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WORSHIP & MUSIC PLANNER





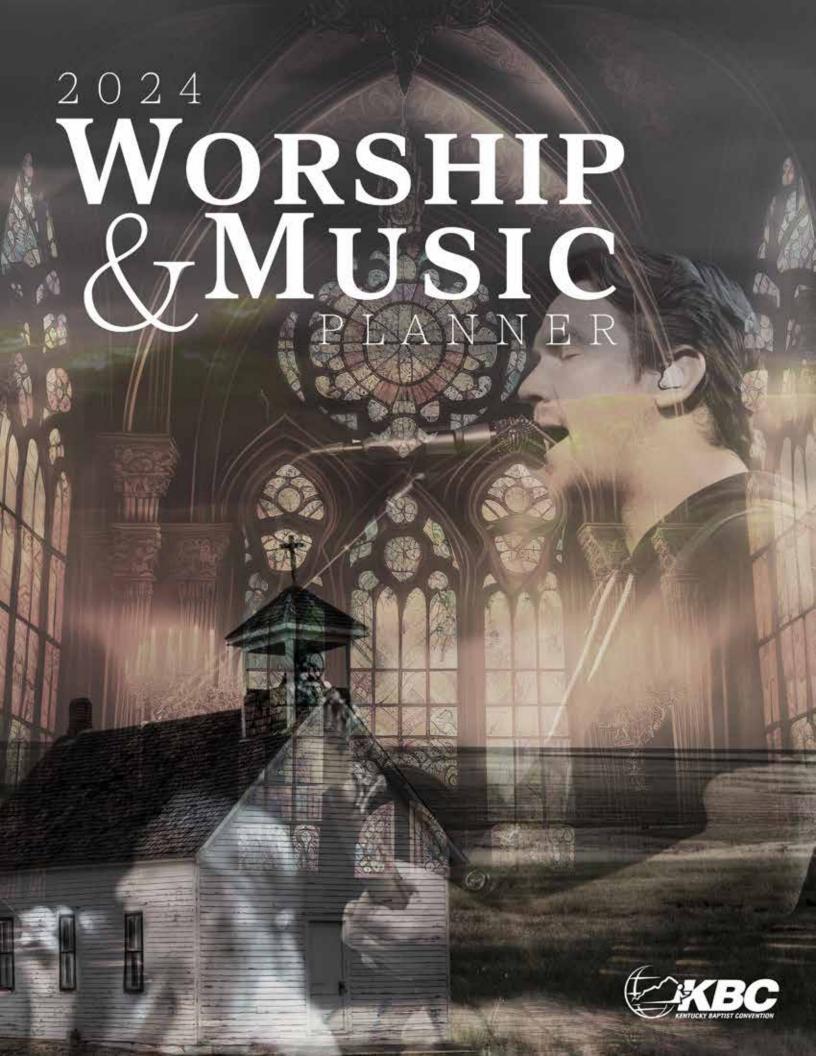




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Pray now for your next worship leader

BY JASON STEWART



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God is not surprised by your church not having a worship leader, pianist or other music leadership. Our God knows our needs before we realize them. I want to urge you to be bold and confident in asking for God to sup-

ply your needs in the area of worship leadership. Many churches may not be experiencing this problem because they have capable people already leading. But there is either a need right now or there will be a need in the future for countless churches in Kentucky.

"Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."

- Philippians 4:6 (KJV)

I want to encourage each church to begin to pray about its next worship leader, accompanist, vocalist or AV tech. If you have an immediate need for this to be filled, make it a matter of weekly prayer with your congregation each time you meet. Let the congregation participate in this supplication of a true need set before the Lord.

If you already have needed positions filled, let me strongly encourage you to begin identifying potential ones that could be trained and coached so your congregation will be ready when a need for leadership arises.

Things the Worship & Music Group of KBC offers for training:

- Regional Worship Roundtables (early spring)
- KBC Children's Choir (last weekend in April)
- Worship Leader Bootcamp for Adults (in June @ Clear Creek)
- Student Worship Camp (in July @ Boyce College)
- Men's & Women's Chorale (retreat in September)
- 2024 KBC Annual Worship Planner (downloadable now)
- Online Worship Leader Training (on our website)

Please look within your congregation to help identify those that might have the necessary abilities to become a part of your worship team leadership. Take advantage of any of the services we provide from the KBC.

You can find information on each item listed above on our website: www.kybaptist.org/worship. Thank you for your cooperation and always know that we are working Together for the Mission.

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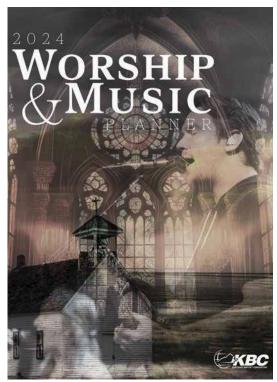
God has provided worship leaders for your church.

