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Looks Back At 2002

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August 16:

KODAK, Tenn.— Temperatures in the 90s didn't stop church members from enjoying "Holston Conference Night at the Ballpark" on Aug. 4. Smokies Baseball officials counted 461 representatives of Holston churches, including three-year-old Madison Welch.



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July 19:

MADISONVILLE, Tenn. — Interim President James Murrell (left) and Board Chair Al Bowles celebrate Hiwassee College's survival of a financial crunch. The school raised \$423,000 by June 30 to balance the budget for the 2002 fiscal year and retain the college's accreditation.



November 22:

NEW ORLEANS, La.— The Call wins the 2002 Robert F. Storey Award for Excellence in Newspapers, the denomination's highest honor for newspapers.



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October 11:

ELIZABETHTON, Tenn.— Joining hundreds of churches in commemorating the anniversary of Sept. 11, Hunter hosts Slagles, Watauga Point, St. Paul, and Valley Forge UMC at a community worship service.



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December 6:

MOSSY GROVE, Tenn. — The Oak Ridge District office receives a \$10,000 grant from United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) and more than \$18,800 from Holston individuals and groups to rebuild homes damaged by tornadoes on Nov. 10.



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September 13:

EMORY, Va.— The two-member band Lost & Found gets rowdy with more than 700 youth at Faith Explosion, a back-to-school retreat sponsored by Holston churches in the northern districts and the Conference Council on Youth Ministries.