet.

She maketh herself coverings of tapestry;
her clothing is silk and purple.

Her husband is known in the gates,
when he sitteth among the elders of the land.

She maketh fine linen, and selleth it;
and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.

Strength and honour are her clothing;
and she shall rejoice in time to come.

She openeth her mouth with wisdom;
and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

She looketh well to the ways of her household,
and eateth not the bread of idleness.

Her children arise up, and call her blessed,
her husband also, and he praiseth her.

Many daughters have done virtuously
but thou excellest them all.

Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that
feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

Proverbs, Chapter 31: Verses: 10-30

DIXIE PAULINE MCCOY BRANT

It is with a sad and broken heart that I try to write the obituary of my dear, sweet sister. Dixie Pauline McCoy Brant was born July 5, 1936 to George and Augusta Coleman McCoy at Raccoon Ky. Pauline passed from this life on August 19, 2013 making her stay here on earth 77 years 1 month and 12 days. She was laid to rest in the Rose Cemetery in Newark, New York.

Pauline was married to Raymond Brant and to this union were born 5 children: 2 sons Ray (Jodie) Brant of Canandaigua, NY, Ryan (Brenda) Brant of Newark, NY; 3 daughters Pam Brant of Canandaigua, NY, Kimberly Brant and Camella Bloomer both of Newark NY; 18 Grandchildren and 11 Great-Grandchildren all of which survive her. She is also, survived by 1 sister, Hester McCoy Anderson of Raccoon, KY and a host of other family members, friends and loved ones. Pauline was pre-



ceded in death by her parents and her husband. Also preceding her in death 1 sister, America "Merkie" McCoy Fordham; 3 brothers, Fred McCoy, Samuel "Bud" McCoy, and Robert McCoy.

Pauline was in the Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict. She retired from Parker-Hannifin in Clyde, NY after 25 years of employment. Pauline was a member of the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church for many years. She didn't get to attend Church as often as she would have liked because she lived so far away but her heart and love was always there.

Pauline is greatly missed by all who knew her but our hope in Christ is "We will see her again one day soon".

A golden heart stopped beating
Hard working hands to rest
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.

Written by her broken-hearted sister,
Hester McCoy Anderson

DEAN TILLER

The Hand

Sister Dean Tiller left this world on Feb. 7, 2014, when God decided it was time - not one minute too soon, not one minute too late. God gently took her hand and all of her suffering was over.

Dean was a very quiet person. Perhaps that came from being born twelfth in the birth order of a large family. It would be difficult to chime in much to say. It was easier to find a cane bottom chair in the corner of the room and just listen!

Dean was a very faithful church supporter, even before she joined the Old Pond Primitive Baptist Church. After she moved to Mt. Sterling, Ky., she still made that long drive every Sunday, until she got too sick. Often at church, I would look for her; but in a few minutes, I could feel her soft, gentle hand on my shoulder. Dean was my Daddy's Sister and neither was likely to show a lot of open affection, but the touch of their hand assured you that they truly loved you.

Yes, God gave us hands to do natural work, but don't underestimate the power of the hand. A newborn, a young child, a newly baptized person, or a dying loved one - all seem to find great comfort from the touch of a hand. Dean had a beautiful set of hands with a special touch. May we all remember to reach out our hands to help others. We can all rest in the hope that the Good Master took Sister Dean's hand on that



beautiful day and all of her earthly troubles were replaced with God's promise of Heavenly peace and joy. Yes, she is deeply missed, but to her, "all is well!"

Sister Dean is survived by one daughter, Kim Moore, four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one sister; one sister-in-law; and a host of people who loved her. We must accept God's Will and smile in our hearts that God blessed us just to have her pass through our lives.

By: daughter Kim Moore

CAROL SUE THOMPSON

Carol Sue Thompson of Raccoon, Kentucky was born May 19, 1953. She was the daughter of Allen and Marie Coleman. She was the wife of Charles (Coke) Thompson.

Carol was a member of the Grassy Freewill Baptist Church and often visited the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church with her mother, Marie Coleman. She was also a member of the Dav Chapter 166, Ladies Auxiliary.

