

*Congratulations on your faithful service to the Lord for 130 years. Carm and I are very proud to have been a part of this history. God blessed our time together and you made a very indelible mark on our hearts and lives. May God continue to bless and lead you in the future as he has in the past. May we all continue to grow the Kingdom of God and make disciples that will impact the world for many years to come.*

*Philippians 1:3-11*

*Bro. Dennis & Carm*

*I praise the Lord for His provision and blessing on you as you have ministered to Him faithfully for 130 years! Many generations of leaders, volunteers, and teachers have been used by the Holy Spirit in spreading the gospel through the work of the Poplar Spring Baptist Church. The Ison family was certainly blessed to serve alongside you for seven wonderful years and we look forward to hearing what great things the Lord has in store for you as you serve Him in the future. Thank you for the legacy of missions projects you have lead to diverse people groups whether they were down the road, across the country, or in some other part of the world. God bless your ministry as you continue serving Him.*

*At His Service,*

*Bro. Rob Ison*

*Congratulations on a tremendous milestone in ministry as you celebrate 130 years of gospel witness in Kentucky! Poplar Spring Baptist is a testimony not only to the heritage of Baptist work in the Commonwealth but also to the faithfulness of God in sustaining and blessing the local Bride of Christ.*

*On behalf of those 2,400 KBC churches in partnership with you to reach Kentucky and the world for Christ, I offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God and a request that He continue to use you to share the good news in Calloway County and to the ends of the earth until Jesus comes! Might your celebration of this milestone be blessed by a strong sense of God's presence and His pleasure.*

*Blessings, Paul Chitwood, Ph.D.*

*Kentucky Baptist Convention Executive Director-Treasurer*

## September 10, 2017

**For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. John 3:16-17 King James Version**

- Welcome! Poplar Spring Baptist Church is glad to have you with us to celebrate 130 years of God's blessings. We hope you feel at home here. Please join us for singing by The King's Sons at 10:00, the Lord's message through Dr. Jerrell White, former pastor, at 11:00, and a delicious pot-luck lunch to follow. We are here to serve you if you need assistance, information, directions, or help finding the most important thing — a relationship with our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **TO GOD BE THE GLORY!**
- Dr. Jerrell White returns to Poplar Spring after pastoring churches in Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee. He and his wife, Connie, now serve as missionaries in the North American Service Corps. They now reside in Eddyville, KY.
- A love offering will be taken this morning for The King's Sons.
- Nursery workers are available for the 10:00 and 11:00 portions of the services today. Children's Church is available at 11:00 for K-5th Grade in the Brown Room.
- Eliza Broadus offering for State Missions continues through September. Our two church plants have benefitted greatly from grants given through the KBC and Eliza Broadus offerings. Envelopes are on entrance tables.
- Personnel Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 13, at 6 pm. Members are: Jim Oldham, Stacy Arnold, Debbie Brock, Ed Johnson, Marlene Johnson, and Marlene Waldrop.

- No evening services tonight. The September Business Meeting will be next Sunday night, September 17, after the pm svc.
- LifeHouse Care Center holds its annual fundraising banquet this Thursday, September 14. Call 270-753-0700 to reserve a seat.
- The adult choir will be having a potluck dinner at the home of Sherry Tolley on Saturday, September 23, at 5 pm for **present, former, and prospective members and their families.** Please RSVP with Susan Clark with the number of family members attending. The choir will furnish meat and attending families are to bring side dishes, drinks, and desserts to share. A "recycled gift" game will be included. For details, see Kyle Evans or Susan Clark on or before Sunday, September 17.

### From the Pen of Ken

Have any of you been asked if you were here 130 years ago? You may need to tell them like I would that you weren't born in 1887! Grover Cleveland was president of the United States and Simon Bolivar Buckner was governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky when this fine church started. The biggest historical date though we are celebrating today is the fact that a group of believers formed this fantastic congregation call Poplar Spring Baptist Church. God is faithful to provide, guide and protect what is His for the purpose of the Kingdom of God. You are a special group of believers that I have grown to appreciate even more and love you dearly. I am thankful the Lord placed us together in this interim period.

As you move forward to the future until He calls you home or comes again, keep your eyes on the prize and remember faith is a verb and we are always moving forward and never sounding retreat. I encourage you to adjust to His calling and do whatever is necessary to win souls and disciple them in Christ! Tammy and I love you and feel honored to have this time with you. Happy Homecoming!

In Christ,  
Brother Ken  
Psalm 37:4