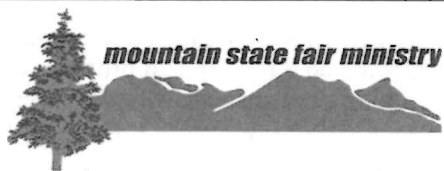




## Baptist Children's Homes of NORTH CAROLINA

### APRIL FOOD DRIVE

PLEASE BRING YOUR FOOD ITEMS, AND/OR GIFT CARDS TO THE ASSOCIATION BY 1 PM, THURSDAY, MAY



PLEASE BRING YOUR ITEMS TO THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE BY 1 pm THURSDAY, MAY 9.

OR

TAKE TO BUNCOMBE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION BY 4 PM ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 8.

#### HYGIENE KITS:

Prepare 2 men's kits for each woman's kit made. **Please use clear two-gallon plastic bags.** Please mark "MALE" or "FEMALE". **DO NOT** put mouthwash or after-shave in the hygiene kits. **DO NOT** use trial sizes.

- MEN'S KIT: toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, washcloth, shampoo, deodorant, comb, shaving cream, razors, hand lotion, **Gospel message tract.**
- WOMEN'S KIT: toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, washcloth, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, comb, hairbrush, women's shaving cream and razors, hand lotion, **Gospel message tract.**

**"JESUS LOVES YOU" TEDDY BEARS:** Call 828-252-1864 or email [kholcomb@buncombebaptist.org](mailto:kholcomb@buncombebaptist.org) to obtain pattern. Make bears, carefully following pattern instructions. Do not use buttons, craft eyes or any other small parts which may be removed and swallowed.

#### ITEMS NEEDED FOR BREAK TENT:

- 8- and 12-ounce Styrofoam cups
- Paper towels
- Napkins
- Instant lemonade mix

#### MONETARY DONATIONS

may be made. Make checks to Buncombe Baptist Association for Fair Ministry. Send to:

**Buncombe Baptist Resource Center**  
227 Hazel Mill Road, Asheville, NC 28806.

#### OTHER NEEDS FOR FAIR WORKERS:

- Blankets & Towels (full size, new or gently used)
- Jackets (Men's and Women's)
- Socks
- Work Shoes/Tennis Shoes

#### Associational Prayer for our Churches

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

#### MAY:

- Week 1: Adaville  
Dr. Jeff Pate
- Week 2: Bill's Creek  
Rev. Ron Reep
- Week 3: Calvary  
Rev. Ken Simpson
- Week 4: Camp Creek  
Dr. Tony McCraw

#### JUNE

- Week 1: Cane Creek  
Dr. Ansel Pace
- Week 2: Chimney Rock  
Rev. Alex Heafner
- Week 3: CrossLink  
Rev. Tripp Queen
- Week 4: Fellowship  
Rev. Raymond Byrd

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#### From your Administrative Assistant

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Tuesday, April 30, I will be retiring from my position as Administrative Assistant of GRBA. Thanks to all the wonderful people of GRBA that I have had the pleasure to work with and get to know, I can honestly say that in 34 1/2 years of my time here I have enjoyed coming to work every day. I have lots of great memories of our time together and I am forever grateful for all of your support, encouragement, prayers and friendship over the years. I love you all and will truly miss you!

My prayer is for many blessings from God for each one of you, your family, your church and the future of the Green River Baptist Association.

With Heartfelt Love,  
Teresa



Newsletter  
May-June  
2024

Churches Helping Churches Fulfill the Great Commission

## Calendar



### May

- 2 4:30— 6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open
- 2 National Day of Prayer
- 7 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 9 4:30—6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open
- 9 Deadline for Food Round-up
- 12 MOTHER'S DAY
- 12—19 NNO EMPHASIS WEEK
- 14 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 16 4:30— 6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open
- 21 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 23 4:30— 6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open
- 27 MEMORIAL DAY office closed
- 28 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 30 4:30— 6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open

### June

- 4 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 6 4:30—6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open
- 11 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 13 4:30—6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open
- 16 FATHER'S DAY
- 18 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 20 4:30—6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open
- 25 10:30—12:00 pm Ministers' Conference
- 27 4:30—6:00 pm Soup Kitchen Open

Director of  
Missions  
OPEN

Rev. Matthew Moore  
Moderator

Rev. Anton Roos  
Vice-Moderator

Dr. Bob Morgan  
Treasurer

Miss Alexandra Poole  
Administrative  
Assistant & Clerk

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668 N. Washington St.  
Rutherfordton, NC  
28139

