

103rd Annual Session of the Portland Association of General Baptists

Theme: "One In Unity"

Moderator: Bro. Larry Treadway

Location: Macedonia General Baptist Church 940 Macedonia Road Franklin, KY 42134

<u>Friday Night, June 27, 2025:</u> Service will begin at 7:00 p.m. Message: Bro. Larry Treadway Special Music: New Journey Quartet Communion Service: No business will be conducted

<u>Saturday, June 28, 2025</u>: Service will begin at 9:00 a.m. Message: Bro. Gary Sullivan Business Session Lunch Business will continue after lunch if we do not finish prior!

Sunday Afternoon, June 29, 2025: 2:30 p.m. Ordination Service

Friday Night will be worship only! Saturday we will conduct **all** business! It is very important that everyone stay the entire day to conduct all of the business at hand! Program subject to change by the Holy Spirit!

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Association Treasurer Report 2024

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Balance Operating Account 01/01/24	\$32,520.42	
Income		
Membership dues	\$	3,793.55
Printing of Minutes Income	\$	736.83
Budget Allocation	\$	21,000.00
Total Income	\$	25,530.38
Expenses		
Association Meeting	\$	50.70
Clerk Salary	\$	9,900.00
Clerk Cell Phone	\$	600.00
Corporate Renewal Fee	\$	20.46
General Association Meeting	\$	246.24
Insurance Expense	\$	26.00
Membership Dues to GA	\$	3,531.00
Minute Book Expense	\$	1,966.11
Ministries Coordinator Salary	\$	3,000.00
Office Supplies	\$	785.33
Payroll SS & Medicare/Clerk	\$	757.33
P.O. Box Rental	\$	118.00
Postage	\$	179.35
Website	\$	22.17
Total Expenses	\$	21,202.69
Beginning Balance 01/01/24	\$	32,520.42
Plus Income Received	\$	25,530.38
Less Expenses	\$	-21,202.69
Total Ending Balance 12/31/24	\$	36,848.11
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Centro Cristian		racion		\$	3,000.00
Halltown Churc	h			\$	4,999.92
Hollis Chapel				\$	1,966.91
Macedonia				\$	900.00
Mitchelllville				\$	9,553.63
Portland				\$	600.00
Providence				\$	1,200.00
Salmons				\$	7,000.00
Shiloh				\$	1,000.00
State Line				\$	500.00
Union Chapel				\$	7,308.84
White House				\$	1,200.00
Total Income fr	om 12 Ch	nurches		\$	39,229.30
Beginning Balan	ce 01/01/2	24		\$	52,465.00
Plus Income From				φ \$	39,229.30
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Plus Interest Inc				\$	77.05
Plus Deposit from	n Youth B	oard Acco	ount	\$	7,900.00
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Plus Deposit from Youth	Board Account	\$	7,900.00
Less Budget Disbursed		\$	(36,000.00)
Budget Disbursed:			
Association Office	\$21,000.00		
Trustee Board	\$10,000.00		
Minister's Retirement	\$5,000.00		
Ending Balance as of 12	31/24	\$	63,671.35

Audit Committee

The Portland Association Audit Committee met and examined the following accounts.

- 1. Home Mission Board with Sister Betty Jo Kepley
- 2. Ministers Retirement Board, Association Income Account & Association Office Account with Sister Patricia Creasy
- 3. The Trustee Board

The members of the Audit Committee examined the above accounts for 2024 and found them to be in order.

Tracy Hinton Gary Sullivan Ashley Berry

Budget and Finance Committee

The Budget and Finance Committee met on May 26, 2025 with the following members present:

Andy Mathias Tim Williams Joan Britt Betty Jo Kepley Patricia Creasy, Treasurer, Ex-Officio

The meeting was opened in prayer and we proceeded to look at all of the financial reports from Boards requesting funds from the budget.

After reviewing each we recommend the following

Association Office	\$ 21,000.00
Minister's Retirement Board	
to be invested in Certificate of Deposit	\$ 8,000.00
Trustee Board	\$ 10,000.00
Total Budget to Disburse	\$ 39,000.00

We have two members coming off the board this year.

