

Billy Compton Pastor of Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church August 2018 – Present



Dr. Billy Compton (Bro. Billy) has lived and served as pastor of Baptist churches in Kentucky his entire ministry. He began with the church in the community where he grew up in Hart County, Kentucky, at the Hardyville Union Church also where he graduated from Hart Memorial High School. He graduated from Campbellsville University with an English/Bible major and minor and The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary with a M aster of Divinity. Then, he completed his formal education with a Doctor of Ministry from the Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California with a concentration of studies in Church Growth.

Dr. Compton has served in two different positions with the Kentucky Baptist Convention: 1989-1992 as Associate Evangelism Director, and 2008-2012 as Executive Associate for Cooperative Program and Resources.

He was pastor of First Baptist Church, Mt. Washington at two different times (1992-96 and 2012-2017) and served as the President of the Kentucky Baptist Convention in 1995.

Other churches where he has enjoyed a meaningful ministry is with the Calvary Baptist Church in Glasgow, the Living Hope Baptist Church in Bowling Green, and the Severns Valley Baptist Church in Elizabethtown.



He and his wife, Sue Ann, have two children and four grandchildren. Margo, their daughter, is married to David Atcher. She teaches Spanish at South Oldham Middle School, and David is the Worship Pastor for the Westport Road Baptist Church in Louisville. They have Bailey, a nineyear-old daughter, and Anna Kate, age six. Will, their son, is a math teacher at Red Cross Elementary School in Glasgow; he has two sons: William, age 12, and Wade, age 9.

Sue Ann serves alongside Bro. Billy in his pastoral ministry. She supports the family and loves the work of the church. She has served in various areas of ministry with her spiritual gifts of communications and hospitality. She teaches Introductory and Research Writing Courses in the English Department at the

University of Louisville. She earned an undergraduate degree from Western Kentucky University with an English/History major and a Master of English from U of L.

Bro. Billy became the Interim Pastor of Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church on January 21, 2018 after the resignation of Bro. Steve Skaggs on September 4, 2017. The Pastor Search "Pulpit" Committee later made a recommendation to call Bro. Billy as the next pastor. The vote was taken by ballot in a Special Called Business Meeting on July 22, 2018 during the Morning Worship Service. There was an overwhelming 99.2% (120 yes; 1 no) affirmative "yes" vote to call Bro. Billy Compton as the next pastor of Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church! Bro. Billy accepted the call after the announcement of the vote was made. Bro. Billy and Sue Ann expressed their desire to move their membership to Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church. The congregation filed by after the service to welcome them as members and to congratulate/welcome Bro. Billy as the new Pastor

Bro. Billy was officially installed in a special ceremony during the Morning Worship Service on August 5, 2018. David England, Chairman of the Pastor Search "Pulpit" Committee made an introduction of the process and referenced the passage of scripture from 1 Timothy 3:1-7. Bro. Rusty Ellison, Transitional Pastor of Campbellsville Baptist Church and friend of Bro. Billy's, delivered a special message, detailing their special friendship over the years. Bro. Billy, Bro. Rusty, and the congregation sang in acapella, "*I Stand Amazed in the Presence*". Mark Carney, Chairman of the Deacons, performed the installation by delivering the "Charge to the Pastor and the Church". Other active deacons present were: Larry Bright, Josh Veatch, Sam Graham, and Jim Sabo, Jr. Trent Pyles was unable to attend. Bro. Billy then delivered the message, "*Why Am I Here*?" from Acts 10.

Bro. Billy Compton read a letter of resignation to the church (see below) at the conclusion of the Morning Worship Service on **April 7, 2024**. He will officially resign at the end of the year. He plans to stay on until all the celebration activities are completed for the 150th anniversary of MHBC.

April 5, 2024

Dear Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church family,

After prayerful thought and family discussions, I have decided to resign December, 2024, as pastor of Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church. I share this with you now because I believe the timing is right as plans are being made to celebrate our 150-year anniversary.

In the coming months, Sue Ann and I will look forward to continue enjoying our relationships and ministry with you. Also, I am committed to assisting in making this time a smooth transition during my remaining months of service and do my best to help in any way I can as we prepare to call the next pastor of Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church.

Having shared these past seven years with you has provided me some of the most meaningful years in my fifty-eight years of ministry. I am thankful God has allowed me to serve with you and experience the commitment and selfless way you serve our Lord Jesus Christ through our church. Sue Ann and I will continue to cherish each person, member, and family that we have been blessed to know. Let us continue to thank God for the blessing of this church body and know the next pastor will have the opportunity to build on our great heritage. We will always cherish the memories and relationships we have experienced with you. I pray God's richest blessings on you that together we can make this year one of the most effective and fruitful in our long history as we begin the countdown to 150 years of celebration on November 10, 2024. I thank you again for the opportunity to serve as pastor of Muldraugh Hill Baptist Church.

"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now" (Phil. 1:3—5).

With gratitude and loving-kindness,

Bro. Billy