

**65th
Annual Session
of the
Northern New Salem Association
of Old Regular Baptist
of Jesus Christ**



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**In Session Assembled with
The Pleasant View Church
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Introductory Sermon for 2024 William B. Holbrook
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Thank you,
 Brother Newsome

Reprinted Items

Reprinted Items from the 1964, 1965, 1970, 1980, 1982, and 2003 Minutes of the Northern New Salem

- I. Year 1964 – Item 15: By move and second the Association agreed to answer the request from several churches touching upon the question of sisters cutting their hair, using make-up, etc. As follows: It is the duty of every moderator of every church to exercise strict disciplinary action toward the violation of established practices. To insist on strict compliance with what sayeth the scripture concerning a woman of righteousness. Mark them that would creep in the assembly just to destroy the peace and salvation of the church.
- II. Year 1965 – Item 16: That each church in our union shall hold its own key, and it is to be the sole judge of the members as long as it does not violate the Word of God, the order of the Association or Old Regular Baptist principles.
- III. Year 1970 – Item 17: The request from the Little Ruth Church “Asking for advise on how should a minister who has been excluded from preaching with sects and orders contrary to Regular Baptist principles can be received back into the fellowship of a Regular Baptist Church.” We as an advisory council say to all our churches that you may restore such one upon strict examination, BUT not to return to them their credentials until they have been reexamined by legal presbytery.
- IV. Year 1980 – Item 12: By a motion and second, the request from the Little Rebecca Church was granted to correct Item #13 of our 1979 minutes to read as follows:

We, the Little Rebecca Church of Old Regular Baptist of Jesus Christ having met at our regular meeting time being found in full love and fellowship of all members present agreed unanimously to send the following request to the Northern New Salem Association when convened with the Little Ida Church on Friday before the first Saturday in August 1979. “We, the Little Rebecca Church request the Northern New Salem Association to adopt a resolution against members of our churches belong to secret orders such as Masons, Odd Fellows or any other related worldly organization that is an offense to our Sister Association as well as our own brethren”. This question has produced friction far too long in our union and we feel it is contrary to our fundamental Christian beliefs and our church principles as we are not to be a part of a worldly kingdom. And farther that we advise all of our churches having such members to rid themselves of any members that refuse to disassociate themselves from such organizations. (And not preach with any preacher that belongs to a secret organization.)
- V. Year 1982-Item 13: Moved and second to grant the requests from Antioch, Family of Love, Little Ruth, and Little Rebecca Churches. Concerning omitting item number 13, page 10, year 1967 of the Northern New Salem Association minutes, and adopt item number 17, page 4 of the 1970 minutes of our mother the New Salem Association, which reads as follows: Not to use any man with two living women, (or whose wife has two living men) to preach in the bounds of the Northern New Salem Association and the Moderators to adhere to this advice. An objection was made to this move. A vote was taken, 42 voted in favor of the motion, 21 against, motion carried, request granted.
- VI. Year 2003 – Item 15: A motion was made by Eld. Larry Newsome, second by Eld. Harrison Runyon that we as an adviser and counselor answer the request of the Pleasant View, Eternal

Rose and True Vine Churches concerning Item #17 of our 2002 Minutes. The following will replace Item #17:

“We say to our churches to advise their ministers to refrain from taking any part in the services of churches not in correspondence with the Northern New Salem Association. This means preaching or baptizing members into their fellowship. If this is violated the minister will be silenced for a period of time, satisfactory to his home church. Under no circumstance will this be less than twelve (12) months for the first offense, and if this should happen a second time he would automatically be excluded. Concerning funerals: If a family wants a minister of the Old Regular Baptist faith to participate in a funeral service where another church minister (not of our correspondence) is going to take part or be used in part of the services. This is acceptable as long as the Regular Baptist minister separates the services by song, prayer and dismissal called. See Item #17 of our 1970 Minutes. This advice is to be printed in our Minutes until future action is taken.

Proceedings
of the
65th Annual Session
of the Northern
New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist
Church of Jesus Christ
August 4-6, 2023

Friday, August 4, 2023

The weather was beautiful as we sat under the pavilion of the Pleasant View Church and sang the glorious songs of Zion. On this the first day of the Northern New Salem Association Elder Ray Hamilton came forth to welcome everyone to this our 65th Annual Association.

Alternate, Elder Daniel Newsome was called on to introduce the services. Brother Daniel Newsome was blessed to preach on the importance of trusting in God. Never doubt, for if God is for you, who can be against you? Having been chosen by the delegates at our 2022 session to preach the Introductory Sermon for this year, Elder Harvey Tuttle approached the stand and was soon blessed to preach of a travel from nature to grace. He preached of how God will lead you through this travel as you repent of your sins. At the end of this travel there is a travail which leads to a new birth. He then was blessed to preach of Jesus Christ being the door into the sheepfold. And finally, he preached of that glorious day when we will enter into a glorious world of peace.

Those who were not delegates were asked to remain at the pavilion where the preaching would be conducted. The delegates were advised to assemble in the sanctuary of the Pleasant View Church where the business of the Association would begin. The following Elders were chosen to preach at the place arranged: Elders: (1) James Stacy-Old Friendship Association ;(2) Elder Chucky Hall- New Salem Association. (3) Elder Estill Hamilton- Union Association; (4) Elder Paul D. Moore- Philadelphia Association; (5) Elder Aaron Whitaker- Old Indian Bottom Association; and (6) Elder Stony Blackburn-Sardis Association.

After gathering in the house and singing one of Zion's songs, Elder Hillard Newsome-Northern New Salem Association was called on to make remarks and Elder Danny Adams-Union Association led in prayer.

Our beloved Moderator, **Elder Ray Hamilton**, announced that the 65th Annual Session of the Northern New Salem Association was now ready to begin the work of the Association.

- a) The Assistant Moderator called for the letters from the churches that compose the Northern New Salem Association to be handed to the Clerk. The letter from the Pleasant View Church was read by the Clerk. A motion was made by **Brother Rodney Slone**, second by **Elder Lowell Mullins** to receive the letters, seat the delegates, and refer all queries and requests to the Committee on Arrangements
- b) The Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist faith organized by electing the following officers to serve the next year. The following Brothers were appointed to take the vote: **Elder Jimmy Dale Sanders** Union Association, **Elder Hobart Hamilton** Sardis Association, and **Elder Roger Hicks** New Salem Association

Officers elected:

Moderator:	Elder Ray Hamilton
Assistant Moderator:	Elder Scott Hamilton
Clerk:	Elder Hillard Newsome
Assistant Clerk:	Elder Wayne Sartin

- i. Noted by the Association concerning our Finance Committee. It was moved and seconded that our Finance Committee be appointed at the same time of the election of officers, the Moderator appointed: **Elder Tommy Dials** Sardis Association, **Elder Gary Adkins** Philadelphia Association, and **Elder Gary Estep** Old Friendship Association. **Elder Lowell Mullins** made a motion, second by **Elder Danny Carty** to receive the report of the committee appointed and discharge them of their duties.
- c) By a motion made by **Elder John Elkins**, second by **Elder William B. Holbrook**, the Moderator was authorized to make all temporary appointments. Elder Ray Hamilton then appointed **Elder Scott Little** as the Second Assistant Clerk of the Northern New Salem Association.
- d) Brother Moderator called on the clerks to read the Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and the Articles of Faith. (In compliance with Item 10, Saturday's work 2022 NNSA)
- e) Called for legally organized churches of our same faith and order desiring to join our union, and none responded.
- f) Called for Associations of our same faith and order desiring to continue a Godly correspondence, and the following responded by letter and delegate:
 - i. New Salem-- Represented by the following delegates: Chuck Hall, Deffort Thornsberry, Eric Lawson, John Cremeans, Roger Hicks, Theodore Slone, and Bobby Slone. Letter in the hand of Elder Theodore Slone. A motion was made by **Brother Rodney Slone** and second by **Elder Larry Newsome** to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.
 - ii. Union--Represented by the following delegates: Represented by the following delegates: Dennis Elkins, Estill Hamilton, Barry Lucas, Jimmy Dale Sanders, Gary Sanders, Jeff Owens, Danny Adams, Logan Lucas, Jeff Dillon, and Jerry Caskey. Letter in the hand of Elder Danny Adams. A motion was made by **Elder Ishmael Hall** and second by **Brother Kenny Slone** to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.
 - iii. Philadelphia--Represented by the following delegates: Gary Adkins Sr., Dallas Bledsoe Jr., Scott Adkins, Paul D. Moore, Mark Elkins, Wayne Caudill, and Clyde Lewis. Letter in the hand of Elder Gary Adkins. A motion was made by **Elder Sean Hicks** and second by **Elder Adam Moore** to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.
 - iv. Sardis--Represented by the following delegates: Hobart Hamilton, Thomas J. Dials, Stony Blackburn, Richard Staton, Marion Duncan, Alvin Thornbury, Buster Hall, and Todd Dials. Letter in the hand of Elder Stony Blackburn. A motion was made by **Brother Jack Dials** and second by **Brother Skeeter Pridemore** to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship

- v. Old Friendship—Represented by the following delegates: Edgar Baker Jr., Larry Mullins, Steve Baker, Gary R. Estep, Roger Baker, David Lester, Tarzan Justus, James Stacy, Danny C. Justus, Andrew Ford, and Alan Hunt. Letter in the hand of Brother Edgar Baker Jr. A motion was made by **Elder John Elkins** and second by **Brother Ralph Manuel** to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.
- vi. Old Indian Bottom-- Represented by the following delegates: Aaron Whitaker Jr and Robbie Cordle. A motion was made by **Elder Zach Collins** and second by **Brother James Wagner** to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council by the right hand of fellowship.

The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of the delegates from the Pleasant View Church together with one delegate from each of the other churches, to arrange the ministers for Friday evening and Saturday morning, who reported as follows:

Friday evening— Elders (1) Elder Scott Adkins- Philadelphia Association; (2) Elder Sean Hicks- Northern New Salem Association, (3) Elder Justin Hagerman-Northern New Salem Association, and (4) Elder Dennis Elkins-Union Association.

Saturday morning— Elders (1) Elder Gary Adkins- Philadelphia Association; (2) Elder Danny Adams- Union Association (3) Elder Barry Lucas -Union Association; (4) Elder Tommy Dials- Sardis Association; and (5) Elder Roger Hicks- New Salem Association.

- g) Called for transient ministers and members of our same faith and order and the following responded: **Elder Hillard Newsome, Elder Scott Hamilton, Elder Ralph Caudill, and Elder Mike Fortner**
- h) A motion was made by **Elder Steven Miller** second by **Brother Ralph Manuel** that we, the Northern New Salem Association, correspond by letter and delegate with the following associations: (a) New Salem, (b) Union, (c) Philadelphia, (d) Sardis, (e) Old Friendship, and (f) Old Indian Bottom.
- i) The Moderator appointed a committee to arrange the agenda for Saturday, consisting of one delegate from each church, together with the officers of the Northern New Salem Association and the officers and delegates from our corresponding associations. The committee on Arrangements is to meet at the house at 1:30 p.m. Friday.
 - i. **Elder Larry Newsome** made a motion, second by **Elder Danny Carty** that we, the Northern New Salem Association, adjourn until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning, August 65, 2023.
 - ii. The committee met pursuant to adjournment Friday afternoon and completed its work on the Bill of Arrangements. The services for the evening were introduced by **Elder Richard Staton**, and **Elder Hobart Hamilton** closed by prayer.

Saturday, August 5, 2023

Per having met pursuant to adjournment, the Association delegates and attendees reconvened at the Pleasant View Church on the second day of three of the Northern New Salem Association.

