



December 2021

The Cornerstone

I Peter 2:6

Growing God's Kingdom Associationally



The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering ... is being received across the SBC with 100% going toward putting missionaries on the field and planting new churches. This is something we can put great emphasis on and actually do in these days of Covid! Resources are available at imb.org, including bulletin images, prayer guides and excellent videos.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE WITH A REFUGEE FAMILY!..... in our partnership with Friendship Church, we continue to seek a home for the refugee family to live in before we can receive the family. We thought we had one, but it turned out to be sub-standard. Please let Ron or Keith know of any possibilities that you know of in the Elgin/Lugoff/immediate Camden area. Volunteers from our churches are also needed to help with specific needs of this family such as housing, medical, learning English, education, jobs and cultural, among others. Contact Ron at the KBA or Keith Willoughby or Andrew Tate at Friendship Church at 864-377-2280.



TRAINING FOR GOOD NEWS CLUBS 2022 ... we are praying, hoping, and planning to have Good News Clubs in many, if not all of our elementary schools this spring. A REFRESHER and INITIAL training workshop is planned for Saturday, January 22. Time & location to be announced. All volunteers, whether they have worked in a GNC before or not, are asked to be present. Teams, we can only let Covid slow us down so long in getting the Gospel to the children, so off we go in faith!

Announcing! The Gospel Changes Everything Tour is coming to Camden! Please mark your calendars for The Gospel Changes Everything Tour! This event is being brought to you by The Palmetto Family Council and the South Carolina Baptist Convention. It will be held at First Baptist Church Camden on Monday, December 6 from 11 am – 1 pm. Snack lunch will be provided. Invite a friend! It's free! To get an accurate head count for food and set-up preparation, we will need everyone to follow the Eventbrite Link below and complete a registration for you and your guests for this important event, being brought to you at no cost! Here is the link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-gospel-changes-everything-tour-camden-tickets-205788859017> This will be a discussion concerning active legislation going on in our state which affects every church and family member. Topics include: Protecting Religious Freedom, Pro-Life Legislation, Marijuana Legalization, Critical Race Theory, and more. Discussion Leaders will be: Dave Wilson, President/Executive Director, Palmetto Family Council, Mitch Prosser, Vice President, Palmetto Family Council, Dr. Tony Beam, Public Policy Director South Carolina Southern Baptist Convention.



Missions—Local



LOVE, SERVE, GIVE ... is a hunger/feeding ministry that takes place each Sunday afternoon in the Camden-Lugoff area. Volunteer churches are needed, once more. Contact Rev. Keith Willoughby at Friendship Church, Lugoff, 864-377-2280 for more details.



ON MISSION AT MYRTLE BEACH! ...is how some of our KBA churches have seen themselves as we've partnered with Impact Myrtle Beach the last few years, conducting day camps at large campgrounds there. It only takes a group of 8-10 or a whole group can join in! While Covid has kept us from doing some things as churches, this is something we still can do in the outside campground picnic shelters! As you pray, here are their dates for next summer: June 5-10, June 12-17; June 19-24; June 26-July 1; July 3-8; July 10-15; July 17-22; July 24-Aug 2. They even have a retreat center for your group to be housed in if you make your commitment early. Call Ron for more info or call Peter at Impact MB at 803-920-3763.

Go Tell Student Camps.....What are your children / students doing next summer? Go Tell Camp is a life changing week for everyone who attends where God's Word is taught. For more information visit their website at: www.gotellcamps.com or call 1-866-446-8355.



Committee meetings... your Association needs committee members for the following KBA committees: **Local Evangelism & Missions Team; Heart 4 Schools Team; National & International Missions Team; Church Health Team (Revitalization); Pastor/Family Care Team.** All Pastors are respectfully asked to serve on at least one committee. Let's have every church represented. Contact Ron to volunteer or to answer any questions.



HISPANIC CHURCH PLANT... is now happening. To learn more, contact Pastor Silvio at 954-245-1704. He will be glad to come to your church to preach and share about the work. *Please be in prayer for Pastor Silvio & Suly as they expect their baby girl around Christmas!*



Prisoner Packets are due by Thursday, December 2. KBA needs to inspect and deliver them to Columbia by December 6.

We are well underway to begin operations! Our new name, Hope for Life, backs up our mission to empower individuals and families by providing help and support to meet the physical, social, and spiritual needs of women and families facing pregnancy. Our vision is to provide help and HOPE through collaborative community support and compassionate care. This is where YOU come in! As we get ready to begin operations, we need help in the following areas:



Prayer – This is the foundation of our organization! Please be in much prayer for this important ministry in Kershaw County.

