

**Church News...** Thank you for praying for the following churches during their pastoral transitioning:



**Bill's Creek, Mountain Creek, Green Hill, Oak Ridge**

**Green Hill...** Rev. Terry Brooks has resigned effective July 5 to pastor at West Edgecombe Baptist Church in Rocky Mount, NC. The church will be hosting a Back-To-School Rally on August 15 from 11am-1pm with free hotdogs and free school supplies, music, fun and fellowship.

**Lake Lure Baptist Church...** Aug. 23, 11 am & 6pm, Revival. Services led by Dr. Scott Thompson; Aug. 24-26 7pm Revival Services led by Dr. Tom Hayes. Public is invited to attend. Anton Roos, pastor.

**Mount Vernon...** has called Tim Elmore as their Min of Children & Youth. We welcome Tim and his wife, Erin, and their 3 children to the Association.

**Mountain View (R)...** is in need of a part-time pianist. Contact Hilda Enloe if interested 287-4985

**Rock Springs...** has called Rev. Greg Huntley as pastor. We welcome Greg, his wife, Donna and their two children to the Association.

**West Point...** has called Rev. Lance Scarlett as pastor. We welcome Lance, his wife, Lori, and their three children to the Association.

**Church Vacation Bible Schools**

Aug. 2 - 5 6:00-8:30pm Mount Vernon "Crocodile Dock"  
 Aug. 3 - 7 6:30-8:30pm Mountain Creek "Wild Wood Forest"

**Church Mission Trips**

Rutherfordton First August 3-8 Deep Impact, Caswell  
 Rutherfordton Second August 7-15 Vermont

**REVIVAL...Gantt's Grove Baptist Church**

August 14-16 (Fri. 7pm, Sat. 6pm, Sun. 10am & 6pm)  
 Guest Evangelist: Carroll Roberson, Ripley, MS

**Financial Report for Association Budget Year**

Month	Needed to date/Received to date/Percentage of Budget to date
October	\$12,345.00 \$11,893.00 96%
November	24,690.00 16,782.00 68% (Average % for year is 86%)
December	37,035.00 32,555.00 88%
January	49,380.00 42,355.00 86%
February	61,725.00 50,678.00 82%
March	74,070.00 65,629.00 89%
April	86,415.00 77,448.00 90%
May	98,760.00 86,945.00 88%
June	111,105.00 99,437.00 89%

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**Associational Prayer for our Churches**

**August**  
**Week 1:** Green Hill—No Pastor  
**Week 2:** Cristo Vive—Rev. Jairo Contreras  
**Week 3:** Lake Lure—Rev. Anton Roos  
**Week 4:** Long Branch Rd—Rev. Jerry Ruppe  
**September**  
**Week 1:** Main Street—Rev. Rick Brewer  
**Week 2:** Montford Cove—Rev. Jerry Campbell  
**Week 3:** Mount Vernon—Dr. Jim Whitlow  
**Week 4:** Mtn. Creek—Rev. Jesse Mills (I)

Listen to "NEWS OF THE GRBA"  
 on WCAB 590 AM  
 Sundays 7:45 AM

A commemorative inscription on a tombstone in Scranton, Penn. declares:

IN MEMORY OF  
 ELLEN SHANNON  
 AGED 26 YEARS  
 WHO WAS FATALLY BURNED  
 MARCH 21ST 1870  
 BY THE EXPLOSION OF A LAMP  
 FILLED WITH "R.E. DANFORTH'S  
 NON-EXPLOSIVE  
 BURNING FLUID."

