

May 2018



The Cornerstone

I Peter 2:6

Growing God's Kingdom Associationally

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

Thursday, May 3

5 pm.

★ PRAY FOR AMERICA ★



NATIONALDAYOFPRAYER.ORG

Location: *The Wall That Heals* location at Historic Camden, near the Camden Arena

Speaker: Colonel Steve Gantt
Army Chaplain and Vietnam veteran
Many others will be leading in prayer.

PRAYER BOOT CAMP

BASIC TRAINING FOR A LIFE OF PRAYER

Join us for an inspiring time together

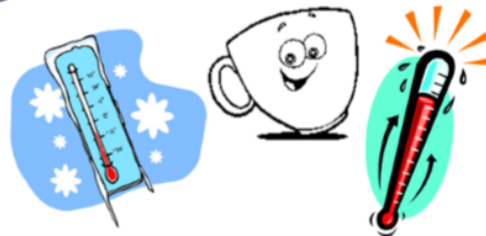
Friday, May 18, 1:00 p.m.

KBA Mission Center

This is for everyone, men and women.

Guaranteed to revive your prayer life!

How's your prayer life?



We had a great time in our recent boot camp with 48 people/15 churches in attendance, so we've planned another!

Please call the KBA, 803-432-3028, to register you and/or your group.

Don't forget, prayer is the fuel for all ministries!

Missions—Local

KEEP THESE DATES IN MIND...

...Saturday, July 28, County Back to School Bash, Camden Arena
 ...Sunday, July 29, KBA Youth Back to School picnic
 ...Saturday August 11, Sportsman's Banquet
 ...Sunday, August 12, Prayer walk for schools



BLOCK PARTY IN A BOX... including inflatables, outdoor theatre, rolling grill, and popcorn, sno-cone, and cotton candy machines, is available for your church! Pray about sponsoring a block party in your community, at your local school, an apartment complex or park. Or, perhaps there is a special community activity you can join. The KBA is praying about putting together a team to help out through the summer, so contact Ron for details.

MONTHLY OPPORTUNITY TO FEED THE HOMELESS...

KBA churches are joining up with the Love Serve Give ministry and other churches in Camden to feed the homeless and needy. KBA has been given the fourth Sunday afternoon of every month to do this vital ministry. Here are the details: Your church will need to provide the meal for approximately 30 people arriving at Food for the Soul around 4:00 pm, and serving around 4:30. You will need at least 8-10 people to help out. Tables will already be set up, but chairs will need to be put in place. Someone from your church will need to share a short devotional from Scripture. Call the KBA Mission Center for more information and to sign up your church for an open month, first come, first served. This is a great opportunity for a youth group, senior group or even leadership team in your church.



RICHARD BLACKABY TO LEAD WORKSHOP... Pray for our church renewal workshop on November 3, when Richard Blackaby, author and church renewal expert, leads us. In recent years, much emphasis has been placed on planting new churches. This has been an important focus. However, there is a growing concern about the large number of churches that are closing their doors every year. The Kingdom of God appears to be taking three steps forward and then two steps back. Blackaby Ministries International has worked for years to help struggling, plateaued, and declining churches to experience revitalization and a fresh working of the Holy Spirit in their midst. The Blackabys have a powerful message to share that inspires church leaders to seek a fresh word from God for their church and to gain new hope that their church's best days lie ahead and not behind them.

COUNSELING RESOURCES...

Palmetto Counseling Associates—Dr Nic Natale, Columbia, SC, 803-254-9767

Celebrate Recovery—Jimmy Braddock, Christ-centered recovery program, Camden, SC, 803-369-4365

Teen Challenge—Rev Wayne Powell, Georgetown, SC, 843-520-4888

Good Samaritan Colony—Jason Love, Ruby, SC, 843-634-6848

Missions—International

MISSION TRIP TO CUBA... is being planned for late summer/early fall. Contact Ron immediately if you have an interest as religious visas take 90 days to process.

Pastors/Staff/Family Care

PASTORS CONFERENCE...

Tuesday, May 22, 11 am, KBA Mission Center, with lunch provided.



