

A Family of Churches Coming Together to

Rejoice!

April 24, 2018
7:00pm

Saluda First Baptist Church
Speaker: Rev. Jim Hyler

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

Philippians 4:4

Awaken

RETURN TO ME

2018 NORTH CAROLINA
PRAYER GATHERING

March 9-10, 2018
Lake Hills Baptist Church, Candler, NC

NCBAPTIST.ORG/AWAKEN

In the Middle of the Mess

*Strength for This Beautiful,
Broken Life*

March 19—April 30, 2018
(See News/Events)

6-Week Women's Bible Study by Sheila Walsh



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Asheville Korean	Cedar Springs	Etowah	Fruitland	Locust Grove	Mtn. Valley	Refuge	
Balfour	Contemp. First	FBC E. Flat Rock	Gethsemane	Main Street	Mtn. View Miss.	Shaws Creek	
Barker Heights	Covenant	FBC H'ville	Hoopers Creek	Middle Fork	Mud Creek	The Beloved	
Bat Cave	Crab Creek	FBC Saluda	Horse Shoe 1st	Mount Gilead	Naples	Upward	
Bearwallow	Crossroads	FBC Tryon	Jones Gap	Mount Moriah	New Haven	Valley Hill	
Beulah	Dana	FBC Tuxedo	Kings Grove	Mount Olivet	Oak Forest	West H'ville	
Biltmore H'ville	Double Springs	Fletcher First	Liberty	Mountain Home	Pleasant Grove	Zion Hill	

Communication and Information



Communication and information have always been incredibly important. We live in an age where these things are more important than at any time in human history. The difficulty is that we are completely inundated with information from the time we awake until the time we retire.

The same is somewhat true for our varying fellowships. In fact, at Carolina Baptist Association we continue to talk about the best ways to inform our congregations about events, mission and ministry opportunities, training, etc. Email has become the standard way in which we communicate with our churches, but that often is not very effective since each of us receives far more emails than we can keep up with.

With that in mind, we are asking for your help. First, would you check and see if our emails are going to your spam or junk file? We are convinced that many of you are not getting our emails because the email service or app you are using does not recognize CBA as a reputable email address. Please check this for us and make the necessary adjustments. Sometimes it is as simple as clicking a button signifying that our email is not junk or spam.

Second, would you please help us with information about your church, pastor(s), and other leadership. We may not have updated contact information if your church has not turned in a profile in the last year or two – or if the profile was partially filled out. Please go to <https://goo.gl/forms/Sw7ZJpej97r3l3092> and fill out the form on this website. It will help us have updated contact information about your congregation and leadership.

Third, please share with us any information you would like for us to distribute to the other churches or associations. We are here to help you in your ministry efforts and would be glad to help communicate with others about what is going on in your fellowship.

Our promise to you is that we will try not to inundate you with emails and other forms of communication. CBA is attempting to minimize the emails, texts, and other forms of communication we send out so that when you do receive something from us, you know it is important.

If you have any nuggets of wisdom, or any suggestions on this topic of information and communication, we'd love to receive them.

Thank you for all you do as you minister in the Name of the Lord Jesus. We are so grateful to be partners together with you in the Gospel!

Welcome New Pastor!



Donald Freeman was called to **Bearwallow Baptist Church** on January 3, 2018. We would like to welcome Donald and his wife, Syble.



First Baptist Academy:

Now enrolling for the 2018-19 School Year.
Half-day classes for ages 3-4, Transitional Kindergarten & Kindergarten.

For more information email Jerry at WitcherJ@fbchnc.org or call her at 693-8312.

CBA Year End Balances

Regular Church Contrib.	\$179,429.18
General Fund Expenses.....	\$183,119.99
General Fund Checking.....	\$46,273.36
NCBF Endowment.....	\$360,120.17
Crawford Endowment	\$6,173.30
Designated Checking	\$24,323.76
Designated CD	\$60,00.00

Need for Sugarloaf Elementary School Backpack Program

Would you consider helping on Thursdays until the end of the school year at 9:00 a.m. to pack backpacks so around 100 kids will have food on the weekends who otherwise may go without?

