



David MacEachern,
 Moderator

Dear
 Brothers
 and Sisters,

DOM CANDIDATE TO BE INTRODUCED ON FEBRUARY 23 AT 6:30 AT CBA

I'm writing for the purpose of bringing you up to date with what's been happening in our search for our next Director of Missions (D.O.M.) in the Carolina Baptist Association (C.B.A.).

Associational Leadership Team, has been hard at work for the last 6 months evaluating 58 candidates who applied after the retirement of our former D.O.M. Dr. Sandy Beck. This process has been strategic, meticulous, and most encouraging for the committee members. The search committee began by consecrating ourselves to prayer and fasting for the first month and a half after Dr. Beck's retirement. We each felt a deep burden from the Lord regarding this

important task and desired that God's man for this time in C.B.A.'s history be sent to serve our association of churches. As a result of this time of seeking the Lord, the search committee made the decision that we'd protect the integrity of the process by refusing to speak outside of committee concerning our candidates, our work, or even when asked when we thought we'd have a new D.O.M. in place, we'd respond "Not really certain."

It became apparent early on in the

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The D.O.M. Search Committee, composed of seven members from our

PRAY FIRST

A WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA PRAYER GATHERING
 - March 8-9, 2016 -

Pray First...for all men...for kings...all that are in authority. 1 Timothy 2:1-2



Steve Harris
 Strategy Coordinator, Blue Ridge
 BSCNC, Cary



Liu Zhenying-Brother Yun
 Founder
 Back to Jerusalem Ministries



J. Chris Schofield
 Director
 Office of Prayer, BSCNC, Cary

Conference is free! Register at the door.

Fruitland Baptist Bible College, 1455 Gilliam Road, Hendersonville | 9:30am, March 8 & 9
 Ebenezer Baptist Church, 2557 Chimney Rock Road, Hendersonville | 6:30pm, March 8
 Hendersonville Presbyterian Church, 699 N. Grove St., Hendersonville | 6:30pm, March 9

Semi-Annual Spring Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2016

Mud Creek Baptist Church

7:00 PM

Your Local Baptist Association
 is glad to be Your Mission Partner

May is Association Missions Emphasis
 Month and "Our Jerusalem Offering"

Agua Viva	Broad River	Ebenezer	Fletcher First	Kings Grove	Mount Olivet	Naples	Upward
Asheville Korean	Cedar Springs	Etowah	French Broad	Liberty	Mountain	Oak Forest	Valley Hill
Balfour	Contemp. First	FBC E. Flat	Fruitland	Living Water	Home	Pacolet	Wayside
Barker Heights	Covenant	Rock	Gethsemane	Locust Grove	Mountain Page	Pleasant Grove	West H'ville
Bat Cave	Crab Creek	FBC H'ville	Hoopers Creek	Main Street	Mountain Valley	Pleasant Hill	Zion Hill
Bearwallow	Crossroads	FBC Saluda	Horse Shoe	Middle Fork	Mtn. View Miss.	Refuge	
Beulah	Dana	FBC Tryon	First	Mount Gilead	Mud Creek	Rise Fellowship	
	Double Springs	FBC Tuxedo	Jones Gap	Mount Moriah		Shaws Creek	

Churches without a pastor: Balfour, Cedar Springs, Contemporary First, Horse Shoe First, Locust Grove, Main Street, Mount Olivet, Pleasant Hill, Shaws Creek

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM
Love In Action

Cooperative Program Emphasis Sunday, is
April 10, 2016

Glory Girls *Glory Gals*

Two Separate Multi-Generational Conferences
Mud Creek Baptist Church - Hendersonville, NC

March 12, 2016
1:00—6:00 PM

Join us on March 12 for two generational women's conferences on the campus of Mud Creek Baptist Church. *Glory Girls* is for students ages 6th grade through 12th grade. *Glory Gals* is for all women who are 18 years or older. *Glory Girls and Gals* will take place on Saturday, March 12th from 1:00—6:00 PM. Praise and worship, all girls band, guest speakers and dinner. There is no cost for this event. Register by March 9th to guarantee a free t-shirt.

