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Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer

Monday, November 5, 2018

6:30 pm

Watts Grove Missionary Baptist Church
3105 North Rocky River Road
Monroe NC 28110

Who is my
 Neighbor?
LUKE 10:29



BSCNC Annual Meeting
November 5-6, 2018
Koury Convention Center, Greensboro NC



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Tuesday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.
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Koury Convention Center



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 special needs adults, aging adults, and Guatemalan orphans in 2017.



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NOVEMBER 11-18, 2018



DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

Dr. Eric D. Cook

In the days of the Prophet Jeremiah, the nation of Israel had begun to break their covenant between them and God through idolatry and injustice. Jeremiah was not only a Prophet to Israel but he also was a Prophet to the Nations. As the Word of the Lord first came to Jeremiah he carried the message of warning and repentance first to the Nation of Israel. The Nation of Israel had clearly broken their covenant with God and violated the terms of the agreement in a number of ways. They had begun by worshipping Canaanite gods (idolatry) and building pagan shrines all over the land. Jeremiah calls out their idol worship as adultery toward God, since they have given their allegiance to other gods. The leaders of the nation had become corrupt and abandoned the covenant and the Torah. The people had become so bad that they would worship at the Israelite temple and then go and worship at the Canaanite alters where they offered child sacrifices. They had become just like the Nations that surrounded them, yet they were called to be a consecrated and set apart people for the One True God.

Jeremiah states in 2:13, “For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me the fountain of living waters, and hewn themselves cisterns – broken cisterns that can hold no water.” These two evils of turning away from God, the fountain of living water, and metaphorically becoming wells that could hold no water, caused them to forsake the glory of the Most High. Jeremiah says in 2:11-12 “Has a Nation changed its gods, which are not gods? But My people have changed their Glory for what does not profit.” Ultimately, God sends judgement on the unrepentant Nation of Israel and they are carried off as captivities into Babylon for seventy years.

The power of this Old Testament story should cause us to reflect on our own plight as the Church. We must constantly allow the Holy Spirit and the Word of God to search our hearts and our intents and motives to see if they are in keeping with God’s will. We too like the Nation of Israel can wonder off and fall into idol worship and pagan practices. Hear the words of warning in Colossians 3:5-6, “Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornications, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.”

When we cast off the sins that so easily beset us, we will walk in purity and holiness toward the Lord. Out of that should flow obedience and unadulterated worship of Almighty God. This type of worship is first and foremost a worship based in Thanksgiving to God for His great mercy and because we are not consumed by His wrath. “Through the LORD’s mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness. The LORD is my portion, says my soul, therefore I hope in Him!” (Lam. 3:22-24).

Let us examine ourselves in the light of His holiness, and draw close by the way of His blood, and give Him the blessing, honor, praise, and thanksgiving that is His alone.

Serving the King Together,

Eric



Missions: It's not just a project; it's a way of life.

Unity. Seems like everywhere I turn lately, Bible studies, Sunday School lessons, sermons, all have a message about unity. Some of the definitions I found are "The state of being united or joined as a whole." "The state of forming a complete and pleasing whole."

Are we united as the body of Christ? With fellow believers, in our local church, in our association? Too many times we're so busy focusing on our individual wants, preferences and differences we forget that we all serve the same Almighty God and should all be on the same mission, to glorify Him and spread the Good News of Jesus to the world!

1 Corinthians 1:10: "I appeal to you brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought."

Monday, November 5, we have an opportunity to join with our sisters in Christ from churches all over Union County at the celebration of the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer. This is a long standing tradition of partnering with our sister association to pray for each other and Baptist women around the world. It's powerful to see women of all ages gather together and lift their voices in praise and prayer. Ladies let's come together in this world of division and show that we all are united as daughters of the King!