As the sanctuary of the Pleasant View Church began to fill, you could hear beautiful songs of exultation flowing through the sanctuary. The love of the brothers and sisters could be felt as they gathered one more time to worship the king of kings. Services for the morning were introduced by **Elder Jimmy Dale**

Sanders of the Union Association. A song was called for and then a humble prayer was offered by **Elder Clyde Lewis** of the Philadelphia Association

1. Called the roll of delegates and marked the absentees.
2. The Assistant Clerk read the Bill of Arrangements. A motion was made by **Brother Rodney Slone** and seconded by **Brother Steve Conley** to receive the Bill of Arrangements and discharge the committee.
3. The Circular Letter written by **Elder Phillip Beverly** for our 2023 session was read. A motion was made by **Elder Hargis Tuttle** and seconded by **Elder Steve Slone** to receive the letter and have it printed in our 2023 minutes. Objections were called for, and none responded. (Circular Letter on page 13)
4. The Finance Committee appointed Friday, Item 2(a), consisting of **Elder Tommy Dials**, Sardis Association, **Elder Gary Estep.**, Old Friendship Association, and **Elder Gary Adkins**, Philadelphia Association, reported as follows:

2023 Church contributions	\$3,875.00
2023 money for pictures	\$300.00
Other contributions	\$0.00
Website Contribution	\$170.40
Total money received for 2022	\$4,345.40

5. The Moderator called for Treasurer, Elder Wayne Sartin to give his report as follows:

Treasurer's Report		
A	Balance as of August 1, 2022	\$ 14,193.78
	2022 Church contributions	\$ 4,625.00
	2022 Picture money	\$ 325.00
	2022 Website contribution	\$ 170.40
	Other contributions	\$ -
	Total money on hand as of August 5, 2022.	\$ 19,314.18
Expenses for 2022		
B	Printer's fee	\$ 5,670.00
	Secretary's fee	\$ -
	Website fee	\$ 170.40
	Postage, UPS	\$ 1,051.48
	Supplies	\$ -
	Other	\$ 10.00
	Total Expenses for 2022	\$ 6,901.88
Summary for 2022		
C	Total of A	\$ 19,314.18
	Less Total of B	\$ (6,901.88)
	Balance	\$ 12,412.30
Summary for 2023		
D	Total of C	\$ 12,412.30
	Interest Earned	\$ 0.13
	Money received for 2023	\$ 3,875.00
	Total money on hand August 5, 2023	\$ 16,287.43

Note: Money sent by Sister Churches of the Northern New Salem Association to the Pleasant View Church in helping host the 2023 session: \$9,650.00

Elder Joe Gilliam made a motion, seconded by Brother Ralph Manuel to receive the Treasurer's Report.

6. **Elder John Elkins** made a motion, and **Brother James Wagner** seconded the motion that Elder Wayne Sartin be appointed recording secretary. He is to have 1648 copies of the current minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to their contributions. The secretary is to receive \$0 for his services. The printer's fee is to appear on the front cover.
7. The brothers appointed to take the vote for who is to preach the Introductory Sermon: **Elder Todd Dials**, Sardis Association; **Brother Edgar Baker, Jr.** Old Friendship Association; **Elder Chuck Hall**, New Salem Association; and who is to write the Circular Letter: Elder Stoney Blackburn, Sardis Association; **Elder Hobart Hamilton**, Sardis Association, **Elder Estill Hamilton**, Union Association for 2024.

The following ministers were chosen to preach on Sunday morning:

- (1) Elder Hillard Newsome- Northern New Salem Association, (2) Elder Scott Hamilton- Northern New Salem Association, (3) Elder Scott Little - Northern New Salem Association, (4) Elder Wayne Sartin- Northern New Salem Association, and (5) Elder Ray Hamilton- Northern New Salem Association.

By a vote of the delegates, **Elder William B Holbrook** was chosen to preach the Introductory Sermon, **Elder Zachariah Collins** to be his alternate, and **Elder Sean Hicks** to write the Circular Letter for our 66th Annual Session.

8. In compliance with Item 7 of Friday's work, we, the Northern New Salem Association, agreed to correspond by letter and delegate with the following associations:

- (a.) New Salem: When convened with the host churches, to be held at the Association Building, Minnie, Floyd County, KY. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September 2023 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Ray Hamilton, Scott Little, Wayne Sartin, Hillard Newsome, Ishmael Hall, Larry Newsome, Danny Carty, and Patrick Deel. Elder Hillard Newsome is to carry the letter
 - (b.) Union: When convened with the host churches and cohost churches. To be held at the Association Building, Ashcamp, Pike County, KY. Beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September 2023 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Nathaniel Caudill, Ray Hamilton, Scott Little, Scott Hamilton, John Elkins, and Larry Newsome. Scott Little is to carry the letter
 - (c.) Philadelphia: When convened with the host church at the Association Building, at 522 5th Ave., Worthington, KY. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August 2023 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Nathaniel Caudill, Adam Moore, Ray Hamilton, Scott Little, Harold Hicks, Jimmy King, Scott Hamilton, Patrick Deel, and John Elkins. Letter in the hand of Elder John Elkins.
 - (d.) Sardis: When convened with the host church and cohosting churches at the permanent association building, Varney, KY, beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in September 2023 and the two following days. Delegates to attend: Ray Hamilton, Scott Little, Wayne Sartin, Scott Hamilton, Hillard Newsome, and Larry Newsome. Letter is in the hand of Elder Wayne Sartin.
 - (e.) Old Friendship: When convened with the host church and co-host churches at the Bee Branch Church beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August 2023 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Ray Hamilton, Scott Little, Wayne Sartin, Hillard Newsome, Scott Hamilton, and Harold Hicks. Letter in the hand of Elder Scott Hamilton.
 - (f.) Old Indian Bottom: When convened with the host church and co-host Churches beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September 2023 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Ray Hamilton, Scott Little, and Patrick Deel. Letter in the hand of Elder Ray Hamilton.
9. Note the reading of the minutes of the Presbytery that met to dissolve the Little Bethel Church. Motion made by **Elder Danny Carty** seconded by **Elder Patrick Deel** to receive the minutes and let them become a part of our permanent record. Objection was called for and none
 10. Note the request from the Little Angel Church proposing a district meeting with one representative from each sister church meeting at a predetermined location on the odd Saturday in the Spring. The officers of the Association will serve as the officials over the quorum. This meeting would be to allow brothers to communicate potential future topics that may impact the works of the Association. This body will not do the work of the Association but will report minutes on the items discussed to that Association as an additional line item on Friday's work. Motion made by **Elder Larry Newsome** seconded by **Elder Sean Hicks** to reject the request. Objection was called for and none responded.
 11. Note the request from the Little Rebecca Church that the Association discuss and consider setting up a fund and governing committee to be able to receive and delegate these donated funds, if ever received. Motion made by **Elder Sean Hicks** seconded by **Brother Jimmy King** to reject the request. Elder Steven Miller objected to this move. The vote was 23-20 to pass the move)

12. The request to host the 2023 association from the Little Angel Church was read. A motion was made by **Brother Jimmy King** seconded by **Elder Harvey Tuttle** to grant the Little Angel Church the honor of hosting and the Maggie's Home and Little Flock churches to co-host the 2024 setting of this blessed old association.

13. **Brother James Wagener** made a motion, seconded by **Elder Ishmael Hall**, to forego the reading of the current minutes.

14. A motion was made by **Elder John Elkins**, seconded by **Elder William B. Holbrook** to adjourn to the place and time mentioned in Item 14 of Saturday's work in the current minutes.

The 64th Session was closed out by **Elder Todd Dials** of the Sardis Association, who was blessed to offer up a humble prayer.

Sabbath Morning, August 6, 2023

On this the final day of our annual association, there was joy mixed with sadness that the association was coming to an end. After some glorious songs of Zion were sung Elder Ray Hamilton welcomed everyone to the Pleasant View Church. He then made the following arrangements:

1. Elder Hillard Newsome introduced the services
2. Elder Larry Newsome held prayer
3. Elder Scott Hamilton
4. Elder Scott Little
5. Elder Wayne Sartin
6. Elder Ray Hamilton closed out the day

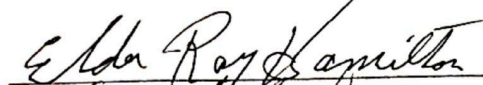
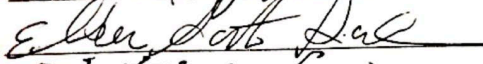
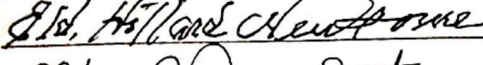
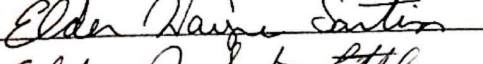
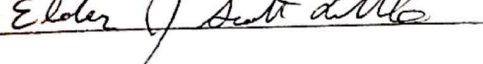
Note From the Clerks: We would like to thank the Pleasant View church and all those who helped for providing a wonderful gathering. The food was delicious and the fellowship was even better. We look forward to seeing you at the Little Angel Church in 2024.

-The Clerks

Thank God we could come together and worship the King of kings one more time. *Amen.*

Matthew 18:20 *For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*

Done and Signed by the Order of the Association:

 Elder Ray Hamilton, Moderator
 Elder Scott Hamilton, Assistant Moderator
 Elder Hillard Newsome, Clerk
 Elder Wayne Sartin, Assistant Clerk
 Elder Scott Little, Second Assistant Clerk

Elder Phillip Beverly (Little Rebecca Church)

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Northern New Salem Association.

Being appointed at our last association to write a circular letter to be read at the Pleasant View Church. I feel very unworthy and the least among my brothers. After many prayers and thoughts on this matter I trust the Good Lord to help me.

John 3:16, says: *God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son so that whoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.* I believe that sinners are called to repentance through the light, that shines to them through their conscience, condemning them, and teaching them thru their conscience that they should not do these things that are wicked. It is not a forcing power, but a low still voice that can be understood.

Jesus said I am the door: and by me if a man enters in, he shall be saved, and going in and out, and finds pasture. Seek the Lord while He may be found. Call Ye upon Him while He is near.

See brothers, I felt this would be the last time He was going to come back to me, and it scared me.

Jesus said He come not to call the righteous, but the sinners to repentance that they take heed to the light and it will lead them to the place to pray out of the public eye, but somewhere to pour out the heart's desires and worries and will receive mercy for the soul.

Romans Ch. 5. *Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus.* See I had to believe God that day and move out on Faith. Christ by whom also we have access by faith into Grace, wherein we stand and rejoice in hope of the Glory of God. You cannot please God without having Faith. You must believe God is The Rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. *And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope: And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.*

I had to experience Grace. I AM NOT ASHAMED OF GOD!

The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us for when were without strength. In due time, Christ died for us.

I was seeking God's face. I was burdened down in my life. I had a desire to go to church that morning. I was sitting in the third row back with my family. As I sat there beside my wife, praying in my heart, begging God to forgive me. Jesus heard my cries, and set me free hat day. He told me to go forth and tell the brethren what God did for me.

Acts 10: 35. *But in every nation, he that fear Him and worketh righteousness is accepted with God.*

I love the Old Regular Baptist. Dear Brothers and Sisters, if there was ever a time when the children of God should draw closer together, it is now. Letting our light shine and showing the world what side, we are on. Some day we will lay down this life and go home to be with God.

May God Bless You All, Elder Phillip Beverly

ARTICLES OF FAITH

ARTICLE 1. We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one, equal in power, essence and glory.

Isaiah 45:5, 1st Cor. 8:6, 1st John 5:7

ARTICLE 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments of the Authorized King James version of the Bible are the written words of God, and the only rules of Faith and practice.

2nd Peter 1: 21, 2nd Tim. 3:16

ARTICLE 3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace. "*For by grace are ye saved through Faith.*"

Acts 15:11, Titus 2:11

ARTICLE 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and of man's inability to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, therefore a Savior is needed for redemption.

Gen. 3:6, Romans 5:12

ARTICLE 5. We believe that sinners are called to repentance, and believe in the gospel, and regeneration of the soul, sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, and none such shall fall away and be lost.

Prov. 8:4, Matt. 9:13, Mark 2:17, 2nd Tim. 2:9, 1st Peter 1:23

ARTICLE 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

2nd Tim. 1:9, Luke 18:13-14, Acts 13:39

ARTICLE 7. We believe that baptism is the ordinance of God's church on Earth, and the mode is IMMERSION back foremost so as to cover all over.

Matt. 3:13-16, John 1:31-33, Romans 6-4, Eph. 4:5

ARTICLE 8. We believe that the Lord's Supper is the command of the Savior, and that by the use of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine and feet-washing should be kept up until His second coming, by His believers.

