

February 2017



Are you 18 or older and willing to give of your time and energy to help others? If so, then you may wish to train for deployment with Baptist Disaster Relief. Baptist Disaster Relief strives to bring "help, hope, and healing" to people in crisis. Edgefield DR has a mud-out unit and a chainsaw unit.

Edgefield Baptist Association

Organized 1807

Making History with His Story



Saturday, March 18

Calvary Baptist Church
915 Cherokee Road, Florence

Saturday, April 22

Taylor's First Baptist
200 West Main Street, Taylors

Friday-Saturday, October 13-14

White Oak Conference Center

Friday-Saturday, May 19-20

Training for Chaplains
White Oak Conference Center

EVENT DETAILS: This event provides training for those interested in meeting needs after a disaster. Classes are offered in the various ministry areas of disaster relief: assessment of needs, introduction to chaplaincy, children's response teams, communications, feeding, fire response (ash-out), chainsaw, flood response (mud-out), rebuild, shower/laundry, administration. Additionally, an "Introduction to Disaster Relief" class is required of all new volunteers.

The day of training will include three class times, a general session, and lunch.

TIME: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. for Saturday
6:00 p.m. for Friday evening event at White Oak

COST: \$50 for new volunteers, \$35 for returning volunteers (includes materials, background screening, ID badge, & lunch and for new volunteers, also includes hat, lanyard, and t-shirt). There is an additional charge for meals/lodging for those attending the Friday/Saturday event at White Oak.

For more information, schedule, and to register online go to:
<http://www.scbaptist.org/dr/unit-leaders/>

For more information on Edgefield Baptist Association Disaster Relief, please contact Jackie at 803-637-3309, 864-941-7225, or jackie@edgefieldbaptistassoc.org

Mark your 2017
Calendar:

Churches Changing
Communities

July 9 - 14



- Samples of Lifeway Curriculum
- Examples of record keeping materials
- Job descriptions
- Class management techniques
- And much more

Training for Teachers
Tuesday, February 7
6:30 – 8:00 P.M.

Training for Directors
Tuesday, February 21
6:30 – 8:00 P.M.

Workshops will be led by Rev. Ryan Vaughan
Edgefield Baptist Association Office • Light Refreshments

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Office Hours

Monday-Tuesday

8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Wednesday

8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Meetings at the Association Office:

WMU Leadership Team
Thursday, February 2
7:00 P.M.

Dolls on Mission Workshop
Tuesday, February 7
Tuesday, February 21
9:30 A.M.

Sunday School Teachers
Tuesday, February 7
6:30 P.M.

Sunday School Directors
Tuesday, February 21
6:30 P.M.

Missions Development
Tuesday, February 28
Soup at 6; Meeting at 6:30

Prayer Team
Monday, March 6
6:30 P.M.

**February 20
Deadline for March
Newsletter**

Sweetwater Baptist Invites you to their 11th Annual Wild Game Supper

Guest Speaker: Hank Parker
Guest Musician: Chris McDaniel
Saturday, March 11, 2017
5:00 P.M.

Children's Program in the Gym with
The North Georgia Zoo
Bring canned goods to help
community families.

Sweetwater Baptist Church
198 Sweetwater Road, North Augusta

Executive Committee Meeting Tuesday, March 7 7:00 P.M.

All pastors, church lay representatives,
association program leaders, and committee
chairmen are encouraged to attend. Visitors
are also welcome.

Embracing All Literacy Missions Conference Saturday, March 11 Trinity Baptist Church, Cayce

Anyone working with teaching English as a
second language or tutoring adults will
benefit by attending. Please contact Jackie at
637-3309 for more information.

By All Means: Focus on WMU February 13-19

Material is available to help you promote
WMU and share how missions and WMU
are connected in your church:

www.scwmu.org
800.723.7242

Children's Ministry Day Love Your Neighbor February 18

The children are invited to help give a pizza
party and do crafts at the Burton Center.

