

Carolina Baptist News

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Zion Hill

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As you journey through the Christmas Season—remember why Jesus took the journey from His birth to His death...because Jesus loves you!

*Merry Christmas from the staff of
Carolina Baptist Association*

Bethlehem Toy Store (WMU Toy Project)

I received such a blessing in doing this project this year. My heart is overflowing and God has again reminded me of the real meaning of Christmas this year. What a mighty God we serve, and I thank Him for allowing me to be a vessel for Him. Seeing these families and spending time with them was such a joy. I pray that God will continue to bless them throughout the year.

The Bethlehem Toy Store was a huge success. We had **4 professions of faith**, and others that know the Lord as their personal Savior but are not in church, we referred churches in the area. You provided **Christmas gifts to 48 families and 98 children!**

Thank you to the pastors who took time out of their very busy schedule to come and witness; Mikkell Benett (Pastor, Tuxedo First), Michael Smith (Pastor, Fruitland), Tracy Fletcher (Pastor, West Hendersonville), and Phillip King (Assistant Pastor, Living Water).

I also want to thank the Associational WMU Leadership team that came to help, Linda Bradley, Linda Leake, Betty Robinson, Valerie Fletcher, and Anne Beck. And thank you to Dr. Sandy Beck, Laurena (Helms) Turner, Wes & Ruth Brittan and Clara Clark for their help on Friday. Francis Heatherly brought lunch for us on Friday, thank you. Thank you to those that provided toys and money for the Bethlehem Toy Store. We couldn't have provided for these families without your generous donations.

Thank you to First Baptist Church, Hendersonville for providing baby food, juice and snacks for these families. Thank you to Linda Marie and Paula for all the help throughout the year, they are both true blessings for the WMU Associational Leadership Team.

May God Bless you and your family during this Christmas Season and again I want to say thank you so much to all that volunteered time, toys, money and most of all for your prayer support. None of this would be possible if not for you. We look forward to next year and hopefully being able to expand next year.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and remember Jesus is the reason for the season.

Annette Heatherly
Associational WMU Director

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

- Jan 6 Barker Heights—Eric Boone
Contemporary First—James Pea (Interim)
- Jan 13 Pacolet—Bruce Norville
Dana—Dan Blackwell
- Jan 20 FBC Mills River—Mike Willoughby
Fletcher First—Roy Waldroup
- Jan 27 FBC E Flat Rock—Thad Dowdle (Interim)
Main Street—Victor Rampey

Churches without Pastors

Asheville Korean, Bearwallow, Broad River,
Cedar Springs, Contemporary First, Crab Creek,
Ebenezer, FBC East Flat Rock,
FBC Hendersonville, and Pleasant Hill

Announcements

Key Board Player Needed—Balfour Baptist Church is currently seeking a volunteer key board player. Call Randy McClure at 692-8336.

Soccer League—Balfour Baptist Church is seeking a sister Baptist church to partner with them in their 2008 soccer league. Contact Randy McClure at 692-8336.

English as a Second Language

Are you interested in learning how to teach English to non English speaking people? Because you will be teaching English, you DO NOT need to know how to speak any other language.

First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, will have an ESL informational and exploratory meeting on **January 2, 2008 at 6:30 PM–7:30 PM** in the upstairs conference room. All are welcome to come, from people who do not have any experience whatsoever to those who are experienced in doing this kind of ministry. Please be praying about this opportunity and be talking it up among your circle of friends.

Please call Keith Thielke at 388-0846 if you have any questions.

Church News



Bat Cave - Thank You Pastor David MacEachern and church members; Jim Hyler, Greg Conner, Gary Broome, Matt Broome, Ronnie Lee and David Lee in organizing and helping to pour the ramp for the association garage for the trailers on December 10, 2008.

Contemporary First called Rev. James E. Pea as their interim pastor.

Feed and Seed has asked to be removed as a member of the Carolina Baptist Association on November 20, 2007.

Mount Olivet collected 31 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

OOPS! We unintentionally left off two churches that gave to the Women's Prison Project:

Refuge Baptist Church gave shampoo & money, **Main Street Baptist Church** gave money.

We appreciate all who help out in these projects.



Our Deepest Sympathy and Prayers go out to the family of Rev. Paul Chandler, pastor of Upward Baptist Church, in the death of his daughter, Susie L. Chandler. Susie went home to be with her Lord on December 11, 2007. Susie was 46 years old.

Disaster Relief Covered Dish Supper Thursday, January 21st, 7:00 PM Association Resource Center—Downstairs

The covered dish suppers are back! If you have ever been on a Disaster Relief trip, you will want to get together with those in our association who have also been on disaster trips for fellowship and sharing testimonies.

