

# Seven Puppies

By Van Yandell

Matthew 25: 40 "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Have you ever heard a sound you could not place? You did not know where it came from or what it was, so you dismissed it and went your way. Then the next day you heard it again. This time, you make a decision to determine the great mystery.

When I was teaching, I would get home from work and go for a run or a bicycle ride. On a ride one warm spring day about ten miles from home I heard what I thought was a whining somewhere along the road.

Thinking my ears were playing tricks, I pedaled on. The next day riding the same route, the sound was heard again. This time I knew I had to stop. Laying my bike in the ditch I proceeded to walk back along the road to try to determine the sound.

About fifty yards

behind me was a cardboard box; the noise was coming from the box. Upon examination, I found a litter of puppies. There were seven of them someone had thrown out and left to starve or be eaten by a predator.

Going on home I told wife Margie and said "I'm going back in the truck and get them." She said "Wait for me!"

We drove out to the place, loaded up the puppies and took them home. They were covered in fleas for which I made a flea treatment bath with warm water and detergent and washed them thoroughly. Margie rinsed them and dried them with her hair dryer. She gave them water and soft food. By then they were really hungry.

Then we called the local animal control office. We were told the officer would come get them and find them a good home. A few weeks later I called her to find out if the puppies had been adopted and she said "Yes they have."

All is well that ends well and that time it did. However, throwing puppies, kittens or any other animal away like trash takes the lowest form of human life on the face of the earth. Of course that's just my opinion.

There are numerous actions that might also be classified as inhuman and completely unconscionable. Animal cruelty as in tossing out the puppies is among the top ones. People that abuse others (sexual, mental, physically) are equally uncivilized regardless of the age of the victim.

Another is the Christian that regards the lost/unchurched as disposable or unimportant. If we don't have a burden for the lost in sin, somewhere, we've missed the point of Christianity.

Acts 1: 8 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and

unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Jesus' last command to us before He ascended was to be witnesses of Him into this lost and dying world. "Ye shall receive power" is directly referring to the Holy Spirit of God which empowers a Christian. We find the giving of the Holy Spirit in Acts 2: 2-4, just as Jesus said would happen.

We find in Matthew 3: 15 the statement of John the Baptist a short time before Jesus was baptized. "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance. But he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire."

John the Baptist and several Biblical writers reinforce the belief that when one believes, he/she becomes indwelt with the Holy Spirit. In that we were created in God's image (Genesis 1: 27), we also have a spirit and the combining

of His spirit with ours gives us amazing power.

Acts 1: 8 gives four geographical areas "Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the uttermost parts of the earth." I have come to believe Samaria is not referring to a place but a people. Jesus apparently is telling believers in Him, "Don't draw physical limitations on those you tell about Me."

Also we might consider the "uttermost parts of the earth." We might initially think that is indicating the other side of the planet but not necessarily. A co-worker, a neighbor, classmate or even someone in your own home that you find difficult to reason with might be considered the uttermost.

A woman at church told me about her son-in-law. He laughed at her any time she tried to share Jesus. She was in the uttermost. A neighbor once told me "I don't want to hear that nonsense!" We were in the uttermost. Not long ago I was pumping gas into my vehicle. A very large bearded man was pump-

ing on the other side and we struck up a conversation. Into our discussion I asked "Do you believe you have something like a spirit or a soul that will live after you die?" He said "Yes I do."

Then I asked "Do you believe there is a heaven in which one's spirit will spend eternity like the Bible indicates?" His answer: "Absolutely!"

"So where do you believe your soul will spend eternity?" "I'm going to Heaven." Then I asked "Why?" His answer took me by surprise. "Because I believe Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior, He shed His blood and died for my sins on the cross and that He resurrected in three days from the dead."

It turned out he was a deacon in the church and had worked Christian missions for three decades. Was that a wasted conversation? Absolutely not! Perhaps he will tell someone based on our conversation.

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# Agriculture Notes

Submitted by Katie Hughes

Spring Into Summer with Union County Extension Office Open House: April 17th 3:00 to 6:00 pm at the UC Extension Office. Free to attend and join us for a fun-filled open house and see what your local extension office has to offer.

Meet Your Local Farmer Event: April 23, 2026, 5:30pm-7:30pm at the Union County Extension Office. Join us for this FREE event! Connect with local farmers and producers and discover fresh, locally grown and handmade products!! Products will be available for purchase!!

If you sell local products (meat, produce, eggs, baked goods, soaps, flowers

and honey) and would like to participate in this event please contact Katie Hughes, UC ANR Agent at 270-389-1400 or email katie.n.hughes@uky.edu If you do plan to sell, you must have up-to date required state certifications needed. (Example: To legally sell baked goods or other processed items state certifications/registration is required).

