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*Florence Baptist Association, April 2018*

## Associational Week of Prayer May 20-27, 2018



### Theme: Mission Partnerships

Please consider taking an offering for the FBA to help with our ministry opportunities. Envelopes are available to use with your offering.

Associational Missions Week materials will be available via email. Please call the associational office if you would like for us to print the materials for your church.

As I write this, on March 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM, it has been an eventful day. Just this morning I was able to represent you and fellow Southern Baptist as the Florence Long Term Recovery Group was recognized before the Florence County Council. Many of you that are reading this have given time, money, and other resources during the recent string of disasters. You have trained, cooked, cleaned, cut and dragged downed trees, patched, built, tore down and many other activities that are involved in disaster relief and rebuild. How many of you knew what "Shockwave" was before the flood? So I had the opportunity to represent each of you this morning as you have allowed me to serve Florence County and beyond in these disaster and rebuild efforts.

I left the meeting to check on progress at a house, in Florence, that SC Rebuild is putting a roof on. Young Men from The King's Academy are providing the labor as a part of the schools Missions Week. South Carolina Rebuild is funding the materials and Jack McCormick who heads up SC Rebuild is supervising the efforts along with Adult Teachers from TKA, a local pastor, myself, and even our State Disaster Relief Director Randy Creamer has worked a couple of days. Having made it to the office now, I

have contacted the Mother of the Amish young man that you have contributed, so generously, to pay for his medical transport back to Kentucky. He is making progress in rehab and I shared with her about your generosity that has led to more contributions to help the family.

Last week I spent two long days, at the North American Mission Board, in intensive training for church revitalization and replanting. I have some ideas that start with this year's January Bible Study which are on Revelation chapters 1-3. Before that comes around, I want you to start thinking about the Week of Prayer for Associational Missions. May 20-27 is the week designated but if that week doesn't fit your church calendar, you may choose another. Thanks for allowing me to serve the churches of the Florence Baptist Association. I love my job, all the churches, and each opportunity to partner in the Kingdom of God. Now I must go pack for Nicaragua. Pray for the mission team to Ohio April 2-8.

Looking forward,

Chris

**Clay Shoot Benefit for Good News Clubs  
April 14, 2018**

**Moree's Sportsman Preserve**  
1217 Moree Road (near Society Hill, SC)  
[moreespreserve.com](http://moreespreserve.com)

**Schedule:**

8:00 am On-Site Check-in/Registration  
9:00 am Shooting Begins  
11:30 am Lunch with Silent Auction & Drawings  
1:30 pm Shooting Continues, as needed

**Registration Fees:**

\$100 - Individual  
\$300 - Team (3 Person)

Mulligans will be available for purchase.

Checks made to CEF, PO Box 5893, Florence 29502

Pre-Registration is recommended. On-Site registration will be available, space permitting. Shooters under 18 must be accompanied by an adult/chaperone on the team. Registration includes:

- 1 Round of 100 Sporting Clays per Shooter
- Lunch
- Door Prize Opportunities

**Shooters will provide their own gun and shells.** Shooters can provide their own transportation (golf cart, ATV). Further information and registration forms are available at [www.heartofthepalmetto.com](http://www.heartofthepalmetto.com).



Founded in 2014, The Crayon Initiative is a 501(c)3 non-profit that recycles unwanted crayons into unlimited possibilities. The organization's mission is to preserve the environment and enrich the lives of hospitalized children through art and imagination. The Crayon Initiative has collected 9.5 million crayons reducing environmental waste and donated more than 20,000 new packs of crayons to pediatric patients in 38 hospitals in 17 different states.

Last summer, AC Moore Craft stores served as collection points. They are expected to do the same thing this summer. We will be collecting used crayons at the FBA. They can be broken or just pieces of crayons. Just put them in a box or zip lock bag and bring to the FBA office by June 30. They do not have to be separated by color or have the paper taken off. The Crayon Initiative has volunteers to do that. For more information, visit their website [thecrayoninitiative.com](http://thecrayoninitiative.com)

**Prayer Concerns:**

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

**Churches without**

**Pastors:**

*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*

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*Christian Sympathy is expressed to Rev. George Koon, Calvary Lake City, and his family in the death of his mom.*

**We are Grateful!  
February Contributions**

Church	Feb.	Budget YTD
Ariel	83.00	188.00
Bethel	.00	200.00
Beulah	1,080.00	1,080.00
Calvary	795.53	2,756.95
Calvary, Lake City	200.00	400.00
Cartersville	.00	500.00
College Park	321.10	1,389.88
Coward	50.00	100.00
Ebenezer	813.65	2,127.96
Elim	666.47	1,332.94
Evergreen	389.15	764.78
Florence 1st	.00	120.58
Grace	1,080.66	2,791.88
Greenwood	730.80	1,749.63
Hebron	200.00	400.00
Hoffmeyer Rd	1,327.13	2,654.26
Immanuel	.00	.00
Kingsburg	100.00	600.00
Korean	.00	.00
Lake City 1st	.00	3,000.00
Mizpah	99.35	270.02
Mt. Zion	.00	600.00
New Covenant	75.00	125.00
New Hope	.00	.00
Northgate	216.42	772.96
Northside Chapel	.00	.00
Oakdale	186.90	463.15
Pamplico 1st	.00	.00
Pee Dee Community	.00	.00
Peniel	.00	.00
Quinby	163.68	513.09
Rehoboth	500.00	500.00
Ridgecrest	1,118.20	1,859.98
Sardis	.00	862.50
South Florence	449.58	449.58
Southside	1,167.28	3,291.31
Sparrow Swamp	570.08	1,276.25
Timmonsville 1st	.00	.00
Union	.00	1,470.58
Unity	.00	.00
Willow Creek	.00	225.87
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>12,383.98</b>	<b>34,837.15</b>

**April Birthdays**

6 Rev. Jerry Aiken, retired  
9 Rev. Greg Batchelor (P), Hoffmeyer Road  
10 Rev. Ed Self, (MM) Ebenezer

**Around the Association**

**Ministers Conference...**The next Minister's Conference will be held on Tuesday, April 10th at 11:30 am at the FBA Office. Cost of meal will be \$5.

**Executive Committee Meeting...**Will be held on April 19th at 11:30 am at the FBA Office. A meal will be provided for a cost of \$5 per person.

**South Florence...**Will present in concert Daniel Crews on Sunday, April 15th at 6:00 pm. There is no charge for admission but a love offering will be received. Also, Spring Revival with Dr. Tommy Steele will be held April 26-28 at 6:45 pm each evening.

**Blessing Bags for the Homeless...**rain poncho, snack foods, water, new socks, hygiene items - toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, razor, a tract or small Bible. Include a list of resources in Florence: Courtney Graham Community Shelter for emergency housing (535 S. Church St., check in 4 pm), Manna House for food (45 Jarrott St) - breakfast at 8:30 and lunch 11 M-F. Keep these bags in your car to give to a homeless person you may run into.

**House of Hope of the Pee Dee** will be collecting raincoat/ponchos. These may be brought to the FBA Office. These will be a great blessing to those in need.