

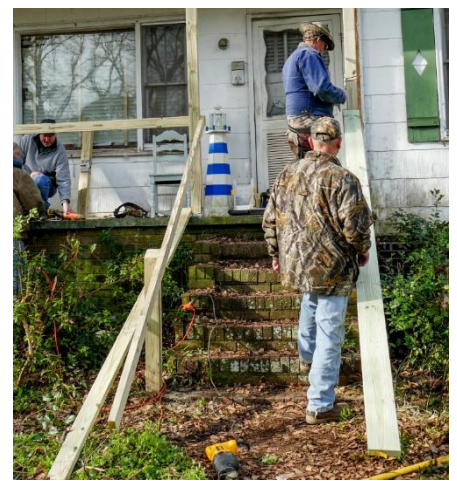
February
2020

Edgefield Baptist Association

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Making History with His Story

Men's Ministry Day of Service



Members of the Men's Ministry gathered on Saturday, January 18 for breakfast provided by Antioch Baptist Church. Four teams were formed to complete 4 projects for homeowners that day. Tim Glover coordinated the projects and thanks all the volunteers that were able to help.

If you are interested in working with the Men's Ministry, please contact Ricky Miller at 803-215-5500. They meet once a quarter for a meal provided at one of the EBA churches and would love to have more men join the fellowship.

Executive Committee
Tuesday March 24
7 P.M.

Audit Report
Nominating
Committee Report

All Pastors & Lay
Representatives

IMPACT 2020 February 20
Shandon Baptist Church, Columbia

Impact is dedicated to creating a vibrant environment for networking and resourcing with nearly 1,000 like-minded pastors, church planters, staff, and church leaders.

EBA has a couple of FREE tickets for pastors and church leaders. Contact Tim or Jackie to claim yours.

Churches Changing
Communities 2020
July 12-17

Host Church: Edgefield First

Church registrations must be received at EBA on June 15-16

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Edgefield, SC 29824
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Director of Missions
Rev. Tim Shull

Moderator
Rev. Tom Rogers

Vice-Moderator
Rev. Tim Sanders

Ministry Assistant
Mrs. Jackie Ridings

Clerk
Ms. Faye Usry

Treasurer
Mrs. Terri Miller

Office Hours
Monday-Tuesday
8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
Wednesday
8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

Scheduled meetings at the Association Office:

Nominating Committee
Thursday, January 30
6:30 P.M.

Dolls on Mission
Tuesday, February 4
Tuesday, February 18
10 A.M.

Prayer Team
Wednesday, February 5
10 A.M.

WMU Leadership Team
Thursday, February 6
5:30 P.M.

Children's Ministry Day
Saturday, February 8
10-11:30 A.M.

Missions Development
Monday, February 10
Supper at 6 P.M.
Meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Rebuild Bahamas

Ridge Association is organizing a mission trip to assist with rebuilding homes damaged by hurricane Dorian. The trip is March 14-21 and the cost is estimated to be \$550. A passport is required.

A planning meeting is Monday, February 3 at 6:30 at the Ridge Baptist Association Office at 130 Bethel Road, Monetta.

To volunteer or to get more information, please contact Charles Bodie at 803-646-0795 or email him at chanbo42@outlook.com

Water for Ewaso Ngiro

God has given me a vision of water and a Christian church for the village of Ewaso Ngiro, Kenya. Water means life in Ewaso Ngiro. In a village of several thousand people the only water sources are ponds, rainwater collected from roofs and the river named, Ewaso Ngiro. All the water sources are unstable. The rainwater is only available during the rainy season. The ponds dry up during the dry seasons, the river trickles and is contaminated due to farming, human waste, and animals.

One of the more successful safe water solutions is a bore well. Parksville Baptist Church is seeking donations to meet this need. A bore well can cost anywhere from \$14,000 to \$20,000 depending on the depth. To goal is to put the well on private property large enough for the well and a church. A church also provides an opportunity for the village children to gain an education.

We are seeking church partners to help meet this need. I am available to speak to churches or church groups to share the vision for this project. Also, I plan to take a mission team to the village in October this year.

Please pray for this need, this work, and the offering that is needed.

Rev. Craig McDaniel
Parksville Baptist Church
864-941-1629

Special Days
February

Birthdays
24 Andy Hunter.....Antioch
26 Helen Garvin.....Gilgal

Wedding Anniversaries
15 John & Lori Noblin...Plum Branch

Pastoral Anniversaries
February 10, 2019...Richard Nichols,
Interim, Providence

Church Events

Antioch Revival Services
February 23 – 26

Rev. Andy Hunter will bring the revival messages and there will be special music at each service.

Sunday at 11 A.M. with covered dish meal following worship
Sunday at 6 P.M.
Monday-Wednesday at 7 P.M.

First Bethany

Baby Supply Drive to support CrossRoads Pregnancy Center

Diapers (any size) and wipes will be collected during the month of February by the WMU

Thank You

To all who prayed for my husband's sister, Becky Chambers, and our family as she was diagnosed with cancer early in December and on January 18 went to be with the Lord. We felt the prayers as we traveled and helped care for her.

We appreciate the donation to EBA Disaster Relief in her memory-as Mayor of her town, she believed in helping people.

Domer and Jackie Ridings

Block Party Trailer

To reserve the block party trailer, please contact Edgefield First Baptist Church at 637-6139.

