

January 2024

**Edgefield Baptist Association**

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Making History with His Story

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**SPRING CCC  
YOUTH EVENT**

Hosted by EBA Men's Ministry

**MAY 3 – 5, 2024**

**PEACE HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH**

AGES 10 – 18 ARE ENCOURAGED TO STAY  
OVERNIGHT. CHAPERONES PROVIDED.

**\$25 REGISTRATION FEE**

ADULTS NEEDED, TOO!

CHILDREN UNDER AGE 10 ARE WELCOME TO  
PARTICIPATE WITH A PARENT/GUARDIAN.

QUESTIONS? CALL EBA OFFICE 803.637.3309



Set your  
target on

**Fall CCC  
2024**

**October 6 - 10**

### **For Bible Reading & Study**

Put the Passage through its PACES:

- P – is there a PROMISE to claim?
- A – is there an ATTITUDE to change?
- C – is there a COMMAND to obey?
- E – is there an EXAMPLE to follow?
- S – is there SIN to confess and repent?

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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. David Lyda

**Vice Moderator**

Mr. Ron Creswell

**Treasurer**

Mrs. Terri Miller

**Clerk**

Mrs. Vickie Allen

**Ministry Assistant**

Ms. Faye Usry

**Scheduled meetings at the Association Office:**

**Fold Newsletters**

Wednesday, Jan 3 & 24  
9 AM

**Prayer Vigil**

Saturday, Jan 20  
10 AM – 2 PM

**Spring CCC Planning**

Meeting

Tuesday, Jan 23  
6:30 PM

**News for the February 2024 newsletter is due by January 17.**

**Church News**

**Big Stevens Creek:** Be in prayer for the medical missions' team traveling to Mexico January 3 – 9.

**Ebenezer:** Rev. Danny Hedgepeth was called as Interim Pastor in October 2023.

**Plum Branch:** Praise Night on January 26 at 7 PM. Everyone is invited.

**Stand to Reason Apologetics Conference**

April 19 – 20

First Baptist Church  
North Augusta

www.realityapologetics.com

Register before Feb 24 for the discounted price.

**Need training?**

Your association can facilitate training events taught by SCBC and other experts in areas of, but not limited to, ministry, administration, church planning, and finances. Call the association office with your training need.

**Thank you, EBA Volunteers!**

You folded and prepared over 4,100 newsletters in 2023.

**Special days - January**

**Birthdays**

06 Mr. Jerry Allen.....EBA  
13 Rev. Tom Rogers.....Mt Zion  
14 Rev. David Lyda.....Little Stevens Creek  
15 Mrs. Bobbie Noe.....Sweetwater  
16 Rev. Charles Bodie.....Berea  
22 Mrs. Staci Gardin.....Antioch  
28 Mrs. Gabriella Negrete.....Getsemani  
31 Mrs. Teresa Patton.....Modoc

**Pastoral Anniversaries**

Rev. George Gardin.....Antioch  
January 1, 2023  
Rev. Lance Thomas.....Republican  
January 1, 2004  
Rev. David Lyda.....Little Stevens Creek  
January 5, 2020

**Prayer Team Schedule**

You are invited and encouraged to join us! Our only purpose is prayer. We will meet at 10 AM:

January 3 – Red Hill  
January 10 – Red Oak Grove  
January 17 - Rehoboth  
January 24 - Republican  
January 31 - Sweetwater

**Dolls on Mission**

Will resume January 16<sup>th</sup>  
9:30 AM  
Plum Branch Baptist

Call the association office if you need salvation dolls for your mission trips/outreach programs.

