



The Cornerstone

I Peter 2:6

Growing God's Kingdom Associationally

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

As I now begin my fifth year as your local missionary, I am excited now more than ever about our ministry together! In these last four years, we have done some God-things together and learned some good lessons, too. It is with heartfelt appreciation that I say "Thank you" for your many prayers and great support in so many ways.

While I now wrestle with helping ten of our churches without pastors, the burdens of our schools, the hungry, prayerlessness and the spiritually lost are heavy on my heart, too. After much prayer, I sense God's leading in some specific directions that I believe will help us fulfill our divine calling in even greater ways in the future.

1. I humbly ask that every KBA church prayerfully consider and formally re-covenant to be an active participant in our work together. We hear from you that KBA is doing good things, yet we're having great difficulty getting volunteers to actually do the work God has called us to do.
2. I respectfully ask that every KBA Pastor and staff member pray about and be willing to actively serve on at least one KBA committee or team.
3. I ask for God's wisdom and your prayers as we "adjust" our current committees/teams so they accomplish all of our strategic priorities to the best of our abilities and with God's great help.

For sure, these are challenging days as we are burdened with the darkness and lostness across our county, country and world. We have great work to do! Some of this work is in your Jerusalem, in your front yard, in your community... and KBA is here to help you do it better! Other parts of your God-given work may be across the county, the country or to the ends of the earth, just like Jesus said (Acts 1), with your sister churches. Together, let us be faithful in giving our very best to doing all He has called us to do, everywhere He has called us to go and everyone He has called us to love on. In so doing, our joy will be complete, His Church will be honored and His name will be glorified!

Ron Underwood

Missions—Local

“POLICE IN THE PARK” IN BOYKIN PARK, CAMDEN... Saturday, June 9, 12-2 pm. Churches from the KBA are asked to join with the Camden Police Department in this community relations event. We are asked to operate an inflatable while Kona Ice and hot dogs are given to the local residents. What a great opportunity for the local churches to reach out!

KERSHAW COUNTY BACK TO SCHOOL BASH... is Saturday, July 28, at the Camden Arena. Doors open at 8 am! KBA has been asked to operate an inflatable. Gideons will be handing out Bibles while children will be receiving school supplies. Last year we met over 800 people there, so here is another great opportunity for churches.

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

SPORTSMAN'S BANQUET... Saturday, August 11, 6 pm at Rhame Arena, corner of Bull and Broad streets. A free barbecue supper will be provided. Great door prizes will be given away, including 3 hunting guns and several game cameras. A special speaker will share a Gospel message. This is the time to bring your lost family member or friend and let the Creator speak to them!

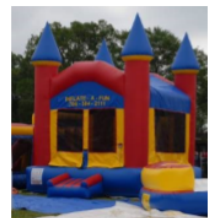
PRAYER WALK FOR OUR SCHOOLS...

is Sunday afternoon or evening, August 12. Your church is asked to join with your partner church at your school to pray. (KBA will notify the District leadership, but you may need to coordinate with your school leadership so they know you will be there.) We want every school prayed over before they start classes the following week!

KBA RADIO MINISTRY... takes place every weekday morning around 7:30 am on 102.7 FM. Each Pastor is asked to participate by sharing five 2-minute messages, about a half page when you read it. Recording takes place each Thursday at 1 pm at the radio station in Lugoff, with the devotionals being heard the following week. Contact Ron to set your recording date.

*Thank you for "thinking 3%"
of undesignated receipts
for Associational mission
support.*

BLOCK PARTY IN A BOX... including inflatables, outdoor theatre, rolling grill, tent (see picture on next page) and popcorn, snowcone, 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. We have a couple of opportunities listed at the top of the first column above. The KBA is praying about putting together a team to help out through the summer, so contact Ron for details.



Missions—National

PRAY FOR THOSE GOING ON MISSION ACROSS NORTH AMERICA...

June 3-8, KBA at Myrtle Beach.

June 23-26—Camden First, Washington DC

July 8-13, Hermitage, Montgomery, AL

*July 9-15— Springvale, Lynch, KY

July 18-24— Camden First, Portland, OR

July 22-28 , Emmanuel and Providence, Myrtle Beach

July 21-28, Hillcrest & Mt Pisgah, Pittsburgh

* Springvale would like to have 10 adult volunteers from one or a mix of churches, 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.



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.

PRAY FOR THOSE GOING ON INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS ...

June 18-26—Camden First, Machachi, Ecuador

August 2-11—Malvern Hill, Scotland

August 18-September 3—Camden First, Central Asia



We've replaced the old worn-out tent with a 10x20 Pop-Up Tent that is available for check-out.

Pastors/Staff/Family Care

PASTORS CONFERENCE... will not meet in June and July. Regular schedule will resume in August. Be sure to plan a great vacation for your family!



Monday—Wednesday,
August 27-29,

near Hendersonville,
NC. KBA will pay for any first
timers! Speak with Ron to sign up.



BETTER HALVES— Thursday,
June 21, 6 pm , the Camden House
of Pizza. Come and enjoy dinner
and a great time of fellowship.
Contact Paulette Underwood for
more information, 803-840-0020.

Around the Association

June Birthdays:

07 Stephanie James, Oak Ridge
11 Sean McElrath, Springvale
13 Cindy Hedgepath, Antioch
13 Ron Underwood, KBA
16 Todd Warnock, River
17 Will Cline, Mizpah
22 Bryan Plyler, River
28 Jeremy Ussery, Timrod
30 Ed Stokes, retired



June Wedding Anniversaries:

02 Scott and Angie Robinson, Abney
04 Terry and Debbie Corder, Mt. Pisgah
06 John and Jenny Corder, Hillcrest
06 Chuck and Pam Everett, Trinity
13 Doug and Nicki Huntsinger, Lugoff First
14 Robbie and Amy Shivar, Crossings
15 Everett and Joan Reconnu, Southside
17 Craigan and Keri Blankenship, Bethany
18 Craig and Angela Thompson, Malvern Hill
25 Taylor and Lynn Wells, Wateree

June Church Anniversaries:

01 Ron Underwood, KBA
03 John Corder, Hillcrest
03 Ken Jackson, Hillcrest
05 Todd Gandy, Providence
06 Todd Horton, Springvale
25 Allan Ogburn, Trinity



HEART 4 SCHOOLS

WORKSHOP... is being planned for late July or early August. As we seek to understand the challenges of ministry in the schools, we will help each church to develop their strategy for their school. This event is for pastors, church leaders and church school committees. A working meal will be served. Please contact Ron to let him know your best available date!



- 3-8 KBA Mission Trip to Myrtle Beach
- 9 Police in the Park
- 12-13 SBC Annual Meeting
- 21 Better Halves

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REGION 2 ASSOCIATION WMU LEADERSHIP TRAINING

... Saturday, June 23, 9-12 at Trinity Baptist Church, 112 Chester Ave., Great Falls, SC. This is free. Register by Thursday, June 14 by calling 703-227-6210 or email donnabritt@scbaptist.org

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 | |



COLA WARS COMING JULY 23-25, 2018

Contact Clint Ellis at Camden First for more information, 803-432-7635



Prayer Boot Camp was held at Adult and Teen Challenge in Georgetown, SC, sponsored by the KBA on May 29. Camp was led by KBA pastors, Dean Elliott and Rus McDonald, and by Paulette Underwood, KBA Prayer Coordinator. Students were given the Battle Plan for Prayer book and a pillowcase that was a handmade by ladies from Lydia’s Helping Hands of Springvale Baptist Church.