Reality #2:

You need to identify them and develop them.

Reality #3:

KBC Worship & Music is here to help you.



2024 GOALS

May He grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans!

Psalm 20:4

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Fulfilling the Great Commission Together

Your church is having Great Commission impact and fulfilling the command of Acts 1:8, witnessing gospel impact locally, nationally and globally through your generous Cooperative Program missions giving in the following ways:

The International Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention – Through your Cooperative Program giving, you support 3,604 International Mission Board missionaries who are engaged daily in taking the gospel to the ends of the earth. Visit http://www.sbc.net/resource-library/52-Sundays/ to learn about the missionaries and their work.

- 535,325 people heard a gospel witness last year as IMB missionaries and their close indigenous partners continue to share the gospel boldly.
- 89,325 people became believers, committing to follow Jesus Christ in their lives, with 47,929 following through with believer's baptism.
- 12,368 new churches were planted as your missionaries continue to disciple new believers, and then do the all-consuming work of pulling those new believers together in the birth of a new church. Missionaries also reported 174,393 people who are ongoing Bible study participants.
- And an incredible 90,532 people received theological training, which includes pastoral training, church-planting training, advanced training and more.

North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention – Through the North American Mission Board you support:

- 2,218 missionaries and students in varying ministry categories.
- 3,720 Southern Baptist Chaplains serving in the U.S. military, in state and federal prisons, hospice, hospitals, disaster relief and as volunteers in many settings around the world.
- Through SEND Relief churches were mobilized around strategic ministry centers. They served over 300,000 meals, served more than 41,000 people and shared the gospel 1,260 times.

Six Seminaries – Six Southern Baptist seminaries trained 23,818 God-called leaders for ministry roles in churches and other Christian ministries. Our seminaries are located in Louisville, Kentucky; Ontario, Canada; Kansas City, Missouri; Wake Forest, North Carolina; New Orleans, Louisiana; and Fort Worth, Texas. Your giving through the Cooperative Program allows these students to receive a world class education at a reduced rate of tuition.





Fulfilling the Great Commission Together

Southern Baptist Entities – Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, GuideStone Financial Resources and the SBC Executive Committee are also supported through Cooperative Program giving. Lifeway Christian Resources and National Woman's Missionary Union (WMU) are other SBC entities but they do not receive Cooperative Program funding. For more information on these entities visit: https://www.sbc.net/about/what-we-do/sbc-entities/.

Visit www.sbc.net for more information on the work and impact of Southern Baptist Convention ministries.

Here is how you are having Great Commission impact in Kentucky:

Orphan Care – Sunrise Children's Services provides care for nearly 1,000 kids and family members throughout the state of Kentucky. They operate three therapeutic residential centers, one psychiatric residential treatment center, five foster care regions with 11 foster care offices, family services and an independent living program that helps maturing kids.

Campus Ministry – Regional campus ministers partner with local churches as they serve on eight primary campuses in Kentucky and seek to start new church-based Baptist Campus Ministry work on additional campuses. Approximately 100 campuses in Kentucky do not have a BCM presence. Christians account for only 6% of a typical college campus population in the United States.

Disaster Relief – KBC Disaster Relief teams witnessed 21 professions of faith this year and 30 other decisions. Volunteers served 23,558 hours and made 1,669 ministry contacts with those facing grief and loss. Disaster Relief Chaplains made 1,265 ministry contacts with hurting people. Volunteers distributed 762 Bibles, provided 44,261 meals, completed 208 flood recovery and 20 chainsaw jobs, served 115 heavy equipment hours, provided 1,355 showers for those facing loss, purified 2,492 gallons of drinking water and washed 582 loads of laundry.

Disaster Relief trained new volunteers, mobilizing them in ministry as they brought help, hope and healing to hurting survivors. READY CHURCH is a strategy and tool that was offered to assist churches to be prepared to minister in their community during times of crisis or disaster.

Church Planting – There are 29 church plants and seven church apprentices in Kentucky. These new works are partially funded and fully supported by every church that gives faithfully through the Cooperative Program.





Fulfilling the Great Commission Together

State Government – Through the Public Affairs Committee, the Cooperative Program helps place a legislative agent in the state Capitol and a non-partisan state chaplain to raise the banner of Christ to those working in state government in Frankfort.

Providing News and Current Information – Kentucky Today keeps Kentucky Baptists informed. Over 11,000 subscribers receive the Kentucky Today Morning Briefing every day and 16,000 users follow us on Facebook. From July 2020 through June 2021, we've welcomed more than 1.8 million unique visitors to the site.