Contact Nancy Wates at 803-480-0802
for more information about
this association event.

Church Events

Antioch: Revival services with Rev. John
Noblin are February 5-8. Service begins at
6 P.M. on Sunday, and Monday through
Wednesday at 7 P.M.

First Bethany: Spring revival services
will be March 12-15 with Rev. Bryant
Sims as guest evangelist. Services will be
held at Buffalo Baptist at 7 P.M.

Churches Changing Communities

The 8th annual local mission opportunity is
coming in July and plans are now being
made for the ministry and construction
projects. This year it's July 9-14.

The focus for CCC is to minister and share
the gospel story with people in our own
communities.

The construction coordinators have met
and are ready to start checking possible
projects. If you know of a need in your
community, please contact Jackie at the
EBA office. One of the coordinators will
contact the homeowner and determine the
extent of the project. The construction
coordinators will determine which projects
will be on the list for CCC.

Randy Jackson will coordinate the
Ministry Teams; Carol Bryan will lead the
Prayer Team; and Construction Team
Leaders are Tim Glover, Glenn Herlong,
Wayne Miller, Bud Parker, Ryan
Vaughan, Bubba Wells, along with Ricky
Miller, Men's Ministries Director.

Registration will open for volunteers in
May. Registrations (all forms and
payments) are due by June 14.

**Financial Report
December 2016**

Church Contributions		MTD	YTD	
Antioch		878.00	3644.00	
Berea		75.00	900.00	
Big Stevens Creek		600.00	3600.00	
Ebenezer		0.00	2000.00	
Edgefield First		0.00	6700.00	
First Bethany		0.00	5295.00	
Gilgal		0.00	4000.00	
Little Stevens Creek		562.50	2270.00	
Modoc		0.00	839.27	
Mountain Creek		84.93	1041.71	
Mt. Zion		0.00	600.00	
Parksville		666.80	3637.20	
Peace Haven		520.30	2307.97	
Plum Branch		1314.79	4427.63	
Providence		575.00	2300.00	
Red Hill		1008.10	8448.42	
Red Oak Grove		0.00	2580.00	
Rehoboth		0.00	3200.00	
Republican		3405.60	14508.10	
Sweetwater		0.00	3552.84	
Various Donations		7.24	2460.80	
TOTAL		9698.26	78312.94	
Designated Accounts	Beginning Balance	MTD		Ending Balance
		Receipts	Expenses	
Missions				
---AAA	51.15	0.00	0.00	51.15
---CCC	2502.79	0.00	0.00	2502.79
---IMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---NAMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---Hispanic	3320.29	0.00	600.00	2720.29
Disaster Relief	6669.48	100.00	0.00	6769.48
Men's Ministries	754.93	0.00	0.00	754.93
WMU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EBAMO	753.43	5166.29	2900.00	3019.72
TOTAL	14052.07	5266.29	3500.00	15818.36
Balances		MTD	YTD	
Beginning Balance		53500.00		
Receipts		9698.26	78312.94	
Expenses		10122.52	73395.77	
Sub Total		53075.74	4917.17	
Designated Receipts		5266.29		
Designated Expenses		3500.00		
Ending Balance		54842.03		
Investments				
Money Market		13337.70		
Money Market		10352.38		
TOTAL		23690.08		
Baptist Foundation		12333.52		

Most Valuable Person

Do you know how many men walked on the moon? Walking on the surface of the moon is a pretty spectacular feat. Consider the billions of human beings that have lived on planet Earth, and realize that only 12 gained the privilege. How many of the 12 names can you name?

How many MVPs of the World Series or Super Bowl can you name?

But let me ask you: Can you name the person or people who helped you to come to know Jesus? Who is it that showed you the way to eternal life? Can you name some teacher or coach or instructor or mentor or relative who helped you to grow in your walk with Christ? Do you remember that deed of kindness or that word of encouragement? Perhaps it took place over time. Most certainly you can call some names of people who influenced and exerted a positive influence over your life.

