

Contributions From the Churches

Church	Oct/Nov/Dec	2022 Totals
Bear Creek	2,452.58	9,777.37
Bethany	1,050.00	4,200.00
Bethel	273.00	1,562.00
Bethlehem	5,213.66	19,560.42
Blue Creek	735.00	2,607.00
Brookwood	2,000.00	6,044.00
Calvary	0.00	500.00
Catalyst	0.00	8,000.00
Cedar Fork	1,196.78	3,899.47
Centerview	7,500.00	32,000.00
Enon Chapel	3,696.82	15,356.06
Galilee	883.95	3,933.14
Grants Creek	2,022.30	6,600.17
Harris Creek	2,524.44	8,283.01
Japanese Ministry	200.00	800.00
Kellum	3,750.00	15,000.00
Korean	120.00	1,200.00
Living Hope	600.00	2,400.00
Lifeline	300.00	1,300.00
Maple Hill	0.00	0.00
Maysville First	5,100.00	20,400.00
Memorial	80.01	306.68
New Life	0.00	1,200.00
N. Topsail Shores	2,622.98	9,461.08
Pillar Jacksonville	1,500.00	6,000.00
Pillar Topsail	100.00	200.00
Potters Hill	0.00	0.00
Providence	3,199.53	10,828.05
Richlands First	3,000.00	12,000.00
Salem	375.00	1,500.00
Swansboro First	2,970.00	14,586.68
Tar Landing	2,860.00	11,500.00
Victory	300.00	1,200.00
Totals	54,626.05	232,205.13



March 12

Secretaries Lunch

March 14, 2023
Mission BBQ
12:00 PM



The office will be closed on
April 7 in observance of
Good Friday.



Easter Sunday
April 9, 2023

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Baptist Association



New River Baptist Association is located at 2734 Commerce Road. The NR Good News is a quarterly newsletter. Church news/announcements should be submitted by the 15th of the month before publication. Information may be faxed to 455-9906 or emailed to nrbaptist@yahoo.com.




NR GOOD NEWS

New River Baptist Association
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Feb/March/April 2023
www.newriverba.com

Associational Spring Meeting



April 25, 2023
FBC Swansboro
614 W Corbett Ave
Swansboro 28584
7:00 PM

Quarterly Meeting



All church members are welcome. Pastors and messengers, please make a special effort to attend and share the information in the Book of Reports with your churches. For more information, please call the Associational Office at 347-3146.

Deacons, Pastors, Elders & Spouses Dinner



February 7, 2023
Tar Landing Baptist
3884 Richlands Hwy
6:30 PM



Rev Quintell Hill
President, Baptist State Convention of NC

The cost for the meal is \$10.00 per person. Please pre-register with an email to nrbaptist@yahoo.com or call the Associational Office at 910-347-3146 not later than the close of business on February 3, to ensure an accurate head count for the meals.

Brothers and Sisters in the Faith of our Lord, Jesus, the Christ...

Happy New Year! Maybe a month old, when you see this, but Christian greetings for a new year of Glory to our Lord through our work, together, as an Association.

I find it not coincidental that two totally separate sermons to which I was exposed, recently, both used the analogy of a jigsaw puzzle. One was from a documentary (I was encouraged to watch by one of our faithful members) entitled "Enemies Within the Church." Very enlightening and informative!! The other, was by a Baptist pastor, Pat Damiani, in Tucson, AZ. This message was actually on the topic I was searching – spiritual gifts.

The analogy, of course, is how all the pieces fit together, just as the designer planned, to make a complete picture – but, only when all the pieces are put into place. Anything less results in an incomplete puzzle and an unfinished picture. So, too, with the church, or an Association of churches.

So that we would not be ignorant of such truths (I Cor 12:1), we are taught that God --

- * the one and only, same, God/Lord/Spirit (I Cor 12:4-6),
- * has given different gifts (Rom 12:6),
- * to each and every one (I Cor 7:7) who acknowledges Jesus as their Savior and Lord,
- * to edify, encourage, educate, and equip (Rom 12, I Cor 12, Eph 4) brother and sister believers (I Thes 5:11),
- * to do the work of ministry for the building up (spiritually, numerically, and physically) of the church/body of Christ, both locally and universally (Eph 4:12,16).

Also – we are taught that God expects...

- * that we would not neglect the gift(s) He has given us (I Tim 4:14),
- * but that we would be good stewards of the gifts and use them for His Glory (I Pet 4:10).

Most likely, each and every one of us knows someone, who used his or her God-given gift to minister to us. Perhaps, in sharing the Gospel and leading us to salvation in Christ, or in any one of a myriad of other ways to serve us, love on us, discipline us, minister to us, or help us grow in our relationship, to that brother or sister, to other fellow Christians, or to Christ, Himself. Surely, we will be forever grateful to that one for their faithfulness in using their gift(s) for our eternal benefit.

In 2023, let us discover our gifts, and commit to using our gifts to the greatest extent physically possible. Each person fitting his or her own gift into the jigsaw tapestry of their local church, and each church fitting its gifting into the tapestry of our Association, and each and all of us expanding the use of our gifts to our Lord's body around our country and onto the foreign mission fields, as well. All, as God has designed, and all to make His picture for us and for His Kingdom, locally and globally, complete and perfect!

May our Happy New Year be a Blessed New Year to the Glory of our King!

