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WEST CHOWAN NEWS

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Churches

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October, 2017

Monday - Thursday 8am - 5 pm

- Ashley's Grove
- Askewville
- Aulander
- Beth Emet -
Messianic Synagogue
- Bethany
- Bethel
- Bethlehem
- Brantleys Grove
- Buckhorn
- Capehart
- Cashie
- Center Grove
- Christian Harbor
- Colerain
- Connaritsa
- Conway
- Creech Memorial
- Creeksville
- Earlys
- Edgewood
- Elam
- Elm Grove
- First Baptist Ahoskie
- First Baptist Lewiston
- Galatia
- Greens Cross
- Harrellsville
- Holly Grove
- Holly Springs
- Hortons
- Jackson
- Kelford
- Lasker
- Lawrence
- Margarettsville
- Mars Hill
- Meherrin
- Menola
- Merry Hill
- Mt. Carmel
- Mt. Tabor
- Murfreesboro
- Oak Grove
- Pleasant Grove
- Potecasi
- Potters House
- Powellsville
- Republican
- Rich Square
- Riverside
- Roberts Chapel
- Ross
- Sandy Run
- Seaboard
- Severn
- Siloam
- St. Johns
- Union
- Wakelon
- Winton
- Woodland



One Hundred Thirty Fourth WCBA Annual Meeting

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Union Baptist Church

Theme: "SEEK GOD SO HE CAN BE FOUND"

Theme Scripture: 2 Chronicles 15:2b

Presiding: Tommy Tripp, Moderator, Bethany

Annual Sermon: Dr. Chris Schofield, BSCNC

Afternoon Session 3:45 pm

Supper 5:30 pm

Evening Session 6:30 pm



The WCBA Constitution states under Membership, Article 2

The association shall be composed of churches cooperating with the Southern Baptist Convention or the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Furthermore, it shall be composed of messengers elected by the churches connected with this body and all ordained ministers who are pastors of said churches, together with the officers of this Association and team leaders of all associational teams. Each church of 100 members and under shall be entitled to two messengers and for each additional 100 members an additional messenger provided that no church shall have more than 10 messengers.

TERRY'S THOUGHTS

OCTOBER, is upon us. Can you believe how fast 2017 has pasted us bye? It has been a busy year, rewarding year, and a year with some challenges. However, the Lord has been present every step of the way and I am so honored to have been a part of what He has desired to do among our churches this year.

October marks a few important dates and events here within our association. I would like to remind you of just a few of those events:

1. **October is traditionally the month we, as church members, recognize, in a formal way, our appreciation for all our pastors do for us. I know you will want to join me and recognizing all the hard work our pastors do for us and bless them in very appropriate ways. This would also include his family who serves alongside of them and is often forgotten. You would not only bless your pastor's family by recognizing him and them in a tangible way, but also show your congregation, along with your communities, the importance of what the pastor does as he seeks to equip the saints, minister to your needs, leads in reaching the lost, and serve his family all at the same time. For ideas in how to honor your pastor visit www.lifeway.com or simply goggle pastor appreciation to find great ideas on how to honor your pastor.**
2. **October 9: Please join us in a night of concentrated prayer for our upcoming Annual Fall meeting. We will begin our time of prayer at 7:00 and convene this prayer meeting at the MRC (association office). I am asking all of you to consider joining us for a night dedicated to praying for a mighty movement of the Lord during our time of business, fellowship, and worship during the Fall Meeting.**
3. **OCTOBER 15: Speaking of the Fall Meeting, ours will be Sunday October 15 beginning at 3:45. We will gather at Union Baptist Church located at 431 Boone Farm Rd., Ahoskie. You should be able to find a copy of our agenda by the end of September on our website westchowan.org. Our theme this year is "SEEKING GOD SO HE MAY BE FOUND." This theme is based on II Chronicles 15:2b. Our featured speaker will be Dr. Chris Schofield along with Kenny Lamm leading our worship. Our afternoon session begins promptly at 3:45, we brake for dinner at 5:30, and reconvene at 6:30 for a special strategy presentation and a concentrated time of worship featuring a joint association choir. This meeting, of our association, will be special and affords us an opportunity to not only do business together, but also fellowship together as we worship Him together. Worship is one of our highest priorities in life, therefore it is important we do it together. Please plan to attend and especially begin now announcing this opportunity during your regular services. **BY THE WAY EVERYONE IS WELCOME ALONG WITH OUR REGULAR ASSOCIATION REPRESENTITIVES FROM YOUR CHURCHES!!****
4. **Finally, throughout October and November many of our churches will be celebrating Homecomings, revivals, and Fall Festivals. These are great times of celebration, renewal, and outreach. Please let us know the dates of your events and we will be sure to publish them on our website and in our newsletter. In fact I will be involved with many of those and am looking forward to participating with our churches during these wonderful opportunities.**