Mark your calendar for the scheduled dates in 2008: January 21, March 17, June 16, and Oct. 20.

New in the Media Library

Book

Tell The Story: A Primer on Chronological Bible Storying—designed, edited and written by Hayward Armstrong, is a helpful resource complete with a learning CD/DVD that correlates with the training book. If you want to evangelize through story telling, this is a great resource.

FREE Stuff!!!

If your church could use some furniture or standing games, or equipment please call 693-4274. Below are the list of items:

- 2 air hockey games
- table soccer (fuse ball)
- 2 book shelves
- 2 small library bookshelves on wheels
- literature stand (for library)
- overhead projector
- microwave
- copier
- baby crib
- cork bulletin board
- chalk board
- books

First come first serve, get them while they last!

Prayer Quote

“Prayer at its highest is a two-way conversation, and for me, the most important part is listening to God’s replies.”

~Frank C. Laubach

Scholarships Granted November 2007

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Amount Granted</u>	<u>People Assisted</u>
Camp	-	-
Mission Trips	\$600.00	3
Education—no funds available at this time		

How Southern Baptist Began

The oldest form of societies working together to further the gospel of Christ were the association of churches. Baptist associations originated three hundred years ago in 1707. The 1800’s would experience the formation of state conventions with South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, and Alabama being created in the 1820’s. The national convention of the Southern Baptist Convention was birthed on May 8, 1845 in Augusta, Georgia.



Sandy Sez

Baptists in the north and the south had served the Lord together for many years until the country began to experience the pain of what would later result in the civil war. “Brethren sometimes have to agree to disagree. Occasionally, when they find their disagreement hindering their work, they may agree to dissolve their union and pursue their endeavors separately. In such a spirit the parting of the way came to Baptists in America in 1845 when the Baptists of the South organized the Southern Baptist Convention.” The issue Baptist agreed to disagree over was “that slaveholders could not be sent as foreign missionaries.” There were other issues that divided the north and south Baptists, but this was the greatest one.

The first person to be elected as president of the Southern Baptist Convention was William B. Johnson, of South Carolina. Johnson had served as the president of the Triennial Convention earlier. The convention established both a Foreign Missions Board and a Board of Domestic Missions, which later was named the Home Missions Board. “Missionaries serving under the Triennial Convention were allowed to choose to affiliate with either the northern Baptists or the southern Baptists. J. Lewis Shuck and I. J Roberts both serving in China, chose to be Southern Baptists.” Missions have always been at the very heart of Southern Baptist and our convention. Even today our greatest focus is upon supporting the more than 5000 foreign and 5000 home missionaries on the field.

We support our foreign missionaries through giving to the Cooperative Program and a special offering taken each December called the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Duncan, Pope A. Our Baptist Story, Convention Press, Nashville, Tennessee: Pg. 39.

Missions and the SBC, published by the Missions division of the Baptist State of NC, Cary, NC; p.2. Ibid. p.3.

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Calendar of Events

Monday Minister Meetings:

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

January

- 1 New Year's Day—CBA office closed
- 10 WMU Leadership Team Meeting, 6:00 PM—CBA
- 12 Singles/Single Again Covered Dish, 5:00 PM—CBA
- 21 CBA Council, 9:00 AM—CBA
- 21 Disaster Relief Covered Dish Supper, 7:00 PM—CBA
- 22 CBA Executive Committee Meeting—7:00 PM—CBA
- 27 Baptist Men's Day in Churches

Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 22, 2008
7:00 PM at CBA (downstairs)

Birthday and Anniversaries

January

- 2 Greg and Deborah Mathis
- 3 Darrell and Bernice Rhodes
- 7 Paula Janes
- 12 Blair and Tina Stewart
- 15 Roy Waldroup
- 16 Victor Rampey
- 24 Sandy Daves
- 26 Tina McMillion
- 30 Deborah Mathis



**Loving God and My Neighbor
2008 NC Baptist Missions Conference
and Baptist Men's Convention
February 29—March 1, 2008
Calvary Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC**

**Featuring:
Anne Graham Lotz,
Mark Lowery,
Terry Rae and the Annie Moses Band**

There is a \$10.00 per person registration fee for the 2008 NC Missions Conference. This fee covers materials packet, name tag/entry badge for all sessions and Saturday lunch served by disaster relief. There is a \$7.00 per person fee for Friday's supper and another \$7.00 for Saturday's supper.