We recommend Bro. Andy Mathias for another 3-year term and Sis. Ashley Berry for a 3-year term.

Current Board Members:

Tim Williams	2026	Bryan Borth	2025
Robert Briley	2026	Andy Mathias	2025
Joan Britt	2027		

Executive Committee Report

The Executive committee met at Mitchellville General Baptist Church on May 18, 2025. The following members were present: Gary Pardue, Jon Wesley Kirby, Tracy Hinton, Tim Williams, Matt Klein. Bro. Jon Wesley Kirby opened our meeting with prayer. After reviewing the reports, we were presented and with much discussion, we offer the following recommendations:

- 1. We recommend to retain Sis. Patricia Creasy as the associational secretary.
- 2. We recommend to retain Bro. Larry Treadway as the associational ministry coordinator.
- In reference to a referred motion to the executive committee from the association last year to change the annual meeting to the 3rd weekend in February, we recommend that the meeting date of June remain the same.
- 4. We recommend Bro. Tracy Hinton for an additional 3-year term.

Respectfully Submitted, Bro. Tim Williams, Chairman

Portland Home Mission Board

The Portland Home Mission Board met twice during the past year. The main work has been supporting Faithbridge Fellowship in Springfield, TN.

In the fall of 2023, the Board met with Dr. Richard Roberts concerning help for the struggling Faithbridge Fellowship in Springfield, TN. At that time the Board voted to support the church financially with no more than \$3,000.00 per month for one year. In December 2024, the Board met with Dr. Roberts to evaluate the church's progress. At that time, the Board voted to continue support with \$2,000.00 per month and evaluate quarterly. In May 2025, the Board met again with Dr. Roberts to evaluate. Unfortunately, the church had not made significant progress. The Board voted to reduce financial support to \$1,000.00 per month for four months (June – September, 2025). If there have not been improvements, financial support from Home Missions will cease.

When the Spanish Congregation (Centro Cristiano Restauracion) was planted in Madison, it was agreed that the church property would be deeded to them if it was successful. It is a success, but the transaction has never been completed. There was a vote to complete that obligation.

In December 2024, Bro. Mike Brady resigned from the Board.

Current Board Members:

2026
2026
2026
2027 (requested to be replaced)
2027
2027
ex-officio member

Recommendations:

- 1. We recommend Bro. Steve Hanley for a two-year term to replace Bro. Ryan Whiticker.
- 2. We recommend the following for a three-year term:
 - Bro. Tommy Booker Bro. Gary Sullivan

Portland Home Mission Board Income and Expense for 2024

Beginning Balance	\$	55,401.33		
INCOME	Inc	ome	Ex	pense
Restoration Christian Center	\$	3,100.00		
Mitchelleville Church	\$	3,693.73		
Portland Association	\$	-		
Checking Acct Interest	\$	48.70		
EXPENSES				
Annual Incorp Fee	\$	-	\$	(20.00)
Faithbridge Fellowship	\$	-	\$	(24,589.90)
Barber Way			\$	(1,000.00)
Checks			\$	(9.95)
Comptroller of the Treasury			\$	(120.00)
TN Division of Business Servic	es		\$	(20.00)
RENTAL DWELLING				
INCOME				
One Stop Reality	\$	8,640.00		
EXPENSES				
Insurance			\$	(2,105.00)
Property Taxes	\$	-	\$	(1,560.31)
Repairs on RDP	\$	-	\$	(350.00)

ENDING BALANCE	\$	41,108.60

	Value of CD at GBIF	\$ 103,498.84
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Ministry Coordinator Report

It was a privilege to serve as Minister Coordinator for the Association.

- I was privileged to work with four newly called ministers providing guidance and the minimum requirements set forth by the Presbytery on pages 102-103 from the 2023 minutes book providing them with the books necessary to fulfill their reading requirements as well as pointing out the questions to be asked in the examination process.
- Also, I have attempted to provide unity and information through a monthly newsletter of our churches with as much information as I can obtain from our fellow pastors, etc.
- I have attempted to visit all our churches revivals when I have knowledge of them and have no personal conflicts with schedules.
- There have been a few church representatives I have provided preachers list for possible contact to fill the pulpits as well as scheduling some preachers for them.