As you can see, from my list and those other opportunities mentioned in this newsletter, the Fall will be jammed packed with opportunities all around the West Chowan Baptist Association. Please take time to participate with each other in order to encourage one other and take the time to reach out to those in need of a Savior. As always I want you all to remember **I LOVE YOU AND CONSIDER IT AN HONOR TO SERVE YOU!!!!!!**

Terry



The Samaritan shoe boxes are due October 25th. Galatia Church trailer will be parked under the MRC carport on October 18th so you can bring your shoe boxes anytime thru the 25th of the month of October. The trailer will be leaving Oct. 26th from the MRC. Galatia church will be collecting the shoeboxes until November 12 and that is their last day. They will be taken to Rocky Mount Nov. 13th. **No TOOTHPASTE OR CANDY OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED!**



- 02 Dr. Dave Rimel, Sandy Run
 - 08 Rev. Jim Hopkins, Powellsville
 - 10 Rev. Bobby Strother, Cashie
 - 10 Mrs. Shelia Kiker, retired
 - 18 Mrs. Wanda VanNiel, St. John
 - 31 Mrs. Diane McLawhorn, Menola
 - 31 Rev. Jimmy Blythe, Aulander
- Anniversaries**
- 02 Rev. & Mrs. J. N. Baggett, retired
 - 06 Dr. & Mrs. Chris Lee, Edgewood
 - 09 Rev. & Mrs. Ricky Barnes, Lasker



Pray for all our churches and pray for the ones who are seeking a Pastor for their church

Askewville, Buckhorn, Conway, Creech Memorial, Early, Galatia, Holly Springs, Mars Hill, Murfreesboro



Free to a good home.
Antique upright piano. Needs tuning. Contact Judy White at 794-3538 if interested

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES



PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

- 02 Prayer-time, 9 am, for anyone at the MRC
 - 02 **Pastors Fellowship**, 10 30 am (register online) so we know how much food to prepare. Program *"Doing Discipleship through everyday ministry"*, led by Chuck Campbell.
 - 07 **Youth Game Day** at the MRC, 9 am – 2 pm with lunch, ages 12 & up
 - 08 **PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY**
 - 09 Prayer-time, 9 am, MRC
 - 09 **Night of Prayer for everyone.** The MRC will be open at 7:00 pm for the churches that make up our association to come and prayer for 134th Fall meeting along with other requests. **We hope you will spread the word and the meeting room will be full to overflowing.**
 - 11 Congregation Profiles due to MRC along with the booklet.
 - 15 **Executive council and the 134th Fall meeting at Union Baptist Church.**
 - 16 **WMU Red Box Project**, each person to give 1 tube of toothpaste for the NC Correctional Center in Raleigh for women. **Size is 6 oz to 9 oz. No smaller or larger. Due to MRC by 10/16/17.**
 - 15 Global Hunger Sunday
 - 16 Prayertime, 9 am, MRC
 - 16 **BOSSSES DAY**
 - 18 Trailer will be at the MRC for shoe boxes
 - 22 **Senior Adult Gala with Ron Freeman, musician & speaker**, MRC, 4:00 pm.
 - 23 Prayer-time, 9 am, MRC
 - 23 Association WMU Leadership team, 6:00 pm, MRC
 - 25 **Samaritan Shoe boxes due to MRC**
 - 29 Bertie County 5th Sunday singing, Merry Hill church at 7:00 pm. All are invited
 - 30 Prayer time, 9 am, MRC.
- Association Choir practice at Union church September 30th at 6:00 pm**

If anyone is interested in going to Myrtle Beach, Nov. 27-29, contact Tommy Tripp at 252-642-2119. Cost: \$400 per person.



