



Russell Creek Missionary Baptist Church, 1998

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Russell Creek Missionary Baptist Church in Green County, Kentucky traces its origins to informal gatherings held as early as 1855. Those early services were held at Camp Branch in a log schoolhouse known as the Davis School. On the first Saturday of December 1868, the church was formally constituted as Russell Creek United Baptist Church by Bro. William M. Kidd, a member of Trammell Creek Baptist Church. The original congregation consisted of 26 charter members, many of whom received letters from Trammell Creek Baptist Church. The first church building was a modest 26x30 ft. log structure, built about half a mile east of the current site. Services were held on the fourth Saturday and Sunday of each month. In July 1869, the church purchased one acre of land on the

banks of Little Russell Creek from Thomas D. Moran for \$8.00. Trustees at the time included Thomas A. Strader, John F. McKinney, and Joel M. Curry. The church grew steadily. Bro. William M. Kidd served as the first pastor for five years, during which time 34 members joined by experience and baptism, and 20 by letter. Subsequent pastors included Bro. James Franklin Bloyd Sr. and Bro. Samuel Hardy. Each contributed to the church's spiritual growth, with revivals and baptisms marking their tenures. A notable revival in September 1879, assisted by Elder J. W. Pierce, led to 18 professions of faith. In 1889, the church voted to build a new meeting house. The original building was sold to help fund the new construction, which was completed in 1890 on land donated by James M. Curry along the Grab Donansburg Road, two and a half miles east of Donansburg. The dedication service was held in November 1890, led by Bros. J. A. and W. L. Pierce. The church under-

went name changes: in 1899, it became Russell Creek United Baptist of Kentucky, and in September 1913, it adopted the name, Russell Creek Missionary Baptist Church. Wednesday night Bible classes began in 1954, followed by a transition to half-time services in 1964. This eventually led to full-time services being established in 1980. Physical improvements made over the years to benefit the congregation include wiring for electricity in 1949, paneling in 1980, aluminum siding in 1985, bathrooms in 1990, a homecoming shelter in 1997 (enclosed in 2000), and Sunday School rooms in 1998. By 2006, the church had grown to 146 members. From its humble beginnings in a log schoolhouse, to a thriving congregation, Russell Creek Missionary Baptist Church stands as a testament to enduring faith and community. As recorded in 1879 and echoed today: "Brethren pray for us that we may continue to prosper in the Lord."

Greensburg-Green County

A proud past — A promising future

# Way Back When

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SPECIAL TO THE R-H

**Dec. 14, 2005**  
**Governor brings money** - Kentucky Governor Ernie Fletcher visited Greensburg to present grant money for local projects. Grants will benefit the ambulance service, Wyatt Jeffries Woods and the Bethlehem-Hudson Cemetery.

**Anniversaries** - Rollin and Zelma Gardner, 60 years, Dec. 21; Tommy and Betty Donan, 50 years, Dec. 17.

**New postmaster** - Shannon Lee has been appointed interim post master at the Summersville Post Office.

**Students visit Grand Canyon** - Rendi Tucker and Blair Matney, WKU students, recently spent time hiking the Grand Canyon.

**Dec. 13, 1995**  
**Band to attend inauguration** - The GCHS Marching Dragons band will perform in the Frankfort Inaugural Parade.

**Highest average** - The Greensburg burley market once again had the highest price in the eight state burley belt at \$185.23 per hundred-weight.

**Accident fatal to**

**Smith** - A Greensburg man, James O. Smith, 71, died and his wife, Alice E. Smith, was injured in a two-vehicle accident in Adair Co.

**Summershade, Hazel Kessler** - The Greensburg Christmas decorations are outstanding with beautiful lights inside and out.

**Dec. 12, 1985**  
**House fire under investigation** - Officials are investigating to determine the cause of a fire that destroyed a house owned by Holland Milby.

**Star back on the hill** - The Christmas star has been repaired and is shining bright on Buckner's Hill.

**Fog causes accidents** - A heavy fog Monday morning contributed to the cause of several wrecks. No one was seriously injured.

**Between Newt and Pierce, Nellie Coomer** - Seems as if time is just slipping away. Christmas will be here soon. It seems like no time since Christmas last year.

**Dec. 18, 1975**  
**Juveniles rob parking meters** - Five juveniles broke into fifty parking meters on First Street and the parking lot behind the

Baptist Church and Greensburg Deposit Bank. They stole about \$70 and had \$50.75 when apprehended.