**Rest Stop Ministry**



In June & July the following volunteers hosted the Rest Stop: Calvary, Cane Creek, Chimney Rock, Green Hill, Mountain Creek, Mountain View (R), Spindale First, Rutherfordton First and Rutherfordton Second.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, CALL THE OFFICE. 286-9278**

ITEMS NEEDED: \*COFFEE (decaf) \*COOKIES (sugar free & reg.)  
 \*CANNED SOFT DRINKS (diet & regular)

**Thank you for your contributions**

**Green River Baptist Association**



A Baptist Association is a self-governing fellowship of autonomous churches sharing a common faith and active on mission in their setting. J.C. Bradley

**August & September 2009 Newsletter**

**Rev. Billy Honeycutt**  
 Director of Missions

**Rev. Dean Baughn**  
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**Dr. Bob Morgan**  
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**Calendar**

**August**

10-14 Billy on Vacation  
 18 Mountain State Fair Training 7pm, Spindale FBC  
 27 Conference on Alzheimer's Disease 6:30 pm Spencer Baptist Church

**September**

7 Office Closed for Holiday  
 8 Noon Ministers' Conf/Lunch, GRBA office  
 14 6:30pm WMU Leadership Training Workshop, Rfdtn. Second Baptist  
 15 GRBA Day at Mountain State Fair  
 22 GRBA Secretary Luncheon

**Birthdays**

**August**

3	Rev. Dean Baughn	Rfdtn. First
6	Dr. Herman Nodine	Retired
8	Mrs. Christine Whitlow	Mt. Vernon
10	Mrs. Lilani Roos	Lake Lure
13	Dr. Ansel Pace	Cane Creek
19	Mrs. Connie Cuthbertson	Adaville
21	Rev. Billy Vaughn	Spencer
30	Rev. Terry White	Fellowship

**September**

1	Mrs. Carrie Ruff	retired
1	Rev. Billy Honeycutt	DOM
3	Mrs. Elora White	Fellowship
8	Mrs. Sherry McCraw	Camp Creek
10	Rev. Bobby West	Mtn. View (P)
10	Mr. John Walker	Spindale FBC
12	Mrs. Barbara Brock	retired
25	Mrs. Marjorie Williamson	Rd Hill
27	Mr. Kaleb Johnson	Spindale FBC
28	Mrs. Sarah McMahan	retired



### Ministers' Conf./Luncheon

Tuesday, September 8, 12:00 Noon  
GRBA Resource Center  
A \$4 donation would help with meal.  
All GRBA Ministers are invited.

### Newsletter items

The next newsletter mailing will be for October & November 2009. Please get us any news that you have by **Mon., Sept. 21**. Either send by email, [grba@bellsouth.net](mailto:grba@bellsouth.net); by mail to GRBA 668 N. Washington St, Rfdtn., NC 28139, call the office at 286-9278 or go to our website: [greenriverbaptistassociation.com](http://greenriverbaptistassociation.com), scroll to the bottom of homepage, type in "comments" box, press send.

### NC Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell

2009 Coastal Senior Adult Retreats  
*"Milestones-Past Blessings..Future Hope"*  
Celebrating 60 Years of Caswell  
**Dates: Sept. 14-16; 21-23; 28-30**  
**Oct. 12-14; 19-21; 26-28**  
Contact N.C. Baptist Assembly, 100  
Caswell Beach Road, Oak Island,  
N.C. 28465. Call 910-278-9501 or  
visit the website [www.fortcaswell.com](http://www.fortcaswell.com)

### Ladies Night Out "Restoration of Hope"

**Sept. 28, 2009 at ICC Foundation**  
Light Supper: 5-6:30pm  
Music: 6:00pm Program: 6:30-8pm  
Kellie Williams, Christian Speaker  
from Fort Myers, Florida  
[www.exclamationpointliving.com](http://www.exclamationpointliving.com)  
Larry Lawson, Praise & Worship  
Tickets: \$5 available at Spindale  
Drug or call Janice Morrow 245-9994;  
Susie Eury 625-4833 or  
LeeAnn Critcher 429-6608

### Rfd. Co. Youth Ministers Monthly Fellowship

Meets 1st Weds. monthly 10:00 am at  
Sandy Run Baptist Resource Center  
**Open to all youth ministers.**  
Call Howie Lederfind at  
(828) 429-7968.

