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Executive Board Meeting

September 11 at 7:00 PM Beaverdam Mission Center

Make plans to attend. Each church has three representatives – the pastor plus two members.



Association Baptist Church Secretaries

September 21 at Noon Beaverdam Mission Center

Autumn Themed Craft Session Lunch provided: soups, salad, and dessert

To register: contact Emily at 882-7070 or bbaemily@bellsouth.net by <u>September 14</u>.

From the DOM,

The next meeting of the Executive Board of the Beaverdam Baptist Association will take place on Monday, **September 11th at 7:00 PM**. According to our association's by-laws the Executive Board is made up of "one pastor and two additional members from each affiliated church, associational officers, and coordinators of associational organizations and Ministry Team leaders".

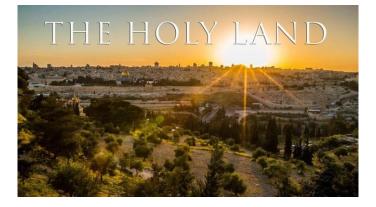
At the upcoming Executive Board meeting we will be presenting our Nominating Committee's recommendation for 2024 as well as the Stewardship Committee's proposed 2024 budget. We will also be considering a motion to suspend our by-laws temporarily at the upcoming Annual Associational Meeting (October 22 at Return Baptist Church) in order to vote to accept Christ Fellowship (Walhalla), La Roca Oconee (Walhalla), and Grace Baptist Church as members of the Beaverdam Baptist Association. Most associations in our area have a much simpler process and timeline in place to approve likeminded churches as members. Under our present, and outdated, guideline, some churches could have to wait up to 23 months before being voted in as members. If we followed out our present by-laws regarding accepting the three churches that have applied for membership, La Roca Oconee would have to wait 23 months for acceptance; Christ Fellowship 20 months; and Grace Baptist Church 17 months. I personally believe that rather than making membership into our association burdensome and lengthy, it should be a process that is not time consuming as well as something to be CELEBRATED!

I am so excited to announce that Kathy and I will be leading a trip October 7 - October 16, 2024 back to the Holy Land! While this will be our third time visiting Israel, it will be our first as tour group leaders! We would love for you to join us on what will surely be a memorable trip as we experience the Bible come alive!

We will spend 10 days in Israel touring many of the places that you read about in the Bible. We will be staying several days in a hotel on the Sea of Galilee. We will visit Caesarea Philippi - The Mount of Beatitudes -Caesarea Maritima - Mt. Carmel - Megiddo -Capernaum - Magdala - We'll have baptism in the Jordan River - Nazareth - Beit-Shean. We will make our way to Jerusalem for a few days where we will visit the Old City of Jerusalem, Mount Moriah (the place where Abraham was willing to offer Isaac as a sacrifice and also the site of Solomon's Temple) - We will travel up to the Mount of Olives and descend on foot down the Palm Sunday Highway to the Garden of Gethsemane at the bottom - We will visit the Upper Room - The Pool of Bethesda - We will walk the Via Dolorosa - We will visit the Wailing Wall - Antonio's Fortress, the site of Jesus' trial - The Hebrew Museum and of course the Garden Tomb! While in Jerusalem we will take a day to go visit Masada and Qumran and we will even go for a swim in the Dead Sea. Like I said, this will be the trip of a lifetime!

We will be having an information meeting soon to share all the trip details as well as answer any questions. Please share this with your congregation as we would love for as many people as possible to join us! I have trip brochures available now at the Beaverdam Association office.

David



Heart4Schools Training

September 7 at 10:00 AM New Prospect Baptist Church in Anderson

To register, visit www.scbaptist.org/events.

Church Contributions

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Beaverdam	Jul 23 135.93	Jan-Jul 23 1,112.23
Belmont	0.00	0.00
Bethel	172.00	1,280.00
Bethlehem	0.00	0.00
Calvary	75.88	544.65
Chauga	53.32	473.59
Cheohee	200.00	1,400.00
Christ Fellowship* Clearmont	0.00 250.00	0.00 1,250.00
College Street	230.00	7,913.81
Coneross	75.00	525.00
Corinth - Seneca	0.00	0.00
Cross Hill Fellowship	0.00	1,000.00
Cross Roads – Seneca	292.84	1,329.94
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Earle's Grove	1,072.00	7,816.15
Ebenezer	816.04	9,084.03
Faith	0.00	410.40
Fants Grove	0.00	607.25
Golden Corner	0.00	1,500.00
Heart Land	117.00	897.00
Hepsibah Holly Springs	780.34 256.35	5,462.38 3,082.91
Hopewell	604.14	4,874.65
Iglesia Bautista Bethel	0.00	0.00
La Roca*	0.00	0.00
Little River	0.00	500.00
Long Creek	174.00	1,218.00
Lydia Maranatha	0.00 88.08	2,588.75 706.59
Monte Vista	25.00	175.00
Mountain Rest	778.50	6,151.30
Mountain View	100.00	700.00
Mt. Freedom	1,470.00	1,470.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	1,249.98
Mt. Tabor	164.63	1,359.89
New Hope Old Liberty	381.00 493.52	3,679.00 1,548.32
Open Door	250.00	2,000.00
Pleasant Grove	747.39	1,523.01
Pleasant Hill	100.00	700.00
Pleasant Ridge	0.00	4,000.02
Poplar Springs Puerta Abierta	341.73	1,976.15
Reedy Fork	0.00 407.98	0.00 2,298.59
Retreat	0.00	399.90
Return	733.23	6,058.43
Rock Hill	0.00	0.00
Rocky Knoll	512.31	3,147.84
Salem	1,666.68	5,000.00
Scenic Heights Seneca	0.00 2,733.00	3,600.00 9,910.29
Shiloh	2,735.00	0.00
Snow Creek	0.00	1,382.96
Souls Harbor	145.00	1,015.00
South Union	215.66	1,065.35
Utica	1,247.13	10,666.10
Walhalla Welcome	0.00 223.00	150.00 1,352.48
West Union	0.00	0.00
Westminster	500.00	3,500.00
Westminster First	200.00	1,400.00
Wolf Stake	0.00	762.00
Total	18,698.68	134,518.90
Other Contributions The Well		1,000.00
		1,000.00
Total Income *Watch care	18,698.68	135,518.90

