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Calendar of Events

Monday Minister Meetings:

Mondays at 10:00 AM—downstairs in the Baptist Resource Center (BRC).

March

- 1-8 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering/Week of Prayer for North American Missions
- 4 Youth Reach-up Tour, 6:00 PM—FBC Hendersonville Crosswalk Building
- 8 Daylight Saving Time begins
- 11 Pastor's Lunch, 11:30 AM—BRC
- 13-14 Prayer Conference—Biltmore Baptist Church
- 14 Youth Reach-up Tour, 5:00 PM—FBC Hendersonville Crosswalk Building
- 16 CBA Council, 9:00 AM—BRC
- 17 Disaster Relief Covered Dish Supper, 7:00 PM—BRC
- 20-22 Missions Extravaganza—Ridgecrest
- 29 Youth Reach-up Tour Rally—East High Gym

April

- 1-21 Food Drive for NC Baptist Children's Homes—drop off food at association, Monday-Thursday from 8:00 AM—4:00 PM
- 2 WMU Leadership Team Meeting, 6:00 PM—BRC
- 5 Palm Sunday
- 8 Pastor's Lunch, 11:30 AM—BRC
- 10 Good Friday
- 12 Easter Sunday
- 14 Secretaries Luncheon, 12:15 PM
- 19 Cooperative Program Sunday
- 20 CBA Council, 9:00 AM—BRC
- 24-25 State Church Media Library Ministries Workshop—Caraway
- 28 Spring Association Meeting, 7:00—9:00 PM—Living Water Baptist Church

Birthdays and Anniversaries

March

- 2 Shannon Owen—Mountain Valley
- 4 Diana Harrison—Balfour
- 11 Heather Pack—FBC Hendersonville
- 14 Mike and Tina McMillion—Mtn. View
- 16 Beverly Merck—Naples
- 17 Laura Hall—Ebenezer
- 19 Marline MacEachern—Bat Cave
- 20 Brian Henderson—Etowah
- 23 Kemuel Pruitt—French Broad
- 29 Branton Burleson—Christ Covenant
- 30 Curtis Pace—Jones Gap
- 31 Alvin and Vicky Melton—Refuge

April

- 4 Cassie Hardman—Gethsemane
- 6 Tollie Cunningham—Horse Shoe First
- 8 David and Cynthia Webb—Saluda First
- 9 David Webb—Saluda First
- 10 Cynthia Webb—Saluda First
- 11 Myung Kim—Asheville Korean
- 18 Chris Pace—Straightway
- 19 Anne Beck—CBA
- 22 Yeon and Myung Kim—Asheville Korean
- 25 Dolores Cunningham—Horse Shoe First
- 25 Levina Pace—Jones Gap
- 26 David MacEachern—Bat Cave
- 28 Ketrena Saunders—Mount Olivet
- 28 Kim Pace—Straightway



For the May/June newsletter, articles must be received by April 8th.

Churches and Missions

Agua Viva
Asheville Korean
Balfour
Barker Heights
Bat Cave
Bearwallow
Beulah
Bilingual Community
Broad River
Cedar Springs
Christ Covenant
Contemporary First
Crab Creek
Crossroads
Dana
Double Springs
Ebenezer
Etowah
FBC East Flat Rock
FBC Hendersonville
FBC Mills River
FBC Saluda
FBC Tryon
FBC Tuxedo
Fletcher First
French Broad
Fruitland
Gethsemane
Hoopers Creek
Horse Shoe First
Jones Gap
Kings Grove
Liberty
Living Water
Locust Grove
Main Street
Middle Fork
Mount Gilead
Mount Moriah
Mount Olivet
Mountain Home
Mountain Page
Mountain Valley
Mountain View Missionary
Mud Creek
Mud Creek Missionary
Naples
Oak Forest
Pacolet
Pleasant Grove
Pleasant Hill
Refuge
Shaws Creek
Straightway
Upward
Valley Hill
Wayside
West Hendersonville
Zion Hill



Please send memorials to *Gideons International* to purchase Bibles.

Dr. Sandy Beck in the death of his mother, Kathleen Beck Wilmot, who went to be with her Lord on January 27, 2009.

Thank You!!