In His Service,
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Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer

November 5, 2018 at 6:30pm

Watts Grove Missionary Baptist Church
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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|----|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 | Mrs. Dennis (Gay) Burton | Wingate,
Interim |
| 6 | Rev. David Elsey | Oakland |
| 10 | Rev. Joey Query | Antioch |
| 10 | Mrs. Lanny (Elaine) Hasty | Fellowship |
| 11 | Rev. Lanny Hasty | Fellowship |
| 19 | Mrs. Stephen (Maleah) Watkins | Benton
Heights |
| 20 | Dr. Harry Poovey | Retired |
| 22 | Mrs. Donnie (Amanda) Crump | Faith |
| 23 | Mrs. Dale (Vicki) Brooks | Euto |
| 23 | Mrs. Jean Paul (Lucileia) Faria | New Life
Brazilian |
| 26 | Rev. Buddy Cutshaw | Macedonia |



Anniversary

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|----|-----------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | Rev. & Mrs. Jack Little | Supply |
| 5 | Rev. & Mrs. Dustin Knight | Friendly |
| 12 | Rev. & Mrs. Neal Workman | Forest Hills |
| 17 | Dr. & Mrs. Mel Winstead | Mt. Moriah |
| 20 | Rev. & Mrs. Marty Griffin | New Hope |
| 23 | Rev. & Mrs. Alan Rushing | Foundation |
| 25 | Dr. & Mrs. David Richardson | Faulks |
| 30 | Rev. & Mrs. Tim Moore | Mt. Olive |




DAYLIGHT SAVING

Fall Back

DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK

Turn clocks back one hour before bed on Saturday, **November 3, 2018.**
Also change the batteries in your smoke detectors.



We would like to extend a special **thank you** to our volunteers that helped with the preparation and mailing of the *UBA October Messenger*: **Pam Simpson, Jo Taylor and Carolyn Wallace** from **Ebenezer Baptist Church**. If your group is interested in helping, please call the UBA office at 704-283-8383. Thank you for giving your time and making the day so enjoyable.

Please pray for the congregations of these churches as they seek God's help in finding new leaders:

Centerview, Fairfield Community, Freedom Biker, Lakeview, Shiloh



Include in your prayers the "Churches of the Week" and their leaders listed below:

Nov. 4-10	Sandy Ridge	Rev. Eddie Powers
Nov. 11-17	Sardis	Rev. Kenn Hucks
Nov. 18-24	Secrest Grove	Rev. Jeff Whitecotton
Nov. 25-Dec. 1	Shiloh	Rev. David Kessler, Interim

Dolls On Mission

Dear Churches:



If you or your church would like to include a doll in each shoebox, or if anyone in your church would like to help with making these dolls, please contact me at 704-283-6784.


God's Humble Bondservant,
Joanne Mucci, Dolls on Mission



With Respect
Honor
and Gratitude

Thank You Veterans

VETERANS DAY
November 10, 2018



The UBA Youth Council in partnership with Samaritan's Purse will be sending groups of students to work on three days this year at the distribution center for Operation Christmas Child in Charlotte. We have 24 churches that have registered to be a part of this year's processing center. On Friday, October 12, the phone lines opened to register our student groups and spots filled quickly. Each group that registered will receive a packet of information and waivers for each one in their group to have filled out when they arrive. These packets need to be picked up at the UBA office. We will be working on **Nov. 29th 6 to 10 pm, Nov. 30th 6 to 10 pm and Dec. 1st 1 to 5 pm**. The Youth Council will be serving pizza and drinks. We are grateful to OCC for allowing us this opportunity to join together for this great ministry. If you have any questions, please call the UBA at 704.283.8383.

Frank Casstevens, UBA Youth Director



Corinth: Nov. 5 - Senior Luncheon at 12 noon, Nov. 11 - Shellum Cline (recording artist) will be singing during the 11am service, Nov. 17, - Community Outreach Breakfast 7am - 9am, Nov. 18 - Choir Special "Thankful in all Things", Nov. 18 - Thanksgiving Dinner after church, Nov. 20 - Joint Thanksgiving Service with Secrest Grove Baptist Church, with guest speaker Rev. Curtis Laney. Dec. 3 - Senior Luncheon at 12 noon, Dec. 15 - Community Outreach Breakfast 7am - 9 am. Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Open Mic & Communion 9 pm-midnight.

