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**Elkin Baptist Association  
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# Annual Report

of the

*Elkin Baptist Association  
North Carolina*

**One Hundred Thirty-Ninth  
Semi-Annual Sessions**

Spring Session held at  
Friendship Baptist Church  
April 26, 2018

Fall Session held at  
Mineral Springs Baptist Church  
October 25, 2018

Next Spring Session to be held at  
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church  
April 25, 2019

Next Fall Session to be held at  
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church  
October 24, 2019

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## CONSTITUTION

### PREAMBLE

For the more certain preservation and security of the principles of our faith, and to the end that this body may be governed in an orderly manner consistent with accepted missionary Baptist tenants, and for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each member church and the freedom of action of this body with respect to its relation to other Baptist bodies, we do declare and establish this constitution.

### ARTICLE I - NAME

This body shall be known as the Elkin Baptist Association.

### ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be:

1. the cultivation of closer bonds of fellowship, sympathy, mutual understanding, and familial love;
2. the counseling together in plans and programs for the strengthening and enlargement of God's kingdom; and
3. the promotion of and participation in missions, Christian education, evangelism, and benevolent ministries, in cooperation with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

### ARTICLE III - ARTICLES OF FAITH

The Association shall accept as articles of faith the "Baptist Faith and Message" statement approved by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963 and/or 2000. These articles are accepted as guiding principles, not a coercive creed, recognizing that Christian faith does not consist of creeds or systematic theologies but that it is foremost a relationship - the relationships of believers to God through Jesus Christ.

### ARTICLE IV - COVENANT

Being led, as we believe, by the Holy Spirit, to enter into covenant as an association of churches, we join ourselves together through this larger fellowship

1. to watch over one another in love and to nurture the spiritual welfare and fellowship of all the churches in the Association;
2. to provide a forum for the consideration of our Christian faith and the evaluation of those points of doctrine and policy which affect our life together;
3. to assist the member churches in planning, conducting, evaluating, and improving their programs of work designed to reach their objectives;
4. to carry out the Great Commission of our Lord both within and beyond the bounds of our Association;
5. to facilitate the exchange of information and assistance between the covenanting churches and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies; and
6. to maintain interaction with community agencies and other Christian bodies.

### ARTICLE V - CHARACTER

The government of this Association is vested in the body of churches who compose it. It is subject to the control of no other ecclesiastical body, nor does it presume to exercise any authority over the member churches. Rather, it exists in a voluntary cooperation both with the state and national conventions and with the member churches, who abide by the scriptural adherence of public professions of faith and trust in Jesus Christ and scriptural believers baptism by immersion.

**BYLAWS**  
**ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Association shall consist of Baptist churches who freely enter into the covenant relationship with one another under the lordship of Christ, who subscribe to the constitution and bylaws governing the Association's life and function, and who share in the work of the Kingdom of God through the Association. Furthermore, member churches shall practice receiving church members by personal faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and believer's baptism by immersion only. Other ways of receiving member is by letter from another Baptist church or a statement of faith of a previous profession of faith and believers baptism by immersion.

SECTION 2. Entrance Procedures - Any church desiring to become a member of the Association shall present a formal application on a form provided by the Association. Upon receipt of the application, the church will be received under watch care for a period of one year, during which time it will be expected to demonstrate through practice and attitude its place as a cooperating Baptist church. At the end of the one-year period, after review and recommendation by the Steering Committee, the church may be received into full membership in the Association by majority vote of the messengers present at the next semiannual meeting of the Association.

SECTION 3. Termination Procedures - Membership in the Association may be terminated at the initiation of the church or of the Association. In the event termination is initiated by the Association, the Steering Committee will work with the church to make every effort to reconcile the differences, and only after all efforts at reconciliation have failed will a recommendation to terminate membership be offered. A church may be dropped from membership in the Association only by recommendation of the Steering Committee and a two-thirds majority vote of the messengers present at a regular semiannual session of the Association.

**ARTICLE II - MEETINGS**

SECTION 1. Time - The Association shall meet twice annually, once in the spring and once in the fall. The spring meeting shall be held the last Thursday in April and the fall meeting the last Thursday in October. No church may appoint more than ten (10) messengers.

SECTION 2. Purpose - It shall be the purpose of all Associational meetings to foster fellowship among the churches; to furnish a time of inspiration; to promote the missions endeavors of the Association, the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, and the Southern Baptist Convention; and to provide a forum for the consideration of Associational business. The spring session shall be given more specifically to promotion of Associational and Convention causes, whereas the fall session shall give attention to annual reports of the various Associational officers.

SECTION 3. Representation - Voting representation shall be by the pastor and four other messengers from each member church having up to 300 resident members, and one additional messenger for each additional 100 resident members or major fraction thereof.

SECTION 4. Registration - A registrar shall be appointed by the clerk to register all persons attending the sessions. The registrar shall remain on duty throughout the sessions and shall make a written record of all attendants as they enter, designating them as either messengers or visitors.

SECTION 5. Quorum - A Quorum shall consist of at least four of the officers of the Association plus at least one messenger from a majority of the member churches.

SECTION 6. Order of Business - The order of business for the semiannual sessions shall be recommended by the Program Committee and adopted, with any desired changed, by majority vote of the messengers present and voting at the beginning of each meeting.

SECTION 7. Resolutions - Resolutions may be presented by any messenger from any member church at any semiannual session, provided such resolutions have been presented in writing to the Resolutions Committee at least one week prior to the session. The Resolutions Committee will have the right to amend all resolutions and to refuse to recommend to the body any resolutions which it deems might be disruptive to the harmony of the Association.

SECTION 8. Governance - Meetings shall be conducted according to the parliamentary procedures outlined in the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order. The Moderator shall exercise patience with messengers who may not be well-versed in parliamentary procedure, and the rule of order shall be so used that the well of the body may be fully and freely expressed.

SECTION 9. Other - In the case of mitigating circumstances, the time of the semiannual meetings may be changed at the discretion of the Moderator, provided that proper advanced notification is made to all the member churches. Special sessions at other times may also be called by the Moderator provided that at least two weeks' notification is given.

#### ARTICLE III - DEPARTMENTS

The Association shall promote an aggressive program of teaching, training, evangelism, mission and stewardship emphasis through the following departments: Sunday School, Church Training, Woman's Missionary Union, Brotherhood, Music, Evangelism, Family Life, Deacon Ministry, Vacation Bible School, Media Ministry, and Stewardship.

#### ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

The Officers of this Association shall be as follows:

##### A. Director of Missions

SECTION 1. Duties - The Director of Missions shall be the person charged with directing and supervising the total program of the Association. He/She shall

1. lead in the primary mission work of the Association in cooperation with the Steering Committee;
2. promote the program of the Association, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, and Southern Baptist Convention;
3. maintain contact with the member churches with a view of strengthening fellowship and encouraging missions involvement;
4. serve as a resource person for pastors, other church staff, and Associational officers; and
5. serve as an advisor to all Associational committees.

SECTION 2. Procedures for Call and Termination - Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office, a new Director of Missions shall be called by the Association to serve until the relationship is dissolved at the request of either the Director of Missions or the Association. In either case, at least thirty days' notice shall be given of termination of the relationship, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon, with both the Director of Missions

and Association seeking to follow the will of God through the leadership of the Holy Spirit.

It shall be the responsibility of the Personnel Committee to seek out and recommend a suitable person for this position either to the Executive Committee or the Association in regular session. At any meeting charged with the purpose of electing a new Director of Missions, at least four of the Associational officers must be present, a majority of the member churches must be represented, and a two-thirds majority of the messengers or representatives present and voting must approve the recommendation in order for a call to be extended.

#### **B. Moderator**

SECTION 1. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at the meetings of the Association and of the Executive and Steering Committees. He/She shall assist the Director of Missions and other officers of the Association in their respective duties, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and serve as an ex officio member of all standing committees.

SECTION 2. Election - The Moderator shall be elected annually but shall not serve more than two consecutive terms.

#### **C. Vice-Moderator**

SECTION 1. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to preside at the meetings of the Association in the absence of the Moderator or at the Moderator's request. The Vice-Moderator shall also serve as the chairperson of the Program Committee.

SECTION 2. Election - The Vice-Moderator shall be elected annually but shall not serve more than two consecutive terms.

#### **D. Clerk**

SECTION 1. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Clerk to attend and keep full records of the meetings of the Association and Executive Committee and to compile, edit, and distribute to the churches the minutes and data from the church letters in an annual report. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to appoint a registrar to register messengers and visitors at the meetings of the Association.

SECTION 2. Election - The Clerk shall be elected for an indefinite term.

#### **E. Treasurer**

SECTION 1. Duties - The Treasurer shall keep a correct record of all the funds collected and distributed; disburse funds in accordance with the Associational budget, under the supervision of the Director of Missions and the Finance Committee; and report to the Executive Committee at its meetings and to the Association annually.

SECTION 2. Election - The Treasurer shall be elected for an indefinite term.

#### **F. Parliamentarian**

SECTION 1. Duties - The Parliamentarian shall advise and assist the Moderator or other presiding officer with respect to all matters involving proper parliamentary procedure.

SECTION 2. Election - The Parliamentarian shall be elected annually.

#### **G. Historian**

SECTION 1. Duties - The Historian shall collect historical facts of interest to the Association, assist the churches in preserving their own histories, and make periodic reports to the Association.

SECTION 2. Election - The Historian shall be elected annually.

#### **H. Department Heads**

SECTION 1. Duties - The heads of the departments, as listed in Article III, shall be responsible for leading in and promoting the work of their respective departments in the Association, and shall serve as resource persons to the churches. They shall make an annual report to the Association at the fall session.

SECTION 2. Election - The department heads shall be elected annually.

#### **I. Representatives**

SECTION 1. Listing - The Association shall have Representatives to the Biblical Recorder, the Baptist Children's Homes, the North Carolina Baptist Hospital, the American Bible Society, and the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

SECTION 2. Duties - It shall be the duty of these Representatives to serve as a liaison between their respective agencies and the Association.

SECTION 3. Election - The Representatives shall be elected annually.

#### **J. General Provisions**

SECTION 1. Election Procedures - All officers of the Association subject to annual election shall be elected at the spring session of the Association, upon presentation of nominations by the Nominating Committee, subject to additional nominations from the floor and the express will of the Association, and shall assume their duties at the close of the session at which they are elected. Each person elected to be an officer or serve on a committee of the Elkin Baptist Association must be a member of one of the local churches of the Association. That church must be in agreement with the *Baptist Faith and Message* of 1963 or 2000. The church must practice receiving church members by personal faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and believers baptism by immersion only. Other ways of receiving members is by letter from another Baptist church or a statement of faith of a previous profession of faith and believers baptism by immersion.

SECTION 2. Other Officers - Officers other than those named in Article IV may be appointed or elected from time to time as deemed necessary for the proper functioning of the body.

### **ARTICLE V - COMMITTEES**

The Association shall have committees as follows:

#### **A. Executive Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Executive Committee shall be composed of the officers of the Association as outlined in Article IV, the pastors of the member churches, and one lay member from each church.

SECTION 2. Duties - The Executive Committee shall be authorized and directed to serve as the deliberative, decision-making body of the Association between semiannual sessions.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Executive Committee shall meet on the last Thursday in January and the last Thursday in July of each year, and at other times as necessary to conduct the business of the Association. A quorum shall consist of at least four of the officers of the Association plus representatives from at least one-third of the member churches not represented by the officers present.



#### **B. Steering Committee**

**SECTION 1. Composition** - The Steering Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Directors of Sunday School, WMU, Discipleship Training, Music, Brotherhood, and three Pastors at large.

**SECTION 2. Duties** - It shall be the duty of the Steering Committee to assist the Director of Missions in planning and promoting the work of the Association. This committee shall also review and make recommendations concerning applications for membership in the Association. It shall further be the responsibility of the committee to propose to the Executive Committee in its January meeting each year the new nominees for the Nominating Committee.

**SECTION 3. Meetings** - The Steering Committee shall meet the last Thursday in January, April, July, and October.

**SECTION 4. Election** - The three pastors at large on this committee shall be elected for three-year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **C. Program Committee**

**SECTION 1. Composition** - The Program Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Music Director, and three other members at large. The Vice-Moderator shall serve as the chairperson of the committee.

**SECTION 2. Duties** - It shall be the duty of the Program Committee to plan and arrange the program for the semiannual sessions and to present the same for adoption at the opening of each session.

**SECTION 3. Meetings** - The Program Committee shall meet as needed.

**SECTION 4. Election** - The three at-large members of this committee shall be elected for three-year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **D. Nominating Committee**

**SECTION 1. Composition** - The Nominating Committee shall be composed of six members, representative of the various geographical areas of the Association.

**SECTION 2. Duties** - It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to recommend persons for all Associational offices, with the exclusion of paid staff, and for all elective committee positions. This committee shall also recommend chairpersons for all committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee, the Steering Committee, and the Program Committee.

**SECTION 3. Meetings** - The Nominating Committee shall meet as needed.

**SECTION 4. Election** - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1. Nominees for this committee shall be proposed by the Steering Committee and voted upon by the Executive Committee in its January meeting. These nominees shall then be included in the Nominating Committee report submitted to the association in its Spring Session.

#### **E. Finance Committee**

**SECTION 1. Composition** - The Finance Committee shall be composed of six members, each member representing a different church. In addition, the Associational Treasurer shall serve as an ex officio member along with the Moderator.

**SECTION 2. Duties** - It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to exercise oversight of the financial affairs of the Association and to prepare and recommend an annual budget for adoption by the Association.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Finance Committee shall meet at least quarterly, and at other times as needed to fulfill its assigned tasks.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **F. Ordination Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Ordination Committee shall be composed of six members, representing a diversity of churches in the Association

SECTION 2. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Ordination Committee, when requested by a member church, to examine candidates for ordination to the gospel ministry and make a recommendation to the church. The examination shall cover such areas as the candidate's conversion and Christian experience, call to the ministry, moral and spiritual fitness, doctrinal beliefs, knowledge of the Bible, and attitude toward denominational work and objects. The committee holds no authority over the candidate or the church but serves merely in an advisory capacity. The decision whether to ordain a given candidate remains with the church.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Ordination Committee shall meet as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **G. Personnel Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Personnel Committee shall be composed of six members, representative of the various geographical areas of the Association.

SECTION 2. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Personnel Committee to contact, interview, and recommend persons for paid staff positions in the Association as the need arises. Recommendations shall be acted upon either by the Executive Committee or by the Association in regular session. The Personnel Committee shall also formulate job descriptions for Associational staff and will be available to discuss grievances or problems with personnel. In addition, this committee shall, in conjunction with the Finance Committee, recommend appropriate compensation for Associational staff.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Personnel Committee shall meet as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **H. Trustee Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Trustee Committee shall be composed of three members.

