

## Church News...



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

### Mountain Creek, Green Hill, Oak Ridge

**Bill's Creek...** has called Rev. Terrell Dillingham as pastor. Rev. Dillingham and his wife, Lou Ann, come from Blacksburg, SC. They have a son and a daughter. We welcome them to our association.

**Mountain Creek...** in Gilkey, NC is searching for a Part-Time Youth Pastor. Send resume to the church, 710 Mountain Creek Rd., Rutherfordton, NC 28139.

### WMU NC Missions Blitz in Red Springs, N.C. March 21-27, 2010

- >Men and women are encouraged to sign up!
- >Location: Red Springs Mission Camp, Robeson County, N.C.
- >Cost: \$25 per day or \$125 for the week (includes meals, insurance)
- >Registration info. is located at the [www.wmunc.org](http://www.wmunc.org) website or contact WMU NC office.
- >Contact Margaret Harding at 1866-210-8602 or [mharding@wmunc.org](mailto:mharding@wmunc.org)
- >Housing is dormitory facilities with single beds.
- >Bring all lines, pillows, towel, wash clothes and all toiletries.

### WMU Contact Information

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### 2009-2010 Association Budget Year

Month	Needed	Received	%of Budget
October	\$12,074.17	\$10,574.45	88%
November	\$24,148.34	\$19,377.00	80%
December	\$36,222.51	\$31,296.41	86%

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 668 North Washington Street  
 Rutherfordton, N.C. 28139  
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### Associational Prayer for our Churches

#### February

- Week 1: West Point - Rev. Lance Scarlett
- Week 2: Westminster - Rev. Aaron Vess
- Week 3: Adaville - Rev. Cal Sayles
- Week 4: Bill's Creek - Rev. Terrell Dillingham

#### March

- Week 1: Calvary - Dr. Larry Gregg
- Week 2: Camp Creek - Rev. Tony McCraw
- Week 3: Cane Creek - Dr. Ansel Pace
- Week 4: Chimney Rock - Rev. Gene Daggerhart

### It's In The Bible

A little boy found a Bible so old it was covered in 12 inches of dust. The little boy scooped away the dust and then slowly opened the ancient Bible

As he opened the Bible he noticed a leaf. He quickly ran to his mom and said, "Look what I found mom!"

The mom asked, "What is it"?

"I think it's Adams underwear", replied the boy.

Listen to  
**"NEWS OF THE GRBA"**  
 on WCAB 590 AM  
 Sundays 7:45 AM

In December & January the following volunteers hosted the Rest Stop: Calvary, Cane Creek, Chimney Rock, Green Hill, Long Branch Road, Mountain Creek, Mountain View (R), Spindale First, Rutherfordton First and Rutherfordton Second.

ITEMS NEEDED: \*COFFEE (decaf) \*COOKIES (sugar free & reg.)  
 \*CANNED SOFT DRINKS (diet & regular)

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, CALL THE OFFICE.**

**Thank you for your contributions**

**Rest Stop**



## Green River Baptist Association

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

### February 2010 & March 2010 Newsletter

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### Calendar

#### February

- 15-21 WMU Heck-Jones Offering & Week of Prayer
- 9 12 Noon Associational Ministers' Conf/ Lunch, Assoc. Resource Center

#### March

- 9 12:00 Noon Ministers' Conf/Lunch, Assoc. Resource Center
- 14 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 16 12 Noon Secretaries' Luncheon,
- 28 Palm Sunday

### Birthdays

#### February

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| 3 Rev. Jerry Ruppe      | Long Branch Road |
| 3 Mrs. Rosie Lee Howell | Retired          |
| 6 Rev. Anton Roos       | Lake Lure        |
| 12 Rev. Malone Thomason | Retired          |
| 13 Rev. Andy Evans      | Spindale First   |
| 13 Rev. John Edwards    | Oak Ridge        |
| 16 Mrs. Amanda Cooper   | Piney Knob       |
| 28 Rev. Bob Hollifield  | Retired          |

#### March

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Mrs. Tina Hooper       | Retired           |
| 2 Mrs. Gail Jones        | Retired           |
| 4 Dr. Keith Stephenson   | Rfdtn Second      |
| 8 Mrs. Amber Keys        | Forest City First |
| 12 Mrs. Betty Thomason   | Retired           |
| 12 Rev. Michael Jones    | Retired           |
| 13 Mr. Greg Settlemire   | Spencer           |
| 15 Mrs. Mildred Bradshaw | Retired           |
| 22 Rev. Tony McCraw      | Camp Creek        |
| 25 Mrs. Dorothy Crawford | Retired           |
| 28 Mr. Tim Elmore        | Mt. Vernon        |
| 29 Mrs. Becky Spencer    | Forest City First |
| 31 Rev. Greg Huntley     | Rock Springs      |

**Rfd. Co. Youth Ministers  
Monthly Fellowship**

Meets 1st Weds. monthly 10:00 am at  
Sandy Run Baptist Resource Center  
*Open to all youth ministers.*  
Call Howie Lederfind at  
(828) 429-7968.