It is my request that the recommended minimum requirements in the 2023 minute book which was omitted from the 2024 book be carried over and printed in the 2025 book. I was able to order & provide all of the books except the Portland History books (;'do not have extra copies of these). I would also ask that the book, "Biblical Preaching" by Haddon Robinson be added to the required reading list.

Sincerely, Larry Treadway

Minister's Retirement Board

The Minister's Retirement Board met on May 12, 2025 The meeting was opened with prayer. The 2024 Financial report was given.

After much discussion, we recommend the following:

- The Special Offering Day for the Minister's Retirement fund was to be on the first Sunday in October annually, voted upon at last year's meeting. This was overlooked and reminders were not sent out to the churches. We will be sending reminders and encouraging our churches to participate this year.
- 2. No raises will be given this year.
- 3. We recommend to retain the following for board members for 3-year terms.

Trent Stephens	2028
Matt Klein	2028

Members Present:
Randy Langford
Janie Lamberth
Patricia Creasy, Ex-Officio
Trent Stephens
Allen Johnson
Hannah Kirby

Minister's Retirement Treasurer Report Balance Forward 01/01/24 41,443.18

Income	
Income from churches ***	25,685.00
Interest Income	44.63
Income from Presbytery	3,600.00
Budget Allocation	4,500.00
Total Income	33,829.63
Income from Churches***	
Beech Grove	600.00

Halltown	6 000 00
	6,000.00
Hollis Chapel Mitchellville	2,400.00 600.00
Mt. Moriah	1,380.00
Mt. Pleasant	•
Portland Church	3,000.00
Providence	1,005.00
Salmons	1,200.00
Shiloh	2,000.00
	2,000.00
State Line	2,700.00
Union Chapel	2,400.00
White House	400.00
Total Income from Churches	25,685.00
Expenses	
Money paid out to Ministers ***	26,150.00
Total Expenses	<u>26,150.00</u>
Money Paid out to Ministers ***	
Billy Bowers	2,850.00
Clayton Hall	2,850.00
David Harper	2,850.00
Donald Key	500.00
Gus Huff	2,850.00
H. Dean Jaggers	2,850.00
Harold David Hobdy	2,850.00
Kenneth A. Gregory	2,850.00
R. Glenn Jenkins	2,850.00
Larry Treadway	2,850.00
Total Paid out to Ministers	26,150.00
Balance Forward 01/01/24	41,443.18
Plus Income Received	33,829.63
Less Money Paid out to Ministers	-26,150.00
Ending Balance 12/31/24	49,122.81
Certificates of Deposit 12/31/24	
GBIF # 2877	16,790.71
GBIF # 3141	54,786.72
Total Certificates	71,577.43
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		Obit	tuary Re	eport			
							Totals
Barber Way	No Repo	ort					0
Beech Grove	Hal Keen						1
Boiling Springs	None						0
Bowling G.1st	None						0
Calvary	Alvin St	evenson					1
Cave Mill	None						0
Centro Cristiano	None	`					0
Clifton	No Repo	ort					0
East Nashville	Danna T	Furner					1
Faithbridge Fellowship	None						0
Halltown	Carol Cu	ulbreath	Tina Ca	ntrell			2
Hollis Chapel	Joann A	rnold	Laverne Daniels		Don Escue		
	Judy Bra	adley	Tracey I	Pippin			5
Jesus Good Shepherd	No Repo	ort					0
Liberty	None						0
Macedonia	None						0
Madison Ave.	None						0
Martha's Chapel	No Repo	ort					0
Mitchellville	Sarah W	Valter					1
Mt. Moriah	None						0
Mt. Pleasant	John Groves Bil		Bill Reichart Wanda Braswell		3		
Nashville 1st	No Repo	ort					0
New Beginnings	Merlin I	Velson					1
Portland	Pat Kind	der	Claude	Kinder	Ed Mar	ker	
	Sherry ⁻	Tolli					4
Providence	Carol Al	kins	Dayton (Jack) Bradley				
	Ricky Br	own -	Terry Gro	egory	Margret	ha Tuttle	5
Salmons	Mary D	illard S	Sue Row	land F	red Van	meter	
	Gloria B	rassell	Ricky G	regory	Eugene	McBride	
	Charles	Jenkins,	Jr. Br	uce Vand	ce		8
Shiloh	Gary Lo	ckhart	Frances	Whitley	Cathy	Buckingham	
	Roberta	Lowe					4
State Line	Charlie	Charlie Sweeting					1
Union Chapel	Mark So	cott					1
White House	None						0
Total							38

