

## Calendar of Events

### Monday Minister Meetings:

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

### September

- 7 Labor Day—CBA office closed
- 9 IBL Seminar, 9:00 a.m.—BRC
- 11 WMU Leadership Team Meeting, 6:00 p.m.—BRC
- 11-12 Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference—Ridgecrest
- 13-20 Week of Prayer and offering for North Carolina Missions
- 15 Congregation Profiles are due in CBA office
- 21 CBA Council, 9:00 a.m.—BRC
- 23 *See You at the Pole*—student led prayer
- 23 IBL Seminar, 9:00 a.m.—BRC
- 25-26 Women of Carolina Conference—*Broken and Beautiful*

### October

- Pastor Appreciation Month**
- 7 IBL Seminar, 9:00 a.m.—BRC
- 15 Women's Prison Ministry money and deodorant due in CBA office
- 16 National Boss Day
- 19 CBA Council, 9:00 a.m.—BRC
- 19 Disaster Relief Covered Dish Supper, 7:00 p.m.—BRC
- 20 Semi-Annual Meeting, afternoon session 4:00 p.m., evening session 7:00 p.m.—FBC East Flat Rock
- 21 IBL Seminar, 9:00 a.m.—BRC

**Carolina Baptist Association**  
**601 Hebron Street**  
**Hendersonville, NC 28739**

**Return Service Requested**

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### September

- 6 Mike Smith—Fruitland
- 12 Susan Garren—Mountain Home
- 18 David and Marline MacEachern—Bat Cave
- 20 Mike and Debbie Stewart—Living Water
- 26 Jamie Williamson—Oak Forest
- 26 Allen Sherwood—FBC East Flat Rock
- 30 Linda Marie Phillips—CBA

### October

- 2 Craig Garren—Mountain Home
- 4 Travis and Diana Harrison—Balfour
- 6 Chris and Kim Pace—Straightway
- 8 Dan and Marie Blackwell—Dana
- 9 John Saunders—Mount Olivet
- 14 Joe George—Double Springs
- 16 Debbie Stewart—Living Water
- 25 Mandy Knox—Crab Creek
- 28 Alvin Melton, Jr.—Refuge
- 31 Bill and Sandee Carpenter—Shaws Creek



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## Women of Carolina Conference

**Friday, September 25th, 6:00pm—9:00pm**  
**Saturday, September 26th, 8:30am—12:30pm**

**Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute**

**Keynote Speaker: Joy Earle**

**Praise and Worship: Jodi and Emily Funk**



**Cost: Early Bird— \$20.00, after September 16th— \$25.00**  
 (Conference fee includes conference, materials, breakfast snack and lunch)

Joy Earle's ministry of encouragement will not only have you doubled over in laughter, but at some point in the message, you will probably cry. Her words and her song will lift you to worship the Almighty, while God applies the healing balm of His Word.

We will have breakout sessions with topics relevant to the needs of women and a mission emphasis. Invite your friends. There will be something for everyone.

### **Break Out Session Topics (Choose Three)**

Behavior Issues in Children; Girlfriends—The Importance of Friendships; Prodigals; Building Relationships Using the Personality Types; Heaven/Spiritual Warfare; When You Don't Understand Unanswered Prayer; Radiant Joy; Get Out of That Pit; Becoming A Vessel God Can Use; The Loss of a Pregnancy/ Post Abortion/Miscarriage; Boundaries; Baptist Children's Home & Orphan Ministry; Crown Financial; Overcoming Obstacles/Balance; Hospitality & Etiquette; Body, Soul & Stress; Search for Significance/Broken Self Image.

For more information call Anne Beck at 694-0694.  
 For tickets call 693-4274.



