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RANDOLPH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

BANNER

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Glorify Jesus Christ by
EQUIPPING, ENABLING & INSPIRING
Churches and Believers to Fulfill Their Mission.



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Member Churches:

Antioch
Asbury
Asheboro FBC
*Balfour
*Beulah
Calvary
Cedar Falls
Cedar Grove
Center Cross
Central Falls
Centro Familiar
Cristiano
Clear View
CrossPoint
Cross Road
Deep River
El-Shaddai
Franklinville FBC
Forest Park
Glenola
Gravel Hill
Greystone
Huldah
Liberty FBC
*Macedonia
Maple Springs
Mt. Lebanon
Mt. Pleasant
New Beginning
Oakhurst
Oakwood Park
Panther Creek
Ramseur FBC
Randleman FBC
Richland
Riverside
Russell's Grove
Sandy Creek
Seagrove FBC
Shady Grove
Sophia
Triad Cowboy Ch.
Union Grove
Victory
West Asheboro
Westfield
White's Memorial
Worthville

SUMMER RBA ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

Monday, August 17

Deep River Baptist Church

4095 Deep River Church Rd. Ramseur, NC 27316

Registration begins at 6:30, with program beginning at 7:00 PM
Speaker will be Dr. Chuck Register, Church Planting & Missions
Development Executive Leader, BSCNC

North Carolina Missions Offering & Week of Prayer: September 13-20, 2009

Theme: "Love Your Neighbor" Goal: \$2.1 million

More details in next Banner or check out: www.ncmissionsoffering.org.

Check out our new **Website** at www.randolphbaptist.org. Chris Atkins has done a great job setting this up for us. We want to express our deepest gratitude to him for all the hours and work he has put into this. When you see it, I am sure you will agree. He has pictures of most of the churches in there and will get the few missing ones as soon as possible. We would also like a brief description of each church. Please send us what you would like said about your church in 50-60 words. We will get these added as they come in.

"Twas the Day after Vacation Bible School"

"Twas the day after Bible School and all over town,
With a sigh of relief, we all settled down.
Out to the golf course goes Dad in his cap,
And home in the bedroom Mom's taking a nap.
Gone Linda, gone Brenda, gone David and Johnny,
Gone Margie and Mary, and Ronnie and Donnie.
Gone stories and puppets, and songs in the air,
Gone paint under fingernails and paste in the hair.
Rest sweetly, dear workers, and wake with good cheer,
For Bible School won't come again for another year.
As they drifted off, I heard them exclaim:
"It was worth all the hard work and we'd do it again!"

* Pray for our churches without pastors. Pray for their interims and their search committees.

DR. STEVE SELLS

A Twenty-First Century Strategy for the Local Baptist Association

Part 1

Over the past five years, I have become increasingly concerned about the future of the local Baptist association. The life of the Southern Baptist Convention seems to have shifted from one issue to another and some of these issues affect the local association negatively. Some Directors' of Missions/Associational Missionaries even question the future existence of the association. With this in mind, it is imperative that our denomination made up of 16.6 million members, 46,000 churches and 1200 local associations take a closer look at what the DOM and the ASSOCIATION can do to better work for the Kingdom. The future health and wellbeing of our pastors and churches are in the balance. For the next few months my articles will talk about what I perceive to be the best Associational strategy for the coming century.

The Biblical Foundation for the association presents itself in several passages of scripture in the New Testament. Acts 15:1-35 tells about the controversy in the Antioch church concerning fellowship between the Gentile and Jewish Christians. Paul and Barnabas debated the Judiazers and dissension became so great the Antioch church decided to go to Jerusalem and participate in the Jerusalem Council in order to bring resolution to the problem at Antioch. The assistance of the Council lays the foundation for the Baptist association's support for mission causes and church health.

I Corinthians 16:1-4 and 2 Corinthians 9:15 provide additional basis for the existence of the local association. Paul had asked the church in Corinth to collect a special offering that would benefit the Jerusalem Christians. This offering helped the church in difficult times and it showed a real unity in the church to do missions together.

Finally, Acts 1:8 is the most dominate passage that gives credence to the modern association. Jesus had instructed His followers to make disciples in "Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the earth." Of course, we understand Jerusalem to be our local area, Judea to be our state, Samaria to be our nation and the uttermost parts to be the rest of the world. The existence of the association becomes a catalyst for the advancement of missions at home and abroad.

