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Thursday, March 5, 2015 Sudie Maye Adams, 65

ams, age 65, of Reges Road Dalton Horn, MaKayla in Irvine, Kentucky, passed away Thursday, March 5, 2015, at the Baptist Health Richmond following a long illness.

She was born March 13, 1949 in Estill County and was the daughter of the late Algin Wasson Sr. and Alice Maye Wright Wasson. She was a former employee of Home Chapel by Bro. Mike Eastern Kentucky University and the Estill County Head Start. She was a member of the Mt. Carmel Christian Church and had lived in Estill County most of her life.

Mrs. Adams is survived by her husband, Doug Adams; two daughters: Charlotte Willis (Bobby Wayne) and Christy Horn (Don), both of Irvine; two sisters: Mary Shuler and Josephine Wasson, both of Irvine; three brothers: Junior Wasson, Berea; John Wasson and Oscar Wasson, both of Richmond; and four grand-

Thursday, March 5, 2015

Sudie Maye Wasson Ad- children: Jacquline Horn, Horn and Hope Willis.

> She was preceded in death by two sisters: Allene & Beulah Wasson; and two brothers: Bert and Clay Wasson.

Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 a.m., Monday, March 9th at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Chism, Bro. Butch Arvin and Bro. Mark Pearson. Burial was at the Mt. Canaan Cemetery. Friends called between 6 and 9 p.m., Sunday, March 8th at the funeral home.

Pallbearers were Dalton Horn, James Harrison, Gary Wasson, Scott Newton, Vernon Muncie and Marion Riddell.

The honorary pallbearers were Junior Wasson, Cleland Adams, Robert Riddell, Jody Riddell, John Wasson, Oscar Wasson, Gary Wasson and Benny Baker. <TolerFuneralHome.com>

than 14,000 people last year, revitalizing existing churchlargest religious organization diversity. that had been in a gradual decline for the past decade.

The state's 2,400 churches also reported an overall increase in membership, another sign that 2014 may have been a watershed year for the 750,000-member Kentucky Baptist Convention.

"We praise God for what he's doing in Kentucky," said KBC Executive Director Paul Chitwood. "And we're thankful that our people are being obedient to the Great Commission by reaching out gopsel."

Under Chitwood's leadership, the KBC has been people with the gospel saw enough people saved to

Southern Baptist churches through evangelism, by populate a mid-sized Ken- Baptist Association, based in in Kentucky baptized more starting more churches, by

> Actual growth in baptisms and membership could have been significantly higher than reported, considering that nearly 20 percent of Kentucky's Southern Baptist Church in Corbin reported strengthens Kentucky Bapchurches didn't submit Annual Church Profiles, which contain the information used to calculate growth.

Churches that did submit paperwork reported a total of 14,223 baptisms. That's up from 13,975 the previous year.

"We can't help but be to a hurting world with the humbled by these reports from our churches," Chitwood said. "It truly is a blessing to see God at work focusing on reaching more all around us. In one year, we

tucky city."

Turning Point: Baptists See Rise

in Baptisms, Members, And Giving

Hillvue Heights Church in a turning point for the state's es and by encouraging ethnic Bowling Green led the state again last year with 511 baptisms. Hawk Creek Baptist Church in London was second with 252. Valley View in Louisville reported 234 baptisms. Immanuel Baptist 152.

First Baptist in Somerset, Crossland Community in Bowling Green, His House Ministries in Mayfield and the Bell County Forest Camp than 100 baptisms, some significantly more.

Churches in the largest association, Long Run Association, which serves the Louisville area, had 1,035 baptisms, the highest number reported by any association in 2014. The Warren

Bowling Green, was a close second with 1,031 baptisms.

The annual reports also showed undesignated financial contributions to churches were up substantially from \$309.8 million to \$314.3 million last year.

The growth not only tist churches spiritually and financially, but gives them more influence on moral and political issues important to Christians.

While we celebrate this Mission all reported more growth, we need to be mindful that our ministry is not about numbers," Chitwood said. "It's about sharing the gospel at a crucial time in history when so many people are without hope and have no understanding of how much God loves them and wants them to be saved."

