

Christmas in July

for the Bethlehem Toy Store

The Bethlehem Toy Store (held the first Friday each December) is for families in our community who are experiencing financial difficulties during the Christmas season. Our primary goal for this ministry is to share the Gospel.

Please collect *NEW* toys in July for children newborn-16 years old.



***Bring toys to the Association office,
Monday - Thursday, 9am-4pm
(601 Hebron Rd. Hendersonville)***

Agua Viva
Asheville Korean
Balfour
Barker Heights
Bat Cave
Bearwallow
Beulah
Biltmore H'ville

Broad River
Cedar Springs
Contemp. First
Covenant
Crab Creek
Crossroads
Dana
Double Springs
Ebenezer

Etowah
FBC E. Flat
Rock
FBC H'ville
FBC Saluda
FBC Tryon
FBC Tuxedo
Fletcher First
French Broad

Fruitland
Gethsemane
Horse Shoe 1st
Jones Gap
Kings Grove
Liberty
Living Water
Locust Grove
Main Street

Middle Fork
Mount Gilead
Mount Moriah
Mount Olivet
Mountain Home
Mountain Page
Mtn. Valley
Mtn. View Miss.
Mud Creek

Naples
Oak Forest
Pleasant Grove
Pleasant Hill
Refuge
Shaws Creek
Speak Life
The Beloved
Upward

Valley Hill
Zion Hill

**Churches with-
out a pastor:**

Cedar Springs
Double Springs
Mount Gilead

Mount Olivet
Mountain View
Pleasant Hill
Shaws Creek
Refuge
West H'ville



**The Future of
the SBC, and,
with it, the CBA**

In a recent article on his blog, Al Mohler responded to a piece in *Christianity Today* by Kate Shellnutt. In the CT article, Ms. Shellnutt shared the results of the SBC's Annual Church Profile (ACP). The numbers are not good. According to the numbers, things aren't well. For the first time since 1989, Southern Baptists number below 15 million. In fact, we are at our lowest membership numbers since 1987.

The Carolina Baptist Association is reflecting the same trend. Just in the last

year, we are around 10% (+/-) below what was reported the year before in total membership. These figures are concerning. I would recommend you read Dr. Mohler's article. There are more things to consider than meets the eye, and he mentions about eight areas that need our attention. The one area of concern he mentions is our lack of stress on evangelism. Dr. Mohler wonders, and I do, too, if we really believe what we say we believe. Are people lost and undone without Christ? If people are in desperate need of the Savior, should we not be sharing the Gospel at every opportunity? These are good questions to ponder.

Yet, I can't produce desire or urgency for pastors, for churches, or for church members. I have trouble enough motivating myself and staying in line with God and His will for me. However, I do believe it is time to put our actions to what we say we believe.

The Lord can do this through us. He said that He would build His church. Jesus needs willing workers in the vineyard – He will bring the increase.

Since coming to this position, I have stated that if there is one thing I want us to do as an association, it is that we reach our county with the Gospel of Christ. It is as simple as John 3:16, and praying for God to

reveal to us our "One." It is as simple as sharing the Gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit, and leaving the results to God.

I pray we will recommit ourselves to this task. The future of our denomination and our association pales in comparison to what this will mean to the future of our children, our grandchildren, our communities, our nation, and our world. We have ONE task. It is the Gospel. Let us be busy at the Father's business. He has the future in His hands!

Who is your "One?"

Soli Deo Gloria!
Michael Smith
Director of Missions

Carolina Baptist Association Executive Team Meeting, July 30, 2019 at 7:00 PM

This meeting is necessary to carry out business that may arise between semi-annual meetings. Pastors, please support your Association by attending and encourage your leadership to attend. Of course, visitors are always welcome! Will be held at the CBA



Speak Life Church was voted into full membership on April 23, 2019. We welcome Pastor Eric Gash to Carolina Baptist Association! Eric is married to Katy and they have two boys, Jacob and Kelan, in college and a daughter, Maya, in high school.