The Bible is rich with calls and commands to missions/evangelism by the church and unity in the churches. Therefore, it is clear that the association's main priority should be first to enable churches to be involved in missions and second, to unify the churches under common beliefs, values and goals. Brother Steve

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST

1 Charles Fleshman	Pastor, Ramseur FB
2 Jeff Joyce	Pastor, White's Memorial
2 Jimmy Austin	Pastor, Seagrove FB
3 Teresa Bouldin	Pastor's Wife, Riverside
4 Lafayette Reaves	Wife of Interim, Balfour
4 Christina Fonner	Pastor's Wife, Russell's Grove
5 Bea Barnes	Pastor's Wife, Sophia
6 Gaylene Hussey	Pastor's Wife, Central Falls
6 Marty Grainger	Pastor, Cedar Grove
7 Kenneth & Lafayette Reaves	Interim, Balfour
8 Carson Sarvis	Counselor, Life Way
9 Gerald Hussey	Pastor, Central Falls
11 Drema Hill	Administrative Assistant, RBA
12 Barbara Davis	Wife of Retired Pastor
13 Pamela Fleshman	Pastor's Wife, Ramseur FB
13 Fortino Ocampo	Pastor, Centro Familiar
13 Tino Yanez	Pastor, El-Shaddai
13 Rocky & Vickie Patterson	Pastor, Greystone
15 Steve Cox	Pastor, Franklinville FB
15 Wayne Dunn	Retired Pastor
16 Billy & Wilma Metters	Retired Pastor
17 Russell & Wanda Chriscoe	Pastor, Cedar Falls
18 Bobbie Booker	Wife of Interim, Beulah
19 John & Joyce Rogers	Pastor, Asheboro FB
19 Josh & Jessica Hughes	Pastor, Asbury
20 Steve & Shirley Sells	DOM, RBA
22 Larry Allen	Pastor, Victory
24 Mary Stevens	Pastor's Wife, Westfield
24 Russell Chriscoe	Pastor, Cedar Falls
25 Mary Cordrey	Wife of Deceased Pastor
28 Carol Davis	Wife of Min of Music, Cedar Grove
29 Ann Garner	Wife of Retired Pastor
29 Kenneth & Teresa Bouldin	Pastor, Riverside
29 Anita Grainger	Pastor's Wife, Cedar Grove

CHURCH ANNIVERSARIES

John Rogers	16 Years	Asheboro FB
Fortino Ocampo	13 Years	Centro Familiar
Johnny Henderson	10 Years	Cross Road
Justus McKeel	4 Years	Center Cross
Josh Hughes	3 Years	Asbury
Jason Moore	1 Year	Huldhah
Brian Harrington	1 Year	Liberty FB

Life Way Counseling Center:
Appointment Line: (336) 292-1510

News from around RBA and Upcoming Events:

Harvesters Quartet: Oakhurst Baptist Church, August 16th at 7:00 pm. No charge; however, a love offering will be received.

GOSPEL CONCERT: Featuring Ivan Parker and The Harvesters quartet: Asheboro FBC on Sept 27 6:00 PM. Tickets \$12 available August 30th from Carole (460-0886), Annette (629-9191) or Faith Nook Bookstore. For additional information, contact: Charles Havens, 215-6748.

PASTOR'S SOLEMN ASSEMBLY
PRAYING ABOUT OUR PREACHING
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SEPTEMBER 1, 2009
9:00 AM to 1:30 PM
Balfour Baptist Church

\$5.00 to register (336) 625-4175
Sponsors: Pastor's prayer breakfast
Randolph Baptist Association

Guest Speakers: Marty Dupree
Team Leader BSCNC
Jeff Joyce: Pastor, Whites Memorial

Randolph Christian Men's Event: Sept. 12 at 6:00 pm. Central United Methodist Church. Keynote speaker: Alex McFarland. For more info, contact: First Baptist Church at 629-9191 or send e-mail to pcwooley@embarqmail.com

Pastors Prayer Breakfasts:
Beulah July 28
Maple Springs Aug. 25

Beginning at 8:30 am.



Congratulations to Sam & Jamie Hicks. They were blessed with the birth of Hannah Marie on May 20th. Sam is the pastor of West Asheboro Baptist Church.

Local Church Brotherhood Leadership

Development: Caraway Conference Center Aug. 21-22
Contact Mark Abernathy at 1-800-395-5102 x5607 or mabernathy@ncbaptist.org

A Marriage Retreat That Won't Leave You Stuck in a Classroom! Ridgecrest August 21-23

Deeper Still Conference—Greensboro

Beth Moore, Kay Arthur and Priscilla Shirer July 31-August 1. \$75.00 for complete conference, includes box lunch on Saturday. www.lifeway.com for registration. Volunteers are needed for Hospitality, encouragers and working in the bookstore. Tami Carr is the coordinator of volunteers from NC. If you wish to help with any of the above mentioned needs, contact Tami at 336 676-9736 or tamicarr@triad.rr.com.

