

The Voice

Information and Inspiration for the Welsh Neck Baptist Association

September, 2021

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September 1: Awana Training at Gum Branch Baptist Church, 6:15pm

September 7: Lay Preacher Training Class, 6:30pm, Mission Center

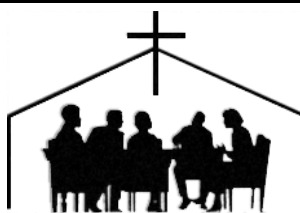
September 12-19: Season of Prayer for State Missions

September 13: Ministers Meeting, 10:30am, West Hartsville Bapt. Ch.

September 13: Top Gun Meeting, 6:15pm, Central Baptist Church

September 14: Lay Preacher Training Class, 6:30pm, Mission Center

September 28: Lay Preacher Training Class, 6:30pm, Mission Center



MINISTERS MEETING

Our September Ministers Meeting will be held on Monday, September 13, at 10:30 am. The meeting will be hosted by Pastor Kevin Walters and held at West Hartsville Baptist Church. Guest speaker will be Dr. John Goudelock. Lunch will be served following our meeting, so please R.S.V.P. at (843) 332-7771 no later than Tuesday, September 7, if you plan to eat lunch.



Upcoming Training Event for South Carolina Disaster Relief:

State DR Training - Midlands - Oct. 9th
Lake Murray Baptist Church
Lexington, SC



Track representatives and NASCAR leaders have informed us that we will not be able to operate our ministries at this year's race. We will bring you information for next year as it becomes available.



Gum Branch Baptist Church will be having an Awana training on Wednesday, September 1, at 6:15pm. They invite any church who is having Awana and/or desires the training to please come!



Our next TOP GUN Men's Meeting will be held on Monday, September 13, at 6:15pm at Central Baptist Church in Darlington. This will be the last opportunity to join the class.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
PLEASE CALL THE MISSION
CENTER AT 843-332-7771.

DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1!

Lay Preacher Training Class



Begins Tuesday, September 7th at 6:30 pm

Meets each Tuesday from

September 7– November 2

WNBA Mission Center 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Teacher: Joe Willard, Associational Director

If you plan to participate, please
register for the class no later than
Wednesday, September 1, by calling
(843) 332-7771.

**There is no cost for the class.*



Season of Prayer for
State Missions
September 12-19, 2021
Janie Chapman Offering
for State Missions
State Goal: \$1,700,000.00

A WORD FROM THE ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR

Though we did not say goodbye *for* the summer, it is almost time to say goodbye *to* the summer (think opening line to the song "Sealed with a Kiss"). I hope that it has been a good summer for each of you. I hope that you were able to spend time with your family and friends. I hope that you were able to get away from your daily rigors and enjoy some vacation time. I hope that it was good and that you were able to be refreshed. I pray that you are now ready for a new church year and a new year of ministry, missions, discipleship, service, worship, and spiritual growth.

For most of us our church activities and ministries will begin to pick up pace as we move into the fall. We hope that will be true this year, but we are now, once again, having to deal with a rise in COVID cases. I pray that this will not have a dramatic impact on our ministries moving forward. Time will tell. I know that all of us are praying and asking God to provide for us that we may continue to train, equip, serve, and worship. That is what we are trying to do through the association, and I know the same is true for many of our churches. We are trying to keep pressing on, and doing so as responsibly as possible.

To that end, please notice some of the training and equipping opportunities that we have available. First, our men's *Top Gun* Leadership Training. Pastor Tim Coker at Central Baptist Church leads this ministry at Central and has allowed the men of the association to participate. We have already had a couple of meetings and will continue with our monthly meetings through May, 2022. However, because this is a more intensive training class (we will read 11 books over the next 9 months) with participation requirements, our next meeting at Central Baptist Church on September 13, at 6:15pm will be the last opportunity to join the class for this year. At this point you would also be required to have 100% attendance from this point forward to successfully fulfill the class requirements. If this year doesn't work, then maybe you can put this on your calendar for next year.

Second, I will once again be offering our Lay Preacher Training Class. In 2019 we had 15 participants for this class and it was very rewarding for each of us. I would like to have a minimum of 5 participants to make our interaction most profitable. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, September 1. If you need more details or would like to register for this class please call the Mission Center at 843-332-7771.

Finally, please notice the promotional flyer for the Annual Meeting on page 3 of this newsletter. I am excited to announce that Dr. Dondi Costin will be our guest speaker for the evening. Dr. Costin is a wonderful speaker and I know that he will be a blessing to each of us. Our meeting for this year will be hosted by Pastor Brian Sherwood and the good folks at Darlington First Baptist Church. We have not yet decided about an evening meal or ministry partner displays as we watch and wait to see what will be happening with the virus. Regardless, we will have our meeting and will follow any safety protocols that our host church wishes for us to observe. More details will be given as we get closer to our meeting.

Thank you for your faithful support of the Welsh Neck Baptist Association!

Your Associational Director,
Joe Willard

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WELSH NECK

— BAPTIST ASSOCIATION —

ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE WELSH NECK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021 – 6:00PM
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Dondi Costin
President, Charleston Southern University



DARLINGTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
216 S. MAIN STREET, DARLINGTON

We will continue to monitor the COVID situation and make a determination on the evening meal as we get closer to the date of the meeting. Thank you for your patience.