Ebenezer: We will offer "The Quest" by Beth Moore on Wednesdays at 7 pm beginning **Nov. 7**. The cost for this study is \$15. Contact Brandy Baucom at bbaucom2@yahoo.com for more details or to sign up for a this study.

Fairfield Community: Benefit Breakfast for NC Baptist on Mission, Sat., Nov. 10, 7-10 am. Bake Sale & Auction at 9 am. 7208 Olive Branch Rd, Marshville at the corner of Olive Branch Rd. and Hwy. 205. 100% of donations received will be given to NC Baptist on Mission to support their continuing work in hurricane and disaster relief.

First Baptist Weddington: Fall Festival: Join us on **Saturday, November 10th, from 2-5pm for our annual Fall Festival** Event! It will be a fun day filled with games, bounce houses, petting zoo, pony rides, cake walk, and a food truck! Invite your friends and neighbors for this free event! Invite your friends and neighbors for this free event!

Mary Elizabeth: Chicken or Pork BBQ, Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018, 11 am-7 pm. Eat-in or take-out. Pick-up stations: Providence Rd/Hwy. 200 S, BP on Hwy. 200/Martin Luther King and stop light in Mineral Springs. Proceeds go to missions.

Mill Creek: Fall Revival with Dr. Greg Mathis, Nov. 11 & 12 @ 6:30 pm. Dr. Mathis is Senior Pastor of Mud Creek Baptist Church and Professor of Evangelism, Fruitland Bible College. "Queen City Ringers" will be making the annual Christmas visit on **Tues., Dec. 04, 2018**, at 7 pm No tickets or charge, a free evening of beautiful music. No better way of starting off the Christmas Season than an evening of beautiful hand bell Christmas music.

New Salem: The WMU will have a pre-Christmas yard sale on **Sat. Nov. 10, 2018**. All proceeds will go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. The sale will be held in our fellowship building rain or shine. Hope to see you there!

Trinity: Trinity's Fall Community Missions Fair. Sat., Nov. 10, 2-5 pm. Travel from Missions Station to Station learning about some of the local and foreign missions opportunities around us— get your passport punched at each station. Goodie bags will be distributed at end of event for passports that have been punched by each mission station. **Bring an empty plastic shoebox or two** and end the by day packing it to go to Samaritan's Purse Collection Center in Charlotte to be distributed to bless children in other countries. We will also accept donations to help offset shipping costs. Chili Cook-off Competition and Dessert Bake-off Competition – Before leaving, enjoy and vote on your favorite chili and dessert. Chili winner will receive a trophy and we'll also have prizes for 2nd and 3rd places. 1st place for Best Cake, Best Pie, Best Cookie/Bar and Best Other dessert will also receive prizes. So chili makers and dessert bakers, start now planning and devising your winning entries. You can drop off your amazing entries with the kitchen team in the fellowship hall that day. Many volunteers needed for this, so if interested – see Wanda Adcock or Kari Croasum. **A Friday night with Nicki Koziarz, a Proverbs 31, author & speaker, November 16th at 6:30.** Please contact Kari Croasum 704-242-4897 or Joy Brooks 704-361-9159 for more information.



Trips to East Coast for Disaster Relief

Sandy Ridge Baptist Church has a group going to the East coast to help with Disaster Relief November 12-17, 2018. If you would like to go, please contact Rev. Eddie Powers, 704-242-4193 or srbcepep@gmail.com.

If Churches are going down East, let us know, so if individuals want to join a group, they can contact you. Call the UBA Office, 704-283-8383 with your contact information.



The Donna Pittman Christmas Toy Store Saturday, December 8, 2018

New toys will be collected at the UBA MRC **November 26 thru December 5, 2018.**

Please leave prices on the toys or write price on each toy.

Your participation and support of this ministry is appreciated. Referrals are now being accepted.

Deadline for referrals is **Friday, October 19, 2018.**

Please pray for this mission and outreach opportunity.