There is also a great need of convenience foods for this ministry. Food can be delivered to Carolina Baptist Association, M-Th. from 9-4.

If you can to help with the packing please contact Sam Gibbs at 828-699-4112.

Deep Impact Missions Weeks are prepackaged week long mission experiences sponsored by NCBM for middle/high school and college students. Youth and leaders will participate in a variety of mission opportunities including construction, VBS/Day camps, sports and servant evangelism, prayer walks and more. There are instate and out of state opportunities. Go to baptistsonmission.org/camps/Deep-Impact.



DI Kids Missions Weeks and Weekends that provide elementary age students and their leaders/parents the opportunity to share the love of God with people in NC (Red Springs and Shelby). For children 1st—5th grade. They will participate in a variety of mission opportunities including hands on projects, worship, fun, games and fellowship. Go to baptistsonmission.org/camps/Deep-Impact.

REIMAGINE

2018 SUMMER YOUTH WEEKS

YOUTH WEEKS AT NC BAPTIST ASSEMBLY AT FT. CASWELL, OAK ISLAND, NC June—August, 2018

Looking for a youth camp at the beach that includes powerful worship, quality proclaimers, a hands-on missions experience, intentional discipleship for students and youth ministry training for adults? Each week includes daily quiet times, church and small group devotions, sports, drama, improv, games and more. In 2017, we celebrated 321 salvations, more than 1,200 commitments to walk closer to God and 103 who answered God's call to ministry. This summer we are taking a closer look at the teachings of Jesus, specifically the parables. **The 2018 theme is "RE-IMAGINE," based on the teachings of Jesus that challenge us to re-imagine the kingdom of God. Theme verse: Psalm 78:1-2, My people, hear my teaching; listen to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth with a parable; I will utter hidden things, things from of old.** For more information, see a video, camp schedule and more go to <http://Leaders.BeDoTell.com>.

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 A STRANGER AND YOU WELCOMED ME, 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



MAY IS ASSOCIATION EMPHASIS MONTH AND THE OUR JERUSALEM OFFERING

When you support your local association, you are strengthening the bond between local churches and fellow believers and empowering each other to do more to serve His kingdom. When churches work in associational missions, they ARE the association in action; an "organization of people with a common purpose" of taking Christ to the community and the world. The Association is not just the director of missions and a few staff members—IT'S YOU, YOUR PASTOR, YOUR CHURCH working together with other like-minded churches in spreading the love of God and ministering to people in His name.

CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IS GLAD TO BE YOUR MISSION PARTNER!

SAVE THE DATE

A ONE DAY MISSIONS BLITZ IN NORTH CAROLINA

WHO COULD YOUR CHURCH IMPACT IN ONE DAY?

April 28 or May 5, 2018



Churches statewide are challenged to designate either April 28 or May 5, 2018, as a day to help meet the needs in their community. The goal for North Carolina Operation Inasmuch is to involve as many churches as possible in missions.

Operation *inasmuch*

Carolina Baptist Association has a kit available for checkout to help your church organize a One Day Mission Blitz in your community.

www.baptistsmission.org/ncoiam



Fill his plate, FILL HIS HEART

Boys and girls living at **Baptist Children's Homes (BCH)** see God's love through you when you help collect **\$400,000 in food, supplies and gift cards** for the **Food Roundup**. You fill his or her heart when you fill the plate of a child who has gone without eating regularly before coming to BCH. You help provide approximately **700,000 meals and snacks — enough for an entire year!** Through the annual **Food Roundup**, you help feed children and families through BCH's caring homes and services across 21 North Carolina communities.



SHARING HOPE...CHANGING LIVES
Baptist Children's Homes
of NORTH CAROLINA

www.bchfoodroundup.org // 1-800-476-3669

Collect food during the month of April and bring your donations to Carolina Baptist Association by Monday, May 14 during office hours, Monday—Thursday from 9-4.

