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As many of you remember, this month marks the one year anniversary of the historic South Carolina storm and flood. By the time of our annual meeting last year, we were already asking people to put together flood buckets. Response came quickly in the lower part of our county, Johnsonville/Lake City, from the local citizens and the North Carolina Baptist Disaster relief volunteers that were deployed to our region.

Many are not aware of the SC Baptist Rebuild efforts that continue in this area. NC Baptist Men set up the first week of January and have been coordinating the rebuild efforts in the region that includes Johnsonville/Lake City. There have been over 100 homes that have been repaired since then using volunteers from around the Southeast, but primarily from our NC Baptist Churches. There continue to be houses that need repairs to make them meet the Governor's Mandate of: Safe, Secure and Sanitary. There are as many to be repaired, as there are, that have been repaired. Priority is given to the aged, disabled and families with young children.

On October 8th, at the Johnsonville Park at the boat landing, there will be a ceremony and cookout to honor the First Baptist Church of Johnsonville and Ann and Billy Layton from NC Baptist. The Church has allowed the use of their facility for almost the entire year. Ann and Billy Layton have lived on the grounds of the church

since January. While I am thankful for the volunteers from NC, I wish we had more of our SC people willing to help their neighbors. It's not too late, work would continue through next summer.

October 9 is our annual meeting at First Baptist Church Pamplico at 6:30 PM. We will be featuring Dr. Gary Hollingsworth our new South Carolina Baptist Executive Director. Please join us there. We would love to see many representatives from each church as we worship together.

Chris

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Florence Baptist Association, October 2016

Prayer Corner:

Please include the following prayer needs on your prayer lists and in your prayer times.

Churches without Pastors:

Florence First Northside Chapel Southside

New Work:

Hispanic Ministry
New Covenant

CLC Program

Financial Support Expansion to Lake City

Good News Clubs!

MORE volunteers as GNC expands to other School Districts; Financial Assistance

Family Promise

Financial Support Families served Vehicles for Families

Partnerships

Canton Oĥio New Brunswick, Canada



Florence Baptist Association 2016 Annual Meeting October 9, 2016

Pamplico First Baptist Church 119 North Hickory Pamplico, SC

6:30 pm

Guest Speaker: Dr. Gary Hollingsworth South Carolina Baptist Convention Executive Secretary Treasurer

Churches should elect their 2016 messengers and ask them to be present for this meeting as the Business Portion of the Annual Meeting will be held at the beginning of the service. If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please call the associational office at 662-5921 or email Connie at fbaconnie@sc.rr.com

WMU Fall Training

Union Baptist Church October 11, 2016 6:00 pm - meal 7:00 pm - Training

WMU Fall Training Classes are: WMU Directors, Girls in Action, Royal Ambassadors, Mission Friends, "Overview of WMU Ministries", "Finding a Place for Younger Women to be Involved in WMU", "How to Witness in the Market Place", "Glimpses of New England" and "What's Happening in the FBA?".



WMU groups are asked to collect items for the Fair Yard Sale. This will be a competition between Clemson and Carolina Fans! There will be a box for each team. Let's see who has the most generous teams. Items needed are: shampoo, deodorant, razors, shaving cream,



Tylenol, Advil, **over the counter** cold medicine, blankets, twin sheets, Duffel bags, **NEW** baseball type caps, 4 or 6 pack of toilet paper OR individually wrapped rolls of TP, paper towels, Kleenex, <u>unscented</u> laundry detergent, Pop Tarts, cereal, soup, "pop-top" foods - ravioli, Vienna sausage, etc.

OCTOBER, 2016

Fair Ministry Update - The fair will be in town October 11-15! Thank to all of you who have volunteered to provide items for the different events. We are in desperate need for barbers/beauticians to cut hair on Wednesday, October 12 from 9:30-12:30. Right now we only have ONE definite volunteer that can come. We need at least 1 or 2 more volunteers. We are also still collecting items for the yard sale: shampoo, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, Tylenol, Advil, over the counter cold medicine, 4 pack toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex, unscented laundry detergent, Pop Tarts, cereal, "pop-top" foods, blankets, twin sheets. These should be brought to FBA by October 11th.

Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week if November 14-21, 2016. Calvary Baptist Church, Florence will serve as the collection center again this year for Operation Christmas Child. Calvary has requested other churches to help in the collection by signing up for a day and providing volunteers from their church to help at the collection center. This is a great project for youth groups. If you or your church would like to volunteer to serve please contact Eddie Stewart at 843.662.0418 or Louanne Stewart at 843.662.5921.

Collection Days and hours are:

- Monday, November 14: 4 pm 7 pm
- Tuesday, November 15: 4 pm 7 pm
- Wednesday, November 16: 4 pm 7 pm
- Thursday November 17: 4 pm 7 pm
- Friday, November 18: 4 pm 7 pm
- Saturday, November 19: 11 am 1 pm
- Sunday, November 20: 2 pm 5 pm
- Monday, November 21: 11 am 5 pm

OCC Volunteer Training - Volunteers that help at the collection center will be asked to attend a brief training on Sunday, November 13 at 3 pm at Calvary Baptist Church in the chapel. You can fill out your volunteer form at that time and the logistics of the collection time will be explained. We are asking that all volunteers attend this training even if you have helped at the Collection Center before. It always helps to review the process. There will be a more intentional prayer effort at the collection center. If you are interested in helping in that area, please contact BJ Pettit at 864.380.0468. Thanks so much for your help!

