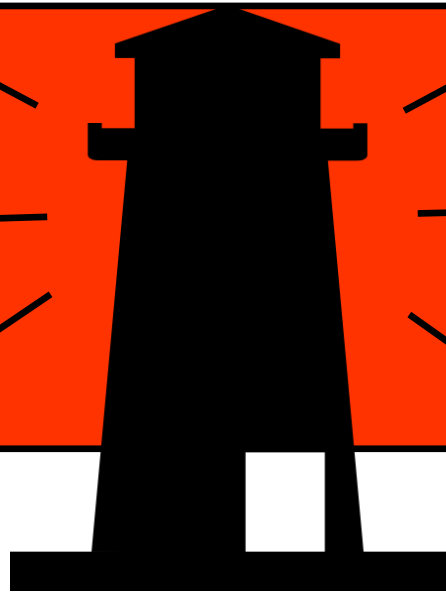


Black River Baptist Association Beacon Newsletter



June 2017

Mission Statement:

**A Family of Churches Dedicated to
Obeying the Great Commission**

ARE YOU READY FOR CAMP?

Younger Girls' Camp

June 18-21

Registration begins Sunday, June 18

@2:00 p.m.

Grades 3-5

Younger Boys' Camp

June 25-28

Registration begins Sunday, June 25

@2:00 p.m.

Grades 3-5

Crafts Talent Shows

Bible Study

Activities

Family Night

Swimming

T-Shirts

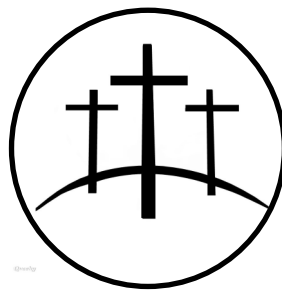
Archery

Christ-centered

Worship

Games

Snack Shack



Co-Ed Junior High Camp

July 9-12

Registration begins Sunday, July 9

@2:00 p.m.

Grades 6-8

Co-Ed Senior High Camp

July 16-19

Registration begins Sunday, July 16

@2:00 p.m.

Grades 9-12

From the Desk of the DOM

CAUTION

**Camp Season
Ahead**

Recently, I looked at the Camp Reports from several past years' annuals. There are two common trends from those reports that still hold true for our camp and camp programs today. First, there is always work to be done at camp. Each annual I examined mentioned work and projects relating to the enhancement of the

campground. We have been able to complete several projects this year including the instillation of new guttering for the dining hall and improvement of the playground. Clearly, work and renovation will remain constant needs. Second, I noticed that we still have consistent attendance during our main season of camp activities. The camp programs were always critical events in the associational past and—according to our statistics—remain important events in the present day. Although some associations are debating the value of their camps, our retreats remain viable and fruitful. God has blessed our camps tremendously in the past and we know He will continue to do so.

Though hard to believe, our 2017 camping season is now upon us. Please continue to pray for this integral part of the ministry of the BRBA. As revealed by camp story after camp story, these events are truly touching lives and impacting eternity. Please pray for our camp directors, counselors, cooks, and all other volunteers. We specifically ask that you pray for each young person who will join us this summer. At the same time, please consider including yourself in those prayers. Perhaps God has a role for you in the camps this year. If nothing else, pay a visit and come see God at work in the lives of our young people. It is truly a blessing.

By His Grace,

Bro. Kevin

Camp Season Prayer Guide

Prayer for the Directors and Counselors

- Pray that God gives the Camp Directors (Keri Campbell/Cara Daugherty, Bill Garrett, Aulden LeBlanc, and Raymond Cowart) wisdom and discernment in leading each of our camps. Pray that God will equally instill wisdom and discernment in the counselors/ junior counselors as they guide and direct their campers.

Prayer for the Campers

- Pray that God touches the life of each camper and that they may draw closer to Him. Pray that the unsaved will be convicted and will ask Jesus to enter their hearts. Pray that some students may also be drawn to the ministry.

Prayer for the Services

- Pray that God will give each of our speakers/preachers the words they need and that these words may touch each student. Pray that our worship leaders will be used as vessels to bring glory to God as they lead our students in lifting up their voices in praise.

Prayer for Family Night

- Pray that each person in attendance at Family Night will feel a movement of the Holy Spirit during the service and that any unsaved will be drawn to Christ.

Prayer for Other Workers and Volunteers

- Pray for all of our other workers and volunteers, including camp cooks, Director of Missions, security workers, and other volunteers, as they assist in the activities and flow of camp. Pray that God will bless them for their service.

Camp Fees

We would like to remind everyone that camp is \$50/camper. Camp T-shirts will also be available for \$7 (youth x-small - adult x-large), \$8 (2X), or \$9 (3X).

Scholarship Reminder:

All applications and other required supplemental materials for the Homer and Dolah Lemonds Memorial Scholarship are due in the Office by Wednesday, June 14. If a student needs an application, please check with your pastor first before contacting the Office. We wish all the graduates in our Association the best!

BLACK RIVER
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
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Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday:

Baptist Hour Program

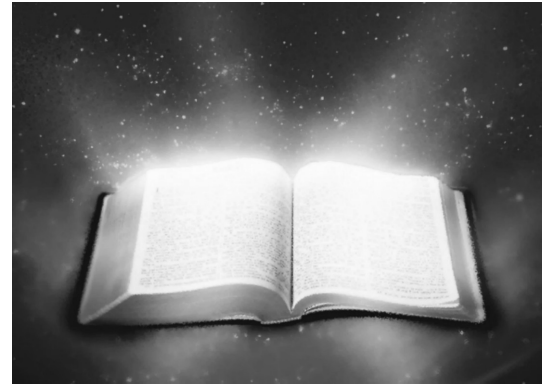
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8:00 a.m.

