



It is hard to believe that Christmas is here and 2024 is just around the corner! Being that this newsletter covers the first quarter of 2024, I want to begin the new year with expressions of thankfulness.

First, I want to thank our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for allowing us to have a new year to love and serve Him with His help. As John 15:5 reads, "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

Second, I want to tell you how thankful I am for each and every church in our association. God has worked in and through you greatly. You have impacted our community, our state, our nation, and our world through your serving, your going, and your giving. We have heard many excellent reports of baptisms, mission trips, and ministries to the community.

Third, I want to tell you how thankful I am for each and every pastor in our association. As they have sought to be faithful to the Lord, their families, and

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Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering

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Bethlehem Toy Store Report

What could possibly be the best present a person could receive? One that would last a lifetime? While many of us give and receive gifts during the Christmas season, God gave us a Gift that we will never be able to repay. In exchange for our sins and shame, God offered us eternal salvation by sending His son, Jesus Christ, to earth as our Savior. What we can do in return is accept this remarkable gift and pursue a relationship with the greatest gift-giver of all.

This year, the Bethlehem Toy Store, with the help of our Association churches (through Christmas in July donations); Interfaith Assistance Ministry (referral of 50 families); Glo Nock and her "Merry little elves" from Camp Glo; Apple Country Woodcrafters (handmade wooden toys) and our amazing volunteers, we were able to put smiles on over 100 children's faces when they wake up Christmas morning. Our witnessing volunteers prayed with and shared the love of Jesus with every person that came to the Association; and 5 moms received the most precious gift of all: Jesus Christ!

So, this is Christmas...



No, this is Christmas!



As you prepare to spend Christmas with your friends and family, we encourage you to share not only gifts, but also the Good News of undeserved salvation.



Adonia	Biltmore H'ville	Etowah	Gethsemane	Middle Fork	Oak Forest	West H'ville	Churches without a pastor: Beulah Double Springs Main Street Mountain Home
Agua Viva	Broad River	FBC E.F.R.	Horse Shoe 1st	Mount Gilead	Pleasant Grove	Zion Hill	
Asheville Korean	Cedar Springs	FBC H'ville	Jones Gap	Mount Moriah	Pleasant Hill		
Balfour	Contemp. First	FBC Saluda	Kings Grove	Mountain Home	Refuge		
Barker Heights	Crab Creek	FBC Tuxedo	Liberty	Mtn. Valley	Shaws Creek		
Bat Cave	Dana	Fletcher First	Living Water	Mtn. View Miss.	Speak Life		
Bearwallow	Double Springs	French Broad	Locust Grove	Mud Creek	Upward		
Beulah	Ebenezer	Fruitland	Main Street	Naples	Valley Hill		



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

Jan 7	Ted Min	Asheville Korean
Jan 14	Ray Brickhouse, Interim	CBA
Jan 21	Clint McKnight	Horse Shoe First
Jan 28	Tyler Frank	Biltmore Hendersonville
Feb 4	Scott Westmoreland	Etowah
Feb 11	Kevin Long	Crab Creek
Feb 18	Joe Hayes	Barker Heights
Feb 25	K. Dewayne Jeter	Contemporary First
Mar 3	Tyler Pegram	Dana
Mar 10	Roy Waldroup	Fletcher First
Mar 17	Brandon McMinn	East Flat Rock First
Mar 24	Chris Wray	Main Street
Mar 31	Craig Stepp	Fruitland
	Gethsemane	Danny Pridmore
	Collin Terenzini	Shaws Creek
	No Pastor	Locust Grove
	Mike Bennett	Tuxedo First
	Bryan Melton	Mt. Moriah
	Jesse Peters	Naples
	David Woodie	Valley Hill
	Jeff Neelands	Refuge
	Steve Scoggins	FBC Hendersonville
	Kemuel Pruitt	French Broad
	Nathan Sundt	Bat Cave
	Curtis Pace	Jones Gap
	Rick Phillips	Pleasant Grove

their churches, God has used them in incredible ways to teach, preach, lead, and serve their churches well.