Carol was the owner/operator of the Sears store in Pikeville, Kentucky. She received numerous awards for her excellent work in operating Sears. She took pride in her store and always went the extra mile to make sure her customers were satisfied. Carol had a very kind, loving and giving heart, always helping people.



Mourning her death, Carol leaves behind her mother, Marie Coleman, brothers, sister-in-laws (whom she called her sisters), nieces and nephews, and friends who loved her dearly.

Carol was preceded in death by her dad, Allen Coleman, her husband Charles (Coke) Thompson and a sister, Denise Gaye Coleman.

Carol will be sadly missed by all her family and friends, but through the faith and hope of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and the hope and promise he gave to us, we know that we shall see her again!

Marie Coleman and Family

DIRECTIONS TO MATES CREEK CHURCHES

Directions to Louisa Church House, 16 Rocky Way, Pikeville, KY. 41501: From U.S. 460 14 miles east from Pikeville, KY, exit on KY-1441 at Millard; go 0.8 miles to Jct. KY-1789; right on KY-1789, go 0.1 miles to Rocky Road; left on Rocky Road, go 1/2 mile to Louisa Church house on left.

Directions to Old Pond Primitive Baptist Church House, 167 Church House Hollow, Belfry, KY 41514: From Pikeville, Ky: U.S. 119 North 21 miles thru Belfry to Church House Hollow on the right; right on Church House Hollow about 100 yards; From Williamson, WV: U.S. 119 South 4 miles to Church House Hollow on the left, left on Church House Hollow about 100 yards.

Directions to Big Creek Church House, 21 Stratton Fork Road, Canada, KY 41519: From Pikeville, Ky travel 15 miles north on U.S. 119 to Sidney exit (KY 3220); turn right on KY 3220, go 2.6 miles to Meathouse Road (KY 3154); Right on Meathouse Road 0.4 miles to church house on right at mouth of Stratton Fork. From Williamson, West Virginia, travel 9 miles south on U.S. 119 to first Sidney exit; at the bottom of the off-ramp, turn left on old U.S. 119, go 1.5 miles to Meathouse Road on the right, follow directions above.

Directions to Raccoon Church House, 21 Stratton Fork Road, Canada. KY 41519: From Pikeville, Ky., travel 5 miles north on Old U.S. 119 to Jct. KY-1441 (Raccoon Road); turn right on KY-1441, go approx. 5.1 miles to Raccoon Church house on the left.

Directions to Peter Creek Church House, 24 Smith Fork Road, Phelps, KY 41553: From Pikeville Kentucky, travel 8 miles north on U.S. 119 to Kimper exit; at bottom of ramp go left KY-194E, travel 10 miles to Junction of KY-632 at Kimper, go straight on KY-632, 10.5 miles to Smith Fork Road (KY-3419) on the right. Turn right across the bridge to Peter Creek Church House. From Williamson, West Virginia, travel 16 miles south on U.S. 119 to Kimper exit; at bottom of ramp turn left on KY194E, and follow directions above.

Directions to Sulphur Springs Church House, 4092 Paw Paw Road, Hurley, VA 24620: From Pikeville, KY, take U.S. 460 East 35 miles to Big Rock, VA, just past KY/VA border, left on VA State Route 645, take VA-645 approx. 12 miles to church on right.

Directions to Little Hope Church House, 76 Left Fork Ball Fork Road, Pinsonfork, KY 41555: From Pikeville, KY U.S. 119 North 23 miles to Jct. KY-199 on right; take KY-199, go 3.4 miles to Jct. KY-1056 on left; left on 1056, go .2 miles to Ball Fork Road on right, take Ball Fork Road approx. .5 miles to fork of the road, bear left to church house. From Williamson, WV: take U.S. 119 South 6 miles to Jct. KY-199 on left; left on KY-199, follow directions above.

