

# Annual Worship October 7,2024 at 6:30pm Crownpointe Baptist Church

# Order of Service

Welcome & Prayer

Pastor Doug Crawley

Worship

Crownpointe

Call to Order

Pastor Tom Gibbs, Wayside Baptist (Moderator)

Recognition of New Staff

Jimmy Barrett, AMS

Ministry Reports:

NC Baptist Children's Home

Jody Yopp

Baptist on Mission

Paul Langston

**AMS Report** 

Jimmy Barrett, AMS

**Enlistment Team Report** 

2025 Budget Proposal

Introduction of Speaker

Worship

Crownpointe

**Guest Speaker** 

Chuck Lawless, Southeastern Theological Seminary

Closing Prayer

# ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

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Moderator	Tom Gibbs, Wayside Baptist Church, Midland
	Eddie Willis, West Point Baptist Church, Kannapolis
	Marilyn Blackwell, First Baptist Church, Concord
	Kim Hall, Calvary Baptist Church

# **Historical Tables**

Year	Meeting Place	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher
1935	Concord First	E. S. Summers	L. E. Barnhardt	Organized Oct 8
1936	McGill Street	E. S. Summers	L. E. Barnhardt	J. S. Tyson
1937	Centerview	E. S. Summers	J. S. Tyson	E. S. Summers
1938	Coldwater	E. S. Summers	J. S. Tyson	Grady J. Hanes
1939	North Kannapolis	J. Clyde Yates	J. S. Tyson	F. A. Bowers
1940	Mt. Pleasant	J. Clyde Yates	J. S. Tyson	J. A. Seymour
1941	Kannapolis First	J. Clyde Yates	J. S. Tyson	H. B. Hiatt
1942	Centerview	C. E. Baucom	J. S. Tyson	J. C. Gwaltney
1944	Whites Memorial & N.Kannapolis	T. W. Fogleman	S. W. Preslar	Z. W. Rotan
1945	Concord First	W. V. Tarlton	Z. W. Rotan	W. W. Jones
1946	Southside	W. V. Tarlton	H. G. Matheny	R. F. Gardner
1947	Calvary	W. V. Tarlton	H. G. Matheny	J. T. Davis
1948	McGill Street	H. M. Stroup	Virginia Beall	W. T. Furr
1949	West Concord	D. M. Branch	Virginia Beall	H. F. Goodwin
1950	Shadybrook & West Point	D. M. Branch	Virginia Beall	D. M. Branch
1951	Kerr Street	D. M. Branch	H. A. Privette	Ralph L. Cannon
1952	Lakewood & West Point	Virgil M. Hailey	H. A. Privette	John H. Knight
1953	McGill Street & Southside	Virgil M. Hailey	H. A. Privette	J. W. Parham
1954	Mt. Pleasant First	R. F. Gardner	H. A. Privette	Farrell Shimpock
1955	Kannapolis First	E. C. Upchurch	N. H. Joyner	Thurman Stone
1956	Coldwater	E. C. Upchurch	N. H. Joyner	N. H. Joyner
1957	Calvary	John Knight	N. H. Joyner	V. M. Hailey
1958	West Point & Memorial	John Knight	N. H. Joyner	H. A. Privette
1959	Eastside & Bethlehem	Norman Joyner	Bill Cochran	C. Thron Bennet
1960	Sharon & Young Street	H. L. Register	Goerge H. Cooke	E. W. Pate
1961	Lakewood & Kerr Street	H. L. Register	George H. Cooke	Horace V. Kinney
1962	Wilmar Park & Calvary	T. E. Sherrill	George H. Cooke	E. W. Pate
1963	Roberta & Franklin Heights	E. W. Pate	Harry J. Moore	Ernest P. Russell
1964	West Concord & Lakewood	John U. Garner	Harry J. Moore	C, D. Carnington
1965	Mt. Pleasant First & North Kannapolis	John U. Garner	Harry J. Moore	John U. Garner
1966	Shadybrook & McGill Street	Ernest P. Russell	Harry J. Moore	John U. Garner
1967	Concord First & Lakewood	Charles R. Pierce	Harry J. Moore	F. Paul Gibson
1968	Central & Young Street	Coy Privette	Harry J. Moore	F. Paul Gibson
1969	Pitts & Calvary	Coy C. Privette	Harry J. Moore	Jacks H. Mace
1970	Providence, Coldwater, Centerview	Roy Q. Gregg	Harry J. Moore	Louis A. Howard
1971	Parkwood, Central & Shadybrook	Roy Q. Gregg	Harry J. Moore	Victor Trivette
1972	Memorial, Grace & Southside	William D. Byrd	Harry J. Moore	Jack Hill
1973	Poplar Grove, Jackson Park & Brookdale	William D. Byrd	Harry J. Moore	New L. Duncan
1974	Lane Street, Kerr Street & Immanuel	Ralph Burnson	Harry J. Moore	Ansel R. McGill
1976	Oak Ridge, Franklin Heights Wilmar Park	Victor L. Trivette	Harry J. Moore	George E. Johnson
1977	FBC Enochville, Coldwater, Blackwelder Park	Victor L. Trivette	Harry J.Moore	Randall Turner
1978	Wilmar Park, Brookdale N. Kannapolis	Randall B. Turner	Harry J. Moore	J. Ed Hall
1979	Calvary, West Concord, Rodgers Park	Randall B. Turner	Harry J. Moore	Frank B. Hopkins
1980	McGill Avenue, Lakewood & Mt. Pleasant 1st	J. Ed Hall	Harry J. Moore	Dr. Ken Altom
1981	N. Kannapolis, Royal Oaks, & Pitts	J. Ed. Hall	Harry J. Moore	Frank B. Hopkins
1982	Centerview, Miami & Skyland	Claude Connell	Harry J. Moore	Thomas E. Hogan
1983	Southside, West Point & Glorieta	Frank B. Hopkins	Harry J. Moore	Yates Brooks