Matt. 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:20, John 13:7-8, 1st Tim. 5:9-10

ARTICLE 9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust, and that the joys of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

John 5:28-29, 1st Cor. 15:51-53, Luke 24:46

ARTICLE 10. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances and commands of the gospel, except such as are regular baptized, and that by immersion by a legal administrator of the gospel, and has come under the hands of a regular chosen presbytery of the church and ordained thereby.

Acts 13:2-3, Romans 1:6, Titus 1:5-9

ARTICLE 11. We believe that it is the duty of all church members to contribute money for defraying all reasonable expenses of the church, never forgetting the poor, according to their several abilities.

Acts 11:29, Romans 15:26, 1st Cor. 16:1-2

ARTICLE 12. We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage, or indulge people in their sins, or cause them to settle down on anything short of saving faith in Christ for salvation, is erroneous, and such doctrine will be rejected by us.

Matt. 16:12, Acts 8:16-21, Romans 16:17-18, Eph. 4:14-15, Gal. 1:8-10

ARTICLE 13. We believe that the church of Christ is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ, who have obtained fellowship with the Lord and with one another, and have given themselves to the Lord, and have agreed to keep up a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the gospel.

Acts 2:42, 1st John 1:3

ARTICLE 14. We believe that Jesus Christ is the head of the church, and the government thereof is upon his shoulders.

Isaiah 9:6-7, Ch. 22:21-22, Luke 1:33

ARTICLE 15. We believe that a sanctioned marriage of God is between a man and a woman only. We also believe in receiving members into our fellowship that follow the natural dating relationship that leads to holy matrimony between a man and a woman only; thereby, preserving the family unit of father, mother, and children.

Eph. 5:22, 23, 28, St. Mark 10:6-8, Romans 1:26, 27

ARTICLE 16. None of the articles shall be considered as to hold with particular election and reprobation, so as to make God partial directly, indirectly, or to injure any of the children of men; nor shall any of these articles be altered without legal notice, and free consent.

John 3:16, Heb. 2:9

CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZED IN 1957

From a long series of experiences we, the Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, being baptized upon a profession of faith in Christ are convinced of the necessity of a combination of Churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion among us and to keep the order and rules of an Association according to the following plan of government.

ARTICLE I. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different Churches in our union and sent to represent them in the Association and, upon their producing Letters from their respective Churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat.

ARTICLE II. In the letters shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by Letter, dismissed, excluded, and deceased since our last Association.

ARTICLE III. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical power over the Churches nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any Church in the union.

ARTICLE IV. The Association when convened shall be ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

ARTICLE V. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

ARTICLE VI. New Churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by Letter and delegates and, if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received; and every Church in the union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association.

ARTICLE VII. Every query presented by the Church to the Association, being first debated in their own Churches, shall be taken up by the Association.

ARTICLE VIII. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except when withdrawn by the one who made it.

ARTICLE IX. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association.

ARTICLE X. We think it necessary that we should have an Association fund for defraying expenses of the same. We think it the duty of each Church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper and send it by their delegates to the Association; and such sums be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer chosen by the Association who shall be accountable for the money paid him by the Association, and paid out according to the Association.

ARTICLE XI. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association who shall receive a compensation for his services.

ARTICLE XII. The minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises, unless the same is dispensed with.

ARTICLE XIII. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made by a majority of the union, if deemed necessary.

ARTICLE XIV. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by will of a majority of the delegates present, except in receiving and dismissing churches and Associations which shall be by a unanimous vote.

ARTICLE XV. The Association shall have the power for the general union of the Churches; to preserve inviolable a chain of communion among the Churches; to give Churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause of the Churches failing to represent them at any time in the Association; to appropriate money contributed by the Churches for the Association fund to any purpose they may think proper; to appoint any members, by their consent, to transact any business which they see necessary; and they shall have power to withdraw from any Church in the union which violates the rules of the Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; and to admit any orderly Minister of our order to a seat with us; The Association shall have the right to adjourn themselves to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the Churches.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. The Association shall have a moderator, an assistant moderator, clerk, and assistant clerk, each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.
3. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and obtain consent from the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is through.
5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken so as to make remarks on his slips of imperfections but shall fairly state the cause as nearly as he can as to convey his ideas.
6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association.
7. No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association.
8. No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.
9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term of appellation than that of "Brother".
10. The Moderator shall not interrupt or prohibit any members from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the rules of decorum.
11. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Moderator requires.

12. The Moderator shall have the same right of speech as any other member provided the chair be filled. And he shall have no right to vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the deciding vote.
13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of the decorum shall be reprov'd by the Association as they think proper.

2023 DELEGATES
to the
NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION

Church	Delegates
Little Rebecca	Gary Beverly, Chester Tuttle, and Nick Hansen
Maggie's Home	Danny Prater, Joe Gilliam, and Mike Newsome
Little Flock	Chance Mullins, Greg Sowards, and Kenny Holley
Little Ruth	Jimmy King
Little Edna	Steve Slone, Kenneth Slone, and Steve Conley
Little Ida	Nathaniel Caudill, Steven Miller, and Adam Moore
Little Flossie	Sean Hicks, Zach Collins, and Matthew Jones
Little Pilgrim's Home	Eddie Wallen and Ike Spears)
Mt. Olive	Justin Hagerman, Jeremy Hagerman, and Jesse Hicks
Pleasant View	Rodney Slone, Seefert Baker, and Larry Newsome
Little Family	Earnie Tuttle, Arthur Pridemore, and Danny Carty
Little Angel	Scott Little, Jack Dials
Antioch	Wayne Sartin, Melvin Adams, and Eugene Couch
Rose of Sharon	William B. Holbrook, Ishmael Hall, and Ralph Manuel
Lilly of the Valley	Scott Hamilton Jr., Jeff Fish, and Roc Newsome
Little Children's Home	Harvey Tuttle and James Wagner
Family of Love	Patrick Deel, Wendall Lycans, and Gary Williams
Little Melrose	John Elkins
Eternal Rose	Joe Gibson and Glen Slone
Little Ellen	Enoch Hagerman, Jimmy Sowards, and Lowell Mullins

UNION and MEMORIAL MEETINGS
CALLED FOR THE YEAR 2023-2024

Listed by the Month of the Union Meeting

NOVEMBER 2023

LITTLE MELROSE -- First in November (2023). Preston Lewis, Scott Hamilton, Phillip Beverly, Gary Adkins, Todd Dials, Wayne Sartin, and Barry Lucas.

Memorial- First in March. Danny Carty, Scott Little, Andy Fields, Paul D. Moore, Scott Adkins, James Barney, Richard Lowe, and Terry Fuller.

March

MT. OLIVE -- Fourth in March. Joe Havlik, Wayne Sartin, Hillard Newsome, Dennis Elkins, Lowell Mullins, Nick Hansen, and Joe Gilliam.

Memorial- Fourth in October. Ray Hamilton, Lowell Mullins, Larry Newsome, Jerry Hall, Estill Hamilton, Glen Slone, Phillip Beverly, and Deffort Thornsberry.

APRIL

ANTIOCH -- First in April. Ben Little, Johnny Thornsberry, Preston Lewis, John Lewis, Todd Dials, and Matthew Jude.

Memorial- First in June. Matthew Ison, Teddy Honaker, Danny Carty, Jason Hagerman, Nate Caudill, and Scott Little.

PLEASANT VIEW -- First in April. Roger Hicks, Scott Hamilton, Jeff Dillon, Glen Slone, and Jason Hagerman.

Memorial- First in June. Ray Hamilton, Stoney Blackburn, Justin Hagerman, Danny Adams, Moderator, and Assistant Moderator.

ETERNAL ROSE -- Second in April. Danny Prater, Daniel Newsome, Johnny Thornsberry, Phillip Beverly, Steve Slone, and Nick Hanson.

Memorial- Second in June. Glenn Slone, Dennis Elkins, Larry Newsome, and Home Brothers.

ROSE OF SHARON -- Second in April. Richard Staton, Hobart Hamilton, Ralph Slone Jr., Mike Fortner, Doug McCarty, Danny Adams, and Charles Blevins.

Memorial- Second in October 2023 Nate Caudill, Ray Hamilton, Lowell Mullins, Larry Newsome, Estill Hamilton, and Danny Carty.

MAY

LITTLE FLOSSIE -- First in May. Jeff Lewis, John Lewis, Ralph Cloud, Kerry Ratliff, and Nate Caudill.
Memorial- First in October 2023. Clyde Lewis, Preston Lewis, Gary Adkins, Darrell Kidd, and Gary Blevins.

LITTLE IDA -- First in May. Willis Tolliver, Gary Adkins, Barry Lucas, Jeff Little, Matthew Ison, Moderator, and Assistant Moderator.

Memorial- First in April. Estill Hamilton, Seth Stewart, Eddie Wallen, Patrick Deel, Nick Hansen, and William B. Holbrook.

MAGGIE'S HOME -- First in May. Joe Gibson, Hargis Tuttle, Phillip Beverly, and Glen Slone
Memorial- First in June. Gary Young, Hank Forgey, Mike Fortner, and Harrison Runyon.

LITTLE RUTH – Second in May. Sean Hicks, Matthew Ison, Clyde Lewis, and Gary Blevins.
Memorial- Second in July. Charles Edwards, Morris Wicker, Zachariah Collins, and Jeff Lewis.

LILY OF THE VALLEY -- Third in May. Wayne Sartin, Danny Adams, Charles Hagerman, Joe Gibson,
Phillip Beverly, and Nate Caudill.
Memorial- Third in July. Joe Akers, Joe Havlik, Squire Hamilton, Larry Newsome, and Steve Slone.

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME -- Third in May. Clyde Lewis, John Lewis, Johnny Thornsberry, Buster Hall,
Omery (Chuck) Hall, and Deffort Thornsberry.
Memorial- Third in September 2023 Gary Adkins, Bobby Baker, Zachariah Collins, Kevin Blevins, and Scott
Adkins.

LITTLE ELLEN – Third in May. Ray Hamilton, Danny Adams, and Justin Hagerman.
Memorial- Third in October 2023. Joe Akers, Joe Havlik, and Jason Hagerman.

JUNE

LITTLE FAMILY -- Second in June. Gary Blevins, Jimmy Stewart, Seth Stewart, John Elkins, Paul Boggs,
and Harvey Tuttle
Memorial- Second in October 2023. Wayne Sartin, Scott Little, Nick Hanson, Teddy Honaker, Bobby
Baker, and Hillard Newsome.

LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME – Second in June. Morris Wicker, Larry Dixon, Charles Edwards, Billy Miller,
Phillip Beverly, and Nick Hansen.
Memorial- Second in August. Sean Hicks, Steve Slone, Danny Carty, Scott Hamilton, Steve Miller, and
Zachariah Collins.

LITTLE REBECCA -- Third in June. Zach Stewart, Nate Caudill, Zach Collins, Billy Miller, Steven Miller,
and Johnny Thornsberry.
Memorial- Third in August. Joe Gibson, Deffort Thornsberry, Hargis Tuttle, Steve Slone, and Home
Brothers

FAMILY OF LOVE -- Fourth in June. Billy Miller, John Lewis, Phillip Beverly, Daniel Newsome, and
Danny Prater.
Memorial- Fourth in October 2023. Darrell Kidd, Paul Boggs, Gary Blevins, and Sean Hicks.

LITTLE EDNA -- Fourth in June. Phillip Beverly, Wayne Sartin, Eddie Wallen, and Sam Hamilton
Memorial- Fourth in August. Dennis Elkins, Scott Hamilton, Glen Slone, Joe Gibson, Hargis Tuttle,
Moderator, and Assistant Moderator.

JULY

LITTLE FLOCK -- Third in July. Gary Young, Daniel Newsome, Nate Caudill, Adam Moore, and Justin
Hagerman.
Memorial- Third in June. Gary Blevins, Ray Hamilton, Scott Little, Hank Forgey, and Mike Fortner.

LITTLE ANGEL -- Fourth in July. Nate Caudill, Wayne Sartin, Richard Staton, and Hobart Hamilton.

Memorial- Fourth in March. Robbie Osborne, Larry Newsome, Tommy Dials, and Hargis Tuttle.

