

CAROLINA  
Baptist Association

142nd Fall Semi-Annual Meeting  
Main Street Baptist Church  
October 15, 2019

who's your  
**ONE?**

Speaker: Steven Blanton (Ebenezer)

Alternate: John Mason (Main Street)

Hosted by Main Street Baptist Church, come join us for our 142nd Semi-Annual Fall meeting. Main Street will be providing a wonderful meal (FREE!) for us to enjoy and Steven Blanton, pastor of Ebenezer, will be bring a special message. Sessions are open to everyone with messengers voting in the business session. **Churches, please elect your messengers!** *Messengers shall be elected annually by each member church. In addition to the pastor, one messenger for each fifty (50) members of the church may be elected provided that no church shall have less than three (3) nor more than ten (10) messengers. The names of messengers who attend and register during the annual associational meeting shall be listed in the associational annual report book.*

Afternoon Session: 4:00pm, Dinner: 6:00pm, Evening Session: 7:00pm

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**Love**

2019 Goal  
\$2.1 MILLION

North Carolina  
MISSIONS  
Offering

BY THIS ALL PEOPLE WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES.  
IF YOU HAVE LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER. JOHN 13:35 (HCSB)

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**The North Carolina Missions Offering** is a special offering received during the month of **September** that supports the ministries of Baptists on Mission, Church Planting, mission camps, associational projects and mobilization ministry projects. NCMO is your opportunity to impact lostness as God accomplishes many wonderful things through these various ministries.

Agua Viva  
Asheville Korean  
Balfour  
Barker Heights  
Bat Cave  
Bearwallow  
Beulah  
Biltmore H'ville

Broad River  
Cedar Springs  
Contemp. First  
Covenant  
Crab Creek  
Crossroads  
Dana  
Double Springs  
Ebenezer

Etowah  
FBC E. Flat  
Rock  
FBC H'ville  
FBC Saluda  
FBC Tryon  
FBC Tuxedo  
Fletcher First  
French Broad

Fruitland  
Gethsemane  
Horse Shoe 1st  
Jones Gap  
Kings Grove  
Liberty  
Living Water  
Locust Grove  
Main Street

Middle Fork  
Mount Gilead  
Mount Moriah  
Mount Olivet  
Mountain Home  
Mountain Page  
Mtn. Valley  
Mtn. View Miss.  
Mud Creek

Naples  
Oak Forest  
Pleasant Grove  
Pleasant Hill  
Refuge  
Shaws Creek  
Speak Life  
The Beloved  
Upward

Valley Hill  
Zion Hill

#### Churches without a pastor:

Cedar Springs  
Double Springs  
Mount Gilead

Mount Olivet  
Mountain View  
Pleasant Hill  
Shaws Creek  
Refuge



#### Thy Kingdom Come . . .

Have you ever thought about the things we

sing, pray, and say during worship? I really don't like to sing "I Surrender All." I feel like I'm lying when I sing it. I WANT to surrender all, but I haven't yet. To say that I do, in a song to my Lord, is very discomfoting.

Or, when I say I will pray for someone I feel very uneasy. I do intend to pray for them. But, how many times have I remembered a few days, a week, or longer after I have made the vow that I didn't fulfill said vow.

Or, when I pray, "Thy Kingdom come . . . ." Now, I

understand that God has to bring His Kingdom to us, but I also know that we Christians have a responsibility to be part of the means by which God brings the message of the Good News to the rest of the world. This is a tremendous aspect of His Kingdom coming into our world. I want to be part of that, but . . . sometimes I am not faithful or obedient.

So, can you relate to any of this? The good news, so to speak, is that even if we have failed on many occasions, we can get back to what we are supposed to be doing and become those instruments God can use to bring His Kingdom to bear on this world.

First, Who is Your ONE? If you haven't already, ask God to identify that one person in

your circle of influence for whom you can be praying. Also, ask God to give you an opportunity to have Gospel conversations with them, and that He will use these conversations to lead him/her to Christ.

Second, has your church ever considered planting a church? I have been convicted lately that in all these years I never led the church I pastored to plant a church. There is a great need for more churches throughout our county and region. Perhaps it is time for us to think about having healthy churches plant more healthy churches.

Lastly, our IMB is begging for short-term volunteers to help our personnel on the field. This would be a great

opportunity for a graduating senior to go on the field for 2 weeks and help with a Christian camp, or for a college graduate to commit to a two-year stint as a journeyman/woman. Also, there are ample opportunities for senior citizens, too! I am convinced that we have not exceeded our sending-capacity in these areas.