In His Service unto you,
Joe Cappar



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Church Happenings at Bethlehem Baptist:

Youth Yard Sale - Saturday, March 11 from 6 am - Noon in the BBC Fellowship Hall. Proceeds from this event will go toward our youth mission trip to Cuba this summer.

The Original Boys from Bethlehem Reunion Concert - With special guests: The Miles Family & The Four in Christ on Saturday, March 11 from 5 pm - 7 pm (doors open at 4 pm). FREE ADMISSION. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall following the concert.

"The Victor" Easter Musical Drama - March 17, 18 & 19 at 7 pm nightly. FREE ADMISSION. Everyone is invited to join us for this dramatic retelling of the final days of Jesus' earthly ministry.

Churches Seeking Pastors

Bear Creek, Galilee, Kellum, and FBC Swansboro

Stewardship Committee Meeting

April 20 at 6:00 PM



Executive Committee Meeting

April 20 at 7:00 PM



Prayer Calendar for Churches & Pastors

Jan 29 - Feb 4	Maysville FBC (Colt Allen)
February 5 - 11	Memorial (Woody Whitt)
February 12 - 18	New Life (Wilse Sample)
February 19 - 25	North Topsail Shores (Dwayne Collins)
Feb 26 - Mar 4	Pillar Jacksonville (Jonathan Davis)
Mar 5 - 11	Pillar Topsail (Joshua Brown)
March 12 - 18	Potters Hill (Andy Wood)
March 19 - 25	Providence (Melvin "Bo" Osborne)
March 26 - Apr 1	FBC Richlands (Mike Johnston)
April 2 - 8	Salem (Danny McLamb)
April 9 - 15	Swansboro (Interim - Wayne Harris)
April 16 - 22	Tar Landing (Robert Williams)
April 23 - 29	Victory (Damon Lee)
April 30 - May 6	Bear Creek (Interim - Sandy Bain)





Annie Armstrong Offering and Week of Prayer for North American Missions

March 5-12, 2023
Offering Goal: \$70 Million

2023 Baptist Missions Conference



April 14-15, 2023
Hickory Grove Baptist Church
Charlotte, NC



The cost is \$20 per person. Registration deadline is April 6.
For more information on registration and lodging, visit www.baptistsonmission.org/events.

April 16, 2023



Every N.C. Baptist church is encouraged to fill their baptism tanks on April 16 and trust God to save people between now and then. For more information, visit ncbaptist.org/events.

Baptist Children's Homes Food Round-Up 2023

E. J. Hines Baptist Center
Drop off: **Entire Month of April**
Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 4:30 PM



Online donations (bchfamily.org/food-round-up) and gift cards from Walmart, Food Lion, etc., are a great way to contribute as Cottage Parents can buy specific items as they are needed!



Ministers' Conference

February 16, March 16 & April 20
E. J. Hines Baptist Center
11:00 AM



Please call the NRBA Office at 347-3146 or send an email to nrbaptist@yahoo.com if you are attending. For more information, call Dwayne Collins at 389-7242 or Joe Cappar at 347-3146.

Japanese Monthly Fellowship



February 18, March 18 & April 15
E. J. Hines Baptist Center
1:00 PM



For more information, contact Kiyohide Nonaka at 434-229-4812

Youth Leaders - Join us for Lunch!

February 20: Five Guys - 408 Western Blvd #300
March 20: Old Chicago - 4157 Western Blvd
April 17: Panda Express - 4121 Western Blvd



For more information, contact Josh Scruggs at (910) 548-5198.

Baptist Education Center Events



Valentine Party
February 14



Easter Celebration
April 5



BEC Closed
April 7 & 10



DNOW Weekend

March 3-4, 2023



Music Provided by Liberty Worship Collective

What an incredible DNow we are going to have this year. So thankful and excited for what is to come during the weekend of discipleship, as many youth groups in our area join together to worship and grow in unity. Please contact Josh Scruggs at 910-548-5198 with any questions. Hope to see you there!



Virtual VBS Clinic

March 9, 2023
7:00 PM



Join us for a preview of VBS material and resources. The link to join will be posted on our NRBA Website (newriverba.com) and Facebook Page.



Women's Conference

Open to All Women in Our Community

April 22, 2023
Hosted by Centerview Baptist Church



We are planning another non-denominational conference for women of all ages. More information regarding guest speakers, tickets and registration will be provided at the earliest opportunity. Email any questions to handsuplifted316@gmail.com.



CareNet Counseling

Licensed Professional
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To make an appointment, call CareNet of Wilmington at (910) 799-1071 and ask for the counselor in Jacksonville.

STATE EMPHASES/EVENTS

North Carolina Offering for Older Adults *Proudly Serving Older Adults Since 1951*

January 29 - February 4, 2023
Goal: \$650,000

Heck-Jones Offering and Week of Prayer *Relentless Hope*

Heck-Jones®
Offering
WEEK OF PRAYER
for WMU of North Carolina

February 12-18, 2023
Goal: \$400,000



For more information, go to www.wmunc.org

Region 2 Missions Rally



February 20, 2023
Rosemary Baptist Church
936 Jackson Street, Roanoke Rapids

Registration is needed for the free meal. The meal will begin at 5:45 PM, followed by the program from 6:50-8:30 PM. Visit baptistsonmission.org for more information.