

*“Understanding The Times”*  
*1 Chronicles 12:32*

*GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF BAPTISTS IN  
KENTUCKY  
CELEBRATING THE*

*159th*

*ANNUAL JOINT SESSION*



July 29th - July 31st, 2024

THE BRUCE CONVENTION CENTER  
HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY

Dr. Michael Rice, Moderator

Dr. F. Bernard Mitchell, Guest Preacher

**Re-evaluate, Restructure and Resurrect**

#B4 - Breaking Barriers while Building Bridges

# From The Moderators' Desk



Family, I greet you with "Jesus Joy" and welcome you to the 159th Joint Annual Session. I am grateful to God for allowing us to gather here in Hopkinsville, Ky. This year is very important to me as I come to the close of my second year as your State Moderator. I praise God for the Grace He has extended our Association to come together and praise Him for all the marvelous things He has done.

I want to take this opportunity to say a big THANK YOU! to my cabinet, GABKY Executive Board, and all the Auxiliary Leaders that have served extremely well this past years. It is with your cooperation, collaboration and dedication to the cause of our Christ, that we are here today.

Let me express my great pleasure in welcoming our guest speaker for the week, Dr. F. Bernard Mitchell, Pastor of the Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Mendenhall, MS. He is one of God's best preachers and we thank God for allowing him to be here for our Annual Session.

GABKY Family, I Respectfully ask you to please support our objectives; Simmons College of Kentucky, the American Baptist Newspaper and the State Mission Board. In addition let us continue to support all of our auxiliaries and vendors this week.

Our theme "*Understanding The Times*" that is pushing us to **Re-evaluate, Restructure and Resurrect** to the Glory of God and the edification of our Association, is at the top of my agenda as we navigate the days, months and years ahead and we will continue #B4 ("Breaking Barriers while Building Bridges!")

Enjoy the week and may God Bless you all.

*Dr. Michael Rice*

General Association Of Baptist In Kentucky  
159th Joint Annual Session

# Our Guest Preacher: Dr. F. Bernard Mitchell

Dr. Fernando Bernard Mitchell is a native of Hickory, MS. The youngest child of the late Oscar and Bernice Mitchell. He was licensed to preach the gospel at Good Hope MB Church in Hickory, MS., and began pastoring four months later at the age of 20.



Pastor Mitchell was a part of the first graduating class of Newton County High School. He attended Jackson State University where he majored in finance marketing. He received his Bachelor of Theology and a Master's of Divinity from E.L. White Theological Seminary. May 26, 2000 he received his Doctorate of Divinity from E.L. White. He is a member of New Salem Missionary Baptist Church,

where Dr. Frank Ray, Sr. is the pastor.

He has been the pastor of Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church in Mendenhall, MS since June 1, 1999. His pastorate is centered around that Christ is the head of the church. He received a proclamation from Simpson County in 2003. It was the first proclamation ever given by the county. He received 2002 Pastor of the Year Award from Spring Hill District Association. He has served in many denominational positions in the district, state, and national levels. He is the past Moderator of the Third Enterprise District Association, past President of the Spring Hill Congress of Christian Education and former General Secretary of the East Mississippi Baptist State Convention. He served on the executive committee of the Young Pastors and Ministers Division and staff member of the late night service of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

He is presently First Vice Moderator of the Spring Hill District Association, a member of the Board of Directors and Congress of Christian Education Regional Director of the General Missionary Baptist State Convention of Mississippi and Chairman of Late Night Services for the National Baptist Convention, USA Inc. He is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc where he is serving as local chapter chaplain. He is the first Mississippi State Chaplain and the first Southern Regional Chaplain for Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. He is the Chaplain Coordinator for Natchez Police Department and Chaplain for Magee High School athletic department . He has been blessed to be chosen by God to be a National Evangelist. He has been married to the former Dizzia Mosley since June 4, 1994 and blessed to have five children and five grandchildren. He lives by the scripture ***"I can do all things through Christ which strengthen me"*** Phillipians 4:13.