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1984	Enochville First, Poplar Grove, FBC Kannapolis	Farrell Shimpock	Harry J. Moore	Warner Bumgardner
1985	Calvary, Brookdale, Oakridge	Farrell Shimpock	Harry J. Moore	Jerry W. Townsend
1986	Southside, Concord First, Blackwelder Park	Jerry W. Townsend	Joanne Potts	E. Eugene Hunsinger
1987	Glorieta, Odell & Eastwood	Jerry W. Townsend	Joanne Potts	Darrell Coble
1988	Central, Pitts & Parkwood	Robert Leonard	Joanne Potts	Stan Welch
1989	United Love, Phaniels, Franklin Heights	Robert Leonard	Joanne Potts	Ray Rippy
1990	Parkwood, FBC Enochville, Glorieta	Darrell Coble	Joanne Potts	David Morrow
1991	Lane Street, Howell, Kerr Memorial	Darrell Coble	Joyce Kluttz	Roger Clark
1992	Concord First, Memorial, Shadybrook	Lynn Sasser	Joyce Kluttz	Tom Huneycutt
1993	FBC Kannapolis, First Missionary	Robert Howard	Joyce Kluttz	Robert Leonard
1994	Wilmar Park, Eva Drive, Concord First	Lynn Sasser	Joyce Kluttz	Curtis Parker
1995	Concord First, Central	Lynn Sasser	Joyce Kluttz	Jere King
1996	Parkwood, Blackwelder Park	Carrol Taylor	Joyce Kluttz	Randy Clipp
1997	Concord First, Central	Carrol Taylor	Joyce Kluttz	Tom Cabaniss
1998	West Point	Don Davis	Joyce Kluttz	Edward Pigg
1999	Memorial, North Kannapolis	Don Davis	Brenda Boyles	Scott Davis
2000	McGill, Providence	Stan Welch	Brenda Boyles	Bill Nix
2001	Central, Mt. Pleasant First	Stan Welch	Brenda Boyles	Jimmy Barrett
2002	West Cabarrus, Franklin Heights	Mike Steiner	Brenda Boyles	Dave Holladay
2003	Southside, Kannapolis First	Mike Steiner	Brenda Boyles	Operations In As Much
2004	Pitts, Charity	Jimmy Barrett	Brenda Boyles	Stanley Spence
2005	Blackwelder Park, Concord 1st	Jimmy Barrett	Brenda Boyles	100 Days of Prayer
2006	Parkwood, United Love	Raiford Troutman	Brenda Boyles	Terry Faulkenberry
2007	Centerview, Friendship	Raiford Troutman	Brenda Boyles	Randy Wadford
2008	Brookdale, Eva Drive	Curtis Parker	Brenda Boyles	Stephen Burrows
2009	Memorial, Central	Curtis Parker	Brenda Boyles	Herb Rhedrick
2010	Pitts, Crosspointe	Curtis Parker	Brenda Boyles	Tim McQueen
2011	Jackson Park, Glorieta	Steve Davis	Brenda Boyels	Leon Hawks
2012	Pitts, Calvary	Steve Davis	Brenda Boyles	Michael Waters
2013	Parkwood, Providence	Scott Davis	Brenda Boyles	Mike Hubbard
2014	FBC Concord, Kerr Memorial	Scott Davis	Brenda Boyles	Willie Rash
2015	FBC Kannapolis, Poplar Grove	Mike Farley	Brenda Boyles	Mike Sparks
2016	Shadybrook, Carolina Cowboy Ch.	Tom Cabaniss	Brenda Boyles	Brian Upshaw
2017	Blackwelder Park, Brookdale	Mike Hubbard	Scarlett Rumberg	Ron Larson
2018	Pitts, Genesis	Mike Hubbard	Krissy Harvell	Dr. Richard Blackaby
2019	FBC Concord, Lakewood	Antoine Lassiter	Krissy Harvell	Doug Small
2020	Spring Bi-Annual (cancelledCOVID-19) Central	Jesse Watkins	Krissy Harvell	Mike Pardue
2021	Annual Worship @ CBA	Keith Navey	Krissy Harvell	Scott Davis
2022	Annual Worship @ West Point	Keith Navey	Krissy Harvell	Todd Unzicker, BSCNC
2023	Annual Worship @ Miami Baptist	Tom Gibbs	Krissy Harvell	Quintell Hill, BSCNC
2024	Annual Worship @ Crownpointe Bapitst	Tom Gibbs	Krissy Harvell	Chuck Lawless, Southeastern Seminary