State Missionary Support – 111 missionaries share the gospel in Kentucky prisons and jails, serve in pregnancy resource centers and homeless shelters and meet needs in food and clothing ministries, literacy education, job skills training and a host of other ways. Cooperative Program dollars help create a vast network of mission endeavors across the state and give churches from Kentucky and throughout the nation the opportunity to know about and get more involved in these kingdom ministries in our state, resulting every year in tens of thousands of volunteers serving in Kentucky on short-term mission projects.

KBC Mission Board Staff – These staff members provide consultations, practical training and resources to churches all across Kentucky. A team of trained and experienced consultants is available to assist any of the 2,336 KBC churches in:

- Evangelism training and equipping
- Worship ministry
- Missions strategies
- Legal and financial issues
- Sunday school, small groups, and disciple-making strategies
- Senior adult ministry
- Children and youth ministry
- Women's ministry
- Dealing with conflict
- Pastor search team resources and training

Crossings Ministries (gospel-centered camps) – 13,922 students heard the gospel as they participated in Crossings Camps this past year. Crossings saw 638 profess faith in Jesus and 692 experienced and witnessed a call to some type of Christian ministry. Campers sacrificially gave a total of \$125,000 to missions.





Fulfilling the Great Commission Together

Christian Education – Thousands of students from Kentucky and around the world are benefitting from a Christian education through Oneida Baptist Institute and Clear Creek Baptist Bible College. Oneida Baptist Institute provides a structured living, learning and working environment for students in grades K-12 with a mission that involves helping students grow mentally, physically, socially and spiritually. Clear Creek Baptist Bible College provides educational preparation for those feeling called of God into Christian service.

Missions Engagement through WMU – Kentucky WMU engaged disciples of Jesus on mission in Kentucky and throughout the world by connecting Christ followers with tools and opportunities to obediently engage in God's mission through missions discipleship, leadership development and compassion ministries while they helped churches intentionally learn about missions, pray for missions, give to missions and engage in missions. In 2021, four Kentucky Baptist churches relaunched their missions discipleship groups, over 190 students and leaders helped bring hope to families through construction projects during Kentucky Changers and 70 children took their first steps in on the mission field during Changers Kids as they worked at ministry sites across Kentucky.

Estate Planning – Our Kentucky Baptist Foundation partners with PhilanthroCorp to provide estate planning services for KBC churches and church members across the commonwealth. Pastors receive this planning service without fees in part thanks to funds from the KBC and KBF. The foundation additionally provides assistance with investing, endowments and stewardship services.

What is the result of your generous and sacrificial giving? Kentucky Baptists are cooperating to reach Kentucky and the world for Christ. Visit www.kybaptist.org for more information on the work and ministry of the Kentucky Baptist Convention.

Want more information about the Cooperative Program? Visit www.kybaptist.org/cpresources to learn more and order a Cooperative Program Training Kit for your church.

Prepared by Alan Witham Regional Consultant Group Leader Kentucky Baptist Convention



KBC MUSIC CALENDAR

To keep up-to-date on all things KBC Worship visit www.kybaptist.org/worship

JANUARY '24

- 25 Worship Roundtable, First Baptist Princeton
- 30 Worship Roundtable, First Baptist Owensboro

FEBRUARY '24

- 13 Worship Roundtable, Hebron Baptist, Hebron
- 15 Worship Roundtable, First Baptist Mt. Washington
- 20 Men's Chorale, First Baptist Hodgenville
- 29 Worship Roundtable, Beacon Hill Baptist, Somerset

MARCH '24

- 7 Worship Roundtable, Unity Baptist, Ashland
- 14 Combined Chorales, Glasgow Baptist, Glasgow

APRIL '24

- 14 Women's Chorale, Little Flock Baptist, Shepherdsville
- 18 Men's Chorale, Broadway Baptist, Lexington
- 26-28 KBC Children's Choir, Cedarmore

MAY '24

14 – Women's Chorale, First Baptist Brandenburg

JUNE '24

20-22 – Worship Leader Boot Camp, Clear Creek Baptist Bible College

JULY '24

15-19 – KY Student Worship Camp, Boyce College at the SBTS

SEPTEMBER '24

20-21 – Combined Chorale Retreat, Campbellsville University

OCTOBER '24

24 – Men's Chorale, West Side Baptist, Berea

NOVEMBER '24

12 – Combined Chorales, Paducah, Annual Meeting & local Paducah Church

2024 REGIONAL WORSHIP ROUNDTABLES

www.kybaptist.org/roundtables

WEST-JANUARY 25

9:00 AM(CST) @ FBC Princeton

SOUTH CENTRAL - JANUARY 30

9:00 AM(CST) @FBC Owensboro

NORTH CENTRAL - FEBRUARY 13

9:00 AM (EST) @ Hebron BC

CENTRAL - FEBRUARY 15

9:00 AM(EST) @ FBC Mt. Washington

SOUTH - FEBRUARY 29

9:00 AM (EST) @ Beacon Hill BC (Somerset)

