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Where has the time gone? Kids are back in school, (hooray.....), College football is about to begin, and many other events get started that remind us that fall is coming. Before we get to fall, let me mention some of the events that have transpired in August. The Canada Missions Trip was once again successful. We had two groups of 5 that once again ministered to and through our two church planter partners. After missing our flight from Charlotte, we were delayed. I can't go in to all the reasons but God had purpose in our delay so we treated it as a "momentary light affliction". It also provided us with the opportunity to eat in four different states. Some took advantage of that opportunity.

The work done this year was much the same as last year as J.D. Weed's team, distributed information about an upcoming event for the church. They were able to reach some new parts of the city as they distributed over 3500 door hangers. My team worked to renovate one of the church owned buildings to make a coffee shop. As Victor Somers says, so they can have "knee to knee spiritual conversations" with the people of Chatham. We look forward to having Victor with us and speaking at the Annual Meeting in October.

August also marked an opportunity that

some of you took advantage of, the Summer Bible Conference hosted by Grace. (As I write this), the first three weeks were marked by some great speakers and we are still looking forward to Dr. Ken Hemphill being with us for our Associational Sunday School Training. Our Pastors/staff are also having an opportunity to meet with Dr. Hemphill on that Monday.

September means the start of a new church year. Just as kids experience the excitement of a new school year, even if they won't admit it, churches should be excited about the new year. It is my prayer for our churches that we will have lots of new, like, new people coming in, new converts (Jesus followers), new faithfulness. Oh and hopefully a new level of stewardship, as in, new tithers. Let's do all we can as church leaders to promote an exciting new church year.

Looking forward,

Chris

Exposure

Florence Baptist Association, September 2014



Prayer Corner:

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

Churches without Pastors:

*Ariel
Greenwood
Mizpah*

New Work: Hispanic Ministry

CLC Program Financial Support

Good News Clubs!
*MORE volunteers
for FSD 2
and as GNC ex-
pands to Darlington
School District;
Financial
Assistance*

Family Promise Financial Support Host Churches;

Partnerships
*Akron/Canton Ohio
New Brunswick,
Canada*

Joseph Project



Season of Prayer for State Missions Janie Chapman Missions Offering September 14-21, 2014

The Season of Prayer for State Missions and the Janie Chapman Offering for State Missions is a week-long emphasis. It provides the opportunity to pray, give, and go beyond the week of prayer as God leads each individual to share the gospel of Jesus Christ and make disciples in His Name. The scripture passage for Season of Prayer, 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (NIV), verse 7 encourages, "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." This scripture emphasizes the responsibility we have in meeting the needs of the Lord's people. Our generous God gives to us so we can be generous to others. This service not only helps meet the bare needs of the poor, but produces abundant thanksgiving to God. "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" (verse 15).

2014 Florence Baptist Association Annual Inspirational Meeting October 12, 2014

**Immanuel Baptist Church
6:15 pm**

**Guest Speaker: Rev. Victor Somers
East Coast Church Planter, New Brunswick Canada**

All churches are asked to move their evening services to Immanuel Road Baptist Church for this special inspirational meeting.

Churches should elect their 2014 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

Disaster Relief Training Event
September 22-23, 2014
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
FBA Office

The Florence Baptist Association will be hosting a Disaster Relief Training Event on Monday, Sept. 22nd and Tuesday, Sept. 23rd from 6:00-9:00 pm each evening. A light supper will be provided each night free of charge.

Monday evening, Randy Creamer, our new State Disaster Relief Director, will be presenting **Introduction to Disaster Relief**. This class is for those who are new or those who have not had any training in the last three years.

Tuesday evening, **Sheltering Training** will be presented by a Red Cross Specialist. This training will enable you to work in a local church shelter opened up in case of local emergencies such as the recent ice storm. Also, you can be Red Cross certified to work as a Red Cross Volunteer in a large shelter in case of an evacuation or regional disaster.

If you are interested in volunteering with Southern Baptist Disaster Relief, you can begin the process right here in Florence on that Monday, Sept. 22nd. As a bonus, the Regional Disaster Relief Training Event will also be hosted in Florence in March. Please call the FBA office at (843) 662.5921 to reserve your place and/or with any questions.