BETTER HALVES—

Thursday, May 24, 6 pm, the KBA Mission Center. Come and enjoy dinner and a great time of fellowship. Contact Paulette Underwood for more information, 803-840-0020

Around the Association

May Birthdays:

01 Jamie Mims, Pisgah
 06 Amy Hopkins, Hermitage
 08 Stephen Sanderson, Calvary
 14 Jenny Corder, Hillcrest
 18 Everett Reconnu, Southside
 18 Don Coppedge, retired
 19 Ken Jackson, Hillcrest
 21 Elizabeth Holcombe, Hermitage
 24 Lanny Brisendine, Bethune
 24 Todd Gandy, Providence
 24 Sandy Ridley, Freedom Outreach
 25 Robbie Shivar, Crossings
 26 Melvie Wallace, Cedar Creek
 27 Tarsha Galloway, Friendship
 27 Jan Whitfield, retired
 30 Ann Brisendine, Bethune
 31 Fran Stokes, retired



May Wedding Anniversaries:

01 Jamie and Elizabeth Holcombe, Hermitage
 15 Steve and Diane Lee, Mt. Olivet

May Church Anniversaries:

03 Mike Pelham, Lake Wateree
 13 Craig Thompson, Malvern Hill
 15 Bryan Plyler, River

Missions—National

SENIOR ADULT MISSION TRIP TO LYNCH, KY—.. They left Monday, April 30 and will return Friday, May 4.

MISSIONS IN MYRTLE BEACH... four of our churches will be serving the same week in Myrtle Beach, beginning July 22! They are Emmanuel, Malvern Hill, Mt Pisgah and Providence. It's not too late to join in the fun, so call Ron today!

MISSIONS ACROSS AMERICA 2018! KBA churches are putting great prayer & focus on mission fields all across America this summer. Contact the KBA office for more details.

- Ron & Paulette are leading a group to conduct a VBS at **Pirateland Campground MB** June 3-8 & need 6-8 volunteers to join them. Contact Ron IMMEDIATELY to join in the fun!
- Church groups are needed in various **MB campgrounds** June 3-8, June 10-15, July 15-20 and July 22-27. Contact Todd Wood at 843-254-7777.
- 10 adult volunteers from one or a mix of churches are needed July 9-15 to assist with a **summer camp for children in Lynch, Kentucky**. It takes place 9-3, Monday-Friday. Classroom workers, kitchen and work crews are needed, along with some work projects at the camp. Cost is \$110 each. Contact Sean McElrath at Springvale Baptist at 864-494-3142.
- A young adult team from one or more churches is needed at **M28 Church in midtown Atlanta** in later July on a long weekend to "connect" to the '20's-30's somethings' in the coffee shops & parks. Contact Ron for details.
- A KBA trip to support **Mosaic Church, Boston** is being prayed about in later August if 6-8 individuals are interested. Church groups are needed mid-July through mid-August. Contact Ron for details.



Contact the KBA mission center for information on any other mission destinations. Ron can get you all the information and contacts you need!

First Quarter Treasurer's Report

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| Budget Needs to Date | \$46,734.50 |
| Given to Date | 48,810.94 |



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| Apr 30-May 4 Sr Adult Mission Trip to Lynch, KY | |
| 3 National Day of Prayer | |
| 3 The Wall that Heals | |
| 15 Missions Day Camp Training | |
| 18 Prayer Boot Camp | |
| 20-27 Week of Prayer for Associational Missions and the Mildred Smith Offering | |
| 20 Pastors Conference | |
| 24 Better Halves | |
| 28 Memorial Day, KBA Mission Center closed | |

