

Fall Events Provide Fellowship and Outreach

When Fall rolls around each year, so do opportunities for fellowship and outreach at our churches. Several of our churches have held fall festivals, bonfires, trunk 'n treat events, etc. Following is a review of some of the events from this year.

Old Town Hill
 By Sabra Douglas

OTH hosted a Fall Festival on Saturday, October 26th from 6 to 8 pm. The community was invited to come grab a treat bag and spend time in the gym playing carnival games for candy and prizes. Kids played games like Plinko and Toilet Toss. Kids of all ages spent time at the Treat Walk trying to win goodies such as cakes and cookies.



The bounce house from the association was also a big hit!

Families enjoyed chili, hotdogs, and popcorn in the cafe and almost everyone wanted to be part of the hayrides that ran through the neighborhood

every 20 minutes or so. We had great weather and everyone who attended seemed to have a great time!

ECBA Involved in SCBI Annual Summit

On October 24th and 25th, church messengers from all over the state of Indiana met together at the State Convention of Baptists Annual Summit held at Calvary Baptist Church in Greenwood. They heard reports of the way God had worked during the past year in Indiana churches and ministries. They elected new officers for the SCBI. They conducted business. They worshipped and prayed together. They enjoyed sweet fellowship. And, people from our

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New Day Baptist Church

On Friday, October 22, New Day Baptist Church members and friends gathered at the home of Brian and Kendra Bunch for a Bonfire & Cornhole Night. They roasted some hot dogs and toasted some marshmallows, played games and enjoyed each other's fellowship. Khristina Poole shared, "Thank you so much for the wonderful time and memories that were made! Loved every minute of it!"



New Day Baptist Church – Muncie

New Day Baptist Church in Muncie spent weeks planning for their Fall Festival only to have to cancel it because of the weather. High winds and rain interfered with putting on this annual outdoors event. New Day is still trying to set a date to possibly reschedule this, even if it has to be indoors.



Redeemer Baptist Church – Anderson

Redeemer Baptist Church hosted a Trunk 'n Treat event in the church parking lot on Friday,

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Dr. Ron Ross

The Katecheo

For Christians worldwide, October 31, 1517, is the most important date in modern day Christendom. That date marks the posting of Martin Luther's famous *95 Theses on the door of the All Saint's Church in Wittenberg, Germany*. The posting and events following became known as the Protestant Reformation. The ninety-five elements of that post can and has been summarized by five core truths:

SCRIPTURE alone
GRACE alone
FAITH alone
CHRIST alone
GLORY alone

Now, some 507 years removed from that historic event, many Christians believe it is time for yet another reform. With the electronic age bombarding every area of human life, the church has been infiltrated with humanistic strategies in an effort to bring about *"the hand of God"* upon all we do.

Many pastors have become their own personalities in the pulpit, and their facilities have become likened to the great

sport facilities across the world. Instead of being recognized as one **member** of the *"Body of Christ,"* we now compete on who is the largest, who sells the most books or musical albums, who baptizes the most, or who receives the most monies in a given year. Wow, what's happened?

How the Church of the Living God has changed since those very early beginnings. The Word of God is less than sufficient for the needs of the people, as the preaching styles are now about how the message is displayed and delivered so as to attract even nonbelievers.

Though we are in an election crisis in America, let us as followers of Jesus Christ thrust our attention on God and His Word. May our desire parrot the desire of God, and may we endeavor to take God's Word seriously enough that it brings about visible change. Enough of the video performances; let us desire to corporately meet together with our God for a time of worship, praise and celebration in the WORD of the only One worthy of our obedience. Let us reclaim the spirit of the Reformation!

association were involved with it all.

Tami Hubler from New Day Baptist Church in Alexandria, Muncie, and Pendleton presented the state WMU report during the meeting. She also set up and worked the WMU/Wives in Ministry booth, providing information



about resources and upcoming events. Joe Fox from Old Town Hill Baptist Church was at the Disaster Relief booth, sharing about opportunities to help others who have experienced disasters in their area.

Jeremiah Kinney from Remedy City Church in Muncie presented the scripture and prayer for the start of session 3 meeting on Friday morning. Indiana Baptists continue to meet together to connect for Kingdom advancement.



Upcoming Events In December

SBC Emphasis for December

December 1-8—Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Offering



December

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

<u>Birthdays</u>	None
<u>Anniversaries</u>	None
<u>Pastor-Church Anniversaries</u>	None

Bible Study Fellowship between Studies

The Ladies Bible Study group at Redeemer Baptist Church in Anderson just finished Dr. David Jeremiah's study, "Overcomer." Between studies they usually enjoy a fellowship meal. For this session break, they went to Cracker Barrel in Anderson on October 28. It was a relaxed time of enjoying each others company and getting to know each other better.



The women's Bible study group meets every Monday morning at 10:00 am. The next study will be using Priscilla Shirer's book "I Surrender All." It will begin on Monday, November 4 and run for 9 weeks. Any woman is welcome to join this group.



Lots of boxes packed and ready to go for Operation Christmas Child.



New Day Begins OCC Box Packing

Again this year, New Day Baptist Church is helping with Operation Christmas Child. They have already held a "packing party" and plan to be a drop off location at both their Pendleton and Alexandria campuses. The national collection week is November 18—25. Collection times can be found on the OCC website, www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/drop-off-locations

Also, plans have already been made to take a group to Aurora IL to work in the OCC Shoebox Processing Center January 23-24.