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

- Sep 6 King Grove—Phillip Capell  
Asheville Korean—Yeon Kim
- Sep 13 Horse Shoe First—Tollie Cunningham  
Carolina Baptist Association—Sandy Beck
- Sep 20 Etowah—Brian Henderson  
Crab Creek—Brad Knox
- Sep 27 Barker Heights—Eric Boone  
Contemporary First—James Pea
- Oct 4 Pacolet—Bruce Norville  
Dana—Dan Blackwell
- Oct 11 FBC Mills River—Mike Willoughby  
Fletcher First—Roy Waldroup
- Oct 18 FBC East Flat Rock—Allen Sherwood  
Main Street—Vic Rampey
- Oct 25 Fruitland—Mike Smith  
Mud Creek Missionary—Matthew Tollison

**Churches without Pastors**

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

**Announcements**

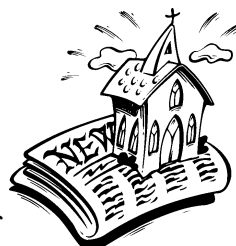
**Full-Time Pastor Search**—College Avenue Baptist Church, located in the foothills of North Carolina, is seeking a full time senior pastor. College Avenue is a caring, loving church with active ministries to all ages. They will be celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2010. Please mail your resume and doctrinal statement to College Avenue Baptist Church, c/o Pastor Search Committee, 1201 College Avenue SW, Lenoir, NC 28645. Resumes must be received by September 30, 2009.

**Part-Time Secretary Available**—If you need a secretary for 10–20 hours a week (or less), call Bonnie Black at 606-8787. Bonnie will do small jobs like bulletins, newsletters or temporary work.

**Worship Leader and Accompanist**—Balfour Baptist Church is taking applications either part time or interim. Salary depends upon experience and interview. These positions can be filled separately (two people) or combined. Interested parties may call the church office at 828-692-8336.

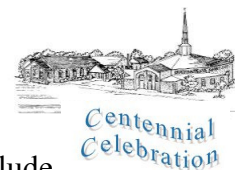
**Scarecrow Row** at Farm City Day is October 3, 2009. Set up is 10-2-09. This is a great opportunity to witness to the public. For information please call Janet Gover at 697-7527.

**Church News**



**Dana**—Some of the members pulled together and paid to dig three wells in India for clean, drinkable water at a cost of \$700.00 for each well.

**FBC East Flat Rock** is celebrating their 100th year anniversary on Sunday, September 27th with greetings from former pastors: Dr. Dean Weaver, Rev. Rob Ray and Dr. Brian Davis. The celebration events include a media presentation of the history of the church, special music, message and conclude with a time of fellowship, “Re-Connect Reception.”



**Etowah** went on mission trips to Canada and Clarkston, Georgia to reach children through Bible schools.

**Fruitland**—62 people went to Baltimore, Maryland on a 10 day mission trip to paint the interior of a school building and minister to the people.

**Gethsemane**—Congratulations to Pastor Eric Hardman and his wife, Cassie, in the birth of their third child, Jacob Benjamin, born on June 19th.

**Straightway** had 14 people baptized on Father’s Day. Pastor Chris Pace started a Bible study in Arden in hopes to start a Straightway Arden Church. Co-pastors Charlie Dalton and William Hardin will be left to minister to Straightway Hendersonville. At a youth lock-in, 14 teens received Christ as their Savior. **David Ring** will be at Straightway on November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 828-692-8866.

**Tuxedo First** collected 16 back packs and raised \$250.00 during VBS for the Back Pack Bunch project to help children in need.

**West Hendersonville** will be observing its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a special celebration service on October 18, 2009, beginning at 10:30 a.m. A covered dish meal will follow in the fellowship hall. All former members are invited. For more information contact Myrtle Moore at 828-891-4047. RSVP to the church office at 828-692-6607, whbaptist@bellsouth.net or West Hendersonville Baptist Church, 730 Willow Road, Hendersonville, NC, 28739.



