

Carolina Baptist News

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Carolina Baptist Association Semi-Annual Meeting April 26, 2011 at 7:00 pm French Broad Baptist Church

Featuring a Sample of the Ministries of CBA
Special Olympics, Women's Ministry, Tract Rack, WNC Fair Ministry,
Judgment House (future?)

Message by David MacEachern, pastor of Bat Cave Baptist Church

Refugee Sewing Society, Clarkson, Georgia Mission Trip

March 10-12, 2011, thirteen ladies from four churches went on a mission trip to Clarkston, GA: **Fruitland**—Bonnie Otto, Michelle Robinson, Linda Bradley, Teresa Heatherly **French Broad**—Amelia Cox, **Etowah**—Carol Hogsed, Phylis Judge, Wanda Love, Mary Lee Miles, Patricia Myrto, Gail Lowe, **Mud Creek**—Becky Garrett and Coleen Berrio.

Upon arrival on Thursday we assisted refugee ladies with their sewing, yarn and bead classes. We enjoyed teaching them to jump rope (picture on right), make tissue flowers and to color in coloring books (these are things they had never done as children living in other countries). That evening we met with the volunteers to learn more about needs.



On Friday, we cleaned and organized bags and bags of donated materials, yarns and various sewing items. Curtains were made and hung, the rooms and storage space was organized and cleaned along with planning a fun time for the ladies on Saturday. Then we took the full time volunteers from the Sewing Society to dinner and prayed with them.

On Saturday, we finished up organizing efforts, had lunch with the refugee ladies, and played softball and soccer with them. Afterwards, all of the items that would not be used at the Sewing Society were given away in "yard sale" fashion from the youngest to the oldest. (Story continues on next page).

Calendar of Events

Monday Minister Meetings:

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

May

- 5 National Day of Prayer
- 8 Mother's Day
- 8-15 Mother's Day Offering for Baptist Hospital
- 16 CBA Council, 9:00 am—BRC
- 15-22 Associational Emphasis Week
- 20-21 Men's Ministry Outdoor Weekend—Camp Caraway
- 30 Memorial Day—CBA office closed

June

- 3-4 Region 9 Disaster Relief Training
- 9 WMU Leadership Team Meeting, 6:30pm
- 14-15 Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting—Phoenix, AZ
- 19 Father's Day
- 20 CBA Council, 9:00am—BRC
- 20-25 Deep Impact—Fruitland Baptist Bible Inst.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

May

- 6 O.D. Rhodes—Liberty
- 7 Phillip Capell—Kings Grove
- 9 Darlene George—Double Springs
- 9 Craig and Susan Garren—Mountain Home
- 10 Yeon Kim—Asheville Korean
- 11 Tollie and Delores Cunningham—Horse Shoe First
- 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
- 23 Melissa Pruitt—French Broad
- 24 Sandy Beck—Carolina Baptist Association
- 25 Ryan and Heather Pack—FBC Hendersonville
- 26 Blair Stewart—Zion Hill
- 26 Betty Landreth—Pleasant Grove
- 29 Eva Tollison—Mud Creek Missionary
- 29 Roy and Sandra Waldroup—Fletcher First
- 30 Sam and Nancy Gibbs—CBA

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Return Service Requested

Churches and Missions

Agua Viva
Asheville Korean
Balfour
Barker Heights
Bat Cave
Bearwallow
Beulah
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
Straightway Spanish
Upward
Valley Hill
Wayside
West Hendersonville
Zion Hill

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

- May 1 Living Water—Mike Stewart
Mountain View Missionary—no pastor
- May 8 Oak Forest—Matt Williamson
FBC Saluda—David Webb
- May 15 Cedar Springs—no pastor
Broad River—Bob Hagan
- May 22 Mountain Valley—Shannon Owen
Liberty—O.D. Rhodes
- May 29 Kings Grove—Phillip Capell
Asheville Korean—Yeon Kim

- June 5 Horse Shoe First—Tollie Cunningham
Wayside—Jeff Tankersley
- June 12 Etowah—Brian Henderson
Crab Creek—Brad Knox
- June 19 Barker Heights—no pastor
Contemporary First—James Pea
- June 26 Pacolet—Bruce Norville
Dana—Dan Blackwell

Churches without Pastors

Agua Viva, Barker Heights, Cedar Springs,
FBC Mills River, Mountain Page,
Mountain View, Pleasant Hill and Refuge.



Continued....Clarkston, GA Mission Trip

On Sunday we prayer walked a house and worshiped at Clarkston International Baptist Church with Phil and Myra Kitchins.

To learn more about Clarkston, a suggested book is *Outcasts United* by Warren St. John. If you would like to go to Georgia and serve the refugees, or make a donation, call Linda Bradley at 685-3642 or 606-4760 or visit website: refugeesewingsociety.webs.com.

Thank you for your prayers and support!

~ Linda Bradley

More pictures of this trip are on website: cbanc.org.