SPECIAL MEMORIALS

Tuttle Memorial- We, the descendants of the Tuttle Family wish to invite everyone to meet with us for the Tuttle Memorial on Sizemore Mountain near Wayland, KY on Saturday, June 29, 2024. Singing will start at 9:30 am with preaching at 10:00 AM. Any and all are welcome to attend. We especially look forward to the presence of Old Regular Baptist Ministers.

Chaffins Memorial- May 26, 2024, 10:00 AM Chaffins Cemetery Four Mile, KY. The family would like everyone to know that the memorial is for all families and their loved ones. All are welcome. Elders Called: Elders Ralph Cloud, Clyde Lewis, John Lewis, and Preston Lewis. Directions to the cemetery: From Garrett, KY take route 550 towards Mousie. Once you reach the coal trussell at Four Mile take the left up to the cemetery.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

LITTLE REBECCA

Elder Lon Beverly	1002 Woodbine, St. Willard, OH 44890	419-951-6472
Elder Phillip Beverly	4076 Bull Head Rd., Willard, OH 44890	567-224-2661
Elder Danny Carty	5346 St. Andrews Dr., Westerville, OH 43082	614-949-4889
Elder Glen Slone	4030 State Rt. 598 Crestline, OH 44825	419-564-3582
Elder Nick Hansen	1430 County Road 1475 Ashland, OH 44805	502-500-4587

MAGGIE'S HOME

Elder Donald Mullins	6157 DePue Rd., Hamden, OH 45634	740-596-4946
Elder Daniel Newsome	35010 Buckrun Rd., Langsville, OH 45741	740-669-3408
Elder Danny Prater	61147 Locker Plant Rd. McArthur, OH 45651	740-577-4459
Elder Joe Gilliam	19323 State 160 Vinton, OH 45686	740-612-9302

LITTLE FLOCK

Elder Hank Forgey	1443 Centerville Rd., Thurman, OH 45685	740-682-6533
Elder Mike Fortner	2476 Centerpoint Rd., Oak Hill, OH 45656	614-296-6658
Elder Greg Sowards	12942 St. Rt. 220, Waverly, OH 45690	740-289-4771

LITTLE RUTH

Elder Don Lawson	204 2nd St., Box 47, Pleasantville, OH 43148	740-468-6100
Elder Bill Staton	Woodside Village Care Center, Mt. Gilead, OH 43338	419-947-2015

LITTLE EDNA

Elder Stephen Slone	1311 Jobey Tr. Geneva, OH 44041	440-574-1740
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LITTLE IDA

Elder Ralph Caudill	1594 Wilson St., Lincoln Park, MI 48146	313-381-3710
Elder Nathaniel Caudill	24299 Thorn Dr., Brownstown, MI 48134	313-580-0029
Elder Billy Miller	672 Cora St., Wyandotte, MI 48192	734-283-0208
Elder Steven Miller	19363 Buck St., Brownstown, MI 48174	734-955-1347
Elder Adam Moore	5375 Barbara Ave., Trenton, MI 48183	502-612-3410

LITTLE FLOSSIE

Elder Zachariah Collins	8314 County Rd 2 Edon, OH 43518	419-439-2610
Elder Larry Dixon	1342 Knoll Creek Dr. Kendallville, IN 47655	260-347-8082
Elder Sean Hicks	4114 North Sparta Lake Rd., Ligonier, IN 46767	260-221-1965
Elder Harvey Tuttle	10995 East Rt. 20, Lagrange, IN 46761	260-499-7997
Elder Morris Wicker	5510 E. 1150 N., Wolcottville, IN 46795	260-318-2998

FAMILY OF LOVE

Elder Patrick Deel- 22500 Delaware County Line Rd. Marysville, OH 43040 937-209-1865

LITTLE MELROSE

Elder John M. Elkins 2038 Allcorn Rd., Greenup, KY 41144 606-473-0324

Elder Doug McCarty 6803 Fern Creek Way, Key Stone Hts., FL 32656 352-473-3424

ETERNAL ROSE

Elder Joseph Gibson 1838 Lyons Rd., Willard, OH 44890 419-706-2321

Elder Hargis Tuttle 4494 Butler Rd., Wakeman, OH 44889 440-839-5113

LITTLE ELLEN

Elder Charles Hagerman 830 Cedar Street, Waterloo, IN 46793 260-318-1362

Elder Lowell Mullins 1165 Oak Ridge Dr., Manteno, IL 60950 815-468-1532

CLERKS and THEIR ADDRESSES

Church	Clerk	Address	City, State Zip	Phone Number
Little Rebecca	Nick Hansen	1430 County Rd 1475	Ashland, OH 44805	(502) 500-4587
Maggie's Home	Joe Gilliam	19323 St. Rd.160	Vinton, OH 45686.	(740) 612-9302
Little Flock.	Mike Fortner	2476 Centerpoint Rd. .	Oak Hill, OH 45656.	(740) 682-6236
Little Ruth	Jimmy King	2186 TWP Rd 165	Cardington, OH 43315.	(740) 833-5273
Little Edna	Steve Conley	11110 Humm Rd	Berlin Hts., OH 44814	(419) 370-1220
Little Ida	John Johnson	15649 Fordline St.	Southgate, MI 48195	(734) 246-0769
Little Flossie	Matthew Jones	W 500 S	Wabash, IN 46992	(260) 563-5596
Little Pilgrim's Home	Ike Spears	2E 2 nd St	North Fairfield, OH 44855	(567) 805-4161
Mt. Olive	Jeremy Hagerman	4302 N 750 W.	Ligonier, IN 46767	260) 348-8697
Pleasant View	Steve Conley	11110 Humm Rd.	Berlin Hts., OH 44814	(419) 370-1220
Little Family	Gary Sanders	4411 Dana Dr	Franklin, OH 45005	(937) 550-9402
Little Angel	Jack Dials	451 Pineland Ct	Columbus, OH 43223	(614) 595-3388
Antioch	Melvin Adams, Jr.	301 Arrow Head Lane	Shepherdsville, KY 40165	(502) 777-2171
Rose of Sharon	William B Holbrook	13388 Parkway Blvd	Carleton, MI 48177	(734) 654-6883
Lily of the Valley.	Scott Hamilton Jr	5859 S. Wright St.	Kingsville, OH 44048	(440) 344-9721
Little Children's Home	James D. Wagner	17201 Stone Church Rd	Laurel, IN 47024	(765) 698-2316
Family of Love	Jimmy King	2186 TWP Rd 165	Cardington, OH 43315	740) 833-5273
Little Melrose	Hansel Brown	8598 SW 56 Avenue Rd	Ocala, FL 34476.	352) 861-2722 cell (352) 598-0983
Eternal Rose	Raymond Henderson	2600 Olivesburg Rd	Mansfield, OH 44903	(419) 522-0405
Little Ellen	Jimmy Sowards	19166 Hyde Park Ct	Woodhaven, MI 48183	(734) 775-7831

Church Moderators and Assistant Moderators

Church	Moderator	Assistant Moderator
Little Rebecca	Danny Carty	Phillip Beverly
Maggie's Home	Donald Mullins	Daniel Newsome
Little Flock	Hank Forgey	Mike Fortner
Little Ruth	Don Lawson	Patrick Deel
Little Edna	Stephen Slone	Larry Newsome
Little Ida	Ralph Caudill	Billy Miller
Little Flossie	Sean Hicks	Zach Collins
Little Pilgrim's Home	Eddie Wallen	(None)
Mt. Olive	Justin Hagerman	Jason Hagerman
Pleasant View	Larry Newsome	Dennis Elkins
Little Family	Danny Carty	Bill Smith
Little Angel	Danny Carty	Bill Smith
Antioch	Hillard Newsome	Wayne Sartin
Rose of Sharon	Ray Hamilton	William B. Holbrook, Jr.
Lily of the Valley	Scott Hamilton	Evan Hamilton
Little Children's Home	Aaron Whitaker, Jr	Harvey Tuttle
Family of Love	Patrick Deel	(None)
Little Melrose	Doug McCarty	John M. Elkins
Eternal Rose	Hargis Tuttle	Joseph Gibson
Little Ellen	Lowell Mullins	Jason Hagerman

CHURCH ADDRESSES
(911 Addresses for Churches)

Church	Address	City State/Zip Code
Little Rebecca	4982 Henry Road, Ph. 419-687-8838	Plymouth, Ohio 44865
Maggie's Home	Benner Road	Hamden-Dundas Ohio 45634
Little Flock	1900 Borland Rd. Rte 1	Ray, Ohio 45672
Little Ruth	3521 County Rd.	Marengo, Ohio 43334
Little Edna	5160 Bond Avenue	Lorain, Ohio 44055
Little Ida	4060 Drennan Street	Ecorse, Michigan 48229
Little Flossie	159 W. Greenwood. Dr	Kendallville, Indiana 46755
Little Pilgrim's Home	1487 U.S. Rt. 224 East, Ph. 419-524-8514	Greenwich, Ohio 44837
Mt. Olive	S. 200 E	Lagrange, Indiana 46761
Pleasant View	3589 Beat Road	Litchfield, Ohio 44253
Little Family	4079 Sommersville/Jacksonburg	Middletown, Ohio 45042
Little Angel	5733 Saltzgaber Road, Ph. 614-492-0010	Groveport, Ohio 43125
Antioch	10817 Barricks Road	Louisville, Kentucky 40229
Rose of Sharon	5665 Carleton Rd. Ph. 313-379-4870	South Rockwood, Michigan 48179
Lily of the Valley	Route 534 – 600 Kiwanis Pk. Dr	Geneva Ohio 44041
Little Children's Home	18125 Stone Church Rd.	Laurel, Indiana 47024
Family of Love	18061 S.R. 231 (Wyandotte)	Nevada, Ohio 44849
Little Melrose	201 Pearl St.	Melrose, Florida 32666
Eternal Rose	14061 Township Rd. 215	Lakeville, Ohio 44638
Little Ellen	IL 50, W. 115 th , Rt. On Lawler, Left 11200 S. Avon	Alsip , Illinois 60803

2023 Statistical Table

2023	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Recommendation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Meeting Time	Communion Time	Contributions
Little Rebecca	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	(-)	3-MO July	\$ 325
Maggie's Home	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	18	(-)	1-M July	75
Little Flock	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	(-)	3-MO Aug	200
Little Ruth	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	8	(-)	2-M June	50
Little Edna	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	6	(-)	4-M July	100
Little Ida	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	25	(-)	1-M June	150
Little Flossie	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	26	4:00 p.m.	1-EO June	275
Little Pilgrim's Home	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	(-)	2-M July	50
Mt. Olive	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	4:00 P.M.	4-E April	400
Pleasant View	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	26	(-)	1-M May	250
Little Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	2:00 P.M.	2-EO July	300
Little Angel	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	(-)	4-MO Aug	100
Antioch	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	(-)	1-M Oct	425
Rose Of Sharon	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	22	(-)	2-M May	400
Lily of the Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	18	(-)	3-M June	200
Little Children's Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2:00 P.M.	3-E July	225
Family of Love	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	2:00 P.M.	4-E July	75
Little Melrose	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	5	(-)	1-E Jan	100
Eternal Rose	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	4:00 P.M.	2-E Aug	75
Little Ellen	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	9	4:00 P.M. (CST)	3-E June	100
Grand Total	7	5	-	-	1	6	18	273			
									2023 Church Contributions		\$ 3,875
									2023 Money for Pictures		300
									Other Contributions		(-)
									Grand Total For Contributions		\$ 4,175
									M--Saturday morning services		
									E--Saturday evening services		
									O--Odd Sunday		

Obituaries

Clerks' Note: The clerks sincerely want to extend an offer of apology for some errors in the 2022 minutes. Please accept our sincere apology.

*Elder Hillard Newsome
Elder Wayne Sartin
Elder J. Scott Little*

Elders

Paul Dye

May 15, 1944-October 1, 2022



With the help of the Good Lord, we will try and write our obituary for our Dearly Loved Daddy, Elder Paul Dye. Dad was born May 15, 1944, in Spewing Camp, KY, to the late Kennel & Nancy Ann Sword Dye. On June 12, 1965, he married Melvina Spears and they were married for 46 years, before her passing. To this union were born five children, Norman (Ceresa) Dye of Salyersville, KY, Paul Jr. (Bernadine) Dye of Tiro, OH, Melvina Sue (Greg) Dowell of Bucyrus, OH, Patricia Lynn (Billie) Hicks of Willard, OH, Brenda Gail Dye of Tiro, OH, 11 Grandchildren and 9 Great Grandchildren. Three sisters, Jewel Hill, Debra Jean Dye and Josie Cornett; two brothers, Phinas Dye and Kent Dye along with many family and friends are left to mourn his passing.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Melvina Dye, a grandson, Brandon Thomas Dye; three sisters: Versie Spears, Clearsie Mollett & Christine Howell and six brothers: Russell Dye, Bert Dye, Woodrow Dye, Kennis Dye, Rabon Dye & Jay Dye.