**VBS Reports**

<u>Church</u>	<u>Enrolled</u>	<u>Salvations</u>
Balfour	75	1
Bat Cave	159	
Crab Creek	120	7
Double Springs	20	1
FBC East Flat Rock	157	1
Ebenezer	155	7
Etowah	225	8
Fletcher First	205	17
French Broad	117	2
Fruitland	121	2
FBC Hendersonville	507	7
Living Water	176	2
Mountain Valley	227	2
Upward	72	8
Valley Hill	49	

Total - Out of the 15 churches that reported, 2,385 enrolled and 65 children accepted Christ as their Savior!

**Report from Executive Committee Meeting on July 28, 2009**

1. **Straightway Ministries (Church)** was voted into full membership of Carolina Baptist Association.
2. **The Constitution Committee** brought to vote a change in the Constitution of the Carolina Baptist Association to add Team Leaders to the Association Council. This will be brought to the Semi-Annual meeting in October to complete the process to change the Constitution.
3. **The Nominations Committee** presented Shelia Corn from Ebenezer Baptist Church to take the Association Clerk position beginning October 21, 2009.

**Scholarships Granted June and July 2009**

Scholarship Amount Granted Children Assisted

**Camp** \$7,199.68 61

**Mission Trips**—Due to depleting funds, the Association can no longer give scholarships for mission trips until funds increase.

**Are We Missing Out?**  
(Last in a series)



**Sandy Sez**

1. Bible Drill and Speakers Tournament
2. RA Racers
3. Prayer Ministry
4. Bethlehem Toy Store

(1-4 discussed in previous newsletters)

5. **Associational Participation**—Are you aware that your gifts and participation with the Carolina Baptist Association produces over 100 ministries and services for our churches and in our community? Several weeks ago your Association staff came together and brain stormed the large, medium and small things we do together and we were amazed at the “as we go” ministries we do together.

With Mud Creek’s help we are producing a short video for you to share in your churches. We are also producing a brief pamphlet listing over 100 things we do together. I am excited about all God is doing in and through us.

6. **Thank You!** Yes, the economy is not good. Many churches are struggling financially. Some of our larger churches are having a more difficult time than some of our medium and small sized churches.

With this back drop of shrinking budgets, it is humbling to see that over half of our churches have increased their giving to Carolina Baptist Association. Over half! Thank you so much. God is so good!! and He has chosen all of us to labor together in order to do more together than we can do separately. I am sure this recession will be over soon...but, oh, how much we have learned in the down times. Praise be to our Lord who owns it all—anyway.

**North Carolina Missions Offering and Week of Prayer September 13-20, 2009**

**State Goal: \$2.1 Million...Where does it go?**

- 40% - North Carolina Baptist Men
- 26% - Church Planting and Evangelism
- 15% - Mission Camps
- 10% - Associational Projects
- 9% - Missions Education and Promotion

**Senior Salt Day at The Cove**  
**Billy Graham Training Center in Asheville, NC**  
**October 12th at 10:00 a.m.**  
**Cost: \$20.00 per person**

At 10:30 a.m. the evangelistic movie, *Road to Redemption* be shown to guests. *Road to Redemption* is a comedy about a grandfather and his troubled granddaughter in their cross country adventure in a Volkswagon Beetle, and an inspiring, life changing decision for Christ. After the movie there will be a time of sharing and personal application led by The Cove staff.

A delicious lunch buffet will follow the discussion and then there is time to enjoy the campus, bookstore and Billy Graham's interesting memorabilia and photographs.

This will be a lot of fun for the senior adults in your church. Call 828-298-2092 to register.



**Would You Like to be Pumped?**

The Pump House Fitness Center has a special rate for any church member of Carolina Baptist Association. The Pump House is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. A free tour can be arranged. Go by and talk to them, or call 828-698-9447. The Pump House is located on 602 Old Spartanburg Highway. Check out their web site: [www.pumphousefitnesscenter.com](http://www.pumphousefitnesscenter.com).

**50th Annual Western Area Conference for Broyhill Baptist Children's Home in Clyde, NC**  
**September 10, 2009**  
**4:00 p.m.—Cottage tours**  
**5:00 p.m.—Free BBQ supper**

After supper the program will feature children in care, the status of services in the western area, special music, "Friend of Children" award and an inspirational massage from the President, Dr. Michael C. Blackwell.