Hispanic Theological Education Fall Schedule

Campbell University Divinity School. Classes begin August 15. For more info, call 919 889-7188.

On August 28-29, Beth Moore will be bringing **Living Proof Live** to her hometown of Green Bay, Wisconsin. Thanks to simulcast satellite technology, she'll spend that weekend here in our hometown too. The same soul-stirring worship, the same life-changing teaching—right here, in real time. **Living Proof Live** is a weekend you'll never forget. And you won't even have to leave town! Cross Road Baptist Church will be hosting this simulcast event. Tickets are \$20/person. To purchase your ticket, call the church office at 629-6607.

The simulcast schedule is as follows:

Fri. Aug 28th, 8-10:30 p.m. (doors open at 7:00 pm)
Sat. Aug. 29th, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (doors open at 8:30)

Refreshed: Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference

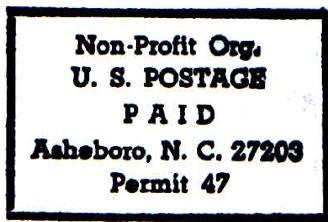
Ridgecrest Conference Center: Sept. 11 & 12
With Beth Evans, Mary Kassian, Bobbye Rankin
Www.praync.org or 1-800-395-5102 ext. 5513.

For more information about events listed in this newsletter, please call the office at 625-4175.

The next Banner will be published on Aug. 20. The deadline for submitting material is **noon on Aug. 14.**

Thank You.

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 Return Service Requested



RBA Church Receipts 2009	JUNE	YTD			
Antioch		300.00			
Asbury		1,078.83			
Asheboro 1st	927.16	5,159.81			
Balfour	479.23	2,543.28			
Beulah	416.66	2,499.96			
Calvary		-			
Cedar Falls		225.00			
Cedar Grove		585.07			
Center Cross		371.00			
Central Falls	168.92	856.80			
Centro Familiar Cristiano		335.00			
Clear View		674.49			
CrossPoint		-			
Cross Road	1,500.00	4,500.00			
Deep River	216.67	1,300.02			
El Shaddai		-			
Forest Park	100.00	600.00			
Franklinville 1st		703.86			
Glenola	117.00	678.76			
Gravel Hill	600.00	1,800.00			
Greystone	113.17	620.87	Designated Funds	June	Balance
Huldah	962.50	1,925.00			
Liberty 1st	375.00	2,250.00	CrossPoint		
Macedonia		-	Pd to CrossPoint		
Maple Springs	590.90	2,333.20	El-Shaddai	332.00	
Mt. Lebanon	875.00	1,750.00	Pd to El-Shaddai	(498.00)	
Mt. Pleasant		1,750.00	Lifeway Counseling	100.00	
New Beginning		127.36	Balance Forward: 320.00	(260.00)	
Oakhurst	1,422.55	10,014.53	MAP Fund	8.00	
Oakwood Park		1,000.00	Bal Forward: 6538.65		9,141.55
Panther Creek	200.00	200.00	Triad Cowboy Church	1,200.00	
Ramseur 1st	513.52	2,775.31	Pd to Triad Cowboy Church	(1,200.00)	
Randleman 1st	508.20	2,686.87	Building Fund		
Richland		-	Bal Forward 6950.53		6,950.53
Riverside		-	Disaster Relief Trlr		
Russel's Grove	100.00	600.00	Bal Forward 3772.46		3,772.46
Sandy Creek		1,468.84	Total Designated Funds:		
Seagrove 1st	211.00	987.00	Sports Expo		
Shady Grove	653.01	1,575.05	Pd for Sports Exp		
Sophia	100.00	500.00			19,864.54
Triad Cowboy Church	262.35	2,098.75	Total Receipts	12,813.84	
Union Grove	469.00	3,988.00	Total Expenses	13,021.79	
Victory		500.00			
West Asheboro	300.00	300.00	Bal in Primary Acct June 30	9,555.21	
Westfield		41.66	Money Rsvd for Qtrly disb.	-	
White's Memorial	100.00	600.00	Money Rsvd for Other funds	19,864.54	
Worthville		-	Bal in Payroll Acct June 30	6,745.90	
			Interest Earned Money Mkt.	40.61	
Total Church Receipts	12,281.84	64,304.32	Bal in Money Mkt Act June 30	69,612.19	
			Bal Available for Use June 30	59,302.86	

