

May 2024

Edgefield Baptist Association

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Making History with His Story

Edgefield Baptist Association welcomes Philippi Baptist!



Philippi Baptist officially became a member of EBA on April 7, 2024 following a unanimous vote at the Spring meeting. Philippi has been a missions' leader in our area for many years. Edgefield churches have enjoyed working with them through the years. We are delighted to receive Philippi into our fellowship!



Blessed Bedzzz In 2022, you answered the call to serve a critical need in our community. With your generous *Missions Offering* we began an effort to serve families less fortunate while spreading the gospel, all through a simple bed ministry. Since then, our volunteers have delivered over 250 beds (with new sheets, pillow, and children's Bible) to children suffering from sleep deprivation due to sleeping on inflatable mattresses, beds with multiple siblings, broken beds, or even on the floor. After setting up the new bed, we prayed with each family. Tears

were frequently shed from the joy that their lives are so radically improved. This ministry allows us to take God's word into homes that need to hear of our Creator.

Currently, the supply on beds and donations are low, yet the requests are still coming in, especially in our rural areas. Prayerfully consider giving to the Edgefield Baptist Association Missions Offering. Indicate "Blessed Beds" on the memo line of your check. (Give through your church or directly to EBA.) You can also donate using the Venmo code found on the association's website at www.ebamissions.org.

If you want to hear more, I would be happy to visit your church. Call me at 803.275.7404. - Joel Jolly

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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

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Rev. David Lyda

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Mr. Ron Creswell

Treasurer

Mrs. Terri Miller

Clerk

Mrs. Vickie Allen

Ministry Assistant

Ms. Faye Usry

Scheduled meetings at the Association Office:

Executive Committee Meeting

Tues, May 21 • 7 PM

Fold Newsletters

Wed, May 29 • 9 AM

News for the June 2024 newsletter is due by May 22, 2024.

Are you planning for Fall CCC? October 6 - 10

Migrant Ministry

Health kits due by May 7

Place items in a 2-gallon bag:

*1 toothpaste (6z) *1 toothbrush

*1 soap (4.5 oz) *1 washcloth

*1 bath towel (no white) *1 comb

We will deliver to the camps on May 16. Meet at association office at 6 PM to load; leave at 6:30 PM.

If you can provide a meal on a Saturday evening for the summer migrant ministry, please call the association office.

National Day of Prayer Service

Thursday, May 2nd • 6:30 PM
Big Stevens Creek Baptist

Baptist Nursing Fellowship

Congratulations to the Spring Nursing graduates of Piedmont Tech & Newberry colleges!

BNF members, Gideon Auxiliary will present white New Testaments to the graduates.

May 1 • 9 AM • Piedmont Tech
May 16 • 10:30 AM • Newberry

Prayer Team Schedule

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

May 1 – Mountain Creek
May 8 – Mt Zion
May 15 – Parksville
May 22 – Peace Haven
May 29 - Philippi

Special days - May

Birthdays:

06 Rev. Chuck Keller...Mountain Creek
08 Mrs. Alyson Abbott.....Sweetwater
10 Mrs. Vickie Allen.....EBA
23 Mrs. Joye Bodie.....Berea

Wedding Anniversaries:

10 Karen & Tim Sanders...Peace Haven
16 Cheryl & Eric Bruton..Big Stevens Crk

Church News

Berea honored their pastor's wife on Sunday, March 24. Edgar Lamb, chairman of the deacons, presented Joye Bodie with a gift bag that included a tote, book and other items to show appreciation for her hard work, support, and for modeling the ideal pastor's wife.

Plum Branch: Dolls on Mission will meet May 7 & 21 at 9:30 AM

Rehoboth: Homecoming May 5 • 11 AM. Lunch following; Revival Mon – Wed May 6 – 8 • 7 PM; Rev. Craig Scott of Greenwood preaching; Rev. Tim Shull & Mr. Wallace Watkins leading the music. Everyone is invited.

Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 21 • 7 PM
Association Office

All pastors, lay representatives, EBA Officers, program leaders, and committee chairpersons are encouraged to attend.

EBAMO 2024

Give to Blessed Bedzzz or GameChangers through your church, send directly to EBA, or use the Venmo code on the association's website at www.ebamissions.org. (Specify which ministry on your check.)

