

Carolina Baptist News

Churches and Missions

Agua Viva
Asheville Korean
Balfour
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Bat Cave
Bearwallow
Beulah
Bilingual Community
Bob's Creek
Brevard Road
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
Feed and Seed
Fletcher First
Focus Point
French Broad
Fruitland
Gethsemane
Hoopers Creek
Horse Shoe First
Jones Gap
Kings Grove
Liberty
Living Water
Locust Grove
Main Street
Middle Cross
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
Upward
Valley Hill
Wayside
West Hendersonville
Zion Hill

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Does your Church have a Church Video License?

The Church Video License covers:

- Public viewings in your church of all, or any portion, of a film from participating producers.
- Over 90 producers, including major studios.
- Thousands of movie titles.

What's the big deal?

Most of us fast-forward through or ignore that FBI warning at the beginning of videos and DVD's. Ever wonder what it actually says? The Federal Copyright Act of 1976 stipulates that pre-recorded DVD's and videocassettes are authorized for personal home use only. Special permission must be granted for any public performance and that includes churches. Violations can result in substantial fines, up to \$30,000 per infringement.

The Church Video License offers two package options. One is **Family Values Producer Package**, which covers videos focused on religious and family-based themes. The other is **Total Producer Package**, which includes all the producers from the Family Values Producer package along with many major studio producers. The cost is minimal. For more information call 1-888-771-2854 or log onto www.cvli.org (prices are online).

DO YOU LOVE SENIOR ADULTS?

We need a large house or a small warehouse to establish the **Carolina Senior Adult Day Care**. This new ministry needs a home!!! We can give a full tax write off.

Call Sandy Beck at 693-4274 if you have a place or know of a place for this day care.

**THE TASK AHEAD OF YOU,
IS NEVER AS GREAT
AS THE POWER BEHIND
YOU.**



BE STRONG IN THE LORD, AND IN HIS MIGHTY POWER.
EPHESIANS 6:10

**This Independence Day
remember to pray for the
safety of our troops.**

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

- July 1 Fruitland—Mike Smith
Mud Creek Miss.—Matthew Tollison, Sr.
- July 8 Middle Cross—Mike Searcy
Christ Covenant—Branton Burleson
- July 15 Gethsemane—Eric Hardman
Wayside—Jeff Tankersley
- July 22 Bilingual Congregation—Lincoln Shelton
Shaws Creek—William Carpenter, Jr.
- July 29 Locust Grove—Tim Worthington
FBC Tuxedo—Mike Bennett

Churches without Pastors

Balfour, Bearwallow, Cedar Springs,
Contemporary First, Ebenezer,
FBC Hendersonville, Mountain Home,
and Mountain Valley

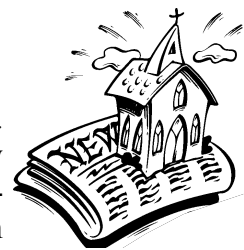
Announcements

Free Antique Piano—Refinished Upright Water-Autola piano, needs tuning. Call 891-2718.

Bi-vocational Children's and Youth Director Needed—Church is in Transylvania County, if interested, call Cheri Jones at 828-966-4043.

Warehouse Needed—NC Baptist Men is in need of a warehouse somewhere between I-95 and I-77 that is convenient to an interstate or major highway. If you or someone you know can help us with this need, please email Gaylon Moss at gmos@ncbaptist.org or call 800.395.5102x5605.

Church News



Asheville Korean—Called Rev. Joshua C. Rim as their new pastor. Rev. Rim began his ministry at Asheville Korean on May 27, 2007. He and his wife, Soon, came from Michigan.

Correction: It was advertised that La Comunidad changed their name to Congregation Bilingue when they incorporated as a church. The correct name is **Bilingual Community Church**.

Coming August 9th:

**Pastor's Luncheon for:
I Promise Marriage Seminar**
(Dr. Gary Smalley and Ted Cunningham)
Free Marriage Ministry Kit
Biltmore Baptist Church
Call 687-1111 for more information.

Coming in October:

**Intentionally Evangelistic
Church Strategy**
Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute
October 23-25, 2007

More information in future newsletters.

New in Our Media Library

Kits

Making Change: Transforming Your Money and Your Life by Ken Hemphill—Transform the way you use money as well as the way you think about money. This will help you manage your money and teach you to live without worrying about your possessions.

EKG (Empowering Kingdom Growth): The Heartbeat of God by Ken Hemphill—An interactive experience that explores God's Word about His Kingdom and helps you hear God's heartbeat, reaching people for Him.

Vacation Bible School

1. We are listing CBA churches VBS schedules on the CBA website. If you would like your church to be included, please give us the dates, time, VBS theme, location of VBS, and a contact number.
2. Please don't forget to bring your extra VBS materials and decorations to the association office when you have completed your VBS so that your sister churches can use them.
3. Please send in your VBS report. We like to include your statistics in the newsletter.

Mission Trip Opportunities

Alaska—The Carpenter’s Hands Ministry from Mud Creek will be going to Alaska the end of July and the first of August. If you would like to go, call Mike Nelson at 693-7342.

