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Titus ~ Philemon ~ Hebrews ~ James ~ **1 Peter** ~ 2 Peter ~ 1 John ~ 2 John ~ 3 John

Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor. 1 Peter 2:13-17 (ESV)



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Jim's Journal

At the 2016 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, Dr. Jack Graham, of Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas, TX spoke and offered 10 principle ways to create an evangelistic environment and culture within the local church:



- 1) Evangelism begins with the pastor;
- 2) An invitational culture should be encouraged and developed within a church;
- 3) Authenticity is critical;
- 4) The power of the Gospel must be trusted;
- 5) Do whatever it takes to reach people for Christ;
- 6) Train believers to share their faith;
- 7) Give a public invitation; baptize believers as often as you can;
- 8) Engage in event evangelism;
- 9) Participate in mission trips;
- 10) Church planting.

According to Dr. Ed Stetzer at LifeWay Research, 89 percent of unchurched people in their 20s say they are willing to listen to someone explain Christianity, while most Protestant churchgoers have never told anyone how to become a Christian. "We have a nation with open hearts and a church with closed mouths," he said. Has silence become our greatest sin?

Southern Baptist evangelism strategies that were widely effective in the 1950s no longer work, Stetzer said, and Southern Baptist churches need to change their approach. Southern Baptist churches need to reevaluate how they "do church," Stetzer said, or risk losing their place in God's plan for the universal church.

"God has not promised a future to Southern Baptists, he has promised a future to His church," Stetzer said. "The question is: Will we be part of the future of His church? Or will we ourselves embrace the inevitable decline that will come if we refuse to change?"

We need to have some serious discussions in the coming days. As your lead follower, I am committed to provide needed resources, equipping, and support to all of our churches ENGAGE our communities for Christ. Come to the July 11 summer meeting (Union Baptist Church, 7:00 PM) of the NKBA and hear the stories of life change around the NKBA!

The FIRST training event will be the EQUIP tour, which will meet at FBC Walton on Thursday night, August 25 from 6-9 PM. The cost is \$10 per person, maximum of \$50 per church. For more information go to: www.kybaptist.org/equip Equip will provide training for "TELL YOUR STORY," a tool to empower your entire church to actively share the story of how Christ has changed their lives! Other workshops will include Women's ministry, Sunday School, Discipleship, Church finances, Children's Ministry, Youth Ministry, Worship and Music, Evangelism, and Church security. This is an ideal time to bring your leaders from each of these areas to take advantage of this exceptional night provided through the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

This can be a first step toward embracing the mission of Christ and changing/adapting our methodologies or face decline, irrelevancy, and death. We cannot let silence be our (the church) greatest sin! MAKE MUCH OF JESUS!

Following Him,
Jim

<p>NEW BANKLICK BAPTIST CHURCH</p> <p>Guitarist Needed</p> <p>New Banklick is seeking one (or more) guitarist for our Praise Band. The individuals must be able to play guitar and lead congregational worship with the Praise Band. This individual should be willing to work with the current keyboard player and drummer. Currently, the church alternates weeks of traditional and contemporary services. If interested, please contact Debbie Crawford at (859) 743-1337 or you may call Bro. Tim Cochran at (859) 356-5538.</p>	<div data-bbox="1014 717 1435 985">  </div> <div data-bbox="1443 717 1622 994"> <p>It's ACP time again. This year you will have the option of completing your ACP online. Training and the necessary materials will be provided.</p> </div> <p>After training, you will be able to access your information throughout the year to make changes as necessary— making subsequent ACPs easier to complete. Training will be at the NKBA office on Tuesday, July 12 at either 10 AM or 6:30 PM. Choose the time that works best for you and contact the NKBA office to tell us when you plan to attend. Church Clerks, Ministry Assistants, and Pastors are invited.</p> <p>Paper copies of the ACP will be provided after the July 12th training, for those that choose to complete a paper copy. All ACPs whether online or hard copy are due by <u>August 8</u>.</p>
<div data-bbox="381 1090 997 1196">  </div> <p>Developed by Claude King, Prayer Boot Camp is a flexible prayer training experience to provide basic training in prayer and to introduce the weapons of our spiritual warfare. It is not just learning about prayer. It is learning to pray by praying together. The content is based on <i>The Battle Plan for Prayer</i> by Stephen and Alex Kendrick, developers of “War Room.”</p> <p>Monday, August 1 or Tuesday, August 2, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM</p> <p>Deadline to register is Friday, July 29</p> <p>Cost is \$10.00 in advance (received at NKBA by deadline date) or \$20.00 at the door.</p> <p>You may register by calling the NKBA office or on our website, www.nkbaptist.org, on the “Registration” tab. Please include Prayer Boot Camp in the “comments” field. You can mail your payment to NKBA, 3001 Riggs Road, Erlanger, KY 41018 or pay on the “Donate” button on our website. Please specify Prayer Boot Camp in the memo line of your payment.</p>	<p>FBC Walton 150th Anniversary Service August 7th at 10:30 am Dr. Paul Chitwood will be the Guest Speaker</p> <div data-bbox="1014 1460 1630 1880">  </div>
<div data-bbox="381 1898 1118 2340">  </div>	<p>August 25th</p> <p>First Baptist Church of Walton</p> <p>6:30—9:00 p.m.</p> <p>Check in begins at 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>\$10.00 per person</p> <p>Maximum of \$50.00 per church</p> <p>To find out more and to register: www.kybaptist.org/equip</p> <p>502-489-3571 / 866-489-3571</p>

NKBA Executive Board—Summer Meeting—July 11, 7:00 PM at Union Baptist Church, Union, KY

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**Mark Your Calendars
Upcoming Events**

- July 4—Holiday—Office Closed**
- July 11—NKBA Executive Board Summer Meeting, 7 p.m., Union Baptist Church**
- July 12—ACP Online Training 10 a.m. or 6:30 p.m., NKBA office**
- July 16—WMU Leadership Meeting, 10 a.m., NKBA office**
- July 26—WMU Salad Supper/Meeting , Hebron Baptist Church**