**Monday, July 29, 2024**

**AUXILIARY BOARD MEETINGS  
12:00 - 1:30 P.M.**

**MINISTERS' WIVES AND WIDOW'S AUXILIARY  
Ball Room 1**

**BAPTIST WOMEN'S EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION  
Ball Room 2**

**BAPTIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION  
Ball Room 3**

**STATE USHERS, NURSES, GREETERS AUXILIARY  
Ball Room 4**

**KENTUCKY LAYMEN  
Ball Room 5**

**BAPTIST UNIFIED CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE  
Ball Room 6**

**PARENT BODY SESSION #1  
2:00 - 4:00 P.M.  
Ball Room 1 & 2**

**BANQUET  
6:30 P.M.  
Main Ball Room**

**General Association Of Baptist In Kentucky 159th Joint Annual Session**

# Monday July 29, 2024

2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

***PARENT BODY AND BUSINESS SESSION #1***

**MODERATOR DR. MICHAEL RICE - PRESIDING**

## **Call To Worship**

Worship in Song . . . . .Rev. Brian Hogg

Scripture . . . . .Rev. C. R. Miller,  
Moores BC Hopkinsville, Ky

Prayer . . . . .Rev. Johnnie Deeds,  
Durrutt Ave. BC Hopkinsville, Ky

## **Offering**

Introduction of Guest Preacher . . . . .Moderator Dr. Michael Rice

Selection

The Preached Word . . . . .Rev. Joe Leavell  
Pastor, Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Hopkinsville , KY

## **Invitation to Discipleship**

**Old Business**

**Committee Assignments**

**New Business**

Moderator's Moments . . . . .Moderator Rice

Closing Remarks

**General Association Of Baptist In Kentucky 159th Joint Annual Session**

**Tuesday July 30, 2024**

**9:30 A.M. - 10:45 A.M**

***BAPTIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION***

SIS. AGNES RADFORD - PRESIDENT

4th Vice Moderator Dr. Brian Hogg, Presiding

Call To Worship

159th ANNUAL SESSION PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Closing Remarks

**Tuesday July 30, 2024**

**11:00 AM - 12:15 A.M.**

***KENTUCKY LAYMAN***

BRO. TONY SCISNEY - PRESIDENT

2nd Vice Moderator Dr. Phillip Suber, Presiding

Call To Worship

159th ANNUAL SESSION PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Closing Remarks

**12:15 - 1:30 pm Lunch**

**General Association Of Baptist In Kentucky 159th Joint Annual Session**

Tuesday July 30, 2024

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

***MINISTER'S WIVES AND WIDOW'S AUXILIARY***

SIS ROBIN GORDEN - PRESIDENT  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Moderator Dr. Nathl Moore Presiding

Call To Worship

159th ANNUAL SESSION PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Closing Remarks

Tuesday July 30, 2024

1:30 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

***BAPTIST UNIFIED CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE***

REV. PRENTICE BRUTON - PRESIDENT  
4th Vice Moderator Dr. Brian, Hogg Presiding

Call To Worship

159th ANNUAL SESSION PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Closing Remarks

**General Association Of Baptist In Kentucky 159th Joint Annual Session**

Tuesday July 30, 2024

3:00 P.M. - 4:45 P.M.

**BULC CLASSES**

*Pastors/Preachers Class. . . . .Main Ball Room*

**Dr. F. Bernard Mitchell - Instructor**

**Class Objectives: Pastoring/Preaching, in times like these.**

***Class # 1 - Instructor Sis. Angela Campbell***

**NOW IS THE TIME - Part 2 (Esther 4:14)**

**Lesson Background**

The entire Book of Esther

**Lesson Main Point:**

Strengthening the character of a woman

**Lesson Objective:**

This class is designed to equip women with the necessary confidence during difficult circumstances, to encourage women to have courage during fearful challenges, and to explore ways on how women can practice Christian commitment in spite of conflicts.