OUR STAFF

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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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Monday Minister Meetings:

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

March

ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING MONTH

- 9-10 Awaken NC Prayer Gathering, Lake Hills BC, Candler
- 11 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 18 Church Planting Emphasis Sunday
- 18 Substance Abuse Prevention Sunday
- 3/19-4/30 In the Middle of the Mess, Women's Bible Study, CBA
- 19 CBA Leadership Team Meeting, BRC, 9:00 AM
- 25 Palm Sunday
- 29 Maundy Thursday (CBA Office CLOSED)
- 30 Good Friday

NC BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME FOOD ROUNDUP MONTH

- 1 Easter Sunday
- 6-7 Missions Conference, Hickory Grove BC
- 8 Cooperative Program Sunday
- 14 Relational Evangelism in a Post Christian Culture, Buncombe Assoc.
- 16 CBA Leadership Team Meeting, BRC, 9:00 AM
- 24 "Celebrate" Spring Semi-Annual Meeting, FBC Saluda, 7:00 PM
- 4/28 & 5/5 Operation Inasmuch, One Day Missions Blitz in NC



Birthdays & Anniversaries

March

- 8 Michael and Amy Lewis— Double Springs
- 10 Donald Freeman— Bearwallow
- 10 Linda Garren— Liberty
- 11 Roni Peterson— CBA
- 16 Beverly Merck— Naples
- 18 Marcus Hayes— Biltmore Hendersonville
- 20 Brian Henderson— Etowah
- 23 Kemuel Pruitt— French Broad
- 27 Michelle Perdue— Covenant
- 30 Curtis Pace— Jones Gap

April

- 3 Laura Sullins—CBA
- 6 Christen Blanton— Ebenezer
- 8 Jimmy and Lisa Owens— Barker Heights
- 15 Nancy McKnight— Horse Shoe First
- 15 Rane Stepp— Fruitland
- 16 Steven and Christen Blanton— Ebenezer
- 22 Kathy Phillips— Pleasant Grove
- 22 Sheila Mason— Main Street
- 25 Levina Pace— Jones Gap



Deadline for May/ June
Newsletter is April 12, 2018



The 2018 Missions Conference will be held on April 6-7 at Hickory Grove Baptist Church in Charlotte.

Conference includes worship, general sessions, breakout sessions, missions fair exhibits, missions testimonies, volunteer supper and more!

Speakers:

- Bryan Loritts
- Vicki Grossman
- Kyle Idleman
- Jennifer Rothschild
- Tom Richter
- Terry Rae

Registration Deadline: March 29, 2018



ATTENTION CHILDREN AND YOUTH DIRECTORS

We are blessed to have financial resources invested with the NC Baptist Foundation. With camp season coming upon us, Carolina Baptist Association has new policies for granting scholarships for children to attend a Christian camp. Beginning this year **May 1st** will be the hard deadline for camp scholarship applications. We feel this is the best way to be as fair as possible to all churches and young people who need funding. **We ask that you remember these scholarships are need-based.** To download an application go to www.cbanc.org, resources, camp scholarships.

The **Cooperative Program** is Southern Baptists' unified plan of giving through which cooperating Southern Baptist churches give a percentage of their undesignated receipts in support of their respective state convention and the Southern Baptist Convention missions and ministries. Southern Baptists are a fellowship of almost 16 million members in approximately 45,764 churches in all 50 states and Canada. These churches work together through approximately 1,174 associations, 42 state conventions, and the Southern Baptist Convention to accomplish through voluntary cooperation far more than they could ever do alone. Thank you Southern Baptists! 2017 CP giving was up by more than \$1 million (3.7%) from 2016. "We are grateful that God continues to bless us as we are seeking to be faithful to the strategy that He has given us to impact lostness in NC," said John Butler, the BSC's executive leader for Business Services.



COOPERATIVE PROGRAM SUNDAY IS APRIL 8, 2018



Relational Evangelism in a Post Christian Culture

SPLASH: Show People Love and Share Him

With Ken Hemphill

(Author of Bonsai Theory of Church Growth)

April 14, 2018

9:30 AM—2:00 PM

BUNCOMBE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

227 Hazel Mill Rd., Asheville

To register call 828-252-1864

Lunch is Provided



Save Your Stuff! FBC Hendersonville Student Ministry Yard Sale

Saturday, April 21

8:00 AM—1:00 PM

No clothes, shoes, or car seats will be accepted. Proceeds to benefit scholarships for camps and mission trips. If you have large items that need to be picked up, please contact Anna at leea@fbchnc.org or call the church office at 693-3727.