If we get back to what we are instructed in God's Word to do, perhaps we won't feel as conflicted when we sing certain songs, make certain vows, or pray certain prayers. And, we really do want to see His Kingdom Come, don't we?

Solia Deo Gloria!  
*Michael Smith*  
Director of Missions



#### Welcome New Pastor!

O'Neal McCall began ministry at **West Hendersonville Baptist Church** as senior pastor on July 21, 2019. O'Neal is married to Pamela.

To My Brothers and Sisters,

It has been a great blessing and privilege to be the Director of Church and Community Missions for the last 15 years. With great reluctance and prayer, I have decided to retire for health reasons. You will never know what a blessing you all have been in my life. It is a pleasure to see how God has worked and is still working in the Carolina Baptist Association and in our community. I am going to retire, but I am not going away! I am looking forward to the times I can spend with you in the future. If there is ever anything I can do for you please call. Sam Gibbs



#### CONSTRUCTION SKILLS TRAINING

Baptists on Mission will be holding *Basic Construction Skills Training* at Shelby Mission Camp on **October 26, 2019**. Sign in is 8:30am and training is from 9am—3pm. Cost is only \$10 for the day or \$21 for those who choose to stay overnight.

This one day event offers training in how to install laminate flooring, hang and finish dry-wall, build wheelchair ramps, replace roofing, and simple framing of a building.

Please come and invite your church members to learn new skills that they can use in their neighborhood and on mission trips. To register go to <https://baptistsonmission.org/training/construction-training>

#### MEN'S MINISTRY TRAINING EVENT—ASHEVILLE

This training is designed to equip and inspire Baptist Men's Directors, Men's Ministry Leaders, pastors, or anyone who has a heart for discipling men. The content will deal with how to have a vibrant, well-rounded Men's Ministry.

Come and sharpen your leadership skills!

#### BUNCOMBE BAPTIST RESOURCE CENTER

**Saturday, September 7, 2019**

Check in is at 9:30am; training will begin at 10:00am; lunch will be at noon; training will conclude by 3:00pm





# RED BOXES

## Gifts for Women Inmates

WMU™  
North Carolina

This year the Carolina Baptist Association is collecting **women's white crew socks** (please remove tags, paper, etc. and fold together as a pair). Deadline to bring items to the CBA is **October 14, 2019**.

Each Christmas, women from all across NC provide gifts to fill approximately 1700 red boxes to be given to women inmates at the North Carolina Correctional Institute for Women and Raleigh Correctional Center for Women. For many of these women our gift is all they receive.

Your contributions make a difference in the lives of these women each Christmas!



## rightnow MEDIA

**C**BA has recently subscribed to RightNow Media in an effort to continue to be a resource for our churches. RightNow media has an unbelievable amount of online resources available! **This subscription is for the ministerial staff of our churches only.** As a CBA church you will be able to negotiate (or renegotiate) your pricing with them and realize a large reduction in your cost for your members. Church Leadership... You will have access to all of the sessions of many of the most popular conferences and never leave your home! Call CBA for more information.



### Planning for Retirement

**Who should attend:** *Anyone considering retirement within the next 10 years. Spouses are encouraged to attend also.*

This seminar provides you with information regarding the decisions you will need to make during the transition years as retirement approaches. It will also review the impact those decisions can have on your financial well-being and lifestyle in retirement.

**Thur., October 3, 2019 | Fruitland Baptist Bible College**  
**9:30am—Noon (Optional Lunch at \$6)**  
**Call 888-984-8433 to Register**

# JOIN US FOR A RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

## IN HONOR OF SAM GIBBS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> AT THE CBA OFFICE

DROP-IN FROM 2PM - 4PM FOR LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AND  
AN OPPORTUNITY TO THANK SAM FOR 15 YEARS OF MINISTRY AT THE  
CAROLINA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

# Bethlehem Toy Store

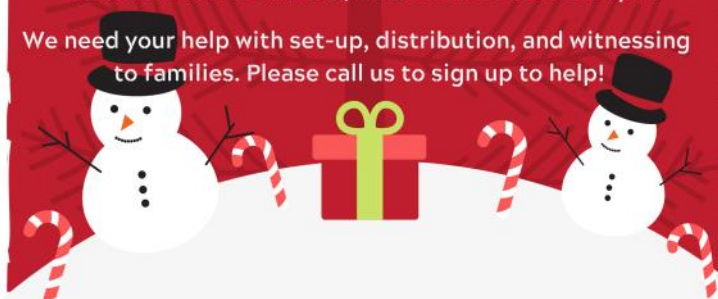
## SAVE THE DATE!

The Bethlehem Toy Store is an annual ministry of the Carolina Baptist Association to children of families that are not able to provide Christmas gifts due to financial difficulties.

Bring **NEW** toys (birth-16yrs) or money to the Carolina Baptist Association Monday- Thursday, 9:00am-4:00pm. Please have all toys and money in by Monday, December 2, 2019.

Set-up for the Toy Store will be December 2-5, 2019.  
Distribution: December 6, 2019 from 8:00am-8:00pm.

We need your help with set-up, distribution, and witnessing to families. Please call us to sign up to help!



## OUR STAFF

**MIKE SMITH, D.MIN**  
DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

**SAM GIBBS**  
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY  
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**PAULA JANES**  
FINANCIAL MANAGER

**MANDY HORTON**  
MINISTRY ASSISTANT

*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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To help with expenses, please notify us if you no longer wish to receive this newsletter.



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### Monday Minister Meetings:

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



- **BACKPACK SCHOOL PROGRAM**
- **NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS OFFERING EMPHASIS MONTH**
- **RED BOX COLLECTION FOR WOMEN INMATES**
- 7 Men's Ministry Training Event—Buncombe Baptist Association
- 12 Retirement Celebration for Sam Gibbs, CBA
- 25 See You At The Pole
- 26 Women's Ministry Quarterly Event—Hendersonville First Baptist Church

28 Inside-Out Sunday School Training—Pole Creek Baptist Church—Candler

- **BACKPACK SCHOOL PROGRAM**
- **RED BOX COLLECTION FOR WOMEN INMATES**

- 1 Deadline for Annual Church Profile
- 3 Planning for Retirement—FBBC
- 15 CBA Fall Semi-Annual Meeting—Main Street Baptist Church
- 15 Deadline for Red Box Collection for Women's Prison
- 26 Construction Skills Training—Shelby



### September

- 6 Michael Smith—Carolina Baptist Assoc.
- 9 Bryan Melton—Mount Moriah
- 12 Susan Garren—Mountain Home
- 15 K.Dewayne Jeter—Contemporary 1st
- 16 Brian and Jennifer Allen—The Beloved
- 20 O'Neal and Pam McCall—Cont. 1st
- 28 Brent Thomas—East Flat Rock 1st
- 30 Kelly Smith—Carolina Baptist Association

### October

- 2 Craig Garren—Mountain Home
- 4 Jennifer Allen—The Beloved
- 5 Tony and Merle Reese—Saluda 1st
- 7 Steven Blanton—Ebenezer
- Joe and Stacy Lund—Balfour
- 8 Dan and Marie Blackwell—Dana
- Ruby Lefler—Upward
- 10 Clint and Nancy McKnight—Horse Shoe 1st
- 15 Stacy Lund—Balfour
- 20 Tony Reese—Saluda 1st
- 21 Syble Freeman—Bearwallow
- 25 Mandy Knox—Crab Creek
- 28 Jesse Horton—CBA



Congratulations to East Flat Rock First Baptist Church for leading the Carolina Baptist Association in total giving to the 2018 NC Missions offering! Coming in second is FBC Hendersonville and third, Fruitland Baptist Church. A big thank you to these churches for giving to the ministries supported by the NCMO!

**Deadline for November/December Newsletter is October 10, 2019**



HENDERSONVILLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
Women's Ministry Quarterly Event

# THE HANDOFF:



THE BLESSING OF MOMS RUNNING THE RACE TOGETHER

**SPEAKER:**  
**TINA SMITH,**  
FOUNDER OF RAISING KIDS ON YOUR KNEES

**09.26.19**  
**6:00-8:00 PM**  
**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**SIGN UP IN THE  
WELCOME CENTER.**

A light snack will be served.

Childcare is available by  
reservation. Sign up in the  
Welcome Center.

There is no cost for this  
event.



**SPECIAL OLYMPICS 2019** After 2 rain delays, we finally got to have the Special Olympics on May 24. It was a great success as usual. We gave out around 1,600 each, snow cones, cotton candy, and popcorn.