Arbyrd Update:

Conversations Around the Bible

Please feel free to come and join us Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Arbyrd parsonage for “Conversations Around the Bible.” This is a new Bible study that employs conversational teaching instead of the traditional teacher-student approach. The group held their first meeting on Monday, April 10 and thus far we have had an average of 12 in attendance. If we grow much more we may have to move from the parsonage to the church building—what a problem to have! We praise God for the good attendance and the great meetings we have had thus far and look forward to what is to come. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the Director of Missions or the Baptist Men on Missions Director at the following email addresses: dom@blackriverbaptist.org or brotherhood@blackriverbaptist.org.



Mark Dunivan

Associational Director of Baptist Men on Missions

April/May Events Recall

- The Associational Bible Drill was held on Sunday, April 9 at First Baptist Church, Clarkton. Participants included Brinley Cowart, Riley Plunkett, Denise Wellington, and Kaylee Youngblood, all of FBC Clarkton. Brinley and Denise both further qualified for participation in the State Bible Drill. The State Bible Drill was subsequently held on April 29 at Ridgecrest Baptist Church in Springfield. We applaud each of these young women for their dedication to learning the Word of God. Thanks is also due to Janet Dunivan, the Associational Bible Drill Director, for her service.
- Children’s Day was held on Saturday, April 22 at Camp McClanahan. Alongside the provision of food, the 18 children and 11 adults in attendance partook in crafts, games, and a bible study. A big thank you is due to Harold and Kim Dunbar, the Associational Family Ministry Team, for organizing the event. We encourage families to consider attending next year’s Children’s Day.
- The Women’s Prayer Retreat was held on Monday, May 1. Traditionally held at Camp, the event was moved to Varner River Baptist Church due to the weather. The 15 women in attendance gathered in prayer for our Associational Camps with Mary McElwrath serving as the guest speaker. We would like to thank Kelly Miller and Wilma Davidson, the Associational WMU Director and Assistant Director respectively, for organizing the event.

Other Highlighted Events

SBC Pastors' Conference

Sunday, June 11 — Monday, June 12

Phoenix, AZ

SBC Annual Meeting

Tuesday, June 13 — Wednesday, June 14

Phoenix, AZ

Information and guidelines regarding
registering messengers for the Annual Meeting can be
found at

<http://www.sbc.net/annualmeeting/>.



Special Edition Camp

Saturday, July 15

9:30 a.m.

Senior Adult Retreat

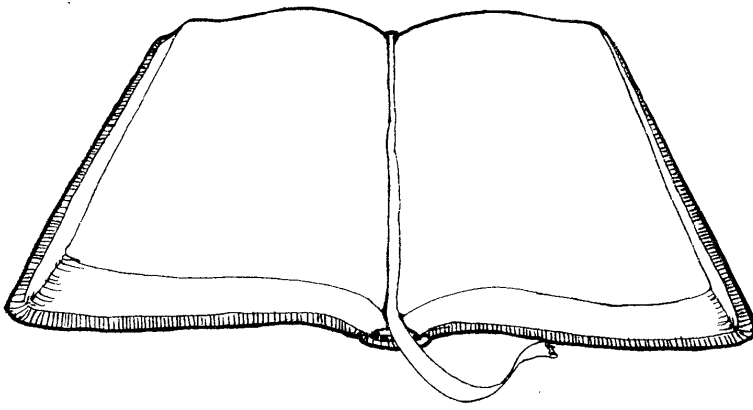
Friday, July 21

6:00 p.m.

Church Events Space

We would like help promote events within our local Churches. If you have an event you would like to see promoted, please provide the Associational Office with the information.

Promotional events can include, but are not limited to, homecomings, revivals, special music, ordination services, etc.



Spiritual Food for Thought

**“The instruction of the Lord is perfect,
renewing one’s life; the testimony of the
Lord is trustworthy, making the
inexperienced wise.”**

Psalm 19:7 (CSB)

Associational Events

- Nominating Committee Meeting.....June 6**
- Younger Girls Camp.....June 18-21**
- Younger Boys Camp.....June 25-29**
- Executive Board Meeting.....July 6**
- Co-Ed Junior High Camp.....July 9-12**
- Associational Council Meeting.....July 13**
- Special Edition Camp.....July 15**
- Co-Ed Senior High Camp.....July 16-19**
- Senior Adult Retreat.....July 21**
- Budget Committee Meeting.....August 10**
- “M” Night.....August 21**

Associational Directory

- Director of Missions.....Kevin Carter**
- Moderator.....Paul Moore**
- Vice Moderator.....Bill Garrett**
- Treasurer.....Dallas Draffen**
- Clerk.....Ruth Ann Shelton**
- W.M.U. Director.....Kelly Miller**
- Baptist Men on Missions.....Mark Dunivan**
- Administrative Assistant.....Caleb Carter**

Pastors’ Events

- Pastors’ Prayer Time.....June 5**
- SBC Pastors’ Conference (Phoenix)**
.....June 11-12
- Pastors’ Prayer Time @ Camp.....June 19**
- Pastors’ Prayer Time@ Camp.....July 10**

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**The website is frequently being updated
with new information, announcements,
and prayer requests.**

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