

January
2020

Edgefield Baptist Association

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Making History with His Story

Executive Committee
Tuesday March 24
7 P.M.

Audit Report
Nominating
Committee Report

All Pastors & Lay
Representatives

New Pastors at Antioch and Little Stevens Creek



Andy Hunter became the new pastor at Antioch Baptist Church in December of 2019. This is his third “official” position in the church having served as interim pastor twice since 2017. “The transition from interim to regular pastor has been seamless, and I am excited about the future of Antioch,” Hunter says. He adds that, “God has blessed our congregation with great people, and with a healthy number of children and young people. There is an excitement and optimism for the

future as we seek God’s wisdom and power to continue to reach out to our community and I am excited and privileged to be pastor of the Antioch family.”

Hunter is also known as an avid photographer and loves documenting church events with his camera. He was brought up in North Augusta where he currently resides. Andy graduated from Clemson University with a degree in psychology and from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Masters of Divinity. He spent over twenty-two years as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Denmark, SC, and also served as interim pastor at Edgefield First Baptist. He is excited about being a more permanent part of the Edgefield Baptist Association.

Pastor David Lyda is originally from Joanna, SC and was saved at 10 years old at Fairview Baptist Church in Kinards, SC. David was a graphic designer in Seneca, SC for 7 years while performing in a Christian rock band. After marrying Beth Lyda in 2009, David began a career in healthcare and eventually entered into management. In 2011, David and Beth welcomed their only child, Natalie.



David and Beth have served in many teaching roles at Washington Baptist Church in Greer. After hearing God’s call to ministry, David began attending the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In late December 2019, God called David to his first pastorate at Little Stevens Creek Baptist Church. He will be ordained at Washington Baptist Church in Greer on Sunday, January 26.

Men’s Ministry

Supper & Meeting
Tuesday, January 14
6:30 P.M.
Mt. Zion BC

Day of Service
Saturday, January 18
7:30 A.M.
Antioch BC

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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:

Dolls on Mission
Tuesday, January 7
Tuesday, January 21
10 A.M.

Prayer Team
Wednesday, January 8
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.

Prison Ministry Update

Ron Creswell, who coordinates EBA Prison Ministry at Trenton Correctional Institution, says that it’s not too early to plan for volunteering this year. New volunteers need to have background checks (good for 3 years) and attend a one-hour training session conducted by the prison chaplain. If you are interested, don’t wait until the last minute to qualify for the approved list. A training session is being offered in March for new volunteers.

This past year there were 6 volunteers who helped serve the Christmas meal on Sunday, December 9th and 15 volunteers who distributed Christmas Prisoner Packets on December 10th.

You may contact Ron Creswell by calling or texting 678-787-2291.

IMPACT 2020 is February 20 at Shandon Baptist Church, Columbia

Impact is a one-day SCBC gathering 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 secured 10 tickets for pastors, and church leaders. Contact Tim or Jackie to claim yours. **FREE**

Peace Haven Revival
January 26, 27, 28
7 o’clock

Chris Hoffman, Preaching
Bobbi Oerman, Music

Special music each evening
Supper at 6 o’clock on Sunday

Block Party Trailer

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

Special Days
January

Birthdays

09 Brian Hipp.....Rehoboth
13 Tom Rogers.....Mt. Zion
14 David Lyda...Little Stevens Creek
15 Bobbi Noe.....Sweetwater
25 Kathy McDaniel.....Parksville
28 Gabriella Negrete.....Getsemani
31 Teresa Patton.....Modoc

Wedding Anniversaries
January 19, 2019... Hatcher & Lauren Gear, Edgefield First

Pastoral Anniversaries
January 1, 2004.....Lance Thomas, Republican
January 1, 2016..... Travis Brian, Edgefield First

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. In addition to walking hours daily for water, women dig in a dry riverbed to access the water table. It takes 8 minutes to fill a 5 gallon can. With so many women needing water, and each woman needing several cans of water for the family, the water line is long.