Opportunities & Positions

Centerview: is in search of a **full-time or bi-vocational Pastor**. Please mail resumes to Centerview Baptist Church, Attn: Search Committee, 2711 Old Pageland Marshville Rd., Marshville, NC 28103.

First Baptist Marshville is seeking a **part-time Music Minister** to lead congregational singing and church choir. The candidate should have a heart for God and a passion for music that honors God and stirs the heart for worship. The primary work of the music leader will be done on Sunday mornings with choir practice from 9 – 10am and worship at 11am. The music minister will also work alongside the Pastor and Worship committee with scheduling and planning. The salary for this position is negotiable. For more information please contact the church office at 704-624-2710.

November happenings

- 1** UBA Youth Council Mtg. 6:30 pm UBA MRC
- 4 Daylight Savings Time ends
- 5 Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer
Watts Grove Missionary Baptist Church 6:30 pm
- 5-6 BSCNC Annual Meeting
Koury Convention Center, Greensboro NC
- 11 Veterans Day
- 11-18 Baptist Children's Homes Annual Offering &
Week of Prayer
- 12-19 National Collection week for OCC Shoeboxes
- 15 Region 6 Men's Ministry Worship Rally
Prospect Baptist, Albemarle NC
- 19** UBA Council Meeting 7 pm UBA MRC
- 21-23 UBA CLOSED for Thanksgiving
- 22 THANKSGIVING
- 26-Dec. 5 Collection Week for Donna Pittman
Christmas Toy Store toys

December Events



- 2-9 Lottie Moon Offering & Week of Prayer for
International Missions
- 8** Donna Pittman Christmas Toy Store
- 24-28 UBA Closed for CHRISTMAS
- 25 CHRISTMAS
- ***No UBA Council Meeting in December***

STATE CONFERENCES

Contact the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina at 1-800-395-5102.

Youth Fall Retreat 2 November 9-11, 2018

NC Baptist Assembly, Fort Caswell

Statewide Youth Retreat promoting evangelism and youth discipleship. This retreat is for rising youth 7th through 12th grades.

Contact Merrie Johnson, ext. 5568 or Sandy Crute, ext 5566.

Region 6 Men's Ministry Worship Rally "FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT" November 15, 2018

**6:15 Supper 7:00-8:30 pm Worship Rally
Prospect Church, 502 Prospect Church Rd.
Albemarle, NC**

Come join us for an evening of fellowship that will include music, a spiritual challenge, discussion, and prayer. This gathering is designed to provide a time of meaningful worship for all men, as well as ideas for men's leaders on how similar men's gatherings can be held in the local church.

Register at: <https://baptistsonmission.org/bom/calendar/men-s-worship-rally---region-6/3967>



Operation Christmas Child Collection Schedule

Union Baptist Association, located at 1744 Williams Road, Monroe, NC, will serve as a collection center for Operation Christmas Child.

**National Collection Week is November 12-19.
Please follow this schedule for collection:**

Monday, November 12	2-5 pm
Tuesday, November 13	12-2 pm
Wednesday, November 14	12-2 pm
Thursday, November 15	12-2 pm
Friday, November 16	12-2 pm
Saturday, November 17	1-3 pm
Sunday, November 18	1-5 pm
Monday, November 19	9 am-8 pm

November 19 is the last day to turn in shoeboxes at the UBA MRC.

If you can volunteer to help for any of these days or times, please call the UBA at 704-283-8383.

Hi Folks,

I'm sure you know already how devastating Hurricane Florence has been. It is extreme everywhere. If there has ever been a time for us to be involved, it is **NOW!!** It's time to do what we have all been taught by the Bible and the Holy Spirit.

Many of our teams may have already deployed somewhere, and others not, or they don't know we are working yet. Please let **EVERYONE** know that we are working and desperately need teams. We will take trained or untrained volunteers. We can't have anyone under the age of 15. Also ages 15-17 has to be with a parent. Sign up on the Baptist Men website, www.baptistsonmission.org. I am at Cape Carteret Site and a site is open in Laurinburg in Region 6. We need tear out teams, tarping teams, spray teams, and chainsaw teams.