Fourth, I am thankful for Paula Janes and Rebecca Moon, who have stepped up to the challenge during this transition period between Associational Mission Strategists. Their hard work has helped to keep the ministry of the CBA moving forward for King Jesus.

Lastly, I am thankful for each and every member of our AMS Search Team. Pray for them as they examine resumes, interview candidates, and eventually present a candidate to the CBA.

My prayer is that 2024 will be the best year yet for the Carolina Baptist Association. Will you join me in that prayer?

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Christ-filled New Year!

Blessings,
Ray Brickhouse
Interim, Associational Mission Strategist



Carolina Baptist Association is prayerfully searching for a full-time Associational Mission Strategist.

Must meet the biblical qualifications of a gospel minister as described in 1 Timothy 3:1-7. Must hold to the Baptist Faith & Message 2000, be called of God and fully committed to denominational service, possess experience and/or educational qualifications such to be able to effectively carry out the duties as AMS.

Email resumes by January 31, 2024 to cbal877@gmail.com.

We're Hiring



**NOVEMBER 2023
ENDING BALANCES**

YTD Church Receipts:	\$163,519.42
YTD Expenses:	\$173,886.43
Designated Fund Checking/CD:	\$143,233.86
General Fund Checking:	\$43,922.39
Camp Scholarships Granted:	\$10,988.50
Camp Sale Endowment Value:	\$353,444.95
Zeke Crawford Endowment:	\$6,225.19

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BAPTIST FOUNDATION

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Help ease the cost of your education by applying to one of the five scholarships offered by Provision Financial Resources. Applications are open on January 1, 2024 and will remain open until the close of the business day on February 15, 2024. Go to provision.org/scholarships to apply.

Crab Creek Baptist Church
SAVE THE DATE

Saturday February 17th 9:00am-1:00pm

How to Study the Bible Workshop

Led by Natalie Long

Whether you are a new student of the Word or have been studying for years, this will be a great workshop for any woman who wants to grow in her Bible study skills!

This will also be a fantastic opportunity for women from sister churches to come and learn sound Bible study methods for their personal growth and to use in their respective churches as they lead and disciple others.

Saturday March 2nd 9:30am-11:00am

Women's Fellowship

Spring 2024

Women's Bible Study on 1 Peter

Led by Natalie Long

More details coming soon!

Events and studies are open to all women! Please invite family and friends!

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MANY CHURCHES WILL
RECOGNIZE THE SANCTITY
OF HUMAN LIFE BY RAISING
AWARENESS OF THE GOD-
GIVEN WORTH AND
SIGNIFICANCE OF EACH
HUMAN LIFE CREATED BY
HIM IN HIS IMAGE



Jeremiah 1:4-5
"I knew you even before you were conceived."
-Almighty God-

BY COMING
ALONGSIDE MOMS,
BABIES, AND
FATHERS, WE SEEK
TO BE THE HANDS OF
GOD REACHING OUT
IN CHRISTIAN LOVE

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HUMAN LIFE
SUNDAY IS
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MATTERS
CONFERENCE**

Embrace True Love
February 9 & 10, 2024

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**WOVEN WOMEN'S
Conference**

Connect Spiritually
March 22-24, 2024

FBC Women
BIBLE STUDIES

Bible studies begin January 16,
Registration opens December 1.

Click here for more information.

