

Disaster Relief Team Help Kentucky College

Eleven members of the Disaster Relief Team headed to Kentucky Baptist Bible College in Jackson, Kentucky at the end of July to help with construction projects at the college. Four members of the team were from ECBA. Daniel, Taylor, and James Carpenter, and George Eukart all from



Old Town Hill Baptist Church in Muncie spent the week on the side of the mountain helping these brothers and sisters in Christ. It is interesting to see how the Lord orchestrates these opportunities. One of the DR members from Plymouth had learned of this need while he was in Florida. This random conversation allowed him to make the necessary contacts and arrangements

to help. The team was able to help put siding on a 2-story building, work on gutters and eaves, do some electrical work and put in windows while they were there. The president of the college was so impressed with their efforts. He even personally invited them to his home for pie and ice cream.



Interested in this ministry? A new training class is currently scheduled for Saturday, November 14 at Halteman Village Baptist Church in Muncie. Contact Joe Fox, 765-729-1366 for more information.

Churches Are Grateful for ECBA Support

At our last ECBA Quarterly meeting, the association voted to gift each participating church with \$1,000 to use to help with losses caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. Those checks have gone out and our churches have appreciated this unexpected gift. *"We give thanks to God always for you all making mention of you in our prayers."* 1 Thessalonians 1:2.



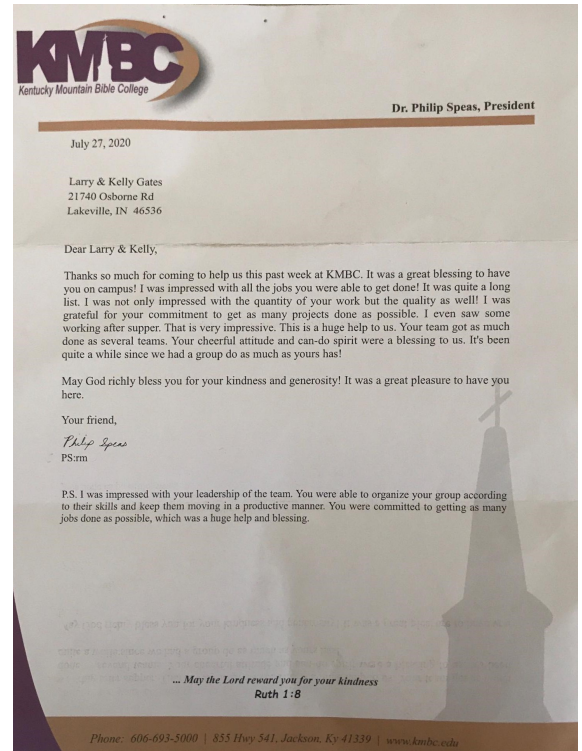
Dear friends of the ECBA,

On behalf of Remedy City Church,

I thank you for the generous gift of support during an unsettling season! It is a joy to serve Christ with brothers and sisters like you!

All for Jesus!

Jeremiah Kinney



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Dr. Ron Ross

The Katecheo

Last month's article dealt with the sovereignty of God, a topic that potentially should grasp the minds of us all. In a continuation of that thought, let's turn our attention to Romans 8.29-30, where the apostle states, "For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified." Wow, that is some heavy material, especially when you consider the words of the same apostle writing to the Ephesian church, he stated, "just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world."

Think of this, the sovereign God, prior to the act of creation, made a choice. That choice was not based on your contribution to society. It was not based on your heritage. It was not based on the color of your skin, the dialect of your language, nor the landmass upon which you were born. It was totally based on God's sovereign choice — His supernatural selection, if you will. In reference to that selection, add the information supplied by the prophet Malachi as he states, "'I have loved you,' says the Lord. But you say, 'How have You loved us?' 'Was not Esau Jacob's brother?' declares the Lord. 'Yet I have loved Jacob; but I have hated Esau, and I have made his mountains a desolation and appointed his inheritance for the jackals of the wilderness.'" (Mal 1.2-3, NASB)

This insight into how our God thinks will certainly cause us to think outside the proverbial box. In all this information would you join this writer in pondering these thoughts:

Can we ever stop thanking God for choosing us to be in His family?