Important Changes

GuideStone Financial Resources

Trustees of Guidestone have made the following changes in qualifications:

Mission/Church Assistance Fund—financial assistance for churches with limited budgets. This fund offers an incentive for small congregations to take on the important responsibility of helping their minister prepare for retirement. Each church is limited to 60 months of assistance. To qualify, church must have any annual budget of less than \$75,000.

Financial Assistance to Minister—Guidestone will contribute \$50.00 per month over a 5 year period into a 403(b) retirement plan.

Contact Johnny Ross at 800-395-5102 or jross@ncbaptist.org.

Prayer Quote

The prayer power has never been tried to its full capacity...if we want to see mighty wonders of divine power and grace wrought in the place of weakness, failure and disappointment, let us answer God’s standing challenge, “Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not.”

~ J. Hudson Taylor

Scholarships Granted May 2007

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Amount Granted</u>	<u>People Assisted</u>
Camp	\$ 1,539.50	16
Mission Trips	\$ 500.00	3
Education—no funds available at this time		

The Value of Associations



I recently read of a blog and the topic was the value of the association. Of course, as Director of Missions, I was very interested in the statements from the participants. There were some who said that the association was not needed and some who said that the association was very meaningful. As I read I discovered that those who felt that the association was significant were serving in associations that were focused on assisting the local church in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Sandy Sez

This year we celebrate the 300th year of Baptist Associations in America. Since the founding of the Philadelphia Baptist Association in 1707, associations have existed to assist local churches. This purpose has sometimes been diminished due to other seemingly pressing priorities. However, today the effective associations focus their resources and staff on the purpose of assisting member churches.

The purpose of Carolina Baptist Association is to assist churches in working together to start, develop, and maintain healthy churches serving to accomplish God’s mission locally, nationally, and internationally. This is accomplished through three major priority areas.

Assisting churches in:

- Reaching lost people**—Encourage and assist churches in reaching people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a diverse and growing community, nation, and world.
- Being healthy and contextually relevant**—Encourage and assist churches in equipping members for spiritual growth and contextually relevant ministry in a diverse culture.
- Developing “on mission” leaders**—Encourage and assist church staff and lay leaders in being skilled, dynamic leaders focused on equipping and empowering members to be engaged in accomplishing God’s mission locally, nationally, and internationally.

The Carolina Baptist Association staff is committed to this purpose and these priorities. The staff and I look forward to assisting your church as it serves to accomplish the Great Commission in its context. We want to be your “first call for help.” It is a privilege to serve the churches of Carolina Baptist Association.

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Calendar of Events

Monday Minister Meetings:

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

July

- 4 Independence Day—CBA office closed
- 12 Association Prayer Team Meeting, 7:00 PM
- 13-14 Bivocational Ministers Conference—
Caraway
- 14 Singles/Single Again Covered Dish Supper,
5:00 PM—BRC
- 16 Association Council, 9:00 AM—BRC
- 24 Executive Committee, 7:00 PM—BRC

Birthday and Anniversaries

July

- 4 Sandy and Anne Beck
- 7 Lawrence Rhodes
- 9 Karen Bennett
- 10 Mike Bennett
- 14 Curtis and Levina Pace
- 20 Victor and Cindy Rampey
- 22 Joshua and Soon Rim
- 30 Kemuel and Melissa Pruitt
- 31 Jean Willoughby



God Bless America



Women's Conference
Sweet Fragrance
September 28-29
Fruitland Baptist Church
For tickets, call 693-4274

Competition Open for History Writing

Russell Willis, chair of the Historical Committee of the Baptist State Convention, has announced the 2007 History Writing Contest.

Willis said the committee will consider entries in three categories and that the competition is open to all North Carolina Baptists. Award recipients will be recognized at the Baptist State Convention annual session in November in Greensboro.

Award categories are:

1. Church Histories
2. Association, Agency, and Institution Histories
3. Biographies

Deadline for submitting entries is Aug. 1, 2007, and entries should have been published since August 2006.

Please mail all entries to: Norman Jameson, Public Relations & Resource Development, Baptist State Convention, PO Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512-1107.

Children's Choir Workshop

Mud Creek Baptist Church

Saturday, July 28, 2007

8:00 AM – 2:30 PM



Mud Creek Baptist Church is excited to host a regional "Back to Children's Choir" Workshop in partnership with the Music and Worship Team of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, LifeWay, and the Carolina Baptist Association.

This workshop will feature three clinicians, each with different expertise in the areas of Preschool and Children's Choirs. These clinicians are Martha Cogdill of Biltmore Baptist School of Music, Teresa Harland, LifeWay guest clinician, and Sharon Patterson, Children's Minister at First Baptist Church, Joplin, MO. Each clinician will present three different leadership sessions during this workshop, and will also come together for a roundtable discussion.

Registration for this event will be \$10.00, lunch is provided. Please make checks payable to Mud Creek Baptist Church. For more information and registration, please contact Jean at the Mud Creek Baptist Church Office (828) 692-1262.