Whatever you can do will help.

I hope to see you soon.

Mark Hinson, NCBM Region 6 Recovery Coordinator

MONTHLY CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Antioch	250.00	2,250.00	Oak Grove	1,836.22	6,402.85
Austin Grove	354.17	3,187.53	Oakland	400.00	3,600.00
Benton Heights	500.00	1,000.00	Olive Branch	400.00	800.00
Benton's Cross Roads	0.00	2,569.00	Philadelphia	1,109.02	8,919.01
Bethel	0.00	2,625.00	Pleasant Hill	208.34	1,875.06
Calvary	0.00	6,923.26	Providence	0.00	0.00
Centerview	263.76	2,561.45	Roanoke	0.00	0.00
Central	600.00	600.00	Sandy Ridge	366.62	3,354.70
Christ	0.00	0.00	Sardis	494.58	4,918.37
Corinth	100.00	900.00	Secrest Grove	0.00	0.00
Covenant	0.00	0.00	Shiloh	1,310.50	6,646.50
Ebenezer	401.09	3,816.70	Silver Star Cowboy Church	0.00	1,525.00
<i>El Buen Pastor</i>	0.00	432.00	Solid Rock	50.00	450.00
Elizabeth Missionary	0.00	800.00	South Monroe formerly Sunset Pk	0.00	0.00
Emmanuel	167.97	2,119.82	Trinity	0.00	2,250.00
Euto	1,392.23	16,393.47	Union	0.00	2,000.00
*Fairfield Community	0.00	0.00	Union Grove	0.00	1,125.00
Faith	0.00	0.00	Waxhaw	0.00	1,100.00
Faulks	0.00	900.00	Weddington First	1,059.32	11,211.22
Fellowship	100.00	500.00	West Monroe	278.00	2,810.00
Forest Hills	0.00	300.00	Westend	0.00	750.00
Foundation	0.00	0.00	Wingate	<u>241.00</u>	<u>2,169.00</u>
Freedom Biker	253.17	2,091.60			
Friendly	0.00	800.00	Total	\$16,717.18	\$191,602.63
*GracePointe	500.00	2,000.00			
Hamilton Cross Roads	250.00	750.00			
Hermon	715.00	6,435.00			
Hopewell	0.00	4,500.00			
Howie	0.00	0.00			
Iglesia Camino	0.00	300.00			
Indian Trail First	1,250.00	11,250.00			
Invitation	332.00	4,317.00			
King Memorial	0.00	0.00			
Korean Global Msn.	100.00	900.00			
Lakeview	0.00	5,000.00			
Lanes Creek	0.00	300.00			
Lee Park	0.00	5,000.00			
LifePoint Monroe	0.00	0.00			
Love	0.00	500.00			
Macedonia	283.19	2,503.10			
Marshville-First	0.00	2,250.00			
Mary Elizabeth	0.00	571.21			
Midway	0.00	2,932.11			
Mill Creek	0.00	0.00			
Monroe-First	83.37	666.68			
Mount Harmony	416.67	3,333.36			
Mountain Springs	863.00	7,799.00			
Mt. Moriah	207.64	1,805.09			
Mt. Olive	0.00	2,000.00			
Mt. Pleasant	1,416.54	5,527.43			
Mt. Zion	0.00	3,000.00			
New Covenant of Ind.Trail	0.00	0.00			
New Hope	0.00	4,086.11			
New Life	0.00	0.00			
*New Life Brazilian	0.00	0.00			
New Salem	0.00	1,200.00			

A complete financial statement is available upon request.

* Denotes Mission/Watchcare Status

Account Balances September 30,2018

Petty Cash	\$100.00
BB&T Checking Account	\$4,564.38
5th 3rd Checking Account	<u>\$36,215.02</u>
Total	\$40,879.40



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Lottie Moon Offering & Week of Prayer
For International Missions
December 2-9, 2018



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Toy Collection Week

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Please leave price on toys.

The Donna Pittman
Christmas Toy Store

Saturday,

December 8, 2018

8:00 am - 7:00 pm

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