February 2024

Edgefield Baptist Association Organized 1807 Making History with His Story

BEDS STILL NEEDED!



After delivering over 200 beds, there is still a great need for beds in the community.

Prayerfully consider giving to Blessed Bedzzz through your church to Edgefield Baptist Association, or you may send your donation directly to Edgefield Baptist Association 985 Hwy 25 N, Edgefield, SC 29824

If you or your church group are interested in making casseroles or other food to be delivered with the beds, please contact Joel Jolly. He is also available to speak at your church or ministry group about Blessed Bedzzz. Contact him at 803.275.7404.



A note from the Prayer Team: It's been an honor traveling from church to church on Wednesday mornings as a prayer team to pray for the churches of the Edgefield Baptist Association. As we approach the end of this prayer journey, we look forward to beginning the process again at ten o'clock

on the morning of February 21 at Antioch Baptist Church. Many thanks to the prayer team members for steadfastly prayer "driving" our association! If your church does not have a member on the team, please select someone to experience this singular blessing. The team's prayer schedule is always on the EBA website and in the newsletter. Also, thank you for participating in the inaugural drop-in prayer vigil at the EBA office on January 20. The next vigil is scheduled for Saturday, April 6, from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.



Disaster Relief Training

March 9
Barnwell First Baptist

For details and to register: www.scbaptist.org/news/disaster -relief-spring-training-2024/





Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Week of Prayer March 3 – 10 Find videos & resources at AnnieArmstrong.com



Edgefield Baptist Association

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Office Hours

Monday-Tuesday

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM **Wednesday**

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Director of Missions

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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:

WMU Nominating Committee

Monday, Feb 12 • 10 AM

Fold Newsletters

Wednesday, Feb 28 • 9 AM

News for the March 2024 newsletter is due by February 21.

Childrens' Shoes Needed

Drop off gently used or new childrens' shoes at Edgefield First Baptist or the association office.

Church News

Antioch Baptist: Revival Services Sunday, Feb 18 at 11 AM & 6 PM Mon – Wed, Feb 19 – 21, 7 PM Rev. Chuck Keller from Mountain Creek will be preaching. Special music each night.

Parksville: Rev. Charles Drummond has been called as Interim Pastor.

Peace Haven: Revival Services Sunday, Jan 28 at 6 PM Mon – Tues, Jan 29-30, 7 PM Rev. David Lyda from Little Stevens Creek will be preaching

Plum Branch: *The Regals* will be in concert on Saturday, February 17 at 6 PM. This is a love offering event. If you like some good ole Gospel music you will love *The Regals*.

Everyone is invited to join us for a wonderful time of worship.

Stand to Reason Apologetics Conference

April 19 – 20

First Baptist Church, North Augusta

www.realityapologetics.com

Register before Feb 24 for the discounted price.

Furniture Needed

Tables, chairs and sofas needed for the furniture ministry at Edgefield First Baptist. Call Edgefield First Baptist at 803.637.6139 to arrange pick up/drop off.

Looking Ahead

March 19 • 7 PM Executive Committee Meeting

April 7 • 3 PM Spring Meeting at Mountain Creek Baptist

Special days - February

Birthdays:

06 Mrs. Bethany Rushing...Edgefield First 26 Mrs. Helen Garvin.......Gilgal

Pastoral Anniversaries:

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

WMU News

Focus on WMU Sunday: February 18 Celebrate what God is doing through WMU!

Jess Archer, the new SC WMU
Executive Director will speak at Little
Stevens Creek on Wednesday, February
21 at 10:30 AM. Lunch following.
Everyone is invited.

2024 WMU Missions Encounter & Annual Meeting is March 22-23 at First Baptist Church, Boiling Springs. No cost to attend and no reservation required, except for lunch. Lunch registration deadline is March 8th. Change in the schedule this year. Visit www.scwmu.org/pursuehispassion.com for details.

Seafarers' Ministry is accepting scarves in lots of 30 to ensure everyone on board receives one.

Ministry Health Kits: We have kits left from last season; therefore, we will not need as many this year. More details next month.

Prayer Team Schedule

You are invited and encouraged to join us! Our only purpose is prayer.

We will meet at 10 AM:

January 31 – Sweetwater February 7 – Little Stevens Creek February 14 – Philippi February 21 – Antioch February 28 – Berea

Have you promoted the **Spring CCC Youth Event** in your church?