Receipts from Churches, January—March 2018

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| Abney | 300.00 | Lugoff First | 5725.05 |
| Antioch | 408.80 | Malvern Hill | 500.06 |
| Beaverdam | 125.01 | Mizpah | 0.00 |
| Bethany Westville | 166.72 | Mt. Olivet | 200.00 |
| Bethune | 587.16 | Mt. Pisgah | 3120.00 |
| Buffalo | 1033.07 | Mt. Zion | 265.64 |
| Calvary | 1481.00 | New Hope | 75.00 |
| Camden First | 8124.99 | Oak Ridge | 525.12 |
| Cassatt | 1461.13 | Open Arms | 0.00 |
| Cedar Creek | 923.90 | Pine Grove | 975.00 |
| Crossings | 0.00 | Pisgah | 0.00 |
| DeKalb | 830.00 | Pleasant Hill | 0.00 |
| Emmanuel | 2106.68 | Providence | 2160.22 |
| Faith | 165.33 | Red Hill | 454.00 |
| Flint Hill | 0.00 | Refuge | 453.00 |
| Freedom Outreach | 0.00 | River | 300.00 |
| Friendship | 1320.27 | Sand Hill Heights | 0.00 |
| Harmony | 355.20 | Shamrock | 0.00 |
| Hermitage | 1211.78 | Southside | 330.00 |
| Hillcrest | 1361.00 | Springvale | 3155.29 |
| Lake Wateree | 2656.56 | Timrod | 750.00 |
| Lakeview | 122.20 | Trinity | 3556.78 |
| Laurel Hill | 800.00 | Wateree | 0.00 |
| Lucknow | 225.00 | Total | 488810.94 |

The Wall That Heals

May 3 - 6
Closes Sunday at 3pm
Historic Camden



Free - Open 24 Hours - Rain or Shine

MILITARY VETS ARE NEEDED TO ASSIST! Please call Ron at the KBA Missions Center, 803-432-3028 for details.

TRIPLE A RECOGNITIONS



Five churches received the Triple A recognition at the WMU

Spring Meeting. Accepting for their churches are (left to right) Celeste Toole (Camden First), Denise Catoe (Mt. Pisgah), Joan Young (Providence), Doris Horton (Shamrock), and LaWanda Welsh (Springvale).

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR KENTUCKY

Summer Mission Project— Please turn in items by July 31 to the KBA Mission Center. All items will be given to Harlan County High School to help with Frankie and Judy Caulder's ministry there.

Needed items:

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| Notebook paper | Toothpaste |
| Pocket folders | Deodorant |
| Color markers | Shampoo |
| Color pencils | Towels |
| Graph paper | Washcloths |
| Art sketch paper | Body Wash |
| 2 in. 3-ring binders | |
| Zipper pencil pouches | |
| Index cards—3x5 | |
| Book bags suitable for boys | |
| Subject dividers with tabs | |
| Individual Toothbrushes | |

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Return Service Requested

To:

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Permit No. 32
Camden, SC

MISSION DAY CAMP TRAINING

Tuesday, May 15 6:30 p.m.
KBA Mission Center



Come get ideas to use on your church mission trip OR right in your own community! Reach out and share Jesus' love this summer with these ideas.

Associational Bible Drill—Pictured below are children from Camden First, DeKalb and Cornerstone Christian School who participated in the Associational Bible Drill on April 15. We are so proud of them as they all advanced to the State Drill on April 28 in Marion, SC.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

May 20-27, 2018



MISSION PARTNERSHIPS

The Kershaw Baptist Association exists to help your church glorify God and proclaim Jesus Lord by proclaiming the good news of the Gospel to our community, nation and world in many different ways. Together, with the other 47 Southern Baptist churches of the KBA, you and your church can shine God's light in ways and places you could never do alone. Together, we carry out the Great Commission far better! Here are some important ministries that we ask you to lift in prayer.

Day One: Sunday **Revelation 2-3**

Renewal of Our Churches: Together, we help and encourage one another to be part of stronger and healthier churches. Many churches have plateaued or are declining. Too many pews and baptisteries are empty. Nothing about closed or declining churches glorifies God. It also sends a terrible message to the lost world. We rejoice that God-things are happening in many of our churches! Most recently, Wateree Baptist and The River have partnered in a beautiful way on the campus of Wateree Baptist. Currently, Springvale and Sand Hill Heights are praying about a partnership, so pray for them. Pray for other churches in our Association to move in these same directions. Pray for Pastors and church leaders to make the tough decisions that lead to necessary change in their church, that can then help reach the new generations. Pray for our church renewal workshop in November when Richard Blackaby, author and church renewal expert, leads us.

