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Churches and Missions

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Etowah
FBC East Flat Rock
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FBC Mills River
FBC Saluda
FBC Tryon
FBC Tuxedo
Fletcher First
French Broad
Fruitland
Gethsemane
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Horse Shoe First
Jones Gap
Kings Grove
Liberty
Living Water
Locust Grove
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Mount Gilead
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Mountain Page
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Mud Creek Missionary
Naples
Oak Forest
Pacolet
Pleasant Grove
Pleasant Hill
Refuge
Shaws Creek
Straightway
Upward
Valley Hill
Wayside
West Hendersonville
Zion Hill

Calendar of Events

Monday Minister Meetings:

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

September

- 1 Labor Day—CBA office closed
- 3-14 State Fair Ministry (fair is September 5-14)
- 4 Area Annual Conference—Broyhill Baptist Children's Home, Clyde
- 7-14 North Carolina Missions Offering
- 10 Pastor's Luncheon, 11:30—BRC
- 11 WMU Leadership Team Meeting, 6:00 PM—BRC
- 12-13 Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference—Ridgecrest
- 15 CBA Council, 9:00 AM—BRC
- 24 See You at the Pole, student led prayer for the schools
- 26-27 Association Women's Conference, *Heart of a Women*—Fruitland Baptist Church (see front cover for more details)
- 30 Pastor's Prayer Conference, 9:00 AM—BRC

Birthday and Anniversaries

September

- 6 Mike Smith
- 10 Lincoln and Denna Shelton
- 12 Susan Garren
- 18 David and Marline MacEachern
- 20 Mike and Debbie Stewart
- 26 Jaime Williamson
Allen Sherwood
- 30 Linda Marie Phillips



Important Notice

Due to bi-monthly publications starting in October for the Nov/Dec newsletter, articles must be received by October 8th.

Women's Conference—*Heart of a Woman* September 26-27 Fruitland Baptist Church

Friday Evening

- 6:00—7:45 PM Praise and Worship
- 8:00—9:00 PM Breakout session #1 (your choice)

Saturday Morning

- 8:00 AM Breakfast (coffee and doughnuts) in fellowship hall
- 8:30—9:30 AM Breakout session #2 (your choice)
- 9:45—10:00 AM Breakout session #3 (your choice)
- 11:00 AM—12:30 PM Praise and Worship
- 12:30 PM Lunch (box lunch in fellowship hall)

**Ticket cost: \$20.00 earlybird,
\$25.00 after September 8th**

Call 693-4274 for more information.



Association Budget Changes

Due to the economy, the association is making several changes to be better stewards of our financial status.

Office closed on Fridays—Beginning October 3rd, 2008 the office will be closed on Fridays. Anyone that needs to pick up equipment or trailers will need to get them on Thursdays.

Newsletters—The Carolina Baptist Association newsletter will be printed every other month. This will begin in October for the November/December newsletter. Anyone who would like an article in the newsletter will need to get information in 8–10 weeks before the event.

Copies—We are raising the cost of copies.

Fax machine—We have taken our fax line off the phone bill. If you need to send us something fast, you will need to send it by email.

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

- Sept 7 Christ Covenant—Branton Burleson
Gethsemane—Eric Hardman
- Sept 14 Wayside—Jeff Tankersley
Bilingual Community—Lincoln Shelton
- Sept 21 Shaws Creek—William Carpenter, Jr.
Locust Grove—Tim Worthington
- Sept 28 FBC Tuxedo—Mike Bennett
Mountain Page—Tim Metcalf

Churches without Pastors

Agua Viva, Asheville Korean, Cedar Springs, Horse Shoe First, Middle Fork, Mount Gilead and FBC Tryon



September 24th
Student led prayer
for area schools.

Announcements

Attention All Youth!! Balfour Baptist Church, Living Water and Naples Baptist Church are sponsoring a youth program, Teens-N-Touch (youth coffee house) September 5th, from 9:00 PM -12:00 AM at the Balfour Baptist Church fellowship hall. Come for music, drama, games and food. Ages middle school through 12th grade. For more info call 828-692-8336.

Carolina McGee Senior Adults - Seth Smith resigned his position as the team leader of the senior adults. There will be no more meetings until they get a new leader. If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please contact the association office.

HUGE Indoor Rummage Sale—Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 4th from 8 AM - 12 PM at Living Water Baptist Church. All proceeds will go to support an upcoming mission trip to Honduras. The goal this year is to provide 6,000 Christmas shoe boxes for needy children. If you have items that you would like to donate, please contact Brandy Horton at 828-691-8827 to arrange a time and location for donations.

Church News



Balfour is celebrating Kid's Day on August 24th, with evangelistic mime, comedian and magician, Dan Wolfe at the 10:30 AM service. After the morning service is the Awana Fun Fair and kickoff. Their Awana program begins September 7th, from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.

