

## Calendar of Events

### Monday Minister Meetings:

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

### May

- 5 WMU Annual Meeting, 7:00 p.m.—Main Street Baptist Church
- 7 National Day of Prayer (see schedule inside)
- 10 Mother's Day
- 12 Association VBS Clinic, 6:45-8:30 p.m.—Ebenezer
- 13 Pastor's Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.—BRC
- 18 CBA Council, 9:00 a.m.— BRC
- 19-20 CBA Pastor's Retreat—Ridgecrest
- 25 Memorial Day—CBA office closed

### June

- 11 WMU Leadership Team Meeting, 6:00 p.m.—BRC
- 12-13 Region 9 Disaster Relief Training
- 15 CBA Council, 9:00 a.m.—BRC
- 21 Father's Day
- 23-24 Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting—Louisville, KY
- 26-28 Bivocational Ministers Conference



**For the July/August newsletter, articles must be received by July 8th.**

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

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### May

- 6 Ronnie Drake—Pleasant Hill  
Darrell Rhodes—Liberty
- 7 Phillip Capell—Kings Grove
- 9 Darlene George—Double Springs  
Craig and Susan Garren—Mountain Home
- 10 Yeon Kim—Asheville Korean
- 11 Tollie and Delores Cunningham—Horse Shoe 1st
- 12 Matthew and Jamie Williamson—Oak Forest
- 17 Tony Hall—Ebenezer
- 19 Brad and Mandy Knox—Crab Creek
- 20 Debra Pridmore—Valley Hill
- 21 Laura Henderson—Etowah
- 28 Tina Stewart—Zion Hill

### June

- 1 Ryan Pack—FBC Hendersonville
- 2 Mike Stewart—Living Water
- 3 Sandra Waldroup—Fletcher First
- 7 Richard and Beverly Merck—Naples
- 10 Paul and Betty Chandler—Upward
- 11 Tracy Fletcher—West Hendersonville
- 14 Brad Knox—Crab Creek
- 15 Brian and Laura Henderson—Etowah
- 19 Bernice Rhodes—Liberty
- 20 Ronnie and April Drake—Pleasant Hill
- 23 Melissa Pruitt—French Broad
- 24 Sandy Beck—CBA
- 25 Ryan and Heather Pack—FBC Hendersonville
- 26 Blair Stewart—Zion Hill  
Betty Landreth—Pleasant Grove
- 29 Eva Tollison—Mud Creek Missionary  
Roy and Sandra Waldroup—Fletcher First

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## Association Semi-Annual Meeting (Spring Session) Tuesday, April 28, 2009, 7:00 pm Living Water Baptist Church (located on 1284 Sugarloaf Road)

Message by Dr. Thad Dowdle

### Guest Speakers

**Brian Allen**—Brian's Homeless Ministry  
**Joe Nuckolls**—Christian Motorcyclists Association  
**Tom Huntley**—Assistant Manager at Ridgecrest  
**Dr. Thad Dowdle**—Professor at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute

**Business:** Below are the names of those who have agreed to serve the following association positions:

<b>Mark Hunnicut</b> —Moderator	<b>Patricia Myrto</b> —Treasurer
<b>Mike Smith</b> —Vice Moderator	<b>Linda Marie Phillips</b> —Historian
<b>Jim Hyler</b> —Missions Ministry	<b>Tom Cooper</b> —Trustee
<b>Chris Hefner</b> —Church Development	??? — Clerk (Please help us find a volunteer Association Clerk)
<b>Mike Willoughby</b> —Pastor's Council	



## Association VBS Clinic "Boomerang Express" Tuesday, May 12th at 6:45—8:30 p.m. Ebenezer Baptist Church

**Training Classes for:** VBS directors, preschool and children teachers, crafts, recreation and snacks. This is a **FREE** event. Come and bring all of your VBS workers.

Join in, Mates! As you hop on board *Boomerang Express*, you'll get a glimpse of the amazing scenery and unique country of Australia. Along the way you will visit the Opera House, Missions Harbor, Crafts Crossing, Recreation Rock, and the G'Day Café!