SECTION 2. Duties - The Trustees shall serve as legal officers of the Association and shall have authority to execute all legal documents pertaining thereto. They shall hold in trust all properties of the Association and may not dispose of nor acquire properties without the approval of the Association in regular session or in a special session called for the purpose of deciding issues pertaining to properties of the Association.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Trustee Committee shall meet as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **I. Memorials Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Memorials Committee shall be composed of three members.

SECTION 2. Duties - It shall be the duty of this committee to bring to the fall session of the Association a report of those members within the Association's churches who have died during the previous year and to lead the Association in a time of respectful commemoration.

SECTION 3. Meeting - The Memorials Committee shall meet as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **J. Constitution Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Constitution Committee shall be composed of three members.

SECTION 2. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Constitution Committee to study and recommend any necessary changes in the constitution and bylaws and bring reports as necessary to the Association. This committee shall also examine any amendments to the constitution and bylaws proposed by other persons to assure proper wording and correlation with the existing document.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Constitution Committee shall meet as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **K. Place and Preacher Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Place and Preacher Committee shall be composed of three members.

SECTION 2. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Place and Preacher Committee to determine the meeting places for the semiannual sessions of the Association and to recommend a preacher and an alternate for a sermon at each of the sessions. This committee shall report at the fall session of the Association each year regarding its recommendations for the next year's two sessions.

SECTION 3. Meeting - The Resolutions Committee shall meet as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **L. Resolutions Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Resolutions Committee shall be composed of three members.

SECTION 2. Duties - It shall be the duty of the Resolutions Committee to study and report on such resolutions as may be referred to it and to present such other resolutions as may be appropriate at the semiannual sessions of the Association.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Resolutions Committee shall meet as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### **M. Properties Committee**

SECTION 1. Composition - The Properties Committee shall be composed of three members.

SECTION 2. Duties - The Properties Committee shall have the responsibility of supervision of all properties belonging to the Association, and shall give attention to the condition of said properties. This committee shall see that repairs or improvements are made as deemed necessary. Where repairs or improvements require major expenditures,

the matter must be referred to the Finance Committee for action and recommendation to the Executive Committee or the Association in regular session.

SECTION 3. Meetings - The Properties Committee shall meet at least quarterly for an inspection of all properties owned by the Association, and it shall meet otherwise as needed.

SECTION 4. Election - The members of this committee shall be elected for three year terms on a rotating basis, as specified in Article V, N, Section 1.

#### N. General Provisions

SECTION 1. Rotation of Committees - One third of the elective members of each committee shall be elected annually. Terms will be for three years, except that in the case of newly established committees, one third shall serve one year, one third shall serve two years, and one third shall serve three years. Those committees or parts of committees composed of Associational officers shall not be subject to rotation. No elective member shall succeed himself/herself. Vacancies occurring during the year may be filled immediately by the Executive Committee, in which case the new member will fill out the unexpired term of the person he/she replaced and will at the end of that term be eligible for reelection.

SECTION 2. Other Committees - The Association shall authorize such special committees as it needs for specific duties not assigned to one of the standing committees listed in Article V.

#### ARTICLE VI - ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR

SECTION 1. Church Year - The church year according to which statistics will be received and compiled from the churches will run from September 1 through August 31.

SECTION 2. Fiscal Year - The fiscal year for budgetary purposes will run from January 1 through December 31.

#### ARTICLE VII - ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. Adoption - Upon its final adoption by the Association, this constitution with its bylaws shall become effective immediately; it shall supersede and rescind all previous actions or policies of the Association, which may conflict with its provisions.

SECTION 2. Amendments - The constitution and bylaws may be amended by a favorable vote of two thirds of the messengers present and voting at any regular session of the Association, provided that a written copy of the proposed amendment, after having been reviewed by the Constitution Committee, shall have been made available to all the member churches at least one month in advance of the session.

#### Elkin Baptist Association Executive Committee Meeting January 25, 2018

The Executive Committee of the Elkin Baptist Association met Thursday, January 25. Johnny Blevins, Moderator, called the meeting to order. Joe Souther read from Colossians 4 & led in prayer.

Copies of the last meeting's minutes, from July 2017 & September 2017, had been passed out to everyone. They were voted on and motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Accepted as presented.

Personnel Committee - Jerry Fugate reported the personnel committee has been in discussions for months as to how to move forward. The committee is attempting to partner with another association and DOM. They interviewed Stone Mountain

salary will be \$18,000, retirement of \$1,260 a year, & a Christmas bonus of \$250. He will also be reimbursed for any mileage, meals, seminars, & conferences he attends.

Larry then shared his testimony of accepting Christ as his Savior at the age of 12 & his new life in Christ since then.

The floor was then opened to any discussion or questions. Seeing as there were no questions or discussion, the members present voted. Motion approved.

Joe Souther, current Interim Executive Director, spoke on how the teams have worked hard to bring life back to the association & spoke on the purpose of an association. A lot of hard work & prayer time went into this new vision plan. Several strategies have been developed, starting with a Summit held in March. We are well positioned to welcome Larry & the strategies. Joe then thanked the personnel committee, pastors & churches of the association, Cool Springs to agreeing to his serving at Elkin Association, his wife for her support, to Lisa Green, & to God for His call upon his life, for the Holy Spirit, & enriching friendships with everyone.

Hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" led by Gary Byrd.

Special music by Friendship Baptist Church choir.

Message by Stephen Robbins. Stephen preached from Leviticus 10: 1-3 & his sermon was titled "Near the Lord". We need to be a servant for the Lord & these verses spoke on how people can worship God. They were just pulled out of slavery to worship a unique God. The book of Leviticus is about God's holiness. We have a choice - serve God or ourselves. We need to take serving God seriously. The people in this book of the bible failed to act when near the Lord. Serving God is more than perception. God can look into the heart of the servant. The heart is on display before God. Also the hands of the servant must be clean before God. Serving God is valid only when we use a creditable source. God cares about the details. Excellence before the Lord is the minimal standard. Laziness & self-serving control is dangerous when serving God. Serving God is the greatest privilege we have. We are invited to bring glory & honor to God. It is easy to be polluted by what is going on in our world. We can be a part of impacting eternity.

Hymn "Because He Lives" led by Gary Byrd. Benediction was by Robbie Wood.

Johnny Blevins, Moderator

Robbie Wood, Vice Moderator

Lisa Green, Clerk

Elkin Baptist Association  
Executive Committee Meeting

July 26, 2018

The Executive Committee of the Elkin Baptist Association met Thursday, July 26. Johnny Blevins, Moderator, called the meeting to order. He read scripture & led in prayer.

Copies of the last meeting's minutes, from January of 2018, had been passed out to everyone. They were voted on & motion carried.

**Treasurer & Program Directors Report:**

Treasurer's Report - Accepted as presented.

**Committee Reports:**

Ordinations Committee - Jerry Fugate reported the ordinations committee had 3 candidates in June & 1 in July & will proceed with ordination.

**New Business:**

Association's DOM, but he was not interested in partnering; he has enough on his plate. They then interviewed Brier Creek Association's DOM, Larry McCoy. They asked him if he would be willing to take the position. He said he would need to be in prayer about it. This was well before Christmas. He has since then said he would be willing to do it, but on a trial basis. The personnel committee met today and recommended we present him as interim missionary for 18 months. His wife, Charlotte, would be willing to work & help get a women's ministry going in any church & work with kids groups. He is 74 years old. Larry recommended the association form a team from our association & from Brier Creek to work together. We need to meet with the finance committee on a salary package for Larry. Jerry said the personnel committee would like to set up a "meet & greet" meeting before the April semi-annual meeting for the association to get to know him before we vote on him at April's meeting. Motion carried to follow the recommendation that the personnel committee move forward.

Executive Director Report – Joe Souther passed out a flyer on the Elkin Baptist Association Revitalization Summit to be held March 2-3 at Pleasant Hill with guest speaker Steve Sells. The association will need a head count of how many will be coming from each church by at least the end of February. We will be providing meals & Steve will be preparing hand outs. He also announced Pleasant Hill will be having a weekend event they are hosting with Alex McFarland. It begins on Friday at 7:00 pm & on Saturday at 8:30 am. Joe reported he is working on proposing a team of 5 to restructure the association & will be forthcoming. He said Amy Boone with WMU of NC would like to come & talk with pastors & leaders of our churches. She would like to bridge WMU & churches since the split in 2009. We will move forward with this & let Amy come & talk with us. Joe asked us to pray for Rock Creek as they search for a pastor. He thanked all who helped with toy store. It was a great success. We had 16 professions of faith. With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn and John Attaway dismissed with prayer.

#### Proceedings of the

#### One Hundred Fortieth Semi-Annual Session of the Elkin Baptist Association, Fall Session

#### Friendship Baptist Church

April 26, 2018

Began with a meal at 6:00 provided by Friendship Baptist Church.

The 140<sup>th</sup> spring session of the Elkin Baptist Association was called to order at 7:00 pm by Moderator Johnny Blevins.

Jerry Fugate, host pastor, extended a welcome to everyone & made necessary announcements concerning the facilities & had prayer.

Johnny then recognized new staff member Kyle Babb at Pleasant Hill, James King at Rock Creek, & Cameron Gaddy at Elkin Valley.

Hymn "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" led by Gary Byrd.

Nominating Committee – Joe Wood made a motion to accept the 2018-2019 Associational Directory. Motion Carried.

Personnel Committee – Jerry Fugate recommended we move forward in our association sharing Larry McCoy of Brier Creek Association to be Director of Missions at both associations. Jerry introduced Larry & told of his background. Jerry extended a call to Larry to serve as Interim Director of Missions partnership for 18 months. Both associations will continue as separate associations & have autonomy exist. Larry's base

Toy Store – Dottie Jackson reported she has been involved in toy store since it began. She shared her experiences, what it has meant to her & told a story. She has always volunteered & is now a shopper.

Scholarship Winner – Lisa Green reported the 2018 winner was Ryan Russell, who attends Mt. Pleasant Church & is getting a degree at Surry Community. The amount was \$850 this year.

Special Presentation – presented a plaque to Joe Souther for his 18 months of service as Interim Executive Director of the Elkin Association.

Interim Director of Missions – Larry McCoy presented certificates to Elkin Valley, Macedonia & Pleasant Hill in their giving to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in 2017. Larry then reported he started in May of this year in serving the association. He had Joe Souther come up front to personally thank him for his work in the association. Larry then explained about the restructuring team that Joe started. The team is to look at the structure of the association & see if anything needs to be changed. This process will take time & prayer. Larry read from 1 Chronicles 28:19 about the Lord telling David he won't be building the temple, his son Solomon will. The Lord gave him the blueprints to build the temple. We will need the Lord's blueprints for this restructuring. Larry asked us to pray we will know what the blueprint is from the Lord for the association. The theme for this session is "Partners for Christ". Larry then read scripture from Philippians & said our bylaws tell us we are to meet twice a year for inspiration, reports, to conduct business, promote missions of the association, & to send out & scatter to witness, preach, plant new churches, & baptize. Fellowship means a joint cultivating & partnering for Christ.

Gary Byrd led the congregation in singing "To Worship, Work, and Witness". Special music was sung by Mineral Springs Choir & led by Wesley Smith, "Look What the Lord Has Done".

Joe Wood, Associate Pastor of Pleasant Hill Church, brought the message. He read from Luke 10: 38-42. We all lead busy lives. We often forget what's important, our relationship with Jesus Christ. We put this on the back burner. How do we become so busy in our lives? In this passage from Luke that Joe read, Martha was so wrapped up in the busyness of Jesus being there, but Mary sat at Jesus's feet. We need to be like Mary-sitting at Jesus's feet & worship Him. We become distracted by families. But if it becomes a stumbling block, it becomes a problem. Friends can become a distraction too. We need to turn away from those things. Work can be a distraction with our relationship with Christ. Another way we can be too busy is by living our past in our children's present. Parents can be so wrapped up in living their dreams through their kids & stay out of church, like with sports. Worldly things are distracting the Christians as well as non Christians. Then we are away from Christ & what is important, what God is doing. Another way we are too busy is when we retire from our jobs, we retire from working for God. We should never retire from the

1. Basement/Water Issues - Joe Souther reported there is water penetration in the foundation & walls. This is causing decay, allowing water to come in the basement & clogging up the pipes. We received 3 bids: 1) Creepy Crawls bid is \$5,800; 2) Mac Lawn Care & Waterproofing \$8,860; 3) Parks Waterproofing \$9,030. Joe has talked with David McCann & Roger Maines & they agreed we should go with the middle bid, Mac Jones of Mac Lawn Care & Waterproofing. There is budgeted \$5,000 for maintenance & repair. The association has spent \$2,012 of that year to date, with \$2,987 remaining that could be used to help pay for this. We also have \$28,982 as of June 30 in checking. Joe suggested we ask our churches to provide some support above their regular giving to the association. The finance committee met recently & agreed to move forward with this & ask churches to help fund this. Joe proposed we go with the \$8,860 bid. Motion carried. A letter will be sent to all churches asking for financial support.

**Associational Missionary Report:**

1. Restructuring Team - Larry McCoy passed out a diagram of the Association Structure & Ministries on the left side of the diagram & the Initiatives/Strategies on the right side. The left side is to make the right side happen. The team has met once to get started on this & hope to move towards having teams. The diagram is what they will be working from. Larry read from 1 Chronicles 28:19, blueprints for the temple. We need the Lord's blueprint, what the Lord wants for this association & what is needed here.

2. Quorum - Larry suggested we change our bylaws to a quorum for the executive committee meetings (not the semi-annual meetings) to have the number of people who show up be the quorum. He wants everyone to consider this a possibility & think about this. This new quorum would mean if we need to vote, go ahead no matter how many or few people are there, that would be the quorum.

3. Executive Committee Meetings - Larry suggested we change the months our executive committee meets. Instead of meeting in January, meet in March. Instead of meeting in July, meet in September. This is just an idea for the committee to consider.

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn and Dennis Murphy dismissed with prayer.

**Proceedings of the**

**One Hundred Fortieth Semi-Annual Session  
of the Elkin Baptist Association, Fall Session  
Mineral Springs Baptist Church  
October 25, 2018**

Began with a meal at 6:00 provided by Mineral Springs Baptist Church.

Began session with a hymn, "How Great Thou Art", led by Gary Byrd.

The 140<sup>th</sup> fall session of the Elkin Baptist Association was called to order at 7:00 pm by Vice Moderator Robbie Wood.

Wesley Smith, host pastor, extended a welcome to everyone & made necessary announcements concerning the facilities & had prayer.