**Newsletter Items**

The next newsletter mailing will be  
for April & May 2010. Please get us  
any news that you have by **Monday,  
March 18.**

**CHRISTIAN CHARACTER  
SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATIONS**

Each year GRBA awards scholar-  
ships to high seniors from our  
churches. Applications are available  
at the Association office. Either stop  
by for a copy or call the office to  
have one sent by mail. Deadline is  
April 10.

**2010 Standard Mileage Rates**

The Internal Revenue Service issues  
the follow mileage rates to be used  
for calculating the deductible costs of  
operating a vehicle for business,  
charitable, medical or moving pur-  
poses:

- ◆ 50 cents per mile for business  
miles
- ◆ 16.5 cents per mile driven for  
medical or moving purposes
- ◆ 14 cents per mile in service of  
charitable organizations.

**North Carolina Offering for  
Older Adults**

February 7-14, Goal \$600,000.00  
All of this offering is used to finan-  
cially assist Older Adults who cannot  
pay the total cost of care.  
Making Life for Older Adults  
"The Best of Times"  
Baptist Retirement Homes of N.C.

**Two Church Conferences  
Offered by Mars Hill College**

"Growing a Conflict-Friendly Con-  
gregation" Saturday, Feb. 6, First  
Baptist Church, Hildebran, NC (Take  
exit 119 on Interstate 40) 8:30 am  
(check in) til noon. Leader: Rev.  
Wade Tucker. Topics include: How  
pastors, deacons, and congregations  
view conflict; The causes of conflict;  
Developing conflict-friendly congre-  
gations with intentionality; The con-  
gregation as family; Levels of con-  
flict; Conflict resolution methods that  
work. Cost: \$40

"Developing a Strong Children's  
Ministry for Your Church" Saturday,  
March 6, Mars Hill College, Nash  
bldg, room 205. 8:30 am (check in)  
until noon. Leader: Dr. Janice  
Haywood. Church leaders who work  
with children are urged to attend.  
Topics: Effective discipline; Security  
Issues; Effective, non-manipulative  
evangelism; application of teaching  
materials. Cost: \$45

**Free VBS Workshop**

Family Christian Bookstore will be  
offering a free VBS workshop Satur-  
day, February 6, 9:30am-12:00 Noon  
at Father's Vineyard Church on Oak-  
land Road, Spindale. Light refresh-  
ments served. Call to register, 245-  
6907.

**Food Available for the Needy**

Mr. Jack Hughes, member of Moun-  
tain Creek Baptist Church, has access  
to surplus food items. If you know of  
someone who is in need of groceries,  
you can call him at 287-0499 or 423-  
8318 and he will make arrangements  
to assist with these needs. For more  
information about this ministry,  
please call the GRBA Resource Cen-  
ter at 286-9278.

*From the Director of Missions*

*The January Quarterly Association Meeting will be held on Janu-  
ary 25, 6:45 pm at Lake Lure Baptist Church. The mission mes-  
sage will feature Rev. David Horton, president of Fruitland Baptist  
Bible Institute. Registration will being at 6:15. and the session at  
6:45 pm. There will be items of business from committees and the  
Resource Teams. All messengers are urged to attend.*

*On Saturday, January 9, Iglesia Bautista Cristo Vive celebrated  
with their pastor, Jairo Contreras, his recent graduation from the  
Gardner-Webb University School of Divinity with a Masters of Di-  
vinity degree. It was very nice event that included music, Jairo  
sharing his journey in life that has been so clearly guided by the  
hand of God, a great meal, joyous spirit and blessed fellowship.  
Some 100 plus people were in attendance. It was a pleasure to at-  
tend and observe the affirmation of the church for Jairo and the  
cultural expressions of celebration.*