Did you know?...Over 88,000 kidaroos accepted Christ as their Savior in 2007 VBS!...About 26% of baptisms are the result of VBS...More people have come to know Jesus through VBS than any other single outreach event. If you haven't been involved in VBS in a while, or you're a newcomer, or maybe you have taught VBS for years, come join in the *Boomerang Express*!

### 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

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

- May 3 Mount Moriah—Bryan Melton  
Naples—Richard Merck
- May 10 Valley Hill—Danny Pridmore  
Refuge—Alvin Melton, Jr.
- May 17 FBC Hendersonville—Ryan Pack  
French Broad—Kemuel Pruitt
- May 24 Bat Cave—David MacEachern  
Mount Olivet—John Saunders
- May 31 Straightway—Chris Pace  
Jones Gap—Curtis Pace
- June 7 Pleasant Grove—Bill Landreth  
Upward—Paul Chandler
- June 14 Bearwallow—no pastor  
Zion Hill—Blair Stewart
- June 21 Crossroads—Eddie Conard  
Balfour—Travis Harrison
- June 28 Double Springs—Joe George  
Hoopers Creek—Lawrence Rhodes

**Churches without Pastors**

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

**Announcements**

**Association Help**—The pleas for help in our last newsletter were answered by various churches. We are **so thankful** to everyone who helped. We do, however, have one more volunteer job need; we need to have gutter guards installed on the garage. The association will pay for the materials. Please call 693-4274 if you can help with this project.

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

**Pianist Needed** to start service at Carolina Assisted Living each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Please call Patrick Ballard at 685-1070.

**VBS Mission Speaker**—Baptist Children's Homes are offering a mission speakers to come to your VBS day or night. Children in your VBS can learn how to help other children who are less fortunate. Call Christy McCrosky at 1-800-476-3669 ext. 1209 to schedule a convenient date.

**Wurlitzer Electric Organ**—will donate to a church, group, or individual. It is in good condition. Call Patricia Settle at 891-8364 or e-mail to: pmsettle@bellsouth.net.

**Church News**



**Christ Covenant** has moved from the storefront at 420 Kanuga to 2065 North Main St. They also changed their name to Christ Covenant Community Church (they are still a Southern Baptist church). They also have a counseling ministry.

**FBC East Flat Rock** will celebrate their 100 year anniversary in September, 2009. They are in the process of taking orders for a walkway made of bricks with engraved names in honor or in memory of their church members. If you are interested in purchasing a brick, please contact the church office at 692-0765. Order by May 31st.

**Fruitland** is going to Baltimore, Maryland from July 3 - 11, 2009 for their summer mission trip. If anyone would like to join them on this trip, please call the church office at 685-8990 for more information. If you have questions or concerns, you can also call Pastor Michael Smith at 606-4631.

**Liberty** celebrated their 161st church anniversary on March 22, 2009 and celebrated 25 years of ministry with their pastor, Rev. O. D. Rhodes.

**Mountain View** came to do some work for the Association. See: Thank You!

**Refuge**—Rev. Alvin Melton wants to thank all the churches that prayed for his wife, Vicky. She is recovering from surgery and is doing well.

**THANK YOU!**  
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**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to **Boyce, Roy and Juanita Brogden**. They came to the Carolina Baptist Association on February 20th to fix some plumbing and electrical problems we have been having in the building.

Thank you to the **youth of Mountain View Missionary Baptist Church**. They came to the Carolina Baptist Association on March 21st and washed the windows, cleaned out the garage, and cleaned out the gutters on the garage.

**Account Balances**

1st Quarter 2009

- (A) Operating Fund
1. General Fund Checking\* \$ (863.39)
- (B) Designated Fund
2. Designated Checking \$ 20,871.12
  3. Designated Money Market\* \$ 7,110.78
  4. Designated CD\* \$ 40,000.00
  5. NCBF Endowment (2/28)\*\* \$269,885.10
  6. Zeke Crawford Endowment (2/28)\$ 4,327.00

\*\$ 9,609.64 of General Fund is in the money market/CD

\*\* This fund is an investment from the sale of Camp Bearwallow. Interest income from this account is used for camp and mission scholarships.