North Carolina Baptist Aging Ministry



Regardless of religious affiliation, NCBAM's call center provides information and referral services to adults 65+ and connects them with volunteers. NCBAM regional directors help strengthen ministries to aging adults, form community partnerships, and help bring awareness to the needs of aging adults. **2017 stats: \$78,763 value of volunteer hours; 3,829 calls in; 6,594 calls out; 6,944 individuals received training; 3,426 volunteer hours.** You can make a difference! *Step up to volunteer or make a donation at ncbam.org/support.*



Camp Hope is an 8 week summer day camp for children and adults with disabilities. We are open to all ages and disabilities with very few exceptions.

Camp Dates: Monday, June 11th- Friday, August 10th

Registration Opens March 1st, 2018. Packets are available at Hope Academy and on our website.

Registration Fee: \$50 for all campers

Camp Tuition: \$20 a day

Camp Includes: Swimming, Water Days, Field Trips, Fishing, Themed Weeks, Music, Hope Special Olympics, Camp Awana, Games, Hiking, Dance Parties, Special Projects, and Much More!

HopeAcademyHendersonville.org or facebook.com/hopeacademy2007

Call Peggy Allen, Director, 828-329-9978

Camp Hope

A Ministry of Mud Creek Baptist Church



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

March 4	Beulah Mountain Home	Dewey Barnwell Craig Garren
March 11	Living Water Mountain View	Tony Birkhead Tony Halford, Interim
March 18	Oak Forest FBC Saluda	Jerry Lacefield Tony Reese
March 25	Cedar Springs Broad River	Phillip Winter Bob Hagan
April 1	Mountain Valley Liberty	No Pastor Robert Garren
April 8	Kings Grove Asheville Korean	Phillip Capell Inhee Park
April 15	CBA FBC Horse Shoe	Michael Smith Clint McKnight
April 22	Biltmore Hendersonville Etowah	Marcus Hayes Brian Henderson
April 29	Crab Creek	Brad Knox



Bearwallow will be 150 years old on May 9. and will be celebrating on May 6 with an old fashioned dinner on the grounds and memory sharing.

East Flat Rock First The Worship Choir will present the Easter musical, "Jesus! The Resurrection of the Messiah," on Sunday, March 25 at 10:45 a.m.

Etowah 7am Sunrise service on April 1 with breakfast at 7:30. No evening service. *Operation Inasmuch Blood Drive, 9:00am-1:30pm on April 28.*

Fletcher First New Salem Singers, Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 10:45am. *The Primitive Quartet, Sunday, April 1, 2018 at 6:00pm.* Revival with Dr. Mike Bagwell beginning on Sunday, April 29, 2018 at 10:45am and 6:00pm. It will continue Monday-Wednesday, April 30-May 2, 2018, at 7:00pm each night.

Hendersonville First Mom's Connect begins on March 12 at 6:30pm in room A-100. This is a gathering for coffee, conversation, and encouragement from God's Word that meets on the second Monday of each month. For more information contact Katy Stafford at stakaty@gmail.com. Childcare is available. *March 22 the Women's Ministry Quarterly event is from 6:00-8:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Snacks and coffee. No childcare. Free event. Speaker is Yvette Haney, Children's Minister.* March 26-28 Holy Week Luncheon series. Lunch will be served at 11:30am and the program begins at 12:15pm. The suggested donation is \$5. March 26, the speaker is Anthony McMinn of the Hendersonville Rescue Mission. March 27, the speaker is Greg Mathis from Mud Creek. March 28, the speaker is David Horton, president of Fruitland Baptist Bible College. *April 28 is the Habitat Blitz build. More details to come, visit www.fbchnc.org for more information.* Todd Alewine (Around the Corner Ministries) will conduct evangelism training in March. *In April, a team will go to Clarkston, GA to minister to refugees in partnership with the International Bible Church.*

Main Street will have a Maundy Thursday Communion Service on March 29 at 7:00 p.m. *Easter SonRise Service will be held on April 1 on the front lawn at 7:00 a.m.* The Prodigal Sons will be singing on April 15 in the 11 a.m. service.