Robbie Wood recognized new pastor James King at Rock Creek Church, new staff member Larry McCoy as Interim Associational Missionary & any visitors.

Moved for the adoption of the 2019 budget & all written reports. Motion carried.



work of the Lord. Some people retire from their jobs to travel & then they drop out of church. If we are busy, we're teaching our children to be this way & it teaches them to not have intimacy with God. We begin to not read the Word & have prayer time. We can't expect to have intimate time with God & an intimate relationship with Him if we're too busy. There is nothing more precious than that close relationship with Christ. We let worldly things & busyness get in the way & then we lose our effectiveness in our area where we live. The cure for busyness is to sit at the foot of Jesus & stop worrying about being so busy for the world. We need to prioritize our time. Most importantly we need alone time with Christ. Saying no to busy worldly work is OK, especially if it takes us away from alone time with Christ.

Robbie Wood led in benediction.

Robbie Wood, Vice Moderator

Lisa Green, Clerk

#### INTERIM ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT

May 1, 2018, I began serving as your Interim Missionary (DOM). Thanks to Joe Souther for the excellent work he did while serving as your Interim Executive Director. He wrote in his INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT for 2017 that work had been started *"to develop an understanding of the purpose of Elkin Baptist Association coupled with an initial vision plan to reshape and revitalize this ministry. I am thankful to report to you that much progress has been made as the Holy Spirit led."*

A plan for the Initiatives and Strategies of the Elkin Baptist Association was *"hammered out to form the initial foundation for a revitalization journey (INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT, 2017)*. A Restructuring Team has begun the process to review the "Structure & Ministries" of the association. One important document, among others we may use, to guide us in making decisions is the Initiatives and Strategies. However, this is a task that cannot be completed in one meeting, but will require prayer, time, patience, guidance from the Holy Spirit and the Holy Scriptures.

I believe that in I Chronicle 28:19 David provides us an example of what the results need to be when The Restructuring Team has finished their work. David wanted to build a house for the Lord, but instead He chose Solomon for that task. Then David gave to Solomon the plan for the Lord's house. David went on to tell Solomon that *"the Lord made me understand in writing by His hand upon me, even all the works of this pattern (plan)."* The end result of the work by The Restructuring Team needs to be God's Blueprint for the "Structure & Ministries of the Elkin Baptist Association. God's Blueprint will be revealed and not discovered. So pray for The Restructuring Team to be sensitive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

The Restructuring Team members are:

- Jerry Fugate
- Stephen Robbins
- Mitch Smith
- Robbie Wood

- Lisa Green
- Larry McCoy

Respectfully Submitted,  
Larry McCoy, Interim Missionary (DOM)

### **PLACE AND PREACHER COMMITTEE**

The spring session of the 141st semi-annual meeting of the Elkin Baptist Association will be held on April 25, 2019 at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church. The speaker will be Josh Reed, Senior Consultant for Evangelism & Disciple Making with the Baptist State Convention of NC and the alternate will be determined. The fall session of the 141st semi-annual meeting of the Elkin Baptist Association will be held on October 24, 2019 at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. The speaker and the alternate will be determined at a later time.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Program/Place and Preacher Committee

### **TOY STORE**

“Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say rejoice.” We can rejoice that 16 people made decisions for Jesus Christ in December 2017 at our 18<sup>th</sup> toy store! Timothy 2:34 says that God, our Savior, desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. That is the purpose of the toy store. We use the toys that people receive as a means to introduce the gospel to them. Every parent and grandparent who receives toys for a child is presented the gospel by a pastor or qualified lay person. In 2017 we helped 148 families with 392 children. Thank you Elkin Baptist Association for your support of this ministry.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan Morrison, Director

**2018 VBS REPORTS**

Church	Total Enrollment	Faculty	Decisions to Accept Christ	Offering
Cool Springs	* 36			
East Elkin	*			
Elkin Valley	86	39	0	\$1,100.00
Friendship	61	26	0	\$100.00
Macedonia	159	39	0	\$332.20
Mineral Springs	64	20	1	\$245.00
Mt. Pleasant	* 113			
Pleasant Grove	*			
Pleasant Hill	*			
Pleasant Home	* 50			
Pleasant Ridge	* 133			
Pleasant View	70	20	0	\$650.00
Poplar Springs	40	30	3	\$150.00
Rock Creek	* 25			
Ronda First ( <i>Traditional</i> )	127	57	2	\$536.00
Ronda First ( <i>Expanded</i> )	106	31	0	\$0.00
Union Hill	* 33			
West Elkin	*			
	<b>713</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$3,113.20</b>

\* Did not receive a VBS report. Retrieved total enrollment figure off church profile, if it was included on profile.

Greetings VBS Lovers!

I sure hope that your VBS was blessed and saturated in Jesus in 2018! At First Baptist Ronda & many in the Elkin Association we really had our "Game On" with Jesus this year. The LifeWay themes just keep delivering such great Biblical content & excitement for students of all ages. And 2019 promises to be great as well. We are setting off for an Adventure in the Amazon "Into the Wild". I'm already excited & praying about VBS 2019. I know you are too.

One thing Susan & I are pleading for, if you & your church do not or have not in the past, supported the Associational VBS clinic, please do so in 2019. There is so much information, decorations, fun, excitement, fellowship, classes, & team building. You will leave just ready for the best VBS ever. Even if you don't use LifeWay material, the clinic is so beneficial, crucial to your church, & each student at your bible school! This is a service to each church in the Elkin Association. Let's come together & celebrate this great association by having the best VBS clinic in 2019 as we embark "Into the Wilds

with Jesus". This year at our VBS clinic we had a great time. We had 6 different churches represented with a total of 43 in attendance. Decorations were again passed around to many different churches. We have lots of decorations from years past we can reuse. Susan & I look forward to seeing someone from each church in attendance at the clinic in 2019. Come & be a part. Let's see what God can accomplish when the entire association works, trains & prays together. You will be blessed, God will be glorified & souls will be saved. Pray now for your part in VBS "Into the Wilds". Susan & I will see you in May of 2019! Pray without ceasing that VBS will continue to be the greatest outreach for the lost. I'm going to be a part, how about you?!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jane Hall & Susan Baker,  
Associational VBS Directors

### WITH THE HEAVENLY FATHER

Members deceased during the 2017-2018 church year

**COOL SPRINGS:** Ruth Holbrook, Lloyd Carter, Lois Evans

**ELKIN VALLEY:** Jody Brown, Jimmy Darnell, Shirley Walters

**FRIENDSHIP:** Viola Adkins, Eddie Hampton

**MACEDONIA:** Ruth Cockerham Yarboro, Maggie Perry Durham Key, Timothy Clyde (Tim) Burchette, Bennie Harold Burcham

**MINERAL SPRINGS:** Marie Swaim

**MT. PLEASANT:** Curtis Franklin Teague, Deanna Simmons Brooks, Mary Ellen Hutchins, Blake Monroe Carter, William Harold Parks, Anthony "Tony" Wampler, Josephine Darnell

**PLEASANT GROVE:** Susan Greenwood, Doris Prevette, Barbara Driver, Minnie Sue Joyner

**PLEASANT HILL:** Tommy Snow, Eddie Day, Joann Reece, John Darnell

**PLEASANT HOME:** Roger Edwards, James Cockerham

**PLEASANT RIDGE:** Helen Bauguess, Dorinda Wilson, Winfrey Caudill, Howard Wilmoth, Claude Martin

**PLEASANT VIEW:** Wilma Funk, James (Jim) Bell

**POPLAR SPRINGS:** Mary Elizabeth Adams Gentry

**RONDA FIRST:** William Sparks

**UNION HILL:** Ethel Smith, Nancy Hutchens, Dennis Hutchens

**WEST ELKIN:** Kenneth (Kenny) Hall

### Historical Table

Year	Where Held	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1947	Poplar Springs	E.C. James	W.H. Combs	Clarence Gwaltney
1948	Cool Springs	J.L. Powers	J.L. Williams	L.M. Cooke
1949	Mineral Springs	J.L. Powers	J.L. Williams	J.D. Wyatt
1950	Mt. Pleasant	J.L. Powers	J.L. Williams	Howard Ford & E.G. Jordan
1951	White Plains & Bessie's	J.L. Powers	J.L. Williams	W.C. Guth & L.M. Cooke
1952	Macedonia & Oak Grove	Howard J. Ford	Mrs. E.C. James	L.E. Myers & J.F. Woodruff
1953	Elkin Valley & Pleasant Hill	Howard J. Ford	Mrs. E.C. James	H.A. Byers & E.P. Caudle
1954	Poplar Springs & Little Elkin	Howard J. Ford	Mrs. H.A. Frye	E.G. Jordan & Ben Fisher
1955	Elkin, First & Rock Creek	Howard J. Ford	Mrs. H.A. Frye	W.R. Kimberlin & George Hankins
1956	East Elkin & Union Hill	W.C. Buth	Mrs. Jim DeBorde	Carnie Shugard & N.C. Teague
1957	Mineral Springs & Cool Springs	W.C. Buth	Mrs. Jim DeBorde	J.L. Wells & Loyd Pardue
1958	Pleasant Home & Shoaly Branch	N.C. Teague	Mrs. Jim DeBorde	John L. Wells & Graham Wooten
1959	Elkin First and Elkin Valley	N.C. Teague	Mrs. Jim DeBorde	J.L. Culler & L.J. Rainey
1960	Ronda & Poplar Springs	J.L. Powers	Mrs. Jim DeBorde	W.H. Caldwell
1961	Friendship & White Plains	J.L. Powers	Mrs. W.C. Guth	Glenn Dobbins
1962	Mt. Pleasant & Bessie's Chapel	L.J. Culler & Glenn Dobbins	Mrs. W.C. Guth	Fred Morris
1963	West Elkin & Pleasant Hill	Murl Newman	Mrs. W.C. Guth	Geter Porch
1964	Pleasant Grove & Macedonia	Murl Newman	Mrs. W.C. Guth	Tommy Johnson
1965	Rock Creek & Mineral Springs	Tommy Johnson	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Boyd Hopkins
1966	Oak Grove & Union Hill	J. Parker McLendon	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Albert Pruitt
1967	Spring - Ronda First Fall - Pleasant Hill	J. Parker McLendon	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	J. Parker McLendon
1968	Spring - Elkin Valley Fall - Elkin First	I. Boyd Hopkins	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Stanley Townsend
1969	Spring - Poplar Springs Fall - Pleasant Grove	I. Boyd Hopkins	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Herbert Caudle
1970	Spring - Friendship Fall - Mount Pleasant	Dr. Lin Fincannon	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Clyde Hawkins
1971	Spring - Pleasant Home Fall - Cool Springs	Dr. Lin Fincannon	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	William Jones Dwane R. Campbell
1972	Spring - Mineral Springs Fall - Macedonia	Dwane R. Campbell	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	W.T. Furr
1973	Spring - Pleasant Hill Fall - Elkin Valley	Dwane R. Campbell	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Harold King
1974	Spring - East Elkin Fall - Little Elkin	Dwane R. Campbell	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Talmadge Wall, Jr.
1975	Spring - Shoaly Branch Fall - Pleasant Grove	Dwane R. Campbell	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. M. Ray Davis
1976	Spring - Pleasant Ridge Fall - Pleasant View	Dwane R. Campbell	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Vance Edwards
1977	Spring - Rock Creek Fall - White Plains	Dwane R. Campbell	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Charles Lethcoe
1978	Spring - Union Hill Fall - Cool Springs	Talmadge Wall T.D. Carter	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	B.R. Elledge
1979	Spring - Ronda First Fall - Mount Pleasant	Rev. Bill Pruitt	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Tobie Stone
1980	Spring - West Elkin Fall - Oak Grove	Rev. Bill Pruitt	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley Rev. Carl Elledge	Rev. Mike Lane
1981	Spring - Poplar Springs	Rev. Bill Pruitt	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Earl Adams