Your wonderful response to my mother's death was so affirming to Anne and I. The cards from North American Mission Board friends, North Carolina Baptist leadership as well as other associations were so appreciated. There is something extra special when your own home folk express their thoughts and prayers. The flowers and plants, the Gideon Bibles, the cards and letters, the heartfelt phone calls and emails from Carolina Baptist churches, pastors, staff members and many of our individual church members lifted us up and encouraged us through the death and funeral of my mother.

Thank you for your kind words. We thank you especially for your prayers that carried us through.

We have a gracious, loving Lord who comforts us through the person of the Holy Spirit. Mom is with Him now. What could be more comforting.

Thank You—I love you!!!

~ Sandy Beck

Revive Us Again

A Great Commission Prayer Conference
Biltmore Baptist Church, March 13-14, 2009
Friday 1:00-9:00 PM and Saturday 8:15 AM—3:00 PM
Cost \$25.00

Speakers

Richard Blackaby, D.A. Carson, R. Logan Carson, Daniel Henderson, Wayne Jenkins, Chuck Lawless, and Stephen Rummage

For more information and registration call Devon Bagwell at 800-395-5102 ext. 5513 or email praync@ncbaptist.org.

Prayer Link – Please pray for these churches and their pastors on each designated week.

- March 1 Barker Heights—Eric Boone
Contemporary First—James Pea
- March 8 Pacolet—Bruce Norville
Dana—Dan Blackwell
- March 15 FBC Mills River—Mike Willoughby
Fletcher First—Roy Waldroup
- March 22 FBC East Flat Rock—Allen Sherwood
Main Street—Victor Rampey
- March 29 Fruitland—Mike Smith
Mud Creek Miss'ry—Matthew Tollison
- April 5 Christ Covenant—Branton Burleson
Gethsemane—Eric Hardman
- April 12 Wayside—Jeff Tankersley
Bilingual Community—no pastor
- April 19 Shaws Creek—William Carpenter, Jr.
Locust Grove—Tim Worthington
- April 26 FBC Tuxedo—Mike Bennett
Mountain Page—Tim Metcalf

Churches without Pastors

Agua Viva, Bearwallow, Bilingual Community, Cedar Springs, and FBC Tryon

Announcements

FREE Pews from Ridgecrest Conference Center. Call Tom Huntley at 699-8022 ext. 3764 for more information. Must pick up by March 30-31, 2009.

Minister of Students and Education Needed—This will be a full-time position at Ebenezer Baptist Church. For job description for this position you can visit their web site at: www.ebcnc.org/Staff.html. Please mail resumes to 2557 Chimney Rock Rd., Hendersonville, NC 28792 (Attention Search Committee).

Hendersonville Tribune—will soon start a Faith Page. If you are interested in advertising an event in your church, your church schedule, or an inspirational paragraph, you may want to take advantage of The Tribune. Columns cost as low as \$9.00. For more information or to submit an ad or announcement, call Robin Reese at 698-9419 or email her at hendersonvilletribune@mchsi.com.

Part-Time Paid Youth Director Needed—Send résumés to: West Hendersonville, 730 Willow Street, Hendersonville, NC 28739.

Church News



Asheville Korean is having a revival celebrating the church's 22nd anniversary March 6-8, 2009 with Rev. Jindae Yoo as the speaker and inauguration of pastor Yeon Wook Kim as our senior pastor on March 8th at 5:00 PM. Revival title: Sharing the great love of Jesus Christ. The service schedule is:
March 6th at 7 PM
March 7th at 5:30 AM and 7 PM
March 8th at 11:00 AM and 5:00 PM

Everyone is invited to come.
Brevard Road disbanded in January, 2009. The church members donated the church property to a Hispanic church.
Etowah—Seven men came to volunteer work on the association building. (See Thank You).
Mount Olivet had a stair lift installed on February 2, 2009.



Kingdom Focused Pastors Prayer Retreat
Resting and Refreshing in the Word
LifeWay Ridgecrest Conference Center
(Mountain Laurel Inn)

Tuesday and Wednesday
May 19 & 20, 2009

Registration begins at Noon
Conference begins at 1:00 p.m.
and will end at Noon on Wednesday

All Pastors and Wives are Invited

\$32.50 per person, double occupancy
(This price includes assistance from Carolina Baptist Association for CBA pastors and wives. Includes room, dinner, breakfast and two breaks)

Conference Leaders

Chris Schofield, Carolyn Fuqua and Bob Lowman

*Hosted by Carolina Baptist Association
and NC Baptist State Convention*

Billy Wayne Youth Conference
Balfour Baptist Church
Friday, February 20, 6:30 PM
Saturday, February 21, 6:30 PM
Sunday, February 22, 10:30 AM

You may contact youth leader Jill Raines at 692-8336 for more information.