**\*NEW OFFICE HOURS\***  
**Monday - Thursday**  
**9:00 - 2:00 pm**

PHONE:  
828-286-9278

FAX:  
828-287-9383

E-MAIL:  
[grba@bellsouth.net](mailto:grba@bellsouth.net)

WEB SITE:  
[greenriverbaptistassociation.com](http://greenriverbaptistassociation.com)

## Birthdays

Pastor/Wife

### May

- 19 Mrs. Ashley Stockton, Piney Knob
- 22 Mrs. Sherry McCraw, Camp Creek
- 22 Rev. Marvin Green, Prayer Coord.
- 30 Mrs. Lissa Queen, CrossLink

### June

- 1 Mrs. Kelly Pearson, Gilkey
- 5 Rev. Matthew Moore, Green Hill
- 5 Mrs. Kiley Henson, Pleasant Hill
- 6 Mrs. Hannah Gardner, Sulphur Springs
- 13 Mrs. Ann Caldwell, Spencer
- 14 Rev. Alan Beane, West Memorial
- 17 Mrs. Martha Byrd, Fellowship





**MONTHLY MINISTERS' CONFERENCES**  
Each Tuesday 11:00 am  
(10:30am Fellowship time)  
at GRBA

**Date: Preacher:**  
May 7 Peter Surran  
14 James Henson  
21 Richard Owen Roberts  
28 Horace Carson  
June 4 Brian Blanchette  
11 Jesse Yarbrough  
18 Matthew Moore  
25 PRAYER  
Marvin Green

**ASSOCIATIONAL EMPHASIS WEEK**  
**NANNIE NEWSOME OFFERING**  
For Associational Missions  
MAY 12-19, 2024

**OFFERING GOAL: \$9,000**  
To be designated for the Christian  
Character Scholarship Fund



Please pray for the  
following Churches  
during their pastoral  
transitioning:

**Fellowship, Mount  
Vernon, Oak Springs,  
Rock Springs, Spindale First,  
West Memorial, Westminster**

**SPIRITUAL RENEWAL  
CONFERENCE**  
Presented by Lake Lure Baptist  
Church  
6837 US Hwy 64/74A, Lake Lure,  
NC 28746  
office.llbc@aol.com  
lakelurebaptist@att.net

**SUNDAY, MAY 19**  
10:30 am & 6 pm

**MAY 20—May 22**  
6:30 pm nightly

**GUEST SPEAKER:**  
Richard Owen Roberts

**ADAVILLE BAPTIST...**is  
seeking a full-time Minister of  
Children and Families. For more  
information call or email Pastor  
Jeff Pate to schedule an inter-  
view or for more information.  
jeffpate@adaville.org (828) 508-  
4849.

**MOUNT VERNON BAPTIST**  
(2676 Hudlow Rd, Forest City)...is  
seeking a full-time Minister of  
Children and Youth. Please for-  
ward your resume to  
mountvernonforestcity@gmail.com  
or mail it to Mount Vernon Baptist  
Church Attn: Personnel Committee  
2676 Hudlow Rd, Forest City, NC  
28043. For more information,  
please visit their web page at  
www.mtvernonbaptistchurchnc.org  
- select the tab "Minister of Chil-  
dren and Youth Search"

**MOUNTAIN CREEK  
BAPTIST** (710 Mtn. Creek Rd.,  
Rfdtn.) would like to invite the  
churches of GRBA to their youth  
led services on the first Wednesday  
of every month with a meal at 6:00  
pm and worship at 7:00 pm. Every-  
one is invited but they would espe-  
cially like to invite the youth of  
your church. For more info., email  
Dusty Stephens, (Youth Director)  
at dstephens9810@hotmail.com.

**CREEKSVILLE BAPTIST** in  
Conway, NC is seeking and pray-  
ing for a full-time pastor. Their  
average attendance for worship is  
90. For more info or to apply, send  
resume to Creeksville Baptist  
Church, Pastor Search Committee,  
PO Box 6, Conway, NC 27820 or  
email at creeksvillebaptist-  
church@gmail.com.

