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Annual Christmas Drop-In

December 16 from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm



All are invited to stop by and enjoy cakes and other Christmas goodies.



215 N Townville St, Seneca

From the Associational Mission Strategist (AMS),

As I write this article for the *Golden Triangle News*, my heart is overflowing with joy and gratitude as I reflect back upon this past Sunday's Beaverdam Baptist Association Annual Meeting! What an incredible meeting that focused on partnership and worship. We were blessed with over 300 people present - our highest attended Annual Meeting in many years. Thank you to each of you who attended this year's meeting! I don't know about you, but I loved that the meeting focused on partnerships and worship, rather than business!

- Our hearts were touched as we presented a love offering from the churches of this association to Pastor Brett Morey (Walhalla First Baptist) and his wife Mandy. Pastor Brett's financial responsibility for his recent surgery for cancer was not only met, but the churches of this association actually doubled what he needed.

- Our hearts were touched and challenged as several of our pastors/churches shared what God is doing in their churches through fostering partnership. If your church would like to know more about what a fostering partnership looks like, I would love to have a conversation with you. Secondly, if your church is one of the "at risk" churches in the association, I would also love to have a conversation with you concerning options that are available through church partnerships.

- Our churches were given an opportunity to partner with Collins Family Ministries by Chief Executive Officer Kelly Ross. Kelly asked churches to consider partnering with them for ONE WEEK out of the year. During that ONE WEEK out of the year, your church would follow a prayer guide (provided by Collins Family Ministries) and simply pray for the ministry. At the end of the week, each church could also take up an offering or fill containers with change and present the ministry with a financial blessing. What a wonderful opportunity for churches to get involved with a local ministry that's truly impacting lives.

- What an absolutely incredible blessing Pastor Mark Tannery and the choir of Westminster First Baptist Church was as they led us in worship! Hearts were touched and tears flowed as they shared "Is He Worthy" for the special. A special thank you to Pastors Kenny Owen and Mark Tannery, as well as to the Westminster First

Baptist Church for hosting this year's Annual Associational Meeting.

- The service concluded with a powerful message from Pastor John McKnight (Hepsibah) from Psalm 73 focusing on drawing near to God.

As we turn our attention to December and January, please make sure to put the following dates/events on your personal and church calendar:

- **Annual BBA Christmas Drop-In (Everyone Invited)**

Tuesday, **December 16** 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Stop by and enjoy delicious Christmas goodies. (Cakes from Brick Street Café and Strossner's Bakery in Greenville.)

- **Deacon Training with Dr. Tony Wolfe**

Executive Director-Treasurer of the SCBC
Beaverdam Baptist Association Conference Center
Saturday, **January 17, 2026** 8:00 – 11:30 AM

Call Emily at (864)882-7070 to register your group.

A healthy deacon body is critical to the overall health of the church. When deacons serve biblically, they advance the cause of Christ; when they do not, they hinder it. Dr. Wolfe's latest book, *A Deacon On Purpose*, outlines four essential commitments every deacon must make to serve Jesus's church well, in concert with biblical teaching.

