

February 2023

Edgefield Baptist Association

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Making History with His Story

Plum Branch welcomes Interim Pastor



Rev. Jerry Dalton has been serving Plum Branch Baptist as interim pastor since December 4, 2022. He and his wife, Teresa, were high school sweethearts and have been married 47 years. Both are from Calhoun Falls. They have two married daughters and five grandchildren (twins and triplets).

Rev. Dalton wrote, "I was licensed in 1982 and ordained in 1985 by Northside Baptist Church, Calhoun Falls, SC.

I've been in the ministry almost 38 years as Church Planter, pastor and preacher. I've served full-time and bi-vocational.

Right now, I consider myself retired and serving at Plum Branch Baptist Church and as a driver for Elite Day Center & Transportation. Did I really say retired? Well, that didn't last long!

I'm glad that I get to serve my God in different areas of ministry."



Stand to Reason Apologetics Conference

First Baptist Church
North Augusta

Purchase early discounted tickets at
\$39 before Feb 24
for the April 21 – 22 event.

For more information and to
purchase tickets:

www.realityapologetics.com/ga/

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three;
but the greatest of these is **love**.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13 NKJV



CHURCHES CHANGING COMMUNITIES

July 9 – 13
October 2 – 5

Please note the change in date for the Fall CCC.

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Office Hours

Monday-Tuesday
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Wednesday
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Director of Missions

Rev. Tim Shull

Moderator

Rev. Aaron Tripp

Vice Moderator

Rev. David Lyda

Ministry Assistant

Ms. Faye Usry

Treasurer

Mrs. Terri Miller

Clerk

Mrs. Vickie Allen

Scheduled meetings at the Association Office:

CCC Constructions Leaders
Monday, Feb 6
9:30 AM

Dolls on Mission
Tuesday, Feb 7 & 21
10 AM – 12 NOON

Fold Newsletters
Wednesday, Feb 22
9 AM

News for the March 2023 newsletter is due by February 14, 2023.

Baptist Nursing Fellowship

BNF will meet during the WMU meeting in Irmo on Friday, March 24. If you plan to attend the BNF meeting, please contact Darlene Lovette at dlovette64@yahoo.com or 864-942-7659

WMU News

Focus on WMU Sunday

February 19
(or any date you choose)
An opportunity to show what WMU is doing in your church.

Disaster Relief Training

April 1
Northwood Baptist Church
North Charleston

This event provides training for SC Baptists interested in meeting needs after a disaster.

Register at:
www.scbaptist.org/events/disasterrelieftraining-2/

Special days: February

Birthdays

06 Bethany Rushing.....Edgefield First
15 Corbin Herron.....Sweetwater
26 Helen Garvin.....Gilgal

Pastoral Anniversaries

Richard Nichols.....Providence
February 10, 2019

IMPACT

Thursday, Feb 23 • 9 AM – 4 PM
Church at The Mill, Moore, SC
Register at:
scbaptist.org/events/impact2023/

SAVE THE DATE

Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, March 14 • 7 PM

Spring Semi-Annual Meeting
Sunday, April 16 • 3 PM
Mt Zion Baptist Church

Thank you, Ebenezer Baptist for submitting an updated history. (It is not too late to submit your church's updated history.)

Church News

Antioch: Revival Services – Rev. George Gardin preaching • 11 AM on Sunday, Feb 19; 7 PM on Monday – Wednesday, Feb 20 – 22

Little Stevens Creek: 5th Sunday Service – Rev. Tim Shull preaching • 6 PM on Sunday, Jan 29

Peace Haven: Revival Services – Rev. Aaron Tripp preaching • 6 PM on Sunday, Jan 29; 7 PM on Monday & Tuesday, Jan 30 – 31

Philippi: RENEW – Psalm 51:10 “...renew a right spirit in me.” Lee Camp, Chief Strategic Officer for SCBC preaching • 6 PM on Sunday, Jan 29

Church Contributions	MTD Dec 2022	YTD Jan – Dec 2022
Antioch	0.00	2,858.63
Berea	200.00	1,300.00
Big Stevens Crk	300.00	3,900.00
Ebenezer	0.00	2,000.00
Edgefield First	0.00	5,000.00
First Bethany	3,250.00	9,670.00
Gilgal	0.00	5,000.00
Little Stevens Crk	600.00	1,800.00
Modoc	0.00	466.01
Mountain Creek	212.00	1,229.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	1,000.00
Parksville	1,300.17	8,074.41
Peace Haven	0.00	2,762.51
Plum Branch	0.00	1,562.45
Providence	575.00	2,300.00
Red Hill	0.00	7,446.17
Red Oak Grove	0.00	2,700.00
Rehoboth	0.00	3,981.00
Republican	6,298.00	31,915.64
Sweetwater	0.00	5,809.16
Various donations	194.52	421.63
Total Receipts	12,929.69	101,196.61
Total Expenses	7,810.80	86,332.81
Designated Accounts	Balance Dec 2022	
Block Party Trailer	145.50	
CCC	5,131.52	
Hispanic Missions	2,216.43	
Disaster Relief	14,057.79	
Men's Ministries	16,768.69	
WMU	3,628.56	
EBA Missions Offering	2,702.36	
EBA GameChangers	310.00	
EBA Blessed Bedzzz	15,385.06	
EBA Roof Account	8,330.32	
Investments		
Money Market #1	10,374.21	
Money Market #2	13,365.82	
Baptist Foundation	13,827.99	

“Love is Supreme” by Tim Shull

"Jesus answered, `The most important command is this... "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength." The second command is this: "Love your neighbor as you love yourself." There are no commands more important than these.'" Mark 12:29-31.