# Annual Worship Cabarrus Baptist Association October 9, 2023 Miami Baptist Church

Total attendance: 50

# Of Churches Represented: 20

Messengers: 20 Visitors: 30

Welcome & Opening Prayer: Pastor Lewis Whittington, Miami Baptist Church

Praise & Worship: Amazing Grace & Speak the Name of Jesus

Call to order: Tom Gibbs, Moderator

Recognize New Staff: Jimmy Barrett recognized new staff: Randy Lankford, FBC Midland

Casey Norgett, catalyst BSCNC

Baptist Children's Home Report: Jody Yopp, BCH representative: Shared a report of the most recent news of an investigation in a spending area of designated funds that the president had control of. All the monies that were taken had been returned to the BCH. The ministry is seeking for a new president. BCH is beginning their 135 years of ministry. They will be launching 3 new homes and 2 other homes in Shelby and will do a spring launch of these homes. The CB Turner cottage at the western part of the state will launch for a transitional foster care home for teen who transition out of foster care to have a place to go. Keith Navey stood and read this scripture, Matthew 21:13 He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you make it a den of robbers."

Had special prayer for the BCH.

South Korean Prayer Team: Keith shared about the South Korean Prayer Team visit this year.

**Enlistment Team Report:** Jimmy Barrett presented the Enlistment Team report. Since it comes from the committee no need to vote. No questions. No opposition.

**AMS Report:** Steve Davis, AMS presented the AMS reports Acts 16:5, in many ways that is our statement as Cabarrus Baptist Association. Acts 16:5 5 So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and they increased in numbers daily.

