

August 2020

The Cornerstone

I Peter 2:6

Growing God's Kingdom Associationally

LISTENING FORUM WITH BLACK PASTORS... took place last month with twenty KBA pastors and eight black pastors present. It was a stirring time of listening to one another's words and hearts! We are meeting again on Thursday, August 13 at 7 pm, so bivocational pastors can attend. We meet in the fellowship hall of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Lugoff (across from McDonalds). All pastors and staff will want to attend. For sure, your presence sends a needful message to your church and community that caring about and working with believers of other cultures is important to you and the Church. Please pencil in the 2nd Thursday of upcoming months for the same. In the meantime, let us all search our hearts, earnestly pray, and remember our Lord's words, "Blessed are the peacemakers."



Next Meeting—Thursday, August 13, 7 pm, Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, Lugoff

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WE WELCOME KERSHAW FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH... into our KBA family! Rev Bobby Massey is pastor and has done a great job at revitalizing the church since going there in 2015. He is married to Jackie, and they have four children. He is a graduate of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and is currently working on a Doctorate of Ministry in Church Revitalization. Previously, they served as missionaries to China for eight years and as a missions pastor in New Orleans. Pastor Bobby states, "My passion is to faithfully preach God's Word so to disciple, equip, build, and lead the Body of Christ." He is strongly committed to expository preaching, proclamation of the Gospel, and the Great Commission in and through a balanced ministry of the local church.

Missions—Local

KBA HUNGER MINISTRY... continues through the summer as we ask our churches to gather food items for those in our community who are struggling. A table is set up at the rear door of KBA to drop off your items. Monetary donations (to "KBA Hunger Ministry") are also necessary as the Nutrition Center can buy food in bulk at a much better price. Volunteers to pack and deliver food boxes are also necessary. Necessary food items are listed below. Please contact KBA or Kirk Mays at 420-2375 for details and to volunteer.



Mobile Nutrition Center
uwkc.net
803.432.0901

The MNC food pantry is stocked primarily through the generosity of our community. Food drives are an integral part of our operation. If you are interested in helping with a food drive, the following items are always needed:

Oatmeal	Instant Potatoes
Peanut Butter	Mac-N-Cheese
Spaghetti Sauce	Whole Wheat Spaghetti Noodles
Pasta Noodles	Brown and White Rice
Professionally processed and packaged deer meat	

Canned Soup
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruit
Canned Pasta
Grits

Virtual VBS 2020

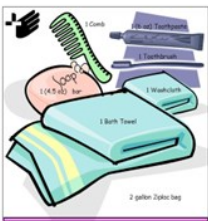


Courageous Faith

Free Memory Stick containing everything you need to create Vacation Bible School at home or with a small group of your neighbors during this time of Social Distancing.

Available at
KBA Mission Center

Cartoon lessons, digital comic books, memory verses, worship videos, games, crafts and snack ideas



HEALTH KITS...

A tangible way to meet the physical needs of those in your community is through health kits. Place the following items in a 2-gallon zip lock type bag: 1 toothbrush, 1— 6 oz toothpaste, 1 washcloth, 1 bath towel, 1—

4.5 oz bath size soap, 1 comb

The KBA is accepting the kits now, so you may drop them off during regular business hours. If you made kits, but are distributing them yourself rather than bringing to the KBA, please let us know how many you made and where you donated them.



OUR GOOD NEWS

CLUBS!... we all wait to see how and when the schools gather this fall and the impact of Covid 19 on such gatherings. It is very possible that the Good News Clubs may not meet until January, at the earliest. Yet, if God opens the doors earlier we want to be ready, so please pray, plan

and prepare the best you can. I don't have to tell you that the current state of America demands we get the Word of God to our children and families in every way we can, as soon as we can!

Pastors/Staff/Family Care

PASTORS CONFERENCE... will take place on Tuesday, August 18, 11 am. Yes, this is a week early due to the Band of Brothers meeting. The location will be announced.



