January 2025

Growing God's Kingdom Associationally

SOCIATIO

I Peter 2:6

**ONE NIGHT** ... is a one-night gathering of middle school and high school students. It will be held on Sunday, February 2 from 5-8 pm at First Baptist Camden. The night will begin with silent disco, a mechanical bull, pizza, and donuts. North Greenville's Campus Band will lead us in worship and Ricky Wilson will share the gospel and challenge students to follow Jesus. We will give away a PS5, Apple air pods, a Stanley cup, and various gift cards. We are asking for other churches to not just send their students, but for their leaders to come with them. We will have a volunteer meeting on Sunday, January 26 at 4 pm in the Fellowship Center at First Baptist Camden.

nersto

**MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID CLASS** ... the psalmist asked a haunting question in Psalm 42:5, "Why are you downcast, O my soul?" All of us deal with the challenges of discouragement, depression, fear and the like in our lives and the answers to such. Mental and emotional sickness is as real as covid or cancer, yet we also know that God, the truth of Scripture, prayer and faith are part of the answer. At the same time, if believers are not able to care for those with such maladies, these troubled souls will not / cannot embrace the Gospel. Let's spend the day together on Tuesday, January 28 at the KBA, a class is being led by a



nurse from Prisma Health Care who travels the state helping others to understand mental illness and respond with godly care. The time will be announced soon but know that it is an all-day class. This training is for Pastors, church members, medical professionals and first responders. Please contact KBA at 803-432-3028 to register. You can contact Ron for more information.

**'he** 

## Missions—Local / State / National / World



**VICTORY SPORTS CAMP IN CAMDEN?** ... There has been a sports camp / VBS at one of the schools in the Lugoff/ Elgin area for several years led by FBC Lugoff... with great success! Several thousand elementary school children have heard the Gospel, and many have trusted Jesus as a result. For sure we want to see this happen on both sides of the river! We are praying, as well as identifying a good location. We have the Camden Arena & surrounding grassy fields available, if we want, with the date of M-F, July 7-11 in mind. KBA will

provide all funding. KBA churches will need to: 1) Provide 30 volunteers to work with the 30 staff of Victory Sports Camp; 2) Volunteers can work half-days or all day long; 3) Provide lunch for the camp each day and supper for the 30 staff members at least two evenings. More info is on the way, but you can Google Victory Sports Camp out of the Rock Hill area to learn more. Contact Ron for more info. He needs to hear from churches who are willing to go on mission to East Camden!

**OUR MISSION PARTNERSHIP TO SPAIN** ... is one we want to continue to pray about. Redemption Church is planning a trip for September. KBA wants to help sponsor another trip, for either March, April or June. Let Ron know if you are interested. We now have 4 of our Pastors and a staff member who've been on mission in Spain. Please contact them and invite



them to come and share in your worship service or church group. They are Ron Underwood, Andrew Tate (Redemption), Jakob Elliott (Kershaw FBC) and Todd Gandy (Providence).



**OUR KBA DISASTER RELIEF UNIT...** It is in GREAT need of volunteers who are healthy and able to respond on short notice when the Baptist Convention deploys them. Our unit performs mud -out, chain saw and chaplaincy ministries. KBA will pay for your training to join our team!

Please contact David Keisler at david4166@yahoo.com or Tom Riggs at 803-468-1524.

**NEW COHORT REVITALIZATION FOR PASTORS...**Will be starting on January 20th, 9 am-12 pm at KBA Mission Center. If you would like more information on the class or would like to attend, please call Pastor Bobby James at 803-572-7410. There is no fee for Cohort classes.



IMPACT 2025 Climb Together



**IMPACT 2025 CLIMB TOGETHER**... sponsored by the SC Baptist Convention is Thursday, February 20th at Shandon Baptist Church in Columbia. A variety of workshops will take place to help you lead your church to win the lost and discipled the saved. KBA will pay your registration if you will contact Ron.