What if we had not been chosen by God — then what?

Could some of those nonbelievers we know actually be the chosen of God?

If the choice was God's, then what does that do to some of our evangelistic strategies in winning people to the Lord?

How will our prayer life change knowing that God is in control of life and death and, yes, even in reference to eternal life?

Perhaps, the greatest word for the Christian is the word, "chosen" by God. This recognition is good for life, and it is good for eternity. Something to ponder as we mask and safe distance!

Upcoming Events

Canceled Thursday, September 3, 10:00 a.m.—Leader Lab and Pastors Luncheon. Next meeting will be via Zoom on October 1 at 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, September 17, 6:00 p.m.—Possible ECBA Fellowship Meal at Kingston Avenue Baptist Church, 5403 Kingston Avenue, Anderson IN 46013

Thursday, September 17, 7:00 p.m.—ECBA Annual Meeting at Kingston Avenue Baptist Church, 5403 Kingston Avenue, Anderson IN 46013; Speaker, Doug Jividen

SBC Emphasis for September

Month of September — State Missions Offering Emphasis

September 6 — Single Adult Sunday

September 13 — Anti-gambling Sunday

September 20 — Baptism Sunday



Please pray for our pastors and their wives on these special occasions.

Birthdays

September 1—Deneia Trego, New Day—Muncie

September 18—Dana Jones, Faith Christian, Anderson

September 20—Cedric Anderson, Grace Community, Muncie

September 21—Melissa Reynolds, Old Town Hill, Muncie

ECBA Profit and Loss Statement for July 2020

	<u>Jul 20</u>
Income	
4000 · Church Receipts	
4060 · New Day	0.00
4120 · Halteman - Muncie	613.71
4140 · Kingston - Anderson	130.00
4160 · North Delaware - Muncie	193.95
4170 · Old Town Hill - Muncie	0.00
4180 · Redeemer - Anderson	368.00
4190 · First - Montpelier	90.00
4210 · Faith Christian Fellowship	260.00
4230 · Integris	0.00
4240 · Remedy City	44.18
Total 4000 · Church Receipts	<u>1,699.84</u>
6998 · Restricted Transient Funds	<u>-1,000.00</u>
Total Income	699.84
Expense	
7000 · Administrative Ministry	
7090 · Payroll	729.99
Total 7000 · Administrative Ministry	<u>729.99</u>
7995 · Unbudgeted Spending	42,000.00
7998 · Restricted Transient Fund	<u>9,000.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>51,729.99</u>
Net Income	<u>-51,030.15</u>

ECBA Balance Report July 2020

	<u>Jul 20</u>	<u>Jun 20</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
1000 · ONB			
1010 · General Budget	36,621.56	35,881.71	739.85
1011 · Discretionary Admin Team	7,493.99	7,493.99	0.00
1015 · BCM Rent Deposit	0.00	0.00	0.00
1016 · BCM Capital Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
1025 · Mission Building Capital Fund	6,592.19	6,362.19	230.00
1035 · Church P&H Fund	6,297.89	6,297.89	0.00
1040 · OMC	1,307.84	1,307.84	0.00
1051 · ECBA Endowment	0.00	0.00	0.00
1055 · Funds Temporarily Restricted	19,892.33	71,892.33	-52,000.00
1000 · ONB - Other	<u>-900.99</u>	<u>-900.99</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total 1000 · ONB	77,304.81	128,334.96	-51,030.15
1100 · Indiana Baptist Foundation			
1110 · ECBA Endowment	10,827.32	10,827.32	0.00
1111 · Church P&H ROI	1,179.71	1,179.71	0.00
1120 · Church P&H Fund	19,223.09	19,223.09	0.00
1125 · BCMH Temp Restricted	<u>149,357.73</u>	<u>149,357.73</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total 1100 · Indiana Baptist Foundation	<u>180,587.85</u>	<u>180,587.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>257,892.66</u>	<u>308,922.81</u>	<u>-51,030.15</u>

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ECBA Annual Meeting

Thursday, September 23, 2020

Possible fellowship meal - 6:00 p.m.

Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

(All dependent upon current quarantine suggestions)

Speaker: Doug Jividen

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