

January 2022

# Edgefield Baptist Association

Organized 1807

Making History with His Story

## Ebenezer remembers Teddie Jean Musgrave



Mrs. Musgrave passed away in August from COVID. She was the music director for 52 years. A plaque in her memory will hang over the piano in the sanctuary.

## GameChangers residents remembered at Christmas



Berea Baptist put together stockings and a home cooked meal; Diane & Johnny Murrell of Red Oak Grove Baptist also brought food;

Republican Baptist prepared gifts. The residents were overJOYed at being remembered.

## Christmas Meal served to 130 Inmates at Trenton Correctional



Barbara Langley, Brenda & Ron Creswell picked up the meal and delivered to the Trenton CI Chaplain. ((pic above – Rev. Tim Shull assisted; not pictured – Brenda Creswell.)



No matter what kind of year 2022 shapes up to be, may you daily experience our Lord's all-sufficient grace, peace, and love!

**Edgefield Baptist Association**  
985 Hwy 25 N  
Edgefield, SC 29824  
803.637.3309

Email us:  
office@ebamissions.org  
tim@ebamissions.org

Website:  
www.ebamissions.org

**Director of Missions**  
Rev. Tim Shull

**Moderator**  
Rev. Aaron Tripp

**Vice Moderator**  
Rev. David Lyda

**Ministry Assistant**  
Ms. Faye Usry

**Treasurer**  
Mrs. Terri Miller

**Clerk**  
Mrs. Vickie Allen

**Office Hours**  
**Monday-Tuesday**  
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM  
**Wednesday**  
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

**Scheduled meetings at the Association Office:**

**Prayer Team**  
Wednesday, January 5  
10:00 AM

**Fold Newsletters**  
Wednesday, January 5 & 26  
9:00 AM

**Dolls on Mission**  
Tuesday, January 18  
10 AM – 12 Noon

**Save the Date!**

April 22-23, 2022 Apologetics Conference – “From Chaos to Clarity” presented by Stand to Reason at 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist North Augusta  
Target Audience: Teens and College Students – we hope to take a large group of students from EBA churches. See str.org and realityapologetics.com

**Church News**

**Ebenezer Baptist** celebrated its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary on December 19<sup>th</sup> by taking a picture of the church members and printing a brief history in the bulletin that day.

**CCC 365**

Call our office and find out how you can volunteer!

**2022 Disaster Relief Training**

April 2 – Lakeview Baptist, Hartsville  
October 15 – Sweetwater Baptist, North Augusta

**Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**  
January 16

From the child in the womb to advanced old age, every person matters to God.

**Thank you, Newsletter Volunteers!!**

In 2021, our Newsletter volunteers folded, tabbed, and labeled approximately 4,000 newsletters.

A very special “thank you” to Juanita Bartley, Carolyn & George Bryant, Barbara Langley, Jackie Ridings.

**News for the February 2022 newsletter is due by January 17, 2022.**

**Special days**  
**January**

**Birthdays**

06 Jerry Allen.....Antioch  
13 Tom Rogers.....Mt. Zion  
14 David Lyda...Little Stevens Crk  
15 Bobbi Noe.....Sweetwater  
16 Charles Bodie.....Berea  
28 Gabriella Negrete....Getsemani  
31 Teresa Patton.....Modoc

**Pastoral Anniversaries**

Lance Thomas - Republican  
January 1, 2004  
David Lyda – Little Stevens Creek  
January 5, 2020

**Men’s Ministry Supper**

Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>  
7 PM  
Parksville Baptist Church

**Ministry Projects Share the Love of Jesus & Around the Globe**

- 1,332 articles for “I declare people need underwear”
- 65 salvation dolls sent to Puerto Rico via River Springs Church
- 632 Ministry health kits
- 8 boxes of school supplies
- 165 Backpacks for Appalachia
- 718 Seafarer’s caps
- 18 boxes of literature for Seafarer’s
- 546 Prisoner Packets

**2021 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

We had a successful season this year! 781 shoeboxes were submitted. These gospel opportunities will bless the children and their families.

-Donna Whitlock

<b>Church Contributions</b>	<b>MTD Oct 2021</b>	<b>YTD Jan-Oct 2021</b>
Antioch	763.00	2,850.79
Berea	100.00	775.00
Big Stevens Creek	300.00	3,300.00
Ebenezer	0.00	2,000.00
Edgefield First	0.00	5,000.00
First Bethany	0.00	4,929.00
Gilgal	0.00	5,000.00
Little Stevens Creek	0.00	1,200.00
Modoc	0.00	166.94
Mountain Creek	98.00	948.00
Mt. Zion	400.00	800.00
Parksville	573.68	6,399.10
Peace Haven	604.86	2,393.93
Plum Branch	0.00	2,076.78
Providence	575.00	1,725.00
Red Hill	1,468.48	4,894.48
Red Oak Grove	0.00	2,700.00
Rehoboth	567.00	2,312.35
Republican	5,474.12	17,998.59
Sweetwater	0.00	5,240.22
Various donations	0.00	250.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>10,924.14</b>	<b>72,960.18</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>7,019.75</b>	<b>69,188.13</b>
<b>Designated Accounts</b>		<b>Balance Oct</b>
Block Party Trailer		145.50
CCC		9,580.72
Hispanic Missions		1,316.43
Disaster Relief		11,265.15
Men's Ministries		15,918.69
WMU		3,680.32
EBA Missions Offering		7,503.01
<b>Investments</b>		
Money Market #1		13,362.06
Money Market #2		10,371.29
Baptist Foundation		13,733.07

