

Disaster Relief Team Helps Floridians

It's hard to believe it has only been a little over a month since Hurricane Ian damaged lives in Florida. They will be recovering from this devastation for months, possibly years, to come. Our disaster relief team from Indiana stood ready to help those afflicted by this catastrophe. The 11-person team headed to Florida on October 15th and returned on the 23rd. While they were there they worked on 7 homes, doing mud-outs and cleaning up. They cut wood and provided tarps for coverage.

The team stayed at the First Baptist Church in Venice. An interesting fact was that Billy Graham preached his first revival there. They worked in the Venice-Sarasota-Naples area and were just 6 blocks from the beach, but their long days were spent doing the rewarding work of helping those in need.

A team will be returning to Florida November 12 – 20. Although it is preferred, you do not have to complete DR training to go. There are several ways you can help from serving food to listening to homeowners and telling them about Jesus. If



DR Team in alphabetical order: Ron Belcher, Steve Cline, Tom Colby, Brian Durban, George Euchert, Joe Fox, Abby Pugsley, John Pugsley, Ron Rabenstein, Jerry Tanner, and Mike Woodord

you are interested in going on this trip, please contact Joe Fox.

Disaster Relief training will be held on Saturday, November 5 in Greenwood. There are already 50 people registered for this training. If you are interested in attending, please call our DR Coordinator, Joe Fox, at 765-729-1366 for more details.

New Day—Muncie Practices “Feed My Sheep”



Donna Hicks, Shirley Roberts, and Deneia Trego talk about Jesus' words to Simon Peter to “feed My sheep” while they packed 50 sack lunches for The New Norm to distribute to those in need.

New Day Baptist Church in Muncie put into practice the words of Jesus when He said, “Feed My sheep.” On October 18th, they packed up 50 sack lunches to feed those in need at The New Norm. The New Norm in Muncie is a ministry that provides for those in need. Shirley Roberts volunteers there and holds a meeting every Tuesday called “Family Matters.” It is for people who have family members or loved ones who are addicted. She talks with them, does a devotion, prays with them and offers the hope found in scripture. Because of her connection, New Day was able to help by providing the lunches. While they packed the sack lunches, they discussed how Jesus told Simon Peter to “feed My sheep.”

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Dr. Ron Ross

The Katecheo

Most church councils are approaching the time for their annual preparation in light of the new year, such as calendaring and budgeting. Some churches, in that process, seek to selectively include the Southern Baptist Convention calendar of events. As Educational Coordinator, it is always exciting what has been suggested for the Winter or January Bible Study material. The New Testament letter that was selected for 2023 is the letter to the church at Ephesus entitled *"Who We Are in Christ."* What an exciting letter to be studied at this troublesome time in history, both national and in local churches. Too often in America, its citizens are quick to blame their plight on a political party, when in essence the plights have been allowed or *caused* by God to warn The Church of its apathy and transgressions.

An in-depth study of this apostolic letter may be just the solution to the frustrations experienced by so many. Just

as a reminder, this letter deals with a complete overview of the theological topic of *Soteriology*, the study of the doctrine of salvation. Unfortunately, local congregations are often disjointed by a distorted view of this doctrine. With such a distortion, eventually it begins to affect other areas of doctrine and practice.

Your Educational Coordinator is encouraging every pastor and church leader to consider the benefits of engaging this winter in the study of Ephesians. As a long-time pastor, one realizes many pastors are denied the study-time benefit to lead such a study. As mentioned in the past -- your Coordinator is available to lead such as study in the time-allotments of each congregation.

Church leadership is encouraged to prayerfully consider the benefit of presenting such a study for the members of their congregations. Something to ponder as we prepare for 2023!

Redeemer Reaches Out to Community through "Trunk or Treat"

Redeemer Baptist Church in Anderson hosted a Trunk or Treat for the community on Friday, October 28 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Volunteers decorated their trunks and offered treats to the children who came. There were 12 trunks decorated and ready to pass out treats that had been donated by church members. Some of the

volunteers were in costumes, too! Although there was not an official count, it was estimated that over 200 people came for this event. Enjoy the pictures here and on page 3.



Upcoming Events In November

Thursday, November 3—6:00 pm, ECBA Fellowship Meal, Kingston Avenue Baptist Church, 5403 Kingston Avenue, Anderson IN 46013

Thursday, November 3—7:00 pm, ECBA Quarterly Meeting, Kingston Avenue Baptist Church, 5403 Kingston Avenue, Anderson IN 46013 **Leader Lab** immediately following meeting.

SBC Emphasis for November

November 6—Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

November 13—Orphans and Widows Sunday

Birthdays

November 15—Jama Marlow (North Delaware, Muncie)

November 24—Tim Overton (Kingston, Anderson)

Anniversaries

None

Pastor-Church Anniversaries

None



More Redeemer Truck or Treat Pictures



ECBA Profit and Loss Statement for September 2022

Income

4000 · Church Receipts

4060 · New Day	500.00
4120 · Halteman - Muncie	94.16
4140 · Kingston - Anderson	171.20
4160 · North Delaware - Muncie	247.37
4170 · Old Town Hill - Muncie	0.00
4180 · Redeemer - Anderson	0.00
4190 · First - Montpelier	0.00
4210 · Faith Christian Fellowship	150.00
4230 · Integris	230.00
4240 · Remedy City	306.15

Total 4000 · Church Receipts

1,698.88

Total Income

1,698.88

Expense

7000 · Administrative Ministry

7010 · Other Expense	286.27
7090 · Payroll	835.16

Total 7000 · Administrative Ministry

1,121.43

7500 · Trustee

500.00

7700 · Miscellaneous

1,010.00

Total Expense

2,631.43

Net Income

-932.55

ECBA Balance Report September 2022

	Sep 22	Aug 22	\$ Change
1000 · ONB			
1010 · General Budget	39,263.02	38,800.57	462.45
1011 · Discretionary Admin Team	7,493.99	7,493.99	0.00
1020 · Disaster Relief	474.28	474.28	0.00
1025 · Mission Building Capital Fund	9,612.19	9,497.19	115.00
1035 · Church P&H Fund	25,520.98	25,520.98	0.00
1040 · OMC	1,307.84	1,307.84	0.00
1055 · Funds Temporarily Restricted	10,458.78	11,968.78	-1,510.00
1111 · Church P&H ROI	7,065.72	7,065.72	0.00
1125 · BCMH Temp Restricted	149,357.73	149,357.73	0.00
Total 1000 · ONB	250,554.53	251,487.08	-932.55
1100 · Indiana Baptist Foundation			
1110 · ECBA Endowment	12,820.47	12,820.47	0.00
Total 1100 · Indiana Baptist	12,820.47	12,820.47	0.00
TOTAL	263,375.00	264,307.55	-932.55

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Quarterly ECBA Associational Meeting
Thursday, November 3, 2022

Kingston Avenue Baptist Church

5403 Kingston Avenue

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6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal (Provided by John Horn)

7:00 p.m. Associational Meeting

followed by Leader Lab

lead by John Horn