Please celebrate what God is doing through the Baptist Children's Homes in the ministry of "Helping Hurting Children...Healing Broken Families."

**Homosexuality: Grace and Truth**  
**"Bringing grace and truth together: Turning obstacles into opportunities, and controversy into compassionate ministry."**

**August 29, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM**  
**First Presbyterian Church, Hendersonville**

This is a Christian conference for church leaders and members sponsored by the Henderson County Ministerial Association & Truth Ministry.

**In this conference you will hear ...**

- Biblical, scientific, and practical insights.
- How truth and grace about homosexuality can unite families and churches.
- Why oversimplifications about this issue create problems rather than solve them.
- Wisdom for family members and friends who struggle.
- How to build church ministry that makes a difference.
- Insightful and stirring testimonies to bring teachings to life.

**Pre-registration: \$15.00, registration at the door: \$20.00.** Both include lunch and snacks. Make check payable to: **Truth Ministry Conference**, PO Box 12, Hendersonville, NC 28793. Mark your check: Grace & Truth Conference. Or, register online at [www.truthministry.org](http://www.truthministry.org).

For more information call 828-551-1068.



**North Carolina Missions Celebration**  
**Tuesday, August 25, 2009**  
**First Baptist Church, Swannanoa**  
**Meal at 6:00 p.m., program will follow meal**

Even through there is no charge for the meal, you will need to register by August 18th. You may email: [kmorgan@ncbaptist.org](mailto:kmorgan@ncbaptist.org) or call 1-800-395-5102, ext. 5613.

The program will have special emphasis on NC mission camps, national and international missions opportunities, medical/dental bus ministry, disaster relief response to Hurricane Ike, worship, testimonies and mission video.

The Essentials of Ministry Leadership taught by the Institute of Biblical Leadership  
 Seminar series hosted by the Carolina Baptist Association  
 September 9—November 18

**When:** Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m.—noon (see schedule below)  
**Who can attend:** ministry leaders (pastors, church staff, lay leaders, etc.)  
**Register now:** call 693-4274

the essentials of ministry leadership

a training ministry of the Institute of Biblical Leadership

**Starting September 9**

hosted by the **Carolina Baptist Association**

a **pastoral leadership seminar series** introducing the essential biblical leadership concepts and practices that ministry leaders must possess and utilize if they are to be the leaders God desires.

**practical, discussion-oriented training** regarding a leader's purpose, character, roles, and practices.

**during our time together...**

- ◆ Christ will be exalted as we open our hearts to His desires for us
- ◆ We will be encouraged and given hope in our walk with Christ as we lead God's people
- ◆ We will strengthen our relationship with our fellow laborers

so they will be called oaks of righteousness,  
 the planting of the Lord,  
 that He may be glorified.

Isaiah 61:3b



**Schedule**

Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. to noon  
 (Lunch served)

September 9	October 21
September 23	November 4
October 7	November 18

All sessions held at the Carolina Baptist Association Resource Center  
 601 Hebron Street, Hendersonville

**For more information:**  
 Call IBL at 828.628.3100 or visit [www.iblministry.org](http://www.iblministry.org).  
 Call Carolina Baptist Association at 828.693.4274 to register.

Dear Sandy and Fellow Pastors,

After hearing of the financial situation the Association has found themselves in recently, I began seeking God's wisdom on what we at Mountain Valley Baptist should do. During our monthly deacon's meeting, I shared my burden for the CBA and we felt we should bring this prayer need to our congregation. We presented the need to the congregation on July 19th and asked the church to pray for God's direction for a period of two weeks. At the end of the two week period, it was agreed that we would come back together as a body to share by way of anonymous ballot how much we felt God would have us as a church give, if any.

