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It is always a joy to begin another year of ministry among the churches of the Florence Baptist Association. I would like to thank the 18 or more churches that participated in the January Bible Study. We had a good study in 6 different locations. From the sound of the comments, most would like to take advantage of this opportunity again next year. As with anything, we learned about what might make it even better in the future.

I will report to you that 22 of the FBA congregations gave more in 2018 to the FBA than in 2017. 5 churches stayed the same in their giving and only 13 churches decreased. While this is positive news, the negative is that the 13 congregations gave less. When they are all put together, we had \$3,244 less contributed than last year. We received \$2,572 less from the South Carolina Baptist Convention for a total deficit of \$ 5,816.

The good news is that we continue to do ministry, and have not been seriously ham-

pered by the lack of funds. The reality is that we can not continue to spend more than we receive as we have for the last 3 years. Our surpluses are depleted so we must look for more in contributions and/or less in expenses. We will continue to look to be good stewards of what God has entrusted to us. We will also ask the Stewardship Committee to closely monitor what is coming in and going out. We understand that each congregation has its own set of circumstances. Debt, decline in membership and or giving, and other factors can affect the giving. Please be aware that any changes that come as a result of these circumstances will be communicated to each of the churches. Again thanks for your contributions and support as the congregations continue to work together.

Looking forward,

Chris

Cooperative



Florence Baptist Association, February 2019

IMPACT CONFERENCE SHARE HOPE

February 21, 2019
Shandon Baptist Church

Featuring:



Bryan Loritts



Clayton King

Impact is one day dedicated to creating a vibrant environment for networking and resourcing with nearly 1,000 like minded pastors, church leaders staff, and church leaders. There will be times of worship and breakouts focused on practical steps that you can take to create a culture of sharing hope. Worship will be led by "North Point Insideout". Visit www.scbaptist.org/impact for information on registration cost and schedule.

Book Drive
For
Connie Maxwell Children's
Home in Greenwood



Connie Maxwell President Danny Nicholson and his wife Debra are making a huge impact on the ministry at Connie Maxwell. One of Debra's passions is to help improve the reading level of the children in their care. As you know research shows that children who read and are read to are more successful in school. Children who are not reading on grade level by third grade struggle to be successful in school and many of them drop out.

A reading club has been started with the children at CMCH. They can always use more books so the children will have a variety of books to choose from. We will be collecting new and gently used books for preschool through 6th grade reading level. We will be collecting these books through February 14, 2019.

CLAY SHOOT BENEFIT

FOR GOOD NEWS CLUBS

A ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship Heart of the Palmetto Chapter

www.heartofthepalmetto.org

To register contact Ron Pruitt 843.495.3315

or Hannah Buwalda 803.300.2115

\$100 PER SHOOTER INCLUDES A GREAT

DAY OF SHOOTING COMPETITION, LUNCH,

AND DOOR PRIZES

APRIL 6, 2019

Moree's Sportman Preserve

1217 Moree Road, Society Hill, SC

moreespreserve.com

GOOD NEWS CLUB

Prayer Concerns:

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

Churches without

Pastors:

Elim

New Work:

New Covenant

CLC Program

Financial Support

Good News Clubs!

More volunteers ;

Financial Assistance

Church Sponsors for new clubs

Annie Armstrong
Easter Offering

March 3-10, 2019



We are Grateful!
Dec. Contributions

Church	Dec.	Budget YTD
Ariel	.00	1,026.50
Bethel	200.00	400.00
Beulah	861.00	4,461.00
Calvary	1,158.43	14,871.69
Calvary, Lake City	600.00	2,425.00
Cartersville	645.95	2,295.95
College Park	471.95	6,370.22
Coward	100.00	1,050.00
Ebenezer	1,430.34	12,390.83
Elim	666.47	7,997.64
Evergreen	752.09	6,023.06
Florence 1st	1,637.20	8,518.40
Grace	1,373.82	14,688.36
Greenwood	652.85	11,009.27
Hebron	200.00	2,400.00
Hoffmeyer Rd	1,327.13	15,925.56
Immanuel	.00	4,561.02
Kingsburg	.00	1,100.00
Korean	.00	.00
Lake City 1st	.00	6,000.00
Mizpah	115.64	1,483.33
Mt. Zion	.00	2,400.00
New Covenant	.00	448.00
New Hope	.00	45.00
Northgate	450.98	4,678.64
Northside Chapel	.00	.00
Oakdale	.00	2,290.50
Pamplico 1st	.00	4,195.07
Pee Dee Community	.00	.00
Peniel	300.00	1,200.00
Quinby	426.08	2,377.62
Rehoboth	.00	550.00
Ridgecrest	570.00	7,764.09
Sardis	.00	3,450.00
South Florence	.00	2,449.58
Southside	1,190.05	16,641.27
Sparrow Swamp	633.46	8,358.46
Tans Bay	300.00	900.00
Timmonsville 1st	.00	600.00
Union	.00	5,728.72
Unity	.00	1,352.38
Willow Creek	.00	1,176.74
TOTALS	16,063.44	191,603.90

Feb. Birthdays

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

Feb. Anniversaries

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



Ministers Conference...Will be held on February 12th at 11:30 am at the FBA Office. Lunch will be provided for a cost of \$5 per person. Contact the FBA Office if you plan to attend.

D-Now Weekend...Is planned for March 29-31. David Sons will be the guest speaker and Justin Putnam will lead worship. Please contact Brad White at brad@gbcflorence.com for more information.

Recharge with a night
of laughter & inspiration

Pastor Appreciation Dinner
featuring humorist Glen Ward

You and your guest are invited
to Bethea Retirement Community

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Hors d'œuvre 5:30 PM | Dinner 6 PM

RSVP by February 26, 2019

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