**HELPING
HAND
MINISTRY**

OPERATION IN AS MUCH

Mr. Connie Vann is going to be the West Chowan Baptist Association Coordinator for this statewide project. The days are April 28 or May 5. He needs a helper for Bertie and Hertford County. If you can help with this special ministry contact Connie at 252-578-3013. You can't start too early making plans.

CHURCH NEWS

Potecasi – Rev. Ricky Browder

REVIVAL October 1-4 with Brother Terry Stockman. Revival begins on Sunday morning at 11 am and continues Sunday night at 6:00 pm and Monday-Wednesday will begin at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

Powellville – Rev. Jim Hopkins

REVIVAL October 1-4 with Dr. Chuck Campbell bringing the message each night at 7:00 pm. The public is invited. Good fellowship and great preaching!

St John – Rev. Doug VanNiel

Held a Dedication Service for their new Fellowship Hall. October 6 they will have a barbeque chicken plate fundraiser. Call 252-332-4612 for more info.

Christian Harbor – Rev. Joe Futrell

The church is having a special service on Sunday, Oct. 29th at 11:00 am with the singing group, "The Overcomers" doing the entire service for us and we will have a covered dish lunch directly after the service in our fellowship hall. Any questions call pastor at 252-356-4689 or email jaf12256@gmail.com

Ross – Dr. Jeff Russell

The church sponsored a disaster relief trip to Victoria, Texas to aid with the victims of Hurricane Harvey. They joined a large group of volunteers with Samaritan's Purse. We would also like to express our appreciation to many outside our church who helped to sponsor the trip finances and to Kelford Baptist Church who collected a love offering for that purpose.



Askeville – Interim pastor Zach Hicks

State Missions offering goal was \$1,000. Received \$1,501. Youth day was held on Sept. 23 with about 15 youth and several adults helping to do yard work in the community. GREAT JOB! **REVIVAL, October 1** (with dinner on the grounds), Sunday night begins at 6:00 pm and Monday – Wednesday at 7:00 each evening. Rev. John Porter, pastor of Meherrin Baptist Church in Murfreesboro is our guest speaker. Nursery provided. The public is invited to come.

Pleasant Grove – Rev. Mickey Willard

We will be showing a film from Focus on the Family entitled "A Man Called Norman". It will make you realize what "Love Your Neighbor as yourself" is all about.

Conway – no pastor

Homecoming Sunday, October 8 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Join us for a special celebration featuring Christian music under the tent. Outdoor games and ice cream. Bring your lawn chairs.

Galatia – no pastor

State Missions offering goal: \$3,000. Galatia is a collection site for our area to **collect backpacks** to be delivered to Red Springs. Backpack dedication will be October 29th. They will travel to Red Springs around the dates of November 3rd – 5th. They can be brought to the MRC or Colerain also.

NOTE As of 9/25/17 WCBA has sent \$2,170 to the NCBM office from some of our churches and individuals.



In the last newsletter I said this project was finished. But we are going to continue it thru next summer. The church is going on a Medical Mission trip to Korsrea in the country of Micronesia next summer. This time they only need **READING GLASSES (#1, 2, 3 or 4)**. No more prescription glasses. New or used ones. Drop them by the MRC anytime. Share this with other people. Thanks, Jo-Ann