	Fall - Elkin First	Rev. Bill Pruitt	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. David Brown
1982	Spring - Pleasant Home	Rev. Charles Lethcoe	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Jessie Miles
	Fall - Friendship	Rev. Charles Lethcoe	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Charles Nazary
1983	Spring - Macedonia	Rev. Charles Lethcoe	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Mark Tilley
	Fall - Mineral Springs	Rev. Charles Lethcoe	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Dr. J.H. Sollie
1984	Spring - Pleasant Grove	Rev. Charles Lethcoe	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. John Davis
	Fall - Pleasant Hill	Rev. Charles Lethcoe	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Mr. Charles Lethcoe
1985	Spring - Elkin Valley	Rev. Charles Lethcoe	Mrs. Willie Mae Stanley	Rev. Spencer Edmonds
	Fall - Pleasant Ridge	Dr. Lin Fincannon	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Rev. Joel Johnson
1986	Spring - White Plains	Dr. Lin Fincannon	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Rev. I.V. Couch
	Fall - Rock Creek	Dr. Lin Fincannon	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Building Committee
1987	Spring - Pleasant View	Dr. Lin Fincannon	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Rev. Kenneth Wood
	Fall - Union Hill	Rev. Glenn Byrd	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Dr. David Hughes
1988	Spring - Cool Springs	Rev. Glenn Byrd	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Rev. Joe Blackburn
	Fall - Ronda First	Rev. Glenn Byrd	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Rev. Vernon Ball
1989	Spring - Mount Pleasant	Rev. Jonah Parker	Mrs. Willie Mae Clodfelter	Rev. Jonah Parker
	Fall - Oak Grove	Rev. Jonah Parker	Mrs. Sabrilla DeBorde	Rev. James Holbrook
1990	Spring - Poplar Springs	Rev. Jonah Parker	Mrs. Sabrilla DeBorde	Dr. Don Stephens
	Fall - West Elkin	Rev. Jonah Parker	Mrs. Sabrilla DeBorde	Rev. Glenn Byrd
1991	Spring - Elkin First	Rev. Jonah Parker	Mrs. Sabrilla DeBorde	Rev. Nicholas Cheek
	Fall - Pleasant Home	Rev. Vernon Ball	Mrs. Sabrilla DeBorde	Rev. John Attaway
1992	Spring - Friendship	Rev. Vernon Ball	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Dr. Monroe Huffman
	Fall - Macedonia	Rev. Vernon Ball	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Rev. Finley McCoury
1993	Spring - Mineral Springs	Rev. Vernon Ball	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Dr. Roger O'Dell
	Fall - Pleasant Grove	Dr. Kenneth Hyde	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Rev. Rick Tomlinson
1994	Spring - Pleasant Hill	Dr. Kenneth Hyde	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Rev. Linwood Campbell
	Fall - Pleasant Ridge	Dr. Kenneth Hyde	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Rev. Joel Blevins
1995	Spring - Elkin Valley	Dr. Kenneth Hyde	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Dr. Edgar Yarbrough
	Fall - White Plains	Jack Gentry	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Rev. Roger Hensley
1996	Spring - Union Hill	Jack Gentry	Mrs. Mary Haynes	Rev. Dennis Murphy
	Fall - Mount Pleasant	Jack Gentry	Angela Corder	Rev. Kenneth Jordan
1997	Spring - Poplar Springs	Dr. Monroe Huffman	Angela Corder	Rev. Joel Blevins
	Fall - Pleasant Home	Dr. Monroe Huffman	Angela Corder	Rev. Kenneth Hyde
1998	Spring - Ronda First	Dr. Monroe Huffman	Angela Corder	Rev. Jeff Vogler
	Fall - Pleasant View	Dr. Monroe Huffman	Angela Corder	Rev. John Attaway
1999	Spring - Cool Springs	Dr. Monroe Huffman	Angela Corder	Rev. Dwayne Byrd
	Fall - West Elkin	Rev. John Attaway	Angela Corder	Dr. Bill Johnson
2000	Spring - Elkin First	Rev. John Attaway	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Mike Hall
	Fall - Macedonia	Rev. John Attaway	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Johnny Blevins
2001	Spring - Pleasant Grove	Rev. John Attaway	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Don Stephens
	Fall - Pleasant Hill	Rev. Kenneth Jordan	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Don Wright
2002	Spring - Friendship	Rev. Kenneth Jordan	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Wesley Smith
	Fall - Mineral Springs	Rev. Kenneth Jordan	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Tony White
2003	Spring - Pleasant Ridge	Rev. Kenneth Jordan	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Steve Kramun
	Fall - Elkin Valley	Dr. Don Stephens	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Dan Merritt
2004	Spring - Mount Pleasant	Rev. Johnny Blevins	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Dennis Murphy
	Fall - White Plains	Rev. Wesley Smith	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Rex Walker
2005	Spring - Ronda First	Rev. Wesley Smith	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Richard Cardwell
	Fall - Cool Springs	Rev. Wesley Smith	Angela Cockerham	Rev. Marty Nixon
2006	Spring - Union Hill	Rev. Wesley Smith	Lisa Green	Rev. Russ Nixon
	Fall - Poplar Springs	Rev. Joel Blevins	Lisa Green	Rev. Finley McCoury
2007	Spring - West Elkin	Rev. Joel Blevins	Lisa Green	Rev. Chris Cave
	Fall - Pleasant Home	Rev. Joel Blevins	Lisa Green	Rev. Robby Miller
2008	Spring - Macedonia	Rev. Joel Blevins	Lisa Green	Rev. Danny Dodds
	Fall - Pleasant Hill	Jack Gentry	Lisa Green	Rev. Johnny Blevins
2009	Spring - Elkin Valley	Jack Gentry	Lisa Green	Rev. John Attaway
	Fall - Pleasant View	Jack Gentry	Lisa Green	Rev. Kenny Wood

2010 Spring – Friendship	Jack Gentry	Lisa Green	Rev. Kenneth Jordan
Fall – Mineral Springs	Rev. Danny Dodds	Lisa Green	Rev. Mike Smith
2011 Spring – White Plains	Rev. Danny Dodds	Lisa Green	Rev. Nicholas Check
Fall – Pleasant Ridge	Rev. Danny Dodds	Lisa Green	Rev. David Key
2012 Spring – Pleasant Grove	Rev. Danny Dodds	Lisa Green	Rev. Wesley Smith
Fall – Mt. Pleasant	Rev. Dan Merritt	Lisa Green	Rev. Ronnie McMillan
2013 Spring – Ronda First	Rev. Mike Smith	Lisa Green	Rev. Gary Byrd
Fall – Cool Springs	Rev. Mike Smith	Lisa Green	Rev. Kenny Wood
2014 Spring – Union Hill	Rev. Mike Smith	Lisa Green	Rev. Danny Dodds
Fall – Poplar Springs	Rev. Mike Smith	Lisa Green	Rev. Jerry Fugate
2015 Spring – West Elkin	Rev. Mike Smith	Lisa Green	Rev. Chad Whitley
Fall – Pleasant Home	Rev. Jerry Fugate	Lisa Green	Rev. Mitch Smith
2016 Spring – Macedonia	Rev. Jerry Fugate	Lisa Green	Rev. Danny Bauguess
Fall – Pleasant Hill	Rev. Jerry Fugate	Lisa Green	Rev. Robbie Wood
2017 Spring – Elkin Valley	Rev. Jerry Fugate	Lisa Green	Rev. Joe Souther
Fall – Pleasant View	Rev. Johnny Blevins	Lisa Green	Rev. Tony McCann
2018 Spring – Friendship	Rev. Johnny Blevins	Lisa Green	Rev. Stephen Robbins
Fall – Mineral Springs	Rev. Johnny Blevins	Lisa Green	Rev. Joe Wood

Church Directory

Church	Pastor	Church Address	Phone
Cool Springs	Joe Souther	1602 Cool Springs Church Rd, Elkin 28621	835-8827
East Elkin	Rex Walker	485 E. Main St., Elkin 28621	527-0755
Elkin Valley	Johnny Blevins	118 N Elkin Dr, Elkin 28621	835-3808
Friendship	Jerry Fugate	633 Friendship Church Rd, Elkin 28621	835-6921
Macedonia	Mike Smith	1120 Austin Little Mtn Rd, Ronda 28670	957-4640
Mineral Springs	Wesley Smith	211 Cedarbrook Rd, Jonesville 28642	835-5361
Mt. Pleasant		PO Box 130, State Road 28676	874-2712
Pleasant Grove	Dennis Murphy	3982 Clingman Rd, Ronda 28670	984-3463
Pleasant Hill	Danny Dodds	593 Pleasant Hill Dr, Elkin 28621	835-3401
Pleasant Home	Danny Bauguess	162 Byrd Road, Roaring River 28669	957-4380
Pleasant Ridge	Mitch Smith	1997 Pleasant Ridge Rd, State Road 28676	874-2875
Pleasant View	Robbie Wood	199 Mining School Rd, State Road, 28676	990-0194
Poplar Springs	Chad Whitley	PO Box 38, State Road 28676	835-7244
Rock Creek	James King	2153 Rock Creek Rd, N Wilkesboro 28659	467-4820
Ronda First	Ronnie McMillan	PO Box 159, Ronda 28670	835-6670
Union Hill	Tony White	1266 Union Hill Rd, Thurmond 28683	366-2713
West Elkin	Tony McCann	102 Reeves Lane, Elkin 28621	526-3972





# Baptist Children's Homes

of NORTH CAROLINA

2018 Report: July 2017 - June 2018

## A Message from BCH President Michael C. Blackwell

Numbers can say so much: **80% of the children and families Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) serves come to us unchurched.** In 2017, BCH became home to **74 groups of siblings.** These precious brothers and sisters, for their safety, had to be removed from the custody of their parents or family members.

In 2012, just six years ago, BCH cared for 12 sibling groups. Those numbers have risen sharply for many reasons, but opioid use in particular has gripped mothers, fathers and families. It indiscriminately rips families apart. More than ever, our cottage parents and caring staff see the effects daily as children come to us hurt, confused and already weary from life's struggles.

As a child, it's heartbreaking when you cannot trust your family to feed you, give you clean clothes that fit, provide you a safe home, or simply give you the love you long for. At BCH, our cottage parents stand waiting in the doors of our caring cottage homes and say "come" to these children who have been neglected and often abused. They become a family to them. And they introduce children to the voice of Jesus Christ who says to them, "Come to me...I will give you rest."

Again, numbers say so much: **203 lives were forever changed in 2017!** Because of North Carolina Baptists, children have hope. Souls are being saved. **You impacted a total of 32,576 lives last year!** This would not be possible without you.

Every day, more children are coming to us throughout BCH's 21 statewide locations and our orphanage in Guatemala. Please continue to help us offer places of healing, places of rest – compassionate places where children and families can rise out of brokenness and come into the arms of Jesus

Thank you for being our partners – our friends – in ministry.

Michael C. Blackwell | Baptist Children's Homes President/CEO

**Note:** Help by encouraging your church to be a part of the 2018 Annual Offering this fall. Schedule a speaker to share the BCH story with your church. Call 336-474-1209 and visit [www.bchoffering.org](http://www.bchoffering.org).

### **Junior – A Life Changed!**

*"My cottage parents told me my relationship with Jesus needed to be personal – now it is." – Junior | Accepted Jesus on June 29, 2017*

Turmoil was normal to Junior and his younger brother. As toddlers, the boys were removed from their mother's care because of her struggle with drugs. The brothers lived in multiple foster homes until their father came back into their lives. When a run-in with the law led to their father's imprisonment, Junior was angry and hurt. The trauma he experienced throughout his young life was taking its toll. The boys' grandmother turned to Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) for help. Living at BCH with their cottage parents and the other boys has given them a caring home. Most of all, it has given them hope. During a youth camp at the church the cottage attends, Junior and the other youth were asked to write on a piece of paper the one question they would ask God. On his paper, Junior says, "I had asked God to save me." That night, he says his life truly changed.

### **Numbers of Children in Need Rise in 2017**

The needs of North Carolina children remained great this past year as BCH's statewide homes stayed full or near capacity. Children are now living at BCH for longer periods of time in a trend that has shifted from 2016. A rise in abuse and neglect, often due to the nation's growing opioid crisis, has resulted in children remaining longer in the safe, stable setting BCH offers. One measurement the nonprofit uses to analyze the need is called "days of care." A day of care is counted every time a child is safely tucked in bed at night. In 2017, that number reached a staggering 125,889 days.

### **First-year Ministry Reaches Thousands**

**Greater Vision Outreach Ministry** has quickly impacted the lives of community families throughout the state. In its first year, Greater Vision reached 9,393 individuals across North Carolina. The ministry's purpose is to strengthen working families, who struggle financially, by meeting essential physical and spiritual needs. Greater Vision works in partnership with other organizations to provide food, resources, education, referral and preventive services. Greater Vision's statewide headquarters in Thomasville, which can accept large donations, is opening summer 2018. **To donate, volunteer or learn more about services, call 866-904-0060 or visit [www.bchfamily.org/greatervision](http://www.bchfamily.org/greatervision)**

### **North Carolina Baptist Aging Ministry's Influence Recognized**

**North Carolina Baptist Aging Ministry (NCBAM)** received both regional and international attention in 2017. The ministry received the 2017 Outstanding Community Service Award for North Carolina from the Southeastern Association of Area Agencies on Aging. This award recognizes an agency that has made positive contributions in the lives of older people. In June, NCBAM's director, Dr. Sandy Gregory spoke at the 7th International Conference on Aging and Spirituality in Chicago. NCBAM also added new titles to the workshops it offers to churches and senior centers--now offering more than 40 enrichment workshops that address issues relevant to aging adults. **For information or to register for workshops and events, visit [www.ncbam.org](http://www.ncbam.org) or call 877.506.2226**

### **Career Opportunities – Go on Mission at Baptist Children's Homes**

As local missionaries, everyone at Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) strives to care for hurting children and families and share with them God's unfailing love. BCH is looking for married, Christian couples to serve as cottage parents who will love hurting children and families with the love of Jesus Christ. This is an opportunity to be a paid, full-time local missionary with great benefits. **Learn more about career opportunities with BCH at [www.bchcareers.org](http://www.bchcareers.org)**

### **BCH president Celebrates Milestones**

Michael C. Blackwell celebrated multiple accomplishments in 2017. Blackwell was conferred the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs, NC during its summer commencement ceremony on August 5 and presented the message to the graduates in attendance. On December 15, he was also awarded the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Mars Hill University in Mars Hill, NC. Both universities lauded his achievements and his transformational leadership at BCH. In addition, Blackwell was named one of the Triad's most admired CEOs by The Triad Business Journal. Trustees approved the Emergency Care Cottage at Broyhill Home to be named the Michael C. and Catherine Kanipe Blackwell Cottage. On August 12, Blackwell and his wife, Catherine, celebrated 50 years of marriage. And in 2018, he will mark 35 years as BCH president/CEO, a position held longer than any BCH executive leader.

### ***Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina***

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**NOTE:** The following summaries are abbreviated versions of reports that will be included in the 2018 Book of Reports that will be distributed at this year's Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Annual Meeting to be held Nov. 5-6, 2018 in Greensboro.

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina (BSCNC) exists to help local churches fulfill their divinely appointed mission from God. The convention staff, under the leadership of Executive Director-Treasurer Milton A. Hollifield Jr., is committed to helping Baptist churches and associations maximize their ministry outreach for the purpose of building God's kingdom through a strategy of "impacting lostness through disciple-making."

#### **Associational Partnerships**

Associational Missions Strategists (AMSS), also known as directors of missions (DOMs) or associational missionaries across North Carolina, play a critical role in the life of our churches and can be a vital, significant and strategic force in the effort to help plant new churches and assist in the revitalization and replanting of existing congregations. For this reason, Associational Partnerships continues to offer opportunities, training and resources to help associational leaders enter the field with a fresh, intentional and deliberate approach. We are so grateful for the crucial strategic ministry partnerships with the associational leaders representing 77 associations across the state. Our staff is thankful for these leaders, their servant hearts and faithfulness toward impacting lostness through creating a disciple-making culture in their churches, communities and beyond.

**Associational Missions Conference:** During this year's three-day training event in April we offered a full day devoted to potential and new associational leadership training, a track for spouses, a track for church and community ministries personnel, and a full agenda of education, training and fellowship for

associational leaders. The conference theme was "Redeeming the Time: Reclaiming the Glory: Seizing Every Opportunity to Restore His Church." Our guest presenter was Mark Clifton, senior director of replanting at the North

American Mission Board. The emphasis was focused on the implementation of a framework and strategy related to church revitalization and church replanting.

#### **Church Health and Revitalization**

In the last two years, our team of revitalization specialists has had hundreds of conversations with associations, pastors and churches in an effort to help them assess their current realities, envision a future for making disciples and build strategies to impact their communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Along the way, we have continually asked the question, "What is working in church revitalization?" The keys we are seeing are these:

1. An outpouring of God's Spirit through prayer and study of His Word.
2. Repentance and a return to a love for Jesus Christ.
3. Leaders unleashed to shepherd the church toward mission.
4. Disciples who are multiplying by making disciples.
5. Communities transformed by the power of God expressed through the ministry of the local church.

The interest and need for revitalization continues to flourish in North Carolina. We have consulted with several individual churches and have several associations involved in or making

plans to begin revitalization cohorts in the near future.