To find out more about Billy Wayne Ministries go to www.billywayne.net.

Pizza Blast & Youth Conference
Friday, March 6th at 6:00 PM
Ebenezer Baptist Church

First will be a Pizza Blast at 6:00 PM in the church fellowship hall with music by "*Admit One*."

The conference will begin at 7:00 in the Auditorium with Youth Evangelist, Josh Pilgrim as the guest speaker. To close out the night with a concert by "*Exodus*," a contemporary Christian band from Liberty University.

This will be an awesome night of worship and praise!

Please register by March 4th if you have a group from your church who would like to go. There is no registration cost but a love offering will be collected at the door.

XEE Training for Generation X and Y
To Change the World
Mud Creek Baptist Church
March 19—21, 2009
Cost: \$125.00

Pastors, evangelism directors and youth ministers and workers are all invited to attend this training. XEE is evangelism training for Generation X and Generation Y to connect with people relationally and spiritually.

- Highly interactive approach—DVD driven
- Discussion-driven teaching
- Facilitator prep is fast and uncomplicated
- Teens love it!

To register call Evangelism Explosion at 1-954-465-2233 or visit www.xee.info.

For more information contact Chris Hefner at 692-1262.



for ALL Youth

March 4 and 14, 2009
FBC Hendersonville, Crosswalk Building
March 29, 2009 Reach Up Rally
East Henderson High Gym

With the growing youth population in America, it is important to equip our youth with the tools to share their faith effectively. Statistics show that by the year 2010 the youth population will outnumber that of the baby boomers. This large number of youth will be leading the church by 2020. Have we provided them with tools to reach this world for Christ?

The Reach Up Tour has three components:

- 1) How to Pray Youth Friends to Christ
- 2) Share Jesus Without Fear Witness Training
- 3) The Reach up Tour Rally—that will allow students in your area to bring their friends and hear the Gospel in a youth atmosphere with a worship band, speaker, drama and media.

Wednesday, March 4, 2009 from 6:00—8:00 PM will be the first meeting at FBC Hendersonville's Crosswalk building. DNT (Divine Noble Truth) will lead in worship then Chris Schofield from the Baptist State Convention will be leading "Praying Your Friends to Christ."

Saturday, March 14, 2009 from 5:00—8:00 PM will be the second meeting at FBC Hendersonville's Crosswalk building. DNT (Divine Noble Truth) will lead in worship then Merrie Johnson from the Baptist State Convention will be leading "Sharing Jesus Without Fear."

Saturday, March 14, 2009 from 5:00—6:00 PM is Counselor Training also at the Crosswalk building.

Sunday, March 29, 2009, from 6:00—8:00 PM will be the youth rally at East Henderson High School gymnasium. The *Be Do Tell* praise and drama team will lead in worship and Stewart Hall will be speaking.

Call Sabrina Lynch at 698-4664 if you have any questions.

**State Evangelism & Church Growth
Conference: A Great Commission
RESURGENCE
February 23-24, 2009
Ridgecrest Conference Center**

For more information and conference schedule visit website: www.ncbaptist.org or email evangelsim@ncbaptist.org. There are no conference fees but advance reservations are required for meals and lodging at Ridgecrest, call 1-800-588-7222.

**Double-Digit Sunday School Seminar
Saturday, March 14, 2009, 9:00 AM—4:00 PM
Lewisville Baptist Church
Lewisville, NC
Cost: \$15.00**

This seminar will customize Sunday School basics for double-digit churches (99 or less), with “hands on” practical helps for pastors, their Sunday School directors and leaders of smaller membership churches.

Conference leaders are: Dean Abernathy, (LifeWay) and Phil Stone (BSCNC).

The \$15.00 registration fee includes a seminar notebook, 2 books and lunch. Please pre-register for lunch, but pay at the door. To register contact Patti Cardwell at 1-800-395-5102 ext. 5635 or email pcardwell@ncbaptist.org.

