



LADIES FROM POOLE Missionary Baptist Church enjoyed serving more than 100 guests at the recent fund-raiser for Sunrise Children’s Services. The event was held at the Hidden Hills Wedding and Event venue. The event served as a fund raiser to raise money for foster care homes to be built in Webster county through Sunrise. Dale Suttles, president of Sunrise, greeted the guests and introduced Clay Howerton a magician from Paducah. Several success stories of young people raised in foster care were shared during the evening. The event featured Ariana Rodriguez, who showed a video of her sad life before foster care and told about how she went on to become Miss Kentucky 2025 through the encouragement of her foster care parents. the Evening highlights included selections at the grand piano by Kafie McDowell, the National Anthem by Pauletta Yarbrough, blessing of the food by the Rev. Jeff Burke, and a delicious meal prepared by Kellie and Boyd Neal who own Hidden Hills. The benediction was brought by Rev Dan Carr. Ladies from Poole Missionary Baptist pictured from left to right Rosavyre Holland, Brenda Patterson, Josie McNaughton, Jenny Stone, and Amber McLachlin.

United Nations Delegates Fulfilled Prophecy

By Van Yandell
Zechariah 12: 3
“And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.”

On Thursday September 24, 2026, estimates of 73 U.N. delegates were not present or walked out as Benjamin Netanyahu, prime minister of Israel explained Israel’s position in their retaliation for the murderous acts of October 7, 2023 and Israel’s right to defend itself.

It would be interesting to note, representatives from over 120 countries did not walk out. Of the 193 member nations 73 either walked out or were not present. Numbers vary by sources of information.

Jesus stated in Matthew 24: 9 “Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name’s sake.” Would “all nations” in the first century have had a different meaning than today?

Obviously “all nations” did not walk out. Does this leave us with questions about Israel’s future? Perhaps Ezekiel 38 and 39 can add perspective.

The world witnessed the killing of Jews on October 7th, 2023 when at least 1200 people were killed in a cross border attack seen as the deadliest attack on Jews since the Holocaust.

Jews were killed by the Crusaders (1095-1291), the Spanish Inquisition (1478-1834), the Edict of Expulsion (England 1290) and the Holocaust in Germany in the 1940’s. The Romans killed an estimated two million Jews and burned Jerusalem in 70 AD.

Any way we carve this up, the Jews have been a persecuted people by the uninformed and ignorant. Their population has been dramatically reduced several times in their history.

Currently there are around sixteen million

Jews world-wide (with an unknown number unidentified) and over two-billion Muslims. Numerous scriptural references compare the number of Jews to the stars in the skies and sands in the sea shores (Jeremiah 33: 2, Genesis 22: 17, Hebrews 11: 12). As we can see, prophecy does not always happen (or hasn’t happened yet) and Jewish numbers reinforce this.

The Bible states the Jews are a special people chosen by God to provide the world with a Savior. God established Abraham and his wife Sarah to be the father and mother of the Jews. Abraham and Hagar (Sarah’s servant) were to be the parents of the Arabic people.

We can’t help but speculate why God allowed Isaac and Ishmael to be born and father two completely different races which would be at war for 4000 years.

Could it have been so the Jews would have a race of people to persecute them to fulfill prophecy? Regardless of the explanations and opinions given, the reality exists and will not end until Jesus returns.

The UN delegates certainly made Matthew 24: 9 a case-in-point! We must keep in mind Jesus was talking to twelve Jewish men in that verse. Those were His disciples. Christians being believer-followers of Jesus are also disciples.

Amos 9: 8 “Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD are upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from the surface of the ground, except that I will NOT utterly destroy the house of Jacob, declares the LORD.”

God has verified time and again He will ultimately and eventually come to the aid of His chosen people and chosen nation. Ezekiel 34:13 “And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.” Israel being in their

chosen land, is also a fulfillment of prophecy. Having been exiled for over 1800 years from their homeland, they returned. Seeking a peaceful existence, the world would not allow that to happen.