Cedar Springs will have a Shaped Note Singing School August 24-28, 2008. See details on insert.

Ebenezer called Rev. Tony Hall on July 27th as Pastor. Tony will begin his ministry at Ebenezer on August 24th. Tony, his wife, Laura, and their three daughters are coming from Calhoun, GA.

Etowah had a river baptism service on Sunday, August 3. 22 people were baptized in Mills River.

Gethsemane—Pastor Eric Hardman fixed the Association Concession Trailer's outside electrical outlet to be much safer, and did some repairs to the inside electrical as well. Thank you!

Horse Shoe First will celebrate their 120th anniversary on September 14, 2008.

FBC Saluda called Anthony (Tony) Reese as Associate Pastor. He will begin his ministry on August 24. Tony is currently a student at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute. He is married to Merle and has two children, Anthony Jr. and Alexis.

Straightway was voted into the Carolina Baptist Association as watch care members on July 22, 2008 at the Executive Committee meeting. They will be eligible for full membership in July 2009. Their pastor is Rev. Chris Pace.

Naples has a firewood ministry during the colder months for those in need. This year they started a vegetable garden ministry to those who need a little extra help. Both of these ministries have been a big success.

Ride the West
for Baptist Children's Homes

Lewis Smith of Baptist Children's Homes rode in on his bike at 11:30 AM on August 5, 2008 at the Carolina Baptist Association. Lewis is riding his bike to all the Western NC Associations to raise \$50,000.00 for Baptist Children's Homes in Western NC. He is very close to reaching the goal.

If you would like to make a contribution, please write checks to Carolina Baptist Association and mark it for: Ride the West for BCH.

The pictures below are of Lewis after he arrived at CBA on his bike on August 5th. Sherry, his wife, drove behind him all the way.



After Lewis arrived in Hendersonville, he spoke at three of our churches, on Tuesday at Mud Creek (Day Camp), on Wednesday at Fruitland (VBS) and First Baptist Hendersonville (Wednesday evening service).

Lewis will end his ride at the Annual Western Area Conference where he will present the check.

Annual Western Area Conference
Broyhill Children's Home, Clyde, NC
Thursday, September 4, 2008

Schedule

- 4:00 PM—Cottage tours
- 5:00 PM—BBQ supper
- 6:15 PM—Program featuring the children

in care, the status of services, special music, "Friend of Children" award, and message by President Michael C. Blackwell.

All are welcome to come.

Scholarships Granted
July 2008

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Amount Granted</u>	<u>People Assisted</u>
Camp	\$1,049.00	8
Mission Trips	\$1,366.67	8

Pastors Luncheon

On Wednesday, September 10th, at 11:30 AM we will be starting our pastors luncheon. We will meet every month on the second Wednesday of each month from September through May at **no cost** to the pastor. We will have a contemporary book review and a presentation of a contemporary topic. There will also be a light lunch, time of fellowship, and a free flow of ideas.



Sandy Sez

Our first meeting will include a short book review by Kemuel Pruitt. Brother Mike Stewart will bring a testimony on dealing with homosexuality. You do not have to register to come but it will help a great deal in planning meals if you will call the office and tell us you are coming and how many you are bring with you.

Please mark this on your calendar and don't miss this new event! We will keep it to 1—1 1/2 hours of cutting edge information.

Budget Changes

I recently went to a statewide director of missions meeting. The economy was a major topic of discussion. Some of our sister associations have had to cut back staff positions, cut hours, cut services and ministries.

We are not in the same financial position as many other associations. To make sure we are good stewards of God's blessings we need to become proactive in our approach to the budget. We are planning on the following changes:

1. Go to a 4 day work week. Linda Marie will work Friday morning from her home.
2. Publish a bi-monthly newsletter. This will mean getting information to our office 6 to 8 weeks in advance.
3. Relinquish our fax line and communicate by email and telephone. The fax machine is seldom used anymore—almost all non telephone communication is already done by email.
4. We are also re-examining all maintenance contracts and non-essential services.

These changes will take effect on October 1st. If we time ourselves efficiently no church should be lacking in services. Trailers will have to be picked up no later than Thursdays as well and projectors, equipment and media center material.

Sandy Beck

Church VBS Reports

<u>Church</u>	<u>Total Enrolled</u>	<u>Decisions</u>
Crab Creek	127	10
Gethsemane	105	2
Hoopers Creek	133	-
Refuge	104	10
West Hendersonville	76	-

Skilled Construction Workers Needed

NC Baptist Men and Caraway Conference Center and Camp are joining forces to construct a new staff residence on Caraway property. This house must be constructed during a small window of time. We are seeking skilled construction volunteers; however we can only accommodate 15 at a time. (There is limited housing available for female volunteers).

The projected work and skills needed are listed below; however this may be adjusted depending on volunteers and weather. Meals and lodging will be provided. Please pray about your involvement with this project. Contact Jimmy Huffman if you are interested in volunteering at 336-629-2374 or jhuffman@caraway.org.