The North Carolina Missions Offering is a special offering received during the month of **September** that supports the ministries of Baptists on Mission, Church Planting, mission camps, associational projects and mobilization ministry projects. NCMO is your opportunity to impact lostness as God accomplishes many wonderful things through these various ministries.

2019 NC Baptist Ministers' Wives Retreat

The Journey

July 8th - 10th, 2019

Caraway Conference Center
Sophia, NC

www.ncbminwives.wixsite.com/ncbmw/events

Thank you to CBA churches who participated in the **Baptist Children's Home Food Roundup** in April! We had great response collecting over 160 boxes of food and received many gift cards. All was sent to Broyhill Children's Home in Clyde. A BIG shout-out to Larry Austin for making the delivery!



Bring your used/leftover VBS supplies to the Carolina Baptist Association office during our office hours to be donated to local churches and ministries during the summer! VBS Supply Swap will be during the months of June and July. Supply pick-up times are during office hours (9:00am—4:00pm, Monday-Thursday).

RED BOXES

Gifts for Women Inmates

WMU™
North Carolina

This year the Carolina Baptist Association is collecting **women's white crew socks** (please remove tags, paper, etc. and fold together as a pair). Deadline to bring items to the CBA is **October 14, 2019**.

Each Christmas, women from all across NC provide gifts to fill approximately 1700 red boxes to be given to women inmates at the North Carolina Correctional Institute for Women and Raleigh Correctional Center for Women. For many of these women our gift is all they receive.

Your contributions make a difference in the lives of these women each Christmas!



FEED *the* NEED

PROVIDING
FOOD *for*
CHILDREN
in NEED

"FOR I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU GAVE ME FOOD, I WAS THIRSTY AND YOU GAVE ME DRINK, I WAS NAKED AND YOU CLOTHED ME, I WAS SICK AND YOU VISITED ME, I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU CAME TO ME." THEN THE RIGHTEOUS WILL ANSWER HIM, SAYING, 'LORD, WHEN DID WE SEE YOU HUNGRY AND FEED YOU, OR THIRSTY AND GIVE YOU DRINK? AND WHEN DID WE SEE YOU A STRANGER AND WELCOME YOU, OR NAKED AND CLOTHE YOU? AND WHEN DID WE SEE YOU SICK OR IN PRISON AND VISIT YOU? AND THE KING WILL ANSWER THEM, 'TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, AS YOU DID IT TO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BROTHERS, YOU DID IT TO ME.'
MATTHEW 25:35-40

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HENDERSON COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP LOCAL CHILDREN DURING THE SUMMER. OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE THESE CHILDREN WITH SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD WHEN THEY AREN'T RECEIVING REGULAR MEALS AT HOME. WE BELIEVE SCRIPTURE TELLS US TO SERVE AND CARE FOR THOSE IN NEED.

CONTACT US
828.273.5091
WWW.FEEDTHENEED.CC

Women's Ministry Quarterly Event

FBC Hendersonville

Thursday, June 27, 2019

7:00—8:30pm in the Sanctuary

Special Guests:
Sprig of Joy



Join us in the sanctuary for a night of laughter as we welcome the drama team, Sprig of Joy. Sprig of Joy is a women's ministry team of 8 ladies who are dedicated to serving God through drama, teaching, and serving our community.

No meal will be offered so grab a bite before you come. Childcare is available by reservation. There is **NO COST** for this event. Call 693-3493 to sign up or go by the church Welcome Center.



FBC Women
Encouraged in heart. United by faith.

ADAM'S ROAD

for I am **not** ashamed of the GOSPEL



SUNDAY AUGUST 4TH, 2019
Bat Cave Baptist Church

Music & Testimony at 6:00pm | 5095 Chimney Rock Rd, Hendersonville, NC
Price: Free

Adam's Road is a Christian, non-profit ministry dedicated to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ through song and testimony. Jesus unshackled four people and filled them with the knowledge of God's amazing grace. Adam's Road is made up of these four individuals, whom God rescued out of Mormonism and brought into a personal and saving relationship with Jesus. Through the transforming power of the gospel, those who once were blind, lost, and dead are now trophies of God's amazing grace. Come hear their stories.