HE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE J am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. JOHN 15:5

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If the two options we lhave in life are faith or fear, then we can come to enjoy and take comfort in the hope we have in a living God as our light, salvation and hope. If we do not have a hope that to be unconcerned. His comes from the Lord, we are condemned to a life of anguish as we move toward our final hours on earth. Bertrand Russell said, "The older I get the more nervous I become." In contrast to his fear is the faith we see in Pope John XXIII. Two weeks before his death he said, "My bags are packed. I'm ready to go!" David had an unusual boldness as he faced life and death. "Though a mighty army surrounds me, my heart will not be afraid. Even if I am at-

tacked, I will remain confident." Even though he is confronted by an army or fighting to win a war or survive with his very life. he says that "I am confident." Confident of what? His well-trained troops? His superior skills as a leader?

Indeed not. His confidence was in his Lord who was his light, salvation and strength. The word David uses for confidence in this verse means to feel secure or confidence, the security he enjoyed, when facing the uncertainties of life and the certainty of death was in the Lord Himself. David's passion was to live in the Lord's house and to behold His beauty. Living in the Lord's house means much more than being an occasional visitor. It implies being a resident now and in eternity. To behold His beauty means to enjoy God's goodness and blessings.

Jennifer Gail Harrison, 59 Jennifer Gail Harrison, by her mother, Virginia Lee age 59, of Main Street in Mt. Morris Harrison; one son, Sterling, Kentucky, passed William Allen Harrison, away Thursday, March 5, Fayette County; one broth-2015, at the University of er: Michael Dale Harrison, Kentucky Medical Center Estill County; and two in Lexington, following a grandchildren: Andrew and

Ashton Harrison. She was preceded in She was born October 16, 1955 in Madison Coundeath by one brother, Greg ty and was the daughter of Harrison. Virginia Lee Morris Har-

Memorial services will rison and the late Herman be held at a later date.

Harrison. She was a former Warren F. Toler Funeral Home is in charge of aremployee of Wintech and had lived in Montgomery rangements.

<TolerFuneralHome.com>

Singing at House of Prayer There will be a gospel sing- Bobby Gabbard from McKee ing at House of Prayer, 535 Dark Hollow Road, on Saturday, March 14, 2015, starting afterwards.

Saturday, March 14th @ 7pm

and The Praise Singers. There will be refreshments

Everyone is welcome to at-Featured singers will be tend.

Sunday, March 29th @ 10:45am **Calvary Heirs At Irvine Nazarene**

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The Calvary Heirs from Irvine will be in concert at congregation invite everyone the Irvine First Church of the to be part of that special event. Nazarene, 280 Broadway, Ir- A love offering will be taken vine, on Sunday, March 29, at to support the ministry of the 10:45 a.m.

March 29, 2015.

at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Curt Napier and the Calvary Heirs.

Sunday, March 29th @ 11am

Special Service At Providence

Sunday, March 1, 2015 Timothy Scott Matheny, 44

Timothy Scott Matheny, age 44, of Winchester, Kentucky, died Sunday, March 1, 2015 at his residence.

County most of her life.

Ms. Harrison is survived

long illness.

He was the owner of Tim's Tree Service and a member of the Ark of Mercy Church.

Mr. Matheny is survived by his father Clayton, Matheny (Barbara) of Louisville; his mother, Myrtle L. Claypool (Clarence) of Winchester; three sons: Justin Matheny of Louisville, Hunter Matheny of Winchester, and Conner Ma- and several nieces and nephtheny of Irvine; two brothers: Clayton Matheny Jr. Matheny (Stephanie) of Louisville; four stepbroth-Caldwell, both of Louisville; Clarence Claypool Jr. Claypool of Louisville; one sister, Teresa Munic step-sisters: Rhonda Clay- of services. pool Brandenburg and Rose Tallarigo of Frenchburg;



Timothy Matheny

ews

Funeral services were of Brandenburg and Bryan held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 3rd at the Ark Of Mercy Church in Winchester ers: Chris Caldwell, Steve with Pastor Chad Keathley officiating. Friends visited Tuesday, from 5 p.m. until of Mt. Sterling; and Stephen time of the service at the church.

Grayson Funeral Home of North Middletown; two of Clay City was in charge

<GraysonFuneral.net>

The Providence Baptist Rowland and Deliverance.

Church on Winston Road in Immediately following the Irvine, would like to invite you service, there will be a dinner to a special service on Sunday, on the grounds.

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The Greatest Commandment (Deuteronomy 6:1-19; Mark 12:28-34)

³⁴But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. ³⁵Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, ³⁶Master, which is the great commandment in the law? ³⁷Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. ³⁹And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. 40On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

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