**Lesson Participants:**

**This class is for all women participants**

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***Class # 2 - Instructor Rev. Dr. Kortney Warren***

**APPOINTED TIME (Genesis 18:14)**

**Lesson Main Point:**

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

**Lesson Objective:**

This class is designed to envision the future through the lens of God's word, to embrace the sovereignty of an omniscient God, to expect the miraculous work of an omnipotent God, and to encourage Christians to maintain faith and patience during difficult circumstances.

**Lesson Participants:**

**This class is for all participants**

**5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Dinner**



Tuesday July 30, 2024

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

**MODERATOR’S NIGHT**

1st Vice Moderator Dr. Nathl Moore, Presiding

Praise & Worship . . . . .First Baptist Church Glasgow (Praise Team)

Scripture. . . . . Rev. Jeff William,  
Pastor Pleasant View BC Smith Grove, Ky

Prayer . . . . . Rev. Jimmy Williams, Pastor  
1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Woodburn, Ky

Selection . . . . .First Baptist Church Glasgow, (Praise Team)

**Presentation**

**Offertory Appeal**

**Introduction of Moderator**

Selections . . . . .First Baptist Church Glasgow, (Praise Team)

Moderator’s Address . . . . .Dr. Michael Rice  
*Pastor, First Baptist Church, Glasgow, Ky*

**Invitation to Discipleship**

**Closing Remarks**

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

9:30:00 AM - 10:45 A.M.

***BAPTIST WOMEN'S EDUCATION CONVENTION***  
SIS. VERONICA SHARBER BUCKNER - PRESIDENT  
1st Vice Moderator Dr. Nathl Moore, Presiding

Call To Worship  
159th ANNUAL SESSION PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Offering

Closing Remarks

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

11:00 AM - 12:15 P.M.

**STATE USHERS, NURSES, GREETERS, AUXILIARY**  
SIS. ANITA PEARSON - PRESIDENT  
2nd Vice Moderator Dr. Phillip Suber, Presiding

Call To Worship

159th ANNUAL SESSION PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Offering

Closing Remarks

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**LUNCH - 12:15 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.**

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

1:30 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

***MINISTER'S & MESSENGER'S***  
REV. SAMUEL PEOPLES - PRESIDENT  
2nd Vice Moderator Dr. Phillip Suber, Presiding

Call To Worship

159th ANNUAL SESSION PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Closing Remarks

# Wednesday, July 31, 2024

3:00 P.M. - 4:45 P.M.

## **PARENT BODY AND BUSINESS SESSION #2**

MODERATOR DR. MICHAEL RICE - PRESIDING

Call To Worship .....

Worship in Song .....Rev. Brian Hogg

Scripture Rev. Dennis Radfort, Assc Min Mt. Olive BC Hopkinsville

Prayer .....Rev. Norris Mills, Pastor,  
Cedargrove BC Hopkinsville, Ky

**Introduction of Guest Preacher** . . . . .Moderator Dr. Michael Rice

### **Selection**

### **Offering**

The Preached Word .....Rev. Rodney McFarland, Jr.  
Pastor, First Baptist Church Bracktown, Lexington, KY.

### Invitation to Discipleship

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Old Business  
Committee Reports  
New Business

Election of Officers

Installation of Officers

Closing Remarks

## **Dinner 4:45 P.M - 6:30 P.M.**

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

**6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.**  
EVENING WORSHIP SESSION  
Moderator, Dr. Michael Rice, Presiding

Praise & Worship . . . . . Selection Choir , Ky

Scripture . . . . . Rev. Devon Palms,  
Pastor Pleasant View BC Franklin, Ky

Prayer . . . . . Rev. Standly,  
Pastor Little Zion BC Bowling Green

**Offertory Appeal**

Introduction of Guest Preacher . . . . . Dr. Michael Rice

Selections

The Preached Word . . . . . Dr. F. Bernard Mitchell  
*Pastor, Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Mendenhall, MS.*

**Invitation to Discipleship**

Selection

**Closing Remarks**

**Closing of the 159<sup>th</sup> Joint Annual Session**

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