

Summer Events



Bethel - "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" - June 23-27 - 6:00-8:30 pm - Ages 3 years - adults - register at lovingbethel.com

College Street - "Marketplace Egypt" - June 8-12 - 6:00-8:30 pm - Ages 4 years - completed 5th grade

Earle's Grove - "Wonder Junction" - July 20-23 - 6:00 pm

Faith - "Wonder Junction" - June 8-12 - 6:00-8:30 pm

Hopewell - "Wonder Junction" - June 1-4 - 5:30-8:00 pm

Mt. Freedom - "Magnified" at Oconee State Park - June 17 & 24 and July 8 & 15 - 6:00-7:30 pm - Park admission is free for drop-off / pick-up. If you plan to stay in the park during VBS, please pay park admission. Contact Mt. Freedom with any questions: 864-638-6698.

New Hope - "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" - July 14-18 - 5:15-7:45 pm - register at vbspro.events/p/nhbcseneca

Open Door - "Treasure Hunt: Searching for what life is really about" - June 1-4 - 5:30-8:30 pm - Classes for children and adults.

Pleasant Ridge - "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" - June 2-5 - 6:00-8:15 pm

Poplar Springs - "Wonder Junction: Marvel at Jesus, Live for His Glory" - June 16-20 - 6:00-8:00 pm - All ages are welcomed.

Rocky Knoll - "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" - June 1-5 - Ages 3 years - 5th grade | "Sports Camp" - June 16-20 - entering 1st grade - 6th grade - Register for these at www.rockyknoll.org

Scenic Heights - "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" - June 9-11 - 6:00-8:00 pm

Utica - "Magnified" - June 2-5 - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Westminster First - "Wonder Junction" - June 22-26 - 6:00-8:30 pm

From the Associational Mission Strategist (AMS),

On Sunday, April 13, Cheohee Baptist Church and Retreat Baptist Church signed a Partnership Covenant Agreement that encompasses the next eighteen months. Prior to entering this partnership agreement with Cheohee Baptist Church, Sunday worship attendance at Retreat had decreased to 12-15 people on average. After a series of meetings and assessments, Retreat made the decision to ask the association to facilitate a "Fostering Partnership" with another Beaverdam Baptist Association church. Within a short period of time, Pastor Louis Venable contacted me to let me know that Cheohee Baptist Church had an interest in possibly being that partnering church. After several meetings, both churches unanimously agreed to the specifics of the eighteen-month partnership agreement.

I want to give you a quick update on how that partnership is going after one month:

- Average attendance has increased from 16 to 34 in four weeks.
- Retreat now has 5 children in a nursery that has not been used in years.
- The Retreat Baptist Church congregation has been so encouraged.
- Average attendance is 20 at the Thursday evening Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.
- Retreat has seen visitors present for every Sunday morning service.
- A joint Easter Sunrise Service was held with 78 in attendance.
- The church has established 10 internal goals as well as 10 external goals.
- Church policies/processes are being evaluated and updated.
- A new playground will be installed soon.
- VBS is scheduled this summer for the first time in years.
- Audio-Visual upgrades have taken place.

All of the glory for all that's happening at Retreat goes to the Lord Jesus Christ!

It is with even more excitement that I share that Shiloh Baptist Church in Seneca voted unanimously on Sunday, May 4, expressing their desire to enter into a partnership agreement with a sister church. Our need now is for a stronger, healthier partner church to express an interest in learning what such a partnership would look like and hopefully soon thereafter make a commitment to walk alongside Shiloh Baptist Church for the next eighteen months. The association will assist both churches as they begin having conversations to better understanding the scope and parameters of the partnership. These truly are exciting days in the life of the Beaverdam Baptist Association as churches begin networking together to impact communities for the Lord Jesus Christ!

I would love to have a conversation with any church that might have an interest in learning more about the various partnership options that are available. If you or your church would have an interest, please contact me at the Beaverdam Baptist Association at (864) 882-7070.

Impacting Oconee & Beyond,

David

Beaverdam Baptist Association
Pastors Prayer Time
Mondays at 9:00 AM

Save the Date
Westminster First Baptist Church
Annual Meeting
Sunday, October 26

Church Contributions

	Apr 25	Jan-Apr 25
Beaverdam	191.81	687.92
Belmont	0.00	0.00
Bethel	0.00	1,080.95
Bethlehem	0.00	0.00
Calvary	107.04	346.52
Chauga	123.89	363.65
Cheohee	200.00	800.00
Christ Fellowship	0.00	1,200.00
Clearmont	384.60	1,257.37
College Street	0.00	0.00
Coneross	75.00	300.00
Corinth	0.00	0.00
Cross Hill Fellowship	0.00	0.00
Cross Roads — Seneca	285.28	825.28
Cross Roads — Westminster	100.00	400.00
Damascus	0.00	0.00
Earle's Grove	1,783.41	4,825.50
Ebenezer	1,055.83	3,828.18
Faith	0.00	267.00
Fants Grove	0.00	433.66
Golden Corner	0.00	0.00
Grace	760.98	1,440.14
Heart Land	79.00	399.00
Hepsibah	780.34	3,121.36
Holly Springs	184.41	1,161.07
Hopewell	421.59	1,638.78
Iglesia Bautista Bethel	0.00	0.00
La Roca Oconee	50.00	150.00
Little River	0.00	0.00
Long Creek	162.00	648.00
Lydia	0.00	0.00
Maranatha	81.58	471.47
Monte Vista	25.00	100.00
Mountain Rest	245.14	924.98
Mountain View	100.00	400.00
Mt. Freedom	0.00	2,300.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	624.99
Mt. Tabor	249.85	1,348.03
New Hope	1,271.00	3,062.00
Old Liberty	216.74	832.92
Open Door	250.00	1,000.00
Pleasant Grove	338.76	1,186.40
Pleasant Hill	200.00	800.00
Pleasant Ridge	500.00	2,000.00
Poplar Springs	300.00	900.00
Puerta Abierta	0.00	0.00
Reedy Fork	371.66	1,504.98
Retreat	626.87	626.87
Return	698.79	2,835.10
Rock Hill	200.00	200.00
Rocky Knoll	0.00	279.28
Salem	0.00	5,000.00
Scenic Heights	0.00	3,600.00
Seneca	965.00	4,445.21
Shiloh	0.00	0.00
Snow Creek	0.00	1,382.96
Souls Harbor	145.00	580.00
South Union	139.58	743.68
Toxaway	50.00	100.00
Utica	1,770.89	7,195.31
Walhalla	0.00	500.00
Welcome	315.00	1,005.92
West Union	0.00	0.00
Westminster	0.00	1,500.00
Westminster First	200.00	800.00
Wolf Stake	0.00	322.00
Church at The Well	1,200.00	1,200.00
Total	17,206.04	74,946.48

