# Church News...

Thank you for praying for the following churches during their pastoral transitioning...

Adaville, Calvary, Fellowship, Forest City First, Green Hill, Mountain View (Polk), Oak Ridge, Oak Springs, Pleasant Grove, Round Hill, Spencer, Spindale First, West Memorial

Adaville...called Dr. Jim Whitlow as Interim in March.

Calvary...called Rev. Rick Wall as Interim in March.

Forest City First...called Dr. Bobby Morrow as Interim in March.

Green Hill...Rev. John Baker resigned as Pastor in March.

Mountain View (Rfd)...called Rev. Eric Reedy as Pastor in March.

Oak Ridge...is in need of a pianist. Call Richard Pruitt at 287-5894.

Pleasant Grove...Rev. Brent Frady resigned as Pastor in April.

Southern...is searching for a Minister of Youth. Send resumes to Southern BC, 140 Church St, Rutherfordton, NC 28139

Spencer...Rev. Billy Vaughn retired as Pastor in April.

Sulphur Springs...called Rev. Ron Wilkins as Pastor to begin July 6.

Rfdtn. Second...called Janet Roller as Min/Mus & Worship Leader to begin June 30. Also, the church has planned a mission trip to Vermont July 19-27.

#### CHURCH VBS DATES

July 13-17, 6-8:30pm July 13-18, 6-8:30pm

July 20-23, 6pm July 21-25

Oak Springs

Mount Vernon Rutherfordton First

Rutherfordton Second "Lifeway's Agency D3." "Son-World" (3yrs-Adult)

"Son Treasure Island"

"Weird Animals"

**MISSIONS** 

Distribution: NC Baptist Men, Church Planting, Mission Camps, Assoc. Projects, Mobilization Ministry Projects.

The missions and ministries of the BSCNC are made possible by your gifts through the Cooperative Program and the NC Missions Offering.

"... There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines ... terrors and great signs from heaven... This will be your opportunity to bear witness." Luke 21:10-13

## **CHORAL FESTIVAL 2014**

Thurs., July 31 - Sat., Aug. 2nd FBC, Spartanburg, SC

go to www.ChoralFestival2014.com

Floyd's Creek BC...2004 Chase High Rd., FC will be hosting their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sportsman's Banquet, Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm with guest speaker Chris Wells of Wellspoken Ministries. Tickets, which include a BBQ dinner and a change for some great door prizes, are only \$10 each and must be purchased in advance. For further information, please call the church at 828.245.1059.

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Henrietta FBC...(S. Rutherford County) is searching for a Part-Time Minister of Music. If interested, contact Shirley Toney, Chair, Search Com-To register call 1-800-845-7618x299 or mittee at (828)657-5568 (H. preferred) or (828) 289-6114 (Cell).

Associational Prayer for our Churches

JULY

Week 1: Bill's Creek Rev. Terrill Dillingham

Week 2: Calvary

Rev. Rick Wall (I)

Week 3: Camp Creek

Rev. Tony McCraw

Week 4: Cane Creek

Dr. Ansel Pace

Week 5: Chimney Rock Rev. Gene Daggerhart

AUGUST

Week 1: Fellowship

Rev. Tom Runyon (I)

Week 2: Forest City First

Dr. Bobby Morrow (I)

Week 3: Gilkey

Rev. Danny Hamrick

Week 4: Green Hill

Rev. John Bridges (I)

SEPTEMBER

Week 1: Lake Lure

Rev. Anton Roos

Week 2: Long Branch Road

Rev. Jerry Ruppe Week 3: Main Street

Rev. Jerry Campbell

Rev. Rick Brewer

Week 4: Montford Cove

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## **LOTTIE MOON OFFERING Record-Breaking Results!**

RICHMOND, Va.—Southern Baptists gave an unprecedented \$154 million to the 2013 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. breaking the record for the largest total in the offering's 125-year history.

The 2013 offering, finalized June 5, reached \$154,057,852.36. The total represents an increase of nearly \$4.8 million over 2012, or 3.2 percent. It tops the previous record, \$150.4 million in 2007, by more than \$3.6 million, and marks the fourth increase since 2008.

"It's estimated that close to 1 billion people living now are very likely to go through life without ever hearing the Gospel in such a fashion that they can understand it and respond to it in faith," Elliff said. "Our missionaries are 'chasers after darkness.' We're looking for those dark corners of the world where the light of the Gospel has yet to be shed so we can get the message of Christ into the hearts of people who need so desperately to hear about it."