(A) Funds from churches available for all operating expenses as set forth in the annual budget.

(B) Designated funds received for specific purposes only.

RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES	
January—March 2009	January—March 2008
\$38,770.06	\$46,527.44

*Note: Please contact the Association office if you are interested in a detailed financial report.*



**Mother's Day Offering**  
**Week of Prayer ~ May 3-10**  
*Touching Lives with Hope*

**Scholarships Granted**  
**February and March 2009**

Scholarship	Amount Granted	People Assisted
Camp	\$3,334.00	25
Mission Trips	\$ 200.00	1

**Are We Missing Out?**  
(First in Series)



We are missing out on some of the greatest blessings of being Southern Baptists, North Carolina Baptists, and Carolina Baptists. Two of these involve our children.

**Sandy Sez**

One of the greatest things we can do for our children is to teach them to both learn the Bible and memorize it. Every year we are involved with the statewide Association Youth and Children's Bible Drill and Youth Speakers Tournament. Every year we have only 2 or 3 churches competing in the Association Bible Drill and speakers tournament. We always send children and youth to the state competition.

Most of our churches are missing out on the spiritual growth and great fellowship that comes from this ministry. Start now. Prepare now for the 2010 Bible Drill and Tournament. You have almost a year. Mike Smith of Fruitland and David MacEachern of Bat Cave have trained leaders in their churches who would be glad to share their knowledge with you.

The second event is a mission and evangelism ministry. The RA Racers is a wonderful ministry that encourage communication and fellowship between men and boys, especially fathers and sons. The racer kit and instructions are ordered by your RA leader from the state or national men's ministry. Each boy with the help of his father and/or man of the church carves a wooden racer. On "Race Day" in the local church the boys workmanship is rewarded and they race each car down an inclined track. This can be developed to even become an associational "race off."

In my last church this became a large outreach. Unchurched and unsaved boys got involved in making and racing the cars. "Race day" gets the pastor involved in an evangelistic devotional. Unchurched parents meet the parents of the churched kids. We saw evangelistic church growth, baptisms, and Sunday School growth.

I would love to help our churches start these two programs. In the coming year, I will feature ministries that we should be doing but are missing out on. Don't forget, we are your resource center.



## Association Budget Cuts

It is with heart filled gratitude and expectation that we write to you today. Gratitude for your faithful labor in the ministry and mission of our Lord Jesus Christ over the years, as well as, a confident expectation that you'll be found faithful in the work that remains for the glory of God!

We feel led to inform you, the Carolina Baptist Association churches, of our current situation. Due to shortage in receipts in recent months from associational churches, we have already been faced with cutbacks in personnel expenses with possibly more in the near future. Priority one and two have already been placed into action.

We're asking that each pastor, along with the church's leadership, pray about making the continued ministries and missions of the Carolina Baptist Association a priority in these days of hardship. We know the proven benefit that working together with a cooperative spirit has had since 1877! Let's pray, then step up to the plate and continue financially supporting God's work in these days of great opportunity that we're living in!

In Christ's Service,  
*George Cagle*  
 Chair, Finance Committee

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Probable Budget Cuts</u>
<b>1 Missions</b>	<b>\$ 900.00</b>
<b>1 Church Development</b>	<b>\$ 3,250.00</b>
<b>1 Administrative Expenses (Janitorial, Equipment, Maintenance, etc.)</b>	<b>\$ 6,250.00</b>
We have looked into all administrative expenses and cut back where we can. We have already cut back on utilities, telephone, office supplies and postage. We will look into office equipment maintenance and equipment leases next.	
<b>2 Pension Plans</b>	<b>\$ 854.00 10%</b>
<b>2 DOM Benefits (Conferences &amp; Mileage Expenses)</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>
<b>2 Other Personnel Expenses (Bonuses &amp; Conferences)</b>	<b>\$ 2,978.00</b>
<b>3 Medical and Life Insurance</b>	<b>\$ 1,453.00 10%</b>
If (and only if) we may need to cut this 10%. We may need to change this to a 50/50 cost share.	
<b>4 Salaries</b>	<b>\$ 8,705.00 10%</b>
If (and only if) we either cannot cut enough or churches are unable to give enough, we may need to consider a 10% salary decrease.	
<b>5</b>	If this does not balance the budget we will have to consider cutting back hours---possibly even layoffs.