Register at <http://www.mudcreekchurch.org/glory> or call 828-692-1262.

You are beautiful, for you are fearfully and wonderfully made.
Psalm 139:14

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process that God was in fact leading in our selections. In every single meeting we had, when we made our decisions as to which candidate would be considered further, or which candidate would be considered no longer, our selections were unanimous. It was most inspiring to each committee member to see God's hand at work in our midst. Due to such an awareness, we felt that God led us to personally interview four qualified, and very experienced, men. The interview process was greatly used by God to

bring one particular candidate to the forefront before the other three.
At the time of this writing, our search committee is pleased to announce that the candidate we believe is God's choice for this important ministry position HAS ACCEPTED the assignment to serve as our next Director of Missions for the Carolina Baptist Association! However, due to the necessity of him sharing his acceptance of this new ministry assignment with his current place of ministry, we cannot yet divulge the candidate's name. We will introduce

our candidate to the association at the Executive Committee meeting on **Tuesday, February 23rd at 6:30 p.m.** at the associational office. **Please plan on being present at this meeting.** We will officially bring our search committee's recommendation to a vote at our CBA Spring Meeting on April 26, 2016 at Mud Creek Baptist Church. May God be glorified in the life of His church!

In Christ's Service,
David MacEachern,
Moderator

You can help feed Baptist Children's Homes' residents for a year!
Be Christ's hands and feet by providing 700,000 meals & snacks.

food roundup
APRIL 2016

Baptist Children's Homes of NORTH CAROLINA
www.bchfamily.org/foodroundup 1.800.476.3669

true woman 101

divine design
an eight-week study on biblical womanhood

mary a. kassian
nancy leigh demoss

Ebenezer Baptist Church
Thursday Nights, 6:30-8:00 PM
March 24—May 19, 2016

Foundational teaching and insights straight from God's Word, *True Woman 101* teaches women the details of God's design for womanhood and the joy that comes with embracing it. You can take big steps toward realizing your full potential in God!

To register contact Natalie Long at 252-204-5507. The cost of the book is \$22.00.



CARAWAY CONFERENCE CENTER, SOPHIA, NC

Don't kid yourself. Most pastors know by now that a strong marriage is critical for having a strong, transforming ministry. This has become more and more difficult. The We Still Do marriage getaway is a reminder that marriage and discipleship go hand in hand. Because of this truth, this event has been designed to give couples the time they need to worship, learn, talk, think and pray together.

This marriage getaway will be led by the husband and wife team of Eddie and Janet Thompson. Eddie is a former church planter and currently leads the marriage and family ministry at the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. His wife Janet is a RN and has extensive experience in women's ministry and worship leadership. Together they have led marriage enrichment conferences and retreats since 1992.

Cost is \$99 per couple (for first time attendees) and include lodging and meals. Space is limited to 30 couples. Register at www.ncbaptist.org/events.

SEND ME
A BRAND NEW YOUTH RETREAT AT FORT CASWELL WITH A FOCUS ON MISSIONS AND TRAINING.
APRIL 15-17, 2016

FEATURING SPEAKER: CHAD POE
"Chad preaches God's Word through story telling, media, and visual experience. As a result, the Scripture is clearly presented in order for people of all ages to examine and apply Biblical truth to their everyday walks of life."
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MUSIC & CONCERT: RUSH OF FOOLS
"...all our yesterdays and all of our tomorrows are held in Your hands." We've experienced it firsthand. It's Jesus that carries us, and becomes the Hero of our story. The hands of Jesus that carried the cross to His death are the very hands that carry us now. And that's the story we live to tell."
-WWW.RUSHOFFOOLS.COM

MORE INFO AT: WWW.FORTCASWELL.COM

Camp CARAWAY
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Camp Caraway is located in the beautiful Uwharrie Mountains seven miles west of Asheboro, NC. Since 1963 we provide **quality Christian** summer camp programs.

