Service Requested

May



May

- 1 National Day of Prayer
- 2-3 Baptist Men's Outdoor Retreat, Caraway
- 6 Senior Adult Rally, 11 AM, Boger City
- 11 Happy Mother's Day!
- 13 Ministers Conf. 11 AM, Meadow Ridge
- 13 Baptist Women's Annual Mtg./Banquet 5:30 PM, Boger City
- 26 Memorial Day (Office Closed)

June

- 10-11 SBC Meeting, Dallas, TX
- 12 Finance Team Mtg., 7 PM, Missions Ctr.
- 15 Happy Father's Day!
- 19 Program Team Mtg, 7 PM, Missions Ctr.
- 22 Mission Dignity Sunday



Mother's Day Offering & Week of Prayer May 5-11

Every dollar of every gift helps patients pay medical bills at Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist. The Offering helps patients who "fall between the cracks" of assistance. Ministers or others also call Church and Community Relations to refer people whom they know are struggling with their hospital bills. What a powerful way to tell others about the love of Jesus.





SOUTH FORK POST

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TERRY'S THOUGHTS

It is hard to adequately express the joy and excitement Greta and I feel knowing God has allowed us to begin serving the sweet folks of the South Fork Baptist Association (SFBA). The entire process has been a move of God and the way in which He brought us together has been a thing of beauty to witness. We are certainly looking forward to beginning a new chapter in the life of the SFBA and building on the amazing work of my friend Keith Hollar.

The following is a list of initial priorities as I begin to serve you:

- We will begin a systematic process of getting to know each of you through visits both personally and corporately within the life of each of our churches. Obviously, that will take some time, but it will be priority one for us.
- I will and have already begun to work with the very capable leadership we have and will seek ways to blend together as we both follow the Lord's will moving forward.
- Since the mission of the association is simple (For The Church), it will be a priority of mine to seek ways to enhance what you are already doing and perhaps find new ways to accomplish His will for us all.
- Because we are all called to be "On Mission" for Christ, my commitment to you will be to practice being on mission, seek ways to enhance our partnerships, and provide opportunities to serve others here locally, statewide, nationally, and internationally. The key to this type of work is for all of us to work together. As you know when we work together, we are able to accomplish much more than we can alone.
- I especially look forward to forming a strong bond with our pastors as we both work to better serve you and God's Kingdom together. I so enjoy getting together with pastors as we sharpen each other and to simply laugh a lot!
- On a personal note, I wanted to let you know that Gainsville Baptist Church has been gracious and is allowing Greta and I to temporarily live in their parsonage until we have had the opportunity to permanently locate in a home of His choosing somewhere within the association. Once again, I see the hand of God working with this arrangement. This arrangement will also allow us time to sell our home in Western NC without having to rush to find something too soon.
- Finally, as has already been reported, our first official day in the office will be May 12th. Meaning moving day is May 8th.

I certainly enjoyed getting the opportunity to meet as many as we could at the April 22nd Spring Associational Board meeting. Please pray for us as we transition to the association and for the Transylvania Baptist Association as they seek what's next for them. Remember two things; I love you and I exist to serve you, you don't exist to serve me!!

Terry



Baptist Women Ministry Focus for this year: Hesed House of Hope Homeless Shelter.

Please join our Baptist Women in support of Hesed House of Hope by donating the following suggested items: cups, plates, laundry soap, napkins, toilet paper.

Please bring some of these items with you to the Baptist Women's Banquet on May 13th. Also...there will be **backpacks available at the Banquet for our Christmas Mission**. They will include a Bible, the Christmas story and the appropriate ribbons...all you need to do is add the remaining items. We are once again challenging all of our churches to donate \$60 toward our backpack mission this year. Thanks!