**CRESTVIEW BAPTIST...**is seek-  
ing a part-time Pianist. Please send  
resumes to 630 S Church St., Forest  
city, NC 28043 of-  
fice.cvbc@gmail.com or contact:  
Janice Smith (828) 447-7732 or  
Kevin Rohm (828)447-0049

## FROM YOUR MODERATOR

**Greetings beloved churches of Green River!**

As we march toward our spring quarterly meeting at Pleasant Hill next Monday, I am reflecting on all the opportunities that lie before us. 2024 is a year of change for our association of churches. The Lord is not surprised by these changes. In fact, I believe He intends to build His church, make disciples, and fulfill the great commission through these changes! He has a storehouse of blessings available to us, and change is one of the methods He regularly employs to do good work among His people. Change is not a bad thing. Change is a gift from the Lord that should lead us to thanksgiving.

*Psalm 107:8-9*  
[8] Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,  
for his wondrous works to the children of man!  
[9] For he satisfies the longing soul,  
and the hungry soul he fills with good things. (ESV)

Our Personnel Committee has shown up for us in this time of transi-  
tion, and they are a testimony to the work of cooperation that we so  
proudly represent. Five GRBA pastors with one goal: the glory of God  
and the proclamation of the Gospel. It has been a sincere joy working  
together to find our next AMS. While we don't have a candidate to pre-  
sent to you for the AMS position yet, we are particularly excited about  
one new announcement:

**We have hired a new Administrative Assistant!**  
**Please welcome Miss Alexandra Poole to the team!**

Alexandra is a long-term member at Main Street Baptist in Spindale,  
where her father Jay is serving as an elder. Alexandra is professional,  
hospitable, organized, and highly-ambitious. Most important to us, she  
loves Jesus and His church! She will be a great gift to our association  
for years to come and will serve to advance our mission of churches  
helping churches fulfill the great commission. Please come and wel-  
come her heartily at our next quarterly meeting on April 29th.

With that in mind, we also want to thank Teresa Sams for her **out-  
standing 34 years** of faithful service to our association. She has been a  
stable presence to our ministry for over 3 decades and has made an  
overwhelmingly positive impact and influence on our association that  
cannot be overstated. Many of the things we love about Green River  
can be credited to her tenure. She has given her life to us, and we ex-  
press our deepest gratitude. We love you Teresa and congratulate you  
on a well-earned retirement!

Finally, I would ask for your prayers as we continue our search pro-  
cess. We are motivated, optimistic, and trusting the Lord day by day as  
we wait on Him to bring the change.

As always, if you have any questions for our Personnel Committee,  
please reach out to any of us and we would be delighted to provide  
more details about our process.

**To God be the Glory!**  
**Dale DuBose**  
**(Your Brother Moderator)**



**MEN'S OUTDOOR WEEKEND**  
May 3-4, 2024

**Camp Caraway, Asheboro, NC**

**"Pursue Righteousness" II Timothy 2:22**

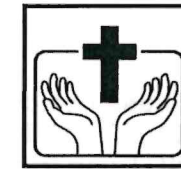
**COME JOIN US FOR AN INSPIRING WEEKEND OF OUTDOOR FUN AND  
FELLOWSHIP FOR MEN (for 13 years and older)**

Featuring Royce Railey, founder of "Go Fish Ministries"  
and host of "Tightline Fishing TV"

Cost \$95 per person and includes Friday night lodging,  
three meals on Saturday and program costs.

Registration open through Monday, April 29.

To register & for more info. go to:  
www.baptistmission.org/outdoorweekend or  
Contact (919) 459-5607 mabernathy@ncbaptist.org



**MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING**

**Week of Prayer**  
**May 5-11, 2024**

[www.mothersdayoffering.org](http://www.mothersdayoffering.org)



**PO Box 11024**  
**Winston-Salem,**  
**NC 27116-1024**  
[www.brh.org](http://www.brh.org)  
**(336) 725-0202**

## 2024 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

**Lake Lure** June 10-14, 6:30 - 9 pm, Dinner 5:30-6:15 pm,  
Ages 3 yrs - 7th grade

**Green Hill** June 23-27, 6:00 - 8:15 pm "Breaker Rock Beach"

**Second** July 7-11, 6 - 8:30 pm nightly Supper for kids 5 pm,  
3 yrs - 8th grade Registration opens Memorial Day at  
2ndbc.tv/vbs

**Southern** July 15-19, 5-8 nightly. Dinner is included each evening.  
"Hometown Nazareth: Where Jesus Was a Kid."

**Spencer** June 2-6, 6pm - 8:30pm "Breaker Rock Beach"

**West Point** June 10-14, 6:00-8:15 pm, zfommrtz' 5:00 - 6:00 pm in  
the fellowship hall, "Breaker Rock Beach"