1. Lead by Example
2. Serve the People
3. Support the Pastor
4. Protect the Peace

Merry Christmas,

David



Church Contributions

	Oct 25	Jan-Oct 25
Beaverdam	157.87	1,660.45
Belmont	0.00	0.00
Bethel	305.46	2,708.83
Bethlehem	0.00	0.00
Calvary	64.53	882.27
Chauga	191.88	975.49
Cheohee	0.00	1,800.00
Christ Fellowship	0.00	1,200.00
Clearmont	367.46	2,967.09
College Street	0.00	7,946.65
Coneross	75.00	750.00
Corinth	0.00	900.00
Cross Hill Fellowship	0.00	1,500.00
Cross Roads – Seneca	184.62	1,754.20
Cross Roads – Westminster	100.00	1,000.00
Damascus	0.00	0.00
Earle's Grove	0.00	10,334.74
Ebenezer	836.38	10,560.11
Faith	320.00	1,075.00
Fants Grove	368.34	1,527.81
Golden Corner	0.00	0.00
Grace	712.18	2,942.16
Heart Land	82.00	953.00
Hepsibah	780.34	7,803.40
Holly Springs	328.53	2,740.75
Hopewell	430.06	3,934.95
Iglesia Bautista Bethel	0.00	0.00
La Roca Oconee	150.00	500.00
Little River	0.00	0.00
Long Creek	166.00	1,624.00
Lydia	281.84	4,467.64
Maranatha	98.56	1,081.61
Monte Vista	25.00	250.00
Mountain Rest	501.72	2,532.67
Mountain View	100.00	1,000.00
Mt. Freedom	0.00	2,300.00
Mt. Pleasant	0.00	2,083.30
Mt. Tabor	475.11	3,782.79
New Hope	566.00	5,150.00
Old Liberty	219.60	2,157.65
Open Door	250.00	2,500.00
Pleasant Grove	294.12	2,963.61
Pleasant Hill	100.00	1,900.00
Pleasant Ridge	0.00	4,500.00
Poplar Springs	0.00	2,400.00
Puerta Abierta	0.00	0.00
Reedy Fork	0.00	3,544.42
Retreat	851.71	1,478.58
Return	859.59	7,698.21
Rock Hill	0.00	200.00
Rocky Knoll	604.56	6,231.83
Salem	0.00	5,000.00
Scenic Heights	0.00	3,600.00
Seneca	803.25	10,081.99
Shiloh	0.00	0.00
Snow Creek	0.00	1,382.96
Souls Harbor	145.00	1,450.00
South Union	280.92	1,662.50
Toxaway	50.00	400.00
Utica	1,578.52	16,938.27
Walhalla	300.00	2,200.00
Welcome	429.00	2,277.00
West Union	0.00	0.00
Westminster	1,000.00	5,000.00
Westminster First	200.00	2,000.00
Wolf Stake	327.00	1,613.00
Church at The Well	0.00	1,200.00
Total	15,962.15	183,069.90

Church News

To announce a staff change or advertisement in the *Golden Triangle News*, send information to bbaemily@bellsouth.net.



Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Rev. Gary Dean Blackwell, who passed away on November 3, 2025. During his years of ministry within the association, he served as pastor of Snow Creek Baptist Church, Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, and Shiloh Baptist Church.



*O holy night, the stars are brightly shining;
it is the night of the dear Savior's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices,
for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!
Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
O night divine! O night when Christ was born!
O night divine! O night, O night divine!*

Association Baptist Church Secretaries

December 11 at 12:00

Christmas Lunch

Mission Project: Monetary gifts for Collins Family Ministries

This lunch is free for all secretaries and ministry assistants.

RSVP by December 8.
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Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and Week of Prayer for International Missions

November 30 – December 7

Visit scwmu.org or imb.org for more information and resources.

“In 1873, Lottie Moon was appointed as a missionary to China. She spent nearly 40 years sharing the gospel with love, courage, and unwavering faith.

Her letters home inspired churches to pray and give, leading to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. Today, this offering supports missionaries and helps take the life-transforming message of Jesus to the nations.

Let's honor her legacy by praying and giving so others can hear the hope of the gospel.” – IMB

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- 1 – Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions and Season of Prayer (Nov 30-Dec 7)
- 1 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BBA, 9:00 AM
- 8 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BBA, 9:00 AM
- 9 – Senior Adult Trip, Church at the Well, 2:30 PM
- 11 – Secretaries Lunch, BBA, 12:00 PM
- 15 – Pastors' Prayer Time, BBA, 9:00 AM
- 16 – Christmas Drop-In, BBA, 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- 16 – Next Steps, BBA, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- 22 – BBA Office Closed for Christmas

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays:

- 5 – Perry Gardner, Hepsibah
- 9 – Don Bickers, retired
- 11 – Kevin Morrison, Pleasant Ridge
- 11 – Jimmy Thomas, retired
- 16 – Jeremy Beauford, College Street
- 23 – James Dyar, Earle's Grove
- 23 – Stacey Griffis, Beaverdam
- 27 – Joe Steele, Utica

Staff Anniversaries:

- 4 – Alvin Burdette, Mt. Pleasant, 2005
- 20 – Rick Henderson, Holly Springs, 2020

Wedding Anniversaries:

- 11 – Scott & Tina Bedenbaugh, Mt. Tabor
- 12 – Joe & Jenn Steele, Utica
- 15 – Alan & Kelly Adams, Bethlehem
- 15 – Von & Gloria Reynolds, Reedy Fork
- 16 – Chris & Jennifer Moss, Cross Hill Fellowship
- 23 – Rod & Andrea Lyda, Cross Roads, Westminster
- 24 – Steve & Pam Black, Scenic Heights
- 28 – Mark & Mitzi Tannery, Westminster First
- 30 – Stacey & Kelley Griffis, Beaverdam

Merry Christmas