Church News

Staff Changes:

Christ Fellowship called Jim Bryant as assistant pastor.

Steve Roberts announced his retirement from serving as pastor at **Pleasant Hill Baptist Church**.

Staff Needs:

Monte Vista Baptist Church in Mountain Rest is searching for a pastor to lead our small traditional congregation. Please send inquiries and resumes to mvcbsc29664@mail.com.

Rocky Knoll is receiving applications for a Part Time Administrative Assistant (M-F 9:00 to 3:00) with a competitive salary. Employment begins the first week of October 2025. This will be a position filled from outside the RKBC Membership. For inquiries and job description, please email jsorrells418@gmail.com.

Westminster Baptist Church is prayerfully seeking a full-time senior pastor to lead our congregation with dynamic leadership, spiritual growth, and community outreach. If you feel called by the Lord to serve within our church, we invite you to prayerfully consider becoming a part of our church family. Please submit resumes to apply@wbc.life. We look forward to seeing how God will lead us in this search and are excited to welcome the pastor He has prepared for us.

Internship Opportunities:

Rocky Knoll Baptist Church in Walhalla is seeking a student intern for the summer 2025. All interested students (rising seniors and above) can go to www.rockyknoll.org for an application or contact jsorrells418@gmail.com for application/job description. Candidates will preferably sense some call to vocational ministry.

Association Baptist Church Secretaries

Thursday, **June 19** at 12:00
Beaverdam Baptist Association

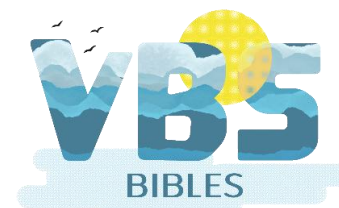
Program: "The Association is Here to Help"

Lunch is provided.

All secretaries and ministry assistants are invited to attend.

Let Emily know if you plan to come: 864-882-7070 / bbaemily@bellsouth.net.

Free Bibles for VBS



Bibles will be given to your 5th grade and up, by your local Gideons.

Please contact Blease Harper at 864-784-5555 for more information.

Church Weekday Education Conference

July 25 and July 26

Riverland Hills Baptist Church,
Irmo SC

Join us this summer at the 2025 Church Weekday Education Conference, where preschool professionals and parents will be inspired and challenged to pursue excellence as they engage the next generation.

See scbaptist.org for more information.

Beaverdam Baptist Association



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- 2 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 8 – SBC Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX (8-11)
- 9 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 15 – Father's Day
- 16 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 19 – Secretaries Lunch, BMC, 12:00 PM
- 23 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM
- 30 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BMC, 9:00 AM

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

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 3 – Rob Gouge, Pleasant Ridge
- 5 – Crawford Keese, retired
- 11 – Tony Brown, Salem
- 15 – Jeff Whaley, Hopewell
- 27 – Travis Brian, Utica
- 27 – Carlos Hatcher, retired
- 29 – Glenn Kelly, retired

Staff Anniversaries:

- 1 – Christopher Hulsey, Seneca, 2021
- 1 – Tony Qualkinbush, Clearmont, 2021
- 1 – Tim Tate, Corinth, 2011
- 2 – Kevin Morrison, Pleasant Ridge, 2013
- 4 – Rolando Garcia, Iglesia Bautista Bethel, 2000
- 7 – Von Reynolds, Reedy Fork, 2015
- 12 – Jeremy Beauford, College Street, 2022
- 16 – Alan Adams, Bethlehem, 2019
- 26 – Louis Venable, Cheohee, 2022

Wedding Anniversaries:

- 5 – Ray & Vanessa Conway, retired
- 5 – Andrew & Brittany Smith, Bethel
- 9 – Alvin & Kathy Burdette, Mt. Pleasant
- 9 – David & Kathy Shirley, BBA
- 10 – Mckensey & Sandra Campbell, Westminster First
- 10 – Rick & Billie Henderson, Holly Springs
- 12 – Bobby & Allison Holcombe, Return
- 18 – Mark & Natalie Nelson, Old Liberty
- 23 – Randy & Faye Keasler, retired
- 24 – Dillon & Katie Bolt, Return
- 29 – Tim & Susan Rackley, Mt. Pleasant
- 30 – Glenn & Joyce Kelly, retired

Sing to the Lord a new

song:

Sing to the Lord, all the

earth.

Psalms 96:1