EAST-MARCH7

9:00 AM (EST) @ Unity BC (Ashland)

2024 WORSHIP & MUSIC CONFERENCES

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH MUSIC

Conference

21-23 April 2024

Forest Hills Baptist Church

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

WWW.SBCMC.ORG



September 3-5, 2024

NASHVILLE, TN

CCLI TOP 100

1. Way Maker 26. O Praise the Name (Anastasis) 2. 27. Good Good Father Build My LIfe 3. Graves Into Gardens 28. How Great Thou Art 4. Goodness of God 29. Battle Belongs 5. Living Hope 30. Yes I Will Great Are You Lord 6. 31. Revelation Song 7. Waht A Beautiful Name 32. Holy Spirit 33. 8. Who You Say I Am Do It Again Raise a Hallelujah 34. Here I Am to Worship 9. 10. This Is Amazing Grace 35. God So Loved How Deep the Father's Love For Us 11. King of Kings 36. 12. 37. Blessed Be Your Name 10,000 Reasons 13. 38. No Longer Slaves **Great Things** 14. Glorious Day 39. We Praise You 15. Lord | Need You 40. His Mercy is More 16. In Christ Alone 41. Jesus Messiah 17. The Lion and the Lamb 42. Mighty To Save 43. Death Was Arrested 18 How Great is Our God 19. The Blessing 44. Tremble 20. Cornerstone 45. Yet Not I But though Christ In Me 21. See A Victory 46. Open Up the Heavens 22. Reckless Love 47. Jesus Paid It All 23. King of My Heart Stand In Your Love 48. 24. O Come to the Altar 49. Our God

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

50.

Hosanna

25.

51.	Another In the Fire	76.	How He Loves
52.	My Testimony	77.	At the Cross (Love Ran Red)
53.	Open the Eyes of My Heart	78.	Build Your Kingdom Here
54.	Is He Worthy	79.	Give Thanks
55.	Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)	80.	One Thing Remains
56.	This I Believe	81.	Days Of Elijah
57.	Holy Water	82.	Because He Lives
58.	Forever	83.	Hosanna
59.	Nothing Else	84.	Great I Am
60.	Everlasting God	85.	God You're so Good
61.	Your Grace is Enough	86.	Come Now Is the Time to Worship
62.	Victory In Jesus	87.	Christ Our Hope in Life and Death
63.	Good Grace	88.	Forever Reign
64.	Christ Be Magnified	89.	Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)
65.	Only King Froever	90.	The Father's House
66.	Shout the Lord	91.	He Will Hold Me Fast
67.	Surrounded (Fight My Battles)	92.	I Love You Lord
68.	The Heart of Worship	93.	Resurrecting
69.	You Are My King (Amazing Love)	94.	Freedom
70.	Here Again	95.	Agnus Dei
71.	Oceans (Where Feet My Fall)	96.	Holy is the Lord
72.	Run to the Father	97.	You Are My All In All
73.	Won't Stop Now	98.	It is Well
74.	Before The Throne of God Above	99.	Promises

75. Your Love Awakens Me

100. I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)

^{*} as of November 2023

JANUARY 2024

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- Finalize plans for Holy Week (March 24-31)
- Pray and set annual goals
- Finalize family vacation plans
- Set days off for the month
- Plan date night with spouse

MONTHLY VERSE: 2 SAMUEL 7:22

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Build My Life by Younker, Martin, Kaple, Redman, Barrett **Crown Him With Many Crowns**

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

25 – Worship Roundtable, First Baptist Princeton

30 - Worship Roundtable, First Baptist Owensboro

FEBRUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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- Make Valentine's Day Plans
- Download info for Kentucky Student Worship Camp (www.kybaptist.org/kswc)
- Publicize plans for Holy Week (March 24-31)
- Set days off for the month
- Plan family activity

MONTHLY VERSE: PSALM 68:4-5

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Goodness of God (by Fielding, Johnson, Cash, Ingram) What A Friend We Have Jesus

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

13 – Worship Roundtable, Hebron Baptist, Hebron

15 – Worship Roundtable, First Baptist Mt. Washington

20 - Men's Chorale, First Baptist Hodgenville

29 - Worship Roundtable, Beacon Hill Baptist, Somerset

MARCH 2024

TO DO:	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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- Push plans for Holy Week (March 24-31)
- Review resources available for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- Any updates needed for your sound system?
- Peruse resources for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering at www.anniearmstrong.com
- Make plans for National Day of Prayer for Thursday May 2 (www.nationaldayofprayer.org)
- Make 5th Sunday Plans for April
- Set days off for the month
- Plan date night with spouse
- Pray for your pastor