*GRBA has sponsored "News of GRBA" on radio station WCAB for  
some 14-15 years. The aim of this radio program is to publicize the  
events, happens and blessings that take place in the churches and  
some Association items as well. So often I meet someone out in  
public who mentions they have listened to the program. For some  
months now the news that has been presented has tended to be from  
5-7 churches. This program is for all churches of the Association.  
You can send information to the office by mail, email or by phone.  
Don't let your church be left out, get some news to us!*

*As 2010 unfolds, one of the major national events that will be tak-  
ing place will be the United States Census. This is the counting of  
people living in our country that impacts our governmental system  
of representation, funds that are appropriated for various types of  
assistance within communities and gives an estimate of our popula-  
tion. Persons in charge of this responsibility in our county are urg-  
ing everyone to return the simple forms that will be sent to each  
residence in late February, early March.*

*Baptist Children's Homes will be sponsoring their Food Roundup  
in April. Information will be available soon.*

*Pray for Dr. Jim Whitlow, pastor of Mount Vernon Baptist Church,  
as he recovers from heart by-pass surgery at the first of the year.  
He had some added problems around the 10th of January that re-  
quired a second hospital stay. Your prayers for him are appreci-  
ated.*

*Thank you for your prayers for the Association. Billy*

**WMU NORTH CAROLINA**

**WMU Focus Week:** Scheduled for Feb. 15-21 or any week in February.  
Churches will be receiving the Heck-Jones Offering and Week of Prayer.  
Theme: Faces & Places of WMUNC. Offering Goal: \$1.3 million This of-  
fering totally supports the work of WMUNC

**Missions Extravaganza:** April 16-18, LifeWay Ridgecrest Conf. Center.  
General Session Leaders: Sharon Allred Decker (of Rutherfordton), Kyle  
Matthews. This annual WMU meeting is filled with times of worship,  
study, information, fellowship and encouragement.

**Camp Mundo Vista Workday:** Saturday, March 20, 9 am—4 pm, lunch  
provided. The girls camp at Asheboro is needing help in preparation for the  
camping season.

**Study shows WMU strengthens a Church's giving:** A study of three year  
giving patterns show that churches with a WMU will experience increased  
giving to Cooperative Program, Annie Armstrong and Lottie Moon. Get a  
copy of this report by visiting [www.wmu.com/news](http://www.wmu.com/news) and then download ar-  
ticle "Missions Education Bolsters Giving Stewardship".

For more information about WMUNC, visit [www.wmunc.org](http://www.wmunc.org).

**BAPTIST MEN'S NEWS**

**NC Baptist Missions Conference** April 9-10, Hickory Grove Baptist  
Church, Charlotte. Highlights of the conference will be Mark Lowry, Terry  
Rae, testimonies, breakout sessions, volunteer suppers and more. The  
theme for the conference is: "Living Stones".

**Statewide Operation In-As-Much** April 24 or May 1 A statewide mis-  
sions event that encourages churches to select one-day service opportunities  
and recruit volunteers from the church to fulfill the projects. Go to  
[www.ncoperatoninasmuch.org](http://www.ncoperatoninasmuch.org) to sign up, view a video of this effort in  
2008. Or you may acquire more information at 1-800-395-5102 ext. 5605  
[gmooss@ncbaptist.org](mailto:gmooss@ncbaptist.org) [www.ncmissions.org](http://www.ncmissions.org)

**N.C. Baptist Men Disaster Relief Training**  
May 7-8 2010 for GRBA. The place to be determined in the spring. The  
training is an overnight event where participants sleep in a local church.  
You will learn policies, procedures, safety, receive a notebook, yellow hat,  
yellow shirt and a photo id at this event.

**New Partnership for 2010** Metropolitan New York Baptist Assoc/NC Part-  
nership begins this year. This partnership will offer a wide range of mission  
opportunities from construction, urban evangelism, servant evangelism, Bi-  
ble clubs, sports missions, homeless ministry and more. Teams will be able  
to work and partner with a diverse group of MNYBA churches for mission  
and ministry. For more info., visit the MNYBA Partnership Webpage or  
contact Mike Sowers at 800-395-5102 ext 5626 or [msowers@ncbaptis.org](mailto:msowers@ncbaptis.org).

**Adopt an Un-reached People Group** There are over 2.7 billion unreached  
peoples in the world today. What can your church do? When your church  
adopts-a-people group by contacting Baptist Men, you will receive informa-  
tion that you can use to pray for that people group and hopefully engage  
that people group in ministry. Visit [www.baptistonmission.org/UPG/  
index.html](http://www.baptistonmission.org/UPG/index.html)

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