During our first Sunday morning discussion on July 19, one of our members said, "We need to do our part." This simple sentence made me wonder what "our part" meant. So, during the two weeks of prayer, I did a little research and found that according to the CBA's 2008 Annual, the proposed '09 budget was \$213,300. I also saw in the annual that there are 60 churches in our association. I did some simple math and found that if every member church supported an equal share of the budget, the yearly giving per church would only be \$3,555.00. That seemed like a very small amount to me, so I redid the calculations and arrived at the same figure. Unfortunately in my research I also found that 50 of the 60 member churches, including Mountain Valley, give less than this amount. My heart was convicted.

As agreed, our church met in special conference on August 2 to see how God was leading. I shared the information I had gathered with our congregation. We then took up the ballots and had the deacon's standing by to arrive at an average amount of all those submitted. There were many ballots collected; some were in favor of giving a little and some a lot. The average of all the amounts came to \$2,505.00. Adding that average to what we currently give monthly will, at the end of the year, result in support in the amount of \$3,555.00. God had given us His answer.

Our challenge to every other member church in the association is to prayerfully consider your support of this vital ministry in our county. Does God have something bigger in mind for your church in this matter as He does for ours?

Serving God's Kingdom together,  
 Pastor Shannon L. Owen  
 And the Congregation of Mountain Valley Baptist Church

### Mission Story Highlight "The Partnership Project"

Before you read any further, I have to warn you. This short article will not be nearly as informative or detailed as you or I would like for it to be. You see, I want to tell you about this fantastic trip we took in May, but I can't really tell you about it. If I tell you in very much detail at all it will put people at risk. You wouldn't want me to do that, would you? Anyway, if you really want to know about the trip, I will tell you about an upcoming opportunity further into the article.

On May 14<sup>th</sup> of this year six people from Fruitland Baptist Church made a trip to help some of our missionaries. They are working in a part of the world where they cannot be known as missionaries. Their work takes a lot of time and stretches them to be able to do all that they need to get done. We were there to help give them a break so that they could have some down time.

The experience was exhilarating. The native people were warm and accepting. Our missionaries have established such good relationships that it was very easy to follow in their footsteps. Learning about the people, their country and their culture was a life-changing experience. And, if this kind of thing is important to you, the food was great!

Getting to know our missionaries was an extra special treat, too. I had always admired and prayed for those people who give their lives in mission service, but this trip opened my eyes to the depth of their commitment to Christ. I have traveled on overseas mission trips before, but, for some reason, have never had the opportunity to work with any of our missionaries. On this trip we were privileged to work with several very talented people who are being used to make a difference in our world for Christ. You would not believe the abilities of these very heroic people. I am still amazed at their skill and how God has put them together to complement each other.

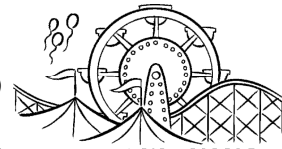
Now, for the information I promised you. If you would be interested in making such a trip next year, we are attempting to gather four groups who will travel to this same city and help give these missionaries a little bit of a break in their work. Each group should consist of about 6 people and will partner with our missionaries in February, May, September and December.

If you love the Lord, love people, and can speak English you could be used in great ways to minister on a trip like this. A meeting to give more information, and to determine the level of interest will be held at Fruitland Baptist Church on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. In the meantime, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me. I would be more than happy to discuss this trip with you in more detail . . . I just can't do that in print!

I expect to see at least 24 of you at Fruitland Baptist on September 8<sup>th</sup>. You will not regret learning of this mission opportunity!

Michael Smith (606-4631)  
Pastor of Fruitland Baptist Church

### WNC Mountain State Fair Ministry September 11-20, 2009



Now is the time to prepare for the ministry to the WNC State Fair. If you are making bracelets, making stuffed bears, going to sign up for: driving golf carts, the set-up and break down of tents, serving in the break tent, work with the ministry vans, work in the witnessing tents, etc., please do so very soon. For more information, call Buncombe Baptist Association at 828-252-1864, ext 306.