### **Church Planting**

North Carolina Baptists celebrated the addition of 101 new churches in 2017. Of these, 71 were new church plants receiving training, coaching and financial assistance through the North Carolina Missions Offering (NCMO) and the Cooperative Program. A total of 30 new churches, most new mission points, joined our Baptist family by affiliation and received resources other than financial assistance, such as coaching, partnership and training.

A total of 82 percent of these new churches are identified as non-Anglo. This is significant, since there are more than 336 languages spoken in the state. Of the new churches, 26 were Hispanic and 10 were Asian. Churches who self-identified as African-American totaled 12 new church plants, and 34 designated themselves as multi-ethnic or "other." Presently, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina churches, associations, and networks work with 69 language groups in the state.

These new churches reported 108,774 evangelistic contacts and 7,122 professions of faith.

### **Collegiate Partnerships**

The Collegiate Partnerships Team of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina (BSCNC) has been increasingly helping N.C. Baptist churches fill college campuses with missionaries. Churches have responded by engaging campuses with the gospel, and we have seen the greatest growth from ministries started at community college campuses. As a result, more students are involved in collegiate ministry, more students are actively serving in our churches, more students are being saved, more students are being disciplined in small groups, more students are being trained to share the gospel, more students are being developed as leaders, and more students are being sent as summer missionaries.

### **Cooperative Program**

North Carolina Baptists minister together in hundreds of ways across our state and beyond. Behind all those ministries is a love for Christ and a desire to both proclaim and live out the the gospel He brought. The main component enabling and fueling these works is the Cooperative Program, now totaling more than \$31 million. This is how N.C. Baptists cooperate financially year-round for missions and ministry support.

There is room for both pride and concern when looking at Southern Baptist giving levels. Nationwide support for the Cooperative Program has trended slightly upward over recent years. In North Carolina, Baptists have also slightly increased their Cooperative Program giving.

Additionally, N.C. Baptists led all other state conventions in their support for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and were second among the other state conventions in their support for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

### **Disciple-making Culture**

The Evangelism and Discipleship Group is focused on the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's strategy of "impacting lostness through disciple-making" as we strengthen churches by helping them create a disciple-making culture. The Evangelism and Discipleship Group is comprised of two teams, the Disciple-Making Team and the Church Strengthening Team.

### **Disciple-making Conference**

The 2018 conference was held on Feb. 27 at Center Grove Baptist Church in Clemmons, N.C. Attended by approximately 600 people, the conference focused on best practices and methods for reaching people with the gospel of Jesus Christ and discipling them toward the mission of God. The keynote speaker was Pastor Matt Carter of The Austin Stone Community Church in Austin, Texas. More than 40

equipping sessions were hosted, providing practical application to a vast array of evangelism and discipleship issues faced by the local church.

#### **Embrace and Women's Evangelism and Discipleship**

Embrace continues to equip women to make disciples in order to impact lostness.

At the 2018 Disciple-Making Conference, Embrace hosted four equipping sessions to help women's ministry leaders and church members make disciples.

The Embrace Leadership Network (ELN) continued to grow in its second year. This yearlong intensive training includes four full Saturdays of discussion and hands-on learning activities, designed to equip participants to be well-rounded women's ministry leaders or influencers in their local churches or associations.

In the spring of 2018, Embrace hosted seven roundtable events in Statesville, Cary, New Bern, Monroe, High Point, Dobson and Rocky Mount, where attendees received training in having gospel conversations.

Embrace hosted "Embracing Boston," a four-day mission trip to Boston, Massachusetts, from Sept. 14-17, 2017. This mission team worked alongside Beacon Community Church in Belmont, a community of approximately 25,000 residents located just outside of Boston.

On Oct. 27-28, 2017, Embrace hosted the annual N.C. Baptist Women's Retreat. The theme was "Anchored" based on Psalm 1:3.

#### **Great Commission Partnerships**

The Office of Great Commission Partnerships exists to mobilize and empower North Carolina Baptist churches to make disciples among unreached people groups and in least-reached places in North Carolina, throughout North America and around the world. We do this in

North Carolina by empowering churches to impact lostness through disciple-making among the unreached peoples next door and least-reached multifamily housing communities. We do this globally by mobilizing our churches to impact lostness through disciple-making through partnership missions with churches, planters and missionaries in least-reached places and among unreached people groups throughout North America and around the world. Our great hope is to help the church to fulfill its God-given commission to make disciples among all nations until there is no place or people left without the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **Office of Prayer**

Last November during the 2017 Baptist State Convention of North Carolina (BSCNC) Annual Meeting in Greensboro, messengers and guests united in one-accord prayer toward revival and spiritual awakening during the "Broken Before the Throne" prayer gathering. The prayer service was based upon God's invitation in Acts 3:19 to return to Him through genuine repentance, humility and brokenness so that He might pour out His mercy, forgiveness, restoration and refreshing upon His people and upon our nation. Following last November's prayer gathering, many pastors and leaders implemented similar prayer gatherings in their churches and areas and used the resources that were created and used during the prayer gathering at the 2017 Annual Meeting to help with planning and implementing a prayer service.

The 2018 Statewide "Awaken" Prayer Conference was held at Lake Hills Church, Candler, North Carolina, on March 9-10, 2018. Over the past year, regional prayer conferences, summits and gatherings were also held in partnership with associations and churches across North Carolina.

#### **Strategic Focus Team**

The Strategic Focus Team (SFT) has the responsibility to assist North Carolina Baptists

to focus on the 250 most concentrated pockets of lostness across our state. These small geographic areas, usually 3-to-6 miles in diameter, represent places where the lost population is growing and changing faster than the local church has kept pace.

Over time, these areas have filled with groups of people that are different from the local congregation and particularly hard to reach. Since 2014, the SFT has initiated work in 68 of North Carolina's top 100 pockets, which are generally located in eight population centers across the state. This past year, the team moved forward to begin assisting churches to engage the remaining 150 pockets, completing detailed research in 33 pockets and initiating work in 51 pockets. The strategy coordinators assigned to the SFT help churches and associations develop strategies within these pockets to engage North Carolina's hard to reach. These strategies often include strengthening existing churches as well as planting new ones. However, disciple-making lies at the heart of each strategy as churches work to establish sustainable, multiplying disciple-making among every group of people living in North Carolina's pockets of lostness.

#### **Worship and Music**

This year has seen a focus on increasing the number of ways that we can deliver training to North Carolina Baptist worship leaders, particularly through the extensive development of online methods of training. Our primary training for worship leaders is through one of the Worship Leader Boot Camp experiences. We now offer a variety of possibilities, depending upon how deep worship leaders want to go and how much time they can allot to learning experiences.

#### **Youth Evangelism and Discipleship**

Summer Youth Weeks 2017 consisted of seven weeks of camp at Fort Caswell. These weeks combined worship, small and large group studies, special interest tracks, church group

devotions, an afternoon opportunity called Youth Ministry University and many other fun activities. The theme was "Way. Truth. Life." based on John 14:6.

Attendance for the 2017 camps was 6,326, representing 263 churches. Total decisions reflected the greater things God was doing at camp, including 321 first-time professions of faith, more than 1,200 recommitments and 103 called to full-time Christian ministry.

### **Compensation and Benefits Services (CABS)**

The Compensation and Benefits Services (CABS) office is able to provide answers to general questions regarding retirement, insurance and other financial needs of our churches. Our goal is to keep our North Carolina Baptist association offices and churches up-to-date on changes that affect them. The following information is a summary of those efforts:

#### **Retirement**

The CABS office works with church staff and lay leaders in an effort to assist them in the restructuring of pastor and staff compensation packages to include retirement benefits. Many pastors and staff members do not see the benefits of participating in the Church Retirement Plan, and they will opt out of the plan if given an opportunity. Therefore, a continued effort is being made to challenge churches to assist their pastors and staff by contributing to their retirement plans in addition to their salaries and other benefits. Sadly, nearly half of N.C. Baptist churches make no contributions to the retirement plans of their staff members. We continue to educate and encourage our churches to be responsible employers by providing for their staff members' retirements in a Christ-honoring manner.

#### **Convention Protection Benefits**

We were pleased to be able to continue offering life and disability benefits to all qualified staff members of N.C. Baptist churches participating in the Church Plan through GuideStone. North Carolina continues to lead all state conventions in the number of participants, but we still fall far short of the goal of having every church providing protection benefits for their staff members through participating in a GuideStone Retirement Plan.

#### **Tax and Health Insurance Laws**

**Healthcare reform law:** GuideStone remains a leader in providing detailed information regarding the impact that new tax and health care laws have on our churches and their staff. Timely and thorough updates of changes in the tax law are available on the GuideStone website. We are certain that there will be many more changes in the coming months related to health care laws, and your CABS office will work diligently to stay on top of these changes.

#### **Church Staff Compensation**

The results of the 2018 Southern Baptist Compensation Study are available online by visiting *compstudy.lifeway.com*. Much of the year has been spent educating churches on the potential adverse tax implications of the "lump sum pay packages" for pastors and churches. The taxability of such pay packages continues to be a concern.

#### **Mission Dignity**

GuideStone Financial Resources continues to provide financial assistance to elderly ministers and widows of ministers who live under financial duress and need ongoing and/or one-time assistance through Mission Dignity. For assistance, call the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina at (800) 395-5102, ext. 5604 or 5637, visit our website at *ncbaptist.org*. Or call GuideStone at (888) 984-8433, or visit the GuideStone website at *GuideStone.org*.

*Davis Blount, Senior Consultant, CABS Office*





# BAPTISTS ON MISSION

## INVOLVEMENT STATS - 2017

### AGRICULTURE MISSIONS

- Church and community garden ministries continue to be promoted within North Carolina and now in the Appalachians Coalfields.
- State Ag Missions Team assisted the Guatemala and Cuba Partnerships as consultants for some of their country's agricultural needs.

### AVIATION MINISTRY

- 34 NC pilots involved
- 221 Airlift Hope Missions completed
- 74 patients served
- 180 passengers served
- \$645,639 in public benefit
- 12,675 miles flown

### BAPTIST EDUCATORS

- English as a Second Language ministry has been successful in its first year under the umbrella of Baptist Educators. Two Literacy Missions Conferences were held in Winston-Salem and Raleigh this year.
- Bibles and Christian study books collection continues for a seminary library in Africa or Asia.

### CHILDREN'S MISSIONS

- 316 participated in the State RA Race
- 75 campers for RA Camporee

### CHURCH RENEWAL

- 32 Church Renewal Weekends in NC
- 52 Church Renewal Overviews
- 36 Preparation Group Trainings
- 1 Church Renewal Journey Team in Romania
- NC Team Members assisted with 36 churches in 12 different states other than NC
- Two Renewal Coordinator trainings conducted.

### DISASTER RELIEF/RECOVERY

#### RESPONSE LOCATIONS:

- Hurricane Matthew (ongoing)
- Tennessee Fires (from 2016)

- Rockingham County Tornado May 5
- Sampson County Tornado May 23
- Tornado May 24
- Sampson County Wind Event May 29
- Rockingham County Wind Event May 31
- Flood Relief Sri Lanka, provision of funds
- Pitt County Tornado June 5
- Windsor Wind Event June 5
- Rockingham County Wind Event June 15
- Tennessee Fires second response
- Tarboro Townhall Mtg, provision of childcare (H. Matthew)
- Nederland TX Hurricane Harvey September 4
- Miami/FL Keys Hurricane Irma September 13
- Puerto Rico Hurricane Maria September 29
- Caldwell County (Tornado) Hurricane Nate October 9
- Alexander/Burke/Caldwell/Catawba/Cleveland Counties Tornadoes October 23

#### By Numbers:

- Responses - 18
- Volunteer days - 29,493
- Chaplaincy contacts - 8,124
- Salvations - 91
- Meals prepared - 538,539
- Patient Visits - 10
- Flood Cleanup Jobs completed - 677
- Chainsaw Jobs completed - 184
- Homes repaired - 128
- Showers - 15,118
- Laundry Loads - 3,072

### FAMILY FOUNDATIONS

- Two Marriage Retreats were held in Laurel Springs and at the Caraway Conference with \_\_\_ attending

### IN-STATE MISSION PROJECTS

- Red Springs Mission Camp: over 5000 volunteer days
- Shelby Mission Camp: 3,979 volunteers days, 173 completed construction projections (72 wheelchair ramps); 32 non construction projects
- Baptist Builders: Matthew 25 House Project in Tabor City
- Handyman Assistance Requests - 163
- Impact NC - 6 Church-to-Church Projects

## INTERNATIONAL MISSION PARTNERSHIPS

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- Armenia – 18 on 4 teams
- Cuba – 180 on 26 teams
- Guatemala – 165 on 22 teams
- Haiti – 15 on 2 teams
- Honduras – 293 on 21 teams
- Kenya – 55 on 9 teams
- Roma People – 126 on 12 teams
- South Africa – 71 on 7 teams

## LEAST OF THESE PROJECTS

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- Lighthouse School in Gaza - 21
- Armenia Church Planters - 20
- Kenya Houses of Hope – 24 houses built
- Haiti – School, Medical Clinic
- Bihar, India – 14 wells donated; 3 sewing scholarships & 3 sewing machines donated
- Africa for Christ – 7 Church Planter Supports
- Door of Hope, South Africa – assistance provided for many children

## MEDICAL MISSIONS

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### ➤ MOBILE DENTAL MINISTRY

- PATIENTS: dental – 3,256; medical – 144; eye – 43
- VOLUNTEERS: medical professionals: dentists – 324; dental assistants/hygienists – 470; physicians – 15; nurses/PA's/Pharmacists – 177; lay workers – 1,249; translators – 124; pastors – 94; counselors – 121
- Mobile units in use 170 days in 160 locations, traveling 21,128 miles.
- Professions of Faith – 21; Other decisions – 30

### ➤ HEALTH SCREENING MINISTRY

- 35 Scheduled Clinics
- Professions of Faith – 5
- PATIENTS: 458
- VOLUNTEERS: 709
- Medical/Nursing Programs Utilizing Mobile Unit – 5
- # Counties visited 17

## MEN'S MINISTRY

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- 242 participants in Men's Ministry Worship Rallies
- 62 participants in Men's Outdoor Weekend
- 62 Men's Work & Worship Weekend, Shelby Mission Camp
- 43 participants in statewide Men's Ministry Leadership Training

## NATIONAL MISSION PARTNERSHIPS

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- Appalachian Coalfields – 1,127 on 68 teams
- Hawaii – 23 on 6 teams
- New England – 420 on 30 teams
- Pennsylvania – 232 on 16 teams
- Rocky Mountain – 328 on 33 teams
- TOTAL – 2,130 on 153 teams

## SPORTS & RECREATION

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- 52 participated in the annual May NCBM Golf Tournament

## STUDENT MOBILIZATION MINISTRY

- 1,721 participants in 11 Deep Impact Mission Camps & 4 DI Kids camps; mission offering = \$10,000 for Eastern Cuba Water Purification units

## COLLEGE MISSIONS

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- 79 Students & Scholars attended the International Student & Scholar Conference
- 64 Students attending Student Summer Ministries Interview Weekend
- 142 Students partaking in Student Summer Ministries (BeDeTell, Camp Caraway, Camp Mundo Vista, Deep Impact, DI Kids, & Fort Caswell)
- 75 Students in Here & Now Missions Experience
- 62 College Students assisting with Disaster Relief

## GENERAL EVENTS:

### ACC CHURCH DAY EVENT

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- 1,200 youth/adults attended ACC Church Day Program followed by the football game at Wake Forest University

### BAPTIST MISSIONS CONFERENCE

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- Approximately 1425 participants attended this annual inspirational and informational meeting

## CAMPS

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- 322 boys attended Camp Caraway; \$2,092.16 offering received for Hurricane Matthew
- 487 attended Children Coed Camps
- 37 attended Mother/Son Camp
- 19 attended Father/Daughter Camp
- 111 participated in Father/Son Overnight Camps
- 383 attended World Missions Week at Caswell

## REGIONAL RALLIES

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- 2,606 participants in August
- 2,177 participants in February

# BAPTISTS ON MISSION/NCBM

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

## THE WHY, HOW AND WHAT OF NCBM

What is the **Why, How and What** of Baptists on Mission/NCBM?