A Faith Based Liaison – We are in need of someone to visit area churches on our behalf to give information about this important organization.

A Volunteer- We are in need of volunteers who would be willing to be at our temporary location 1-2 days a week for a 2 (two) hour block of time.

Board Members – We are in need of more people to serve on our Board of Directors. If you think you may be interested, please let us know!

Financial Contributions – Hope for Life would greatly appreciate any financial contributions you could provide. Contact us for more information!

Donations – Donations of diapers, wipes, formula, baby food, baby clothes, etc.

If you can help in any way, please contact us. We are excited about what the Lord is already doing and what he will do through this ministry!

Pastors/Staff/Family Care

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PASTORS CONFERENCE is Tuesday,
December 14 at 11 am at the KBA missions center.
(Yes, it's a week early due to Christmas.)

BETTER
HALVES

There will be no Better
Halves meeting this month!

COUNSELING/REFRESHING RESOURCES...

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

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—refresher for ministry leaders and
their spouses, www.shadetreeministry.org

Wateree Pregnancy Network— 803-713-4458

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

Blue Horizons Counseling Service—Mary Mathis, 500G
Dicey Ford Rd, Camden, SC 803-669-0658

AROUND THE ASSOCIATION

December Birthdays:

05 Steve Lee, Mt. Olivet
22 Doug Huntsinger, Lugoff First
29 Rus McDonald, Pisgah



December Wedding Anniversaries

08 David and Allyson Brannen, Emmanuel

December Church Anniversaries:

None

*Congratulations Pastor Bobby
James and his wife Stephanie
on the birth of their baby boy!*



*This Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and
Savior, may you have the gift of faith, the blessing of hope
and the peace of His love.*

**Thank you for your faithful support of the KBA
ministries and missions in 2021. We look forward to
serving you in 2022.**

Ron Underwood

Penny Catoe

December

2-Prisoner Packets due to KBA
6-The Gospel Changes Everything Tour
14-Pastor Conference
21-27 KBA Closed for Christmas
25-Christmas
Jan 3-KBA Closed for New Years



*KBA will be closed December
21-27 for the Christmas
Holidays and January 3rd for
New Year's!*

Missions—State



Being a Blessing in the Great
Name of Jesus

From our work in Canton, NC, in 2021, Laurie, a Disaster Relief Volunteer, says, "I have always wanted to work in Disaster Relief and so today was my first time going to a work site after the creek flooded a neighborhood. The homeowner was very touched by the work that we did, but more than that she appreciated the warm genuine relationship and talking and praying together. God reached down and loved and supported her through our team as we worked together. What impressed me the most is that God gives good and blessings out of something tragic. I am very grateful that I was able to join your team. You and your team, all made me feel very welcome. I will always remember the way the people smiled and were helped by our team. God is so good. Glory to God, I am thrilled that we got to share the love of Jesus and I know God will bless and make the seeds planted grow." We weep with those who weep and give hope to those who have lost much, maybe everything. We share the word at every opportunity and we give out the word by giving each homeowner a Bible signed by each team members.



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JOB OPPORTUNITIES...

PART-TIME YOUTH MINISTERAntioch Baptist Church ...students grades 6-12. If interested, mail your résumé to Rev Danny Hedgepath, 1875 Antioch Road, Camden, SC 29020 or email to: revdanny10@yahoo.com or church.antioch@yahoo.com.

PART-TIME MUSIC MINISTER... Springvale Baptist Church Duties include leading choir, a blended Praise & Worship Service and coordinating special music on a weekly basis. The Music Minister will also be available to lead when needed for any extra services that take place. Please send resume to: springvale.baptist@springvalebaptist.com.

FULL-TIME STUDENT PASTOR.....Dekalb Baptist Church in Camden, SC, is seeking the man God has called to be our full-time Student Pastor. Evidence of a personal relationship with Jesus and a passion to work with students are required. Formal education and experience are preferred. Please email resumes to: dekalbchurch@gmail.com Attn: Vince Earls

KBA is looking for office volunteers who can help with small tasks in the day-to-day operation of the Missions Center—answering phone, helping with mailouts, filling in when someone is sick or on vacation. If you have a little time to help out, please contact Kershaw Baptist Association at 803-432-3028. This could be YOUR mission project.