

April 2019

Edgefield Baptist Association

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Making History with His Story

The Big Move Mission Trip – August 30 to September 2

This year's official association mission trip is to Boston, helping Jonathan and Chelsea Moseley, church planters of King's Hill Church in the Mission Hill neighborhood of Boston. The Mission Hill part of the city has nine universities within a small area. Thousands of college students will be moving into their apartments on Sunday, September 1st.



Last year King's Hill Church had 50 volunteers and moved in 500 students, some of whom have come to the church service. This year Rev. Moseley is hoping for 200 volunteers to move in 2000 students.

A tentative itinerary is to fly to Boston on Friday, August 30; see the city and have orientation on Saturday, August 31; help students move in and give them gift bags all day Sunday, September 1, taking time that night to de-brief and worship; and then fly home on Monday, September 2.

The EBA will apply for grants to help participants with the cost. Pray about being a part of this short but very important mission trip. An information meeting will be scheduled for an afternoon and an evening in May, so watch your May newsletter for specifics.

2019 Association Missions Emphasis and Week of Prayer for EBAMO



Edgefield Baptist Association Is Your
Missions Partner

The 2019 Edgefield Baptist Association Missions Offering is dedicated to providing funds to cover the \$5 per person surcharge at the NAMB medical clinic in McCormick on Saturday, July 13.

In this event we'll see AAEO (Annie Armstrong Easter Offering) meet EBAMO as we utilize the mobile medical unit available from the North American Mission Board. By covering the \$5 surcharge to be seen in the clinic we believe that more who need the benefits of this service will be able to participate.

Plan now to promote the EBA Missions Emphasis and Week of Prayer for EBAMO in your church in May or at a date of your choice. Artwork for 2019 EBAMO is available EBA office.

Visit us at
www.ebamissions.org



at
Edgefield Baptist
Association

Association Semi-annual Spring Meeting

Sunday, April 7 at 3 o'clock

Hosted by Plum Branch Baptist Church

Association Sermon by Dr. Dale Ellenburg

The Nominating Committee will present the slate of
Officers and Leaders for 2019-2020.

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Rev. Tim Shull

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Rev. John Alexander

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Rev. Tom Rogers

Ministry Assistant
Mrs. Jackie Ridings

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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:

CCC Ministry Leaders
Tuesday, April 2
6:30 P.M.

Prayer Team
Wednesday, April 3
10 A.M.

Missions Development Committee
Tuesday, April 30
Light supper at 6 P.M.
Meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Prayer Team
Wednesday, May 1
10 A.M.

Anyone who wants to participate in this time of encouragement and prayer are invited to attend the Prayer Team Meetings.

WMU Association Spring Meeting

Thursday, April 25
Refreshments at 6:30 P.M.
Meeting at 7:00 P.M.
Republican Baptist Church
Contact Susan Keck at 637-3906.

Men's Ministry Supper/Meeting

Thursday, April 4
7:00 P.M.
Red Hill Baptist Church
Contact Ricky Miller at 215-5500.

**Churches Changing Communities –
NEXT – Share Your Story**

Are you getting ready for CCC 2019? It is **July 7 – 12**. Make sure you have the dates on your calendar and be sure to tell everybody at your church.

Our CCC Construction Team Leaders will meet again Thursday March 28 at 5:30 P.M. at Edgefield First Baptist. Our CCC Ministry Team Leaders will meet Tuesday April 2 at 6:30 P.M. at the EBA office.

Registration materials will be available at the Spring semi-annual Meeting. Registration is due in the EBA office on Monday and Tuesday

Ministry Health Kits Due May 6

Please place one of each in a 2-gallon slider zipper bag: toothbrush, toothpaste, bath size soap, wash cloth, bath towel, comb or brush.

Kits will be delivered to migrant camps on Tuesday, May 14 – meet at EBA office at 6:30 P.M.

Special Days April

These pastors are celebrating anniversaries this month.

Wedding Anniversaries

07 Jerry & Helen Garvin.....Gilgal
15 Bruce & Vonda Cooley.....Berea

Pastoral Anniversaries

4-08-2007 John Noblin.....Plum Branch
4-23-2017 Jon Nichols.....Republican
4-24-2011 Craig McDaniel....Parksville

Church Events

First Bethany: Easter Sunrise Service at 8 A.M., breakfast at 9 A.M. and morning worship at 11 A.M.

Mountain Creek: Easter Sunrise Service at 7:30 A.M. followed by breakfast. Sunday School at 9 A.M. and morning worship service at 10 A.M.

Parksville: Cruise-in, beach music, and Barbeque for Missions from 10 to 2 on Saturday, April 6.

Red Hill: Rev Rob Cohen was called to serve as Interim Pastor beginning on March 17th.

Red Oak Grove: Special Palm Sunday Service with Communion on April 14 at 11 A.M., Children's Easter Party on Saturday, April 20 at 2 P.M. Easter Sunrise Service at 7 A.M.

Sweetwater Baptist is seeking a **Minister of Youth/Students** to join a vibrant church family and staff. Candidates may submit their resumes to pnoe.swbc@hotmail.com or mail to Sweetwater Baptist Church, 198 Sweetwater Road, North Augusta, SC 29860 by June 1.