**Why?**- To glorify God by developing disciples that live as missionaries who are called, gifted and sent to be Jesus' presence in our world.

**How?**- By facilitating church and individual involvement in local, state, national and international missions we help Christians better understand how they are called, gifted and sent to be Jesus' presence in our world. We help Christians see needs in their world and see that God has already provided them with gifts and abilities required to meet needs as they serve others in Jesus' name. The 18 ministries along with numerous projects and partnerships are various ways that churches and individuals can engage in missions.

**What?**- Thousands of Christians (and churches) growing as disciples of Christ, aware of hurts and needs of people in their world and prayerfully seeking how God is calling them to glorify Him as they engage in mission in their community, across our state and around the world. We exist to help churches/Christians get personally involved in sharing Christ as they are personally involved in missions. The goal of Baptists on Mission/NCBM is to help North Carolina Baptist Churches involve their members (men, women and students) in missions.

## BAPTISTSON MISSION/NCBM AREAS OF WORK

**Baptists on Mission/NCBM volunteers serve in 18 ministries that include the following:**

### STATE/NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL MISSION PROJECTS

God is changing lives through mission trips sponsored by Baptists on Mission in North Carolina (mission camps, Impact NC, etc.) and to places such as Pennsylvania, Hawaii, New England, Rocky Mountain Region, Appalachian Coalfields, Guatemala, Honduras, Kenya, Armenia, Romania, Hungary, Cuba, South Africa and other places. Many hundreds of volunteers serve in these partnerships every year.

**Lives are being changed...**North Carolina Baptists on Mission (NCBM) developed Appalachian Coalfields Ministry in 2010. The purpose of ACM is to minister both physically and spiritually to people in some of the poorest areas of our nation. Mission teams serve in the states of West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, and North Carolina. Projects include week-long service in children's ministry, sports clinics, music, evangelistic outreach, and construction, to name a few. Mission opportunities may also include the collection, delivery, and distribution of items such as food, school supplies, clothing, etc., which can be done in the course of a few days over a weekend. Hundreds of teams and thousands of volunteers have served through ACM over the years. Another major component of ACM is the annual Appalachian Christmas Outreach. Many in the Appalachian area have difficulty providing the basics of life for their families. They are plagued with cyclic, generational poverty. One of the greatest ministry needs here occurs around Christmastime. The Christmas backpacks may be the one gift that some of these children receive for Christmas. In 2017 North Carolina churches collected, filled, and delivered 11,355 Christmas backpacks. Each contained items of warm clothing, toys, food, hygiene items, and a Bible and pamphlet that explains the true meaning of Christmas. We are humbled at how God is using Appalachian Coalfields Ministry to reach families and change lives.

Dewey and Kathie Alken are NCBM On-Site Coordinators for the Appalachian Coalfields Ministry. The Alkens live in Brevard, NC, but travel throughout the Appalachian area, learning about the people and encouraging ministry leaders. They combine a deep passion for showing the love of Christ to others with a clear understanding of the needs of mission teams. We are delighted to work with Dewey and Kathie in this ministry. *Only God knows how many people have come to know Christ as volunteers have shared the Love of Jesus.*"

#### **DISASTER RELIEF**

God has blessed us with excellent disaster relief equipment and volunteers. North Carolina Baptists have five large disaster feeding units. The two largest units are capable of preparing and serving 30,000+ meals per day. We now have more than 250 disaster recovery trailers (owned by local churches and associations) that are used to do clean up and repair work after a disaster. We also have six large shower units, three laundry units, a childcare unit, several large recovery units, large generator units and lots of other disaster relief equipment that the Lord has provided.

Lives are being changed...In August, 2017, Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria slammed Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico and affected thousands of families. Since then, as NC Baptists you have provided over 530,000 hot meals and over 30,000 volunteer days of labor to hurting people. People in great need are hearing and seeing the love of Christ and many people are coming to commit or to recommit their lives to Jesus. As NC Baptists we are still serving hurting people in Puerto Rico and have already completed more than 100 roofs for people who lost their roofs in Hurricane Maria. The rebuilding from Hurricane Matthew (2016) will last another year or so.

#### **MEDICAL/DENTAL MISSIONS**

NCBM offer the use of the mobile medical/dental units to Baptist and non-Baptist churches and service organizations within North Carolina who wish to reach out to people in need. Approximately 4,000 people are seen on the two mobile units every year. Patients targeted through this ministry may include the impoverished, Hispanic and other ethnic groups, migrant workers, fair workers, the homeless, the elderly and more. We have a new Dental truck that was completed in July of this year!

#### **HEALTH SCREENING MINISTRY**

One of the newest ministries in which we are involved is Health Screening with a mobile Health Screening bus. This ministry provides not only basic health screening clinics, but spiritual assessments and counseling as well. We are seeking to reach a vast population including the uninsured, minority, elderly, migrant workers, rescue missions, and homeless shelters. Our hope is that by meeting a physical need, a spiritual door will be opened and the love of Jesus can be shared. Health screening tests offered on the unit include: Hemoglobin A1C for diabetes screening, finger stick glucose, Cholestech LDX for total cholesterol and HDL results, body mass index calculation, depression screening, vital signs assessment.

#### **STUDENT MISSIONS**

Deep Impact helps North Carolina Baptist churches develop a comprehensive youth missions strategy to produce committed followers of Christ. This strategy includes pre-packaged mission weeks, free online mission studies, weekend mission retreats, hands-on mission training and much more. Almost 2,000 students are involved in Deep Impact every summer.

#### **DI KIDS**

One of our newest efforts is DI Kids (Deep Impact Kids), a missions weekend/week for children and their leaders. DI Kids Missions Weeks, Mini-weeks, and Weekends are pre-packaged mission experiences sponsored by Baptists on Mission/NCBM that provides elementary age students and their leaders/parents with the opportunity to share the love of God with people in NC. The children enjoy a great camp experience with a mission focus. Involving children in missions is a great beginning to developing disciple making students and adults with a love for missions.

#### **OTHER MINISTRIES**

In addition to the ministries described above, other ministries of Baptists on Mission/NCBM designed to equip, motivate and mobilize men and women to be involved in missions are: Agriculture Missions, Aviation Ministry, Baptist Builders, Baptist Educators, Family Foundations, College Missions, Compassion Ministry, Church Renewal, Prayer Support, Sports and Recreation, Men's Ministry, Student Missions and Children's Missions.

### **MISSIONS CONFERENCE**

The annual missions conference, sponsored by Baptists on Mission/NCBM, include music, testimonies, speakers, breakout sessions, mission fair exhibits, volunteer suppers and much more. The desired end result is for participants to be inspired to become involved in missions locally and around the world. Over 1,600 people attend this conference every year.

### **REGIONAL MISSIONS RALLIES**

Each spring and fall, Baptists on Mission/NCBM sponsors regional rallies in all 10 regions of our state. These meetings are designed to challenge North Carolina Baptists across the state to greater missions involvement and to promote the September North Carolina Missions Offering. The rallies are open for all men, women and youth interested in missions.

### **BAPTISTS ON MISSION MAGAZINE**

This publication is mailed twice each year to all church missions leadership on each level, mission volunteers, all NCBM ministry groups, youth directors, ministers of education and pastors. Information is provided through this magazine to promote upcoming mission projects/events and to report on recently completed projects.

### **MISSION CAMPS**

Every year an average of 5,000 volunteers respond to needs through the Mission Camps in both Red Springs and Shelby. These Mission Camps are a great way to get your church involved in life-changing mission projects at a very affordable price.

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## **STAFF**

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The Baptists on Mission/NCBM Staff is committed to helping North Carolina Baptist churches involve their members in missions. Your Baptists on Mission/NCBM staff are: Richard Brunson, Executive Director-Treasurer; Mark Abernathy, Consultant for Partnerships and Men's Ministry; Tom Beam, Consultant for Student Missions Mobilization; Dollie Noa, Consultant for Children and Family Missions; Paul Langston, Missions Mobilization Consultant; (currently vacant), Consultant for Disaster Relief and Mobilization; David and Janet Brown, Mission Camps Coordinators in Shelby; Larry and Teresa Osborne, Mission Camp Coordinators in Red Springs; Kallyn Eskridge, Events Assistant; Kacia Morgan, Financial Assistant; Joanne Honeycutt, Disaster Relief Assistant; Lynn Tharrington, Administrative Assistant; Julie Dollinger, Mobile Dental Ministry Coordinator; Crystal Horton, Health Screening Ministry Coordinator; Dewey and Kathie Alken, Appalachian Coalfield Field Coordinator; Teresa Jones, Roma Partnership Coordinator and Rick Trexler, College Missions contract worker.

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Sometimes in ministry we get the feeling that we are laboring under a disadvantage – especially when social, cultural, financial and political pressures stand against the mission of the church. Pastors and other church leaders search for ways to help the church family face these pressures and grow strong in the faith.

Do you have the BR Advantage? The *Biblical Recorder* may give you the advantages you need.

It's likely that many of the people in your congregation know very little about the Southern Baptist missionaries and church planters they support through mission offerings and the Cooperative Program. How much do they know about our seminaries, Fruitland Baptist Bible College, disaster relief ministries, children's homes ministries, Baptist hospitals and the Baptist Foundation? If they are not informed, they are not likely to give generously. That puts your church and our Great Commission partnership at a disadvantage.

You need the BR Advantage!

The ministry of the *Biblical Recorder* exists to give you an advantage. Our mission is not simply to provide news and information from a Christian worldview, but to help N.C. Baptists know how God is working in Baptist missions and ministry around the world. We exist to help the people in your church face the issues of the day and grow into strong disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ.

You are preaching, teaching and worshipping on Sunday. But, who is influencing your church family from Monday to Saturday? Are they leaning on unreliable news sources that have an unbiblical agenda, or are they getting the *Biblical Recorder*? Is the secular media their only source of news? If so, that needs to change.

If Christians are going to reach a lost culture, we need information that is both inspirational and accurate. Your *Biblical Recorder* staff is serious about equipping our readers to live for Jesus every day of the week.

When you pick up a copy of the *Biblical Recorder* or read our online content, you can be confident we are doing our best to give you news, information and inspiration that is biblical, focuses on the Great Commission and glorifies God. That's what we do!

God is glorified when His church is strong, healthy and living out both the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20). So, your *Biblical Recorder* staff works diligently to provide church leaders with articles, stories and information to that end.

The main tools we use to get the news to you include:

- The *Biblical Recorder* in print is a great value. Individual members can subscribe or the church can provide the *Recorder* for its members at a discounted rate. A copy will be mailed directly to their home or bulk copies can be mailed to the church for distribution. Visit [BRnow.org/Subscribe](http://BRnow.org/Subscribe).
- Get the *Biblical Recorder* in a digital format. This is the full version of the printed copy, in an easy-to-read digital format online. It's free if you have a paid subscription to the print

edition. Subscriptions to only the digital edition are affordable, also.

- Our website, *BRnow.org*, is packed with more than 18,000 pages of valuable information. It is one of the highest ranked websites among Baptist newspapers worldwide.
- Download the *BRsmartphone* app today. It is a free, easy way to get important news items at your fingertips. The new app has become a popular way to stay close to vital information on your iPhone or Android.
- *BRweekly* is a free, email newsletter. If you sign up today, every Wednesday morning you will receive an email summary of the week's important news and brief comments from the editor in your inbox. Visit *BRnow.org/BRweekly*.
- Follow us on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and YouTube. We give you breaking news and important information quickly.

Everyone in your church needs the *Biblical Recorder*. The BR Advantage helps church members give generously and grow stronger as serious disciple-makers.

Does your church have a group subscription plan? If not, please begin a new group plan now. If you have a group plan, will you consider expanding it to all keep all of the church informed and inspired?

Does your church website include a link to the *Biblical Recorder's* popular website, *BRnow.org*?

We want to help your church members grow stronger in every way – stronger in their personal walk with God, stronger in their support of their church, stronger in their involvement with Baptist missions and ministries in North Carolina, stronger in their work with international missions. This blesses your church and honors God. Regardless of what you have perceived the *Recorder* to be in the past, this is our present focus and commitment.

All North Carolina Baptists need the BR Advantage! There is no reason to live in the dark, unaware of news and information that could make you become a stronger follower of Jesus Christ.

Please visit *BRnow.org/PromoteBR* to learn how you can inform your church about the many ways the *Biblical Recorder* helps the people in your congregation stay informed.

This year the *Biblical Recorder* celebrates 185 years of service to North Carolina Baptists. Our website is 21 years old and the *BRweekly* celebrates six years of ministry. We are proud to be an agency of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina since 1939. We are equally proud to support the ministries of the Southern Baptist Convention since 1845 and the Cooperative Program since 1925.

Thank you for your partnership in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a privilege to join you in standing firm on the truth of scripture.

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## Cooperative Program

North Carolina Baptists minister together in hundreds of ways across our state and beyond. Behind all those ministries is a love for Christ and a desire to both proclaim and live out the the gospel He brought.

The main component enabling and fueling these works is the Cooperative Program, now totaling more than \$31 million. This is how N.C. Baptists cooperate financially year-round for missions and ministry support.