Stewardship Statement

West Chowan Baptist Association		
Church Contributions 2017		
CHURCHES	AUGUST	TOTAL
Ashley's Grove	\$235.00	\$2,337.00
Askewville	\$250.00	\$2,000.00
Aulander		\$1,125.00
Bethany	\$337.00	\$2,144.00
Bethel	\$50.00	\$400.00
Beth Emet	\$200.00	\$422.25
Bethlehem		\$0.00
Brantley's Grove		\$802.57
Buckhorn	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Capeharts	\$240.75	\$1,673.83
Cashie		\$3,500.00
Center Grove	\$589.59	\$4,240.10
Christian Harbor		\$450.00
Colerain		\$1,406.29
Connaritsa		\$500.00
Conway	\$550.00	\$4,400.00
Creech Memorial		\$346.67
Creeksville	\$250.00	\$2,000.00
Early's		\$1,000.00
Edgewood		\$1,000.00
Elam	\$245.25	\$1,442.00
Elm Grove	\$217.00	\$1,736.00
FB Ahoskie	\$175.00	\$1,587.50
Galatia	\$916.00	\$7,328.00
Green's Cross	\$312.50	\$2,500.00
Harrellsville		\$1,300.00
Holly Grove		\$250.00
Holly Springs		\$876.80
Horton's		\$250.00
Jackson		\$0.00
Kelford		\$250.00
Lasker		\$400.00
Lawrence	\$789.50	\$1,073.60
Lewiston		\$0.00
Margarettsville	\$40.00	\$320.00
Mars Hill		\$1,375.00
Meherrin	\$946.30	\$6,280.95
Menola		\$300.00
Merry Hill		\$1,500.00
Mt. Carmel		\$1,500.00
Mt. Tabor	\$231.20	\$1,849.60
Murfreesboro	\$75.00	\$225.00
Oak Grove		\$1,966.00
Pleasant Grove		\$1,844.46
Potecasi	\$50.00	\$450.00
Potter's House		\$0.00
Powellsville		\$3,542.40
Republican		\$463.95
Rich Square	\$125.00	\$1,000.00
Riverside		\$750.00
Robert's Chapel		\$600.00
Ross		\$2,099.00
Sandy Run		\$2,625.00
Seaboard	\$125.00	\$1,000.00
Severn		\$0.00
Siloam		\$250.00
St. John	\$50.00	\$450.00
Union		\$0.00
Wakelon		\$200.00
Winton		\$1,775.00
Woodland		\$0.00
TOTAL CONT.	\$8,000.09	\$82,107.97

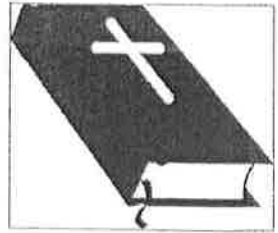


Youth Game Day

Preferably 13 and up

9am – 2pm

Kick Ball game



Lunch and Refreshments Provided

Devotional &

Crafts

Location: West Chowan Baptist Association(MRC)

335 NC-42, Ahoskie, NC 27910

Date: October 7th, 2017

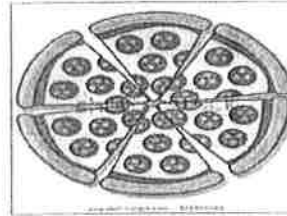
Who to Contact?

Please Call

Katilyn Hoggard- 252-325-2772

Or

Miranda King- 252-325-2095



We have an ongoing collection for
Stickers (address labels) or other kinds

For a young woman who has a lot of
challenges in her life.

Let's do what we can! Bring to MRC anytime.



Take time to **PRAY** for our nation as we
celebrate our freedoms that many have fought
to preserve. **PRAY** for all that serve this nation.
Pray for our leaders will follow Godly
principles to lead our nation.

Let's Be Healthy Together!

