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With the exception of children at Christmas, as an event gets closer, when you are preparing for an event, time seems to fly by. Such is the case with some important events in the life of the FBA. We have My Hope Training, LifeChangers, Mission Trips and many other events. I want to talk about two of the three I mentioned. Louanne will talk about LifeChangers

On April 15th, from 9:00 AM – noon, the FBA will host a Pastor training event for My Hope. “**My Hope with Billy Graham** is a massive effort to reach people across the United States and Canada with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Following a simple biblical model, **My Hope with Billy Graham** combines the reach and excitement of a nationwide media event with the power of personal relationships. Under the guidance of their local pastors, Christians across these two countries will open their homes to share the Gospel message with friends, family, colleagues, and neighbors using different media programs featuring Billy Graham, dynamic music, and testimonies.” (from the BGEA website) We invite all interested pastors from the region to attend. Please spread the word among pastors that would be interested.

July 13 – 19 will be the Associational trip to Akron/Canton Ohio. We have some churches that are taking groups this spring and summer but this trip is

designed for people from churches to gather together and go. We are looking for those who would go during this week under the leadership of Stan Sullivan. There are many different opportunities and regardless of your spiritual gifts or talent, you can be useful.

July 27 – August 3 is the date for the New Brunswick Canada Trip. This is a little more involved since it will involve a passport and air travel. This trip will be under the leadership of J.D. Weed. This trip will have opportunity for construction, and service ministry, prayer walking, neighborhood canvassing. Please contact the FBA office if you have any questions or would like to begin making plans to go! Also I would be glad to come and share with any group within or your whole congregation about these partnerships and trips.

Check out more details at the new FBA website: www.florenceba.org.

Looking forward, Chris

**MY HOPE WITH BILLY GRAHAM
TRAINING EVENT**

April 15, 2013 9:00 am - noon
FBA Office

Exposure

FLORENCE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

APRIL, 2013

Prayer Corner:

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

Churches without Pastors:

Hebron
Oakdale

New Work:

Hispanic Ministry

CLC Program

Financial Support

Good News

Clubs Praise!

*All elementary
schools in FSD1
have been adopted
for GNC*

Family Promise

Financial Support
Host Churches
Day Center

New Partnerships

Akron/Canton Ohio
New Brunswick,
Canada

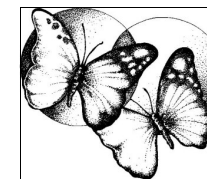
Christian Learning Center Banquet

Thursday, April 25, 2013

6:30 pm

First Presbyterian Church

The Christian Learning Center is having their annual fundraising banquet on Thursday, April 25th at First Presbyterian Church. They are in need of churches, business, and individuals to sponsor a table for \$200. Each table sponsor is asked to invite up to 8 people to sit at their table. This is a great evening of good food, fellowship, and information about the Christian Learning Center. If you would like to sponsor a table call Louanne @ 662.5921.



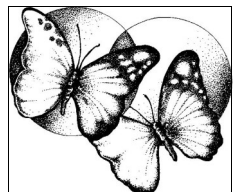
WMU Spring Meeting

April 29, 2012

Elim Baptist Church

6:00 - Meal

7:00 - Conference



Charles Billingsley Benefit Concert

for

Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)

Sunday, May 5, 2013

Calvary Baptist Church

A love offering will be taken to help support the ministry of CEF which coordinates Good News Clubs in our elementary schools.

In order for the concert to be a major benefit, CEF is asking churches, businesses, and individuals to help sponsor the concert. Sponsors will be listed in the program and their logos and names will scroll on the screen before the concert begins. All sponsors will be able to meet Charles prior to the concert. There will also be a choir that will sing along with Charles. Sponsors and their members (if it is a church) will be invited to sing in this choir. Contributions can be mailed to CEF, PO Box 5893, Florence 29502. There is a sponsor sheet that can be emailed to you. Email FBALouanne@sc.rr.com to request the sheet. Sponsors need to commit by April 25th.

The Associational Bible Drill competition is Sunday, April 7 at 3 pm at the FBA Office. If you have a group that will be participating, please be sure to send Louanne the forms by Monday, April 1 so we can be prepared. If you have never seen a Bible Drill we encourage you to come and support the students who will be participating. The State Bible Drill for our region is at Florence First on Saturday, April 27 at 10 am.

Summer Missions - The Florence Baptist Association is in search of a furnished apartment or house for the 2013 summer missionaries to live in for 7 weeks; June 3 – July 20, 2013. It could also be someone's home that might have 2 extra bedrooms. It works better if the girls have their own bedroom so they can have their "own space" if they are living with a family. The girls would also need use of the washing machine and have kitchen privileges to cook their meals. The association will provide their groceries and laundry detergent. The FBA might also need a vehicle for the summer missionaries – depending on who they are and if they have their own car they can bring. We won't know that for sure until closer till summer when the girls have been assigned. If you are interested in meeting either one of these needs, please contact Louanne Stewart 662-5921 as soon as possible. Please be in prayer for these needs. Thank you for your help.

LifeChangers 2013 – LifeChangers is June 16-21. Registrations must be turned in by April 15th to secure a spot for your students. Reminder to leaders – We need the names and contact information for all chaperones. Registrations could be returned to you if this information is not included. We have problems every year

with not having enough adults which causes a safety issue on the work sites.