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Our purpose is to develop healthy churches and help them grow: Powerful through Prayer; Warmer through Fellowship; Deeper through Discipleship; Stronger through Worship; Broader through Ministry and Larger through Evangelism.



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Return Service Requested

Monday Minister Meetings:

Mondays at 10:00 AM—Downstairs in the Baptist Resource Center (Light Refreshments Served)



- FEED THE NEED PROGRAM/COLLECTION
- CHRISTMAS IN JULY TOY COLLECTION
- VBS SUPPLY SWAP

4 Office Closed
8-10 NC Baptist Ministers' Wives Retreat, Caraway
15 CBA Leadership Team Meeting, 9:00am
30 CBA Executive Team Meeting, 7:00pm, CBA

- FEED THE NEED PROGRAM/COLLECTION
- PRAYER WALK LOCAL SCHOOLS

4 Adam's Road Concert, Bat Cave, 6pm
12 CBA Leadership Team Meeting, 9:00am
13 Region 9 Missions Rally, Spruce Pine



Birthdays and Anniversaries

July

7 Jimmy Owens—Barker Heights
9 Karen Scoggins—FBC Hendersonville
Karen Bennett—Tuxedo First
10 Mike Bennett—Tuxedo First
Kyle Thomas—East Flat Rock First
11 Michael Lewis—Double Springs
12 Rick and Kathy Phillips—Pleasant Grove
14 Curtis and Levina Pace—Jones Gap
30 Kemuel and Melissa Pruitt—French Broad

August

6 Zack and Summer Williams—Bat Cave
8 David Dickerson—Mountain Valley
24 Dan Blackwell—Dana
25 Dan Pridmore—Gethsemane
Dewey Barnwell—Beulah
26 Richard Merck—Naples
30 Sam Gibbs—CBA



Horse Shoe First Baptist posted their "Who's Your One" names around the double doors leaving the sanctuary to serve as a visual reminder. At the end of their baptism service a man named Michael came forward to make a decision for Christ. He was Jason's "One!" Michael's name had been on the door for less than a week. God heard the prayers, saved his soul, and they removed Michael's name from the door that Sunday! To learn more about North American Mission Board's, "Who's Your One" campaign, visit www.whosyourone.com.

Deadline for September/October
Newsletter is August 8, 2019



REGIONAL MISSION RALLIES

REGION 9 MISSIONS RALLY Grassy Creek Baptist Church, 793 Old NC 226, Spruce Pine, NC August 13, 2019 5:45pm (Dinner) - 8:30pm

This rally will highlight the variety of opportunities NC Baptists have to be involved in missions across our state, in our nation, and around the world. Featured will be worship, testimony, mission video, and a prayer time for missions. These rallies are for men, women, and youth—anyone interested in missions is encouraged to attend. The main focus of these rallies will be state, national, international partners and projects (including Disaster Relief) and the NC Missions Offering.

A meal is provided for the NC Mission Rallies at no charge, but reservations are necessary to ensure an accurate meal count. The cut-off date for reserving a meal for each rally is one week prior to the event.

If you have any questions or need to register by phone contact Kailyn Eskridge at 800-395-5102 ext. 5592. To register online, go to BaptistsonMission.org/events/regional-rallies

2019 APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Appalachian Coalfields Ministry, sponsored by NC Baptists on Mission, seeks to meet the physical and spiritual needs of people living in the Appalachian Area. One of the greatest ministry needs occurs at Christmastime. NC Baptists on Mission is calling on churches statewide to respond to this need with a goal of 16,000 backpacks of items to be distributed to Appalachian children in areas of need in December of 2019. The goal for Carolina Association is targeted toward backpacks for children in the age range 4-7. The contact for this ministry is Wanda Love, 828-606-2107, love1940@bellsouth.net. Wanda is available for speaking to a group in your church or can be contacted by phone or e-mail to explain the specifics for this project. Carolina's goal is 100 plus backpacks. Backpacks will need to be delivered to Etowah Baptist, 9am until 3pm on November 2. One backpack filled with designated items, including an age-appropriate picture Bible and a sturdy toy, will cost at least \$50. For more information visit www.baptistsonmission.org/missions/unitedstates.



