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Return Service Requested

Prayer changes things! This is a phrase that Christian people often use. We also quote James 5:16: "The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." Our typical prayer list at our churches are broken down into categories. We pray for members, family of members, shut ins or homebound, those in the hospital, those bereaved, missionaries, our nation, sometimes those serving in the armed services....... you get the picture. Who is in McLeod, MUSC or maybe they have gone to Charleston or Duke? I think we do a fair job of praying for the sick and bereaved.

Why don't we pray for Revival? Not a series of meetings or something to get the other people revived but personal and corporate RE-VIVAL? Would our congregations take seriously the idea to pray for God to simply add one family to your congregation? Would you ask God to save one person? Would you go out on a limb and ask that the congregation pray for one person that might be in your extended family? Would we get real and ask God to save that family member that is struggling with addiction? How about praying for the single mother battling depression?

So, if we pray and it seems as if our

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prayers go unanswered, are we not righteous? Are we asking things of God that are outside of His will? Certainly, these are possibilities. Do we pray for revival? No true revival has been birthed that was not conceived in prayer! Revival begins in the hearts of those who are truly praying for it and recognizing God's direction in sending it. We need more than praying pastors. We need more than praying deacons. We need effective and fervent prayers from those seeking God for REVIVAL! Don't just sing it, pray it: "Lord send a revival, and let it begin with me".

"Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?" ~ Corrie Ten Boom

Looking forward,

Chris

# Cooperative



Florence Baptist Association, March, 2022

### Pee Dee D-Now 2022 March 25-27 South Florence Baptist Church

An in town retreat for Pee Dee area teenagers grade 6th - 12th. Join with other area youth groups for worship, small groups, and recreation around the theme: **Unitv** 



Speaker: Stephen Dervan Oak Hill Baptist Church; Griffin, GA



Worship: Justin Putnam
Lake Murray Baptist Church, Lexington, SC

For more information contactryan@southflorencebaptist.org or blynn@calvarycares.com.

From the team who brought you Pee Dee One Night!

March 2022 March 2022

**Women's Conference:** IF:Gathering 2022 at Ebenezer Baptist Church – March 4-5, 2022. This is a two day event where women all over the world gather together, get equipped, and discover the next step in their calling – to go and make disciples. Ebenezer is hosting the video broadcast from the LIVE event in Dallas, TX from their worship center. Friday night is 6 pm – 9 pm and Saturday is 9 am – 4 pm. Cost is \$20 – this includes the conference, dessert on Friday and lunch on Saturday. To register – tiny.cc/ebcif. For more details about this conference – ifgathering.com/ if2022.

This same conference is being offered at Southside Baptist Church. Register directly at ifgathering.com.

**FBA WMU Spring Meeting:** Thursday, April 7 at 6:30 pm at Calvary Baptist Church, 915 Cherokee Rd. Florence. Guest speakers include Cindy Skelton, SC WMU and Peter Copeland, missionary at Myrtle Beach. Desserts will be served prior to meeting. Please RSVP to 843-662-0418 so preparations can be made.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!** It's almost time for the Fifth Annual Clay Shoot Benefit for Good News Clubs! April 30, 2022 from 8 am -2 pm at Moree's Sportsman Preserve. \$100 donation per shooter. There is plenty of fun for the whole family with excellent clay shooting, a delicious lunch, a silent auction, and door prizes to take home. For more information and to register go to <a href="https://www.heartofthepalmetto.org">www.heartofthepalmetto.org</a>.

#### Information NEEDED from every church:

- 1. If you have an <u>active school partnership</u> with any of our public schools, please email Louanne at <u>FBALouanne@sc.rr.com</u> or call 843-662-5921 and let me know what school and what you are doing. Some churches may have a partnership with elementary schools doing Good News Clubs. Please report that and don't assume that I know. Also if you do Reading buddies, teacher support, etc. please let Louanne know. We are working to get churches to adopt every public school in our community.
- 2. If you have an intercessory prayer ministry at your church, please send Louanne the contact person's name, cell phone number, and email. God has impressed us with the real need to get organized to be praying for revival for our churches and our community. Praying is the only way to bring revival.

**LifeChangers 2022 is June 19-24!!** Registration info was emailed to all of our churches and it is also available on the website – <a href="www.florenceba.org">www.florenceba.org</a>. This is for students who have COMPLETED 7<sup>th</sup> grade. If your church would like to provide an evening meal at your church or lunches at the work site, please let Louanne know. If you know of a someone who could benefit from having a LifeChangers crew work on their home, please contact Louanne. To qualify the person must own their home – we do not work on rental property. We only work on one story homes and only do outside work.

## Financial Information Month of January 2022

Monthly Budget Needs: \$19,166.67
Monthly Received: \$26,306.48
Monthly Expenses: \$17,454.35

Year to Date Budget: \$230,000.00
Year to Date Received: \$26,306.48
Year to Date Expenses: \$17,454.35



Elim Baptist Church, 1303 Olanta Highway, is seeking a parttime Youth and Children's Minister. Elim is a missional congregation with a renovated worship center and new sound/video projection system, plus a family life center with a fenced playground.

Elim is waiting for the God-sent person to become part of this exciting ministry. The plan for ministry and compensation will be developed with the candidate and the Personnel Committee. Please contact Rev. Wesley Mayfield at 843.662.5860 (office) or email Wesley.mayfield@gmail.com.

#### **Love Packages Collection**

We will be collecting old Bibles (any condition) and old Sunday School material the week of March 21-24 (Monday-Thursday, remember FBA is closed on Fridays). This will give you time to collect and box up literature before bring to the FBA. PLEASE use small boxes - nothing bigger than a box that holds a ream of copy paper. We will only be collecting at the FBA twice a year. The following week we will combine boxes and get ready to pack the trailer, so PLEASE bring the literature during these specific dates. Thanks for your help with this. If you need a complete list of what is acceptable to send, please email FBALouanne@sc.rr.com.

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Christian Sympathy is expressed to Rev. Brian Lynn, Student Pastor, Calvary, in the death of his grandmother.

## March Birthdays

20 Rev. Shane Patrick (P), Lake City

## March Anniversaries

21 David (P) & Connie George, Cartersville

#### From Your Director of Missions

Thanks so much to those that have contributed to the FBA Capital Improvements Fund. Our goal is \$25,000, and we have on hand, \$2,800. Several churches have promised funds but we have not yet received them. The roof will be the first priority and we will begin when we have received the approximate \$15,000 that it will cost. So far, we have received funds from an individual, 2 churches and a church Sunday School class. No gift is too small or large.

Looking Forward, Chris



Senior Adult Rally September 15, 2022 Time and Place TBA

FBA Annual Meeting October 16, 2022 Elim Baptist Church