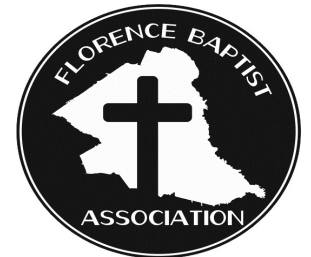


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Florence Baptist Association, May 2014



I would like to encourage you to join us in the Week of Prayer for Associational Missions. Each of our churches should have gotten the information either by E-mail or USPS mail. We ask you to pray as a prayer guide has been provided and to receive a special offering. Many of you know what it means to tighten your belt. We are experiencing that reality as the churches are. I never want to take away from a person's tithe and/or other commitments to the local church. I do realize that there are those who are able to give to the Florence Baptist Association, above and beyond their normal giving. This will depend on making this opportunity known in the churches. I trust that each pastor will make this Week of Prayer for Associational Missions known to each congregation. I also ask WMU leaders, as well as other missions organizations to emphasize the prayer request and make use of the prayer guides we have provided.

I was curious about the origins of "tighten your belt" so here is what I found at wiseGEEK:

"The expression itself refers to the act of tightening one's belt as a result of losing weight, especially as a result of tough economic times. Instead of purchasing a smaller pair of pants, the more eco-

nomical solution would be to cinch one's belt tighter. When financial circumstances improve and food is more plentiful, the belt can then be loosened accordingly. Belt tightening is generally viewed as a temporary solution to a short-term economic problem. This would be akin to weathering a storm by tightening down the hatches instead of abandoning the ship completely."

We want to work with you as we all try to weather the storm of this "short-term economic problem". For those of you that are numbers people, for the first quarter, we were under budget by about 28%. The good news is that we only spent about 94.5 % of the budget for the quarter. The fact that contributions from the churches come in sporadically and many annual expenses are paid during the first quarter means things are not as bad as the numbers may suggest. Giving was down among many of the churches last year so we want you to be informed.

Looking forward,

Chris

Prayer Corner:

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

Churches without Pastors:

*Ariel
Greenwood
Ridgecrest*

New Work:

Hispanic Ministry

CLC Program

Financial Support

Good News Clubs!

Pray as it expands to FSD 4 and to Darlington School District; Financial Assistance

Family Promise

*Financial Support
Host Churches;
Day Center*

Partnerships

*Akron/Canton Ohio
New Brunswick,
Canada*

Joseph Project

National Day of Prayer

**May 1, 2014
12 noon**

Florence County Complex
180 N. Irby Street

Come join your neighbors for a time of prayer for our community.



"So that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 15:8

Associational Missions Emphasis Week May 4-10, 2014



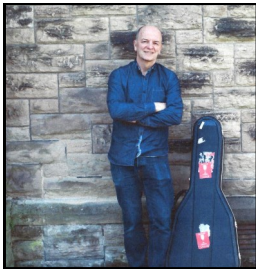
**"...send out laborers into His harvest."
Matthew 9:38**

Prayer guides were e-mailed to churches. For offering envelopes or printed prayer guides call 662.5921.

An Evening with Robin Mark

Calvary Baptist Church
Friday, August 22, 2014
7:00 pm

Northern Ireland's premier singer,
songwriter, and worship leader
Author of "Days of Elijah," "Revival,"
and "All for Jesus"



Sponsored by Calvary and Sparrow
Swamp Baptist Churches in association
with the Christian Learning Centers.

FBA 2014
Mission Trips Dates

Canada Mission Trip
July 26-Aug. 2, 2014

Akron/Canton Ohio
Mission Trip
July 12-19, 2014
Cost: \$300
\$100 Deposit due June 2nd

Please call the FBA Office at
662.5921 if you are interested in ei-
ther of these mission opportunities.
Applications are available on line at
www.florenceba.org.

Vacation Bible School!

Needed - VBS dates for your church.
If you have not emailed us your dates
please do ASAP so they can be includ-
ed in next months Exposure.