Garden with a Grownup: April 28 at 5:30pm at the UC Extension Office. This activity is designed for children (under 18) and their special grown up whether that is a mom, dad, grandparent, guardian or caregiver. Please note that the adults must

stay for the entire program with their child. Each pair will paint a flowerpot and plant a beautiful bloom to take home. This is free to attend but must sign up by April 20 to the UC Extension Office 270-389-1400 or email katie.n.hughes@uky.edu

BeeKeeping Meeting 101: May 4, 2026 at 5:30pm at the UC Extension Office. This meeting is free to attend. Join Kentucky Department of Agriculture State Apiarist Amanda Skidmore as she gives an update on bees in Kentucky and discusses the basics of keeping bees. Call to sign up at one of these ANR Agents: Crittenden, Dee Heimgartner-270-965-5236 Union,

Katie Hughes- 270-389-1400 Webster, Vicki Shadrick- 270-639-9011

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TEST OF AUTOMATIC TABULATION VOTING EQUIPMENT

Union County Court Annex 121 South Morgan St. Morganfield, KY (in the basement of the Annex Building)

Union County's automatic tabulating equipment for use in the May Primary Election will be inspected and tested by the Board of Elections beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21st in the basement of the Union County Court Annex Building. Machine inspection is done each year to ensure voting machines are properly set prior to votes being tabulated by the scanning of marked ballots. This is available for the public to attend.

GARRICK THOMPSON Union County Clerk

### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY UNION CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION 01 CIVIL ACTION NO 24-CI-00096

BG48, LLC vs. GARRET QUARLES; LARRY V. QUARLES; E. CHRISTINA HOLLEY; LETITIA M. QUARLES; RENEE GARNETT; CITY OF MORGANFIELD, KY; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF UNION DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Union Circuit Court on the 16th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025, I will on THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. or as soon thereafter as may be possible at the Courthouse door in the City of Morganfield, Union County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the following described real property located in Union County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Property Address: 507 West Geiger Street, Morganfield, Kentucky 42437 PVA No. / Map No.: M1-14-18

The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property.

Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% deposit, with the balance upon credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall execute a good and sufficient bond with approved surety thereon for the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date thereof, until paid, and to have the force and effect of a judgment, but a lien shall be retained on said property to further secure the payment of the purchase price. At his option, the purchaser may pay cash or pay the bond with accrued interest at any time before its maturity. Said sale to be made free and clear of any and all liens, claims, rights, title, and interest of any and all parties to this action. The purchaser will be prepared to promptly comply with these terms or the said property will immediately be offered again for sale.

GIVEN under my hand this the 17th day of March, 2026 STEPHEN M. ARNETT, Master Commissioner 4/29c

### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY UNION CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION 01 CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-00047

TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2019-MH1, U.S., BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE vs. THOMAS E BURKE, ANGELA H BURKE FKA ANGELA H LOVELL, WASHINGTON MUTUAL FINANCE GROUP, LLC, CITY OF UNIONTOWN, MID SOUTH CAPITAL PARTNERS LP COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF UNION DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Union Circuit Court on the 15th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025, I will on THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. or as soon thereafter as may be possible at the Courthouse door in the City of Morganfield, Union County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the following described real property located in Union County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Property Address: 203 Turner Road, Uniontown, Kentucky 42461 PVA No. / Map No.: U1-62-C2

The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property.

Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% deposit, with the balance upon credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall execute a good and sufficient bond with approved surety thereon for the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date thereof, until paid, and to have the force and effect of a judgment, but a lien shall be retained on said property to further secure the payment of the purchase price. At his option, the purchaser may pay cash or pay the bond with accrued interest at any time before its maturity. Said sale to be made free and clear of any and all liens, claims, rights, title, and interest of any and all parties to this action. The purchaser will be prepared to promptly comply with these terms or the said property will immediately be offered again for sale.

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### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY UNION CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-00050

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC vs. CHRISTOPHER PAUL VINSON AND UNION COUNTY DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Union Circuit Court on the 24th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025, I will on THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. or as soon thereafter as may be possible at the Courthouse door in the City of Morganfield, Union County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the following described real property located in Union County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Property Address: 135 Chestnut Street, Sturgis, KY 42459 PVA No. / Map No.: 52-38-03-08

The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property.

Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% deposit, with the balance upon credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall execute a good and sufficient bond with approved surety thereon for the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date thereof, until paid, and to have the force and effect of a judgment, but a lien shall be retained on said property to further secure the payment of the purchase price. At his option, the purchaser may pay cash or pay the bond with accrued interest at any time before its maturity. Said sale to be made free and clear of any and all liens, claims, rights, title, and interest of any and all parties to this action. The purchaser will be prepared to promptly comply with these terms or the said property will immediately be offered again for sale.

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### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY UNION CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 25-CI-00062

FIFTH THIRD BANK N.A. vs. GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC., CROSSCLAIMANT/COUNTERCLAIM vs. JOSEPH L. PATTERSON, BRANDY M. PATTERSON DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Union Circuit Court on the 8th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2025, I will on APRIL 30, 2026, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. or as soon thereafter as may be possible at the Courthouse door in the City of Morganfield, Union County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the following described real property located in Union County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Property Address: 740 Mary Anne Drive, Morganfield, KY 42437 PVA No. / Map No.: M2-14-33.

The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property.

Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% deposit, with the balance upon credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall execute a good and sufficient bond with approved surety thereon for the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate of 3.5000% per annum from the date thereof, until paid, and to have the force and effect of a judgment, but a lien shall be retained on said property to further secure the payment of the purchase price. At his option, the purchaser may pay cash or pay the bond with accrued interest at any time before its maturity. Said sale to be made free and clear of any and all liens, claims, rights, title, and interest of any and all parties to this action. The purchaser will be prepared to promptly comply with these terms or the said property will immediately be offered again for sale.

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