Dad felt the Lord forgave him on February 17, 1976 and he was baptized on February 22, 1976. He gave his hand to become a member of, Little Nancy Church of Old Regular Baptist, where he remained a faithful member for twenty years and then he moved his letter of membership to, Little Bethel Old Regular Baptist Church (N.N.S.) in Green Springs, OH. where he remained a light and faithful member, piling up stones along the way to show people, he loved and served Jesus Christ for forty years giving God the Glory.

Our loss is Heaven's gain. In Dad's saying "Night Night love you, Sweet Heavenly Dreams."

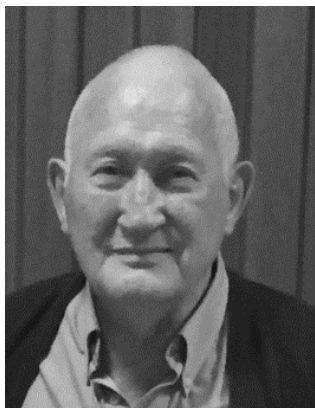
Brother Paul wrote this, not only for his children, but to all Mother's sons and daughters, because he loved everyone's souls. He wrote this 29 years ago and Brenda found it and kept it in her Bible for years. "I'm going to a country, where all is love and peace. Oh children! Won't you repent and be born again, so you can all go, to where you won't have to suffer anymore and dwell with the Lord for evermore. Where no pain or death will evermore come, just to dwell in the joy of our Lord for evermore and shout upon the street of gold, in our most glorious bodies and follow the Lamb, heresoever He may go.

Oh children, how I do love and want you to go with me, but I want you to understand this one thing I love my Lord more than anything and want to go to Heaven, even if you all don't want to go with me, but you can if you want to, but you will have to want to go more than life itself. So seek the Lord while you can, because tomorrow may be too late. God loves you and it's not His will that any should perish, but that all would repent and be born again. So dear children, fair you well.

Hoping you will be born again, so we can meet up in Heaven and live forever. This is my hope and I feel some day I'll go where all is peace and joy and if you want to go, then you must be born again and then you will live for Jesus and understand what pure joy is."

Elder Scotty Little

August 24, 1938- October 27, 2022



Elder Scotty Ray Little, 84 of Minford passed away October 27, 2022 at his residence. He was born August 24, 1938 in Pikeville, Kentucky to the late Rube and Vada Ramey Little. He was a member of Maggie's Home Old Regular Baptist Church. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Anthony "Ray" Little; two sisters, Sheila Little and Janice Little Robinson; two brothers, Don Little and Marvin Little. He is survived by his wife, Justine Bentley Little; three daughters, Teresa Smith, Shelly (Gary) Evans, Rachel Gillespie; one brother, Larry Little; seven grandchildren: Erin, Amy, Jennifer, Logan, Julia, Lily and Lael: two great grandsons, Aiden and Mason.

Members

Lexie Opal Belcher

March 20, 1924- April 30,2022



Lexie Opal Belcher of Lincoln Park was born on March 20, 1924 and went to be with our Lord on April 30,2022 at the age of 98.

She is proceeded in death by her husband Lee Belcher Jr, two sons Bennett and Willie, granddaughter Aleisha Belcher, grandson Joseph Irvin and two of her sisters Maudie Burke and Dixie Bowling. She is survived by one sister Alma Mullins of Holt FL, her children Raymond and Patricia Chandler of Ky, Carole Murray of Lincoln Park, MI, Randy and Nealie Belcher of Kalkaska, MI, Robert and Theresa Belcher of Lincoln Park, MI, and Vickie and Jon Andrews of Lincoln Park, MI. She leaves behind thirteen grandchildren and twenty-four great-grandchildren.

Lexie was born in Pikeville, KY the eldest of four daughters born to Roby and Mary Wright Mullins. She loved and adored her sisters, helping them to learn and grow along the way.

When she was a young woman, she discovered her love for the Lord and was baptized into the Little Ida Church of Old Regular Baptist in Ecorse, MI where she was the oldest member at the time of her passing. It was this love of the Lord that inspired her to raise her children to know Him as well. After marrying her husband Lee Belcher Jr. on April 16, 1946, they relocated to the downriver area to start their new lives. While in Michigan, Lexie worked in the retail industry.

She loved being around people so this made sense. But her role as a wife and mother were always her greatest achievements. She loved being out in her garden, quilting, crocheting, and **doing** puzzles. Her greatest passions were reading and taking trips with her family.

On that resurrection morning when an the saints are gathering in, we believe Sister Lexie will beonein that number and will boldly declare," Here I am! I am one that the Shepherd left the fold to find." Rest on dear Sister until we meet again on that golden shore.

Written by granddaughter Maranda and Sister Debbie Caudill

Loretta Carol Brown

September 11, 1944 - March 17, 2023



Loretta Carol (Tucker) Brown was born one of seven children in the small Appalachian mining town of Hylton KY. Her mother's failing health and her father's abandonment left the older children to fend for themselves and for their younger siblings. As a pre-teen my mom would wake early, start a fire, carry water from the well and wake her siblings. Before dawn they walked to their bus stop not minding the early hour or the lack of sleep because for a few hours they could be kids with lessons to learn. And my mom loved learning. She loved her friends, and she loved the escape from the demands of adulthood that were put upon her way too early in life.

She never faltered under this pressure - like a diamond, it only made her shine brighter. She was a natural beauty. Her dark hair and blue eyes were a striking combination. Her attractive- ness, intelligence and gentleness made her someone you just wanted to get to know better.

Especially; one of the young high school basketball players. My dad, Hansel Brown tells me of how smitten he was when he first laid eyes upon his future bride! It was love at first sight and I take joy reflecting on the plan that God had in store for these two - a plan even they did not yet know.

Like all high school sweethearts. they knew they were in love. So, against all odds they married even before they were out of high school. My mom moved in with her husband's family and my dad finished high school.

The Lord shined upon their union and guided my dad to the beginning of a career path he never could have imagined on his own. (Isn't that just like our Lord to give us more that we could even think to ask for!) My Dad pursued 2 career paths for 30 years. He was both an Electrician and a Real

Estate Broker. My mom was truly the wind beneath his wings. She kept all the plates spinning. Blue Collar by night, White Collar by day, IRS Audits - She was my dad's wife, Secretary, Accountant, Personal shopper, Cook. Laundress and her favorite job - Mother of two. My brother Tony was born when my parents were just 15 and 18 years old. I came along 3 years later. Wife, Homemaker, Mother of two - all by the age of 18!

She valued and protected our childhood. On the eve of my 7th birthday, I remember sitting on the couch next to her. The smell of chocolate hung in the air as my cake baked in the oven. We were staying up really late, talking of big girl things, 7-year-old things, when she announced, "It's officially your birthday!" It's one of my favorite memories and when I miss her most I am easily transported back to that moment in time when all was well in my world and my home smelled like chocolate and my mother's arms were around me.

But the Lord wasn't done guiding and growing His children. He led them to worship at Little Ellen Old Regular Baptist Church in Alsip IL. It was there that my mother and grandmother accepted Christ and chose to be baptized in the November waters of the Kankakee River that cold and glorious day in 1964.

My mom worshipped and served at Little Ellen Church for 35 years. Eventually., my parents retired to FL and in April 2004, my father also gave his life to Christ. Together they worshipped and served Little Melrose Church for another 24 years. My mom served as Deaconess for 18 of those years.

Her service as Deaconess was so dear to her. She longed to be with her sisters, baking the bread and serving on that last communion weekend before the Lord called her home. She had such a servant's heart. She wondered aloud if she had done enough with her time and resources to honor our Lord. She gave herself fully to the work of the Lord. I can only imagine the crown she has been given that she can now place at the feet of Jesus.

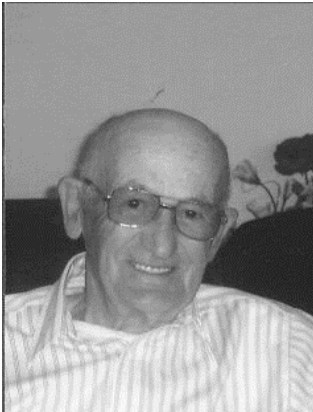
Even as her strength declined, she was still teaching me, showing me the way. Always my mother, teacher, friend. She understood that the perishable must put on the imperishable and she was not afraid. Using the last of her strength she raised her arms and eyes to Heaven, and she cried out, "Please., Lord Jesus come!" and our Lord was faithful. He has taken our sweet sister, wife, mother, grandmother, friend - but he leaves us with a promise, we can be together again through faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

"Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where., O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1st Corinthians 15:54-55,57

Written by Sandra (Brown) Dykstra, Loving Daughter, Survived by Bro. Hansel Brown, Devoted Husband of 64 years, Tony Brown, Devoted Son, David Dykstra - Son in law, Bill and Dinah (Brown) Reitz, Heaven, Liley, Billiam, Christina Brown, Emmey, Ashlynn, Loriley, Bryan, Stephanie and Max Riedel, Jordan and Ashley Kurt2 and Lydia Flamion, and Michelle Dykstra.

William Lloyd "Bill" Collins

May 24, 1934-February 14, 2023



William Lloyd "Bill" Collins, age 98, of New London, Ohio, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at Fisher-Titus Medical Center in Norwalk.

Bill was born on May 24, 1924, in Northern Kentucky, the youngest child of the late William Riley and Anna (Mitchell) Collins.

Bill had the ICU nurse call Elder Larry Newsome and Elder Dennis Elkins and they visited Bill in the hospital and he offered his hand to become a member of the Pleasant View Church on February 13, 2023 and was received. He didn't get out of ICU and was unable to be baptized.

A World War II Veteran, Bill proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1943 - 1947. He served in Okinawa, Japan and Seoul, Korea during the war. He was a gunner on a half-track and then a Provost Marshal, training soldiers to be Military Police.

While on a short leave from the Army, Bill met a young woman, the instantaneous love of his life, Zinia Hall. Three weeks later, on March 16, 1946, they were married in Pikeville, Kentucky, and shared over 63 wonderful years together before she preceded him in death on April 1, 2009.

Bill worked for E. Bigelow Tile Company in New London until the day it closed. He then worked for Janesville Products in Norwalk, from where he retired. Following retirement, he worked part time for the Firelands Electric Cooperative until he was 85 ½.

A man of devout faith, Bill attended the Old Regular Baptist Church and made sure to read his Bible every night.

Outdoors was Bill's favorite place to be. He loved mowing his lawn and tending to his large vegetable garden. He was able to grow a garden every year until he was 92. Bill always helped his neighbors with anything they needed including mowing their lawn and shoveling sidewalks and driveways. He was often found tinkering with projects in the garage or in the house. Bill had a special knack for remembering numbers and dates of events. You could ask him when he bought a certain car or anything else, and he was able to give you that answer.

Bill enjoyed watching Kentucky basketball, Major League Baseball and old westerns. He spent countless hours completing word searches in his recliner. Bill liked going to car shows and took great pride in his 1977 Monte Carlo.

Everyone knew Bill as an extremely hard working, honest man who went about his day with a pleasant smile on his face. He may have not had a lot to say most of the time, but he truly cherished the company of family and friends. Bill loved being around his big family for holidays, celebrations, and family get-togethers that were held in his home. He had quite the sweet tooth and loved indulging in desserts at these gatherings. He looked forward to family reunions and trips to Kentucky.

Bill got so close to reaching his goal of making it 100 years, but he is now overjoyed to be reunited with his wife. We were all very blessed to have known such a wonderful man: our dad, our grandpa, our friend.