There is room for both pride and concern when looking at Southern Baptist giving levels. Nationwide support for the Cooperative Program has trended slightly upward over recent years. In North Carolina, Baptists have also slightly increased their Cooperative Program giving.

Sadly, there has been no big increase in giving such as the numbers of lost people in our state and nation would say is needed. Still, N.C. Baptists have won the right to feel good about much in their giving.

Consider what N.C. Baptists gave in 2017 through their Cooperative Program gifts and what they gave to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for international missions plus what they gave to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American missions.

More than 60 percent of their total missions dollars went outside North Carolina, primarily to the two Southern Baptist mission boards and the six Southern Baptist seminaries.

Further, consider that N.C. Baptists led all other state conventions in their support for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and were second among the other state conventions in their support for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.

N.C. Baptists are accustomed to hearing such reports and think it is commonplace. But it is anything but commonplace.

Chris Furl came to serve Peachtree Memorial Baptist Church near Murphy about three years ago. He came from another denomination and knew nothing about the Baptist approach to missions support.

He had never heard of the Cooperative Program, but Peachtree Memorial members were solidly behind it, routinely budgeting about 10 percent of their total income for it. Furl figured he should know where all those dollars were going, so he began a study of the Cooperative Program.

"I was astonished to see the numerous avenues of ministry the money affected," he said. Now Furl calls himself a Cooperative Program fan and is proud of his church's support.

Capturing the viewpoints of pastors like Furl was the goal of a new series of Cooperative Program videos recorded during 2017 and 2018. See these brief videos at [vimeo.com/channels/nccooperativeprogram](https://vimeo.com/channels/nccooperativeprogram).

A new challenge for Cooperative Program promotion in recent years has been the growing numbers of ethnic groups among N.C. Baptists. Baptist congregations across our state now speak scores of languages as they worship on Sunday.



Cooperative Program materials in Spanish have been distributed to the more than 150 Hispanic churches that are now part of our convention. One new piece in Spanish is called "Neustra Iglesia No Está Sola" (Our Church Is Not Alone), which provides photos and information on teaching and fellowship opportunities for Hispanic churches plus information about the Cooperative Program.

Is your church praying for your missionaries every Sunday? One of the best ways to do that is with "52 Sundays," our missionary prayer guide. Show your members a different missionary every Sunday, present information on the ministry and then lead in prayer. Think of how much your members will learn about missions over a year.

For 2018, "52 Sundays" was available in English, Spanish, Korean and Chinese. The 2019 edition of "52 Sundays" will include 15 of North Carolina's church planters who are planting new Baptist churches from the mountains to the sea.

Videos, print materials, ads, in-church presentations, phone consultations all are part of helping N.C. Baptists understand and support their unique giving system called the Cooperative Program. For more information, contact the Cooperative Program Office at (800) 395-5102, ext. 5513.

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## NC BAPTIST FOUNDATION

### 2018 Annual Report

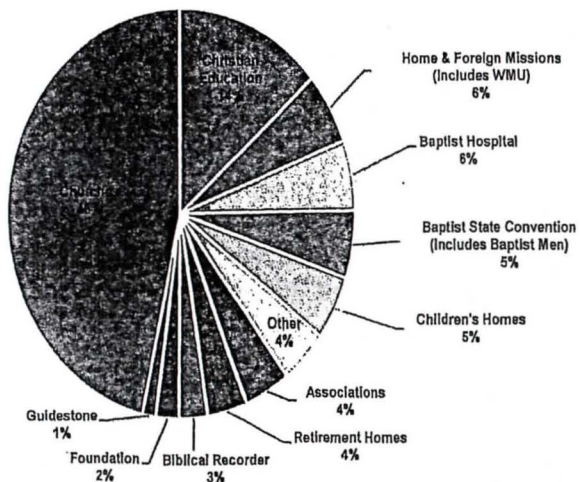
The North Carolina Baptist Foundation was authorized by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina on November 12, 1919, and was organized as the first state Baptist Foundation on December 15, 1919. The first meeting of Foundation directors was the following year, November 17, 1920. Therein the Foundation is one year away from entering a year of celebrating this unique ministry among NC Baptists.

Still the mission 100 years later is to serve North Carolina Baptists by "generating an increased awareness of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding Baptist churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis." Ten years ago our mission was expanded as we created North Carolina Baptist Financial Services "to serve the needs of NC Baptist churches, Baptist institutions and members of NC Baptist churches by providing loan and investment services." Our motto as we approach our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday is, "Fostering Christ-Like Generosity...Facilitating Kingdom Growth."

The Lord blessed our ministry in 2017 in the following ways:

- At the end of 2017 the Foundation managed over \$162 million
- Received gifts in 2017 totaling \$5.57 million
- Distributed \$7.25 million
- Managed 2757 accounts benefitting 677 ministries and charities
- Awarded 204 scholarships to NC Baptist students totaling over \$350,000.00
- Currently administer 79 loans totaling \$44.3 million
- Currently have \$49.9 million invested in Certificates of Participation
- Have distributed over \$188 million since 1919

The following pie chart illustrates areas of ministry receiving support from Foundation accounts in 2017:



The Foundation staff is always available to assist NC Baptist individuals and churches in "Fostering Christ-like Generosity and Facilitating Kingdom Growth."

# Wake Forest\* Baptist Medical Center

## North Carolina Baptist Hospital/Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center 2018 Report to Baptist Associations in North Carolina

### North Carolina Baptist Hospital – A Mission to Care. A Mission to Cure

Since the founding of the medical school in 1902 and North Carolina Baptist Hospital in 1923, Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center has grown into a nationally recognized academic medical center and health care system, operating since as an integrated enterprise of educational and research facilities, hospitals, outpatient clinics, emergency and urgent care centers, diagnostic units, physician practices and a commercialization division to bring innovative technologies to the bedside.

With more than 14,000 employees, the Medical Center is the largest employer in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County and one of the largest in the Piedmont Triad region. Wake Forest Baptist provides adult and pediatric health care services to the residents of 24 counties in central and northwest North Carolina and southwest Virginia.

The 88 bed hospital opened in 1923, following the vision and financial investment of the Baptist State Convention of NC, began a legacy to extend the healing ministry of Jesus Christ that continues to be exhibited today through the core values of expert medical care and compassion for patients and families. Dr. Julie Freischlag, who became the CEO of the Medical Center in 2017 says of the partnership between the Baptist State Convention of NC and the Medical Center:

*"I've had the honor to serve as a surgeon and administrator of some of the great academic medical centers in the world, but this is the first time I've experienced the practical blessings of blending spirit and science in such a systematic way at such large scale. I simply don't know of another partnership like this anywhere and grateful for the way it extends beyond our walls into the neighborhoods and communities of your thousands of congregations. I have come to know and be amazed at the extraordinary quality of medicine and technology the people of North Carolina have long come to expect. You have much to be proud of. But what I value most is the way patients and families trust us, partly because they trust you.*

*We are in a time of radical uncertainty in healthcare, but I am confident that the communities we both serve together will continue to trust that you and the medical center you established will never look away."*

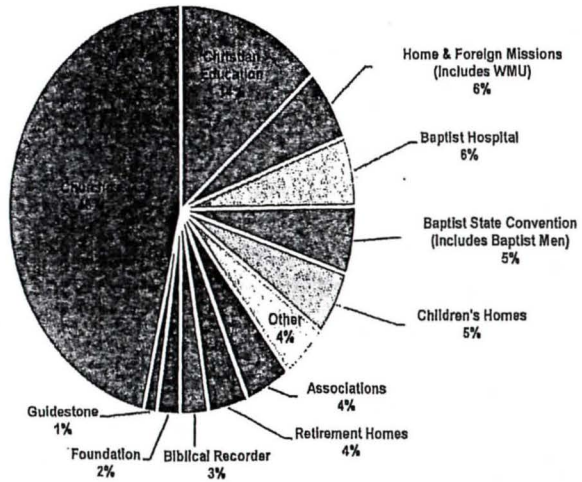
Today, in addition to the main campus in Winston-Salem, the Medical Center system includes Wake Forest Baptist Health – Lexington Medical Center; Wake Forest Baptist Health – Davie Medical Center; Wake Forest Baptist Health – Wilkes Medical Center. In September of 2018 Wake Forest Baptist Health – High Point will join our system. Clinics, diagnostic centers, outpatient surgery centers and other primary and specialty care facilities serve our 24 county area. Wake Forest Baptist Health includes North Carolina Baptist Hospital, Brenner Children's Hospital, Wake Forest Innovations, and Wake Forest Innovation Quarter.

#### FaithHealthNC – A Partnership of Compassion

FaithHealthNC has been a grateful recipient of Cooperative Program funds to support our ongoing work among NC Baptists and our growing partnership with the General Baptist Convention of NC.

This partnership with the General Baptist Convention is a crucial part of our ministry as we develop ways to work with the Divinity School at Shaw University, co-sponsor our Annual John Hatch

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FaithHealthLecture series, and work together to help churches address the emerging developments in health care, particularly to the most vulnerable.

- FaithHealthNC has 40 Connectors serving across the state. These Connectors are local, trusted individuals who relate well to churches, medical providers, and community resources to improve health in their communities. They work closely with volunteer caregivers from churches to assist individuals before, during and after hospitalization. The Connectors are a vital part of our ministry to help persons find the Right Door for healthcare at the Right Time helping them to be Ready to be Treated and assuring them that they are Not Alone.
- FaithHealthNC appreciates the ministries of Baptist Associations and their impact on their communities. They are a vital partner in the FaithHealth movement and strategically placed to impact health in their communities. We will be working closely with Associations and placing Connectors in Associations in the Hospital's catchment area.
- FaithHealthNC works with associations and churches to improve health in their communities that touches the spiritual, behavioral, social, and physical needs of persons. New commitments are developing as we anticipate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the hospital and our long-standing partnership with the Baptist State Convention.

#### The Mother's Day Offering – A Source of Hope

The theme for the 2018 Mother's Day Offering was, "And so, as those who have been chosen by God...put on a heart of compassion." *Colossians 3:12*. North Carolina Baptists have been putting on a heart of compassion for patients who face financial burdens due to hospitalization since 1924. These gifts make a life-changing difference in the lives of patients and their families as they experience the generosity of North Carolina Baptists in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Patients like Holly Beasley who was struggling to breathe while most high school seniors were enjoying those last few weeks before graduation. What had happened only two or three times in her life as a person with cystic fibrosis was now happening two or three times a year – hospitalization for recurrent lung infections. It was a difficult time for her family as the hospital bills increased and she was preparing to go to college. Holly explains that she felt bad that it was because of her that the family was spending all their money. Then she and her family received the good news that the Mother's Day Offering was going to help them. Holly's mother, Vickie, stated, "Paying off that bill was huge. We felt defeated as parents. We felt so thankful when we got the call. Today Holly is in college and focused on her studies. "Sometimes when you have a chronic illness, you can feel alone", she said. "This made me feel people are there for me."

Thank you for giving to the Mother's Day Offering in the name of Jesus Christ to change lives like Holly's.

Please visit [www.mothersdayoffering.org](http://www.mothersdayoffering.org) to see her full story and those of other recipients.

#### CareNet, Inc. Lifting Spirits. Holding hope.

Since 1972, the Baptist State Convention has pioneered a unique partnership with a mental health ministry that reaches across 80 counties in North Carolina. Since its beginning it is estimated that over 250,000 individuals and families have been impacted by this ministry of hope, growth, and healing. The care of the mind, body, spirit and community is a hallmark of the division of Faith and Health Ministries of which CareNet is a part and witness to the extraordinary vision of the BSCNC to attend to the whole life of the disciples of Jesus. The following is a snapshot of this past fiscal year and the unique work being done by CareNet counselors supported by the generosity of the Convention. It highlights how this shared ministry continues to innovate and go where we think healthcare is going:

Greenville Region – We are partnering with a non-profit school and a community center in two of Greenville's most vulnerable neighborhoods by placing a counselor in both the school and center to work

with children and their families. Up the road in Edgecombe County you will find a CareNet counselor at a homeless shelter sponsored by local congregations.

**Fayetteville Region** -- The CareNet center in Fayetteville (Fayetteville Family Life Center) is the oldest CareNet network center (1974) outside of Winston-Salem. Since its inception, it has had a supporting relationship with the New South River Baptist Association. In 2017, the Fayetteville CareNet center offered 686 pastoral counseling sessions to 33 local Southern Baptist churches. Of all of the Fayetteville center's clients, 30% are military families, so CareNet gets the added privilege of serving those who have made such great sacrifices for our country. The Fayetteville center has a strong ministerial outreach also, as it cares for many Southern Baptist pastors and their families (through free group and individual pastoral counseling sessions). Southern Baptist ministers and their families come to the CareNet center in Fayetteville from all over southeastern NC.

**Lumberton Region** -- The CareNet center of Robeson County has always had a strong relationship with the Robeson Baptist Association. The Associational office has helped CareNet tremendously by letting the community know of its services through its monthly newsletter. In 2017, the Robeson CareNet center offered 191 pastoral counseling sessions to 27 Southern Baptist churches from the Robeson County community. The CareNet center in Robeson County has continued to strive to reach out to families stuck in the trauma of the flooding from Hurricane Mathew.

**Harnett County** -- CareNet of Harnett County has had a strong connection with the Little River Baptist Association since its beginnings. The Little River Baptist Association graciously features CareNet's services on its website. In 2017, the CareNet Harnett center served 19 Southern Baptist churches, offering a total of 252 pastoral counseling sessions. The CareNet Harnett center also offered outreach to the community, by partnering with a local funeral home to care for those grieving the loss of a loved one.

**Winston-Salem Region** -- Our largest region spanning Mt. Airy, Kernersville, Mocksville and Winston-Salem and the counties surrounding those locations. This growing region locates counselors in pediatric and primary care clinics, as well as in two churches. Within the last two years this area conducted several Soul Shops, an education program for faith communities focused on suicidal desperation and education. This is a growing problem for many age groups in all of the communities served. Partnerships with local churches and businesses allowed this region to hold an educational panel discussion about opioid misuse this year titled "Amazing Grace". The goal was to educate faith leaders and laypersons on the facts behind this burgeoning crisis in order to offer grace, mercy and support to all who have been affected.

**Wilkes County Region** -- The town where our newest Wake Forest Baptist hospital is located, North Wilkesboro, this center is ground zero for trauma associated with substance use in North Carolina. We have a counselor in a free health care clinic providing integrated care, are working with local primary care physicians providing shared medical appointments, and have plans to further integrate counselors in local primary care offices along with a closer alignment with the local hospital that is now part of our family. We have trained more than 300 persons in Mental Health First Aid, and in the fall we will begin training persons in resiliency.