Pre-registration is required due to limited seating. Registration is due by February 8, 2008. You must make your own hotel reservation.

For more information and registration call (800) 395-5102, ext. 5613 or visit www.ncmissions.org.

Love
One Another

Back Pack Bunch

This is a program for children who do not have food over the weekends. The "Back Pack Bunch" has been providing food for children in area elementary schools on Fridays before they go home. This program is expanding to more and more schools.

Food Items Needed

Pop-top foods like: soup, pasta cups, pudding cups, tuna fish, turkey, chicken, Vienna sausages, crackers, peanut butter, prepackaged crackers, cereal, cereal bars, fresh fruits (apples, bananas), or any food that needs no preparation that a child can eat without any help.

For more information call
Sheila Hill at 697-0354 or
697-7713.



**VBS Expo
January 17, 2008
6:30—8:30 PM
First Baptist Church Hendersonville**

Everyone is welcome to come and preview the 2008 VBS materials. An overview of six different programs will be presented. For more information call Eagles Landing Christian Supply at 693-9400.

Statewide Operation In-As-Much April 19, 2008

On April 19, 2008, churches statewide are challenged to help meet needs in their community. The goal for North Carolina Operation Inasmuch is to take the gospel to all 1000 North Carolina counties. This one day missions blitz can spark spiritual renewal and a vision for missions in your church.

Does one day make a difference?

In one day:

1. Your family can plant a garden.
2. Your Sunday School class can build a wheelchair ramp.
3. Your youth group can lead a Backyard Bible Club.
4. YOU can change a life...forever!

How can I help?

Get creative in your outreach and be ready to share God's love with people you meet.

1. Install a family's first hot-water heater.
2. Make care packages for soldiers overseas.
3. Paint a porch.
4. Sort food at a food bank.
5. Offer quarters to someone at the Laundromat.
6. Prayer walk.
7. Serve lunch at a homeless shelter.
8. Sew lap blankets for nursing home patients.
9. Sponsor a blood drive.
10. Organize a neighborhood block party.

What do I do next?

Go to www.ncoperationinasmuch.org to register your church. Information will be sent to you. Or contact Gaylon Moss: 1-800-395-5102, ext. 5605.

IRS Announces 2008 Standard Mileage Rates:

The Internal Revenue Service issued the 2008 optional standard mileage rates used to calculate the deductible costs of operating an automobile for business, charitable, medical or moving purposes.

Beginning January 1, 2008, the standard mileage rates for the use of a car (including vans, pickup, or panel trucks) will be:

- 50.5 cents per mile for business miles driven (compares to 48.5 cents per mile for 2007).
- 19 cents per mile driven for medical or moving purposes (compares to 20 cents in 2007).
- 14 cents per mile driven in service of charitable organizations (same as 2007).

January is “*Make Your Will*” Month



Give Your Estate Twice—A charitable trust gives your estate to family and to Christian ministries.

Make Your Last Testimony your most lasting testimony.

Let Your Baptist Foundation Help You stretch your estate to cover family and missions.

Tithing Now and Tomorrow (TNT) has explosive potential!

Acknowledge His Lordship with a will that is Christ centered. “All things were created by Him, and for Him” Col 1:16.

Christian Money Management can make a difference.

Estate Plan: Last will and testament, durable power of attorney, healthcare power of attorney, and living will.

Make Your State Baptist Foundation your money management partner.

Call David Webb, our area Baptist Foundation

Outdoor Ministry Conference January 4-5th, 2008

**Southeastern Baptist Theological
Seminary campus, Wake Forest, NC**

Learn how to reach the 149 million American outdoorsmen, engage your men in ministry, and discover ministry resources.

Plenary Speakers

Matt McPherson, Archery Hall of Fame, holds numerous patents for his line of **Mathew’s Bows** and McPherson guitars, which are considered to be some of the finest brands in their respective categories.

Shaw Grigsby, Host of “One More Cast with Shaw Grigsby,” is ranked fourth on the all time money list of B.A.S.S. and one of four men to ever earn more than \$1,000,000 in prize money.

Pam Martin Wells, B.A.S.S. Professional, One of the leading money winners on the women’s professional circuit and a top contender on the B.A.S.S. circuit.

Robert Walker, Editor, *Sport’s Spectrum Magazine*. *Sport’s Spectrum* offers in-depth sports coverage with a Christian perspective.

There are also several workshop speakers from all kinds of men’s ministries.

For schedule and workshop descriptions, or to register, go to:

www.OutfittingDisciples.com

Link - Conference

or further information contact:

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**Registration - \$60
Church Planters - \$30**