**Men's Ministry Supper**

Thursday, January 18  
7 PM  
Antioch Baptist

<b>Church Contributions</b>	MTD Oct 2023	YTD 2023
Antioch	914.54	3,678.69
Berea	150.00	1,050.00
Big Stevens Crk	600.00	3,300.00
Ebenezer	0.00	2,000.00
Edgefield First	0.00	5,000.00
First Bethany	0.00	4,090.00
Gilgal	0.00	2,500.00
Little Stevens Crk	0.00	1,000.00
Modoc	0.00	881.96
Mountain Creek	520.00	2,067.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	600.00
Parksville	0.00	6,650.75
Peace Haven	618.31	2,584.09
Plum Branch	250.00	1,963.07
Providence	0.00	1,150.00
Red Hill	1,899.23	5,050.56
Red Oak Grove	0.00	2,700.00
Rehoboth	0.00	3,022.00
Republican	6,000.00	18,000.00
Sweetwater	0.00	5,436.14
Various donations	0.00	94.55
Total Receipts	10,952.08	72,818.81
Total Expenses	6,178.39	73,280.49
<b>Designated Accounts</b>	Balance Oct 2023	
Block Party Trailer	145.50	
CCC	8,558.37	
Hispanic Missions	2,216.43	
Disaster Relief	14,922.83	
Men's Ministries	13,905.88	
WMU	3,678.56	
EBA Roof Account	8,330.32	
EBA Missions Offering	3,811.69	
EBAMO Blessed Bedzzz	100.00	
EBAMO GameChangers	4,698.83	
<b>Investments</b>		
Money Market #1	10,387.43	
Money Market #2	13,382.78	
Baptist Foundation	14,497.71	

## We Preach Christ Crucified by Tim Shull

I was standing in the checkout line. A lady behind me in the line saw my Edgefield Baptist Association shirt and asked me a question, “Does folks at your church still talk ‘bout being saved? I’ve been in some churches lately and didn’t hear nobody talkin’ ‘bout gettin’ saved.” I explained to her that Edgefield Baptist Association was a group of churches that voluntarily cooperate to engage in local missions and to help each other in all of our missionary endeavors, and that **Yes**, we talk a great deal about being saved.

We recognize that Jesus came “to seek and to save that which was lost” and that having a relationship with Christ is the only way to be saved. When each of us called upon the name of the Lord, repented of our sins and asked for forgiveness, we were redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. We were converted and transformed and born again. With our conversion we received justification and began our sanctification that will culminate in our glorification. We rejoice in our salvation that is past present and future. We are saved from the **penalty** of our **past** sins. We are forgiven and cleansed. We are saved from the **power** of sin in the **present**. “Sin no more hath dominion over us” as the Holy Spirit helps us “yield not to temptation”. We will one day in our **future** be saved from the **presence** of sin in our glorified bodies.

*“The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but it is God’s power to us who are being saved. For it is written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and I will set aside the understanding of the experts.” Where is the philosopher? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this age? Hasn’t God made the world’s wisdom foolish? For since, in God’s wisdom, the world did not know God through wisdom, God was pleased to save those who believe through the foolishness of the message preached. For the Jews ask for signs and the Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles. Yet to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ is God’s power and God’s wisdom, because God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.” 1 Corinthians 1:18-25*

We don’t preach worldly wisdom. We don’t preach social justice. We don’t preach humanism. We don’t preach pop-culture

woke mandates. We don’t preach politics. We don’t preach self-help. We preach Christ and His cross, the only way to be saved. In and among the churches of EBA, we help each other to live out that salvation.

Yes, we talk about being saved. As the Christmas trees are taken down, we remember that one tree still stands above the rest. 1 Peter 2:24. I encourage you to bring up the gospel of Jesus Christ in your everyday conversations. “If I be lifted up, I’ll draw all people to Myself.” John 12:33. Lift Him up!

*“God forbid that I should boast in anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.” Galatians 6:14*

May God bless you and your family and His churches in this new year.



## Prayer Vigil

Saturday • Jan 20  
EBA Office  
10 AM – 2 PM  
Drop-in at your  
convenience.

Pray for our churches. Pray for our  
association. Pray as the Holy Spirit leads.

*“I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ,  
for it is the power of God to salvation for  
everyone who believes...” Romans 1:16*

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Augusta, GA • February 9 – 10  
[www.servetour.org](http://www.servetour.org)

If you volunteer, please send us pictures  
for the newsletter.



### Winter Region 3 BNF Meeting

Monday, January 15  
First Baptist Abbeville  
307 North Main Street, Abbeville  
6 – 8 PM (light refreshments will be served)  
Speaker: Connie Normand of Abbeville  
Free Clinic  
Contact: Darlene Lovette 864-942-7659  
[dlovette64@yahoo.com](mailto:dlovette64@yahoo.com)



### Ministry Projects Share the Love of Jesus at home and around the world!

During 2023,

**\*375 ministry health kits  
(Lakelands provided 230)**

**\*11 migrant meals**

**\*109 Christmas backpacks  
(Ridge provided 146 )**

**\*461 Seafarers' caps and many  
boxes of literature**

**\*515 Prisoner Packets**

**\*200 Christmas Prisoner Meals**

*Thank you!*