Ezekiel 36: 19 “And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.” God promised through Ezekiel He would “scatter” the Jewish people “among the heathen.” And that He did after the Romans destroyed Jerusalem in 70 AD.

Ezekiel 36: 24 “I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.” Another promise from God was to bring them back to Israel and He did beginning in the late 1880’s.

Israel was declared a nation once again May 14th, 1948. David Ben Gurion signed a proclamation declaring Israel a nation. This was another case of prophecy happening at the United Nations.

As we have seen in the lifetime of many of us, great numbers of Biblical prophecies have happened and are

happening now. The disdain and disrespect shown to Prime Minister Netanyahu at the United Nations last week is one of many verifications of the accuracy of the Holy Bible.

God promised Abraham in the beginning of the establishment of the Jewish people that they would be blessed and be a blessing to the world.

Genesis 12: 3 “And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.” That blessing was and is the Savior of the world Christ Jesus.

The Bible teaches there is only one eternal salvation. That is by a faith based belief (Ephesians 2: 8) that Christ Jesus was crucified (Matthew 27: 35) for the remission of sin (Romans 4: 25), resurrected (Matthew 28: 6) and ascended alive into Heaven (Acts 1: 9).

Benjamin Netanyahu included at the end of his UN address: 1 Samuel 15: 29a “The Eternal one of Israel will not lie nor repent!”

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Three Tips That Will Help Corral Online Spending

Global online shopping generates vast sums of money each year. According to Capital One Shopping, global online shopping revenue totaled \$3.64 trillion in 2025, and industry analysts estimate that will increase to more than \$5 trillion by 2030.

Inflation-related price hikes have raised the cost-of-living by a considerable amount in recent years, and that’s led many consumers to wonder where they can save. Reducing reliance on online shopping, where it’s easy to lose track of spending, might be one avenue worth exploring. Capital One Shopping notes online shopping revenue in the United States in 2025 was equivalent to an estimated \$4,267 per adult. While much of that spending might have been on necessities, some also might have been impulse purchases. For consumers concerned by an increased cost-of-living, these three strategies to corral online spending could be a difference maker.

1. Turn off phone notifications from online retailers. The days when sales were exclusive to holidays and the holiday season are a thing of the past. The online retail giant Amazon now offers an assortment of multi-day sales events throughout the year, and these events typically are held at times of year like March and October when consumers might otherwise not be looking to spend. But it can be hard for shoppers to resist deals that can be had in the blink of an eye via an app on a smartphone, even when they are not necessarily looking to buy. One way to corral such spending is to turn off phone notifications from online retailers. Doing so means you won’t be alerted to sales, which may reduce the likelihood you will shop impulsively.

2. Incorporate patience into your online shopping to overcome the emotional attachment. A 2025 report in Psychology Today explored the concept of emotional shopping, which is marked by a strong belief that money spent on a given object will guarantee positive emotions. One way to overcome that, and thus corral online spending, is to resolve to wait before purchasing an item. While it can be hard to deny the immediate emotional benefit of buying a given item, resolving to wait 24 to 48 hours before adding an item to your online cart and ultimately purchasing it might help consumers overcome that instant yet potentially fleeting feeling of excitement. After time to think it over, consumers may feel as if the item was not vital, after all.

3. Remove stored data from online retailers. Features like “one-click shopping” help to foster the notion that online shopping is the simplest and most convenient way to shop. But such convenience may come at a steep cost, as consumers whose payment data is stored on online retailers might find themselves making a purchase before they had even a brief amount of time to mull it over and consider their finances. By removing stored data from online retailers, consumers are ensuring they get that time, however brief it may be. And if forced to enter their payment data each time, consumers may tire of that and ultimately end up spending less and saving more.

Business is booming for online retailers, and that may be making it hard for consumers to cut back. Consumers looking to rein in their online spending can try these strategies in an effort to reduce how much they’re spending online.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Linda Gregory, 128 Wils0on Street, Providence, KY, was appointed Executrix of the Estate of Rodney Donahue, who died testate, a resident of 128 Wilson Street, Providence, KY on July 19, 2026. Date of qualification September 1, 2026. J. Keith Cartwright, Cartwright & Evans, PLLC, 49 Union Street, P.O. Box 695, Madisonville, KY 42431. Inventory due December 8, 2026. Settlement due September 5, 2028. All claims must be filed within six months of appointment.