Church News



Fruitland—On Saturday, May 28th, Fruitland Baptist Church will be honoring Dr. Michael Smith for 20 years of service at a drop in from 4 - 7pm. All are welcome - no gifts please!

FBC Hendersonville—began Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered program/support group ministering to those who struggle with hurts, hang-ups, habits or addictions. All are welcome to attend. See insert for details.

FBC Mills River—Rev. Mike Willoughby retired as pastor in March, 2011.

Mud Creek began a new support group for women affected by cancer. All are welcome to attend. See insert for details.

Announcements

Association Annuals Are Here—Please have someone from your church pick up the annuals that were ordered.

Minister of Music—Naples Baptist Church is looking is for someone to fill this part-time position. If interested call pastor, Richard Merck, for details (697-0205).

New in the Association Media Center

Books

Discovering the God Who Is by R.C. Sproul

How God Answers Prayer by Elmer Towns

Living in God's Love: The New York Crusade by Billy Graham

A Multi-Site Church Road Trip by Geoff Surrant

The Surge by Pete Briscoe

Kit

Glorify: How God Uses Women to Make Himself Known (Kingdom Women Bible Study) - from the International Mission Board

These and other materials are available to check out.

NC Baptist Assembly at Caswell Youth Weeks

- Week 1: June 13-18
- Week 2: June 20-15
- Week 3: June 27-July 2
- Week 4: July 11-16
- Week 5: July 18-23
- Week 6: July 25-30
- Week 7: August 1-6
- Week 8: August 8-13

Youth summer camps include personal quiet times, small group Bible studies, recreation, worship, large group celebrations and church devotions. These weeks are for rising 7-12 graders. The theme for 2011 is “**Identity**.” The week is a time of fun, growth and spiritual renewal.

Visit www.BeDoTell.com for a listing of 2011 proclaimers.

Deep Impact Youth Mission Week Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute June 20-25, 2011 \$35.00 per person

Youth Leaders,

Here is a youth mission week that is in “your own backyard.” For churches that have limited funds for their youth program, this would be ideal!

The cost of \$35.00 per person is for **commuters only** (lodging is full) and includes lunch for the week and a t-shirt. Extra meals (breakfast and supper) would be an additional cost of \$4.00 per meal per person. Commuters must give a full week commitment as if they were lodging. Youth will grow spiritually from group devotions and going into the community to do projects together. Projects include: construction, painting, landscaping, children, senior adults, servant evangelism, and sports and recreation.

For more information call Tom Beam at 1-800-395-5102 ext. 5599 or email tbean@ncbaptist.org or go to www.baptistsonmission.org/Camps/Deep-Impact. A leader’s guide can be printed off this site with a sample schedule of the week.

If this youth mission week is too soon for your youth group this year, this is an annual event and you might want to put this on your calendar for your youth next year. There are also other **Deep Impact** locations in North Carolina if you would like for your youth to travel.

Associational Missions Week May 15-22

The North American Mission Board developed Association Missions Week for Association Strategies. Associational Missions Week is a time to:

1. **Pray** for the ministries and leaders of the Carolina Baptist Association.
2. **Give** to Carolina Baptist Association through *Our Jerusalem Offering* to support the ministries of the association. Churches were urged to take up an offering in March, but May would also be a good time to take up an offering for your Association.

3. **Volunteer** for short term or ongoing ministries in the association. The association building needs some repair work. These include gutter guards, painting, drain pipe for retaining wall, small rail for porch, black top near garage and ramp at stair. Baptist Men or missions groups can get together and help with these projects during May.

Carolina Baptist Association can assist your church in fulfilling the Great Commission through training and resources. The Carolina Baptist Association is: *58 churches working together to reach others for Christ.*



National Day of Prayer Events Thursday, May 5, 2011

Pastor and Staff Prayer Breakfast – West Hendersonville Baptist Church at 8:00am. You must register for breakfast by May 3rd to Carolina Baptist Association at 693-4274 or carolinabaptist@morrisbb.net. Please be prepared to give a small donation for the meal.

Noon meeting at the Hendersonville Historic Courthouse (if inclement weather, meeting will be at Main Street Baptist Church).

Evening Prayer Meetings will be across the county in the churches.

Ministries in the Churches

Women Affected by Cancer Support Group Mud Creek Baptist Church

Clear Word Counseling Center will have a support group for women affected by cancer. Our April meeting (due to Easter and Spring Break) will be on Thursday, April 28th, 6 – 8 pm. All further meetings will be the 4th Sunday of each month from 5 – 7 pm.

For more information call 692-1262.

Extended Family

Extended Family is a support system for families of prisoners. The purpose of Extended Family is to show prisoners' families how to successfully adjust to a new way of life.

Extended Family meets every third Tuesday from 6:00-7:00 pm at Mud Creek. Call Becky at 692-1262 for details. (www.extendedfamilysupport.org)

Celebrate Recovery

First Baptist Church, Hendersonville

What: Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered program/support group ministering to those who struggle with hurts, hang-ups, habits or addictions (be-setting sins).