Left to cherish Bill's memory are four children: son, William Collins, Jr. of Wichita Falls, TX and Yasothon, Thailand, son, Bob (Jeanene) Collins of Wellington, OH, daughter, Delores (John) Kline of New London, OH, son, Michael (Debbie) Collins of Lexington, OH; 13 grandchildren: Suriyan (Ana) Collins of Ewa Beach, HI, Jamie (Mike) Rich of Wichita Falls, TX, Amy (Mike) Varnadoe of Benbrook, TX, Brian (Missy) Collins of Four Oaks, NC, Bobbi Jean (Brian) Forrest of North Augusta, SC, Rachael Kline, of New York, NY, Laura (Jeremy) Howard of New London, OH, Ryan (Angela) Collins of Sunbury, OH, Shannon Collins of Columbus, OH, Erica (Luke) Kiger of Lexington, OH, Brett (Breanna) Collins of Mansfield, OH, Stacey (Harvey) Zook of Mansfield, OH, Branden (Amber) Collins of Crestline, OH; 22 great grandchildren with another on the way; 3 great-great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and loved ones.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Garry "Beak" Collins; daughter-in-law, Urai Collins; 10 brothers: John B., Dewey, Irwin, Rousie, Oscar, Andy, Curt, Joey, Edgar "Ted" Collins, and an infant brother; and six sisters: Ida Hamilton, Susie Kimbler, Liz McKinney, Melvinie Collins, Judie Collins and Margaret Nunemaker.

Kenneth Elliott

September 15, 1948 - March 27, 2023



Kenneth Elliott age 74 of Wyandotte, Michigan. Beloved husband of the late Karen Elliott, loving father of Dale (Toni), Chris (Jen), Jason (Emily), Chad (Julie) and Brent (Janae). Dearest grandfather of nine and great-grandfather of four. Dear brother of Glema (Ralph) Manuel, Shirl Elliott and Venda Elliott. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and a close friend Karen Denton.

Family Tribute

Kenneth Elliott left behind quite a legacy. A hard-working man, husband, father and grandfather. Kenneth was a retired semi-truck driver and he loved what he did. He spent many years driving , back and forth over the Ambassador Bridge to Canada. He would jump on every opportunity to bring his boys along on rides. On bring-your-kid-to-work-day, he loved to show all of the boys what he did. He loved driving his big truck in his retired days to remind him of work. It was his happy place. Into his retirement, he liked talking about how he started at his trucking company, learned to work his way up in the company, and then become a driver.

Kenneth loved his wife, Karen Elliott, with all his heart. He was permanently heart broken with her loss just a short twenty months ago. After her heartbreaking loss, he was occupied by another love during that time, the love of his legacy. Papaw (peepaw) had nothing but love for his nine grandkids. They all loved to see their Papaw show up because they knew he would have a treat for

them. He loved spoiling each and every one of them. From ice cream, to cookies, banana pudding, a milkshake, or a new pair of shoes. Papaw knew how to shower his grandchildren with love and with memories. His biggest joys in the last twenty months have all been with his grandchildren. Those that were further away, would call him and have a chat, they all meant so much to his heart.

Kenneth loved taking trips to the local flea market and browsing. When the boys were young, they remember hopping into the car for many trips to find treasures in these unlikely places. He loved to be outside in the garden and would never miss an opportunity to show off his tomatoes. He would take the care to plant them, water them, and harvest them. So many times, Mom and Dad would be stringing green beans, canning a vegetable, or making some type of sauce for the family to have later. He even made his own apple butter. Dad made the best cornbread in the land, regular and spicy. It has always been the best cornbread we have ever had, probably because he made it from scratch and with so much care and love.

He loved to bring his famous banana pudding to family gatherings. His secret recipe was a standard or a staple at every event. We all loved it. He would make it and share it with everyone, expressing his love for family in his treat and making sure that the bananas were the correct ripeness.

He loved watching his Westerns. He would sit and watch them for hours. Often this would lead him to staying up through out the night and sleeping in his rocking chair during the day. He had loved to share the TV sitcom "Yellowstone" with his sons. He looked forward to new episodes and having current discussions on the latest episodes.

Family was everything to Dad. Weekend road trips to see Grandparents was one of my favorite memories with Dad growing up. We would pack up at the end of a week at school, load the vans all different vans in my memories. He would drive. Always. All the things he would show us along the way. Dad would talk about the memories from where he grew up, he had a strong family memory and told us tales of his life and his experiences. I remember him teaching us in those car rides our value and our meanings in life. It is still a place for family discussions in the next generations. Family meant the world to Dad and he has now been reunited with many of them. Dad, there is so much more to you, but mostly just this: You will be missed.

Marie Hobbs

Sis Marie Hobbs, a member of the Little Edna Church since October 23, 1988 until her passing in late 2022. Sister Marie will be missed by her church family and friends. She loved attending church and serving God. She was always one of the first people to pull into the church parking lot for both Saturday and Sunday meetings. In the last years her health prevented her from the joy of attending the church meetings at Little Edna and our Sister churches. She is home and at rest.

Love the Little Edna Church

Eva Lou Lawson

June 28, 1936-October 30, 2022



EvaLou Lawson, 86, Pleasantville, Ohio passed away Sunday, October 30, 2022 in Methodist Medical Center, Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Born June 28, 1936 in Williamson, West Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Sammy and Julia (Runyan) Marcum. She was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church, Marengo, Ohio. EvaLou married Don C. Lawson on June 29, 1957 in Vinton, Ohio and he survives; as of the writing of this letter, July 5, 2023.

To this union were born surviving children: Dianne (Lee) Lawson, Rockwood, Tennessee; Pam (Paul) Shaeffer, Lancaster, Ohio; Kim (Pat) Thompson, Lancaster, Ohio; Rick (Dianna) Lawson, Carroll, Ohio; Brian (Lori) Lawson, Lancaster, Ohio; Shawn (Vickie) Lawson, Lancaster, Ohio; fifteen grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren and two great, great grandchildren. In addition to her parents, EvaLou was preceded in death by daughter Sandy Houck, grandson, Dustin Shaeffer, seven sisters and two brothers.

EvaLou was a devout wife, hardworking mother, loving sister and dedicated friend. She and Don met in a small diner on the southeast side of Columbus, Ohio. EvaLou had moved to Columbus from Vinton to work in her Aunt's diner. Don had moved to Columbus from his childhood home in Tennessee, to seek work in a factory with his brother. They married in a private ceremony, in the living room of EvaLou's childhood home in Vinton. Before EvaLou passed away, she and Don celebrated 65 wonderful years of marriage.

Each of the seven children loved their mother beyond earthly comparison. She loved them more, if it was possible. EvaLou expected much of them. She commanded respect and was tough when she had to be, hilarious when she wanted to be and fiercely protective always. She loved learning, loved to laugh and didn't back down from any challenge she thought was worthwhile. She adored all the holidays but no holiday could hold a candle to Christmas.

Celebrating Jesus' birth as the reason for the season and the giving and receiving of gifts gave her incredible joy. She loved Christmas tremendously and that abundance of energy will endure as each of her children continue to celebrate with great fervor, respectfully in her absence.

EvaLou repented and was forgiven of her sins in September of 1973. She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and loved her church family deeply. Going to church on Sundays, seeing many of her siblings in the pews beside her church brothers and sisters was a wonderful feeling for her. There wasn't much she enjoyed more than singing old songs, worshiping and praising the Lord. When the Lord called her home, many mourned, many wept and sadness crept in as the loss of this mother, sister and friend was hard to endure. However, there was another side to this would-be tragedy: Victory. Without doubt, we will miss everything about her earthly presence but the entire family knows she is with her Lord and Savior now.

Most gracious and Heavenly Father, thank you for EvaLou and all the blessings she brought in your name. In her rest, bless her and keep her. Amen.

Written by Brian Lawson, son.

Lucy (Marcum) Maynard
October 15, 1924- September 25, 2022

Our beloved Mother and Mamaw, Lucy (Marcum) Maynard, 97, Wilkesville, Ohio passed away Sunday, September 25, 2022, at her home. She was born October 15, 1924 in Oppy, Kentucky. She was the daughter of the late Sammy and Julia Runyon Marcum. Lucy married Jesse Maynard on May 3, 1943, and he preceded her in death on March 12, 1973. She attended the Old Regular Baptist Churches, she was baptized August 19, 1973, and belonged to Little Ruth Church in Marengo, Ohio, where she attended occasionally up to the time of her death.

Those left behind to cherish her memory are her 3 daughters, Edith (Don) Doles, Jaree Stapleton, Jo (Tony) Adkins all of Wilkesville, Ohio. 8 Grandchildren, Cindy (Rob) Rodgers, Ann Qohn) Wood, David Stiffler, Jr., Jackie (Doug) Roberge, Jay Qoy) Speakman, Phillip (Deana) Adkins, Josh (Shanna) Adkins and Adam Adkins all of Wilkesville, Ohio. 14 Great Grandchildren, 10 Great Great Grandchildren. Also, she was blessed to still have one remaining sister Evalou (Don) Lawson, Pleasantville, Ohio. Lucy loved to do embroidery, make quilts, cook and can, and loved to help other people. Our dear mother was blessed and was a blessing to others that knew her.

In addition to her parents, her husband, and a daughter, Barbara Stiffler, she was preceded in death by son in laws: George Speakman, David Stiffler, Sr., and Raymond Stapleton. Two brothers: John and William Marcum, six sisters: Edith and Olive Newsome, Fanny Maynard, Opal Metheney, Shirley Parsley and Ernestine Clay.

Rosa Profitt Meade
October 4, 1931 - April 3, 2023



Rosa Profitt Meade was born October 4, 1931 in Millstone, KY to her mom and dad, Rebecca (Fulton) & Joe Profitt. She passed away at her home in Cleveland, OH, surrounded by her family on April 3, 2023.

She met and married the love of her life, Herbert Meade, on August 7, 1951 and they spent 37 happy years together. In 1953, they moved to Cleveland, OH for work and raised their family there. In addition to her parents and husband, Rosa was preceded in death by her daughter, Barb Rose and her son, Herb Meade. She didn't want to bury any more of her children.

Preceded in death by her sisters, Virginia Profitt and Ruby Meade (her twin) and brothers, Fernoy, Willard and Joe Jr. Profitt.

She was survived by her daughter Ruby (Bob) Settlemeyer, her sons Dave and Joe Meade and son-in-law, Bruce Rose. She's also survived by her 4 grandchildren, Sherri (Scott) Anderson, Penny (Jason) Warner, Angela Rose & Mark Rose, as well as 5 great-grandchildren, Joshua Milum, Sierra McGuire, Matthew Milum, Secili Milum, and Mark Rose Jr. Also, surviving Sister Rosa are her sister Mary (Lowell) Chambers, Themla (Dennis) Trosper and brother Conard (Carolyn) Profitt and a host of nieces and nephews.

The joy of her life was taking care of her family. Sundays were spent with all that could gather at her home for dinner and family time. Rosa enjoyed cooking, canning, sewing, quilting and working puzzles. Every moment of her life was focused on serving others.

Rosa joined the Elizabeth Old Regular Baptist Church in Millstone, KY in October, 1968, and was baptized by Elder Felix Sexton. She brought her letter to the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church in Litchfield, OH, on December 1, 2001, to be near her home. She was a faithful member and attended church as long as she was physically able. One of her last wishes was for all of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren to know Jesus. She had bibles purchased for all of them in hopes that they would read it and follow His teachings.

Clyde Newsome

May 23, 1940 - January 09, 2023



Clyde Newsome was born May 23, 1940, in Floyd County, Kentucky to the late J. Lee and Annie (Hall) Newsome. He passed January 09, 2023, at the Waters of Lagrange Nursing Home in Lagrange, Indiana. Brother Clyde married Margery Adams on October 13, 1962. She preceded him in death on November 16, 1999. He then married M. June Elkins on June 08, 2002, in Lisbon Indiana. She survives in Wolcottville, Indiana.