Financial Report December 2019

Church Contributions	MTD	YTD
Antioch	0.00	2733.91
Berea	75.00	900.00
Big Stevens Creek	300.00	3456.00
Ebenezer	0.00	2000.00
Edgefield First	0.00	6600.00
First Bethany	0.00	5430.00
Gilgal	0.00	5000.00
Little Stevens Creek	625.00	2600.00
Modoc	0.00	0.00
Mountain Creek	141.00	927.00
Mt. Zion	200.00	650.00
Parksville	411.65	5447.73
Peace Haven	818.95	3166.04
Plum Branch	0.00	3789.49
Providence	0.00	2300.00
Red Hill	866.16	8629.64
Red Oak Grove	0.00	2700.00
Rehoboth	0.00	2426.00
Republican	0.00	21074.20
Sweetwater	0.00	4237.01
Various Donations	0.00	2013.02
Total Receipts	3437.76	86080.04
Total Expenses	6614.47	78681.47
Designated Accounts	Balance	
Block Party Trailer		187.09
CCC		12395.54
Hispanic Missions		1616.43
Disaster Relief		9241.19
Men's Ministries		12318.69
WMU		2350.61
EBA Missions Offering		938.62
Investments	Balance	
Money Market #1		13357.72
Money Market #2		10367.92
Baptist Foundation		13277.81

Heart Training by Tim Shull

One of the most blatantly false modern proverbs is stated often as if it were true. It's something like, "Just follow your heart. Your heart always knows best", or, "Your heart will never steer you wrong". Pop culture tells us to "trust your feelings" in order to make decisions, even big life choices. But the Bible tells us that our hearts are not infallible; in fact our hearts are easily distracted, fooled, and led astray.

(While we know that anatomically the heart is an organ of strong muscle that pumps blood to circulate it throughout the body, humanity has longed used the heart as a metaphor for our desire, love, passion, interests, and motivations. The heart also represents our fortitude, perseverance, and courage. In this imagery the Bible has much to say about the human heart. A good study results from simply taking a concordance and reading in context all the scriptures containing the words, heart or hearts.)

Rather than trusting our feelings to be a reliable gauge for decisions, the Bible tells us to be cautious about our hearts. Jeremiah 17:9 warns, *"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?"* Proverbs 28:26 declares, *"He who trusts in his own heart is a fool, but whoever walks wisely will be delivered."* Our desires and motivations are mostly self-centered or even selfish. The more we are exposed to our world the more we are taught to look out for number one: "It's my life..." "I did it my way!" Christ warned that much evil can proceed out of our hearts. Matthew 15:19. But when we accept the forgiveness of God and give ourselves to Jesus as our Lord, we learn to see ourselves the way God sees us: precious followers bought by the blood of Jesus and in need of heart training. As we submit to the Lordship of Christ, the Holy Spirit will employ scripture to get our hearts in shape. *"My son, pay attention to my words; listen closely to my sayings. Don't lose sight of them; keep them within your heart. For they are life to those who find them, and health to one's whole body. Guard your heart above all else, for it is the source of life."* Proverbs 4:20-23.

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Jesus said, *"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there*

your heart will be also." Matthew 6:19-21. It is interesting that Christ gives us an action to do that will affect the desires of our heart. You would think He would have said it the other way, "Get your heart right and then your treasure will be in the right place", but He didn't. Instead He showed us that we can train our hearts to care about the right things. Deliberately intentionally invest your time, attention, energy, money and resources on eternal things instead of temporal things. What can we store up in heaven? People. We store up treasure in heaven when we engage in ministries and missions to bless fellow believers and help lead people to Christ. Every word of witness, every time of teaching, and every deed of kindness, no matter how public or anonymous, no matter how seemingly insignificant, in the church and outside the walls; these are the ways we store up treasure in heaven. As we give our money, time, sweat and tears to bring people to Christ, we care more about bringing people to Christ. Our treasure will be in heaven so that is where our passion will be. This trains our fallible, fickle hearts to be fully devoted to Christ. (Matthew 22:37). *"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord rather than for people. It is the Lord Christ we serve."* Colossians 3:23-24.

Looking Ahead

Event	Date	Location
Benevolence Ministry Conference	Feb 1	Lexington Baptist Association
IMPACT	Feb 20	Shandon BC
RESTORE Pastor & Spouse Conference	Feb 28- Mar 1	Sonesta Resort Hilton Head
VBS EXPO www.ystuff.org/vbs-expo	Mar 28	North Trenholm Columbia



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“Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.” Psalm 13:23-24

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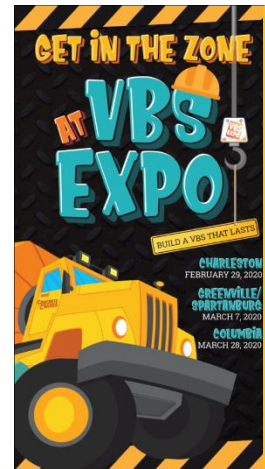
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Focus on WMU – February 10-16

Bags of Love
A Project for Children’s Missions Day

Items for the bags should be delivered to the EBA office by February 4th for the Packing Party on February 8th at 10 A.M. The Bags of Love will be given out on Friday, February 14th. Please contact Susan Keck at 637-3906 for more details.



SCBC VBS EXPO
 March 28
 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

North Trenholm Baptist Church
 6515 N. Trenholm Rd
 Columbia SC 29206

Early Bird Registration by
 March 6
 Regular Registration by
 March 24

Would you like to be on a team that will help to revitalize our churches?

Contact Tim at EBA to let him know of your interest. The team will meet on April 2 in Cayce.