Needs for LifeChangers:

1. **Prayer** – Please begin to pray now for the students and leaders that will participate in LifeChangers. Pray for the residents of the homes that we will work on. Pray for safety on the work site. Pray for the planning process before LC begins. Pray for the selection of homes as we work with the City of Florence.
2. **Evening meals** – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of the week. This is for the entire group.
3. **Lunches** are taken to the work site Monday – Friday at 11:30. Groups or churches can adopt a crew for the whole week (which is preferred) or for a few days – whatever works for your group! There is a guide for what needs to be done that can be emailed to you upon request.
4. **Crew Chiefs** – this is an adult that has a minimal knowledge of construction issues but relates well to youth. Construction knowledge is NOT as important as the ability to be able to work with youth and to teach them how to paint, hammer, etc. This is a learning experience for the students. We realize that the crew chief could probably do a job quicker and better, but the purpose of LifeChangers is to let the students do the work which might not be perfect. If you are a perfectionist, this is not the place for you.
5. **Financial Need** – This will be our 11th year for LifeChangers and we are still charging the same amount for the week (\$75) that we did in the beginning. It is our desire to keep the cost down so LC is financially possible for everyone. Financial donations can be sent to the FBA office and marked for LifeChangers.

Health Kits 2013

Health Kits are due in the associational office on Monday, April 15th or later. Please include the following items in a **two gallon zip lock bag**.

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| 1 toothpaste (6 oz) | 1 washcloth |
| 1 toothbrush | 1 bath towel |
| 1 soap (4.5 oz. bath size) | 1 comb |

**National Day of Prayer
Thursday, May 2, 2013**



April 2013

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| 3 | Assn. Bible Drills; FBA Office; 3 pm |
| 9 | Assn. Council; 9:00 am |
| 9 | Ministers Conference; 11:30 am; FBA Office |
| 11 | Executive Committee Mtg; 7 pm FBA Office |
| 12-14 | Discipleship Now Weekend |
| 15 | Migrant Kits due in FBA Office |
| 25 | CLC Banquet |
| 27 | State Bible Drills; Florence First; 10 am |
| 29 | WMU Spring Meeting; Elim |

May 2013

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| 2 | National Day Of Prayer |
| 5 | Charles Billingsley Concert; Calvary |
| 27 | Memorial Day; FBA Closed |



FBA Office
Closed
Monday
May 27, 2013

**We Are Grateful!
Feb. Contributions**

Church	Feb.	Budget YTD
Ariel	50.00	114.50
Bethel	\0.00	.00
Beulah	.00	100.00
Calvary	1,080.47	3,648.96
Calvary, Lake City	100.00	200.00
Cartersville	.00	.00
College Park	356.07	740.95
Coward	50.00	100.00
Ebenezer	.00	2,289.67
Elim	1,333.34	1,333.34
Evergreen	214.65	371.87
Florence 1st	.00	4,600.00
Grace	437.71	3,570.58
Greenwood	546.56	1,562.85
Hebron	100.00	200.00
Hoffmeyer Rd	1,044.00	1,749.00
Immanuel	.00	317.25
Kingsburg	.00	.00
Korean	.00	.00
Lake City First Baptist	.00	.00
Mizpah	403.68	1,179.36
Mt. Zion	.00	600.00
New Hope	.00	.00
Northgate	354.12	742.32
Oakdale	207.25	696.85
Pamplico 1st	.00	.00
Pee Dee Community	.00	.00
Peniel	.00	.00
Quinby	192.77	192.77
Rehoboth	275.00	275.00
Ridgecrest	664.68	1,933.68
Sardis	.00	862.50
South Florence	.00	.00
Southside	1,623.69	4,596.35
Sparrow Swamp	630.42	1,334.12
Tans Bay	.00	.00
Timmons ville 1st	.00	.00
Union	.00	1,481.78
Unity	198.02	471.12
Willow Creek	.00	137.76
TOTALS	9,862.43	35,402.58

Support Associational Missions

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

Happy Birthday

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| 4 | Rev. Quinn Hooks (P), Evergreen |
| 6 | Rev. Gerald McKay, retired |
| 6 | Rev. Jerry Aiken, retired |
| 10 | Rev. Charles Jeffcoat, retired |
| 19 | Rev. Ed Self (MEd), Ebenezer |

Around the Association

Ministers Conference...The next Ministers Conference will be held on Tuesday, April 9th at 11:30 am. Guest speaker will be Quida Page who will lead a discussion on types of depression, options for treatments, tips on counseling women and how to do an initial assessment on a new counselee. These topics were requested at the last meeting.

Disciple Now (D Now) is a weekend retreat for students. This year it is being hosted at Southside Baptist Church April 12-14. Cost is \$35 per student which includes a t-shirt, study guide and four meals. Each church is responsible for locating host homes for their students, having small group leaders for the home and providing transportation to and from all events. Chris Wells, Chaplin of the BassMasters, will be the speaker for the weekend. Besides times of worship, students will also spend time working on a mission project on Saturday morning and enjoy a scavenger hunt around town Saturday afternoon. For more information contact Brad White at Southside, 260-4618.

**THE FOURTH ANNUAL
PENIEL BAPTIST CHURCH
TRACTOR SHOW**

Show Hours
SATURDAY APRIL 20, 2013
9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.
Opening Ceremony 10:00 a.m.

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Timmons ville, SC 29161

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