Church News

<u>Staff Changes:</u>

Lydia Baptist Church called Rev. Pat Ashworth as pastor.

Rev. Troy Nicholson has resigned as pastor of **Pleasant Ridge** Baptist Church. Rev. Rob Gouge is serving as interim pastor.

<u>Staff Needs:</u>

Return Baptist Church is seeking a part-time IT person. Responsibilities include running social media accounts and sound system during services. For more information, contact Pastor Bobby Holcombe at 864-247-8462.

Scenic Heights Baptist Church is seeking a part-time choir director. For more information, contact Pastor Steve Black at 864-903-5818 or 864-638-5703.

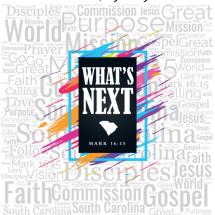
Walhalla First Baptist Church, 403 East Main Street, Walhalla, SC is accepting resumes for the full-time position for Senior Pastor. Walhalla First Baptist Church was established in 1868 and located in downtown Walhalla. We are a traditional Bible believing congregation. Interested applicants should possess a college degree of bachelor's or above from an accredited institution with proven history of Bible teachings and leadership using spiritual gifts. Send resume to the attention of the Pastor Search Committee, Walhalla First Baptist Church, PO Box 589, Walhalla, SC 29691.

Staff Needs beyond BBA:

First Baptist Church Honea Path is seeking an associate pastor of youth and singles. The associate pastor will be responsible for youth ministry, planning activities, coordinating transportation for activities, communicating with youth, communicating with schools for FCA, and planning retreats. Please send resumes to office@hpfbc.org or 100 S Main St, Honea Path, SC 24654.

Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions

September 10-17, 2023 *Goal - \$2,100,000*



How is the offering used? The offering is divided among state WMU, SCBC initiatives – Strengthen, Serve, Send, Start, and Share, and partnerships with associations.

Annual Church Profile

The South Carolina Baptist Convention will soon release the 2023 Annual Church Profile. **Every** church in the association is responsible for submitting the Annual Church Profile (church statistics and staff / volunteer information).

This year, ACPs must be turned in no later than **October 26**.

For more information, contact Emily at 882-7070 or bbaemily@bellsouth.net. Also, more information is available at www.beaverdambassoc.com.

Free Hymnals

Interested in free hymnals? Contact Emily for more information 882-7070 / bbaemily@bellsouth.net

Beaverdam Baptist Association

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4 - Labor Day, Office Closed

- 10 Janie Chapman State Missions Offering (10-17)
- 11 Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 11 Executive Board Meeting, BMC, 7:00 PM
- 18 Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 21 Secretaries Lunch, BMC, Noon
- 25 Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM

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

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 6 Joey Hawkins, New Hope
- 9 Heather Bryant, Westminster First
- 12 James Holcombe, retired
- 16 Randy Keasler, retired
- 17 Ronnie Wald, Snow Creek
- 18 Scott Bedenbaugh, Mt. Tabor
- 20 Mike Adams, retired
- 20 David Jones, Shiloh
- 22 Tim Tate, Corinth, Seneca
- 26 Alan Adams, Bethlehem
- 30 Sam Adams, retired
- 30 Buddy Byars, retired

Staff Anniversaries:

- 1 Deana Grant, Corinth, Seneca, 2014
- 7 Mark Tannery, Westminster First, 2022
- 13 Jeff Whaley, Hopewell, 2020
- 21 Tim Rackley, Mt, Pleasant, 1997
- 25 Matthew Crain, Chauga, 2011

Wedding Anniversaries:

- 3 Tony & Vonda Brown, Salem First
- 7 David & Jean Walker, Westminster
- 20 Jeremy & Kim Garrett, Open Door
- 23 Jeff & Becky Lunsford, Maranatha
- 26 Kenny & Lynn Owen, Westminster First

First Baptist Westminster Baptisms

Chauga River was the site of the August 6th Baptism and Picnic of First Baptist Church Westminster. There were approximately 240 people on hand to watch 17 young people and 4 adults celebrate their salvation by following Christ's example of Baptism. In the morning service, two of our young people were baptized at the church. There was plenty of food for everyone including fried chicken and watermelon. Many thanks to Mr. James Smith for the use of his property. Photos were taken by Addison Boggs.