*"Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails." And now these three remain; faith, hope and love. But **the greatest** of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13: 7-8a, 13.*

1. KNOW WHAT LOVE IS. Here are some popular misconceptions about love. 1) Love is a feeling, just an emotion. 2) Love is uncontrollable, we can't help "falling in love" or "falling out of love." But God's Word says: 1) Love is a matter of choice. *"And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together."* Colossians 3:14. 2) Love is a matter of conduct. *". . . let us stop just saying we love people; let us really love them and show it by our actions."* 1 John 3:18.

2. DO WHAT LOVE DOES. *"If you keep My commandments you will abide in My love."* John 15:10. **BE PATIENT.** *"Love is patient..."* 1 Corinthians 13:4 *"Be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love."* Ephesians 4:2. **BE KIND.** *"... love is kind..."* 1 Corinthians 13:4. *"Be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God has forgiven you."* Ephesians 4:32. **DON'T BE INSECURE.** *"It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud."* 1 Corinthians 13:4. **DON'T BE SELF-CENTERED.** *"It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs."* 1 Corinthians 13:5. **DON'T TAKE IT FOR GRANTED** *"It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."* 1 Corinthians 13:7. *"You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. And the most important piece of clothing you must wear is love. **Love** is what binds us all together in perfect harmony. Let the **peace** that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body, you are all called to live in **peace**. And always be thankful."* Colossians 3:13-15

3. LET GOD LOVE YOU. (God says) *"I have loved you with an everlasting love."* Jeremiah 31:3. *"See how very much our heavenly Father loves us, for He allows us to be called his children, and we really are!"* 1 John 3:1. *"And I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in your hearts as you trust in Him. May your roots go down deep into the soil of*

God's marvelous love. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love really is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is so great you will never fully understand it. Then you will be filled with the fullness of life and power that comes from God." Ephesians 3:17-19.

GOD'S LOVE IS . . .

WIDE ENOUGH TO INCLUDE EVERYBODY

"The Lord is loving toward all He has made." Psalm 145:17. *"God so loved the world ..."* John 3:16.

LONG ENOUGH TO LAST FOREVER

"I have loved you with an everlasting love." Jeremiah 31:3. *"God's love will last for all time. Psalm 69:2.*

HIGH ENOUGH TO BE EVERYWHERE

"...neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:39.

DEEP ENOUGH TO MEET MY NEEDS

"The eternal God is your refuge and underneath you are His everlasting arms." Deuteronomy 32:27. *"God has shown how much He loves us; it was while we were still sinners that Christ died for us."* Romans 5:8. (God says) *"With deep love I will take you back..."* Isaiah 54:7.

Philippi Baptist Church
presents

Beauty from Ashes

Friday, February 24th
7:00- 8:45pm

Philippi Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
125 Steeple Road; Johnston, SC 29832

All ladies are invited to come enjoy some homemade desserts and coffee as we spend time talking together, worshipping together, and hearing from Stephanie Whatley about how God can take our difficult circumstances and turn them into something beautiful.

This event is free; however, we do ask that you register online before February 17th so we can plan accordingly. Everyone who registers will automatically be entered into a drawing for some door prizes that we will be giving away!

Register at
www.philippibaptist.org

*Stephanie Whatley recently authored a book, *Something Beautiful for Lauren*. Copies will be available for purchase for anyone interested.



“This is real love. It is not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.”
1 John 4:10

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2ND ANNUAL

BUSHY TAIL CLASSIC SQUIRREL HUNT

Hosted By
Philippi Baptist Church



WHEN: Saturday February 4th 2023

Must register by Thursday Feb. 2nd

Pre-hunt meeting/breakfast : 6:00— 6:30 am

Check-in for scoring, awards, and lunch
no later than 1:00pm

WHERE: Jacksons Deer Processing

970 Airport Rd, Johnston, SC

COST: \$20 per team—includes breakfast, lunch, and prizes.

All participants will be entered into a drawing for a rifle

RULES: 2 man team (adult/minor teams are encouraged)

- > no more than 20 squirrels per team
- > dogs are allowed
- > shotguns, air rifles or rimfire rifles only
- > scoring will be based on a points system. 3pts for shotgun, 6pts for rifle kill, and 8 points for headshot with rifle
- > all squirrels must be killed the day of tournament
- > must provide your own place/property to hunt

Text 678-538-7710 to register or
email joshmclendon@hotmail.com



Save the Date



MAKE
MATURE
MULTIPLY

EVANGELISM/DISCIPLESHIP
CONFERENCE

March 30, 2023
Sweetwater Baptist Church

TomTuckerMinistries.com

Details will be in the March newsletter.