Everyone helps pack boxes.

NDBC Hosts Veteran's Dinner

New Day Baptist Church, 202 W Tyler Street in Alexandria, is hosting a veteran's appreciation dinner on Monday, November 11 at 6:30 pm. "We are thankful for our veterans and those currently serving in the armed forces. In appreciation, we are hosting a dinner for our veterans and their immediate family. Please RSVP at the Visitor Center."



Veteran's Appreciation Dinner

Place on your calendar now

ECBA Semi-Annual Meeting

Thursday, March 13, 2025

Remedy City Church
4100 N Oakwood Ave
Muncie, IN 47304

Fellowship Meal 6:00 PM

Meeting 7:00 PM

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More Fall Event Pictures

October 25th from 6 – 8 pm. They had planned for approximately 200 or so



attendees, similar to last year; but were overwhelmed by the more than 500 who showed up. Church members were making runs to the store for more candy, cider, and donuts. The popcorn popper was constantly going. Over 300 filled out information forms for the basket drawing and the church plans to follow up on each of these.



Old Town Hill



New Day



Redeemer



ECBA Profit and Loss Statement for September 2024

	Sep 2024	Aug 2024 (PP)	Sep 2023 (PY)	Jan - Sep, 2024 (YTD)
REVENUE				
3025 Mission Building Fund	115.00	115.00	0.00	1,136.31
4000 Church Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4060 New Day	500.00	500.00	500.00	4,500.00
4140 Kingston - Anderson	78.64	101.52	216.44	2,318.80
4160 North Delaware - Muncie	191.15	192.50	222.00	1,996.95
4170 Old Town Hill - Muncie	1,941.10	0.00	0.00	5,795.81
4180 Redeemer - Anderson	233.78	250.02	0.00	2,144.86
4210 Faith Christian Fellowship	35.00	35.00	0.00	315.00
4230 Integrus	0.00	393.00	106.00	1,356.00
4240 Remedy City	111.07	95.72	259.61	810.96
Total 4000 Church Receipts	3,090.74	1,567.76	1,304.05	19,238.38
Total Revenue	3,205.74	1,682.76	1,304.05	20,374.69
EXPENDITURES				
7000 Administrative Ministry	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7010 Other Expense	649.34	83.00	55.92	1,626.96
7021 Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,128.60
7090 Payroll	1,024.79	1,024.79	906.26	9,223.09
7091 Bookkeeping	54.50	6.00	57.50	504.20
Total 7000 Administrative Ministry	1,728.63	1,113.79	1,019.68	13,482.85
7100 Church Health	0.00	0.00	2,346.71	7,946.99
7200 Church Planting	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
7300 Associational Ministry	0.00	0.00	0.00	802.41
7310 Disaster Relief	0.00	1,820.00	102.70	3,924.00
Total 7300 Associational Ministry	0.00	1,820.00	102.70	4,726.41
7500 Trustee	0.00	2,184.58	332.92	7,375.81
7700 Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	360.00	900.00
Total Expenditures	1,728.63	5,118.37	4,162.01	36,432.06
NET OPERATING REVENUE	1,477.11	-3,435.61	-2,857.96	-16,057.37
NET REVENUE	\$1,477.11	\$ -3,435.61	\$ -2,857.96	\$ -16,057.37

ECBA Balance Report September 2024

	As of Sep 30, 2024	As of Aug 31, 2024 (PP)	Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Bank Accounts			
1000 ONB	-15,293.36	-14,459.13	-834.23
1010 General Budget	24,019.72	21,708.38	2,311.34
1011 Discretionary Admin Team	7,493.99	7,493.99	0.00
1020 Disaster Relief	-6,559.14	-6,559.14	0.00
1025 Mission Building Capital Fund	9,957.19	9,957.19	0.00
1035 Church P&H Fund	22,204.92	22,204.92	0.00
1040 OMC	407.84	407.84	0.00
1051 ECBA Endowment	0.00	0.00	0.00
1055 Funds Temporarily Restricted	7,366.43	7,366.43	0.00
1111 Church P&H ROI	7,363.17	7,363.17	0.00
1125 BCMH Temp Restricted	149,357.73	149,357.73	0.00
Total 1000 ONB	206,318.49	204,841.38	1,477.11
1100 Indiana Baptist Foundation	-281.77	-281.77	0.00
1110 ECBA Endowment	12,930.37	12,930.37	0.00
Total 1100 Indiana Baptist Foundation	12,648.60	12,648.60	0.00
Total Bank Accounts	218,967.09	217,489.98	1,477.11
Total Current Assets	218,967.09	217,489.98	1,477.11
TOTAL ASSETS	\$218,967.09	\$217,489.98	\$1,477.11
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Total Liabilities			0.00
Equity			
20000 Opening Balance Equity	45,107.04	45,107.04	0.00
22000 Unrestricted Net Assets	189,917.42	189,917.42	0.00
Net Revenue	-16,057.37	-17,534.48	1,477.11
Total Equity	218,967.09	217,489.98	1,477.11
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$218,967.09	\$217,489.98	\$1,477.11

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Don't Miss It!

Quarterly ECBA Associational Meeting

Thursday, November 14, 2024

Integris Community Church

356 W State Street

Albany IN 47320

7:00 p.m. Associational Meeting

6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal