



Pastors' and Wives' Christmas Dinner

- *all Senior, Interim, and Retired Pastors are invited* -



*Monday, December 9th at 6:30 PM
Beaverdam Mission Center
215 N Townville St, Seneca*

Special Guests: Geraldine and Ricky

Please call 882-7070 to register.



Association Baptist Church Secretaries

*Thursday, December 12th at Noon
Beaverdam Mission Center*

*Speaker: Representatives from Foothills Care Center
Mission Project: Collection for Foothills Care Center
(items needed will be sent via email)*

Menu: Fatz café - calabash chicken, salad, roles, and dessert

*All secretaries, full-time, part-time, or retired, are welcomed to attend.
Please call 882-7070 or email bbaemily@bellsouth.net to register by December 9th.*

DOM Thoughts,

Merry Christmas from the Shirley Family! Kathy, Denise, and I pray that you are blessed with the most amazing Christmas ever as you celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

What a wonderful time of year for families and churches! May your Christmas be filled with joy, peace and happiness!

In this final issue of the Golden Triangle News of 2019, I wanted to say "Thank You" to the Pastors and churches who have helped make this past year one of the best ever in the life of the Beaverdam Baptist Association! God has blessed us as an Association in so many ways! Let me share with you just a few of the highlights:

- 2019 will be the second year in a row that giving to the Association has increased after a steady decline in contributions since 2008.
- Over the past six years (since 2014) church contributions to the Association have exceeded our expenses by \$124,256.
- In 2019 we were able to offer some of the highest quality conferences/seminars possible to our churches.
 1. Heart4Schools Conference
 2. Poverty 101 Conference
 3. Church Revitalization & Replanting Conference
 4. Quarterly Pastors' Wives/Female Staff Ministers Fellowships
- We are excited that the Association will once again be offering Licensed, Professional Christian Counseling services to our churches beginning early in 2020.
- As approved at our recent Annual Meeting we will be adding a Missions Ministries Director to our Associational Staff sometime in 2020. The Missions Ministries Director-
 1. Will be responsible for the development and implementation of a comprehensive missions ministry that truly "Impacts Oconee & Beyond".
 2. Would be responsible for discovering missions opportunities as well as developing and implementing strategies to impact those opportunities.

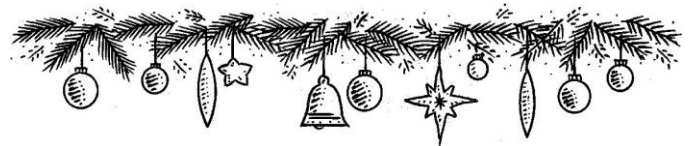
3. Would provide ongoing local, regional & international missions opportunities for Beaverdam Baptist Association churches.
4. Would enable us as an Association to make a much stronger impact locally in our Jerusalem.

- In 2019 many of our Pastors endorsed The Beaverdam Statement which was addressed to all of our elected officials from the State House in Columbia to the White House in Washington. The Beaverdam Statement expressed to our elected officials where we (the Pastors of the Beaverdam Baptist Association) stand when it comes to the sanctity of life. This document was written with the assistance of the staff of the Foothills Care Center. We are thrilled to report that we have heard back from President Donald Trump, Senator Tim Scott, and Congressman Jeff Duncan concerning The Beaverdam Statement.

As you can see, 2019 was a great year in the history of the Beaverdam Baptist Association! While we certainly thank God for a great 2019, we also look forward with great anticipation to what God has in store for our Association/Churches in 2020 and beyond.

Merry Christmas,

David



*Pastors' Prayer Time
Mondays at 9:00 AM
Beaverdam Mission Center*

Beaverdam Mission Dollars at Work

	Oct 19	Jan–Oct 19
Beaverdam	184.32	1,910.72
Belmont	0.00	0.00
Bethel	211.00	1,818.00
Bethlehem	0.00	0.00
Calvary	106.27	1,246.52
Chauga	85.29	802.79
Cheohee	200.00	2,000.00
Clearmont	500.00	3,000.99
College Street	3,142.22	12,581.13
Coneross	75.00	750.00
Corinth - Seneca	450.00	1,800.00
Corinth - Westminster	500.33	2,000.00
Cross Roads - Seneca	144.22	1,261.40
Cross Roads - Westminster	100.00	1,000.00
Damascus	0.00	200.00
Davis Creek	64.40	891.24
Earle's Grove	1,236.83	11,067.77
Ebenezer	0.00	1,600.00
Faith	0.00	425.00
Fants Grove	0.00	993.93
Golden Corner	0.00	0.00
Heart Land	126.00	1,234.00
Hepsibah	780.34	7,803.40
Holly Springs	265.64	4,521.37
Hopewell	452.42	4,730.08
Iglesia Bautista Bethel	0.00	0.00
Little River	0.00	0.00
Long Creek	167.00	1,634.00
Lydia	0.00	3,094.23
Maranatha	72.36	928.61
Monte Vista	25.00	250.00
Mountain Rest	729.76	7,188.04
Mountain View	100.00	1,000.00
Mt. Freedom	0.00	900.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	833.30
Mt. Tabor	189.87	1,950.98
New Hope	433.00	3,879.22
Old Liberty	219.96	1,757.92
Open Door	125.00	1,250.00
Pleasant Grove	0.00	835.32
Pleasant Hill	100.00	1,100.00
Pleasant Ridge	500.00	4,437.50
Poplar Springs	428.82	4,997.13
Puerta Abierta	0.00	0.00
Reedy Fork	266.45	2,975.01
Retreat	0.00	542.47
Return	883.04	11,699.62
Rock Hill	0.00	600.00
Rocky Knoll	700.67	4,378.91
Salem	0.00	5,068.25
Scenic Heights	300.00	3,000.00
Seneca	874.00	10,767.71
Shiloh	0.00	0.00
Snow Creek	0.00	1,369.27
Souls Harbor	143.00	1,430.00
South Union	175.80	1,624.84
Utica	1,519.68	13,460.18
Walhalla	0.00	500.00
Welcome	218.00	2,442.71
West Union	0.00	0.00
Westminster	500.00	5,000.00
Westminster First	125.00	1,250.00
Wolf Stake	127.00	1,094.00
Total	17,547.69	166,915.06
Church at the Well	200.00	2,000.00
Total Income	17,747.69	168,915.06



Staff Changes:

Calvary Baptist Church in Salem, welcomes their new pastor, O.K. Jones and his wife, Lisa. He began his ministry there Wednesday night, October 9th. Rev. Jerry Mize had been serving as interim.

Staff Needed:

Open Door Baptist Church is looking for a part-time worship leader gifted in leading a praise team/band. Anyone interested is asked to contact Pastor Jeremy Garrett at garrett_jeremy95@yahoo.com.



With Deepest Sympathy

Christian sympathy is extended to Rev. Steve Black and family on the death of his brother, Mark Barry Black. Mark attended College Street Baptist Church. He served in the Navy, and later retired from Sandvik. Mark loved bluegrass and was a talented musician.



"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." – Luke 2:11

Christmas Events

College Street

December 15 at 7:00 PM, "JOY! A Christmas Musical"
 December 22 at 10:20 AM "A Children's Storybook Christmas"
 December 22 at 7:00 PM – Candlelight Lord's Supper

Earle's Grove

December 22 at 11:00 AM – Christmas Cantata

Return

December 21 and 22 at 6:00-8:00 PM "The Night Before Christ: Come Journey Back in Time and Travel the Streets to Bethlehem"

Westminster First

December 15 at 6:00 PM – Children's program "The Colors of Christmas"
 December 22 at 10:30 AM – "MESSIAH – Heaven's Glory" Cantata
 December 24 at 10:00 PM – Christmas Candlelight and Communion Service

IMB Season of Prayer & Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

December 1-8, 2019

Highlights from the 2019 Annual Meeting

Rev. Mark Nelson, pastor of Old Liberty, was elected moderator. Rev. Bob Castro, pastor of Fants Grove, was elected vice-moderator.

Rev. Ryan Goodroe, Utica, preached the annual sermon.

The 2020 Annual Meeting will be Monday, October 26, 2020 at Utica Baptist Church. Rev. Chris Moss, Corinth, will preach the sermon.

To get a copy of the *Book of Reports* from the annual meeting, please call 882-7070 or come by the association office.

Beaverdam Baptist Association

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Date

- 2 - Ministers' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 4 - GTN Articles Due
- 9 - Ministers' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 9 - Pastors' & Wives' Christmas Dinner, BMC, 6:30 PM
- 12 - Association Baptist Church Secretaries, BMC, Noon
- 16 - Ministers' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 23 - **BMC Closed for Christmas (12/23/19 - 12/26/19)**
- 30 - Ministers' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM

BMC = Beaverdam Mission Center
215 N Townville St, Seneca, SC

Special Days in December

Staff Anniversaries:

- 4 - Alvin Burdette, Mt. Pleasant, 2005
- 18 - Robert Whiten, Pleasant Grove, 2016

Birthdays:

- 5 - Perry Gardner, Hepsibah
- 9 - Don Bickers, retired
- 9 - Jerry Mize, retired
- 11 - Kevin Morrison, Pleasant Ridge
- 11 - Jimmy Thomas, retired
- 12 - Garrett Pruitt, Return
- 23 - James Dyar, Earle's Grove
- 23 - Stacey Griffis, Beaverdam
- 26 - Doran Womack, retired
- 27 - Joe Steele, Utica

Wedding Anniversaries:

- 11 - Scott & Tina Bedenbaugh, Mt. Tabor
- 12 - Joe & Jennifer Steele, Utica
- 15 - Alan & Kelly Adams, Bethlehem
- 15 - Von & Gloria Reynolds, Reedy Fork
- 16 - Chris & Jennifer Moss, Corinth - W
- 18 - Ray & Marilyn Allen, retired
- 23 - Rod & Andrea Lyda, Cross Roads - W
- 24 - Steve & Pam Black, Scenic Heights
- 28 - Joe & Hazel Saunders, Little River
- 28 - Mark & Mitzi Tannery, Westminster First
- 30 - Stacey & Kelley Griffis, Beaverdam

FOR TO US
A SON IS GIVEN

 **Zion Quartet's** 20th Annual
Christmas Concert
"Ring the Bells"

Love Offering Concert Sunday, December 8th, 2019
@ 3pm & 7pm
Walhalla High School Auditorium
4701 N. Hwy 11, Walhalla, SC **2 Shows!**

With Special Guest:
Visual Worship Artist, Brian Daniel
with vocalist Sherry Davenport,
Our Christmas Choir & Concert Band,
Hand Bell Choir from Cumming 1st Bapt. GA

Harpist - Prentiss Kendall Allen
from Strawberry Plains TN,
Ladies Trio formerly known as
Potter's Hand,
Along with many of our Family & Friends!

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