One of the more successful safe water solutions is a bore well. Parksville is seeking donations to meet this need. 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

Financial Report November 2019

Church Contributions	MTD October	MTD November	YTD 2019
Antioch	685.00	0.00	2733.91
Berea	75.00	75.00	750.00
Big Stevens Creek	600.00	0.00	3156.00
Ebenezer	0.00	0.00	2000.00
Edgefield First	0.00	0.00	6600.00
First Bethany	0.00	0.00	5430.00
Gilgal	0.00	0.00	5000.00
Little Stevens Creek	0.00	0.00	1975.00
Modoc	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mountain Creek	169.00	0.00	786.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	0.00	450.00
Parksville	1005.42	0.00	5036.08
Peace Haven	0.00	0.00	2347.09
Plum Branch	0.00	0.00	3789.49
Providence	0.00	0.00	2300.00
Red Hill	1254.73	0.00	7763.48
Red Oak Grove	0.00	0.00	2700.00
Rehoboth	504.00	0.00	2426.00
Republican	4815.09	0.00	21074.20
Sweetwater	468.15	0.00	4237.01
Various Donations	0.00	0.00	2013.02
Total Receipts	9576.39	75.00	82642.28
Total Expenses	6043.31	5403.51	66479.10
Designated Accounts			Balance
Block Party Trailer			187.09
CCC			9895.54
Hispanic Missions			1616.43
Disaster Relief			9041.19
Men's Ministries			12318.69
WMU			2350.61
EBA Missions Offering			938.62
Investments			Balance
Money Market #1			13357.15
Money Market #2			10367.48
Baptist Foundation			13264.61

2020 Vision by Tim Shull

Proverbs 29:18 declares, *“Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.”* Vision is a clear mental image of a preferable future imparted by God to His chosen servants and is based upon an accurate understanding of God, self and circumstances. The Christian Standard Bible translation helps the modern reader to understand that the essential vision is from God: *“Without revelation, people run wild, but one who follows divine instruction will be happy.”* Proverbs 29:18. Our culture in America today is certainly one that has forsaken divine revelation and therefore runs wild and blind with fake news, strange ideas and perverse lifestyles. God’s revelation in His creation, His word and His church is disregarded, ignored or openly opposed. And so people are miserable and afraid.

In 2 Kings 6:16-17, Elisha prayed for his assistant to catch a vision that dispels fear: *‘Don’t be afraid!’ Elisha told him. ‘For there are more on our side than on theirs!’ Then Elisha prayed, ‘O Lord, open his eyes and let him see!’ The Lord opened his servant’s eyes, and when he looked up, he saw that the hillside around Elisha was filled with horses and chariots of fire.”*

In Luke 24 the despondent disciples had their eyes opened to the wonderful fulfillment of the Old Testament scriptures by Christ. *“Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked with us on the road and when He opened the scriptures to us.”* (v. 32). *“And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the scriptures.”* (v. 45).

The apostle Paul prayed for believers, *“I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father,*

would give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what is the wealth of His glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the mighty working of His strength.” Ephesians 1:17-19. What a vision!

“We do this by fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before Him He endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider Him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.” Hebrews 12:2-3.

My prayer for 2020 is that our EBA churches will keep looking to Jesus and clearly see our Lord at work in our midst, and thereby provide in our communities a contagious picture of the salvation, fulfillment and joy that God intended for us.

Looking Ahead

Event	Date	Location
Restoration: A Solemn Assembly	Jan 28	Columbia FBC
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

"I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me." Acts 26:17-18

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Churches Changing Communities 2020 – July 12-17



Desperately Seeking Office Chair to replace this one that our DOM has worn out. If you have one similar to donate, please contact Jackie at 803-637-3309.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- January 14 Men's Ministry Supper/Meeting at 6:30 P.M. at Mt. Zion
- January 18 Men's Ministry Day of Service at 7:30 A.M.
- March 24 Executive Committee at 7 P.M.
- March 27-28 WMU Missions Encounter at South Main, Greenwood
- April 19 Association Spring Meeting at 3 P.M. at Peace Haven
- April 23 WMU Spring Meeting at 6:30 P.M. at Antioch
- May 19 Executive Committee at 7 P.M.
- June 15-16 Church Registrations Due for CCC
- July 12-17 Churches Changing Communities
- September 22 Executive Committee Meeting at 7 P.M.
- October 18 Association Fall Meeting at 3 P.M. at Little Stevens Creek
- December 1 Executive Committee Meeting at 7 P.M.

As your church plans for 2020, please try to keep these dates conflict-free for those who wish to participate in association-wide events.