MONTHLY VERSE: ROMANS 11:36

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Great Things (by Wickham, Myrin) **How Firm a Foundation**

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

7 – Worship Roundtable, Unity Baptist, Ashland 14 – Combined Chorales, Glasgow Baptist, Glasgow

APRIL 2024

TO DO:	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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- Make plans to attend Inaugural Worship Leader Boot Camp for Adults https://www.kybaptist.org/worshipbootcamp
- Review 2024 goals
- Set days off for the month
- Plan family activity

MONTHLY VERSE: PSALM 95:6

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

His Mercy is More (by Boswell, Papa)
A Mighty Fortress is Our God

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

14 – Women's Chorale, Little Flock Baptist, Shepherdsville 18 – Men's Chorale, Broadway Baptist, Lexington 26-28 – KBC Children's Choir, Cedarmore

MAY 2024

TO DO:	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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- Set days off for the month
- Plan date night with spouse
- Finalize plans for Kentucky Student Worship Camp (www.kybaptist.org/kswc)

MONTHLY VERSE: PSALM 63:3-4

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

King of My Heart (by McMillan) **Jesus Paid It All**

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

14 – Women's Chorale, First Baptist Brandenburg

JUNE 2024

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- Make plans for fall semester of Music Ministry
- Recruit/setup training (www.kybaptist.org/equip)
- https://www.kybaptist.org/worshipbootcamp
- Make 5th Sunday Plans for July
- Set days off for the month
- Plan family activity
- Pray for your pastor

MONTHLY VERSE: PSALM 42:11

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death (by Getty, Bosell, Papa, Merker, Kauflin When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

20-22 - Worship Leader Boot Camp, Clear Creek Baptist Bible College

JULY 2024

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- Review 2024 goals
- Finalize plans for Christmas
- Plan to attend EQUIP (www.kybaptist.org/equip)
- Set days off for the month
- Plan date night with spouse

MONTHLY VERSE: JEREMIAH 29:12

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Almost Home (by Boswell, Papa) **Blessed Assurance**

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

15-19 – KY Student Worship Camp, Boyce College at the SBTS

AUGUST 2024

TO DO:	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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- Plan to attend KBC Chorales Retreat Sept. 20-21, 2024
- Set days off for the month
- Plan family activity

MONTHLY VERSE: ROMANS 14:11

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Come Praise and Glorify (by Chester, Kauflin)
All Creatures of our God and King

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

Attend an equip event near you! Find out more at www.kybaptist.org/equip

SEPTEMBER 2024

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- Make plans for Advent season
- Make 5th Sunday plans for October
- Set days off for the month
- Plan date night with spouse
- Pray for your pastor

MONTHLY VERSE: PSALM 105:1

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Upon Him (by Redman, Razier, Guerra) **Be Thou My Vision**

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

20-21 – Combined Chorale Retreat, Campbellsville University

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- Review 2024 goals
- Publicize Christmas season plans
- Plan to attend the KBC Annual Meeting
- Set days off for the month
- Plan family activity

MONTHLY VERSE: 1 SAMUEL 2:2

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord) (by Papa, Boswell) It Is Well

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

24 – Men's Chorale, West Side Baptist, Berea

NOVEMBER 2024

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- Publicize December plans
- Make plans for Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (www.imb.org/lottie-moon-christmas-offering-resources)
- Set days off for the month
- Plan date night with spouse

MONTHLY VERSE: 143:6

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me (by Thompson, Robinson Farren) How Great Thou Art

THIS MONTH'S KBC EVENTS:

12 – Combined Chorales, Paducah, Annual Meeting & local Paducah Church

DECEMBER 2024

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- Set days off for the month
- Plan family activity
- Pray for your pastor

MONTHLY VERSE: 16:2

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SUGGESTED SONG(S)

King of Kings (by Ligertwood, Ingram) **Amazing Grace**

JANUARY 2025

TO DO:	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
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- Finalize plans for Holy Week
- Pray and Set annual goals
- Finalize family vacation plans
- Set days off for the month
- Plan date night with spouse

MONTHLY VERSE: DANIEL 4:37

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JULY 15-19, 2024

Boyce College of the SBTS
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

For students who have completed grades 7-12 Open to out-of-state students

kybaptist.org/worshipcamp

Scan to learn more





JUNE 20-23, 2024

Clear Creek
Baptist Bible College
PINEVILLE, KENTUCKY

For worship leaders and their spouse (Bivocational, part and full-time)

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Every worship leader should spend some time considering this list. These were written by my friend and counterpart from the Kansas-Nebraska Convention, David Manner.