**ServeNC:** We then shared a video about ServeNC. Where every church is encouraged to serve their community in one week in August to serve their community.

Gospel Link: Jesse Watkins Friendship Baptist is sharing about Gospel Link, an international mission outreach. He interested Steven Nelms the president of Gospel Link. The number 2,000 years ago Jesus commissioned us to go throughout all the nations. Why did it take 1900 years for his disciples to bring the gospel to Naipaul. Why did it take so long? 2 billion people don't have a cross or a Bible or have heard the gospel and never had a church or heard the name of Jesus and that place is in Asia. Less than 2% have been reached. 2 - the demaul tribe they only have the gospel of Luke in their tribe. Teling Ching Juang, a place so remote a church is now being planted there. You can have a pastor on your church staff in a remote country for \$200 a month. He's asking your church today to support a church. Will your church be a part of planting a church in Naipaul? 70,000 villages without a church in South Asia.

Jimmy Barrett presented the proposed budget for 2024. He brought an amendment to this budget; we would like for the association to support a church plant through Gospel Link. An additional \$2400.

Motion made; Lewis Whittington made a second motion. All in favor, none opposed.



# Annual Worship Cabarrus Baptist Association October 9, 2023 Miami Baptist Church

Motion made from Finance Committee. Motion passed.

Jimmy introduced Quintell Hill pastor of Multiply Church, president of the BSCNC.

Worship: Are you washed in the blood? Special music: He is Here Melanie Whittle.

Speaker: Quintell Hill, BSCNC President

Message: Never Give Up

Mark 2:1-12

If you have a large view of God, you have a small view of your circumstances. Because Jesus is God and has power to change anyone Gods people must bring people to Him. You may be paralyzed in your current situation. This man had a physical problem and a spiritual problem.

## 1. A determined faith because of Christ.

4 men on mission forget her who brought a paralyzed man to get his needs healed. These men were determined. Why were they determined? The believed Jesus can fix this man's problem. These men believed something about Jesus. When Jesus saw their faith, he said Son your sins are forgiven. He wasn't a son before but now he's a son. They had determined faith. We must bring people to Christ especially when they're paralyzed.

#### 2. Dead faith

The Pharisees and scribes were upset over these men being this paralytic to Jesus and Jesus forgiving that man of his sins. They called it blasphemous. They missed God standing right before them because their faith was dead. Spurgeon said we are either a missionary or we are an imposter.

Mark 2:8-10 And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? [9] Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'? [10] But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic—We have an immediate savior, and he says today is the day of salvation.

#### 3. Deliberate faith.

When you have faith, your feet are moving. Tony Evans. Because when Jesus touched you, you move. They were all amazed. They gave glory to God. Today too many preachers want glory and too many Christians who want the red carpet rolled out for them. If we worship signs, we must worship the Savior. Because He is the one that's areater than anything one can imagine.

God has given us the gospel to give it to someone else. The world is hungry for what we have.

## Cabarrus Baptist Association 2025 Final Budget

Personnel	2024	2025
DOM Salary	\$47,353.42	\$47,353.42
Housing Allowance	\$6,600.00	\$6,600.00
TOTAL	\$53,953.42	\$53,953.42
Admin Asst Salary	\$34,799.69	\$34,799.69
Admin Asst Annuity	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
TOTAL	\$37,199.69	\$37,199.69
CBA Asst Salary	\$10,545.92	\$10,545.92
TOTAL	\$10,545.92	\$10,545.92
Sharing House Director	\$11,703.11	\$10,000.00
TOTAL	\$11,703.11	\$10,000.00
Christmas Bonus	\$2,234.66	\$2,201.90
Medical Insurance	\$11,600.00	\$12,180.00
Medical Reimbursement	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
SS Matching	\$4,688.18	\$4,476.01
TOTAL	\$19,522.83	\$19,857.92
Operations	2024	2025
Financial Review	\$415.00	\$415.00
Miscellaneous	\$500.00	\$500.00
Office - Cleaning	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
Office - Insurance	\$5,800.00	\$6,200.00
Office - Lights & Water	\$4,200.00	\$5,600.00
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\$3,300.00