So, it is for us to ask, what is more important? Is being famous or reaching the pinnacle of success in one's field more important than helping to bring a soul into eternal life? Is it better to be famous with many or to be a lasting positive influence with a few? *"Jesus said, 'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'"* John 20:21. *"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach them all the things that I have taught you..."* Matthew 28:19-20.

Jesus chose a few men and put them through an immersive discipleship experience. He gave His life for all, but made disciples of a few and commanded them to make disciples. Indeed, the Great Commission that Christ has placed upon us is to "make disciples". This isn't done through books, or preaching en masse, or internet teaching, or podcasts, or video, etc., though those tools certainly have their place in the work. Real discipleship is done intentionally, personally and it is Life on Life. But it is supposed to be multiplication rather than addition. We must make disciples and, as we do, we must train them to make disciples who will make disciples.

Consider the follower of Christ who helped you to grow in a walk with Jesus. Find a person of your gender into whom you can pour your life. Instruct and encourage that person in the Word of God. Lead them to disciple someone else. Repeat, until Christ returns. The person that you disciple won't be able to remember the names of the men who walked on the moon, but they will remember your name, and so will our Lord at His judgment seat when you hear Him say, *"Well done, good and faithful servant! Enter into the joy of your Lord!"*

Humbly His,
Tim Shull

Envelopes are available at the EBA office for designated contributions and honor and memorial gifts.

Looking Ahead

Event	Date	Location
Senior Adult Choir Festival	Feb 20-21	Springmaid Myrtle Beach
RESTORE: Pastor & Wife Retreat	Feb 24-26	Hilton Head
VBS Expo	Mar 4	Brushy Creek Greenville
Embracing All: Literacy Missions Conference	Mar 11	Trinity BC Cayce
Creative Ministries Festival	Mar 10-11	Rawlinson Road Rock Hill
VBS Expo	April 1	North Trenholm Columbia

More information on all events is available at the Association Office (803.637.3309 or <http://edgefieldbaptistassoc.org>), or the SC Baptist Convention (1.800.723.7242 or www.scbaptist.org).

Ways to find out what's happening in the EBA:

- Go to <http://edgefieldbaptistassoc.org> for calendar of events and archived and current newsletters
- Like us on Facebook
- Receive Newsletter by either mail or email (please keep us updated on address changes)

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light. 1 Peter 2:9

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Together For His Kingdom: Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and Week of Prayer
 March 5 – 12, 2017 • Goal: \$70 million

Archery • Hunting • Fishing
Shooting • Recreation • Inflatables

Outdoor Expo for Youth
Saturday, March 25
Noon – 5 P.M.

Men's Ministry is holding a hands-on fun filled afternoon for Youth (ages 12-18) at Colliers Community Center (just behind Peace Haven Church) on Martintown Road. Special guests will be youth from Connie Maxwell Children's Home and John de la Howe.

Lunch will be served so churches are asked to let Ricky Miller know approximate number expected to attend by Monday, March 13.

It will be a great way to spend a Saturday afternoon, so invite all your friends.

For more information or to offer assistance, please contact Ricky Miller at 803-215-5500.

South Carolina WMU
Missions Encounter & Annual Meeting
March 24-25
First Baptist Church, Boiling Springs
 Friday Lunch Reservations due by March 10



Edgefield Association WMU will participate with Baptist Global Response to provide Hospice Care for those with HIV AIDS. One kit will cost around \$80-\$100 and includes specific items packed according to guidelines provided.

You will find complete information on The Bucket Project at www.scwmu.org.

If you wish to participate by making a contribution, Susan Keck will purchase the materials, pack the buckets, and deliver them to the WMU Annual Meeting.

Susan must receive the donations by March 14. You may send a check payable to WMU-EBA to Susan at 518 Pine Ridge Road, Edgefield, SC 29824.

For more information please contact Susan at 803-637-3906.