### Alzheimer's Conference August 27, 2009, 6:30 pm Spencer Baptist Church Family Life Center "Accepting the Challenge: Faith Community Responding to Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders"

Led by Mr. Larry Reeves,  
Director, WNC Alzheimer's  
Association  
Pastors and church members are  
welcome to attend. Sponsored by  
Family Support Resource Team

### World Hunger Sunday October 11, 2009

World hunger funds received through  
N.C. Baptist Churches are distributed  
as follows: 5%, NC Disaster/Food  
Fund; 20% NC Hunger Fund; 15%  
Domestic Hunger Fund of NAMB;  
60% World Hunger Fund of IMB.  
Promotional Materials are available  
by calling 1-800-395-5102 ext 5540  
or [kbissette@ncbaptist.org](mailto:kbissette@ncbaptist.org) or go to  
[www.ncbaptist.org/hunger](http://www.ncbaptist.org/hunger).

### Pastor and Wives Retreat October 8-10, 2009

NC Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell  
This will be a time for pastor and  
spouse to rest, relax, reconnect and  
rejuvenate. Cost is \$99 per couple.  
Worship, music and fellowship will  
comprise these days. Call 1-800-395-  
5102 ext 5644 or email at [ethompson@ncbaptist.org](mailto:ethompson@ncbaptist.org)

### New Minister's Wives Retreat October 16-17, 2009 Camp Mundo Vista

For more info and to register contact:  
Betsy McSwain at 252-332-2923 or  
email at [rwmcswain@gate811.net](mailto:rwmcswain@gate811.net) or  
866-210-8602 and ask for Margaret  
Harding or email  
[mharding@wmunc.org](mailto:mharding@wmunc.org).  
Sponsored by WMU NC.

### Lay Witnessing Conference

August 14-15, Caraway Conference Center

Conference provides inspiration, motivation, and training for all who  
have a heart for evangelism. Worship, lay witness training and testi-  
monies are included. Contact Lynn Tharrington at 1-800395-5102,  
ext 5599 or email at [ltharrington@ncbaptist.org](mailto:ltharrington@ncbaptist.org) for costs, information  
and to register.

### Biblical Recorder Sunday

August 16

Churches across the state will be observing Biblical Recorder Sunday  
to focus on the importance of our state Baptist paper. From the pa-  
per Baptists are informed ob missions and ministry in N.C., the na-  
tion and around the world. How N.C. Baptists are at work in God's  
Kingdom is presented in each issue. To get more information for  
your church to observe this Sunday, call 919-847-2127 or email at  
[amie@biblicalrecorder.org](mailto:amie@biblicalrecorder.org).

### NC Missions Celebration—Region 8

Monday, August 24 @ First Baptist Church, Stanley, NC

Special emphasis on NC Mission Camps, National and International  
Mission Opportunities, Medical/Dental Bus Ministry, worship Testi-  
monies, mission video...this is for all who are involved or interested  
in missions!. Meal begins at 6 pm. No charge for meal but reserva-  
tions due by August 17 by calling 1-800-395-5102 ext 5102 or [kmorgan@ncbaptist.org](mailto:kmorgan@ncbaptist.org).

### Baptist Children's Homes Annual Western Conference Broyhill Campus, Clyde, NC, September 10, 2009 4pm

Free BBQ meal, program featuring children in care, status of services  
in Western Area, music and message from Dr. Michael Blackwell.  
Churches are invited to bring a group to the Broyhill Campus to see  
and hear of the ministry of Baptist Children's Homes.

