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Florence Baptist Association, February 2018



## Prayer Corner :

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

### Churches without

#### Pastors:

Calvary, LC

Elim

Florence First

Northside Chapel

Rehoboth

Union

### New Work:

New Covenant

### CLC Program

Financial Support

### Good News Clubs!

More volunteers ;

Financial Assistance

Church Sponsors for

new clubs

### Family Promise

Financial Support

### Hispanic Ministry

This month's article will be mostly to catch up on the news since I last wrote for the December Newsletter. I want to again thank the Personnel Committee of the FBA for encouraging and allowing me to provide limited interim pastor service to First Florence. I enjoyed working with them and it was good to be "back in the saddle" providing leadership to a local church for those 7 months. Dr. Wayne Brown is serving as the Transitional Pastor and is also enjoying the ministry.

We have an upcoming mission opportunity during the spring break week. It looks as if we will be traveling on Monday April 2, to the area just west of Cleveland Ohio to work in the North Coast Baptist Association. This trip will include lodging in a church, meals and ground transport, with an anticipated cost of \$200.00 each. We require that those under 12 be accompanied by parent or guardian, and we encourage youth age 12-17, have no less than a 5 to 1 youth to adult chaperone ratio.

Leonard Carter, Tom Brown, several laymen from Union and me went to Nicaragua back in August. God used that to begin an initiative, of reaching families with Special Needs individuals, that is now spreading though Nicaragua. Several of us are returning in March and there may be another trip at the end of July – early August. These connections in Nicaragua, have led to an opportunity in Maryland. In the process of launching a "Special Needs Church" Cresthill Baptist Church will be hosting a Special Needs Sports

Camp, July 8 – 13 and a Special Needs Music and Arts Camp July 29 – August 3, 2018. Lodging and meals provided at the church for \$100. The camps are for grade school children with Special Needs. Please contact me if there is any interest as an individual, or church. This could possibly be an Associational Trip or something that you might have a group from your church go to participate in.

I hope you have received communication from us concerning the needs of the Christian Learning Center. Donations were down last year, and the bus in Pamplico is beyond reasonable repair. God is meeting these immediate needs but we anticipate needing new donors from the FBA churches. Some churches give regularly, some have Sunday school classes and Missions Organizations that give, and then there are personal donors from within our churches. I will be happy to answer questions or help you with this as I serve on the Board of the Christian Learning Center.

Looking forward,

Chris



**You are Cordially Invited to  
A Regional Drop in for  
President Danny Nicholson  
New President of  
Connie Maxwell Children's Home**

Thursday, March 8

5:30- 6:30

6:30 – 7:30 pm

Program

Calvary Baptist Church  
Collins Family Life Center  
915 Cherokee Road, Florence 29505

This will be a time to meet President Nicholson and to hear the exciting updates about the ministry at Connie Maxwell.

## Men's Ministry Bowling Tournament Southgate Bowling Center



Monday, March 12th

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Cost: \$10 per person

*(includes shoe rental and can be paid at the front desk on the night of the event)*

There will be 4 person teams. The team captain or a member of the team needs to contact Jennifer Stewart at 843.662.0418 or email at JStewart@calvarycares.com to reserve a lane. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. If you have buddies that do not attend church, this would be a great event to invite them to attend.



SPRING WMU CELEBRATION

Tuesday, March 6  
Peniel Baptist Church  
4186 Twin Church Road, Timmonsville, SC

6:15 registration

Desserts will be served during registration

6:40 pm Local Ministry Opportunities

7:00 pm Celebration in the sanctuary

Help 4 Kids Florence will be the ministry focus this year. Help 4 Kids provides more than 2,000 bags of food each weekend to hungry elementary school students in ALL of the Florence County School Districts. **We will be collecting cans of Vienna Sausages to help with this ministry.** RSVP by February 27: lveydale20@gmail.com or call the FBA at 843.662.5921

One Day Disaster Relief Training

March 17, 2018

First Baptist, Walterboro

Conference Fees:  
Returning Volunteers \$35  
New Volunteers \$50



Conference fees include registration fee, training materials, and lunch. For new volunteers, also includes, hat, lanyard, bade, t-shirt and background check. On-line registration is available at [www.scbaptist.org/dr](http://www.scbaptist.org/dr).

DNOW Weekend

March 16-18

Calvary Baptist Church

Cost: \$35 per person

Speaker: Matthew Phillips, Student Pastor

Village Church, Blythewood, SC

Email Brian Lynn at [blynn@calvarycares.com](mailto:blynn@calvarycares.com) for more information or to register. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, March 7th. All payments should be made to FBA and earmarked DNOW.



Game On!

