Thank you for praying for the following churches during their pastoral transitioning:



Fellowship, Piedmont, Rock Springs Spindale First, West Memorial

#### **OUARTERLY ASSOCIATION MEETING JAUNARY 31, 2022** 6:45 PM SPINDALE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SPEAKER: Mark Smith, Baptist Children's Homes



DEDICATED TO REACHING 120 MILLION HOMES IN THE U.S. BY 2027 Saturate USA is a God-sized vision to take the love of the Gospel to 120 million households by the end of 2027. The hope is to spark true repentance and revival in our beloved country. Please share this vision with your friends and colleagues so that they can join this exciting movement. Our country needs to rediscover the message of the Gospel and we need to cry out in prayer for revival to sweep the land. United in love, and with God on our side, we can win America back to Christ.



The NC Baptist Foundation has four educational scholarships available for students. You may view the requirements and guidelines of those scholarships below.

Applications for the scholarships will open up online January 1 and will end at the close of business on February 15 of each year. Close of business is 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 12:00 p.m. on Friday. Note: If February 15 falls on the weekend, the Monday following February 15 will be the deadline.

## Associational Prayer for our Churches

Please pray for these churches and pastors during your midweek service:

#### JANUARY

WEEK 1: Mountain Creek Rev. Brian Blanchette

WEEK 2: Mountain View Rev. Eric Reedy

WEEK 3: Oak Ridge Rev Lewis Jackson

WEEK 4: Oak Springs Rev. Alvin Allen

#### **FEBRUARY**

WEEK 1: Piedmont No Pastor

WEEK 2: Piney Knob Rev. Casey Stockton

WEEK 3: Pleasant Grove Rev. Randy Darley

WEEK 4: Pleasant Hill Rev. James Henson Permit NC 281

Green River Baptist Association., Inc. 668 North Washington Street Rutherfordton, NC 28139



Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. **ECCLESIASTES 3:11** 

From your GRBA Staff...



Newsletter January-February 2022

Churches Helping Churches Fulfill the Great Commission

Dr. David Jendrey Director of Missions

Rev. Alex Heaf ner Moderator

Rev. Dale Dubose Vice-Moderator

Dr. Bob Morgan Treasurer

Mrs. Teresa Sams Administrative Assistant & Clerk

ADDRESS: 668 N. Washington St. Rutherfordton, NC 28139

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

PHONE: 828-286-9278

FAX: 828-287-9383

E-MAIL: grba@bellsouth.net

**WEB SITE:** greenriverbaptist association.com

# January Calendar

1 8am Prayer at Courthouse

4 10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

5 10am Prayer time with DOM

6 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen Open

11 12 Noon Accounting Committee Meeting 10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

12 10am Prayer time with DOM

13 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen Open 4:30pm Leadership Team Meeting

16 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

18 10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

19 10 am Prayer time with DOM

20 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen Open

25 10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

26 10 am Prayer time with DOM

27 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen Open

31 6:45 pm January Qtrly. Assoc. Mtg., Spindale FBC

\*Business Men's Bible Study each Wednesday 12noon-1pm

### February

10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

2 10 am Prayer time with DOM

3 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen Open

5 8 am Prayer at Courthouse

8 10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

9 10 am Prayer time with DOM

10 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen Open

15 10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

16 10 am Prayer time with DOM

17 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen open

22 10:30-12N Ministers' Conf. at GRBA

23 10 am Prayer time with DOM

24 4:30-6pm Soup Kitchen Open

\*Business Men's Bible Study each Wednesday 12noon-1pm

#### **Birthdays** Pastor/Wife January

8 Mrs. Rachel Hill, Forest City First

28 Mrs. Kaye Ruppe, Long Branch Rd.

31 Rev, Lewis Jackson, Oak Ridge

### February

- 3 Rev. Jerry Ruppe, Long Branch Rd.
- 4 Rev. Dale Dubose, Main Street
- 6 Rev. Anton Roos, Lake Lure
- 12 Mrs. Regina Darley, Pleasant Grove
- 27 Rev. Peter Surran, Southern

#### **DOM PRAYER TIME**

# Each Wednesday 10:00 am at GRBA office

All pastors are invited to meet together to pray for our churches, Association, community and country.

#### PRAYER AT COURTHOUSE

GRBA will meet on the courthouse lawn to pray together for our county on the first Saturday of each month at 8:00 am.

#### WEEKLY MINISTERS' CONFERENCES

Each Tuesday 11:00 am-12:00 N (Fellowship 10:30 am) at the Association Office

Date:	Preacher:
January	
4	Todd Westfall
11	OPEN
18	OPEN
25	Alvin Allen
February	
1	OPEN
8	OPEN
15	Brian Blanchette
22	Peter Surran

# CHRISTIAN CHARACTER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

...for high school seniors that plan to go to college, will be available at the Association Office AFTER JANU-ARY 1st. The deadline to turn in the application is April 10, 2022.



#### **BAPTIST MEN'S DAY**

In the Churches Sunday, January 23, 2022 "Hope for Tomorrow" Romans 15:13

#### SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE



#### **SUNDAY JANUARY 16, 2022**

On January 22, 1984, President Ronald Reagan issued a presidential proclamation designating the third Sunday of January as National Sanctity of Human Life Day.