\$800.00

\$740.00

\$2,100.00

\$3,000.00

\$1,000.00

\$27,555.00

\$900.00

Office - Phone

Office - Yard Care

Office Expense

Travel Expense

TOTAL

Postage

Office - PSNC Office - Trash

Missions	2024	2025
Church Planting	\$18,000.00	\$10,000.00
Continuing Education	\$500.00	\$500.00
Counseling Center	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Fair Mission	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00
Gospel Link	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00
Hospitality	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Leadership Training	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Muslim Ministry	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Partnerships	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00
Pastor's Conference	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Revitalization & Health	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00
Sharing House	\$25,000.00	\$19,000.00
Sr. Adults	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Summer Intern	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
VBS Clinic	\$1,000.00	\$500.00
TOTAL	\$90,300.00	\$62,500.00

Total Personnel	\$132,924.97	\$131,556.95
Total Operations	\$27,555.00	\$32,765.00
Missions	\$90,300.00	\$62,500.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$250,779.97	\$226,821.95
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Church Receipts	\$145,000.00	\$138,000.00
BSCNC Receipts	\$14,400.00	\$14,400.00
Other receipts	\$90,000.00	\$60,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$249,400.00	\$212,400.00

Budget Policy adopted 1999 - Format has been changed to reflect funds and contributions from outside sources; this will now be entered in column for budget recommendations rather than designated funds.

\$3,300.00

\$700.00

\$700.00

\$2,100.00

\$7,000.00

\$700.00

\$750.00

\$32,765.00

The policy of our association is to operate off of a unified ministry budget, where all the ministries of the Cabarrus Baptist Association are incorporated in our associational budget. The full budget amount of the Cabarrus Baptist Association are incorporated in our associational budget. The full budget amount of the Cabarrus Baptist Association are incorporated in our associational budget. The full budget amount to operate a ministry is placed in our association budget and the ministry does not have to go out and raise money to operate during the year. Any money (designated) coming in during the year for a particular account is adjusted to reflect the total amount given.



# 2025 Enlistment Team Report

Moderator – Doug Crawley (2025)	Crownpointe
Vice Moderator – Chad Hayes (2025)	Blackwelder Park
Treasurer – Marilyn Blackwell	FBC Concord
Asst. Treasurer – Kim Hall	Parkwood
Clerk - Krissy Harvell	CBA Staff
Asst. Clerk – Kim Smith	CBA Staff

<u>Trustees</u>

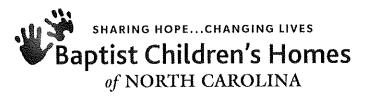
Bill Nix (2025)	FBC Concord
Chad Hayes (2026)	Blackwelder Park
Fletcher Hartsell (2027)	Crosspointe

**Enlistment Team** 

Carolyn Rogers (2025)	River Rock @ Odell
Keith Navey (2026)	Eva Drive
Leon Hawks (2027)	Crosspointe
Ann Whitley (2028)	Franklin Heights

Leadership Team

Moderator – Doug Crawley (2025)	Crownpointe
Vice Moderator – Chad Hayes (2025)	Blackwelder Park
Donna Rodgers (2025)	Parkwood
Aaron Edwards (2025)	FBC Concord
Travis Boovy (2025)	Young Memorial
Teresa Almond (2026)	Glorieta
Lewis Whittington (2026)	Miami
Jonathan Barnette (2026)	Brookdale
Willie Rash (2026)	Centerview
Randy Lankford (2026)	FBC Midland
Steve Leigh (2026)	Lakewood
Scott Davis (2027)	Pitts
Leon Hawks (2027)	Crosspointe
Timothy Walters (2027)	Bethlehem
Keith Navey (2027)	Eva Drive