**Moorestville Region** -- CareNet of Lake Norman and Statesville provides over 4500 counseling hours per year to the families in Iredell County. We work closely with the churches in our area. First Baptist Church in Mooresville provides space for our office, rent free. They and several other churches in our county provide financial support to the CareNet budget. We continue to be an outreach of pastoral counseling to those struggling or grieving. Our Employee Assistance programs for the Iredell Memorial Hospital and two large medical group systems have seen increased utilization this past year. Our newest clinician is a staff psychologist who works with many families who have children with disruptive behavioral concerns. We see individuals, couples and families at CareNet.

**Marion Region** -- Since the opening of our Marion center, we have served over 204 individual adults, adolescents, and families from McDowell, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, and Rutherford Counties with over 50% of these recipients of spiritually integrated counseling care demonstrating some form of financial need. Nearly 50% of our clients who identified as persons of faith in 2017, claimed a Baptist church as their worship home. In addition, our strong partnership with First Baptist Church of Marion and Clinchfield Baptist Church has been especially invaluable in nurturing the conditions for hope and healing in our community. Outside of the counseling office, we have partnered with these churches to facilitate Wednesday night classes on Soulful Wellness, to host a Mental Health First Aid Training in FBC's family ministry center, and to learn alongside older adults about therapeutic lifestyle changes that can support neurobiological resilience.

**Wilmington Region** – Our Wilmington Region has offices hosted by three southeastern North Carolina Baptist Associations. The main Wilmington CareNet location has been in the Wilmington Baptist Association, (now the Cape Fear Network of Baptist Churches), building for over twenty-five years, while the Brunswick Baptist Resource Center has hosted a CareNet site for about twenty years. Through our Jacksonville location housed in the New River Baptist Association office we have expanded care of our nation's military and their families. Torn by trauma, grief, marital discord, depression, anxiety and children with behavior problems our CareNet center is a welcome place of hospitality and hope for those who sacrifice their lives in service of our country.

In a turbulent policy environment where behavioral health is already reimbursed well below its cost the partnership with the Baptist State Convention is a beacon of hope and a welcome respite for tired and weary souls who cannot incur the full cost of services. We are confident our mission of mental health which impacts one out of five Americans will continue to thrive as we develop new and innovative forms of care that touch the mind, body, spirit and community. Thank you North Carolina Baptist for standing with and for the broken, despondent, tired and hopeless who are given the opportunity through sensitive and compassionate care in 35 CareNet locations to reclaim life, love and hope.

#### **Chaplaincy and Clinical Ministries – Combining Ministry with Education**

The Clinical Pastoral Education program allows Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center chaplains to provide spiritual and supportive care to patients, their loved ones and staff of the Medical Center. Chaplains serve in several capacities, including a 24-hour, on-call ministry within the hospital, and helping people with a range of medical, emotional, and spiritual needs. The CPE educational program is one of the oldest and largest in the nation, and offers a variety of programs, including some in community-based settings.

#### **Center for Congregational Health – Opening Doors to Hope and Wholeness**

Congregations are experiencing unprecedented changes and with these changes strategic opportunities. Since its inception, the Center for Congregational Health (CCH) has sought to assist churches. However, just as congregations have experienced great change so has the CCH. As a self-supporting ministry of the Hospital, CCH has refined and refocused its role in the FaithHealth strategy.

The CCH plays a key role in supporting, encouraging and strengthening congregations and thus extends the Medical Center's mission of health and healing beyond the hospital's walls. During the past fiscal year, the Center has provided a variety of consulting, coaching, and training ministries supporting clergy, lay leaders, congregations, and the FaithHealth movement itself. Faith communities and the volunteers from those communities form the backbone of the FaithHealth movement.

CCH staff and professional coaches in the Center's coaching network provided over 1200 hours of coaching and consultation to congregations and over 250 hours of training events for congregations and their leaders. Consultants work with congregations in the areas of re-visioning/strategic planning, conflict management, pastoral and staff transitions, church mergers, and the challenges of financial sustainability.

CCH staff work directly with the FaithHealth congregations and clergy in the 24 county service area and beyond. As part of the FaithHealth Ministries Division, we provide service and training to the Clinical Pastoral Education residents and interns. The CCH staff often refers clients to CareNet or other Medical Center services.

#### **Additional Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center Highlights:**

Wake Forest Baptist holds the coveted Gold Seal of Approval from The Joint Commission, and in 2017 was ranked nationally in six adult medical and surgical specialties by U.S. News & World Report. Wake Forest Baptist also was ranked as High Performing in four other categories by the magazine.

The Medical Center is the region's only Level I trauma center, renowned for handling the region's most complex medical cases.

Wake Forest Baptist continues to be a major research and innovation center, making important contributions to biomedical and health science research nationally and internationally.



Wake Forest Baptist is the first hospital in the Southeast and just the second in the world to own a device that allows operating room staff and medical students to see in 4K (ultra-high-definition) 3-D.

Brenner Children's Hospital has once again been listed among the best children's hospitals in the country by *U.S. News and World Report*. Each year Brenner Children's Hospital has about 5,000 admissions, 57,000 outpatient clinic visits and 36,000 pediatric emergency department visits.

Thank you North Carolina Baptists for partnering with us since 1920 to carry out the health care mission envisioned in the minds of those who believed there should be a Baptist hospital to extend the healing ministry of Jesus in North Carolina. We are blessed by you and grateful for your financial and prayerful support.

As we approach the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Hospital a key component of that event and celebration will be recognizing the significant impact of our partnership with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. This partnership has contributed to not only our care for patients but the broader impact of extending ministry to the most vulnerable and needy in the same communities where the congregations of the Convention are located.

*Rev. Dr. Gary Gunderson*  
*Vice President, Faith and Health Ministries*  
*Wake Forest Baptist Health*

*Rev Leland A. Kerr*  
*Baptist Healthcare Liaison, FaithHealthNC*  
*Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center*

**Elkin Baptist Association**  
**Proposed Budget for 2019**

	2018	2019	Change
<b><u>MINISTRIES OF OUR ASSOCIATION</u></b>			
Deacon			
Media/Library			
Music			
Pastor's Conference			
Prayer			
Youth			
Hispanic			
Senior Adults			
<b>TOTAL MINISTRIES</b>			
<b><u>ASSOCIATIONAL EDUCATION &amp; TRAINING</u></b>			
Brotherhood			
Discipleship			
Evangelism			
Seminary Extension			
Sunday School			
Vacation Bible School			
Women's Ministry			
<b>TOTAL EDUCATION &amp; TRAINING</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b><u>ASSOCIATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS</u></b>			
EBA Life Newsletter	\$750	\$500	\$250
Minutes	\$50	\$50	\$0
Annual Meeting	\$200	\$0	\$200
<b>TOTAL COMMUNICATIONS</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$550</b>	<b>\$450</b>
<b><u>ASSOCIATIONAL STAFF COMPENSATION</u></b>			
Interim Director of Missions <i>Total Compensation</i>	\$24,000	\$18,000	\$6,000
Director of Missions Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0
Director of Missions Annuity	\$0	\$1,260	(\$1,260)
Director of Missions Housing	\$0	\$0	\$0
Secretary's Salary	\$8,162	\$8,162	\$0
Secretary's Annuity	\$700	\$700	\$0
Director of Missions Travel and Expenses	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0
Employer Taxes	\$1,300	\$600	\$700
<b>TOTAL COMPENSATION</b>	<b>\$38,162</b>	<b>\$32,722</b>	<b>\$5,440</b>
<b><u>ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE EXPENSES</u></b>			
Insurance	\$700	\$700	\$0
Janitorial Services	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0
Janitorial Supplies	\$100	\$100	\$0
Maintenance & Repair	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
Office Supplies	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Postage	\$150	\$150	\$0
Utilities	\$4,700	\$4,700	\$0
Miscellaneous	\$500	\$500	\$0
<b>TOTAL OFFICE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$13,950</b>	<b>\$13,950</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$54,112</b>	<b>\$48,222</b>	<b>\$5,890</b>
<b>MONTHLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT</b>	<b>\$4,509</b>	<b>\$4,018</b>	<b>\$491</b>

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Pleasant View .....	Mike Callaway, 11024 Haystack Rd, Thurmond 28683; 874-2874
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Rock Creek .....	Jakie Anderson, 284 Dowell Ridge Rd, N Wilkesboro 28659; 696-2804
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Cool Springs .....	Herbert & Alma Settle, Mike & Maidron Baker, Glen Collins
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Elkin Valley .....	Johnny Blevins, Louise Haynes, Susan Morrison, Jack Gentry
Friendship .....	Donna Cheek, Elaine Coe, Vernon Luffman
Macedonia .....	Maye Burchette, Pat Billings, Rebecca Poplin, Mike & JoAnn Darnell
Mineral Springs .....	Wesley & Sandra Smith, Eileen Boles, Bonnie Macemore, Dustin Calloway
Mt. Pleasant .....	Roger & Marian Maines, Ricky Darnell, Bessie Wampler, Betsy Cockerham, Jim Simon, Danny Crouse, Alicia Layell, Carole Grimsley, Sharon Poindexter
Pleasant Grove .....	Edward & Eleanor Green, Scott & Lisa Green
Pleasant Hill .....	Ralph & Carole Macemore, Cathy Dodds, Kay Enloe, Joe Wood, Kenny Wood, Seth & Bente Harris

Pleasant Home ..... Carolyn McCann, Barbara McCann, Ronnie & Jackie Edwards  
Pleasant Ridge ..... Steve Martin, Clark & Barbara Iliatt, Mitch & Robin Calloway,  
Roger & Sharon Wooten, Dicky & Pat Luffman  
Pleasant View ..... Robbic Wood  
Poplar Springs ..... Hazel Cochrane, Frances Whitaker, JoAnn Layell  
Rock Creek ..... James & Abby King, Jakie & Patsy Anderson  
Ronda First ..... Jesse & Debbie Stamper, Jamie & Braudy Edwards  
Union Hill ..... Tony & Reba White, Frank & Karen Lloyd, Bill & Janice Wilmoth, Nancy Lloyd  
West Elkin ..... Tony McCann, Frank & Jean Gall, Florence Billings, John & Gwyn Reynolds  
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Mineral Springs ..... Wesley Smith, 6040 Austin Little Mtn Rd, Elkin 28621: 957-3351  
Mt. Pleasant ..... Laura Parker, 241 Brookwood Dr, Elkin 28621: 835-4218  
Pleasant Hill ..... Darrell Beck, 231 Country Club Rd, Mt. Airy 27030: 783-4151  
Pleasant Home ..... Sandy Sebastian, 368 Byrd Rd, Roaring River 28669: 957-2196  
Pleasant Ridge ..... Melinda Cockerham, 1997 Pleasant Ridge Rd, State Road 28676: 874-2875  
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Poplar Springs ..... Pam Parker, 303 Michael Dr, Dobson 27017: 374-3226  
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Union Hill ..... Frank Lloyd, 510 Union Hill Rd, Thurmond 28683: 874-7201  
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Pleasant Hill ..... Danny Dodds, 460 Austin Traphill Rd, Elkin 28621: 835-1548  
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Cool Springs ..... Bill Rogers  
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Elkin Valley ..... Jack Gentry  
Friendship ..... Jerry Fugate, Vernon Luffman  
Macedonia ..... Danny Myers

Mineral Springs .....	Wesley Smith, Leonard Caudill
Mt. Pleasant .....	Roger Maines
Pleasant Grove .....	Edward Green
Pleasant Hill .....	Doug Chappell
Pleasant Home .....	Danny Bauguess, Allen Edwards
Pleasant Ridge .....	Mitch Smith, Steve Martin
Pleasant View .....	Robbie Wood
Poplar Springs .....	Joann Layell
Ronda First .....	Ronnie McMillan
Union Hill .....	Frank Lloyd
West Elkin .....	Tony McCann, Barry Tharpe

#### Sunday School Directors

Cool Springs .....	Josh Samples, 1634 CB Eller School Rd, Elkin 28621; 835-7133
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Mt. Pleasant .....	Robert Hutchins, 667 Sylvan Rd, Thurmond 28683; 874-3055 and Stan Darnell, PO Box 574, Elkin 28621; 428-8002
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Pleasant Home .....	Mike Absher, 6147 Greenhorn Rd, Roaring River 28669; 957-8890
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Pleasant Hill .....	Jill Reinhardt, PO Box 118, State Road 28676; 469-5522
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Macedonia .....	Rebecca Triplett, 323 Iron Wheel Rd, Elkin 28621; 469-9676
Mt. Pleasant .....	Sharon Poindexter, 1929 Mountain Park Rd, State Road 28676; 874-7107
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Pleasant Home .....	Brenda Sebastian, 162 Byrd Rd, Roaring River 28669; 957-2504



**Congregation Summary**

Elkin Baptist Association

September 2017 - August 2018

Congregation	Total Members	Total Baptisms	Other Additions	VBS Enrollment	Total Mission Project Participation	Total WMU	Total Embrace/ Women's Ministry	Total NC Baptist Men	Total Giving/Gifts	Cooperative Program	Association Missions Budget	Total SBC Mission Giving Expenditures	Non SBC Mission Expenditures
Cool Springs	227			36	50			20	158,556	3,600	5,615	14,901	6200
East Elkin *													
Elkin Valley	817	17	23	70	144		20	45	772,031	56,929	1,200	96,295	18771
Friendship	207		5	56	7		5	6	120,883	10,000	3,000	21,895	8957
Macedonia	272			159	40	50			249,128	17,243	6,464	48,396	5416
Mineral Springs			1	36					87512	2024	361	7629	7335
Mt. Pleasant	838		6	113	5	23			187,903	17,870	4,067	30,497	3202
Pleasant Grove	204		3		45	21		12	204,093	6,500	2,500	13,045	7030
Pleasant Hill	1,048	9	21		96				1,046,158	46,995	16,430	86,915	68791
Pleasant Home	186			50		14		8	39,308	1,240	1,020	4,347	1107
Pleasant Ridge	505	9	10	133	212	77		30	274,816	23,301	9,126	51,037	5601
Pleasant View	240		1	70	15				101,552	1,000	500	2,500	1500
Poplar Springs	428	3	1	63	60	29	11		208,294	7,975	2,063	18,220	3478
Rock Creek	45			25	12				32,303		1,000	2,200	2640
Ronda First	225	4	4	127	31	14		10	66,179	1,200	1,200	5,050	2195
Union Hill	220	5	1	33	35	10			51,114	1,600	1,000	3,050	6511
West Elkin	40		2						35,384		600	2,547	2233

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