**County residents eating more** - A survey in 1974 showed that Greensburg residents consumed 28 pounds per week of groceries per person.

**Showing at the Skyline** - Tom Laughlin stars as Billy Jack in "Born Losers".

**Mell, Helen Blaydes** - There are several oil wells pumping in and around Mell.

**Dec. 17, 1965**  
**Fire chief named** - The Green County Volunteer Fire Department elected Bill Lile as Fire Chief.

**Holiday Home Tour** - The First Annual Holiday Home Tour will be held Dec. 19 with the homes of Dr. and Mrs. Denver Wells, Mr. and Mrs. O. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Edwards and Idella Mitchell open for tours.

**Pierce, Mrs. L. W. Davis** - We are thankful for the rain and the beautiful afternoon with mild temperatures in the sixties.

**Obituaries** - Charles Lee Perkins, 83, Dec. 8; Veachel Estel Rayburn, 50, Dec. 9; Iva Houk, 77, Dec. 17.

### EXIE – NOTICE OF EVIDENTIARY HEARING

Exie Solar, LLC, gives notice that a hearing shall be held in the Richard Raff Hearing Room of the Public Service Commission at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky on Thursday, December 18th at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time for the Application of Exie Solar, LLC for a Certificate of Construction for an Approximately 110 Megawatt Merchant Electric Solar Generating Facility and Nonregulated Electric Transmission Line in Green County, Kentucky, Case No. 2025-00151. This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, [psc.ky.gov](http://psc.ky.gov). Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listed on the PSC website, [psc.ky.gov](http://psc.ky.gov).

### PUBLIC NOTICE

The Green County Fiscal Court is currently seeking sealed bids for a 2017 Case 621G Wheel Loader with bucket included. Interested bidders will need to inspect the wheel loader currently being used by the Green County Road Department at 106 County Barn Road Greensburg, Ky 42743. The bid shall include the price of the 2017 loader as well as an amount allowed as trade in for the loader the Fiscal Court currently owns. Sealed bids will need to be submitted to the Green County Fiscal Court, 203 West Court Street Greensburg, Ky 42743 by 3:00 PM central time on Wednesday, December 17, 2025. Sealed bids will be opened on Thursday, December 18, 2025 at the Regular Fiscal Court Meeting. The Green County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Please contact the office of the Green County Judge-Executive, John H. Frank, for specifications or any questions at 270-932-4024.

### PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE NO. 10-28-2025 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM INSTALLATIONS IN GREEN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Notice is hereby given that the Green County Fiscal Court did, on November 20, 2025, at 5:00 pm, at the Green County Courthouse, 203 West Main Street, Greensburg, Kentucky, conduct a third reading of, and adopted into law, ORDINANCE NO. 10-28-2025: An Ordinance Establishing licensing requirements For Solar Energy Installations in Green County, Kentucky.

In summary, the aforesaid ordinance establishes:

- definitions for applicable terms;
- criteria for determining those solar energy installations subject to the ordinance;
- licensing requirements, procedures and fees;
- standards applicable to siting, construction, installation, enlargement, operation, maintenance and decommissioning of large scale solar energy systems, specifically including bonding requirements, setbacks and perimeter access & screening;
- criteria and procedure for license revocations; and
- criteria and procedure for license transfers.

The full text of the proposed ordinance is available for public inspection in the Green County Judge Executive's Office located at the Green County Courthouse, 203 West Main Street, Greensburg, Kentucky, during normal business hours.

## Green County History Museum

Second floor of Longhunters Coffee & Tea - Greensburg Square  
Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Fridays and Saturdays  
Admission: \$3



"The museum is a 501(c)3 educationally chartered history museum and all donations are tax deductible!"



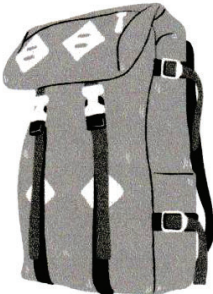
## Green County Blessing Bags



In the United States, nearly 17 million children under 18 live in households where they are unable to consistently access enough nutritious food necessary for a healthy life. Green County Blessing Bags is a program to help ensure children have the resources to give them nutritious food when not in school.

Yes, I want to show support for the Backpack program. I know that every \$150 gift feeds a child on the program for an entire year.

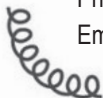
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Checks payable: Green County Ministerial Association  
Memo: Backpack Program  
Mail to: P.O. Box 124, Greensburg, KY 42743

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