- August 4-9** Dig Basement and footing, pour footing, begin laying block
- August 11-16** Lay block for basement
- August 18-23** Set floor joist, stand walls, set trusses
- August 25-30** Frame walls, dry in, start hanging sheet rock
- Sept. 1-6** Sheetrock, windows
- Sept. 8-13** Trim, Paint, set bathrooms,
- Sept. 15-20** Carpet, landscape
- Sept. 22-27** Move in

Contact information: Call Gaylon Moss (NC Baptist Men) at 1-800-395-5102 extension 5605 or email: gmoss@ncbaptist.org.

Pastor's Prayer Conference
Carolina Baptist Association
Saturday, August 23
and/or
Tuesday, September 30
9:00 AM—1:00 PM
Special Speaker Dr. Chris Schofield
(light lunch included)

This is open to anyone who would like to pray for the pastors in Carolina Baptist Association. In order to be sure that we have enough food prepared, please call the association (693-4274) or email (carolinabaptist@mchsi.com) and let us know how many are coming.

Update on the New IRS Retirement Plan Regulations for Churches

Buncombe Association Office
Monday, September 22
10:00—11:30 AM

Conference Leaders:
Don McLeod, CFP
Johnny Ross

To register call Betty Pleasant at 800-395-5102 ext. 5595



Shaped Note Singing School

August 24-28
Cedar Spring Baptist Church

Cedar Springs Baptist Church, under the direction of Singing School leader Rev. David Armistead, will be sponsoring an old fashioned shaped note singing school. The school begins Sunday night, August 24 from 6:00—8:00 PM. Monday through Thursday nights will begin at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome, no reservations are necessary.

Western Prayer Retreat

For Pastor's and Staff
August 25-26

Ridgecrest Conference Center
Cost: \$75.00 (lodging and program fee)*
Speakers: Roy Fish, John Franklin,
and Chris Schofield
Worship by Josh Fowler
Registration: Call 800-588-7222

* Registration costs based on double occupancy. Please visit www.PrayNC.org for more information, commuter fees, registration and single room occupancy rates.

Choose Weight Loss for Wellness

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)
Beginning Saturday, September 6, 2008
2:00—5:00 PM
Balfour Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

Change old habits and change your life:
Weight loss for success
On-going support and encouragement
Sensible eating plans
Expert advice
Real results

The first meeting is FREE with no obligation to join. For more information visit online: www.tops.org or call Eva at 693-5244 or Emily at 692-8954.



Fireproof—The Movie

Never Leave Your Partner Behind
(From the makers of *Facing the Giants*)

A fire fighter (Kurt Cameron) saves the lives of strangers on a regular basis, but he is letting his marriage “burn to the ground.” He attempts to restore the marriage relationship, but with the help of his Christian friends, he comes to the realization that God is the only one who can save his marriage.

Go to: www.fireproofthemovie.com for more information and watch a movie clip. Coming to theaters September 26, 2008. Watch for it, it will be

Ignite 08-County Wide Revival

October 18-19, 2008 at 6:30 PM
FBC Brevard

With
Clayton King, Carl Cartee,
3D, and Leap of Faith

Free Admission!!!
For more information call 828-877-3203

Infertility Support

This group is appropriate for the person or couple struggling with infertility or struggling with the aftermath of infertility. We will study "Water from the Rock," a book written by three ladies from Mud Creek Baptist Church and their experiences with infertility.

We will meet the second Thursday of each month, **beginning August 14th from 6:00-7:30 PM at Mud Creek Baptist Church.** The cost for materials is \$10.00.

To register contact Lisa Jackson, Support Ministry Coordinator at 692-1262, ext. 135.

* For those struggling with secondary infertility, we welcome you to join us as well. We provide childcare at no charge during the group meeting. Please register your child with Lisa Jackson.

Women's Conference

“Have you said Yes?”

Featuring: Lysa TerKeurst
of Proverbs 31 Ministries

September 5-6, 2008

Friday 7:00—9:00 PM

Saturday 8:30 AM—3:00 PM

West Asheville Baptist Church

Conference Fee: \$30.00 (includes lunch on Sat.)

What Happens When Women Say Yes to God?
Experience life in extraordinary ways.

For more information or to register visit:
<http://sites.google.com/site/wabcwomen2008>
or contact the church 828-253-9824

Operation Bandana

So far two churches have responded to **Operation Bandana**, a ministry to our military. Bandana's are given to our service men and women with Psalm 91 (Soldiers Psalm) printed on them. **Liberty Baptist Church** gave \$200.00 and the children of **West Hendersonville Baptist Church** collected \$600.00.

If you or your church would like to give to this ministry, the bananas are \$3.00 each, but you can send any amount. Please make checks payable to Carolina Baptist Association and mark it for: *Operation Bandana*. This is an on-going ministry.