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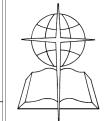


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#### Bible Drill 2020 Kick-Off

This month is *Bible Drill Kick-Off Month*. We ask that you encourage your <u>Children</u> and <u>Youth</u> to participate in Bible Drill. Students will have an opportunity to increase and apply knowledge of the Bible in living their life with Christ. It also helps them to develop skills in locating the books of the Bible, learning key passages, memorizing verses, and the proper handling of the Bible. Bible Drill can help them during trying and difficult times, to find comfort in God's word. Don't miss out on a Great opportunity for our Children and Youth.

#### **Associational Prayer Conference**

Chris Schofield serves on the BSCNC Staff as Director of the Office of Prayer. He is a dynamic speaker and leader for our Convention. He will be leading our Association in a **Prayer Conference** on the <u>first Sunday</u> in **January** (January 5<sup>th</sup>). This conference will begin at **5:00 pm** and will be held at <u>Bethel Hill Baptist Church</u>. All are invited! Please Announce to your church and make arrangements to attend!

#### Winter Class

Be sure to register for *The Baptist Faith and Message Class*, starting on **January 9th** @ 7pm at the Baptist Building. Cost is <u>\$25</u>. It will be taught by Rev. Dr. Chris Webb.

# Ministers & Wives' Annual Winter Marriage Retreat

Friday, **January 17th** - Sunday, **January 19th**<u>Location</u>: Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort
10000 Beach Club Drive
Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

### FBCJ 2020 Pastors' Conference

The Pastors' Conference will be held Wednesday, **January 22nd** through Sunday, **January 26th** in Jacksonville, FL.

#### **Baptist Men's Day**

The **fourth** Sunday in January is designated every year for *Baptist Men's Day*. Lets be reminded of the importance of the Baptist Men's Ministry in our churches and communities.

### **Executive Board Meeting**

The next Meeting is scheduled for <u>Thursday</u>, **February 6th** @ 7:00 pm

#### **Many Sisters' Weekend Retreat**

February 7th-8th, 2020

Located at Bear Swamp Baptist Church "By God's Son We Overcome"

**Guest Speaker**: Ms. Brenda Blakenship

On **Friday** night, there will be a meal beginning at 6:00 pm. The session will begin at 7:00 pm. On **Saturday** morning, there will be a light Breakfast at 8:30 am. The session will begin at 9:30 am. Please plan to attend both days, because there will be **two** different topics this year. If you have any questions regarding this Retreat, please feel free to contact *Mrs. Anita Lowry* at (910) 521-0246.

#### **Odum Home Pledge**

It is time for us to make our \$15,000.00 donation to the Odum Home. This is our 4<sup>th</sup> payment to continue to fulfill our 5 Year pledge of \$75,000.00. Only one more year to go. If you have not yet taken up an offering for the Baptist Children's Home for 2019, please consider doing so and then send that offering to Burnt Swamp Baptist Association to fulfill this pledge. So far this year, only a few churches have responded, and we thank you for doing so. When you send that donation in, be sure to earmark the check for the Odum Home. Mail to P.O. Box 1207, Pembroke, NC 28372.

#### **WMU Upcoming Events:**

- ⇒ 1/9 WMU Leadership Team Meeting at the Baptist Building @ 6pm.
- $\Rightarrow$  2/11-17 Focus on WMU
- ⇒ 2/29 WMU Focus Banquet & North American Mission Study @ 5 pm at *Berea Baptist Church*. Guest Speaker, Deborah Locklear.

You may contact Mrs. Suzanne Locklear, BSBA WMU Director, at (910) 391-4722 for further details regarding these upcoming events.



**Benson Chapel - 11/26-** Ladies Auxiliary Delivered food boxes to needy; Awanas Thanksgiving dinner; **12/22-** Congregation wore RED to represent our Love for Jesus.

**Bethany - 11/23-** Thanksgiving Bag Lunch Project; **11/24-** Pastor Matt preached in the a.m. service; Pastor

Charles was Guest Speaker at Union Light in the 6 pm service; Drama Team & Choir presented special music at Union Light; 12/2- Pastor Charles and First Lady attended the Annual Minister's & Wives Christmas Dinner at Mt. Airy; 12/14- Church Christmas Dinner; 12/15- Pastor Matt preached his Christmas Sermon in the a.m. service; Lord's Supper; Christmas Program at 6:00 p.m., "The Christmas Guest"; 12/25- Pastor & First Lady's 43<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary; 12/29- Pastor Charles, First Lady, Associate Pastor Matt and Mrs. Tina attended the Barnabas Team Christmas Luncheon at Village Station; Continuing Missions home and abroad.