CARAWAY FOR BOYS

June 27—July 1
July 11—15
July 18—22

MOTHER-SON CAMP

July 7—8

FATHER-DAUGHTER CAMP

July 5—6

CAMP CARAWAY FOR CHILDREN

June 20—24

ONE NIGHT FATHER-SON CAMP

April 22—23 | June 17—18

TWO NIGHT FATHER-SON CAMP

July 22—24 | October 21—23

CHONDA PIERCE

MUD CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday, March 4, 2016
7:00 PM

Comedy Night Fundraiser for A Clear Word Counseling Center | 828-692-1262

A CLEAR WORD
Counseling Center

WHO COULD YOUR CHURCH IMPACT IN ONE DAY?

Operation Inasmuch
April 30 or May 7, 2016

Operation Inasmuch-North Carolina (OIAM-NC) is a one-day missions blitz in your community. Imagine your whole church active in missions to your community!

Each North Carolina community is unique, and OIAM will help North Carolina churches to consider the needs of their communities and work to meet those needs. Possible projects include **Backyard Bible Clubs, sewing projects, home repairs, wheelchair ramp construction, homebound visitation, yard work for elderly, blood pressure checks, affirmation of public servants, prayerwalks, block parties, garden projects, child care and nursing home ministry.**

OIAM hopes to have projects in all of North Carolina's 100 counties. Think of people in your community who need Christians to touch their lives in the name of Jesus Christ. On these two days, hundreds of churches and thousands of volunteers will share the love of Jesus with those who have never heard the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us know if you plan to participate. Go to www.baptistsonmission.org/ncoiam and sign up!

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)



ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING MONTH

- 6-13 Week of Prayer/Mission Study for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 8-9 WNC Prayer Conference
- 13 Daylight Savings Times Begin
- 15 Special Olympics, East Henderson High
- 21 CBA Leadership Team Meeting, 9 AM, CBA
- 24 CBA Office Closed
- 27 Easter



March

- 2 Shannon Owen—Mountain Valley
- 8 Michael and Amy Lewis—Double Springs
- 16 Beverly Merck—Naples
- 19 Marline MacEachern—Bat Cave
- 20 Brian Henderson—Etowah
- 23 Kemuel Pruitt—French Broad
- 27 Michelle Perdue—Covenant
- 30 Curtis Pace—Jones Gap

April

- 6 Christen Blanton—Ebenezer
- 8 Jimmy and Lisa Owens—Barker Heights
- 16 Steven and Christen Blanton—Ebenezer
- 22 Kathy Phillips—Pleasant Grove
- 25 Levina Pace—Jones Gap
- 26 David MacEachern—Bat Cave



NC BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME FOOD ROUNDUP

- 1-3 Missions Extravaganza, Ridgecrest
- 10 Cooperative Program Sunday
- 18 CBA Leadership Team Meeting, 9 AM, CBA
- 26 CBA Spring Meeting, 7 PM, Mud Creek BC
- 30 and/or May 7 Operation Inasmuch



Help pave the way to Interfaith Assistant Ministry's new building for crisis services with an engraved brick or paver. A new facility will allow IAM to serve more clients and position the ministry to meet anticipated growth in demand for crisis services in the future. Go to iamhendersoncounty.org for more information.





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

Mar 6	Kings Grove Asheville Korean	Phillip Capell Samuel Lee
Mar 13	Carolina Baptist Horse Shoe 1st	No DOM No Pastor
Mar 20	Wayside Etowah	Joshuah Schaller Brian Henderson
Mar 27	Crab Creek Barker Heights	Brad Knox Jimmy Owen
Apr 3	Contemporary 1st Dana	No Pastor Dan Blackwell
Apr 10	Fletcher 1st East Flat Rock 1st	Roy Waldroup Brent Thomas
Apr 17	Main Street Fruitland	No Pastor Mike Smith
Apr 24	Covenant Gethsemane	Justin Perdue Danny Pridmore



Balfour Pastor Travis Harrison is retiring. His last Sunday is February 28. Travis will be available for interim or supply.