International Mission Report and Opportunity... Dr. Robert E. Wise

From April 25th thru May 3rd, a team of fourteen people will be heading to Caraz Peru. Three of these people are from the South Fork Baptist Association. We will be building a church building in Caraz for a group who are currently meeting outside. Four members of the team are ladies. They will be doing some women's Bible studies a few times during the week. At night, we will participate in several church services. Please pray for traveling mercies, the wellness of the team, the hearts of those who will hear the gospel, and the encouragement to the church in Caraz, Peru. Also, pray about being part of another team which is going to the same location in July. The dates are tentatively July 14–25. The cost is close to \$2000 a person. If interested in being a part of this future team, please call me (Robert Wise) @ 704 530 4699.



Available Resources for our Churches:





Dear Associational Leaders, Pastors and Church Members,

I want to take one last opportunity to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the many ways that you have supported me over the past thirteen years. Lois and I both were simply overwhelmed at the retirement celebration you held for me. I don't feel worthy of such gracious words, acts of kindness and the gifts, but want you to know how tremendously thankful Lois and I are for all that was done to honor our time and service together along with my retirement.

You truly are the best Association in all the world!!! We will never forget you! Agape'

Keith

SOUTH FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

€ 11th ANNUAL SENIOR ADULT RALLY

May 6, 2025 (10:30 AM Registration)
Boger City Baptist (BJ Morris Fellowship Hall)
(2201 E Main St. Lincolnton)

Menu: Pork BBQ, Grilled Chicken, Baked Beans, Macaroni and Cheese, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Banana Pudding, Apple Cobbler, Decaf Coffee/Tea, Lemonade, (Catered by The Home Place Restaurant) Music by: The Golden Voices Choir, Door Prizes, Fun and Fellowship! (RESERVATIONS WERE DUE BY APRIL 29TH)



Men's Outdoor Weekend MAY 2-3, 2025 CAMP CARAWAY-ASHEBORO NC

<u>FRIDAY NIGHT</u> at 8:00 pm with worship rally featuring music and a message from our guest speakers.

<u>SATURDAY MORNING</u> will include demonstrations throughout the camp on archery, skeet shooting, pistol shooting, tomahawk throw, and more.

<u>SATURDAY AFTERNOON</u> will provide opportunity for participation and competition in **rifles**, **archery**, **pistols**, **skeet**, and **tomahawk throw**. We conclude after an awards ceremony and supper Saturday evening.

COST: \$99 per person, and includes Friday Night Lodging, three meals on Saturday, and program costs.

Registration required by April 28th:

Contact BOM at 919-459-5607 to register your group or mabernathy@ncbaptist.org or visit www.baptistsonmission.org

2025 SFBA BAPTIST WOMEN'S 116th ANNUAL MTG & BANQUET

Tues., May 13, 2025

Registration: <u>5:30</u> Meal/Program: <u>6:30</u>
Boger City Baptist (BJ Morris Fellowship Hall)
2201 E Main St, Lincolnton

Our special guest Speaker is Lauren Rayfield.

\$15 per person in advance <u>RSVP'S were due by MON.</u>

<u>APRIL 28™</u> by calling the Missions Center (704)735-1642

Or email sfba@southforkbaptist.net

Manu: Salad Baked Potato Bar, Dessert, Drinks

Menu: Salad, Baked Potato Bar, Dessert, Drinks Our Mission Focus this year is Hesed House of Hope Homeless Shelter. Please bring: cups, plates, laundry soap, napkins, toilet paper.



*Amity Baptist Church is seeking a part time organist for their Sunday morning service. Contact Pastor Tim Ridgway at 704-252-3851.

*Boger City Baptist Church in Lincolnton, NC is seeking to hire a Full-time Associate Pastor- Cradle to College. For more information about our church, to stream our services, and details on how to apply and for a full job description visit bogercitybaptist.org.

*Boger City Baptist Church is seeking a part-time organist. Inquiries can be sent to Judi Grice at igrice@bcbaptist.org

*Cornerstone Church in Maiden NC is currently seeking a Full-Time Children's Ministry Director. (BIRTH through 5th grade) A degree or significant experience in children's ministry is required. Pay: \$50k + benefits. Please send resumes to Cornerstone Church, c/o Children's Minister Search; P.O. Box 726, Maiden NC 28650.