We will evaluate our income and expenses month-to-month and cut out from or add into the budget as needed to keep a balanced budget.

### Youth lock-in *Soul Train at Fun Depot in Asheville* **June 19, 2009, 11:30 p.m.-2:30 a.m.**

\$10.00 per person (pastor plays free), 3 hours of unlimited play for youth with Gospel presentation. Space is limited to first 300 students. To register call Roy by June 11th at 828-779-4386 or email roy@ashevillefundepot.com.

### CampusLife presents **Seventh Day Slumber** in concert with special guest **Bloodline**

Saturday, April 25, 2009  
 7:00 p.m.

West Henderson High School

### **FREE Concert!**

For more information call 828-388-4790

Web: [seventhdayslumber.com](http://seventhdayslumber.com)



### Reach-up Tour Report

We had over 500 in attendance and **25 professions of faith** at the final Reach Up Tour event!!

Go God! Thanks to all those who helped organize this and all the volunteers (even late on Sunday night) – God provided through it all!!! I pray we will see many results – just knowing over 300 were trained in how to pray their friends to Christ at the first meeting – and over 200 were trained in how to share their faith at the second meeting!!

Sabrina Lynch  
 Youth Director  
 Living Water Baptist Church

Ebenezer and Fruitland Baptist Churches  
 Present

### **Mike Speck in Concert**

**Sunday, April 26, 2009**

**6:00 p.m.**

at

**Fruitland Baptist Church**

All are Welcome!

A combined choir will rehearse at  
 4:00 p.m. before the concert.



### 3rd Annual Barbecue Cook Off

**“Burnt Offerings”  
 Mud Creek Baptist  
 Church**

**May 16th—Set-up**

**May 17th—Judging and Awards**

Smoke is rising and the smell of barbecue is in the air! Everyone is invited to come and put your barbecue to the test as you compete and fellowship with other teams from around the area. Categories are pork butt or shoulder, pork ribs and chicken. You can choose to enter one, two or all three categories.

There's a dessert competition too! Trophies and prizes will be awarded in all categories. You can find cook off information, rules and entry forms at [www.mudcreekchurch.org/bbq](http://www.mudcreekchurch.org/bbq) or call Tammy Shook at 698-9704 or 674-7440.

### Small Church Leadership Conference May 22-23, 2009

**Lewisville Baptist Church, Lewisville, NC**

The registration fee is \$25.00. You can register online at <http://sbcsmallchurch.com/registration>, call 1-336-946-2603, or mail a check for \$25.00 made out to "It's All About Jesus Ministries" to:

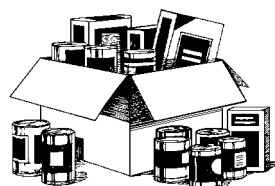
North Carolina Small Church Baptist Conference,  
 920 Laurel Creek Ln., Lewisville, NC 27023

**National Day of Prayer Events  
Thursday, May 7, 2009**

**Noon:** Old Courthouse in Hendersonville. In the event of bad weather, meet at Main Street Baptist Church.

**Evening events at various places at 7:00 p.m.:**

- Bat Cave Baptist Church
- Covenant Presbyterian Church
- East Flat Rock United Methodist Church
- Ebenezer Baptist Church
- Etowah Baptist Church
- First Alliance Church
- Fletcher First Baptist Church
- Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute
- First Baptist Church, Hendersonville
- Pinecrest Presbyterian Church



**Food Round Up for Baptist Children's Homes**

**Collection Deadline: April 21st**

Please bring non-perishable foods and supply products (cleaning supplies, paper products, etc.) to the Baptist Resource Center (lower level) by April 21st. The Resource Center is open M-Th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The collection will be taken to Broyhill Children's Home in Clyde, N.C.