The Baptist Association Celebrating 300 Years "The Future, 2007 and Beyond"

J.N Barnett stated, "The truth for the whole matter is just this. It is necessary to get in touch with a church to help it. The Baptist Association of Churches makes it possible to make a direct, sympathetic, and constant contact with every church."

Today we find the Baptist Association of Churches asking the age old question once again, "what role does the Baptist Association play today?" Is the role of the Baptist Association of Churches to be the promoter, conduit, institution, or resourcer of church vision? The association has played all of those roles at some point in the past. The question remains to be answered, what role does it play today?

It is my strong conviction, that the role the association is to play today is one of resourcing the unique vision of their churches. I respect and give honor to those who have gone before me who have had equally strong and valid convictions about the role the association was to play in their day.

In 1976 the Southern Baptist Convention approved the Missions Challenge Report which said, "The association should be broadened and strengthened as a missionary organization. It should understand that it is churches on mission for Christ. **It should not attempt to duplicate the churches; rather serve them as they carry on the work. It should not become a miniature state convention. It should not undertake an extensive institutional ministry.**"

The Baptist Association of Churches has had a very significant history and has evolved over time to constantly seek to assist the churches to fulfill the Commission given to them. The Baptist Association of Churches also has a bright and significant future as it relates to and resources the unique, God-given vision of its churches.

Join with me in praying for each Baptist Association as they seek the will and mind of God to assist their churches and live out the great heritage passed down over the past 300 years.



*Carolina Baptist Association:
A Family of Churches Since
1877 Working Together to
Reach Others for Christ.*

WHY A MISSION TRIP?

As "Great Commission" Christians we are commanded to "Go and make disciples." Whether that comes in the form of evangelizing those who haven't heard, ministering to those in need in the name of Jesus, or the encouraging or lifting up of fellow believers. We draw strength and mature spiritually as we work with others in faith, in the name of Jesus.

This is the time when we put our normal lives on hold and focus specifically on doing the work of the Lord. We have no other issues to deal with, no job or school, not appointments, no other social functions. Our sole task is the mission we are involved with. The members of the mission team have a wide variety of gifts and talents. As God chooses to work through us to accomplish the work of the Kingdom, we open ourselves to his leadership.

For those of us who have participated in many of these trips, we understand the inherent challenges that we face. Much of our planning and organization is based on past experiences. This is the 16th trip for our church, and even though each trip has been different, they are all filled with life changing experiences.

We have showered; in a kitchen, a tent, a baptistery, a church gym, the yacht club, and a trailer. We have served food from a garage. We have dined under a tent with flamingo lights and owl lights and no lights. We have slept in; a cemetery, between wall lockers, on air mattress without air, in a u-haul trailer, and in a church sanctuary. We have seen some of God's creatures close-up; skunks, snakes, rats, dogs and cats.

We have spent time in; grocery stores, gas stations, laundromats, emergency rooms, major league ball parks, amusement parks, and state parks. We have seen a trailer try to pass the vehicle that was pulling it. We have celebrated birthdays and anniversaries.

We have conducted; Vacation Bible Schools, Back Yard Bible Clubs, Youth Revival, Sports Camps, church surveys, and lead worship services. We have held Bible study in hay lofts and laundromats. We have done construction; new buildings, remodel/repair, poured concrete, roofed homes, dug ditches, and demolition. We have painted; houses, churches, barns, fences and each other in every color from white to "smurff" blue. We have seen teenagers learn; to use a tape measure, to use a chop saw, to finish concrete, and to nail shingles.

We have wondered if we were in a foreign country when we ask questions - "Do you have Duke's Mayonnaise, grits, brown & serve rolls, or sweet tea?" But perhaps the most famous question, "Hey bud, when's your donuts hot?"

We have seen much of this country from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean. The Mississippi River, the New River, and the Neuse River. We have seen the Gateway to the West, the Amish Country, cranberry bogs in Wisconsin, and two story chicken houses. We have seen our Nations Capital and paid tribute at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. We have seen God's power in nature from Nigeria Falls to the destruction in Gulfport, Mississippi, Fayetteville, West Virginia, and along the Neuse and Cape Fear Rivers of North Carolina.

We have worked with Director's of Missions, local church pastors, Disaster Recovery coordinators, North Carolina Baptist Men, a Methodist congregation, and West Virginia Housing Authority.

We have seen our teenagers become young adults and start their own families, our children become teenagers, and adults loose weight, gain weight, and hair turn gray or hair turn loose.

We have seen tears of joy in a congregations eyes as they stood in their newly framed sanctuary. We have seen the gleam of hope in an old black coal miner's eyes when we tried to salvage his sagging home. We have heard voices of gratitude and thanks from senior citizens that had work done on their homes.

We have seen the look of despair on a child's face as he looked through a garbage can for food. We have seen children who just wanted someone to hold them, and we have heard their voices of laughter, and cheer when someone played with them. We have seen some of our own come to know the Lord!

Why a Mission Trip? Because it is part of GOD's Purpose!

(Written by Timothy P. Jones, member of Fruitland Baptist Church.)