Bat Cave Baptist Church
July 22-26, 2019
In The Wild
Contact: Amy Wilkie, 606-7839

Biltmore Hendersonville

June 24-28, 2019
9am-12:15pm
Adventure Week Survivor Edition
Contact: Cheryl Ashenfelder, 687-1111

East Flat Rock First Baptist
July 14-18, 2019
6:15pm-8:30pm
Roar! Life in the Wild *God is Good
Contact: Lindsey Dillon, 329-8069

Ebenezer Baptist Church
June 23-26, 2019
6-8:30pm
In The Wild
Contact: Kelly Jones, 692-0170
Meal for the whole family at 5:15
Etowah Baptist Church
June 17-21, 2019
6-9pm

The Incredible Race
Contact: 891-7153
Fletcher First Baptist Church
June 24-27, 2019
6:30-8:30pm
In The Wild
Contact: Becky Youngblood, 687-1031

Fruitland Baptist Church
August 4-8, 2019
6-8:30pm
In the Wild
Contact: Candi Mains, 606-4761

Horse Shoe First Baptist Church
June 23 - June 25, 2019
6-7:30pm
In the Wild
Contact: Lucinda Hart, 329-8001
Kickoff: June 23 at 6pm

Liberty Baptist Church
July -1-5, 2019
6-8:30pm
In the Wild
Contact: Robert Garren, 329-8840

Naples Baptist Church
August 4-9, 2019
6:30-8:30pm
Contact: Lynn, 692-7982

Tuxedo First Baptist Church
June 24-27, 2019
6-8:30pm
In The Wild
Contact: Karen Bennett, 692-0130

Upward Baptist Church
July 22-26, 2019
6-8:30pm
Miraculous Mission
Contact: Sherry Jackson, 693-3374

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16-17



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

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| Jul 7 | Mike Bennett Bryan Melton | Tuxedo First Mount Moriah |
| Jul 14 | Richard Merck David Woodie | Naples Valley Hill |
| Jul 21 | No Pastor Steve Scoggins | Refuge Hendersonville First |
| Jul 28 | Kemuel Pruitt Zac Williams | French Broad Bat Cave |
| Aug 4 | No Pastor Curtis Pace | Mount Olivet Jones Gap |
| Aug 11 | Rick Phillips Wilburn Lefler | Pleasant Grove Upward |
| Aug 18 | Donald Freeman Blair Stewart | Bearwallow Zion Hill |
| Aug 25 | Eddie Connard Joe Lund | Crossroads Balfour |

NEWS/EVENTS

~**Annual Church Profiles** will be mailed to the church clerk/contact mid-July. ACP's are due to the CBA office by Oct. 1 to be entered into a drawing for a \$50 Visa gift card!

~Carolina Baptist Association would like to participate in the **Christmas Parade** this year. We need a few volunteers who this would be their forte. If you are interested call the CBA office at 693-4274.

~**Interfaith Assistance Ministry** Host a School Supply Drive! In 2018, IAM helped 612 students in elementary, middle and high school with backpacks. For a list of items visit iam-hc.org. To host a School Supply Drive, contact Rebecca Moon at 828-697-7029 or by email at Rebecca.Moon@iam-hc.org. IAM also needs bilingual volunteers and drivers to pick up donations from community partner stores. A Taste of Hendersonville will be held on August 20 at Blue Ridge Community College at 5:30pm.

~**Men's Ministry/Challenger/Royal Ambassador Leadership Training** will be held at Buncombe Baptist Association on Saturday, September 7 at 9:00am—4:00pm. All church missions leadership for men, youth, and boys are encouraged to come. Register at www.baptistsonmission.org.