## 2014 Quarterly Newsletter

July-August-September

A Baptist Association is a self-governing fellowship of autonomous churches sharing a common faith and active on mission in their setting. J.C. Bradley

Dr. David Jendrey Director of Missions

Rev. Anton Roos Moderator

Dr. Bob Morgan Treasurer

Mrs. Teresa Sams Administrative Assistant & Clerk

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### Calendar

July

4 Office Closed for holiday

8 11:00 am Ministers' Conference

15 12:00 Noon Secretaries' Luncheon

28 7:00 pm Qtrly. Assoc. Mtg., Chimney Rock BC

12 11:00 am Ministers' Conference

September

1 Office Closed for holiday

2 11:00 am Ministers' Conference

8 6:30pm WMU Leadership Trng. Workshop, MountainView BC (Rfd)

9 GRBA Day at Mountain State Fair

## JULY QUARTERLY **ASSOCIATION MEETING**

Monday, July 28, 2014 7:00pm **Chimney Rock Baptist Church** 

## Birthdays

July 11 Mrs. Keith Stephenson Second

Westminster 17 Rev. Rick Brewer Main Street

20 Rev. Aaron Vess Westminster 24 Mrs. Darold Crawford Oak Springs

29 Mrs. Tom Runyon Fellowship

August

6 Rev. Terrell Dillingham Bill's Creek 10 Mrs. Anton Roos Lake Lure

13 Dr. Ansel Pace

12 Mrs. Aaron Vess

27 Dr. David Jendrey

28 Mrs. Jim Whitlow

September

8 Mrs. Tony McCraw

25 Mrs. Greg Huntley

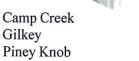
18 Mr. Danny Hamrick

Gilkey 20 Rev. Michael Brown

**Rock Springs** 







#### ATTENTION GRBA PASTORS

Please come by the office and pick up your free copy of "Autopsy of a Deceased Church, 12 Ways to Keep Yours Alive" by Thom S. Rainer.

MONTHLY MINISTERS'

11:00 am at the Association Office

CONFERENCES

July 8: William Swink August 12: Charles McClure

September 2: John Perry

WMU LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP Monday, September 8, 6:30 pm **Mountain View Baptist Church** 

430 US 221 Hwy S.

Light Supper provided

#### **COUNTYWIDE** YOUTH MINISTERS' MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP

Meets 1st Tues. night monthly 7pm Sandy Run Baptist Resource Center Open to all youth ministers. Call Howie Lederfind at 429-7968.

#### CHRISTIAN CHARACTER SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The following High School Seniors The Hindustan Bible Institute in Chen-Pleasant Grove BC.

#### SISTER CHICKS FOR CHRIST Ladies Night Out

Monday, September 22 **ICC** Foundation Speaker: Vonda Skelton

#### **NEWSLETTER ITEMS**

We need news items by Monday, Sept. 22 for next Otrly. Newsletter.

#### 2014 WNC MOUNTAIN STATE FAIR MINISTRY

September 3 - September 14,

Western NC Agricultural Cntr. near Fletcher, N.C.

Churches from several WNC associations will be helping in this ministry.

> **GRBA DAY:** TUESDAY, SEPT. 9

**SECOND BAPTIST DAY:** WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10

Training for GRBA will be Tuesday, August 5, 7pm at GRBA office

If you are interested in volunteering, please call the GRBA office to sign up by August 5. Hygiene Kit list & Teddy Bear patterns are available at the office. There is a real need for men's jeans & socks, also, t-shirts, sweatshirts & new or gently used shoes.

**Courtesy Car Training:** August 19 7pm & Fair Ministry Evang. Training: August 21 7pm both at Buncombe Bapt. Assoc.

### REQUEST FOR BOOKS

will receive a Scholarship from GRBA nai, India, is still gathering books for a at the July 28th Qtrly. Mtg. this year: library to begin a Christian University Sarah Carpenter & Jessie Bland from in India. Their goal is to collect Mt. Vernon BC; John Padgett from 100,000 books & Cornerstone Fellow-Forest City FBC; Taylor Fier from ship is helping with that endeavor. Gilkey BC, Holly Baynard & Haley There are five schools they desire to McKinney from Second BC; Adam start & need books in these catego-Blecher and Caely Cuthbertson from ries: Theology, Missions, Cultural An-Adaville BC and Jamie Wall from thropology, Sociology, Business Management, Education, Church History, Counseling & Psychology. School textbooks would be a great type of book. We are attempting to fill a complete container full which would include about 40,000 books. Please announce to your church if they have books in any of these subjects that they would like to donate to call Robin Wiggins at 828-248-1556, Paula Rogalski at 828-286-9662(during day) or Cornerstone Fellowship at 828-245-3630.