- 1. Learn more people's names than new songs.
- 2. Take a Sabbath every week.
- 3. Make deposits in younger leaders and withdrawals from older leaders.
- 4. Pray for and defend your pastor even when he doesn't deserve it.
- 5. Leave more things at the office when you go home.
- 6. Ask how it might impact your family before asking how it might impact your job.
- 7. Learn more theology than musicology.
- 8. Welcome divine interruptions in your routine.
- 9. Surround yourself with those who protect you from your own stupidity.
- 10. Place more focus on people than projects.
- 11. Stay longer.
- 12. Celebrate the Lord's Supper more often.
- 13. Begin all worship planning with scripture and prayer instead of songs titles.
- 14. Drink more coffee with senior adults and students.
- 15. The original song key may not be the best key for congregational singing.
- 16. Practice leadership as much as you practice your guitar.
- 17. Cast vision for the future without denigrating the past.
- 18. Not all thoughts that enter your mind have to exit your mouth.
- 19. Don't feel threatened when someone else gets the credit.
- 20. Affirm volunteers in public, correct them in private, and pastor them in both places.
- 21. Don't randomly blow things up without considering where the pieces might land.
- 22. Help grandparents and grandchildren worship together.
- 23. If you don't guard yourself spiritually, emotionally, and physically, no one else will.
- 24. Public worship will never succeed without private worship.
- 25. Understand the difference between knowing you can and deciding you should.
- 26. Never stop being a student.

- 27. Always err on the side of grace.
- 28. Build bridges from the platform to the pews.
- 29. Turn house lights up and volume down occasionally to see if they are even singing.
- 30. Don't determine the worship language of your congregation based on how you might appear to other worship leaders.
- 31. You'll always sing too many or too few hymns or modern worship songs for someone.
- 32. Filter songs theologically before musically.
- 33. Wake up every morning feeling unqualified in your own power to do what God has called you to do.
- 34. Keep your focus on where you are instead of where you wish you were.
- 35. Spend as much time on relationships as you spend on ministry job placement sites.
- 36. Not all staff problems originate in someone else's office.
- 37. There are lots of other churches, but you only have one family.
- 38. Your attitude may be the only change necessary.
- 39. Scripted, explainable, and rational aren't always worship prerequisites.
- 40. If you try to succeed alone, you'll also fail alone.
- 41. Setting boundaries ahead of time gives you the resolve to say no.
- 42. What you once learned is not enough to sustain your entire ministry.
- 43. The worship service you prepared may not be the most important worship that occurs this week.
- 44. Just changing the music won't grow or kill your church.
- 45. Not every worship song is appropriate for congregational singing.
- 46. Leading music doesn't necessarily mean you are leading people.
- 47. Worship even when you aren't the leader.
- 48. Your musical talent may help you secure a position, but leadership and relationships will help you keep it.
- 49. Don't lead worship just because you don't know how to do anything else.
- 50. If you're saving your best for where God might call you next, why would He want to?

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THE BIVOCATIONAL WORSHIP PASTOR: TIPS FOR MAKING IT WORK

By: Dale Bleam

Most of my 30 years in staff ministry have been at churches where I worked "part time" (I put that in quotes because that usually means more than part time hours.) Over the years, I've had to come up with a few ways to ensure things run smoothly and the work gets done - worship planned effectively, relationships established with people I lead and work with, the church calendar has exciting worship events that are attractive and meaningful, and opportunities for training and growth.

To keep things simple, I thought I'd just toss out a few bullet points of ideas to help you as your travel the same road I've traveled for many years.

- Keep in constant contact and communication with your Pastor. Communication is critical and one of my top priorities. He is not only my boss but my Shepherd as well. I need him and he needs me. I do my best to respond quickly to his calls, emails or texts.
- **Keeping with the above** I try to take at least a couple of hours a month for prolonged planning and updating with my Pastor. This doesn't always happen, but it is my goal.
- **Know your Pastor's themes or scriptures.** Knowing this information (for upcoming services) ahead of time (or as far out as possible) is extremely helpful for helping plan out services.
- Build relationships with Church staff. Make sure to build a very solid relationship with your Church secretary or anyone at the Church who can help you with details when you are not there. I've had to call our secretary countless times when I was at work and needed help. This is my second priority when it comes to building staff relationships.
- Let people know how to find you. My phone and email are posted in our church bulletin so if anyone does need to communicate with me, they can.
- **Commute time = Prayer time.** I've disciplined myself to use the time in my car (while commuting) for prayer. I'm pretty sure God still hears me even though my eyes are open.
- Maximize your primary work days. Since Sunday and Wednesday are my primary work days, I try to maximize those times by spending extra hours at the church on those days.
- Use your lunch hour and breaks effectively. I use my lunch hour and breaks to take care of church related tasks when I'm at my full-time job.
- Have a printer and computer at home for church work. You'll find this amazingly helpful. Some churches are willing to provide these items to use at home. Sometimes I leave work and go directly to the church with just a few minutes of prep time before the service starts. Having the capability to run copies or print off service orders from home is extremely helpful.