Financial Report February 2019

Church Contributions	MTD	YTD
Antioch	0.00	707.64
Berea	75.00	225.00
Big Stevens Creek	0.00	600.00
Ebenezer	0.00	0.00
Edgefield First	0.00	6600.00
First Bethany	0.00	0.00
Gilgal	0.00	0.00
Little Stevens Creek	725.00	725.00
Modoc	0.00	0.00
Mountain Creek	69.00	137.00
Mt. Zion	0.00	150.00
Parksville	438.03	1340.18
Peace Haven	0.00	531.60
Plum Branch	0.00	0.00
Providence	0.00	575.00
Red Hill	0.00	1825.92
Red Oak Grove	0.00	0.00
Rehoboth	0.00	642.00
Republican	0.00	5168.29
Sweetwater	300.00	1124.30
Various Donations	120.00	368.27
Total Receipts	1727.03	20720.20
Total Expenses	7394.56	13648.14
Designated Accounts	Balance	
Block Party Trailer		-12.91
CCC		12142.86
Hispanic Missions		1616.43
Disaster Relief		10108.62
Men's Ministries		10935.78
WMU		2325.61
EBA Missions Offering		2591.43
Investments	Balance	
Money Market #1		13352.12
Money Market #2		10363.58
Baptist Foundation		13069.62

Easter Changes Everything! - by Tim Shull

I sometimes hear preachers or faithful church members make light of the people that seem to come to church only on Easter, maybe Christmas, perhaps Mother's Day or Homecoming. Don't do it! Instead, see the season around Easter as a wonderful opportunity for outreach and for renewing fellowship with those who have fallen away. Perhaps you can lead your people to reflect upon the call to repentance in the season prior to Easter. Maybe your church could have a somber Maundy Thursday or Good Friday service. If you can arrange to have a baptism, what a marvelous opportunity to preach about how the dead is buried and we are, because of Christ, risen to walk in newness of life. Even the Egg Hunts can be opportunities to connect with children and their families and tell them about the wonder of the resurrection of Jesus. It takes little imagination to open an empty plastic egg and talk about the empty tomb. It takes little effort to talk about the newness of spring and how Jesus died and rose again to make us "born again", "new creations, old things are passed away; all things have become new!" Consider how your music in worship can be dramatically more powerful because of the importance of the message we sing. Find a church that is putting on an Easter cantata and go experience it with friends from your class or church group.

Easter has changed everything, and we ought to act like it! If Christ is not raised, you are still dead in trespasses in sins, your loved ones who died are just dead, your faith is in vain, and your life is, above all others, most miserable. (paraphrasing 1 Cor. 15:13-19). But Christ has been raised from the dead, and that makes a huge difference for us. Because He lives, we also shall live. The One who said "I AM the Resurrection and the Life guarantees abundant life and eternal life for those who put their trust in Him. That's the best news you can ever tell anybody, so get excited about your church's celebration of Easter!

Last year I preached about the difference those seven miles made for those two forlorn disciples on the road to Emmaus. What a wonderful change comes to our lives when we have an honest encounter with the risen Lord. I also preached about the four Easters: Easter once in time as the resurrection of Christ is a verifiable fact of history and central to the gospel; Easter once a year on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the vernal equinox; Easter once a week as we worship on the Lord's Day every Sunday in celebration of the resurrection; and Easter in your life...the change that takes place as the Life-Giver becomes your Lord.

This year I'll ask the question the angels asked the women at the tomb, "Why do you seek the living among the dead?" Our culture is looking for life in things that only bring death. Our society and so many of its victims are looking for love in all the wrong places. I'll declare that "He is not here! He is risen just as He said," and He is calling for you to accept His love and come to Him.

"That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection!" (Phil. 3:10). Joyfully and enthusiastically take every opportunity to communicate and share the marvelous grace and life-giving power of the risen Christ.

The Edgefield Baptist Association Missions Offering for 2018 was dedicated to helping our sister church Iglesia Bautista Getsemani with their building program costs. \$14,091.13 was received and has been passed along to Getsemani. Way To Go!!

Looking Ahead

Event	Date	Location
Worship Leader Roundtable	April 18	Hillview BC Graniteville
Ministry Assistants Annual Meeting	May 17	Newberry FBC
Gospel Above All: SBC Annual Meeting	June 11-12	Birmingham, AL
SummerSalt Global www.summersalt.org	July 14-19	Horry County
Literacy Missions Conference	Aug 24	Fort Mill FBC

“Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here! He is risen! Remember how He told you, ‘The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.’” And they remembered. Luke 24:5-8

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July 7-12 - Churches Changing Communities - “Share Your Story”
 Registration Packets will be available at the Spring semi-annual Meeting.



Disaster Relief Training: If you are 18 or older this is a great opportunity to be trained to participate in Disaster Relief Events – locally, nationally, and internationally! **Scholarships are available to pay registration costs** for all who attend the training on **April 27 at South Main Street Church in Greenwood.**

Please call the EBA office at 637-3309 during office hours by April 15 to find out more about this great opportunity.



The Edgefield Disaster Relief Chainsaw Unit quickly responded to assist residents who suffered damage by the tornado on March 3rd. Thirty volunteers worked over 400 hours to complete 5 jobs and presented each homeowner with a Bible.