Rick Gage - GO Tell Crusade! We had a great meeting with Rick Gage about a future crusade in the Florence area in the fall of 2017. We are in the process of seating a steering team to get things started. Several people volunteered or were nominated at the August 31st meeting. This is NOT a Baptist event - this is for all Christian evangelical churches to be involved. It will take about 1000 volunteers for this to happen. If you would like to serve, or if you know someone who would be a good addition to the steering committee, please call the FBA office to express your interest - 843.662.5921.



Ministry Assistant Luncheon

Victor's Restaurant 126 W. Evans Street, Florence October 18, 2016 11:30 am

Sponsored by: Simplified Office

All Ministry Assistants are invited to this **FREE** luncheon sponsored by Simplified Office.

October 2016

Bliss Ball; Calvary 9 FBA Annual Mting; Pamplico First Baptist; 6:30 pm: 11-15 Fair Ministry 11 WMU Fall Trning; Union; 6:00 pm 18 Ministry **Assistant** Luncheon; Victors: 11:30 am

November 2016

13 OCC Volunteer
Training; Calvary;
3 pm
14-21 Operation
Christmas Child
Shoe Box
Collection; Calvary
15-16 SCBC Annual
Meeting
23-25 Thanksgiving
Holidays; FBA

December 2016

Office Closed

Ministers and
Spouse Christmas
Social; Time &
Place TBA
 Prisoner Packets
due FBA Office
 Season of Prayer
for International
Missions
 Christmas
Holidays; FBA
Office Closed

January 2017

New Year's Holiday; FBA Office Closed OCTOBER, 2016

We Are Grateful! August Contributions

Church	Aug.	Budget YTD
Ariel	107.00	720.50
Bethel	.00	400.00
Beulah	.00	4,400.00
Calvary	1,442.12	10,511.12
Calvary, Lake City	200.00	1,600.00
Cartersville	.00	1,404.60
College Park	293.00	3,431.40
Coward	50.00	400.00
Ebenezer	1,321.01	8,229.79
Elim	666.47	5,331.76
Evergreen	402.83	3,369.10
Florence 1st	2,260.31	4,197.15
Grace	.00	6,004.99
Greenwood	925.06	5,952.81
Hebron	125.00	1,000.00
Hoffmeyer Rd	2,331.96	16,548.49
Immanuel	790.48	6,447.84
Kingsburg	400.00	800.00
Korean	.00	.00
Lake City First Baptist	3,000.00	6,000.00
Mizpah	120.74	818.14
Mt. Zion	.00	2,636.75
New Covenant	80.00	298.00
New Hope	.00	00.00
Northgate	367.92	2,061.01
Northside Chapel	.00	600.00
Oakdale	418.06	2,872.99
Pamplico 1st	.00	7,305.57
Pee Dee Community	.00	400.00
Peniel	.00	600.00
Quinby	196.83	1,567.25
Rehoboth	300.00	300.00
Ridgecrest	787.08	5,448.27
Sardis	.00	2,587.50
South Florence	687.43	4,164.43
Southside	2,055.67	15,307.02
Sparrow Swamp	791.03	5,778.58
Timmonsville 1st	.00	600.00
Union	1,390.89	4,472.91
Unity	.00	1,296.83
Willow Creek	81.81	849.05
TOTALS	21,592.70	146,713.85

Support Associational Missions

Think - -3% Basic 4% Glory 5% Hallelujah

October Birthdays

11 Rev. Charles Pittman (P), Immanuel 18 Rev. Leo Carter (P), Alianzo 19 Rev. W. L. Collins, retired

Rev. W. L. Collins, retired Rev. Ken Moore, (P), Elim

Brian (YM) & Lisa Lynn, Calvary
 Jerry & Arlene Aiken, retired

Around the Association

October Anniversaries

Ridgecrest...Congratulations to Rev. Lacy Gay who was called as Pastor. Lacy was ordained on Sept. 11th during the evening worship service. The service included several past staff persons from Ridgecrest and there were many from neighboring churches who participated in the ordination process. Lacy had served as Deacon Chairman and had been Associate Pastor since October 2015. He and his wife Carrie have served at Ridgecrest for a number of years.

Greenwood...Has called Drew Wike as Director of Student Ministries.

Hoffmeyer Road... Has called Rev. George Atkins as Associate Pastor of Family Ministries.

Ministers and Spouse Christmas Social is being planned for December 1, 2016. More information will be available in next month's newsletter.

2016 Prisoner Packet List

One **Black** non-retractable pen (no wire clip and no other color pen)

One junior legal writing tablet (no larger than 5 1/2" x 8" and no wire bound)

One Adult Toothbrush (Individually factory-sealed, no multi-packs)

Five First-Class #10 Stamp Embossed Envelopes (Purchased at US Post Office)

Two Rolls of Candy (LifeSavers, Mentos, Breath Savers type)

One 4-6 oz. Bar of Soap (no travel size)

One 5.8 oz or larger Toothpaste

Please place items in a one gallon zip lock bag and bring to FBA Office on Monday, December 5th.