Pastors, churches and life organizations across the United States use this day to bring awareness to the attacks that are daily waged against human life through the abortion industry.

One of the best ways we can protect unborn lives is by bringing into the light the darkness of abortion, and supporting local Pregnancy Help Organizations who daily reach women and families with messages of hope and life.

Hands of Hope for Life has a new Executive Director. Her name is Michelle Flynn. She is no stranger there, as she has been a part of the staff for the last 7 years. For needs of this ministry please call the office at 247-4673 or go to: www.hh4life.org



#### NORTH CAROLINA OFFERING FOR OLDER ADULTS

Week of Prayer and Offering Emphasis

### February 2022

Every dollar contributed is used to financially assist Older Adults who cannot pay the total cost of their care.

#### **BUDGET SUMMARY**

January 1—December 16, 2022

Budget Needs: \$137,618.00 Budget Receipts: \$128,365.20 Budget Met: -\$ 9.252.80

# From the Director of Missions

Welcome to a new year. I want to take this time to review our associational plans for the next year. In the past few months the Association's Leadership Team has been meeting to lay out a plan for 2022. We have asked our messengers and pastors what direction we should take. I want to share with you what was decided.

For our January Quarterly Meeting the speaker will be Mark Smith from the Baptist Children's Homes. He will be sharing about the "Every Child Initiative". This is something that the Children's Homes and the NC Baptist Convention has established for foster care and adoption.

We also plan to become involved with the Saturate USA's program of sharing the "Jesus Film" with Rutherford County. The Leadership Team is asking each of our churches to distribute the DVD, Gospel track and a personal letter from your pastor with an invitation from the church to visit on Easter. This material is being provided free of charge to Rutherford County and we will be working along with Sandy Run Baptist Association and their churches on this project. Please prayerfully consider helping to share the gospel with our county. Call the office to sign up your church for this project to reach your community.

We are also planning to set-up some different training events in the coming year. There has been a renewed interest in deacon training and evangelism. There is also a desire for an associational wide gathering with youth. We will be working on this. We are excited about the possibilities for our churches and the communities they touch.

My prayer is that God will send revival to our churches and community. It is time for us to move forward with the Gospel to reach as many as we can.

I want to give our churches in Green River an update on the walk-in-freezer. As of December 12, 2021 the walk-in-freezer is up and running. I want to thank all the folks who have prayed and also gave to this project. I wish to thank Rev. Darold Crawford from Bill's Creek Baptist for installing the freezer equipment. I also want to thank Wayne Norville from Norville Electric for his help with the electrical. This has been a great project and to God be the glory we are now up and running.

Finally I want to thank the churches who remembered me this Christmas, whether it was a card or a gift.

Blessings,

David J.

If you would like to receive our MONTHLY Newsletter by email rather than this BY-MONTHLY by PO mailing, please contact the office at 286-9278 or email us at grba@bellsouth.net.



#### **HURRICANE FLORENCE REBUILD**

Volunteers are needed this year to continue with rebuild phase. For more information go to: www.baptistonmission.org/florence or contact Paul Langston at (919-459-5611

#### **KENTUCKY TORNADOES**

NC Baptist Disaster Relief has been asked by Kentucky Baptists to assist in disaster recovery efforts in Kentucky following the deadly tornadoes. Our NC Baptist disaster relief teams are being deployed to Bowling Green, Kentucky to set up a disaster recovery site. NC Disaster Relief will deploy a small feeding team, a laundry unit, recovery unit, generator and chainsaw teams to do this work.

NC Disaster Relief will coordinate these efforts out of Hillvue Heights Baptist Church in Bowling Green, KY. Thank you for praying, giving and going. Please pray for the people who were affected by the tornadoes as well as the volunteers who will be helping. Donations and volunteers will be needed. More information as well as volunteer registration can be found at <a href="https://baptistsonmission.org/kentucky-tornadoes">https://baptistsonmission.org/kentucky-tornadoes</a>

### BAPTIST ON MISSIONS RALLY Region 8

(for Men, Women & Youth)

**Monday February 21 2022** 

Mt Ruhama Baptist Church 3273 Mt Ruhama Church Road Maiden, NC 28650

For more info go to: baptistsonmission.org/events/region-rallies

#### 2022 NC BAPTIST MISSIONS CONFERENCE

From Friday, March 25, 2022 4:30 pm To Saturday, March 26, 2022 4:00 pm

Calvary Baptist Church Winston Salem NC.

134 S Peace Haven Rd Winston-Salem NC 27104

(open to all men, women, and youth)

Theme: "Relief for Today/for Tomorrow Hope"

Cost: \$20 per person

General sessions, breakout sessions, event materials and lunch on Saturday. For an additional \$8, there is an optional missions opportunities supper on Friday. Pre-registration is required.

Registration Deadline: March 18, 2022

**Speakers:** Shelia Walsh, Lee Stroble, Laura Story, Tom Richter, and Bryan Loritts. For more info., contact Melanie Crawford at 800.395.5102 x 5596.