Mountain Valley Shannon Owen resigned as senior pastor on January 28, 2018.

Naples Will have a Sunrise service at 7:00 a.m. followed by breakfast and worship at 9:45 a.m. *Received a love offering for Open Arms Pregnancy Center in honor and remembrance of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday.* Participated in Souper Bowl of Caring and a coat drive for IAM. *Had Matthew and Courtney Bolling speak about the work they are doing in Minnesota with the Muslim people.* Gary Locklear shared information about his work as a missionary to the unreached community of Native Americans.

Refuge will have the Franklin Family Singers on March 18 at 6:00 p.m. *Easter egg hunt on March 31.* On April 1 will be having a Sunrise service and breakfast with a Easter Cantata at 10:30 a.m. *Sunday Night Singing on April 29 at 6:00 p.m.*

NEWS/EVENTS

~In the Middle of the Mess A Sheila Walsh 6-week women's Bible study led by Becky Wuerzer, each Monday beginning March 19-April 30 (skipping April 2). Will be held at Carolina Baptist Association from 6:30-8:00 p.m. (study, 6:30-7:30; Q/A, 7:30-8:00). Book is \$10 and will be available for purchase throughout the study. Register online at www.cbanc.org/womenofcarolina or call 693-4274. Come and bring a friend!

~Life on the Edge: Camp Mundo Vista Summer 2018 June 17-22, 2018 is Children/Teen Girls. June 24-27, 27-30, 2018 is Mother/Daughter Mini Camp. July 8-13 is Children/Teen Girls. July 15-18, 18-21, 2018 is Mother/Daughter Mini Camp. July 22-25, 2018 is Girls/Leader Mini Camp. Register online at www.campmundovista.com, call 336.625.4828, or email mundovista@wmunc.org.

~Living Out Your Faith Ministries, Inc. Nicaragua Mission Trip is March 29, 2018– April 5, 2018. Cost is \$1,100.00. Space is limited, call today to reserve your spot! 828-337-2837.

~Ministerial tax issues can be complicated. Guidestone has a Minister's Tax Guide that is a great resource to help answer the most common tax-related issues affecting ministers and churches. You can find this guide at www.Guidestone.org.

~Missions Extravaganza and 127th Annual Meeting of WMU, April 27-28, Ardmore Baptist Church, Winston-Salem. www.wmunc.org/me2018.

~Nicaragua Mission Trip Living Out Your Faith Ministries will be going on a mission trip to Nicaragua July 16-27, 2018. Price is \$1,465 pp (all inclusive). Call Rose at 925-699-8943 if you are interested in going.

~Transformational Church Leader, Equipping Pastors and Lay Leadership for Church Revitalization. April 27-28 at Crosspoint Baptist Church in Concord, NC. To register go to <http://operation-transformation.com/revitalize>.

~2018 Compensation Survey for church staff is open. The survey takes less than 10 minutes and helps structure competitive compensation packages for various positions. Plus, there will be an iPad giveaway! We encourage you to participate in this helpful tool for our SBC churches. Go to GuideStone.org/compensationsurvey.

Scotts Creek Baptist Church, Sylva
March 9, 2018 - 9:00 AM—3:00 PM



If you are striving to make disciples instead of filling pews, you need a new scorecard to know if growth is taking place. If you want to see students engaged in the gospel and growing in their faith-how do we measure that? By the time your students graduate High School, what foundations will be in their lives? Come explore ways to approach ministry from birth-high school that includes life transformation instead of just head knowledge. Visit <http://Leaders.BeDoTell.com>.



5th Annual 5K Run & Walk

Benefiting Open Arms
PREGNANCY CENTER

Saturday, May 12th, 2018

Open Arms Crisis Pregnancy Center is a non-profit, Christ-centered, non-denominational organization designed to meet the needs of women and teens who require pregnancy support in Hendersonville and the surrounding area.

The Run4Life is a beautiful 5K course through the scenic orchards of Henderson County. **All proceeds of this event benefit Open Arms.** Our goal is to raise \$10,000 that will be used to help mothers and their families. We are asking for individual and business sponsorships to achieve and exceed our goal! Call Marilyn Duncan at 828-674-4481 for further information.