May 2014

- 1 Migrant Kits
due in FBA
Office
- 1 National Day of
Prayer
- 4-10 Associational
Missions Week
- 8 Girls Night Out
Artisan Faire;
Highland Park
- 11 Mother's Day
- 26 Memorial Day;
FBA Office
Closed

June 2014

- 10-11 SBC Annual
Meeting;
Baltimore,
Maryland
- 15-21 Lifechangers

July 2014

- 4-5 July 4th
Holiday; FBA
Office Closed
- 12-18 Ohio Mission
Trip
- 7-25 - Canada Mission
- 8-2 Trip

FBA Office Closed
May 26, 2014



We Are Grateful!
March Contributions

Church	March	Budget YTD
Ariel	77.00	192.00
Bethel	.00	200.00
Beulah	.00	.00
Calvary	1,215.59	4,814.97
Calvary, Lake City	100.00	300.00
Cartersville	.00	.00
College Park	365.85	1,664.35
Coward	50.00	150.00
Ebenezer	.00	985.27
Elim	666.47	1,999.61
Evergreen	337.15	958.93
Florence 1st	.00	252.59
Grace	.00	670.26
Greenwood	645.63	2,249.89
Hebron	100.00	300.00
Hoffmeyer Rd	1,415.00	2,616.00
Immanuel	.00	.00
Kingsburg	.00	200.00
Korean	.00	100.00
Lake City First Baptist	1,300.00	2,600.00
Mizpah	52.44	445.02
Mt. Zion	.00	600.00
New Hope	.00	00.00
Northgate	235.66	978.58
Oakdale	.00	751.65
Pamplico 1st	.00	1,738.58
Pee Dee Community	.00	.00
Peniel	.00	.00
Quinby	168.25	349.37
Rehoboth	.00	275.00
Ridgecrest	.00	567.35
Sardis	.00	862.50
South Florence	397.40	530.52
Southside	.00	3,898.55
Sparrow Swamp	575.26	1,965.11
Tans Bay	.00	.00
Timmons ville 1st	.00	125.00
Union	.00	1,462.35
Unity	457.09	992.45
Willow Creek	99.03	1,285.42
TOTALS	8,257.82	37,081.32

Support Associational Missions

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

Happy Birthday

- 1 Mrs. Louanne Stewart, FBA
- 1 Rev. James Brown, (P), Rise & Live
- 1 Rev. Tom Brown (P), Rehoboth
- 9 Rev. Randy Shell
- 11 Rev. Kendal Danford, BCM
- 11 Rev. Dave Bult (P), Kingsburg
- 29 Rev. Nathan Neighbors (MY) Ebenezer

Happy Anniversary

- 11 Bryan (P) & Kim Chapman, Pee Dee
Community
- 14 John (P) & Melanie Collins, Grace
- 21 Ben (P) & Lyla Greene, Hebron
- 21 Chris (DOM) & Tracy Smith, FBA
- 29 Lanier (P) & Connie Singleton,
Hoffmeyer Road

Around the Association

Ministers Conference...Will be held Tuesday,
May 6th at 11:30 am. Rev. Eddie Pettit has gra-
ciously agreed to take the time to give us some
updates on the current state of Disaster Relief in
South Carolina as well as needs. Please feel
free to bring your church Disaster Relief point
person to this meeting. Reservations are need-
ed by Monday afternoon as we will be ordering
lunch. Again lunch will be provided for the cost
of \$5 per person.

We will have the unique privilege, to have in our
area in late August, Dr. Ken Hemphill who is the
current Director of Church Planting and Revitali-
zation at North Greenville University. In our May
Ministers Conference, we will have a brief dis-
cussion of a training event for Sunday School
Leadership on Sunday Night August 24th and
the possibility of a training event for pastors and
staff also, with Dr. Ken Hemphill on Monday Au-
gust 25th.

Due to the SBC Annual Meeting there will not be
a June Minister's Conference.

Northgate...will host the **Strength Team** on
Thursday, May 8th at 7 pm.



Pee Dee Coalition Against
Domestic and Sexual Assault

The Pee Dee Coalition is in need of consumable items for
their two shelters. If you would like to collect any of these
items, bring them to the FBA office and we will deliver them
for you.

Household items: paper towels, toilet tissue, napkins, trash bags, Kleenex,
small paper plates or bowls, cups.

Cleaning: laundry detergent (unscented), bleach, pine sol, Lysol spray, all pur-
pose cleaner, air freshener, glass cleaner, bathroom cleaner

Food & snacks: tea, coffee, creamer, sugar, sweetener; canned fruits, vegeta-
bles & meats; Spaghetti sauce, dessert mixes, mac & cheese, pasta, fruit juic-
es, baby food, powdered formula, canned sodas, small bottles of water, hot in-
stant cereals, small packs of snacks like chips, cookies, crackers, raisins, pret-
zels.

Gift Cards: Walmart, Sam's, grocery stores to buy fresh meat and vegetables.

Bring to the FBA Office by May 31st.