Brother Clyde also leaves behind to mourn his loss three sons, Gary Newsome of Lagrange, Indiana, Eugene Newsome of Howe, Indiana, and Jason (Tammy) Newsome of Lagrange, Indiana. Four grandchildren, Josh Newsome, Megan Newsome, Morgan Newsome, and Katrina Newsome; four great-grandchildren, Skyler, Riley, Cali, and Isabella; a stepdaughter, Deborah (Jerry) Berkey of Plainfield, Indiana; three stepsons, Rick Harman of Arizona, Barry Harman of Claypool, Indiana, and Ronald (Lisa) Harman of Claypool, Indiana; a brother, Klinnon Newsome of Prestonsburg, Kentucky and two sisters Ruthie (Harvey) Tuttle of Lagrange, Indiana and Gracie Emrick of Kentucky. Brother Clyde was preceded in death by four sisters, Madline Mitchell, Phyllis Mitchell, Nevelene Blankenship, and Charlene Hoover; a brother, Arnold Newsome; and a daughter-in-law, Kim Newsome.

Brother Clyde worked for Grummon-Olson Company in Sturgis, Michigan. On September 06, 1987, Brother Clyde gave his hand to the old church, being baptized into the Little Flossie Church of the 64th Session of the Northern New Salem Association

Old Regular Baptist. Brother Clyde will be missed by his family and those that loved him, I have no doubt.

Doris Jean Adkins Rowe
March 3, 1937- April 6th, 2023



Doris Jean Carroll Adkins Rowe was born in Adair County, Kentucky, on March 3, 1937, during the 1937 flood that was occurring in Louisville. She was born into the home of the late Gordon Carroll Sr. and Kathleen Gabehart Carroll. God blessed Sister Doris to live upon his good Earth 86 years, one month and 3 days. In the early morning at the dawn of day on Thursday, April 6th, 2023, she gathered her robe around her and was carried away on angel's wings to her eternal home, one that she has longed for, far too long.

In the spring of 1953, a young man was riding his bike in Highland Park, where Doris resided with her family. She commented to the young man that he had a pretty bike and he replied that she was a pretty girl. That young man was Paul Everett Adkins of Pike County, Kentucky. They began to date and exchanged wedding vows in 1955. To their home they were blessed with four children, all of which survive. They are Paul Dean Adkins (Debbie); Darrell Wayne Adkins (Paula); Rhonda Jones (Dale); Dana Shields (Dennis). She is also survived by one stepson, Kenny Rowe (Debbie); 7 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, 3 step grandchildren, 3 step great grandchildren; one brother, Gordon Carroll Jr. "Bucky"; and several nieces and nephews that will have fond and pleasant memories of their Aunt Doris. She was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband Paul Adkins, her second husband, Bernard Rowe, a granddaughter, Lacy Kay Jones, and 2 sisters, Wanda Rowe and Brenda Riley.

Sister Doris became a member of the Antioch Old Regular Baptist Church in Louisville, Kentucky, and was baptized by the hands of the late Paul Adkins and Hillard Newsome, into full love and fellowship of this blessed, old-time church. It was here she was faithful to support and attend. The orders and teachings of her church was not grievous of her. She was the mark of a Christian mother, ever letting her light shine all to the glory and honor of God.

Doris was known to always extend a helping hand to the needy. Her doors were always open to weary pilgrims, traveling on their way to the promise land. Here they were blessed to dine at her table and rest their tired bodies in the comfort of her home. The church dinners were always blessed with Sister Doris' chocolate, lemon and raisin pies. She was always good to call and check on her Brothers, Sisters, and friends in her church family.

Sister Doris started her working career as a telephone operator for South Central Bell. She retired from Jefferson County Public Schools after 27 years of service, driving a school bus for special needs students.

She, Brother Paul, Meister, and I were blessed to travel endless miles attending churches and associations from near and far. All of these travels leave precious and lasting memories of days passed.

Sister Doris, we will not, and we cannot say good bye. We are grateful we have had you for all these years. The memories of you will comfort us that remain, until we are blessed to join your company in the city with no measure of time, called Heaven. We loved you yesterday, loved you more today and tomorrow and we will smile when your name is mentioned. And we will always remember every time we parted or hung up from a phone call, you always said "I love you".

In Lasting Memories, Brother Hillard Newsome

Beulah Samons

December 15, 1928- June 1, 2023



Beulah Samons (nee Smiley), 94, of Vermilion, went home to be with her Lord Thursday, June 1, 2023 at Mercy Regional Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

She was born December 15, 1928 in Dana, KY and had been a Vermilion resident for the past 61 years moving from Kentucky.

Beulah worked for Lorain Electronics for 20 years, retiring in 1977.

She was a member of little Edna Old Regular Baptist Church. She enjoyed homemaking, gardening, and spending time with her grandchildren. She also enjoyed traveling with her husband, especially to Florida. She was strong in her faith and loved worshipping at her church and her son's church, North Lake Missionary Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughters, Judy (the late Virgil "Bud") Lafferty of Wakeman, Janet (Ed) Young of Berlin Hts., Jill (Terry) Haston of Vermilion, and Norma (Ron) Emery of Vermilion; son, Jayson (Sharon) Samons of Norwalk; grandchildren: Jay, Shelly, Tammy, Derek, Angela, Terry Jr., Jennifer, Jeffrey, and Missy; many great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren; and her sisters, Cornella (the late WB) Smiley Conn of Dana, KY and Louanna (the late Bascom) Smiley Conn of Wakeman.

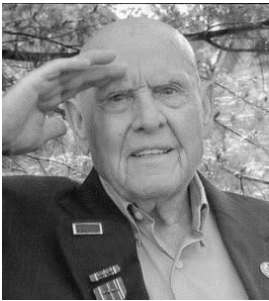
She was preceded in death by her husband of 77 years, Jay Samons in 2022; parents, Miller and Mary Edna (nee Hall) Smiley; brothers, Ermon Smiley, Donald Smiley and Floyd Smiley; sisters, Lillian Smiley Akers, Sula Smiley, Survelva Smiley, and Eula Smiley Conn; and her grandson, Wayde Lafferty.

As we all grew up, Mom was a praying Mom. Her prayers watched over our lives.

Then when we were grown, we gave her grandkids and great grandkids. They knew to call on Mom for peace. You knew God was in their home, but now they are in His Home. We will all join them someday in that Heavenly Home. Love and Prayers to all, to ask Jesus in your heart so you can be in that peaceful Home in Heaven too. By his broken-hearted family written by his daughter Norma Emery.

Jay Samons

May 3, 1925-November 21, 2022



Jay Samons, 97, of Vermilion, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Monday, November 21, 2022 at Mercy New Life Hospice after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 3, 1925 in Dana, KY and had been a Vermilion resident for the past 61 years moving from Kentucky.

Jay was a veteran of the US Army serving as a Medic during World War II. He worked for Ford Motor Co., Lorain for 29 years, retiring in 1986.

Jay was a member of Little Edna Old Regular Baptist Church and the UAW #425. He enjoyed gardening, Traveling, and his son's church, North Lake Missionary Baptist Church. He especially enjoyed spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife of 77 years, Beulah (nee Smiley) Samons; daughters, Judy (the late Virgil "Bud") Lafferty of Wakeman, Janet (Ed) Young of Berlin Hts., Jill (Terry) Haston of Vermilion, and Norma (Ron) Emery of Vermilion; son, Jayson (Sharon) Samons of Norwalk; grandchildren; Jay, Shelly, Tammy, Derek, Angela, Terry Jr., Jennifer, Jeffrey, and Missy; many great-grandchildren and great, great-grandchildren; and his sister, Denna Sielke of PA.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Solomon "Sol" and Della (nee Akers) Samons; brother, Edgar Samons; sisters, Verna Mae Conn, Charlie Gibson, Lois Boyd, Mavis Marston, and Jean Halfhill; and his grandson, Wayde Lafferty.

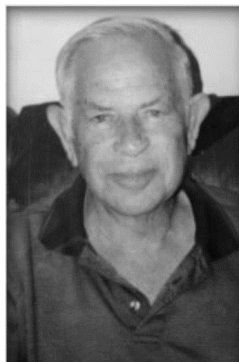
As Dad grew up, he was restless. He joined the Army to fight for our freedom, which we were all so very, very proud of him for.

He married Mom (Beulah Smiley) and they raised their family while traveling, mostly South to Florida, and working hard. He loved his family of 4 girls and finally a son.

His traveling seemed to give him peace, but he never really had that peace until he asked Jesus in his heart. They together traveled to Old Regular Baptist church meetings every Sunday. They loved their church, and church family and friends. God watched over him until he peacefully left us. May you all find peace with God and feel the freedom only He can give. By his broken-hearted family written by his daughter Norma Emery Love and Prayers to all.

James G Sexton

November 12, 1931 – May 1, 2023



James G. Sexton, age 91 of Brunswick, peacefully passed away Monday, May 1st, 2023. He was born November 12, 1931, in Hallie, Kentucky to Howard and Lizzie (nee Riddle) Sexton.

James served his country in the United States Army. He enjoyed fishing and gardening but, above all, he loved spending time with his grandchildren. He was a member of the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church since Oct 4, 1970.

Left to celebrate James' life is his loving daughter-in-law, Lori Sexton; his precious grandchildren, Jessica Sexton (Kyle Tomak – fiancé) and Jeremy (Adrienne) Sexton; his brothers, Roy (Margie) Sexton and Charles (Wanda) Sexton; and many extended family and friends. James is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Ruby (2015); his son, James Michael Sexton; his sisters, Doris, Rose, and Margaret; his brothers, Rence, Colman and Homer. James will be missed by all who knew him.

Friends

Bernice Bates

April 24, 1929-April 17, 2022



It is with a heavy heart that I will try to write the obituary of our dear, sweet, wonderful mother, Bernice Bates.

Bernice was born on 4/24/1929 to Luther and Polly Johnson in Jacks Creek Kentucky. She was one of eight children to this union. Bernice married Claud Bates on 12/21/1945, they had 8 children and celebrated 62 years and 5 months when the good Lord took Claud home on 5/27/2008. Bernice continued to live a good long Christian life waiting to meet our Lord and Savior and be reunited with her mate Claud.

Bernice left this world on 4/17/2022 making her stay on this earth 92 years and 11 months. We have lost our dear, sweet, mother but Bernice has gained her angel wings and is now happy and content with the Lord, our Dad and their first born daughter, Claudie, as well as 3 son-in-laws (Duke, Harlan and Troy) and two grandsons.

Bernice is survived by her 7 children. Glenda, (More Head, KY) Norma, (Southgate, MI) Jim Bates, (Taylor, MI) Doris, (Trenton, MI) Melissa, (Taylor, MI) Margaret, (Taylor, MI) and Paige (Wyandotte, MI). She had 16 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren. Mom, we were so sorry to see you go but one by one our chain is broken and one by one our chain will be linked together again. Until we meet again, we will never forget you, miss you and love you forever.

The Children of Claud & Bernice Bates

Regina Hall Hopkins

April 21, 1949 - September 11, 2021 (age 72)



Regina Hopkins (Nee Hall), age 72, of Vermilion passed away on Saturday September 11, 2021 following a long battle with cancer. She was born April 21, 1949 in Topmost Kentucky. She lived in Hemet California for many years before returning to Lorain County. She is survived by her sister Willetta Garcia, many uncles, aunts and other extended family. She was preceded in death by her husband of 42 years, Lauren "Hoppy" Hopkins, parents Brownie and Gladys (Nee Tuttle) Hall and by sisters Ruby Cain and Dalphene Shavor. Her only surviving sister, Willetta Garcia, passed away on March 18, 2022 at the age of 70.

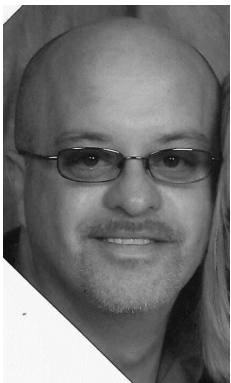
Regina was such a wonderful lady. She was very loving, kind and such a generous person as well. She moved to Vermilion, Ohio near us a few months before her passing. She invited us to her home to sing and pray with her and her uncles. She was so interested in the Lord and wanted to be saved. We all tried to help her as much as we could. We will never forget the last church service held in the home of her uncle, Denny, and Gale Tuttle, she lay in her bed continually praising the Lord through the service. We were all so happy for her. We believe she is resting in Paradise now and waiting for that glorious resurrection day.

