

July 2023



The Cornerstone

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Growing God's Kingdom Associationally



KBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING... is planned for Tuesday, July 11th, 6 pm at Southside Baptist Church at 200 York Street, Camden (behind the Kentucky Fried Chicken). Guest speaker will be Eric Brown, Board of Directors, School Ministries to speak to us about School Release Time ministry. We will also discuss the future possibilities of (the now closed) Southside Baptist Church.



MISSION TRIP TO MYRTLE BEACH! ... is planned for July 23-28th.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!! We are in need of some things for the mission trip, as this is the biggest group KBA has taken there!! We will be doing several ministries there as well as the day camps. We are in desperate need of pre-made cookie dough, Ziplock sandwich bags, and most importantly, we would like for you to be a prayer partner for the youth that is attending this mission trip.

The prayer partner will be praying for a specific youth the week of the mission trip, and a simple letter / prayer that we will give them in the middle of the week, along with a small bag of candy to encourage them and let them know that they are being prayed for. If this is something that you are interested in doing please contact Penny at the Kershaw Baptist Mission Center for more details. If you are able to do the cookie dough, we will need this at the mission center by July 20th, as we will be leaving on the 23rd. Thank you for all that you do for the Kingdom of God. As always, we are better together, when we work together!



GOOD NEWS CLUB WORKSHOP... for all new and old participants is planned for Saturday, August 12th. Time and location will be announced at a later date. Please start getting your team together and let's get some training!! There will be updates to the program this upcoming year!

HEART FOR SCHOOLS MINISTRY...Let us begin praying about the upcoming school year 2023-2024. We expect to continue to do Good News Clubs, hoping to get back into every elementary school. There will be some updating and training this summer, as usual.



SCHOOL RELEASE TIME... Is national / state law and allows students in middle and high school to leave campus and go to a church, during the school day for Bible Study. A number of churches and Associations in South Carolina are already doing this! The national organization leading this program is located in Columbia! This organization "School Ministries" is having a luncheon on Friday, July 21st, 11 am—2 pm, to explain all the details and how to get started. KBA will pay for attendees from our churches. Please speak with Ron to get signed up. Call 803-432-3028 or email him at kba.dom@truvista.net (make sure to put a period after kba)

Missions—Local / State / National / World



WANT TO GO ON MISSION TO PUERTO RICO?...

Discussion is taking place and contacts have been made with church planters there! While they are not strictly international, they are a different culture and need much help after a few recent weather disasters. Many church

plants are taking place there too! We are looking at taking a trip in the fall. Our initial information indicates it will cost around \$1000 total, including airfare, food, lodging and transportation. Are you ready for missions? Contact Ron for more information at 803-432-3028.

MISSION TRIP TO CUBA IS ON!... Steve and Dianne Lee will be going to Cuba on September 6-13th. They will be able to share the love offerings that have already been collected.



MISSION TRIP TO MONTANA... is being planned for around August 12th. A team is needed to do some minor repair to medium construction projects. Please contact Pastor Terry Corder for more information at 803-420-1080. KBA will help with some funding if necessary.

COMMUNITY WIDE MARRIAGE CELEBRATION... is planned for September. Steve and Annie Chapman, popular Christian singers for many years will be leading us. There will be a supper for pastors, staff and wives on Friday evening, September 15th; a marriage enrichment event open for the entire community on Saturday at Camden First Fellowship Hall; and they will be sharing at Lugoff First Baptist on Sunday morning. More information will be coming for all the events, so please mark your calendars now! Contact Ron to let him know if you will be attending the events.



PRAY N GO... Is a proven effort to increase prayer within the church and outreach to the community, all in one! What church doesn't need these things to happen? A member of one of our churches says it is the most important thing he has ever seen in his church. Ron and Paulette are scheduled to provide training for several of our churches and they are willing to come to your church too!

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—Addiction Rehab, Ruby, SC 843-634-6848

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

Hope for Life Pregnancy Center—Jennifer Johns 803-900-5647 hopeforlifepregnancycenter.com

Camp McCall Pastor's Retreat House—Phillip "Snoball" Jewell, 864-884-6926 phillipjewell@scbaptist.org

Blue Horizons Counseling Service—Mary Mathis, Camden, SC 803-669-0658



Schedules for Vacation Bible Schools around Kershaw County

Hermitage Baptist Church—July 9-13th 6:00 pm—8:30 pm (814 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Camden)

Emmanuel Baptist Church—July 9-13th 6:00 pm—8:30 pm (1643 McRae Rd., Camden)

Bethune Baptist Church—July 16-20th 6:00 pm—8:30 pm (304 Blackmon St. South, Bethune)