Do you have high cholesterol or high blood pressure? Have members of your family suffered from these ailments? Do you have a poor diet? If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, you may want to consider being screened through the services of Life Line Screening. Life Line Screening uses ultrasound technology to view the plaque buildup in your carotid arteries, the main arteries that carry blood to the brain. Blockages in these arteries are a leading cause of stroke. We are pleased to host this **Life Line Screening event on 11/8/2017 at West Chowan Baptist Association**. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979

November

Calendar of Events

- 01 **Appalachian Backpacks due to MRC**
- 05 Daylight Savings Time ends
- 05 Disaster Relief Appreciatin Day
- 06 Prayertime, 9:00 am, MRC
- 06 **Baptist Women World Day of Prayer, 7:00 pm, MRC**
- 06 BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, GREENSBORO
- 07 ELECTION DAY
- 08 **Lifeline Screening, MRC, 10:00 am**
- 09 Men's Ministry Worship Rally
- 10 Veterans' Day
- 12 **Deadline for Shoe Boxes to Galatia**
- 13 Prayertime, MRC, 9 am
- 13 **Pastors Fellowship with Dr. Church Register, register on line**
- 20 Prayertime, MRC, 9 am
- 22 **THANKSGIVING (MRC closed 22 & 23)**
- 26 IMS on Russia, 3:00 pm Ashley Grove
- 27 Prayertime, 9 am, MRC
- 27 IMS on Russia, 7:00 pm, Capehart Church

AWAY THEY GO



Rev. Derik Davis and Jerry Colson packed this big trailer and took off to Red Springs Camp Friday morning, Sept.22. Included in the trailer was a few over 960 Hygine kits, 200 boxes of diapers and at least 100 First aid kits. Thank you all for what you sent to help those affected by the hurricanes in Texas and florida. Elm Grove also carried a trailer full of supplies to Red Springs.



Senior Adult Fall Gala

Sunday, October 22, 2017

4:00 pm

West Chowan Baptist Association
335 NC 42 W
Ahoskie, NC

Program will feature
Musician and Speaker

Ron Freeman

Snacks, door prizes, great
fellowship



Welcomes veteran and professional speaker,

Lt. Clebe McClary (*Retired*)

Sunday, Nov. 19 (11am)

Clebe was seriously injured in Vietnam, losing his left arm and left eye. Since that time, after much rehabilitation, he has been a motivational speaker and evangelist having spoken to tens of thousands in all 50 states and 30 different countries. Clebe is also a former college football coach and both he and his wife (Deanna) are published authors.

You may want to come early to ensure a seat. A love offering will be received.



Helpers from move-in-day at Chowan.

Conway served lemonade, Galatia
Cooked tacos, Meherrin cooked hot dogs,
Winton had hot dogs and cookies



OCTOBER



Suggestions for celebrating your Pastor and family

- *Pray for your Pastor and his family*
- *Encourage him with your words*
- *Send a card of appreciation; include a gift card for a favorite restaurant, store, or coffee shop*
- *Offer a paid weekend off with some of the expenses or accommodations paid or a monetary gift to be used for travel*
- *Support his leadership as the Pastor God has placed at your church for this particular season*
- *Don't limit your appreciation to October! Remember your Pastor and family all through the year!*
- *Pray every day for your pastor and family because they have problems just like you do.*

Mission Involvement Projects

Red Box Women's Prison Ministry - Our association has been asked to give a tube of toothpaste. Guidelines are:

- only 6-9 ounce size toothpaste is acceptable
- Leave it in the box it came with
- Remove price/sticker
- Due Monday, October 16 to MRC

Samaritan Purse Shoe Boxes

- Cover the boxes and lids with Christmas paper.
- Put 2 rubber bands around it
- Due to MRC October 25
- Trailer will be under the carport on the 18th of October but you can bring them anytime up until the 25th

Appalachian Coalfields Ministry

sponsored by NC Baptist Men

- Collection sites are MRC, Colerain and Galatia churches.
- You can bring them to the places above between the dates of October 12 and November 1 which is the last day to receive them.
- They will be transported to Red Springs Camp on Friday, November 3 and organized on Saturday, November 4. From Red Springs they will be transported to the Appalachian area in West Virginia.
- The list of items were in the WCBA newsletter last month.



I am calling for a night of prayer prior to our annual meeting scheduled for October 15. On Monday night October 9 beginning at 7:00 pm, I will open our offices for a targeted time of prayer for the churches that make up our association our Fall meeting, our guest speakers and worship leaders, our new officers for 2018, and most importantly for God to move in each and every moment of our meeting.

Terry, DOM