Her funeral was held at the Pleasant View Old Regular Baptist Church in Litchfield Ohio. She is buried in the Indian Hollow Road Cemetery, Lagrange Ohio.

Submitted by her uncle Chester Tuttle and Brother Larry and Sister Patsy Newsome

James Robert Robinson

December 3, 1969 ~ June 18, 2023



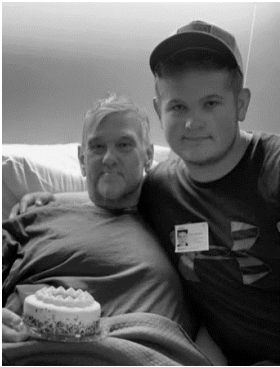
James Robert Robinson, 53, of Creston, passed away on Sunday, June 18, 2023 at Wooster Community Hospital after an unexpected illness.

James was born on Dec. 3, 1969 in Cleveland, OH to Jimmy and Lucille (Cavins) Robinson. He grew up in Pikeville, KY and graduated from Johns Creek High School. He served in the U.S. Navy and on Feb. 4, 1989 he married the love of his life, Lesa Adkins who survives. James had worked for Kellogg's, Lexington Furniture, Thomasville Furniture and the Accel Group. He loved to cook and garden but his greatest joy was playing with his four grandchildren.

Surviving is his wife, Lesa; daughter and son-in-law, Rita and Jeremy May of Pikeville, KY; son and daughter-in-law, Jordan and Alyssa Robinson of Ft. Wayne, IN; grandchildren, Haley, Abigail, Liam and Oliver May; brother, Sherman May of Pike County, KY; sister, Leona Dugan of Lexington, KY and his mother-in-law, Rita Adkins of Creston. He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Mary Jones and Joannette Mullins.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday at 11:00 at the funeral home with Pastor Dennis Elkins officiating.

Clifton Arden Samples, Jr.
April 23, 1967 - June 4, 2023



Clifton Arden Samples, Jr., 56, of Harrisville, died June 4, 2023 at United Hospital Center, Bridgeport, WV.

He was born April 23, 1967 at Elyria, OH, the son of the late Clifton A. and Shirley Taylor Samples.

Cliff had worked as a produce clerk in the former Harrisville IGA store. He enjoyed racing, Dodges and spending time with his son.

He is survived by his son, Ryan Wayne Samples of Cairo; sisters, Nancy Sigler (Phil) of St. Marys and Joan Slone (Steve) of Geneva, OH; several nieces and nephews; and close friends, Tim Johnson and Cary McDonald.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by sisters, Judy Wilfong and Joy Griggs.

Funeral services were held at 1 PM, Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at Raiguel Funeral Home, Harrisville with Pastor Alan Adams officiating.

Sandra J. "Sandy" Slone
September 5, 1945 July 29, 2023



Sandra J. "Sandy" Slone, age 77, of Mansfield, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday morning, July 29, 2023. She passed at her home.

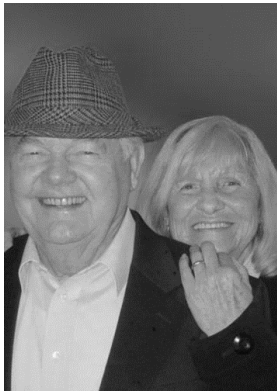
Sandy was born September 5, 1945 in Lafferty, Ohio to the late Arthur and Pauline (Lewis) Jackson. She was a 1962 graduate of Union High School in Flushing, Ohio. A former employee of both Therm-O-Disc in Mansfield and the Shelby Salesbook Company, Sandy was primarily a homemaker. She thoroughly enjoyed taking care of her family and her home. She also enjoyed shopping and attending Old Regular Baptist church.

Surviving are her husband of nearly 57 years, Douglas M. Slone, whom she wed on November 26, 1966; daughter: Lora (Charlie) Kuhn of Shelby; grandchildren: Derrick (Morgan) Slone, Robert (Katelyn) Kuhn, Erick (Amber) Slone, and Leesha (Kevin) Montgomery; great-grandchildren: Rilynn, Ellie, Matthew, Westin, Quinley, Raymond, Willow, Brantley, and Nilelynn; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. In addition to her parents, Sandy was preceded in death by her son: Matthew D. Slone; brothers: Bobby Jackson, Dale Jackson, William "Pal" Jackson, and Charlie Jackson; and sisters: Martha Arno and Mary Jendrusik.

Family and friends are welcome on Thursday, August 3, 2023 from 5-7 pm at the Penwell Turner Funeral Home, 168 West Main Street, Shelby, with services beginning at 7 pm conducted by the Elders of the Old Regular Baptist Church. Funeral services will be on Friday, August 4, 2023 at 11:30 am conducted by Bro. Hargis Tuttle. Burial were held in Turner Cemetery in Dema, KY on Sunday, August 6, 2023, at 12 noon. Memorial contributions may be made to Eternal Rose Old Regular Baptist Church.

Wanda Lee Sowards

March 21, 1941 - April 18, 2023



Wanda Lee King Sowards was born on March 21, 1941, to the late Lloyd and Lonnie Burke King. On August 7, 2001 she married the love of her life, Jim Sowards.

Left to mom her passing; Husband Jim Sowards; Daughters, Karen (Ezell) Braceful and Patty Schwartz; Son, Mark (Moir) Sowards; Grandson, Weston Schwartz; Brothers, John Edward (Linda) King and Gary Wayne King; Sisters, Hattie Faye (Elwood) Johnson, Mary Alice (Russ) Cole and Georgene Newsome. She is preceded in death by Father Lloyd King; Mother Lonnie Burke King; Brothers Lloyd Wayne King and Dennis Ray King; Sisters, Beulah Ann Hall and Doris Papazian.

On behalf of our entire family, we want to thank everyone who gave a helping hand, prayed, sent food, called, or assisted her in any way these last few years. We truly appreciate everything done to help lighten the load for both Wanda and Jim.

She retired as a supervisor at Monsanto and also a supervisor position at both Square D in Lexington, Kentucky and Scott Paper Company in Michigan.

The oldest of her siblings, she learned to work hard pretty quickly. She was a go-getter, could out-work anyone, and was Papaw Lloyd's right hand... girl. Before getting sick, she was the most energetic person I've ever known. She loved being around family and friends and was the best hostess in the world. She was a natural at everything she done.

When we were little, we could not wait for the weekends or holidays when Aunt Wanda and Beulah came in from Michigan. It was like Christmas any time they came-we knew they'd show up with lunch meat, toys, and, the best gift of all, all the time in the world to spend with us. They were sister-best friends and done everything together. If you are part of the King family, then you know the "Car Game" from Mamaw's front porch, the best half-handed apple pies, the sneaks on the porch to smoke and hide it from Uncle Jim, and, I think she taught everyone in the family this one-"See my finger, see my thumb, see my fist, you better run!"

Then, along came Jim. Their marriage was such a joy to witness-the absolute adoration, always giddy, complete happiness. She was never happier than when she was alongside him.

We might've known her longer, but no one knew her better than Uncle Jim. Even as a child, I noticed how happy he made her and how happy he was too. The standard the two of you set for the marriage of those around you is bar-none.

Nothing was off-limits for Wanda. If you were her niece and asked for it. You better believe you got it. Well, if you were sibling, too. She babied Dad to death. Wanda was someone who didn't just say she loved you, she showed it. She saturated your life in it. Wanda was the epitome of loving like Christ. She's always had such an angelic look about her, but, the thing about Wanda, her persona

glowed just the same. To say "Our loss is Heaven's gain" seems to be overshared, or cliché, but let me say it again—Our loss is truly, without a doubt, Heaven's gain, and in that, we rejoice.

The last full conversation we had, she told us, "I've lived a good life." And she did. She had the joy of the Lord, a husband who made her feel like a Queen, and children she loved with her entire being, a fulfilling career, and traveled the world while she was healthy. None of us could ask for better. She had a life well-lived and well-loved. As sad and heartbreaking as it leaves the rest of us, what an amazing thought that after she closed her eyes on Tuesday morning, she woke up to Jesus.

For mine and my sister's entire lives, we've always had this "thing" with Aunt Wanda and she would always try to get the last word. It's only fitting that we tell her one last time. Sis, help me. I LOVE YOU MORE.

Written by her niece Laken King Roberts and other family members.

Jason Lee Tuttle

January 6, 1975- February 23, 2021.

Born January 6, 1975, and left us on February 23, 2021. For 46 years, 6 weeks and 6 days I have loved Jason. He was one person that was always there for me and I was always there for him. I can still hear him say, "Sissy is there anything you need done?" He could fix anything and was a genius at all things mechanical and computers. He was a very proud American and an Air Force Veteran.

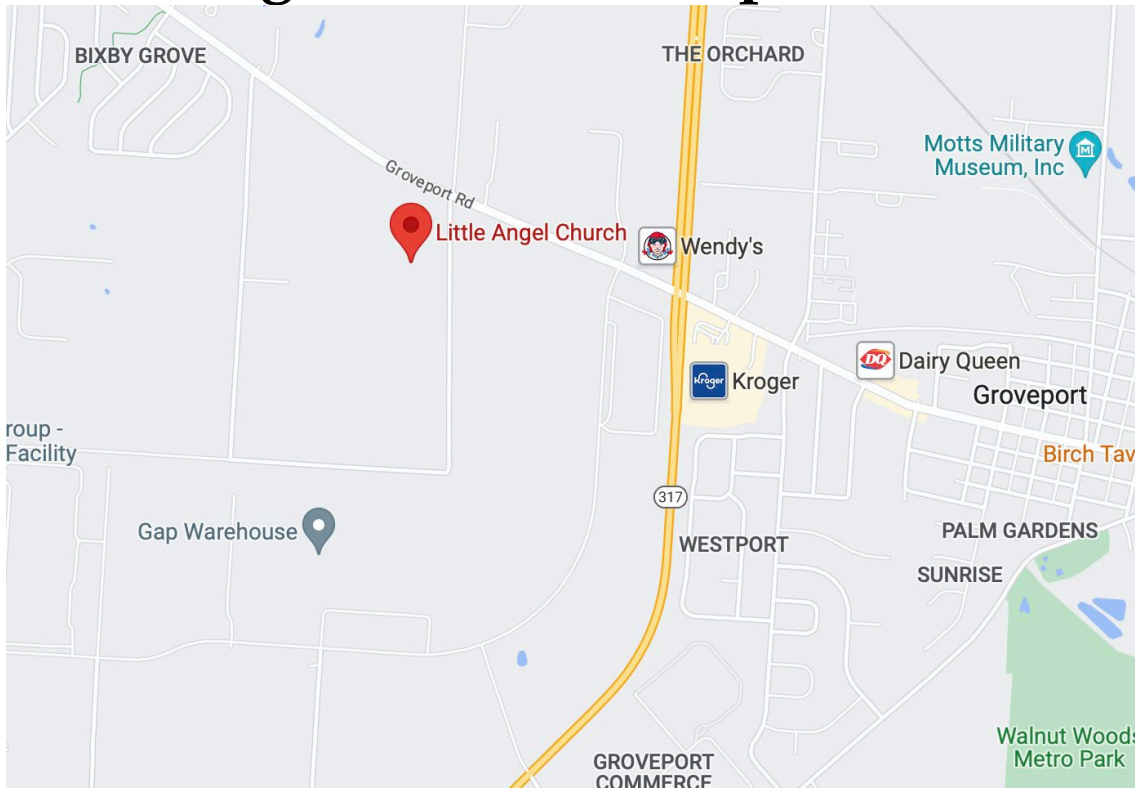
His mom, Carol, had some good dreams about Jason. In one dream, she and Jason were running and he was smiling, he looked bright. I had a dream that said, "There's nothing wrong with Jason". Jason, his mom and I, it seemed to be us against the world since Mom and Dad died. His bipolar got worse with age. I was there when he was born and I loved him until the end. His loving, devoted and broken hearted Mother, a Brother, a loving Aunt and two Uncles, plus great Uncles, Aunts and Cousins, survive Jason. Also, a niece, nephews and his dog, Abby. Preceding him in death are his grandparents. They were so important to him. He also lost a great-aunt, Irene, four years ago.

Jason, you were loved by so many. I do not know if you knew how much we loved you.

Written by your Aunt who will always love you!!

Barb (Sissy) Lucas

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