## Melt Down The Saints by Tim Shull

The story is told that during the reign of Oliver Cromwell in England, the government ran out of silver coins. Cromwell sent his officials throughout England to find new sources of silver. When they returned, they reported that no silver was to be found in all of England except the statues of saints in the churches. Cromwell said, "Good then, we shall melt down the saints and put them into circulation."

According to the institutional church, saints are special examples of faith and courage who, one hundred years after their deaths, may be canonized and venerated for regular Christians to idolize. But according to the Bible, saints are not a special class of believers. Saints are all Christians, all true followers of Christ. Saints are people like you and me who have been saved by God's grace and transformed by His Spirit. *"From Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus, and faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."* Ephesians 1:1-2. *"We are ambassadors for Christ"* and we are His *"peculiar people, a royal priesthood, His chosen ones who proclaim the praises of the One who called us out of darkness and into His marvelous light."* Let me hear you say it: "I am Saint \_\_\_\_\_" and fill in the blank with your name.

Our righteousness comes as a result of the grace of God, not by anything we have done. *"For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."* 2 Corinthians 5:21. *"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace."* Ephesians 1:7

We must in our churches avoid being "the Frozen Chosen". We must not be, in the words of Vance Havner, "starved without having been washed", "straight as a gun barrel, but just as empty." We must pray the beautiful old prayer response, "Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. Break me, melt me, mold me, fill

me! Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me." We the Saints of EBA churches must be melted by the Word of God and molded by the Will of God to be on mission for God.

EBA churches melt down the saints and put them into circulation: mission projects, backyard Bible clubs, prisoner packets, seafarer's caps and devotional material, evangelism dolls, health kits, English as a Second Language, prayer ministries, Good News Clubs, Vacation Bible Schools, Senior Adult groups, children's ministries, music ministries, youth and student ministries, Hispanic congregation, migrant ministries, Churches Changing Communities, CCC-365, worship teams, evangelistic block parties, witness at festivals, support for missions offerings, mission organizations, prisoner packets, prison ministry, dove shoot, wild game supper, Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes, local construction, ramp and repair teams, recreation ministries, involvement in local schools, meals for migrants, apologetics conferences, ministry in local retirement, assisted living and nursing homes, Christmas meal for prisoners, office volunteers, flood rebuild, and Disaster Relief. And there are more ways for the Saints of EBA churches to be melted in submission to our Lord and circulating in society, proclaiming the praises of Him who called us out of darkness and into His marvelous light.

# Looking Ahead

*"For you are all children of the light and of the day; we don't belong to darkness and night."*  
1 Thessalonians 5:5

Event	Date/Time	Place
WMU Leadership	February 1, 5 PM	EBA
IMPACT 2022	February 17	Shandon BC
Focus on WMU Sunday	February 20	Each church
Executive Committee	March 14, 7 PM	EBA
WMU State Annual Meeting	March 25-26	First Church, Goose Creek
Spring Semi-annual meeting	April 3, 3 PM	Modoc Baptist

**Edgefield Baptist Association**  
985 Highway 25 North  
Edgefield, SC 29824

Non-Profit Org.  
US Postage  
PAID  
Permit #9  
Edgefield, SC  
29824

**Return Service Requested**



**Berea's Tractor Sunday Successful!**  
21 tractors and 75-80 in attendance.



**SIMULCAST  
JOHNNY HUNT MEN'S  
CONFERENCE 2022**

Host: Sweetwater Baptist Church  
198 Sweetwater Road  
North Augusta, SC 29860  
February 4-5, 2022

**COST: \$30 PER PERSON** (Includes supper on Friday evening, the Simulcast, and snacks for break time)

You can register as a group or as individuals by mailing your name(s) and phone number(s) along with your check made payable to Sweetwater by Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at (803) 279-2821.

**Little Stevens Creek Baptist Church**  
1194 Meeting Street Rd, Edgefield, SC 29824

**Cowboys For Christ**

*First Sundays at 4pm*



**Coffee And Conversation**

*Second Sundays at 4pm*



**Campfire Choir**

*Third Sundays at 4pm*



**Discipleship Meals**

*Fourth Sundays at 5pm*

**Discipleship and Evangelism Groups**