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Here Today, Gone Tomorrow

And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away. Revelation 21:4

Many of you have experienced the pain of losing a loved one. As I'm writing this, I have just spent the last few days caring for my wife and her father with the loss of their brother and son. Sitting in the funeral home and witnessing the tears and sorrow of family and friends, my thoughts were taken to this verse in **Revelation 21:4**, "... *there shall be no more death, nor sorrow.*" Paul said in **1 Corinthians 15:55**, "*O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory?*" The death of a loved one is often referred to as a "loss," and I guess rightfully so, because for the family and friends there is an experience of the loss of their presence, friendship and often support. However, for the believer, one who dies in Christ is not a loss at all... it's gain. Paul said in **Philippians 1:20** "*...to die is gain.*"

John in Revelation, says there "*shall be no more pain.*" How would you define pain? Since 1968, the most widely used definition of pain in clinical settings is the one set forth by pain researcher Margo McCaffery: Pain is whatever the experiencing person says it is, existing whenever and wherever the person says it does. In other words, no one can tell another person that they are not in pain. Pain is as unique as the individuals who profess to experience it.

Think about any pain you may be experiencing now—relational pain, physical pain, emotional pain, or spiritual pain. Regardless of the kind of pain you are experiencing now, it will "soon" be over. The Bible says that in the New Jerusalem "*there shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.*" Whatever kind of pain you feel today, an eternal day is coming in which you will feel it no more if you live in the New Jerusalem. Every God-designed need and longing of the human spirit, soul, and body will be met completely in Christ.

Let today's pain lead you to tomorrow's pleasure in heaven.

In Christ service,

Bro. Bobby





FINANCIAL REPORT FOR OCTOBER

Church	Regular	Special
Bethany	0	
Blue Spring	2,566.25	7,500.00
Buffalo	0	
Cadiz	734.26	
Canton	1,830.16	250.00
Cerulean	549.00	
Crossroads	200.00	
Delmont	328.76	
Donaldson Creek	775.71	
East Cadiz	774.42	
Hurricane	400.00	1,500.00
Liberty Point	1,109.29	
Locust Grove	875.00	
Maple Grove	475.00	
New Hope	0	
New Jerusalem	0	
New Light	50.00	
Oak Grove	349.46	
Ponderosa	417.72	
Rock Front	200.00	
Rocky Ridge	374.00	
South Union	267.00	
Wallonia	0	
Misc. Income	0	150.00
Total	12,276.03	9,400.00
		21,676.03

Interest NOW Acc.	2.29	
Deaf Ministry		250.00
Mission Project (Mev Fredenburg)		9,150.00

Subtotals	12,278.32	9,400.00
Total income		\$21,678.32
Monthly expense		\$21,914.64

Regular Fund	
Beginning Balance	24,269.46
Interest Received	2.29
Gifts	12,446.03
Trans- Contingency Fund	(100.00)
Trans- Van Replacement Fund	
Trans- Building Maintenance Fund	(100.00)
Trans- Mev Fredenburg Fund	
Expense Checks Written	(11,596.98)
Ending Balance	\$24,920.80

Treasurer: Louise Fuller 10/25/24

NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 3- Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 4- No Mission Board
- 5- Election Day
- 11- Veteran's Day
- 11- KBC Pastor's Conference (FBC, Paducah)
- 12- KBC Annual Meeting (FBC, Paducah)
- 28-29- Thanksgiving Holidays (Office Closed)



Beginning January 2025, the Baptist Center will be closed each Friday.

**New Office hours
Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

This was part of the 2025 Proposed Budget and was passed during our Annual Meeting, October 22, 2024



- George Miller- 11/7
- Steve Holland- 11/20
- Ronnie Sivells- 11/24
- Matt Shown- 11/26