Kershaw First Baptist—July 16-20th 5:30 pm—8:30 pm (210 N. Matson St., Kershaw)

Sandhill Heights Baptist—July 21st 5:30-7:45 pm & July 22nd 10:00 am—1:00 pm (2992 Bowen Street, Elgin)

Lake Wateree Baptist Church—One day only July 22nd Registration begins at 12:30 pm (5856 River Rd., Ridgeway)

Beaverdam Baptist Church—VBS every Thursday—June 1st—Aug 3rd from 6:30 pm—8:30 pm (1684 Old Georgetown Rd., Cassatt)



Victory Sports Camp

July 10-14, 2023

9am-4pm (M-TH)/9am-1pm (Fri.)

Blaney Elementary
1621 Smyrna Rd, Elgin, SC 29045

Cost: \$35
REGISTER NOW
www.victorysportsoutreach.org

Registration is NOW OPEN
at tinyurl.com/ColaWars23

Cola Wars 2023 will be held July 24-26 from 6:00-10:00 pm at Camden High School. Cola Wars is for all students that have completed the 6th grade through 12th grade. The cost is \$10 and the registration fee will be collected at the door. What is Cola Wars? Cola Wars is a Christ-exalting, high-energy, fun experience for all middle and high school students who have completed the 6th grade - 12th grade. Students are divided into two cola-themed teams and engage each night in thrilling, field-type activities; such as Big Ball Volleyball, Cola Chug, Tug of War, and Cola Toss. Each evening is also filled with dynamic speakers and worship.



Pastors/Staff/Family Care



PASTORS CONFERENCE ...will not take place in July. Ron will be in touch with the pastors for a geographical lunch gathering!

BETTER HALVES

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July Wedding Anniversaries:

- 1 Jerry and Sherry Brown, Lucknow
- 20 Clint and Tiffany Ellis, Camden First
- 28 Bobby and Stephanie James, Cedar Creek
- 31 Phillip and Susie Gerrald, Camden First

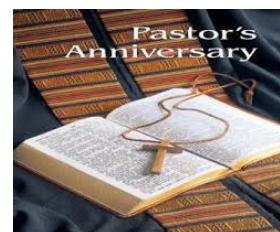


July Birthdays:

- 05 Mark Hopkins, Hermitage
- 07 Diane Lee, Mt. Olivet
- 10 Craigan Blankenship, Bethany
- 17 Chuck Everett, Trinity
- 21 Phillip Gerrald, Camden First
- 22-Kelly Earls, Dekalb
- 22-Jennifer Dickerson, Shamrock
- 27-Chey Elliott, Kershaw First

July Church Anniversaries:

- 01 Todd Warnock, River
- 06 Stephen Sanderson, Calvary
- 15 Scott Bernshausen, Bethune
- 28 Chuck Everett, Trinity





- 4-Independence Day—KBA Closed
- 11-Executive Meeting
- 12-Finance Committee Meeting
- 18-Cohort Revitalization
- 20-Goodies for the mission trip
- 23-28 Impact Mission Trip



The pace is picking up at Hope for Life Pregnancy Center! We are in the middle of our baby bottle fundraiser. It is not too late if your church would like to participate. Contact Jennifer Johns at director@hopeforlifepregnancycenter.com for more information. We have begun meeting with clients and are starting some 1 to 1 parenting classes on an individual basis. Our volunteers are working hard on organizing and cataloging our supplies. We will be at the Let Freedom Ring Celebration in Bethune on July 1st where we will be handing out brochures about the center and at the Back to School Bash in Elgin on July 22nd where we will be handing out school supplies. Please continue to pray for us as we go out to community meetings and events and as we meet with clients. If you are interested in volunteering or supporting Hope for Life in any way, please contact us: director@hopeforlifepregnancycenter.com or call 803-900-5647. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES...

PART-TIME MUSIC MINISTER**Bethune Baptist Church** is looking for a part time music minister. If interested, mail your résumé to Bethune Baptist Church, attn. Personnel Committee, PO Box 326 Bethune, SC 29009, email to: bethunebapt@shtc.net or call Scott Bernshausen at 803-669-5726.

PART-TIME YOUTH MINISTER**Antioch 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.

FULL-TIME YOUTH/STUDENT PASTOR....Dekalb Baptist Church is prayerfully seeking the man of God that he 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 is required. Email resumes to: dekalbchurch@gmail.com Attn: Vince Earls

CHURCH SECRETARY....Trinity Baptist Church is prayerfully searching for a part time secretary. If interested in the position, please contact Emmanuel McAvoy at 803-309-0581 for more information.