Directions to Grapevine Church House, 17519 Grapevine Road, Phyllis, KY 41554: From Pikeville, KY, U.S. 119 north 8 miles to Kimper exit; at bottom of ramp turn left on KY-194, go 10 miles to Jct. KY-194/632 at Kimper; right on KY-194, go 7.7 miles to Grapevine Church on the right. From Williamson, WV, take U.S. 119 South 16 miles to Kimper exit, follow directions above.

Directions to Samaria Church House, 1722 Left Fork Blackberry Road, Ransom, Ky 41558: From Pikeville, Ky travel 23 miles north on U.S. 119 to Jct. KY-319, at Toler; right on Ky-319, go 7 miles to Jct. KY-1056 at McCarr, right on KY-1056, go 4 miles to Left Fork of Blackberry Rd.; turn left go 1.7 miles to the church house on the left at the mouth of Old House Branch. From Williamson, West Virginia , travel 3 miles south on U.S. 119 to Jct. KY-319; left on KY-319 follow remaining directions above.

Directions to Feds Creek Church House, 1854 Feds Creek Rd, Feds Creek KY: From Pikeville, KY, take U.S. 23 South to U.S.460 East; take U.S. 460 East approx. 25 miles to Ky1499 at Mouthcard; left on KY 1499, go 2 miles to KY 366; go right on KY 366 2 miles to church house on right.

Directions to Johns Creek Church, 2253 Long Fork Road, Kimper KY 41539: From Pikeville, KY, U.S. 119 North 8 miles to Kimper exit, at bottom of ramp, go left on KY-194; go 10 miles to Jct. KY-632 at Kimper; go straight 4 miles on KY- 632 to CR1758 (Long Fork Road); right on CR1758 2.3 miles to Johns Creek Church House on right. From Williamson WV: U.S. 119 South 16 miles to Kimper exit, follow remaining directions above.

Directions to Calvary Church House, 631 Varney Branch Road, Kimper, KY 41539: From Pikeville, KY, take U.S. 119 North 8

miles to Kimper exit; at bottom of ramp go left on KY-194, go 8.2 miles to Varney Branch Road on the left; take Varney Branch Road 0.3 miles, bear left, go another 0.2 miles to the church house on the right. From Williamson, WV, take U.S. 119 South 16 miles to Kimper exit, follow directions above.

Directions to Dry Fork Church House, 2782 Dry Fork Road, Vansant VA 24656: From U.S. 460 at Vansant, VA, take State Route 83 (Lover's Gap Road) approx. 1 mile to State Route 627 (Dry Fork Road); left on 627, go 3 miles to church house on right.

Directions to Friendsnip Church House, Bob's Branch, Ky Route 1107, Thelma KY 41260: From U.S. 23 at Paintsville, Take Ky Route 40 thru Paintsville to Ky. Route 1107, turn left on Ky. Route 1107, to approx. 5 miles to church house at Bob's Branch, Thelma.

Directions to Columbus Church House, 599 Hilock Road, Columbus, OH 43207: From the Junction of I-270 and U.S. 23 travel north on U.S. 23 (which is South High Street), just over one mile to the 5th stop light. Turn right on East Williams road, travel one/half mile to the first stop light; turn left on Parsons Avenue, travel about one/quarter mile to the first street on the right. Turn right on Hilock Road, travel about one/quarter mile to Columbus Church on the right side of the street at 599 Hilock Road.

Directions to Deerfield Church House, 4474 Center Road, Linden, MI 48451: From U.S. 23, turn left on Center Road, go 5 miles to church house, next to Deerfield Township Hall.

Directions to Pleasant Hill Church House, 615 Oakland, Urbana, OH 43078: From intersection of U.S. 68 and U.S. 36 (Monument Square), take U.S. 36 West (Miami Street) approx.1 mile to N. Oakland Street; right on N. Oakland Street approx.1/2 mile to church house.

Directions to New Hope Church House, 527 Pinsonfork Road, Pinsonfork, KY 41555: From Pikeville, Ky, take U.S. 119 North 23 miles to KY-199 at Huddy; right on Ky-199, go 2.6 miles to Pinsonfork Road; right on Pinsonfork Road 1/2 mile to church house on right.