Thank you to volunteers from Oak Forest Baptist Church, Paula Janes, Mike Smith and granddaughters, and Sam Gibbs' son, Dominique. Also, with the extra help of volunteers from Sam's Club things went very smoothly and lines were not as long as sometimes in previous years. Everyone is looking forward to next year. If you want a real blessing come join us. There will be more information when the Special Olympics team decides on the date for 2020. The event is held at East Henderson High School, which is a wonderful host.



**DEEP  
IMPACT**

**DEEP IMPACT 2019** 100 youth with their leaders came to Fruitland Bible College for the week of June 24 through June 28. DI is a youth camp sponsored by NC Baptist State Convention. Youth from all over the state and a group from Pittsburg came to Fruitland to participate in a variety of mission opportunities including construction, VBS/Day Camps, community outreach, prayer walks, nursing home visits, and others.

- The senior teams went to several assisted living facilities and interacted with the residents by building bird houses, playing games, making a quilt, singing, cooking, and other projects.
- The construction team built a ramp and steps for an elderly man. He was very grateful and expressed his appreciation saying that now he could sit outside in the shade in the afternoon. The group was able to share Jesus with him.
- A team also built a bench and did landscaping at a pastor's home.
- There were fun times with Pisgah Gym Mine, visiting the Historic Train Depot, Chimney Rock and Jump Off Rock.

## INSIDE-Out

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Gain a new perspective on Sunday School that focuses on growing and making disciples—not just filling seats. The Baptist State Convention of NC consultants and other experienced leaders will lead age-graded breakout sessions, as well as a special session for pastors. These sessions will help equip and encourage attendees to convey a love for Christ that is centered on the gospel, which compels us to imitate Jesus.

**Pole Creek Baptist Church, Candler, NC**  
**September 28 | 8:30 am—Noon**  
<https://ncbaptist.org/event-inside-out>

It's almost time to submit your

## ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILE

ACP's will be mailed to the church's  
ACP Contact mid-July.

ACP'S ARE DUE TO THE CBA OFFICE BY  
OCTOBER 1 TO BE ENTERED IN A DRAWING  
FOR A \$50 VISA CARD!

2 CHRONICLES 7:14

**if**

IF MY PEOPLE PRAY

SEE YOU AT THE POLE™

9.25.19

GLOBAL DAY OF STUDENT PRAYER

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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Be sure to turn in your VBS report to the BSCNC and the CBA as soon as possible! For more information, please email [cba1877@gmail.com](mailto:cba1877@gmail.com) or call us at 828-693-4274.



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

Sep 1	Brian Allen	The Beloved
	No Pastor	Double Springs
Sep 8	Randall Gilliam	Middle Fork
	Marco Hernandez	Agua Viva
Sep 15	Greg Mathis	Mud Creek
	Jeff Harris	Tryon First
Sep 22	O'Neal McCall	West H'ville
	No Pastor	Pleasant Hill
Sep 29	Eric Gash	Speak Life
	Robert Ponder	Mount Gilead
Oct 6	Steven Blanton	Ebenezer
	Dewey Barnwell	Beulah
Oct 13	Craig Garren	Mountain Home
	Tony Birkhead	Living Water
Oct 20	Tony Halford (Interim)	Mountain View
	Jerry Lacefield	Oak Forest
Oct 27	Tony Reese	Saluda First
	No Pastor	Cedar Springs

## NEWS/EVENTS

~**Baptist Children's Homes** 60th Western Area Conference will be held on September 5, 2019. The celebration begins at 4pm with tours, a free meal at 4:45pm, music and an inspirational program involving the children in care and Dr. Michael Blackwell. Everyone is invited!

~**Camp Truett—Fanning the Flames Prayer Summit** will be held on Sept. 7 from 9am-2pm. Call 828-837-5401 to register. **Warrior Weekend—a Battle of Fathers for Their Sons** will be held on October 5-6. **Be Bold Sr. Adult Celebration** will be held on Oct. 28-30. Call 828-389-8828 to register. Go to [www.truettcamp.org](http://www.truettcamp.org) for more information.

~**Compensation and Benefit Services** seminar will be held at the Transylvania Baptist Center on September 10 from 4-7pm. This seminar is for all pastors, treasurers, secretaries, clerks, deacons, and church leader.