## **BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**INTRODUCTION:** Since 1885, the heart of Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) has beat with a rhythm of hope that now extends throughout NC, SC and Guatemala. Today, BCH outreaches to people of all ages including abused and neglected children, many who are in the NC foster care system; single mothers, teen mothers, expectant mothers, birth mothers who have chosen adoption for their babies, intellectually/developmentally disabled adults, community families, college students, impoverished and abandoned children in Guatemala, and aging adults. By being on mission together with NC Baptists, we are able to minister to a variety of needs and share God's love with those BCH is privileged to serve. **We are many ministries beating with one heart — the heartbeat of Jesus. Learn more at bchfamily.org** 

## **OVERVIEW:**

- Lives Impacted and Professions in 2023: BCH impacted 117,502 lives in 2023
- **Professions in 2023**: 316 professions of faith were made in 2023 and 844 professions in the past five years. 80% of those we serve come to us unchurched and unreached for Jesus.
- **EVERY CHILD Foster & Adopt Numbers:** The total number of foster homes licensed to date: 464 an increase of 110 from last year. The total number of foster children served in BCH foster homes: 1,039.
- Associate Pastor's Family Adopts Brothers, Baptizes His Foster Son Annual Offering Focus: Through the prayers and Annual Offering support of
   NC Baptists, the story of this EVERY CHILD foster-to-adopt family was made
   possible. Week of Prayer: Nov. 3-11 Resources: bchoffering.org
- **Birth Mothers Retreat Yields 17 Professions:** Christian Adoption Services, a BCH ministry, offers the annual retreat to encourage mothers who have chosen adoption for their babies and share the good news of the Gospel.
- Ride to Clyde Celebrates Four Professions, Reaches \$1 Million Mark:
  The ninth annual motorcycle ride, benefiting BCH and organized in partnership
  with NC Baptists, passed \$1 million in funds raised. Bikers led four people to
  Christ as they shared the Gospel throughout the statewide ride.
- Three New Family Foster Homes Dedicated in Cleveland County: The dedication of River Hill Refuge sees nearly 600 friends and dignitaries attend the ceremony on April 27.
- NC Baptists Collect \$500,000+ in Supplies for Food Roundup: Through the leadership of Associational Missionaries and churches, NC Baptists collected enough food, gift cards and supplies to feed BCH children for a year.



# **Annual Offering Focus Highlights Foster-to-Adopt Son Proclaiming Christ:**

Tyler, age 17, and Liam, age two, were among the 10,000+ children in the NC foster care system until NC Baptists stepped into their lives. The two brothers found their forever family with Chris and Lindsay Ciufo (pronounced Chee-fo) and their four biological children because churches faithfully support the Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) Annual Offering.

As members of Cowee Baptist Church in Franklin, where Chris is Associate Pastor, the couple knew about BCH and its many ministries including foster care and adoption. They also see the ministry first hand because boys and their cottage parents living at BCH's Drake Cottage in Franklin attend services and activities at Cowee.

When Chris and Lindsay made the decision to add to their family, they turned to BCH and its **EVERY CHILD Foster & Adopt** partnership with NC Baptists. BCH team members trained and licensed the Ciufos, and other couples at their church, to be foster families.

At the end of 2021, Chris and Lindsay began fostering Liam, a three-month-old infant who, for his well-being, had been removed from his mother's care by the NC social services. Just one month later, Liam's teenage brother, Tyler, was also placed in the foster care system. Both brothers have the same biological mother but two different fathers. Tyler came to live with the Welch family, a couple from Cowee Baptist who had also been licensed by BCH. Through their mutual church community, Tyler and Liam, who barely knew one another, were able to begin to form a bond.

As time passed, Tyler moved from the Welches to the Ciufos. The two families worked together so the brothers could live with one another.

During a church service in 2023, Chris and Cowee Senior Pastor Jason Smith were standing at the front of the room for the closing invitation. Suddenly, Tyler rose from his seat and came to Chris telling him he wanted to follow Jesus. They kneeled at the altar and, at that moment, Tyler accepted Christ. Immediately afterward, Tyler, Chris and Jason entered the baptismal. An emotional Chris said these words as

he prepared to baptize his foster-to-adopt son: "It has been our prayers since the moment we received him into our family that he would be our son but our brother in Christ."