If you can't do any of the above but still want to be part of the ministry, you can always pray! Prayer Guides for the State Fair Ministry are in the CBA office.

### Fruitland Baptist Church Block Blast September 12, 2009 1:30 - 7:00 p.m.



**Everyone is invited for:**  
Games, music, live entertainment, petting zoo, face painting, cake walks, beach play area, dunking booth, snow cones, cotton candy, BBQ plate and much more!

**FREE, FREE, FREE  
Something for Everyone!**

### Independent Living Services

Independent Living assists eligible individuals with significant disabilities in obtaining service that:

- Provide an alternative to institutionalization, when possible.
- Improve functioning in one's family, home and community.
- Assist in preparing a person for a vocational rehabilitation program.

For more information call 828-670-3377.

### Carolina Baptist Association Semi-Annual Meeting Theme: *Jesus Loves the Little Children* October 20, 2009

**First Baptist Church, East Flat Rock**

**Afternoon Session: 4:00—5:30 p.m.**

**Dinner: 5:30**

**Evening Session: 7:00—9:00 p.m.**

#### Guest Speakers:

David Spray—House For Unwed Mothers  
Vicky Buckner—Foster Care Program  
Teenager from Broyhill Children's Home  
David Horton—Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute  
D.L. Lowrie - Message

### WMU News

**Operation Bandana Report**—On July 30, 2009, six people came to Carolina Baptist Association Resource Center to fold 330 bandanas, pray and write notes to our armed forces serving in Iraq and Afghanistan to let them know they are supported, appreciated and remembered.

These bandanas were sent to Camp LeJeune to equip our troops with a piece of God's armor (scripture from Psalm 91 printed on them) as a reminder of God's presence, power, peace and protection.



Churches that gave in 2008: Naples, Pacolet and Ebenezer gave \$1,488.25.

Churches that gave in 2009: Naples, FBC East Flat Rock, Mud Creek, Etowah, Fruitland and Mountain View gave \$1,164.00.

A grand total so far of \$2,652.25 has been collected for the purchase of bandana's that cost \$3.00 each; this money purchased 884 bandanas.

**Women's Prison Ministry**—This year Carolina Baptist Association is collecting deodorant for the Women's prison Christmas gifts. Only roll on or solid is accepted, **no** aerosol spray. Our goal is to collect **500**.

Please have the deodorant in the Carolina Baptist Association office by **October 15th**.

**Women's World Day of Prayer**—Monday, November 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Refuge Baptist Church's Family Life Center.

### Care Pillows

A New ministry of the Shield-a-Badge Prayer Team

The Prayer Team has started a new ministry to children who are in a traumatic situation. Care Pillows are being made with a scripture verse on the pillow case and toys are stuffed in the pillow for children to enjoy and bring a little comfort during a troubling time in their lives.

These pillows will be given to the police department, fire department and Emergency Medical Technicians to give to children as the need arises. We could use about 300-350 Care Pillows right now.

If you are interested in this project, here are ways you could help:

1. Donate small toys, books or small stuffed toys
2. Donate juvenile fabric
3. Donate small pillows (home made or store bought)
4. Help make pillow cases or pillows



If you can help with any of the above, please call the Carolina Baptist Association at 693-4274.

We have samples of the Care Pillows in the association office if you would like to see one.

### Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference *Refreshed* September 11-12, 2009 Ridgecrest

**Speakers:** Beth Evans, Mary Kassian, and Bobbye Rankin

**Music:** Cindy Johnson

**Rates** begin at \$112.00.

**To register** call Ridgecrest 1-800-588-7222.

**For more information** visit [www.ncbaptist.org/refreshed](http://www.ncbaptist.org/refreshed) or call 919-459-5513.

### Are you interested in becoming a Military Chaplain?

The Navy has some openings in their Chaplaincy program. If you have a 4 year degree and/or a masters degree from an accredited seminary and have an interest in becoming a chaplain, go to: [www.facebook.com/navychaplain](http://www.facebook.com/navychaplain) for application information.