WMU Fall Training

October 20, 2014
Ebenezer Baptist Church

6:00 pm - Meal with speakers
Training will follow the meal

Meal reservations by October 15
662.5921

Parkinson's Disease Support
Group Meeting

Thursday, September 4th
5:00-6:00 pm

Carolinas Rehab Hospital
Community Classroom
121 East Cedar St. Florence

More information - Richard Wright
673.0854 or 220.2629

WorldCrafts Party

Sunday, Sept. 7, 2014
Calvary Baptist Church, Florence
Family Center
3:00 pm

This is being sponsored by The Joseph Project to raise awareness about human trafficking. Many of the items available for purchase are made by survivors of human trafficking. Each item purchased will make a difference in a woman's life.

2014 ACP's
Due in FBA Office
September 26th

For more information call Connie at
662.5921.

Sept. 2014

- 1 Labor Day; FBA
Closed
- 7 **World Craft
Party; Calvary;
3 pm**
- 14-21 Season of
Prayer for
State Missions
Janie Chapman
Offering
- 22-23 **Disaster Relief
Training; FBA
Office**
- 24 See You at the
Pole
- 26 ACP's due in
FBA Office
- 27 **Cardboard Box
City; West
Florence; 4 pm**
- 28 **Silver Ring
Thing; South
Florence High
School; 6 pm**

Oct. 2014

- 12 FBA Annual
Session;
Immanuel;
- 14-18 Fair Ministry
- 20 WMU Fall
Meeting; 6:00
pm; Ebenezer

Christian Sympathy
is expressed to the
family of Mrs. Mar-
tha Ham. Mrs. Ham
served as the FBA
Associational Sec-
retary for many
years.

We Are Grateful!
July Contributions

Church	July	Budget YTD
Ariel	95.00	515.00
Bethel	200.00	400.00
Beulah	.00	1,700.00
Calvary	.00	7,375.52
Calvary, Lake City	100.00	700.00
Cartersville	690.50	1,329.50
College Park	577.36	3,598.51
Coward	50.00	350.00
Ebenezer	999.81	5,802.57
Elim	666.47	4,665.49
Evergreen	.00	2,119.44
Florence 1st	.00	1,245.19
Grace	625.77	3,933.32
Greenwood	741.76	4,925.28
Hebron	100.00	700.00
Hoffmeyer Rd	1,493.00	6,711.00
Immanuel	546.17	1,649.58
Kingsburg	200.00	800.00
Korean	100.00	350.00
Lake City First Baptist	.00	3,900.00
Mizpah	79.67	706.61
Mt. Zion	600.00	1,800.00
New Hope	.00	00.00
Northgate	392.81	2,277.89
Oakdale	647.02	2,077.28
Pamplico 1st	1,655.02	4,985.57
Pee Dee Community	.00	100.00
Peniel	300.00	600.00
Quinby	382.45	1,294.79
Rehoboth	.00	275.00
Ridgecrest	1,268.79	3,617.57
Sardis	862.50	2,587.50
South Florence	.00	2,023.82
Southside	2,159.54	14,047.01
Sparrow Swamp	626.43	4,616.49
Tans Bay	.00	.00
Timmonsville 1st	125.00	375.00
Union	.00	2,870.94
Unity	362.52	1,692.07
Willow Creek	93.18	1,668.27
TOTALS	16,740.77	100,386.21

Support Associational Missions

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

Happy Birthday

- 8 Rev. Eddie Stewart (AP), Calvary, Florence
- 16 Rev. Craig Tedder (P), Coward
- 16 Rev. Rex Hunter (MM) Florence First

Happy Anniversary

- 5 Gerald (P) & Pat McCants, Calvary, LC
- 9 W. L. & Vera Collins, retired
- 11 Julian & Betty Long, retired
- 16 Charles (P) & Marlene Larrimore, Unity
- 30 Oscar & Patty Holland, retired

Around the Association

Ridgecrest...Has called Rev. Clay Cox as pas-
tor. We welcome Rev. Cox and his wife Kim,
along with their four children - Malachi (4), Isaac
(3) Jeremiah (2) and Deacon (6 months). Rev.
Cox will begin serving on August 31st.

Northgate...is currently seeking two ministry/
staff positions. 1. Church pianist which is a part-
time, paid position. 2. Student Intern to work
with our Student Ministries. This position will
also receive financial support. Both opportuni-
ties will provided valuable ministry experience
while helping our church grow and reach others.
If interested, or to learn more, contact Pastor
Bobby Earls at 205.514.9964 or 843.662.0732.
You may also email Pastor Earls at bob-
byearls@att.net.

2014 Christmas
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 oz. to 6 oz. Bar of Soap
(no travel size)
- One 5.8 oz or larger Toothpaste
(no travel size)

Please place items in a one gallon zip lock
bag and bring to FBA Office on Monday,
Dec. 1st.