~**The Ministry of the Mountain State Fair** is to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with people working at and attending the State Fair. Ways you can help: Pray for the Fair Leadership Team and for the church volunteer teams; volunteer a church team to serve a shift driving courtesy cars, greet guests, serve cold water, share Bibles and tracts, take free blood pressure checks and much more; you can also collect hygiene kits, provide clothing, blankets, towels, paper plates, cups, plastic silverware and paper towels; make "Jesus Loves You" teddy bears and salvation bracelets. Call 828-252-1864, ext. 306 and get involved! The Fair will be held on September 6—15, 2019.

~**NC Baptist Ministers' Wives Retreat** *The Journey*, July 8-10, 2019 at Caraway Conference Center with speaker Diane Nix and worship leader Ginnie Varnam. This also includes wives of music ministers and youth ministers. Adult daughters are also invited. Go to <http://www.ncbminwives.wixsite.com/ncbmw> for more information.

~**NC Missions Offering** Often after a hurricane we see significant donations to Disaster Relief and a drop in gifts to the NCMO. This past year was different. Gifts to the NCMO in 2018 were up from 2017 thanks to the commitment and sacrifice of NC Baptists. The NCMO provides the total operating budget for Baptists on Mission, so none of the 18 ministries of Baptists on Mission would be possible without it. Will you please convey our thankfulness to your church members?

~**Pastors Retreat/Summit** will provide a rich environment for God to speak to His people as we gather to seek Him for revival and spiritual awakening.

News and Events Cont'd...

Through seasons of worship, focused prayer and hearing God's Word participants will hopefully be challenged to return to their churches with a renewed passion to seek God for the next great revival and spiritual awakening in their community, North Carolina, America and beyond. **Will be held at Conference Center and Camp, September 7 from 9am-2pm.**



Bat Cave Homecoming July 14 at 11am with Rev. J.D. Wilson.

Double Springs Michael Lewis has resigned as pastor. His last day is June 16.

Etowah Youth will be attending a beach retreat on June 30-July 5. West Virginia

mission trip July 21-27.

Fletcher First Revival with Dr. Darrin Waldroup, August 18 at 6pm, August 19-22 at 7pm.

Fruitland Youth mission trip to Sutton, WV June 28-July 6. *Youth Journey Camp on July 8-12.* Back to School Bash on August 21 at 6pm.

Hendersonville First Now enrolling for the 2019-2020 school year. This is a half-day school for 3 & 4 year olds and transitional kindergarten for 5 year olds.

Horse Shoe First Prayer breakfast on June 29 at 9am with a hot breakfast and guest speaker.

Main Street "Purpose" performing on July 14 in the 11am. service.

Mount Gilead Robert Ponder has resigned as pastor. His last Sunday was June 2, 2019.

Naples Youth will be attending MFuge at Charleston Southern University on July 15-20.

Refuge Anthony Roberts has resigned as pastor. His last Sunday was April 21.

Speak Life Men's breakfast every 2nd Saturday. Women's breakfast every 3rd Saturday. *Heritage Hills nursing home communion service every first Sunday at 6:45pm.*



Your VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL can forever change the lives of Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina's (BCH) boys and girls by taking on MISSION: Kids NCI

THE MISSION: To show God's love by praying, giving and connecting with boys and girls living at Baptist Children's Homes across North Carolina.

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give

connect

- Pray that God will heal children's hurts.
- Pray for cottage parents who provide a safe, caring home for the children and teach them about God's unconditional love.
- Pray the children will ask Jesus to be their Savior.
- Prayerfully consider collecting a VBS offering for BCH's children. Your offering will help provide hot meals, new clothes, help build a new home for orphans in Guatemala.
- Invite a speaker to share the BCH story at your VBS.
- Show a short video. Download at www.bchkids.org.
- Use the downloadable activity sheet at www.bchkids.org.
- Bring your church children to a "Friends of Children" workday! A one-day missions trip at statewide locations. bchfamily.org/foc