Church	MTD	MTD	YTD
Contributions	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	2023
Antioch	0.00	0.00	3,678.69
Berea	150.00	100.00	1,300.00
Big Stevens Crk	0.00	300.00	3,600.00
Ebenezer	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Edgefield First	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
First Bethany	0.00	0.00	4,090.00
Gilgal	0.00	2,500.00	5,000.00
Little Stevens Crk	0.00	500.00	1,500.00
Modoc	0.00	0.00	881.96
Mountain Creek	0.00	251.00	2,318.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	200.00	800.00
Parksville	817.28	543.60	8,011.63
Peace Haven	0.00	0.00	2,584.09
Plum Branch	1,963.07	0.00	1,963.07
Providence	575.00	0.00	1,725.00
Red Hill	0.00	0.00	5,050.56
Red Oak Grove	0.00	0.00	2,700.00
Rehoboth	1,085.00	0.00	4,107.00
Republican	0.00	6,000.00	24,000.00
Sweetwater	0.00	0.00	5,436.14
Various donations	120.00	0.00	214.55
Total Receipts	2,747.28	10,394.60	85,960.69
Total Expenses	6,613.44	10,052.61	89,446.54
Designated Accounts		Balance	Balance
		Nov 2023	Dec 2023
Block Party Trailer		145.50	145.50
CCC		9,694.59	9,694.59
Hispanic Missions		2,216.43	2,216.43
Disaster Relief		14,922.83	16,576.63
Men's Ministries		13,905.88	13,905.88
WMU		3,678.56	3,678.56
EBA Roof Account		8,330.32	8,330.32
EBA Missions Offering		3,811.69	3,811.69
EBAMO Blessed Bedzzz		100.00	100.00
EBAMO GameChangers		4,948.83	18,006.83
Investments			
Money Market #1		10,387.43	10,390.04
Money Market #2		13,382.78	13,386.14
Baptist Foundation		14,704.69	14,799.53

"The Greatest of These" 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: 7-8, 13.

Here are two popular misconceptions about love:

- > Love is a feeling, just an emotion.
- Love is uncontrollable, we can't help "falling in love" or "falling out of love."

But God's Word says:

- Love is a matter of <u>choice</u>. "And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together." Colossians 3:14.
- Love is a matter of <u>conduct.</u> ". . . let us stop just saying we love people; let us really love them and show it by our actions." 1 John 3:18.

So, do what love does. "If you keep My commandments you will abide in My love." John 15:10.

- ➤ BE <u>PATIENT</u>. "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 <u>KIND.</u> "... 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 <u>INSECURE</u>. "It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud." 1 Corinthians 13:4.
- ➤ DON'T BE <u>SELF-CENTERED</u>. "It is not rude, it is not selfseeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs." 1 Corinthians 13:5.
- ➤ DON'T <u>GIVE UP ON LOVE</u>. "Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails." 1 Corinthians 13:7.
- FORGIVE AND SEEK PEACE. "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

"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.

Send Relief Serve Tour Augusta, GA • February 9 - 10 www.servetour.org If you volunteer, please send us pictures for the newsletter.

Save the Date

Fall CCC 2024 • October 6 - 10

4:12 Youth Event

Youth News

Join us for the FCA High School Retreat
Garden City, SC • March 22 – 24
Cost is \$100
Scholarships available to offset cost,
if you sign up early.
Contact Brandi Miller at
803.384.0075
clemsontigergrad@gmail.com

Attention youth directors/workers and pastors:

You are invited

What: Information meeting on how we can coordinate with FCA

When: Tuesday, Feb 6 at 5:30 PM

Where: Antioch Baptist

Contact Brandi Miller if you plan to attend.

"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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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 DUE APRIL 17

ADULTS NEEDED, TOO!

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

QUESTIONS? CALL EBA OFFICE 803.637.3309

3RD ANNUAL

BUSHY TAIL CLASSIC

SQUIRREL HUNT

Hosted By

Philippi Baptist Church

WHEN: Saturday February 10th 2024

Must register by Thursday Feb. 8th

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

Check-in for scoring, awards, and lunch

no later than 1:00pm

WHERE: Philippi Baptist Church

122 Steeple Road, 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 joshmcclendon@hotmail.com