Covenant will be relocating to the Fletcher YMCA and will begin

services there on March 6.

Etowah Easter "SonRise" service at 7 p.m. Hosting a movie night showing "War Room" on March 30 at 6 p.m. Wild game supper on April 23 at 5 p.m.

Fletcher 1st The Mylon Hayes Family Singers will bring a concert on February 21 at 6 p.m.

Hendersonville First Holy Land Series Sunday evenings, February 28-March 20 at 6 p.m. Pastor Steve will lead a tour group to the Biblical History Ctr. in Lagrange, GA, on March 3-4. Student ministry yard sale, April 30, 8 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Pleasant Grove is having a fundraising Craft Bazaar on April 9 from 9 AM—3 PM. Proceeds go to Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and other mission work. 919-744-9530.

Mud Creek Survivors of Suicide Support Group starts on February 21 from 3—4:30 p.m. This is for anyone who has experienced the trauma and pain of losing someone they know to suicide. Call 692-1262 ext. 135.

Naples Easter special by the children's choir at the evening service on March 20. Sunrise service at Shepherd's Memorial Park on March 27 at 7 a.m. breakfast following at 7:30 a.m.

Oak Forest Revival on April 27-29, 6:30 each night, with Evangelist Greg Foster. Fun Fling for Spring, April 30, 2-4 p.m. with old cars, games, food, fun, and a concert at 5 p.m. with Margret Anne Smith.

Refuge Easter egg hunt on March 26. Sunrise service on March 27 at 6:30 a.m. with breakfast following. Revival April 10 -13 (10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday and 7 p.m. Mon.-Wed.)

Saluda First Hosting a fundraising dinner and silent auction event on February 27 at 5 p.m. Donations will go toward 2016 Central Asia mission trips.

West Hendersonville will be starting Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University on March 13 at 9:30 a.m.

BE·DO·TELL

YOUTH WEEKS AT CASWELL, OAK ISLAND, NC

Beginning on June 13 through August 6 join the BeDoTell team for one of the best camps in the Southeast. Over 7,000 rising 7th-12th graders join us each summer and experience the beach, contemporary worship, small groups, tract times, and lots of fun! You will have time to grow in your faith through music, preaching, dramas, and church group devotions. The 2016 theme is "EveryOne, EveryThing, EveryDay, EveryWhere" based on 1 Peter 2:9.

Join us as we look at how to study the Bible, to discern right from wrong, and to use God's Word to choose truth over society's deceptions. <http://students.bedotell.com> or call 910-278-9501.

OTHER NEWS/EVENTS

- **NC Minister's Wives Retreat** Come and renew your spirit at this annual retreat. The theme is "Repurposed." Re-purposing challenges us to look at our faith from an different angle—not what we need to do, but what has already been done for us by Jesus. July 11-13 at Caraway Conference Center. Call Renea Henderson at 336-953-0908 for more information.
- **Deep Impact Summer Missions Caswell, July 3-9**, will combine the worship experience of summer youth camp with the "hands-on" missions experience of a mission trip. DI camp is for adults and youth only (rising 7th-12th graders) Big Daddy Weave will be leading worship each evening.
- **New Bible Studies Available** at CBA: Fearless by Max Lucado and Life Choices, a teen Bible study, by Jim Britts.
- **Summer Backpack Program** will begin soon. Bring your donations and offerings to the Association office Monday—Thursday from 9-4 p.m.
- **Southern Gospel Springfest** will be held at Lifeway Ridgecrest Conference Center on April 19-21. www.RidgecrestConferenceCenter.org.

Remember your Baptist Association as we offer over 100 ministries and services. Here are a few opportunities available.

- Bible Studies
- Women's Ministries
- Weekly Ministers Conference
- Camp Scholarships for Children
- Concession Trailer
- Disaster Trailer
- Banner Printing
- Used Literature Collection
- Multimedia Projectors/Screens
- Special Olympics
- Celebrate Jesus
- Prayer Conference
- And much, much more!