FBC Hendersonville | 312 Fifth Avenue West

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JANUARY

- 1 CBA Office Closed
- 11-12 Worship Leader Training, Caraway Conference
- 13-15 Winter Youth Retreat, Truett Conference Center & Camp, Hayesville
- 15 Leadership Team Meeting, 9am, CBA
Women of Carolina, 6pm, CBA
- 15 FBC Hendersonville Women's Bible Studies Begin
- 21 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
- 26-27 VBS Preview (Lifeway), Ridgecrest Conference Center

FEBRUARY

- 9-10 Marriage Matters Conference, Truett Conference Center & Camp
- 11 Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday for IAM
- 15 Deadline for Provision Education Scholarships
- 17 How to Study the Bible Workshop, Crab Creek Baptist Church, 9am-1pm
- 19 Leadership Team Meeting, 9am, CBA
Women of Carolina, 6pm, CBA
- 26 Region 9 Missions Rally, Woodland Baptist Church, Waynesville
- 27 Disciplemaking Conference, Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte

MARCH

- 3-10 Week of Prayer for NA Missions and Annie Armstrong
- 9 Construction Skills Training, Shelby Mission Camp, 9am-3pm
- 10 Spring Forward—Set Clocks Up One Hour
- 18 Leadership Team Meeting, 9am, CBA
Women of Carolina, 6pm, CBA
- 22-24 Woven Women's Conference, Truett Conference Center & Camp

Minister Meetings:
Mondays at 10:00 AM
Downstairs in the
Baptist Resource
Center

JANUARY

- 2 Greg and Deborah Mathis—Mud Creek
- 3 Jerry Mullinax—W. Hendersonville
- 4 Collin Terenzini—Shaws Creek
- 7 Craig Stepp—Fruitland
Paula Janes—CBA
- 8 Wilburn and Ruby Lefler—Upward
- 12 Blair and Tina Stewart—Zion Hill
Joe Hayes—Barker Heights
- 13 Kevin and Natalie Long—Crab Creek
- 15 Roy Waldroup—Fletcher First
- 18 Donald and Syble Freeman—Bearwallow
- 21 K. DeWayne and Kimberly Jeter—Contemporary
First Missionary
- 23 Ted Min—Asheville Korean
- 28 Steve Scoggins—FBC Hendersonville
- 29 Charissa Frank—Biltmore Hendersonville
- 30 Deborah Mathis—Mud Creek

FEBRUARY

- 9 Kiersten Terenzini—Shaws Creek
- 23 Marco Hernandez—Agua Viva
- 25 Joe Lund—Balfour

MARCH

- 3 Rosa Hernandez—Agua Viva
- 8 Allison Hardin—Fruitland
- 10 Donald Freeman—Bearwallow
Linda Garren—Liberty
- 16 Sabrina Hayes—Barker Heights
- 17 Ted and Anne Min—Asheville Korean
Tyler Pegram—Dana
- 23 Kemuel Pruitt—French Broad
- 27 Anne Min—Asheville Korean
- 30 Curtis Pace—Jones Gap
Scott and Teresa Westmoreland—Etowah

NEWS/EVENTS

- **Beech Haven Baptist Church**, a SBC church in Athens, GA, is looking to partner with a church here in Hendersonville to bring families and provide a mission project such as a Vacation Bible School type of activity. If you are interested email George Hall at hallstone@bellsouth.net.
- **Dana Tyler Pegram** has been called as their pastor. He will begin ministry on January 1, 2024.
- **January is Make Your Will Month** How do you wish to be remembered? Most people want to be remembered fondly as having made a difference in the lives of others. Everyone has the capacity to extend their generosity beyond their lifetime by simply having a thoughtful estate plan in place. Consider how you might choose to make a difference, how you might want to “pay your blessings forward” as you seek to be more Christ-like. Then, take action by having a personal estate plan prepared for you and your family. Call Provision (Previously NC Baptist Foundation) at 800-521-7334 and they can help you.
- **Locust Grove** Tyler Pegram has resigned as pastor as of December 31, 2023.
- **National Day of Prayer** is planned for May 2, 2024.
- **ServeNC is Coming!** ServeNC is a missions blitz in your community. Imagine your whole church active in missions in your community! The dates are August 3-10, 2024. Pick one day or several days during this ServeNC week. Imagine the impact of hundreds of churches across North Carolina serving their communities during this week! Go ahead and sign up at NCBaptist.org/servenc.
- **Used Literature** Bring your used literature and Bibles to the association office to be sent to English speaking third-world countries.
- **WMU NC Missions Conference** and 133rd Annual Meeting will be April 19-20, 2024 Parkwood Baptist Church in Concord. Go to wmunc.org/missions-conference to register.