Day Two: Monday

Luke 18:16

Sacks of Love: Together, we provide critical nourishment to 400+ students each week during the school year. We gladly work in unity with even some non-Baptist churches in doing this vital work. Pray that receiving families will understand that this is being done in the name of Jesus. Pray that God will show us a way to provide food for the children in the summer time, too.

Day Three: Tuesday

Matthew 25:35

The Hungry: Together, we are responsible before God to care for those who are hungry. KBA is working with community leaders who are already providing food for many, but not all families. The biggest problem they have is not acquiring food, but getting it to the families. Then again, KBA has churches all over the county. Pray about how we can collaborate with community organizations to deliver food to needy families, not only feeding hungry stomachs but also being able to connect to them, share the Gospel and invite them to church.

Day Four: Wednesday

Proverbs 22:6

Our Schools: Together, we seek to care for the students, families, teachers and administrators in our schools. It is the greatest mission field in each of our communities. Pray for strength and patience for the teachers and staff. Pray that Christian teachers and staff can model and share faith in many ways. Pray that your church and KBA churches will be burdened by the Holy Spirit to actively reach out to their local schools and serve them in all kinds of ways. The opportunities are many.

Day Five: Thursday

Matthew 28:16

Summer Mission Trips: Together, many KBA churches are going on mission across America this summer. Locations include Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Kentucky and Montgomery. A number of our churches are headed to Myrtle Beach campgrounds and beach ministry! Pray for smooth planning efforts and adequate funding. Pray for safe travel for each group. Pray for zeal, strength and energy for each group. Pray that each group can show the love of Christ and be effective in sharing the Gospel. Most of all, pray that many souls will be reached. Pray that mission's zeal will be brought back to their home church and continue throughout the year in many ways.

Day Six: Friday

Acts 16:6

Missions in Cuba: Together, we are sending mission teams there. Cuba is so very close to America and is an open door to the Gospel, one that we must take advantage of while we can. Pray for the KBA team traveling there soon. Pray for the leaders of Cuba, that they will be open to the Gospel. Pray for the churches in Cuba, that they continue to proclaim the Gospel faithfully. Pray for the Pastors of Cuba and their families, as they are so faithful, yet receive very little compensation. Pray that KBA churches would be burdened for Cuba.

Day Seven: Saturday

Luke 11:1

Prayer Boot Camps: Together, we must be like the disciples and ask our Lord to teach us to pray (well!) KBA has already provided several prayer boot camps for churches, hoping the churches will in turn do the same for their church family. We are confident that when a church puts great focus on praying, God will work in powerful and moving ways.

Day Eight: Sunday

I Corinthians 10:31

Sportsman's Banquet: Together, we use every tool to try to reach the lost, including sports. On Saturday, August 11, KBA will host a banquet centered on hunting and fishing in order to share the Gospel. Pray for smooth planning and financial support. Pray for our speaker, that he will be inspiring and convicting. Pray for those who will attend, that the seeds of the Gospel will be planted in many hearts and many will come to know Jesus. Pray that Christian sportsmen and women see their hobbies as great ways to make Christ known in their lives.

*We are better,
together!*

"During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us..'"

Acts 16:9 (NIV)

Mildred S. Smith Offering for Local Missions in the Kershaw Baptist Association

We know Scripture teaches us that missions begins at home! The Great Commission tells us that our efforts are to start in Jerusalem, then Judea, then onward. Indeed, our community and county are our Jerusalem, so let us be obedient and make a good effort to reach the lost here, then spread out as God leads.

The Mildred S. Smith offering does just this. Named after a local Southern Baptist who was diligent for many years in serving the Lord locally, we collect this offering to be used for local mission efforts, only. Up until recently, this offering was used for new church plants. Now, it will be used for any and all local evangelistic outreaches.

Together, our 48 churches and thousands of church members, from Elgin to Bethune and Bishopville to Kershaw, strive to reach the thousands who do not know Jesus Christ. With over 60,000 local residents, half who do not know Jesus, we have a big work to do.

This year, churches are asked to receive the Mildred Smith Offering for the purchase of a new inflatable for our block party ministry to you. Several of them are well-worn, and we want them to be super safe. Thank you for your great support!