## From the Director of Missions

When I first moved to this area over ten years ago I was introduced to the Pastor's Conference in Sandy Run. My original impression was that as a pastor I did not have the time in my schedule to make a weekly commitment to attend. They have a weekly pastor's conference. Well in the course of time I began to attend and discovered that it was both a time of fellowship with other pastor's and a time of refreshing where I could be fed from the Word. What many do not realize, your pastor needs a time to replenish his well. I found that these meetings provided just this.

During one of those meetings years ago a pastor Cecil Lovelace while speaking challenged us to preach a series of sermons through the Sermon on the Mount. I accepted this encouragement and began a study of these passages and eventually did preach through Matthew 5-7. It was a great study and it served as a place for me personally to understand what God through Jesus was telling us as a church to become.

It is to this end that I want to point out this passage.

Mt 7:28-29: And so it was, when Jesus had ended these sayings, that the people were astonished at His teaching, 29 for He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

We often wonder why it is that our churches today seem to lack any power. Many of our churches like to look like church but really do not act like a church. What Jesus tells us in these three chapter is the essences of Kingdom living. As a believer God is looking for more than words. We say a lot, but truthfully we are a lot of talk with no actions.

Some say I should not judge others. And truthfully that is what verse one of this chapter tells us. I am not to judge pointing to the sin in others lives.

Mt 7:1: Judge not, that you be not judged.

However if you read down in the chapter you will find these thoughts:

Mt 7:16: You will know them by their fruits.

Mt 7:24: Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock.

I am afraid many people in our churches are satisfied with just hearing the Word. They love to go to conferences or Bible studies but never seem to put into action the lessons taught. When the time comes to do what's been taught, they make excuses.

NKJV Lk 14:18: But they all with one accord began to make excuses.

It was in a pastor's conference I had been encouraged to dig into these passages at the suggestion of a fellow pastor. So, to the pastors, I would encourage you to make time to join with your fellow pastors and recharge. We all need to allow time to receive a Word from God. As a pastor I need to find freshness from a Word from God. To our church families I would encourage you to not just sit and simply hear what your pastor is proclaiming but to act on the Word of God, as He speaks to you through your pastor.

David

Our deepest sympathy... goes out to the family of Rev. Jim Cathey, age 79, who went home to be with the Lord and Savior on June 5, 2014. He was the former pastor of Piedmont Baptist Church for 15 years and a member of Calvary Baptist Church. Please remember Dolores, his wife, Marti & Michele, his daughters, and their family in your prayers.



Tom Horner,

member at

Lake Lure

BC, volun-

pressure wash

Thanks to David Owens, member of

our awnings.

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Thanks to West **Memorial Baptist** Men, Wayne Duncan, Beauford Guffey & Thomas Bailey, we now have two 8'x6'x2' bookcases in our motel office space!

Pleasant Hill BC for

men's restroom and

Heatherly, owner of

Heatherly's Plumbing

and member of Main

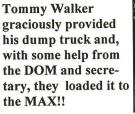
Street BC, for install-

ing it free of charge!

also, thank you, Wilson

purchasing a

lavatory for our





They look so much better! Thanks Tom!

We recently purchased a Pole Saw for our Disaster Trailer/Handyman Trailer. Michael Lawson, member of Pleasant Hill BC & Roger Evarts,

member of Second BC, used it to trim some tree limbs from beside the office and behind the motel from the roof.





Tom Horner worked on cleaning out the square around our sign. It was a mess but he did a great job!

#### **GRBA WORKDAY**

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Thank you to Tommy Walker, member

of Calvary BC, who has volunteered to

security purposes.

equipment.

build a door on the inside of the office for

Many thanks to all the others who have

given their time and talents to improve

the Association building, grounds and

On Saturday, June 7th a few hardworking volunteers from our GRBA churches were able to get some much needed clean-up work done on our property. We are very appreciative of all their help.

Following are pictures of some of what went on that day at the Green River Baptist Association . . . .



weeds and raking the grounds.

Thank you to our Building and Grounds Committee Members: Tommy Walker, David Owens and Chad Summers for serving on this committee!