### Women's Prayer Evangelism Conference

September 11-12, 2009 Lifeway Ridgecrest Conference Center

Worship, Breakout sessions, & fellowship. For more info., costs,  
visit [www.PrayNC.org](http://www.PrayNC.org) or call 1-800-395-5102 ext 5513 or email  
[praync@ncbaptist.org](mailto:praync@ncbaptist.org)

### North Carolina Missions Offering and Week of Prayer

"Love Your Neighbor" 2009 Matthew 22:39

September 13-20, 2009 Offering Goal \$2,100,000.00

Offering Distribution: 40% (\$840,000) N.C. Baptist Men  
26% (\$546,000) Church Planting & Evangel.  
15% (\$315,000) Mission Camps  
10% (\$210,000) Associational Projects  
9% (\$189,000) Missions Ed. & Promotion

Churches should have received promotion information for educating  
your church concerning this offering. If not, contact BSC at 1-800-  
395-5102 ext 5539 or [www.ncmissionsoffering.org](http://www.ncmissionsoffering.org)

### Baptist Celebrating 400th Anniversary in 2009!!

To help celebrate, the Baptist History and Heritage Society offers two re-  
sources. Twelve complimentary Bulletin Inserts, one for each month of 2009,  
are available in PDF form and sent via-email. As many copies as needed may  
be printed. E-mail Pam Durso at [pamdurso@baptisthistory.org](mailto:pamdurso@baptisthistory.org). The Society  
offers twenty-four articles in a new HISTORY SPEAKS series on its website  
([www.baptisthistory.org](http://www.baptisthistory.org)). The articles provide history-based answers to current  
and important topics/questions. The purpose of this series is to demonstrate the  
contemporary viability of the ideals that have saturated and driven forward the  
four-centuries-old Baptist experience. Visit the website listed above for more  
suggestions on celebrating Baptist history in this 400th year. (permission by  
Baptist History and Heritage Society)

### Mountain State Fair

GRBA day is Tuesday, September 15, 1-11:30 pm

Two sessions: 1-6 pm; 6-11:30 pm

Rfdtn. Second Baptist Church, Wednesday, September 16, 6-11:30 pm  
Areas of ministry: Break Tent, Witnessing Booth, Mission Booth  
Transportation, Medical/Dental Van. Volunteer training Tuesday, August  
18, 7pm, FBC, Spindale Items needed: Teddy Bears, men/women hygiene  
kits, clothes, esp. jeans, sweat shirts, shoes. Come by office or go to  
[www.greenriverbaptistassociation.com](http://www.greenriverbaptistassociation.com) and click on "Mountain State Fair"  
for more information

### Women Build, Habitat for Humanity and WMU NC

In partnership with Habitat for Humanity of the NC Sandhills, WNU NC is  
sponsoring a Women Build September 26-October 3. This is a project to  
help this Habitat group build a house in the Sandhills area. Contact Margar-  
et Harding at 1-866-210-8602 ext 209 or email [mharding@wmunc.org](mailto:mharding@wmunc.org) for  
more information.

### "The Shack" author at Gardner-Webb University

Saturday, October 31, 10 AM, Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center

William Paul Young, author of the popular book "The Shack" will be shar-  
ing his personal story behind the writing of this book. Cost of the event is  
\$20 if tickets purchased by October 16. This includes admission to hear  
Mr. Young and a ticket to the 1:00 pm homecoming football game. For  
more info., go to [www.supportgwu.com](http://www.supportgwu.com) and click on "Homecoming" or call  
704-406-3862.

### Logan Preaching Mission

First United Methodist Church, Rutherfordton, is planning for the Logan  
Preaching Mission September 20-22, 2009. The guest preacher for this year is  
Dr. Tony Compolo, renowned Baptist preacher, author and professor. Contact  
the church at 287-3704 for more information and times for services.

### THANKS...from the Roos Family

The pastor of Lake Lure Baptist Church, Anton Roos and his wife, Lilani, wish  
to express their thanks to churches and individuals who have helped them  
financially to secure their visas and for the prayers over this process. Continue  
the prayers as the process moves into a different phase in the coming weeks.