Today, Chris and Lindsay have completed their family by adopting Tyler and Liam. Their story is the focus of the Annual Offering for Baptist Children's Homes. Their video, along with resources to help your church collect an offering, are available at bchoffering.org. The Week of Prayer is November 3-11.

#### BIBLICAL RECORDER

Since its founding in 1833, the Biblical Recorder (BR) has sought to serve as a trusted news outlet for N.C. Baptists. While technology has changed the way news is gathered, presented and consumed, our commitment to being a trusted source of news and information for N.C. Baptists remains the same.

Following is a report of significant activities and ministry highlights for the Biblical Recorder from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. During that time, the BR has:

- Entered into a long-term management agreement with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina that went into effect Jan. 1, 2024.
- Published daily content online at BRnow.org and through social media, while also producing a bimonthly printed magazine and a weekly email newsletter.
- Strengthened relationships with other entities to garner more national coverage for N.C. Baptists through Baptist Press.

## Significant Accomplishments and Activities

On Jan. 1, 2024, the Biblical Recorder and the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina entered into a long-term management agreement based upon recommendations made by a special study committee. The recommendations were unanimously endorsed by both the BR's and state convention's respective boards in September 2023 and also endorsed by messengers at the 2023 N.C. Baptist annual meeting in Greensboro in November.

The new management agreement extends a temporary agreement that had been in place between the BR and the state convention since July 2022. Under terms of the new agreement, the BR retains its own board of directors, as well as its autonomous status as a separate, but related entity to the state convention. The agreement also acknowledges the BR's role as an independent, news-gathering and reporting organization that maintains its editorial freedom.

The boards and leaders of both the BR and state convention believe this new long-term management agreement will help preserve the Recorder's long-standing ministry to N.C. Baptists going forward. Readers can still expect a steady stream of timely coverage of news, events and happenings in N.C. Baptist life, along with feature stories on people and ministries from across North Carolina that illustrate how God is at work in our state.

## **Future Goals and Initiatives**

The BR has set its sights on the future of its ministry to N.C. Baptists. As we continue to embrace, explore and anticipate the ongoing impact of technology on news gathering and reporting, we are examining ways to enhance the presentation and delivery of content across all of our platforms — print, online, digital, social media and more. No matter what the future holds, however, we pledge to maintain the highest levels of journalistic integrity, ethics and excellence so that the BR remains a source of news and information that N.C. Baptists can trust.

Respectfully submitted,

Devin Goins, Chairman, Board of Directors Chad Austin, Managing Editor, Biblical Recorder



# BAPTIST ON MISSION AREA OF WORK www.baptistsonmission.org

At Baptists on Mission, our Purpose is to Glorify God by involving churches and Christians in meeting human needs in Jesus' name. We do that by offering a wide variety of opportunities for volunteers to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Everything from aviation missions where we fly patients to much-needed medical care, partnership missions, prayer ministries, medical, dental, construction, disaster relief, disaster recovery, etc.

Baptists on Mission volunteers serve in 19 ministries that include the following:

## STATE/NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL MISSION PROJECTS

God is changing lives through mission trips sponsored by Baptists on Mission in North Carolina (mission camps, Impact NC, Disaster Rebuilds, etc.) and to places such as Pennsylvania, Hawaii, New England, Rocky Mountain Region, Appalachian Coalfields, Alaska, Guatemala, Kenya, Armenia, Romania, Hungary, Moldova, Cuba, South Africa and other places. Many hundreds of volunteers serve in these partnerships every year.

Lives are being changed... The British missionary William Carey said, "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God." Here are some of the things that we as NC Baptists have been doing to minister to people and to glorify God:

#### DISASTER RELIEF

God has blessed us with excellent disaster relief equipment and volunteers. North Carolina Baptists have five large disaster feeding units. The two largest units are capable of preparing and serving 30,000+ meals per day. We now have more than 250 disaster recovery trailers (owned by local churches and associations) used to clean up and repair work after a disaster. We also have six large shower units, three laundry units, a childcare unit, several large recovery units, large generator units, and lots of other disaster relief equipment that the Lord has provided.