Beulah - 12/1- Inaugural Hanging of the Greens; 12/8-Christmas Play "A Charlie Brown Christmas" @ 6 pm; 12/8,15,22- Christmas Sermon Series: Mary and Joseph's First Christmas; 12/14- Christmas Social @ Camp Rockfish from 3 - 7 pm; 12/17- Ladies Ministry distributed Christmas care packages to Dial's Family Care Assisted Living Facility; 12/18- Youth Christmas social & pizza party; 12/29- 5th Sunday Communion; Year in Review video presentation by Pastor Thomas.

Burnt Swamp - 12/13- Youth Christmas Party; 12/14-Adult Christmas Party; 12/22- Christmas play with social; All month-WMU Ladies presented Seniors with gifts; WMU gave gifts to needy families for Christmas. Cape Fear - 12/1- Hanging of the Greens; 12/8- Fifty-One Christmas shoe boxes made; 12/22- Christmas Play. Cedar Grove - 11/30- Couple's Night out: 12/1- 4 people given the right hand of fellowship as members; 12/15-Christmas Program: Entitled In The Middle of The Night; 12/18- Food Boxes distributed to the Senior Citizens; 12/29 - The Lord's Supper; 1/18- Sunday School Teacher's, Assistants, and Class Secretary Workshop, "Building Brigades". **Deep Branch** - Choir Practice, 6 pm every Wednesday and Bible Study at 7 pm; 1/1,8,10,15,22,24,29 Easter Practice, 7 -9 pm; 1/10-11 VBS 2020 at Ridgecrest; 1/17- Movie Night, 6-8 pm; 1/18- Baptist Men's Breakfast, Site/Time TBA; 1/19- Baptist Men's' Sunday; 1/20- Conference, 7 pm; 1/26- The Lord's Supper; 1/26-28 Winter Bible Study @ Mt. Airy.

**Dogwood** - 10/19- Clean Up Day; 10/20- Homecoming; 10/17- BSBA Annual Meeting @ Elrod Baptist Church, 6:30 pm; 10/26- Fall Carnival @ 5pm; 11/16- Fish Fry @ 1pm; 11/24- 3 were Baptized; We would like to welcome back our Pastor James Albert Hunt; Congratulations to Bro. Johnny & Demetrius Hunt on their new Grandson Hunter; Wed. night Choir practice @ 6:15 pm. Bible study @ 7pm; 12/8- Christmas Social after worship service; 12/29- Communion Service.

**Dundarrach - 12/1-** Baptism; **12/4-** Delivered Christmas boxes to the Odum Home; Christmas Caroling; **12/14-**

Christmas dinner; 12/22- Christmas play; 12/29- Communion; Rev. Dana Goins' Ordination Service; 1/5- Winter Bible Study - Rev. Hilton Woodell.

Elizabeth Heights - 12/1- Children/Youth Focus, 11:30 am; K-12 Students recognized for academic excellence; 12/6- EHBC Brotherhood THANKS all who supported Annual PLATE Sale; 12/16- Church Fun & Fellowship Night- Lu MIL Light Show, Dublin, NC; 12/18- Caroling On The Hill, Food and activities in the Fellowship Hall; 12/1-29 Special Speaker, Rev. Larry Oxendine; 1/5- Next Monthly singing, 6 pm.

Faith of Calvary - 12/1- Christmas Program was a blessing; 12/7- Church Christmas dinner was filled with fellowship; 12/14- Youth Choir Dinner And Social; 12/15- Poinsettia Day; 12/22- Presentation of gifts and show of respect; Collected stockings filled with gifts for a rest home; Evening Communion and Baptism; Galilee Free Will Holiness and Mt Moriah joined us for the Baptism. Continue to pray for our church, county, state, and country.