**Letter Carrier Food Drive  
Saturday, May 9th  
Henderson County**

The **Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive** on May 9th is the day to place a bag of non-perishable foods by your mail box. Your letter carrier will pick it up and bring it to the Post Office Annex where dozens of volunteers will be sorting and boxing the food all day long. One third collected will go to IAM, one third to the Salvation Army and one third to MANNA Food Bank.



YES! We now have a copy of **Fireproof** (the movie) in the association library. Check it out and enjoy watching it with your spouse in the comfort of your own home.

In addition to the movie, the association library has: *The Love Dare* (a 40 day marriage devotional), the book *Fireproof Your Life: Building a Faith that Survives the Flames*, and the kit *Fireproof Your Marriage* (a six session group study). Check these out!



**STJ's Inflation Station  
Grand Opening!**

Hendersonville's premier indoor party zone and inflatable center cater to: preschool, children's ministry, middle school ministry, lock-ins, VBS opening kickoff or closing event, church picnics and more. **There is a 10% discount for all church events!**

Call today: 696-0674. All of their staff have undergone background checks.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Every dollar of every gift to the Mother's Day Offering helps people in financial need to pay their hospital bills at NC



Baptist Hospital in the name of Jesus Christ and His love.

*Touching Lives with Hope*

**Church Building Planning Conference  
FBC Statesville**

**April 23, 2009**

**Keynote Speaker: Mark Proctor  
(LifeWay Architect)**

If your church is considering a building or renovation project then you need to be at this conference. Testimonials from a multitude of churches over the years have confirmed that this conference saved them money, time, and heartache. It's well worth the \$25 which includes a \$20 book, lunch, plus all of the conference information and resources. PLUS, you get to talk with about 40 vendors and visit their display booths. These include architects, contractors, furniture vendors, financial services, and much more.

If you have any questions, call Phil Stone at 800-395-5102 ext. 5643. To register on line go to site <http://buildingplanning.ncbaptist.org>, under Events, click on Church Building Conference then click on Register.

If your church is building, you'll be glad you came.

**Discipleship Making Conference  
July 13-17, 2009 at Ridgecrest**

**Keynote Speaker:** David Platt  
**Worship/Praise Leader:** Carl Setterlind

For more information and registration call Ridgecrest at 800-588-7222. Online: [www.lifeway.com/dmc](http://www.lifeway.com/dmc).

**Billy Graham Training Center at The Cove  
2009 Leadership Training Opportunities:**

**May 17-18, 2009**—Leadership Forum: The Lost Art of Lasting Leadership (with Howard Hendricks and Mark Yarbrough).

**August 4-5, 2009**—Church Staff Retreat: Maintaining Ministry as a Team (with Jim Henry and Bob Russell).

**October 22, 2009**—Pastors' Institute: Let My People Grow—Spiritual Formation in the Microwave Age (with Ken Boa).

**October 28-29, 2009**—Leadership Forum: Learning to Lead Like the King (with Steve Brown).

For more details or to register for any of these events, visit: [billygraham.org/TheCove](http://billygraham.org/TheCove) or call 1-800-950-2092.

**WMU Annual Meeting  
Tuesday, May 5, 2009, 7:00 p.m.  
Main Street Baptist Church  
"The Word is Coming to Us"**

**Women of Hope**

South America Vision Trip  
June 4-16, 2009

- **Convene in Lima, Peru**
- **Groups travel to Chile, Colombia, Peru or Argentina/Uruguay**
- **Work with IMB Missionaries**
- **See God's vision for what YOU and YOUR CHURCH can do to engage the UNREACHED PEOPLE GROUPS of South America.**

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**Annual North Carolina Baptist  
Minister's Wives Retreat  
"Daughters of the King"  
July 20-22, 2009 at Caraway**

**Cost:** \$135.00 pp double occupancy (2 nights).

**Bible Study Leader:** Mrs. Doris Brooks

**Praise and Worship Leader:** Mrs. Loris Cole

**Registration** deadline April 24th. Make checks payable to NCBMW. Mail to: Janis Baker, PO Box 554, Indian Trail, NC 28079.

**Information:** Call Jo Ann Walton at 800-395-5102 ext. 5657.