BETTER HALVES MEETING... of the wives of pastors and staff members, is Thursday, August 27, 6 pm. Location to be announced. Call or text Paulette Underwood at 803-840-0020 to sign up!

COUNSELING/REFRESHING RESOURCES...

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

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

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

The Good Samaritan Colony—Rehab from addiction to drugs and alcohol, Ruby, SC, 843-634-6848

Shade Tree Ministry—refreshing for ministry leaders and their spouses,
www.shadetreeministry.org

Wateree Pregnancy Network— 803-804-1567

Camp McCall Retreat House—
Phillip "Snoball" Jewell, 864-884-6926

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

August Birthdays:

- 02 Brenda Vinson, Flint Hill
- 09 Myrtle Sullivan, Open Arms
- 11 Deanne Boone, Pine Grove
- 11 Edwina Gardner, Faith West
- 13 John Corder, Hillcrest
- 14 Pam Everett, Trinity



August Wedding Anniversaries:

- 01 Stephen and Lisa Sanderson, Calvary
- 04 Will and Mildred Cline, Mizpah
- 07 Dean and Lynn Elliot, Cassatt
- 08 Danny and Cindy Hedgepath, Antioch
- 10 Jack and Kim Hair, Friendship
- 12 Bryan and Lisa Plyler, River
- 13 Don and Phyllis Coppedge, retired
- 15 Lyn and Betsy Hill, New Hope
- 24 Mike and Brenda Pelham, Lake Wateree

August Church Anniversaries:

- 04 Craigan Blankenship, Bethany



BAND OF BROTHERS... is a semi-annual fellowship of Baptist pastors across our state that provides great fellowship, good food and encouraging messages! You've been thinking of attending for a while, so let's squeeze something good out of these slower days of Covid 19 and plan on going this time! It meets Monday through noon Wednesday, August 24-26 at the Mountain Lodge and Conference Center near Hendersonville, NC. If you're attending for the first time, KBA pays your way, so give Ron a call or a text today! Otherwise, you can go to the SC Baptist Convention website to register. (If funds are an issue, call Ron!)

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH (EAST)... on Lee State Park Road, Bishopville, has begun the necessary process of joining our Association. Rev. Olin Kirkland has led the church well in understanding and embracing the Baptist Faith and Message and the Cooperative Program. They are definitely of like-mind and heart as we! Let us love them, pray for them and do all we can to welcome them! The welcoming vote will take place at our meeting this fall... if our Lord tarries in His return!

HISPANIC CHURCH PLANT... is being discussed and prayed about heavily! The South Carolina Baptist Convention and KBA are big supporters, and there is a "sponsoring church" already in the KBA. However, we need all of our churches to be "supporting churches." This can mean many things over time. Immediate needs include a house for the Hispanic pastor and his wife, as well as donation of funds. Perhaps your church or Sunday School class, or even you personally, can pledge an amount to support this effort for a period of time, as our Lord leads. Pastors, the prospective Hispanic pastor is available to speak in your church, so contact the KBA for contact information.



August Calendar

- 13 Listening Forum with Black Pastors
- 18 Pastors Conference
- 24-26 Band of Brothers
- 27 Better Halves

PART-TIME YOUTH MINISTER NEEDED...

Cassatt Baptist Church is seeking a part-time youth minister to perform duties related to the growth and development of the youth of the church and community. Contact Personnel Committee, 803-427-9306, send a current resumé to Cassatt Baptist Church, P O Box 110, Cassatt, SC 29032, or email it to cassatt bc@gmail.com.

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SEASON OF PRAYER FOR STATE MISSIONS IN SOUTH CAROLINA... is September 13-20. The Janie Chapman offering is received during the month wherein 100% of the offering is used for missions here in our state! Churches are encouraged to "crack open their windows" and look out on the mission field in their community!

Missions—International

OUR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE...

realizes that, at the present time, mission trips to Cuba are very difficult due to travel restrictions. Pray for Cuba as they suffer through the virus. Pray for the church in Cuba as they endure increased oppression these days as well as Covid 19 outbreak.

Colossians 3:12, NIV: "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."