SUMMER CAMP 2024



- Week 1
June 10-14: Girls Camp #1
- Week 2
June 17-21: Boys Camp #1
- Week 3
June 23-28: Youth Camp #1
- Week 4
June 30-July 5: Youth Camp #2
- Week 5
July 8-11: Children's Church Camp
- Week 6
July 15-19: Boys Camp #2
- Week 7
July 21-26: Youth Camp #3
- Week 8
July 29 to Aug 2: Girls Camp #2

Girls Camp & Boys Camp (Ages 7-17) \$240 per person

These incredible overnight camp experiences allow campers to build strong friendships, grow through outdoor adventure, and encounter the transformative power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The weeks run from Monday to Friday.

Children's Church Camp (Ages 6-11) \$275 per person

Churches can bring kids to camp to experience the thrill of a summer camp week (Monday-Thursday). More importantly, each one will encounter the transformative power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The cost includes all activities, lodging, meals, and more!

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IAM INTERFAITH ASSISTANCE MINISTRY

Please help us keep our neighbors warm this winter. Items are listed in order of priority, but ALL are helpful.

Winter adult jackets (critical)
Tents
Sleeping Bags
Suitcases (wheels please)
Backpacks

Bath Towels
Children's Clothes
Children's Coats
Men's Shoes/Boots
Women's Shoes/Boots
Children's Shoes (Size 1-5)
Pillows
Blankets (Especially Queen)

Call 697-7029 ext. 1143 for more information.



Looking for a youth camp at the beach that includes powerful worship, quality proclaimers, original dramas, big production, a hands-on missions experience, intentional discipleship for students and youth ministry training for adults? Then join us for one of the Summer Youth Weeks at Fort Caswell with your group of rising 7th through 12th graders. Each week also includes lots of sports, pool time, beach time, daily quiet times, church and small group devotions, games and more. Go to bedotell.com to register.



The Souper Bowl of Caring collections on Super Bowl Sunday are a big help to the Food Pantry at Interfaith Assistance Ministry.

Souper Bowl Sunday is February 11, 2024, but many congregations around the country will start their collection in January. Find out more and receive promotional materials at souperbowl.org.

Harvest Seeds Ministry

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LIST OF NEEDED ITEMS

- Bibles
- Sunday School Material
- Christian Books
- Bible Reference Books
- CD, DVD, Blu-Ray of Christian Music or Teaching
- Christian School and Homeschool Material
- Walkers, Canes, Crutches

Drop-Off Location: Carolina Baptist Association, 601 Hebron Rd., Hendersonville, NC Monday - Thursday from 9am - 4pm. For more information call Sandra Wilson at 828-691-6908 or email sw6908@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE
 CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Spring Meeting
APRIL 23, 2024

February 27, 2024
 Hickory Grove Baptist Church

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CONSTRUCTION SKILLS TRAINING

Learn valuable construction skills such as how to hang and finish drywall, install flooring, lay out and frame walls, and more! This is a great training for students, women and men. The cost of attending the training and lunch is \$10.00.

Shelby Mission Camp
 March 9, 2024
 9am-3pm



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REGION 9 MISSIONS RALLY

These rallies will highlight the variety of opportunities NC Baptists have been 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 - everyone interested in missions is encouraged to attend. 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 Celebration is one week prior to the event. To register, go to baptistsonmissions.org.

Monday, February 26, 2024
 Woodland Baptist Church, Waynesville, NC
 5:45pm Meal | 6:50pm Program