- Create schedules for everyone. Creating band, sound and projection schedules will help keep you organized and take out the guess-work for everyone involved.
- Create a choir, band, worship team email contact group. This little tip saves a ton of time and is great for communication during the week. I email everyone the song selections (and sometimes include links to demos) once I have it all planned out before Sunday. It's a great way to also send devotional type material to everyone.
- **Delegate. Delegate.** Delegation is critical. I've selected a few willing individuals to help with planning out additional scriptures for Sunday worship, stage communication (for when we let the choir down sit in the pews. Yep... we still havethem), and assisting with getting music ready our choir rehearsals. Small things, but it adds up to large amounts of time.
- **Take vacation time.** Vacation is not only needed but even more important for those who work more than one full-time job. I communicate this information early on in the staff employment so it's clear I will be gone a few times each year.
- Bring in a special guest "artist" or worship leader. By doing this at least once a year, it is an easy way to create an "event" for the church calendar that is exciting and meaningful.
- Host an "Old Fashioned Hymn Sing." One to two times per year, we hold this event. It is geared more towards our Senior Adults, but everyone ends up having a great time singing songs they grew up singing. I try to make it as close to a "Gaither" video as you can get. I include our choir on the platform and use hymnals that night rather than the projection screen. Hymn sings are quite easy to put together as it's playing straight from the hymnal. We utilize our band, but there is minimal rehearsal because most know the hymns. Stick with the standards that everyone knows and loves.
- **Reach out to other local church choirs.** If there is another local Church willing to do a joint presentation, an entire event can be created from it. I've done this several times on a Saturday night with snacks afterwards. Again, another calendar activity that has a big impact but normal preparation time.
- Use previous year's song selections during busy times. In the Sunday's leading up to Christmas and Easter, I use the previous year's song selections while we are working on the new titles. This little trick helps fill in the gaps and requires little prep, and let's face it... we are all guilty of not repeating songs enough as it is.
- Extend rehearsal time. Rather than having "bonus" rehearsals on Saturdays (which cuts into everyone's valuable family time), I make our rehearsals an hour longer leading up to special events. I've found this feels a lot less "intrusive" for everyone involved.

- **Utilize various technologies to help save time.** As a part-time employee, saving time is even more important. I'm not a "techie," but I've had to force myself to keep somewhat current... especially if it saves me time.
- Use a song previously played for the offertory song. The band can play a song from a previous service (a Sunday or two ago) for the offering. Again, minimal rehearsal, and it reinforces a song you may be teaching the congregation.

I've often found part-time ministry to be some of the most rewarding work I've done - being able to relate to those with full-time jobs outside the church, yet still having a passion to help and minister in a local congregation. The list of "tips" could go on forever, but these are the ones that stand out in my mind. I hope you find them helpful, or perhaps, support what you're already doing.

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BIVOCATIONAL MINISTRY ORGANIZATION PLAN

By: Chad Davidson

- 1. Plan Ahead Take time each week to plan ahead for orders of worship, special music, choir specials, and programs. It is easier to tweak a service plan already in place than to create one on the fly because of changes or updates to a particular service. Set up a particular time each month to plan for the whole month or at least a couple of weeks ahead. This will give you more time to focus on the service and not the "I've got to get this done" focus. Secondly, planning ahead will give you moments to reflect on music and how it will prepare the hearts of God's people for His message to them.
- 2. Be Flexible This comes in two parts. Part one: be flexible because sometimes music folks need to mark out or add to services to respect time for the message and/or time for other recognitions. Part two: most importantly, be flexible to the Spirit's leading during the service. Do not quench the Spirit "because we've got to get finished, so we can get the restaurant or some other non-spiritual issue." Try to never miss an opportunity to be led. It is the leadership of the Holy Spirit to guide us to present music in a way that the congregation sees Jesus and their hearts are prepared for the message.
- **3. Communicate** Communicate with your pastor on upcoming message series or themes. Communicate with the choir, vocal team, worship team, media team, and sound team. By communicating with everyone you will create a sense of "worship leading" and not just "singing in the choir" mentality. If there is a scripture you are concentrating on or a particular verse for that week, pass it on to your team. This can, or hopefully will, keep your team on the same page mentally and spiritually. At least you have given them the opportunity to be on the same scriptural page as you are for that week.
- **4. Pray** As you begin to plan services, programs, church calendar, and so forth, pray. Ask God to lead you in what He wants you to do. Look at the service order as a blank canvas and ask God to give you the anchor song/scripture passage/theme on which the service set is based on and then let God paint the picture of what He wants accomplished through that service. There should always be one theme or focus that prepares everyone for the message.
- 5. Be Organized Create a folder for items either on the computer or a paper folder. Keep orders of worship and mark when you sing particular songs. One does not want to use the same 30 songs over and over again. Know when you used tunes last and be able to either search or look them up. This will help keep you fresh and the worship fresh as well. Possible folder titles: Orders of Worship; Choir Specials; Special Music; Choir Member Information; Christmas Programs; Easter Programs; Patriotic Programs; Music Purchases; Prayer Requests/Choir Announcements These may help one get started on a system if one is not in place. Sometimes being organized means purging some items. Is there music that is no longer usable or you do not have enough copies of and it is out of print? Purge items that are no longer needed and pass them on to smaller churches or just to the recycle bin.