VBS Discovery Day

Lifeway Christian Stores

Saturday, February 10

10:00 am-2:00 pm

Feb. 2018

- 1 Human Trafficking Awareness Event
- 6 Minister's Conf. FBA; 11:30 am
- 10 VBS Discovery Day; Lifeway Christian Store
- 10 Children's Ministry Day

March 2018

- 4-11 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions
- 6 Spring WMU Celebration; Peniel
- 8 Regional Drop In for President Danny Nicholson, Connie Maxwell Children's Home; Calvary
- 12 Men's Ministry Bowling Tournament; Southgate Bowling Alley; 6:30 pm
- 16-18 DNOW; Calvary
- 17 One-Day DR Training; First Baptist Walterboro
- 17-24 Nicaragua Mission Trip
- 30 Good Friday; FBA Closed

April 2018

- 1 Easter Sunday

We Are Grateful!  
December Contributions

| Church                  | Dec.     | Budget YTD |
|-------------------------|----------|------------|
| Ariel                   | 91.00    | 932.30     |
| Bethel                  | .00      | 400.00     |
| Beulah                  | .00      | .00        |
| Calvary                 | 1,018.54 | 15,440.71  |
| Calvary, Lake City      | 200.00   | 2,400.00   |
| Cartersville            | .00      | 2,051.55   |
| College Park            | 251.20   | 4,099.45   |
| Coward                  | 50.00    | 600.00     |
| Ebenezer                | 1,789.72 | 13,179.46  |
| Elim                    | 666.47   | 7,997.64   |
| Evergreen               | 450.71   | 4,892.82   |
| Florence 1st            | 2,505.58 | 8,367.15   |
| Grace                   | 1,005.81 | 11,941.50  |
| Greenwood               | 718.12   | 9,262.28   |
| Hebron                  | 200.00   | 1,725.00   |
| Hoffmeyer Rd            | 1,379.89 | 18,823.09  |
| Immanuel                | 835.08   | 8,730.10   |
| Kingsburg               | .00      | 500.00     |
| Korean                  | .00      | .00        |
| Lake City First Baptist | .00      | 6,000.00   |
| Mizpah                  | 493.66   | 1,823.51   |
| Mt. Zion                | .00      | 2,400.00   |
| New Covenant            | 30.00    | 555.00     |
| New Hope                | .00      | 75.00      |
| Northgate               | 224.97   | 3,633.95   |
| Northside Chapel        | .00      | 1,200.00   |
| Oakdale                 | 554.54   | 3,838.75   |
| Pamplico 1st            | 2,294.00 | 6,944.35   |
| Pee Dee Community       | .00      | .00        |
| Peniel                  | 300.00   | 1,200.00   |
| Quinby                  | 164.45   | 1,891.01   |
| Rehoboth                | .00      | 250.00     |
| Ridgecrest              | 603.30   | 7,599.78   |
| Sardis                  | .00      | 3,450.00   |
| South Florence          | .00      | 1,974.65   |
| Southside               | 1,694.46 | 22,249.36  |
| Sparrow Swamp           | 571.29   | 8,611.91   |
| Timmonsville 1st        | 200.00   | 975.00     |
| Union                   | .00      | 5,518.71   |
| Unity                   | 749.76   | 2,189.80   |
| Willow Creek            | .00      | 1,455.37   |

TOTALS 19,042.55 195,179.20

Support Associational Missions

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

January Birthdays

- 7 Rev. Mike Mills (P), Calvary
- 17 Mr. Brad White (MY), Greenwood

January Anniversaries

- 6 Stan (P) & Donna Sullivan, Sparrow Swamp
- 11 Peter (AP) & Carey Rivera, Immanuel
- 14 Mike (P) & Caroline Mills, Calvary
- 24 David (P) & Nancy Cromer, Willow Creek

February Birthdays

- 14 Rev. Bobby Earls (P), Northgate
- 17 Rev. Dwight Elijah (P), New Covenant

February Anniversaries

- 6 Johnny (P) & Anita McDaniel, Greenwood
- 25 Steece (P) & Julia Hayes, Oakdale

Around the Association

**Ministers Conference...**The next Minister's Conference will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 6th at 11:30 am at the FBA Office. Cost of meal will be \$5.

**Southside...**Ivan Parker will be in concert on Saturday, March 10th at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased by calling Jim or Shelby Coker at 843.665.9897 or the church office at 843.669.7288. There will be a limited number of tickets available at the door.

**Coward...**Is seeking a pianist/keyboard player. For more information please call 843.731.1472.

Youth Explosion!

With

Eddie B! Conviction for Christ Ministry

FREE Concert - 5:30 pm  
March 3, 2018

Coward Baptist Church  
123 Lynch Rd, Coward

\*Door Prizes\*Free Food\*CD's/T-shirt Sale\*

Come out and enjoy  
a night of Praise and Worship!