**JOSH HUNT... “HOW TO DOUBLE YOUR
SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IN ONE
YEAR” CONFERENCE**

When: Thursday, April 30, 2009

Where: Salem Baptist Church, 1982 Salem Church Road, Lincolnton, NC 28092

Phone: (704) 732-1131

salembaptist@charterinternet.com

Who Attends: Pastors, Staff, Sunday School Leadership, S.S. Teachers, all age groups

Cost: \$10 per person up to ten (10), over 10, \$100 registration for all.

Make Your Check Payable To: N.C.C.T./C.S.T.

***Registration Deadline:** Friday, April 24, 2009



**It's a New Day
Money Management
Conference
March 9, 2009
9 AM—4 PM**

**Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute
Cost: \$20.00 per pastor (lunch provided)**

This conference is designed for pastors to help the members of their congregation with financial freedom.

Pastors will learn valuable money management lessons in this conference and will see how their entire congregation can get out of debt and move toward a financial lifestyle on Bible-based stewardship principles.

To register call 800-459-5539 x 5539 or online visit www.sbc.net/newday/contacts.

**NC Missions Conference
The Power of One
March 20-21, 2009
Hickory Grove Baptist Church
\$10.00 per person**

Speakers

Franklin Graham

Dennis Swanburg

Cheryl Allen

Terry Rae

Music by Shane & Shane

Pre-registration required by March 2, 2009

Call 800-395-5102 ext. 5613

or visit www.ncmissions.org

**A Glimpse into World Religions
March 2, 2009
Campbell University**

Helps for Understanding and Witnessing:

Mormonism

Islam

Jehovah's Witness

Hinduism

Buddhism

Four workshops, 10:00 AM until 3:45 PM. Lunch not included. To pre-register, call 1-800-760-9827, ext. 1506 or email braswellg@campbell.edu.

HELP Needed!!!

Our Association is in need of the following volunteer jobs. If you can help us with some of these jobs or know of anyone that can, please call Paula at 693-4274.

1. Replace retaining wall behind garage. Right now we have cross ties that have been here since the building was new and they are now rotten and the wall is collapsing.
2. Minor electrical
3. Replace garbage disposal in kitchen
4. Replace fan in ladies restroom
5. Window cleaning
6. Minor plumbing
7. A new roof
8. Garage gutter cleaning
9. Garage interior cleaning (mainly sweeping and removing cobwebs)

Of course the Association would pay for the supplies and materials. We realize that some of these will need to wait until the weather is good. Some of these could be a great project for your youth group. The Association doesn't have a maintenance person so any help would be GREATLY appreciated! Thanks!



THANK YOU

Etowah Baptist Church answered the call for help on the association building. Seven men: Boyce Brogden, James Brown, Ron Case, Walker Carriker, Joel Hart, Ron Hendrick, and John Owen came on February 12th to paint, clean the gutters, and pressure wash the building, porch, stairs and parking lot. Many thanks for you help.

**Scholarships Granted
December 2008 and January 2009**

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Amount Granted</u>	<u>People Assisted</u>
Camp	\$ 180.00	6
Mission Trips	\$2,600.00	15

Is Merging an Option?

I recently read of a small pastorless struggling Baptist church in Southern California that opted to merge with a larger Baptist church rather than



closing its doors. The small church became a “satellite ministry” of the larger church. The larger church provided much needed financing, a new young pastor and key new church members to partner with the old members. The satellite church grew from 5 to 45 members in just one year.

It saddens me when churches close. Every time this happens a Gospel light house grows dim and then dark. Is merging an option to closing? I believe that dying churches should consider merging with a living, healthy church to continue the ministry of the Lord begun in many cases years ago by faithful men and women. There are no unimportant churches. There is no place that does not need a live, vibrant Bible teaching, soul-winning local church. Your association can help find a good fit for churches that are in trouble to merge with.

There is also another option that has worked in some areas. I was told of a church in Florida that donated its facilities to the local association to start a new church. The new church start gave the older buildings a face lift and targeted a new demographic. Today it is several hundred strong and reaching the surrounding community. We almost always have church planters desiring to start a new church in Henderson County. We also have several new churches that are renting property in order to house their worship.

Please, please do not allow your fellowship to die and do nothing about the furtherance of the Gospel in your location. Together the churches of the Carolina Association can help other churches with an option to keep the Gospel light house shining for the cause of our Savior. Call us—we can help.

**Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
March 1-8, 2009**

**Week of Prayer for North American Missions
Live with Urgency, Sowing Together for Harvest**

John 4:35-37

National Goal: \$65 Million