When: (Started March 28th) Monday nights: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Where: FBC Hendersonville – in the chapel next to the main sanctuary

Website: <http://fbchnc.org/celebraterecovery>

For more information call 693-3493.



Vocalists Needed

A vocal ensemble from First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, NC is looking for a soprano and an alto. They sing primarily southern gospel music composed by Bill Gaither, Mike Speck and Mosie Lister to name a few.

Rehearsals are on Wednesday nights at 6:00 pm at First Baptist Church and Thursday nights prior to concerts with full sound equipment.

Auditions will be necessary. If you are interested contacted Ned Whitmire at 674-5314.

A Clear Word Counseling Center Golf Classic April 30, 2011 Crooked Creek Golf Club

Tee time: 12:30 pm

Cost: \$225.00 per team

\$60.00 per player

(Cost includes green fee, cart fee, prizes and snacks)

For registration form call 692-6383 or pick one up at Mud Creek Baptist Church.

100% of the fees collected from the Golf Classic will go to benefit the Client Assistance Program at A Clear Word Counseling Center.

“Burnt Offerings” BBQ Cook-Off Mud Creek Baptist Church Sunday, May 15, 2011

Team Rules

- Teams may begin setting up at Mud Creek Family Park at 3 pm on Saturday, May 14, 2011.
- All meat must be inspected on site before meat preparation can begin.
- All meat preparation must be done on site.
- All meat categories must be cooked on site.
- You may cook with wood, charcoal, gas.
- Competition categories are chicken, pork butt or shoulder, pork ribs and brisket. Cook teams may enter as many categories as they wish. They are not required to enter all categories.
- For each category entered you must provide enough product for six judges to “sample.” For example: six ribs, six chicken thighs, legs, etc., six slices of brisket, or enough pork butt or shoulder so six judges can each have a golf ball sized sample or slightly larger. (You are not feeding the judges a meal. They are sampling your product).
- We ask that you provide an additional box of each of your categories so that waiting judges may sample your product, although these judges will not be scoring your product.
- Each category you enter will be turned into the judging area in a styrofoam to-go box provided by Mud Creek. You will be given these containers well in advance of turn-in times.
- Judging times will be:
 - Chicken: 12:00 pm
 - Ribs: 12:30 pm
 - Butt/Shoulder: 1:00 pm
 - Brisket: 1:30 pm
 - Dessert: 2:00 pm

Dessert entries may be prepared at home and brought to the judging area. (This is the only category that may be prepared

Account Balances

March 31, 2011

(A) Operating Fund

1. General Fund Checking* \$ 14,893.37

(B) Designated Fund

2. Designated Checking \$ 33,290.18

3. Designated CD* \$ 30,000.00

4. NCBF Endowment** (Feb. 28) \$ 335,846.68

5. Zeke Crawford Endowment*** (Feb. 28) \$ 5,459.94

*\$20,780.18 of General Fund is in CD.

** Interest income is used for camp scholarships.

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(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 2011	January—March 2010
\$45,750.16	\$40,401.43

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



Scholarships Granted

Feb/Mar 2011

Scholarship	Amount Granted	Children Assisted
Camp	0	0
Mission Trips	not available at this time	

Our Jerusalem Offering

Even now Carolina Baptist Churches are continuing to take the Jerusalem Offering. I would like to personally thank each church that has given or plans to give to this worthy cause. Because of your giving, we will be able to continue the 100+ ministries and services of your association.



Sandy Sez

I hope that the information packet delivered to every pastor helped you see the variety of ministries we do together. Even now, as you look toward your next years church budget, it would be a good time to increase giving by only 1%. If **each** church raised its goal by 1% each year until a 5% goal was reached, we could do some new and innovative ministries for Christ!! I would be happy to come to your church and present an Associational missions message about Carolina Baptist.

Church Merges are Becoming a Healthy Way to Strengthen Churches

One of the saddest things that I see in ministry is the number of churches that close their doors and “go out of business.” That number is growing each year. It does not have to.

In some places a healthy alternative to church closure is church merges. This happens in several ways, but the goal is the same...a continual testimony for our Savior.

Each church had a visionary leader in its past who desired to establish a local fellowship of soul winning believers in its current location.

As I have said there are several ways to “merge” congregations:

1. Two (or more) small congregations merge to form a single fellowship large enough to meet the needs of the community and support a single pastor (and staff?).
2. New church starts. The older church leadership and membership step aside and facilitate a new church start out of the old building. Frequently the new start is nothing like the old church. The goal is **not** to start a new church like the old church. The goal is to establish a new work to meet new needs arising out of the old community.
3. A multi-campus church. Multi-campus churches are growing exponentially. For example, a church without a pastor can have satellite sermons from a pastor of another church. Perhaps your campus can become the new home for a multi-campus church.

Regardless of how the merge is done, the old leadership and the old membership will have to be willing to “step aside” for the merger to work.

If you want to know more about merges and multi-campus churches—give me a call.