David A. Balls, 730 Hammons Ferry Road, Calhoun, KY, was appointed Executor of the Estate of Maurice Walton Balls, who died testate, a resident of 140 Green Road, Providence, KY on June 5, 2026. Date of qualification September 1, 2026. Kurtis M. Sunset, 2806 New Hartford Road, Owensboro, KY 42303. Inventory due December 8, 2026. Settlement due September 5, 2028. All claims must be filed within six months of appointment.

Thomas Witherspoon, 185 Brown Badgett Loop Madisonville, KY Melinda (Gracie) McKinsey, 178 Hillview Road, Providence, KY, and Jo Nell Blanford, 630 Olive Street, Providence, KY, were appointed co-Executors of the Estate of Joe Neal Witherspoon, who died testate, a resident of 312 North Willow Street, Apartment 34, Providence, KY on August 6, 2026. Date of qualification September 1, 2026. J. Keith Cartwright, Cartwright & Evans, PLLC, 49 Union Street, P.O. Box 695, Madisonville, KY 42431. Inventory due December 8, 2026. Settlement due September 5, 2028. All claims must be filed within six months of appointment.

Kimberly D. Alsbrook, 899 State Route 138, Marion, KY, was appointed Executrix of the Estate of Norma Jean Myers, who died testate a resident of 117 Bishop Street, Providence, KY on July 25, 2026. Date of qualification September 29, 2026. Inventory due January 5, 2026. Settlement due October 3, 2028. All claims must be filed within six months of appointment.

Susan Barnhill, 608 Logan Street, Providence, KY, was appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Kenneth Barnhill, who died intestate, a resident of 322 North Broadway, Providence, KY. Date of qualification September 29, 2026. William Clint Prow, 112 North Broadway, Providence, KY. Inventory due January 5, 2026. Settlement due October 3, 2028. All claims must be filed within six months of appointment.

Scheryle Phelps Fox, 106 West Hills Terrace, Dickson, TN, was appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Wesley Don Phelps, who died intestate, a resident of 198 Second Cross Street, Slaughters, KY on September 1, 2026. Karen Woodall, P.O. Box 436, Marion, KY is designated as agent for the service of process. Date of qualification September 29, 2026. Inventory due January 5, 2026. Settlement due October 3, 2028. All claims must be filed within six months of appointment.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Hopkins County Coal, LLC, 1146 Monarch Street STE:350, Lexington, Kentucky 40513, has applied for Phase II and III on increments 13 of permit 917-0034, which was last issued on September 9, 2026. The application covers an area of approximately 83.80 surface acres.

The permit area is near the intersection of Slover Creek Road & Bruce Road.

The bonds now in effect for the mentioned increments are surety bonds in the amount of \$108,000. 100% of the original bonds receiving Phase III release in the amount of \$108,000 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, regrading, top-soil replacement, and drainage control including soil preparation and initial seeding and mulching in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and a report for the area has been submitted to the cabinet in accordance with 405 KAR 16:200, Section 8 or 405 KAR 18:200, Section 8. revegetation has been established in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and the standards for success of revegetation, successful completion of all surface and reclamation operations in accordance with the approved reclamation plan such that the land is capable of supporting the post mining land use of cropland and pastureland approved pursuant to 405 KAR 16:210 or 405 KAR 18:220; compliance with requirements of KRS Chapter 350, 405 KAR Chapters 7 through 24, and 405 KAR 10:020 and release of 83.80 acres.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, 300 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601 by Friday November 20th, 2026.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 10:00 AM on Tuesday, December 1st, 2026 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement’s Madisonville Regional Office, State Office Building, Third Floor, 625 Hospital Drive, Madisonville, KY 42431. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by Friday November 20th, 2026.