CBA Year End Balances

Regular Church Contributions	\$155,034.43
General Fund Expenses	\$135,828.07
General Fund Checking.....	\$27,112.44
NCBF Endowment.	\$326,671.54
Crawford Endowment.	\$5,532.75
Designated Checking.	\$33,709.56
Designated CD	\$60,00.00

CENTRAL ASIA UPDATE (The Kurds-CBA Adopted People Group)

On December 29, 2015, a group of five people from Fruitland Baptist traveled to Central Asia with the express purpose of supporting the team of people who are serving there. Our primary assignment was to provide personal and family support for the team already in place so they could have time to do some things they normally don't get to do.



We accomplished this first of all by conducting what was, for all practical purposes, a mission VBS for the children of the workers. The team in CA is rather large and includes many families with children. We had the little children from 9 a.m. until noon. During our time we led Bible stories, helped them make crafts, played games and sang. It was a full 3 hours, but it was a lot of fun. The little ones really seemed to enjoy interacting with someone not from their own family or circle of friends.

From 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. we had the youth. We did much the same kinds of activities with them, but those more suited to their age group. These young people are unusual for their ages. They seem much more mature than similarly aged young people in our country. These youngsters have the ability to enter into deep and meaningful conversations and seem to be better informed than many here in the states. They were truly a blessing to us, and we pray we were a blessing to them.

Our team also led in team worship on two occasions and had other opportunities for ministry whether through counsel, encouraging, prayer walking or something as simple as cleaning.

Although none of this sounds glamorous, and we have no reports of salvations, the initial work that is required for the long haul is at the stage of being tedious. The team is young and is just now laying the foundations for the work in the years ahead. They have much language to learn and they need to become more accustomed and attuned to the culture.

You can be a part of laying this groundwork. "Slider" teams are needed to take care of families and teach at an English school for 7-10 days. We are planning for several such teams this year. This will allow the team members to focus on language learning. If you would be interested in being a part of such an effort, please contact **Michael Smith at 606-4631**. God will bless you as you lend your gifts and talents to this work. It will be a trip you will not soon forget!

Worship Leader Events
Boone, NC
May 20-21, 2016

Worship Summit
 Worship Leader Boot Camp
 Virtual Worship Band Workshop

www.worshipMOUNTAINS.org

Run for Life

5K Color Fun Run/Walk
Family & Individuals—All Terrain
Saturday, May 14, 2016
10:00 AM

Partner with Open Arms Crisis Pregnancy Center for life to save lives. Bring your family and enjoy a day of fun to benefit OAPC.
 To be held at Justus Orchard, 187 Garren Rd.
 Register at mylivingwater.cc/run4life

HERE I AM SEND ME.
ISAIAH 6:8

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR
North American Missions
 March 6-13, 2016
 Goal: \$70 Million

ANNIE ARMSTRONG
 EASTER OFFERING

North American Mission Board

MARCH 11-12 | U.S. CELLULAR CENTER

Join together with women from all walks of life for this two-day event to explore the sufficiency and generosity of Christ through ABUNDANCE. Authors and teachers **Lisa Harper, Lysa TerKeurst, Amanda Bible Williams** and **Raechel Myers of She Reads Truth, Annie Downs, and Curtis Jones** will explore how embracing God's abundance transforms each area of our lives—in difficult seasons and in high places. LifeWay.com/events.



LIFEWAY RIDGECREST CONFERENCE CENTER

April 1-3, 2016

Both Feet In
Missions Extravaganza

6 125th Annual Meeting of
 Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina

A weekend on the mountain with the opportunity for a "mountain-top experience." Come meet missionaries, enjoy a wide variety of sessions that are sure to encourage, challenge, and equip you for the mission field God has placed before you. Learn new ways to be more focused on missions and spiritual development. Enjoy music of worship and renewal and of course, fellowship with other women on mission from across the state. Whether you are 18 or 88 there is a place for you at Missions Extravaganza! www.wmunc.org for more information and to register.