State of the Association

Members Received	127
Members Dismissed	63
Members Deceased	38
Total Conversions	59
Total Baptisms	81
Average Worship Attendance	55
Average Total	1586
Average Sunday School Attendance	30
Average Total	872
Total Number of Churches	29
Total Number of Churches Reporting	24
Total Number of Churches Not Reporting	5
Total Membership	4382

Patricia Creasy, Clerk

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Trustee Board

The Trustee Board meet on March 31, 2025 for our annual meeting. Meeting began with prayer.

Board members present were as follows:

Nathan Civils Bobby McMurtry Randy Givens Tracy Hinton Jr. Pitt Patricia Creasy The following items were discussed:

- 1. Clean up Day to be on April 19th and 26th.
- 2. Additional rock was to be put around the kitchen and new pavilion
- We discussed and approved to add to our Guidelines the following: Campfires are permitted only in the big firepit area next to the worship center. This will become Guideline # 7.
- 4. Mowing the grounds is \$200.00 per mow. We ask churches to help offset this cost.
- 5. 3 New picnic tables were made and donated.
- 6. A new grill to be purchased.

Recommendation:

Tracy Hinton for an additional 3-year term

TRUSTEE BOARD REPORT 2024

BALANCE AS OF 1/1/24 INCOME	\$20,803.61
DONATIONS	\$33,151.27
RENT	\$ 7,850.00
INTEREST	\$22.79
TOTAL INCOME	\$41,024.06
EXPENSES	
MOWING	\$2,850.00
INSURANCE	\$4,966.00
CEMC	\$3,161.78
PORTLAND UTILITIES	\$624.29
MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	\$3,524.07
STATE PERMIT 2 YRS.	\$150.00
DINING HALL REMODEL	\$31,064.28
TOAL EXPENSES	\$46,340.42
BALANCE AS OF 12/31/24	\$15,487.25
DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM	
ASSOCIATION	\$8,500.00
FORSHEE FAMILY	\$350.00
CHURCH GENERAL DONATIONS.	\$4,450.00
DINING HALL DONATIONS.	\$19,081.27
DONATIONS FOR MARK SCOTT	\$670.00
SS CONVENTION	\$100.00

Rules of Decorum

1. The association, when convened, shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise to their feet and address the moderator.

3. The person speaking shall adhere to the question and shall in nowise cast personal reflections on any person who may have spoken before them.

4. No person shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the moderator.

5. No query shall be received by this association from any church unless it has been acted on in said church and cannot be settled, in which case, the association shall take up the same and act upon it.

6. No member shall laugh or whisper in time of public speech.

7. The names of the members of this association shall be enrolled and called over as often as the association may think necessary.

8. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules, the moderator shall, or any member may, call order; in which case the member called to order, shall sit down, unless permitted to explain and the association if appealed to decide the case. If there be no appeal, the decision of the moderator shall be submitted to. If the decision of the moderator be in favor of the member called to order, they shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise and the case requires it, they shall be dealt with according to the judgment of the association.

9. In the election of officers for the association, a majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to a choice. After the first ballot, the hindmost name shall be dropped and so continued until a choice is made. In fixing a place for the annual meeting, it shall be in order for any person to propose a place; and when all are proposed, a choice shall be made as in the election of officers. It shall be the duty of all members to vote in all elections and upon all questions that may arise.