~**Franklin Graham Decision America Tar Heel State Tour** Join other believers at the upcoming communitywide prayer meeting at Biltmore Church, 35 Clayton Rd., on September 16 at 7-8:30pm. Decision America Tour will be held at the U.S. Cellular Center in Asheville on October 13. For more details, visit [DecisionAmerica.com](http://DecisionAmerica.com).

~**Men's Ministry/Challenger/Royal Ambassador Leadership Training** will be held at Buncombe Baptist Association on Saturday, September 7 at 9:00am—4:00pm. All church missions leadership for men, youth, and boys are encouraged to come. Register at [www.baptistsonmission.org](http://www.baptistsonmission.org).

~**Pastors Retreat/Summit** will provide a rich environment for God to speak to His people as we gather to seek Him for revival and spiritual awakening. Through seasons of worship, focused prayer, and hearing God's Word, participants will hopefully be challenged to return to their churches with a renewed passion to seek God for the next great revival and spiritual awakening in their community, North Carolina, America and beyond. **Will be held at Caraway Conference Center and Camp, September 7 from 9am-2pm.**

~**The Ministry of the Mountain State Fair** is to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with people working at and attending the State Fair. Ways you can help: Pray for the Fair Leadership Team and for the church volunteer teams; volunteer a church team to serve a shift driving courtesy cars, greet guests, serve cold water, share Bibles and tracts, take free blood pressure checks, and much more; you can also collect hygiene kits, provide clothing, blankets, towels, paper plates, cups, plastic silverware, and paper towels; make "Jesus Loves You" teddy bears and salvation bracelets. Call 828-252-1864, ext. 306 and get involved! The Fair will be held on September 6—15, 2019.



**Etowah** A group of 23 went to West Virginia on a mission trip on July 21-26 to conduct a Bible School and do repair work for people in the area. 12 children, 1 youth and 1 adult made decisions for Christ! AWANA begins on September 4 at

6pm. Homecoming will be on October 6. Trunk or Treat for the Etowah community will be held on October 31.

**Fletcher First** Revival services with Bro. Leonard Fletcher on October 21-24 at 7pm nightly.

**French Broad** will be having an Operation Inasmuch day on September 21 to help those in the community.

**Hendersonville FBC** Singles Bible study every Wednesday at 6:15pm.

AWANA begins on September 4 at 6:15pm. Disaster Recovery trip on September 8-14. Moms Connect meets every month on the second Tuesday of each month. Jan Mulder will be in concert on September 29. Another Disaster Recovery trip on October 13-19. Call 693-3493 for more information.

**Refuge** will be having Homecoming on October 6 at 10:30am.

**Speak Life** Hosting a Community Picnic and Fun Day event on August 25 from 11:30am-2:30pm to celebrate the purchase of their new church building. This event will take place at Rosa Edwards Field. *Hosting a booth at the Back to School Fest in Jackson Park on August 17 from 10:00am-4:30pm.* Women's retreat on October 4-6 in Black Mountain with the theme being "Be Faithful With the Little." Call Katy Gash at 582-2422 for information on these events. Men's breakfast every 2nd Saturday. Women's breakfast every 3rd Saturday. *Heritage Hills nursing home communion service every first Sunday at 6:45pm.*

**West Hendersonville** has called O'Neal McCall as senior pastor. His first Sunday was July 21, 2019. Kingsway Quartet will be in concert on September 29 at 6pm. Jimmy Justice family will be in concert on October 27. There is a singing on the last Sunday night of each month.

## VBS Reports Received

Church	Attendance	Decisions for Christ
Crab Creek	77	-
Ebenezer	93	6
Etowah	175	1
Fletcher 1st	216	1
Fruitland	189	2
Hendersonville 1st	350	2



Come to **Main Street Baptist Church** during the Apple Festival for free bottled water, balloons, and other free items for kids, tables and canopies provided to rest and eat your meal. Parking will be available for \$5.



## Hendersonville FBC Upcoming Women's Bible Studies:

Given by Tina Boesch

**Isaiah Part One** by Kay Arthur

**Women of the Word** by Jen Wilken

**The Real Heaven** by Chip Ingram

**Loved by God** by Liz Curtis Higgs

**Mom Set Free** by Jeannie Cunnion

**Psalm 23** by Jennifer Rothschild

**Knowing God by Name** by Mary Kassian

**Jonah-Navigating a Life Interrupted** by Priscilla Shirer

For more details go to <https://fbchnc.org/ministries/womens-bible-studies>.