#### DIASASTER REBUILD

In September, 2018, Hurricanes Florence slammed our state and affected thousands of families. Three years later in August 2021, Tropical Storm Fred devastated Haywood and other counties in WNC. God has blessed us with rebuild centers where we can house, feed, and coordinate the work of thousands of rebuild volunteers. So far, we have helped more than 2000 families get back in their homes. There are more families still waiting for assistance in rebuilding their lives years after the storms. People in great need are hearing and seeing the love of Christ, and many people are coming to commit or to recommit their lives to Jesus.

## MEDICAL/DENTAL MISSIONS

Baptists on Mission offers the use of the mobile medical/dental units to Baptist and non-Baptist churches and service organizations within North Carolina who wish to reach out to people in need. More than 140 clinics are held each year on the two mobile units. Patients targeted through this ministry may include the impoverished, ethnic groups, farm workers, fair workers, the homeless, the elderly, and more.

## HEALTH SCREENING MINISTRY

Health disparities are prevalent in more impoverished neighborhoods. Our goal is to take healthcare to the most disadvantaged populations, thus improving community health navigation as we align local community health centers with patients seen at the mobile clinics. The unit's health screening tests include Hemoglobin A1C for diabetes screening, finger stick glucose, Cholestech LDX for total cholesterol and HDL results, body mass index calculation, depression screening, basic eye exams, and vital signs assessment. This ministry provides not only basic health screening clinics but spiritual assessments and counseling as well. Our hope is that by meeting a physical need, a spiritual door will be opened, and the love of Jesus can be shared.



#### STUDENT MISSIONS

Deep Impact helps North Carolina Baptist churches develop a comprehensive, coed youth missions strategy to produce committed followers of Christ. This strategy includes pre-packaged mission weeks, weekend mission retreats and much more.

#### DI KIDS

One of our newest efforts is DI Kids (Deep Impact Kids), a missions weekend/week for children and their leaders. DI Kids Missions Weeks, Mini-weeks, and Weekends are pre-packaged mission experiences sponsored by Baptists on Mission. They provide elementary-age students and their leaders/parents with the opportunity to share the love of God with people in NC. The children enjoy a great camp experience with a mission focus. Involving children in missions is an excellent beginning to develop disciple-making students and adults with love for missions.

#### OTHER MINISTRIES

In addition to the ministries described above, other ministries of Baptists on Mission designed to equip, motivate and mobilize volunteers to be involved in missions are Agriculture Missions, Aviation Ministry, Baptist Builders, Baptist Educators, Family Foundations, Compassion Ministry, Church Renewal, Prayer Support, Sports and Recreation, Men's Ministry, Student Missions and Children's Missions.

## MISSIONS CONFERENCE

The annual missions conference, sponsored by Baptists on Mission, includes music, testimonies, speakers, breakout sessions, mission fair exhibits, volunteer suppers, and much more. The desired end result is for participants to be spiritually renewed and inspired to become involved in missions locally and worldwide. Over 1,500 people attend this conference every year.

#### REGIONAL MISSIONS RALLIES

Each spring and fall, Baptists on Mission sponsors regional rallies in all 10 regions of our state. These meetings are designed to challenge North Carolina Baptists across the state to greater mission involvement and to promote the September North Carolina Missions Offering. The rallies are open for all men, women, and youth interested in missions.

## BAPTISTS ON MISSION MAGAZINE

This publication is mailed twice each year to all church mission leaders, mission volunteers, BOM ministry groups, youth directors, ministers of education, and pastors. Information is provided through this magazine to promote upcoming mission projects/events and to report on recently completed projects.

#### MISSION CAMPS AND REBUILD CENTERS

Every year an average of 7,000 volunteers respond to needs through the Mission Camps in Red Springs, Shelby, and Rose Hill (Charity) and Rebuild Centers in Lumberton, New Bern and Canton. These Mission Camps and Rebuild Centers are a great way to get your church involved in life-changing mission projects and Glorify God.

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