Galilee - Backpack Mission; 12/7- Church involved in the Outreach Mission in Rennert; 12/13- WMU Christmas Social @ the home of Lisa Harris; 12/15- One confession of faith; 12/18- Church Christmas Social; Celebrating the Birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Gospel Tabernacle - Each Tuesday Morning at 9am, Prayer Meeting; Wednesday Bible Study, 7pm; Contact Brother Clyde Hatcher Concerning House Services; 12/15 - Memorial Ornament Ceremony; Youth Skating Trip; 1/6 - January Bible Study Begins; 1/12- Conference; 1/26-Baptist Men's Day; Sunday Night Worship, Preacher Dwayne Locklear.

Island Grove - (6) Babies dedicated and received their blankets; WMU Ladies made gifts bags for (40) patients at Rest Home; Also, GA girls made Christmas cards for the residents; Food distribution to needy families in community; Our GA girls collected \$1000.00 for Lottie Moon Offering; Group of Youth and Adults traveled to Baltimore to minister to the Homeless with Pastor BJ Hunt; Island Grove hosting a Baby Jesus Christmas Party; Our Youth went Caroling at Rest Home; New Year's Eve Watch Night Service.

**Lighthouse** - 10/25- Fall Fest; 11/3- Homecoming; 12/8-Soup & Salad Bar Fellowship Dinner; 12/22-Gift Exchange; 1/3- Collard Sandwich Sale, \$7.00 each. The Sale begins @ 10:00 am and until Sold Out.

Mt. Airy - 11/24- Bro John Oxendine played the Flute in honor of Native American Heritage Month; No Shave November Breakfast for Cancer Awareness; 11/27- Thanksgiving Bonfire at Church Park; 12/1-Hanging of the Greens; 12/2- Mt. Airy Hosted the Ministers & Wives' Christmas Banquet; 12/3- Children Sang at UNCP Old Main; 12/5- Children sang at the Lighting of the Trees in the Park at Pembroke; 12/8- Children's Christmas Play - C. A. K. E. Christmas Acts of Kindness Experiment; Lunch served after the program; Couples Class Christmas Caroling;;12/11- Children's Christmas Caroling; 12/15- Lottie Moon Christmas Offering; Children's Offering; Youth Choir Lunch after service; 12/18 - Youth Christmas Caroling and Celebration.

#### CHURCH NEWS CONTINUED....

Mt. Elim - Food Bank every 3rd Thursday of the month. New Point - 10/20- Guest Speaker, Evangelist Timmy Sampson; 10/27- Church wore Pink for Cancel Awareness; 11/17- Prayed for the Lost; 11/24- Two Babies Dedication to the Church; Opened Doors to the Church for Five New Members; 11/26- Christmas Dinner For the Widows; 12/6- Christmas Program for Odum Home And Dinner; 12/7- Christmas Outing For Seniors Citizens held in Church Fellowship Hall; 12/13- Christmas Party for Young Married Class; 12/14- Youth Outing for Christmas; 12/15- Prayed for the Lost.

**Piney Grove - 2/9-11** Winter Bible Study at Pleasant View Baptist Church.

**Pleasant View - 12/8-** Guest Speaker, Evangelist Jimmy Jones; **12/14-** Conference; Church 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas; **12/15-** Church presented Christmas gift to Pastor & Family; Church presented monetary gift to all Senior Citizens; Presented Bible to UNCP Graduate, Hope Jones Locklear; Christmas tree donated by Joel & Emily Hunt for the Fellowship Hall; Poinsettia's donated by Jeff and Anna Hunt for the Fellowship Hall; Youth received recognition for donating food to the UNCP Food Bank.

Reedy Branch - 12/13- WMU Christmas Party; 12/14-RBBC Visited Shoeheel Holiness Methodist Church for a live Nativity Program; Senior's Christmas Party; Prison Ministry; 12/20- Church Officers Christmas Party; 12/22-Puppet Ministry; 12/23- Prison Ministry; Prayer Night-2nd Tuesday night of each month.

Smyrna- 11/16- Community Thanksgiving; 11/26- Nursing home visitation; 12/1- Baby Dedication; 12/7- Elders Banquet; 12/14- Community Christmas Parade; 12/17- Pastor and Deacon meeting; Nursing home visitation; 12/18- Christmas around the tree with the children; 12/22- Christmas program; 12/29- Communion; 12/31- Watch night service.