Church Contributions	MTD Mar 2024	YTD 2024
Antioch	0.00	902.21
Berea	150.00	500.00
Big Stevens Crk	300.00	900.00
Ebenezer	0.00	0.00
Edgefield First	0.00	5,000.00
First Bethany	0.00	0.00
Gilgal	0.00	5,000.00
Little Stevens Crk	0.00	500.00
Modoc	0.00	460.02
Mountain Creek	0.00	540.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	0.00
Parksville	0.00	1,281.84
Peace Haven	0.00	618.75
Plum Branch	0.00	250.00
Providence	0.00	575.00
Red Hill	0.00	1,648.54
Red Oak Grove	0.00	3,000.00
Rehoboth	0.00	1,385.00
Republican	0.00	0.00
Sweetwater	0.00	1,537.07
Various donations	0.00	1,000.00
Total Receipts	450.00	25,098.43
Total Expenses	12,813.84	26,046.92
Designated Accounts		
	Balance Mar 2024	
Block Party Trailer	145.50	
CCC	12,194.59	
Hispanic Missions	2,216.43	
Disaster Relief	17,626.63	
Men's Ministries	14,905.88	
WMU	3,678.56	
EBA Roof Account	8,330.32	
EBA Missions Offering	5,058.24	
EBAMO Blessed Bedzzz	1,866.72	
EBAMO GameChangers	250.00	
Investments		
Money Market #1	10,390.49	
Money Market #2	13,386.73	
Baptist Foundation	15,008.32	

“Truth Has a Name” by Tim Shull

We live in a time and culture that is characterized by heaping promulgations of falsehood. Whether it is from entertainment culture, the news media, the political arena, the social media platforms, big tech, or from demonstrations in the streets, we are subjected to a barrage of declarations that we know are not truthful. The strategy of the “god of this age” (2 Cor. 4:4) seems to be to have his willing workers repeat lies loudly and as often as possible. “Repeat a lie often enough and it becomes the truth”, is a law of propaganda often attributed to the Nazi Joseph Goebbels. I started to make a list of modern lies that are generally believed, but the list takes much more space than I have here. Even science, that formerly used the scientific method in an objective pursuit of the truth, has morphed into huge donor-funded consensus-building and silencing of objection and peer review.

In our day we most certainly fulfill the Bible prophecy, *“For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.”* 2 Timothy 4:3-4. We also lie to ourselves. We often hear the Disney movie guidance, “follow your heart” or “your heart always knows best” or “trust your feelings”. No! This is incredibly bad advice! Feelings and emotions lie to us all the time. Long ago the Bible warned, *“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?”* Jeremiah 17:9-10. Our hearts will lead us astray and even to destruction. *“There is a way that seems right to man, but in the end, it leads to destruction.”* Proverbs 14:12.

“The heart wants what it wants” is an expression used by spoiled Americans to justify decisions based upon selfish and self-centered emotionalism. Oprah Winfrey popularized the notion that every person can have their own truth. “You have your truth and I have mine. That may be your truth, but I have a different truth.” Ridiculous! Truth is objective and God’s objective truth is absolute. Winston Churchill wrote, “Truth is inconvertible. Malice may attack it and ignorance may deride it, but, in the end, there it is.” Ben Shapiro often says, “Facts don’t care about your feelings.”

As believers in and followers of Jesus Christ, we must recognize that we are in spiritual warfare and that “truth is the first casualty of war”. We have the Word of God to guide us. *“Your word, Lord, is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.”* Psalm 119:105. *“All scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”* 2 Timothy 3:16-17. *“For the Word of God is living and effective and sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating as far as to divide soul, spirit, joints, and marrow; it is the judge of the ideas and thoughts of the heart.”* Hebrews 4:12.

And the written word always leads to the Living Word. *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”* John 1:1&14. Grace without truth may decay into liberalism. Truth without grace may evolve into legalism. Christ was full of both grace and truth. *“And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He explained to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.”* Luke 24:27. Jesus said, *“You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”* John 8:32. Pay attention. It is knowing the Truth that makes us free. We must know Him and not just know about Him. Truth has a name. He is Jesus Christ, the Messiah and Son of the living God. *“I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”* John 14:6. We must know the Truth, stand up for the Truth, speak the Truth, publish the Truth, share the Truth, live the Truth, and proclaim the Truth until He comes again.



You are invited!

Where: Mountain Creek Baptist

When: Sunday, May 19th • 3 PM – 5 PM

What: FREE fun-filled afternoon for kids & adults!
Bible story, skit, arts/crafts, games,
inflatables, and food!

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Return Service Requested

Spring CCC 2024 is here!

Be in prayer for the volunteers and homeowners.

Everyone is invited to the worship service on Sun, May 5 • 7:45 AM
Colliers Community Center.

Bring your lawn chair.

GameChangers Family Fun Fest

Bring a chair & let's enjoy an afternoon together!

May 11th, 1-5pm

Free Food, Face Painting, Bouncy House, and other family entertainment!

We'll have a special musical guest:
The Wheel Greasers

Registration Required



Please scan the QR Code to register

Find us on: **facebook**

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MUSCLE HUTT • 110 DEPOT ST. NORTH PLUM BRANCH, SC

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