**GRANT\$ FROM THE SC BAPTIST CONVENTION** ... your KBA team has worked hard to secure grants from the SC Baptist Convention in 2024. They include: \$5,000 for Sacks of Love; \$3,431.21 for Disaster Relief equipment; and \$3,000 for the mission trips to Spain! The SCBC continues to support our work in great ways. Your Janie Chapman offerings are coming back home!





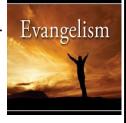
**2025 WOMEN'S WINTER CONFERENCE...**Reclaim God's good design for women and overcome the war on women that threatens to overtake us. Watch engaging, passionate speakers who love God and His Word to equip yourself with biblical and practical answers to live confidently and courageously as women. Women of God need to rise up, reclaim, and live out God's good design for women for His Glory. The conference will kick off Friday, January 31, 6 pm-9 pm. Then we will come back together on Saturday, February 1, 8:30 am—3:00 pm.

Early registration by January 9th is \$15, registration after January 9th is \$20. For more information and to register, please go to malvernhill.org



**THANK YOU TO ALL THE CHURCHES THAT PARTICPATED IN THE PACKETS!** Together we collected over 1000 packets to be delivered to the prisoners!

**CREATING A CULTURE OF EVANGELISM...**In the local church it is so very important for the members to be passionate about sharing their faith and for the church to be missional locally, nationally, and internationally. Ron will come to your church and meet with the leaders to help them examine, embrace, engage, and to encourage each other to be on mission in every way. If you would like Ron to come and speak, please contact KBA at 803-432-3028.



Jeremiah 29:11  $\sim$  For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.



1-KBA office is closed

20-Cohort Revitalization at KBA, 9 am

- 23-Pastors Conference 11 am
- 23-Better Halves 6 pm at KBA

28-Mental Health First Aid Class at KBA

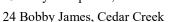
31-Women's Winter Conference at Malvern Hill **UPCOMING:** 

Feb 2-One Night at Camden First Baptist Feb 20-Impact 2025 at Shandon Baptist

#### **January Birthdays:**

05 Hunter Frye, Oak Ridge

23 Larry Humphries, Buffalo



30 Allyson Brannen, Emmanuel

# LAPPY ( INIVERS

**January Wedding Anniversaries:** 01 Mike and Brenda Vinson, Flint Hill 03 Matthew and Jennifer Dickerson, Shamrock

### January Church Anniversaries:

- 01 Buster Morris, Malvern Hill
- 03 Bobby James, Cedar Creek



11 Clint Ellis, Camden First



Birthday



Malvern Hill Baptist Church...is seeking to hire a worship pastor. Responsibilities will be planning and preparing as well as direction and overseeing of A/V technologies. The worship pastor will work in partnership with other leaders of the church. If you or someone you know might be interested in applying for this position, please visit our website to learn more and to see a full job description. Applications and resumes should be submitted using the online form at: https://malvernhill.org/were-hiring

### **Counseling/Refreshing Resources...**

Firm Foundations Counseling—Lugoff, SC 803-708-0902

The Christian Counseling Center—

803-779-1995 or www.christiancounseling.ws

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

Non-Anon Family Group – Drug Addiction for families and friends, at Serenity House next to Lugoff First Baptist, every Tuesday from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm. To learn more contact Deena Burr at deenaburr@vahoo.com

Palmetto Counseling Associates—Dr. Bill Rogers 803-254-9767, Columbia, SC. www.palmettocounseling.com



**PASTORS CONFERENCE...** will be held on January 23rd at 11 am. Location to be announced.



**BETTER HALVES...** we be held on January 23rd at 6 pm at the KBA Office. Call or text Paulette to let her know if you will be attending. 803-840-0020

KBA is looking for someone to volunteer to help in the office when Penny goes on vacation. We are willing to compensate you for your time. If you are available to help, please contact Penny at the

KBA office at 803-432-3028 or email: kbapenny@truvista.net