St. James - 10/21- New Church Sign!!!!; 10/31- Trunk or Treat; 11/2- WMU delivered toys & supplies "Ronald McDonald"; 11/10- Veteran's Program; 11/23- Ladies shopping trip; 11/27- Senior Adult Class lunch @ Dales Seafood; 11/30- Children's Prayer, Pancake & Pajamas Breakfast; 12/1- Brotherhood Church Breakfast/Children's Church; 12/7- Senior Christmas Social; Children's lunch at Chick Filet & Live Nativity in Hallsboro; 12/14- WMU Outing.

**Turnpike - 1/5-** 1st Sunday night service @ 6:00 pm; **2/1-** Ladies Auxiliary is hosting a Women's Conference the first Saturday in February @ 5:00pm.

Union Chapel - 12/1- Brotherhood Meeting; 12/5- Lunch served for Community Elder Shut-ins; 12/6- WOM Christmas Party at Village Inn; 12/8- Senior Citizen's Christmas Lunch; Senior Citizen's Secret Pal Revealing Party at 5pm; 12/9- Senior Citizen's Fellowship Shopping Trip; Young Adults Christmas Party at 6pm; 12/29- Youth Service, Brother Michael Rogers; December - Brotherhood prepared/delivered Food Baskets; 1/5-7 Winter Bible Study with-Rev. Keith Long.

Union Light - 1/12-14 Winter Bible Study - Speaker Rev. Hilton Woodell (1/12 @ 6pm and 1/13-14 @ 7pm); 1/20-

Brotherhood Service @ 6pm; 1/27- Quarterly Singing @ 6pm.

West Saddletree - Woodhaven Ministry, first Saturday each month; 12/1- Brotherhood Candlelight Service with Rev Charles Cummings; 12/13- Christmas Party.
Willard's Chapel - 12/8- 1 Soul Saved - Sister Crystal Oxendine; 1/5- First Sunday Dinner; 1/8, 15, 22, 29 Wednesday Night Bible Study @ 7 PM.

#### Preachers' Benevolent Fund

Reminder: We are asking every Pastor and Preacher in the Association to give at Minimum of \$100.00 a year to this fund. You are invited to give more or less, but to give something and you do not have to give it all at one time. We hope that you will make this a yearly commitment. It will be used to assist Pastors and Preachers within our Association that find themselves dealing with hardship due to sickness and or other circumstances. This is a way for us to care for our own and to demonstrate the love of God for our co-laborers in the ministry. Make your Check out to Burnt Swamp Baptist Association and earmark it for Preachers Benevolent

#### **Preachers & Deacons' Meeting**

The next Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 2nd @ 7:00 pm

#### Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study on **Psalm 23**, by Jennifer Rothschild. Beginning <u>Tuesday</u>, **3/3** at **6:30 pm** at the Baptist Building. It will last for 6 weeks. There will be a \$25 registration fee for this study. Contact *Mrs. Anita Lowry, Facilitator* at (910) 521-0246 for more details.

#### **BSBA** Union Meeting

The next Union Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 28th @ 10:00 am. It will be located at Gospel Tabernacle Church.







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January Bible Study Sunday  Rev. Chris & Carmellia Webb  Associational Prayer Conference at Bethel Hill @ 5pm. It will be led by Chris Schofield	6	7	8	Class: The Baptist Faith and Message at BSBA @ 7pm  WMU Leadership Team Mee ti ng @ Baptist Bldg, 6:00 pm	10 Rev. James A. Hunt	11
12 Mrs. Quae Cummings (Mike)	13	14	15	Class: The Baptist Faith and Message at BSBA@7pm  Rev. Ricky Burnett	Mrs. Janice Strickland (Steve)	Rev. Horace Oxendine Rev. Roosevelt Scott
Mrs. Fran Bullard (Jennings)  Sanctity of Human Life Sunday  Ministers &	Martin Luther King Jr.  Rev. Curt Locklear	21	Rev. Lindbergh Chavis	Class: The Baptist Faith and Message at BSBA@7pm	24  Rev. B J. & Sherry Hunt  Rev. Greg Lowery  Conference in Jack	25 Rev. Jennings & Fran Bullard
26  Baptist Men's Day (Prayer, Breakfast, & Worship)  Mrs. Sherry Hunt (B.J.)  January Pastors'	27 Winter Bible Study a	28 t Mt. Airy	29	Class: The Baptist Faith and Message at BSBA@7pm	31	