*Gateway Baptist Church is looking for a Sound Man. It is a Weekly paid position. Must be qualified and dedicated to being here each week for our services. For more information or questions you may contact the church office at 828-294-1519 and ask for Charles.

*Howards Creek is seeking a Part-Time Children's Minister. Contact Rev. Ricky Sigmon at (980)552-5047.

*Macedonia Baptist (Lincolnton) is seeking a Part-Time Student Ministry Director for middle, high school and early college aged students. This position has the potential for full-time growth. Please email resumes to pastorsetzer@yahoo.com or mail to Macedonia Baptist Church, Attn: Dr. Randy Setzer 5286 East Hwy. 150, Lincolnton, NC 28092

*Mt. Ruhama Baptist Church, Maiden, NC is seeking a permanent part-time pianist. Please call Carol Laney at (704)451-2101.

*Risen Church is searching for a worship leader. Visit RisenChurchNC.org/worshipteam for more information, or contact Justin Houser (704-530-1728).

*Westport Baptist is seeking a position of organist for their traditional service on Sunday's at 10:30 AM. Please contact JB@westport.church for more information.

ASSOCIATIONAL GIFTS RECEIVED BY MARCH 31, 2025

CHURCH	MARCH 2025	2025 YTD	2024 TOTALS
Activa (Harvest Time)	0	\$ 168.88	\$ 100.00
Amity**	0	0	\$ 800.00
Antioch	\$ 167.00	\$ 501.00	\$ 2,004.00
Bethel	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,200.00
Blazin' Trails	0	0	0
Blessed Hope	\$ 72.71	\$ 193.28	\$ 900.90
Boger City***	0	\$ 3,901.50	\$ 19,050.00
Buffalo Shoals	0	\$ 120.00	\$ 440.00
Calvary	\$ 375.00	\$ 1,125.00	\$ 4,500.00
Calvary Hispanic***	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 1,800.00
Cedar Grove	\$ 300.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 3,600.00
Center View***	\$ 625.00	\$ 625.00	\$ 2,500.00
Cornerstone	\$ 166.67	\$ 500.01	\$ 2,050.22
Crouse	0	0	\$ 400.00
David Memorial	\$ 83.33	\$ 249.93	\$ 999.63
Denver	0	0	\$ 6,852.58
East Maiden	0	\$ 375.00	\$ 750.00
Fairview***	\$ 771.85	\$ 771.85	\$ 1,754.19
Faith	\$ 300.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 3,600.00
Flint Rock	0	\$ 140.00	\$ 140.00
Freedom	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 600.00
Friendly Chapel	\$ 207.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 2,311.20
Gainsville	\$ 395.95	\$ 1,141.95	\$ 4,562.13
Gateway	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 650.00
High Shoals 1st	\$ 823.24	\$ 1,358.04	\$ 5,331.80
Howards Creek	\$ 100.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,000.00
Hudson Chapel	0	0	0
Hulls Grove	\$ 1,034.90	\$ 2,743.76	\$ 10,178.60
Impact Community	0	0	0
Kingdom Ministries Outreach	0	0	0
Lawings Chapel**	0	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Leonards Fork	\$ 784.00	\$ 2,448.00	\$ 8,677.00
Liberty	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 600.00
y Lincoln Avenue	\$ 554.46	\$ 1,956.86	\$ 8,066.56
Lincolnton First	\$ 833.34	\$1,666.68	\$ 5,000.00
Long Creek	\$ 125.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 1,500.00
Long Shoals	\$ 124.97	\$ 398.99	\$ 1,323.44
Macedonia	\$ 206.66	\$ 619.98	\$ 2,479.92
Macedonia Kingstown	0	0	0

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