- **6. Filing System** Create or keep in place a filing system that works for your music ministry. Whether that be shelving units with music boxes, filing cabinets or so forth, utilize a system that can easily be accessed by you or the choir secretary when needed. Keep accurate records of the music the church owns in case of emergencies or nature disasters. Keep that information off campus as well on a server or cloud/internet based service.
- 7. Never Stop Learning Take time to learn new music, read books and stay abreast of what is going on in the church world. Utilize magazines for sound and media to keep up with trends and/or new products that can enhance worship. Read about new or useful topics that will keep you informed of different options for worship (i.e. videos, new worship music, ways to communicate, effective ways to increase worship team/choir/media enrollment). Sign up for weekly/monthly emails that are focused on items that will assist you in doing what you do in the church. Pass this information on to your worship team/music team/choir/media/sound. Study the lyrics in the music. Just because it's popular on the radio does not mean it is scripturally sound nor does it mean that it is singable for the congregation. If you are not comfortable studying the music, then use someone on your team to do that.
- 8. Schedule Work on a schedule for all music ministry areas. Whether that be a rotation of sound/media/special music/vocal team/worship team/offertory schedule, set it up and make sure to communicate that to everyone that needs that information. Send out that schedule early so that everyone has it on their calendar and you have time to switch out people if the need arises. Communicating that schedule in advance will make your life less stressful and will keep everyone on the same page.

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20 BLESSING FOR CONTINUOUS WORSHIP

Compiled by: Dr David Manner

Worship isn't just our response to God's revelation through the songs we sing on Sunday, it's also our response through the rhythms and harmonies of life on Monday. Worshiping as we gather here and scatter there are both biblical and necessary if we are to faithfully love God and love our neighbors as we love ourselves. One can't survive without the other. So, as good as our worship actions might have been as we gathered in here, they are incomplete until they also include how we continue to worship out there. Blessings like the ones below can send your congregation out with scriptural texts in their hearts and on their lips for continuing worship out there.

Romans 15:13

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Numbers 6:24-26

May the Lord bless you and protect you; may the Lord make his face shine on you

and be gracious to you; may the Lord look with favor on you and give you peace.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely. And may your

whole spirit, soul, and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will do it.

Romans 8:38-39

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor

things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Psalm 121:1-2

I lift my eyes toward the mountains. Where will my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Romans 15:5-6

Now may the God who gives endurance and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, according to Christ Jesus, so that you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ with one mind and one voice.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us—to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

2 Peter 1:2-3

May grace and peace be multiplied to you through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. His divine power has given us everything required for life and godliness through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

Romans 16:25-27

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation about Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept silent for long ages but now revealed and made known through the prophetic Scriptures, according to the command of the eternal God to advance the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ—to him be the glory forever! Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace, who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus—the great Shepherd of the sheep—through the blood of the everlasting covenant, equip you with everything good to do his will, working in us what is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and the wisdom and the knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments and untraceable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor? And who has ever given to God, that he should be repaid? For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

Jude 24-25

Now to him who is able to protect you from stumbling and to make you stand in the presence of his glory, without blemish and with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority before all time, now and forever. Amen.

2 Corinthians 13:11; 13

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice. Become mature, be encouraged, be of

the same mind, be at peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Ephesians 3:16-19

I pray that he may grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with power in your inner being through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. I pray that you, being rooted and firmly established in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the length and width, height and depth of God's love, and to know Christ's love that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Philippians 4:5-7

Let your graciousness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Don't worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Colossians 3:12-17

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and dearly loved, put on compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another if anyone has a grievance against another. Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you are also to forgive. Above all, put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. And let the peace of Christ, to which you were also called in one body, rule your hearts. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell richly among you, in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another through psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever

you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you. And may the Lord cause you to increase and overflow with love for one another and for everyone, just as we do for you. May he make your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints. Amen.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal encouragement and good hope by grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good work and word.

2 Peter 3:17-18

Therefore, dear friends, since you know this in advance, be on your guard, so that you are not led away by the error of lawless people and fall from your own stable position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity.





