



# The Together

For we are laborers TOGETHER with God  
1 Corinthians 3:9

## OUR MISSION: “REACH, TEACH, PREPARE, SEND”

We invite all people to join us in worshipping God, growing deeper in knowledge and understanding through study, in the unity of Christian love through fellowship and visitation; preparing for ministry and mission through discipleship, drawing nearer to God in prayer and praise as we share the love of Jesus Christ with one another and the world.

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Dear Church Family,

Holy Week has always been one of the most meaningful weeks of the Christian Church Year to me. The season of Lent is coming to an end and we are preparing to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior. I pray that as we all journey through Holy Week, we can take time to reflect on the significant events that occurred almost 2000 years ago.

On Sunday, March 29, we remember the Triumphal Entry (Palm Sunday), the day when Jesus came into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey. The people were shouting hosanna and giving Him the royal treatment as He arrived. It is hard to imagine that many of these same people who were shouting hosanna would be shouting “Crucify Him” in just a few short days. This year, our church will celebrate Palm Sunday as the choir presents its cantata “I Surrender All” by Russell Mauldin.

On Thursday, April 2, we will have a Maundy Thursday service in the Family Life Center. This will be a time where we can reflect on the Last Supper, as well as the events leading through Good Friday. Each of the 12 scripture readings will remind us of the agony, betrayal, and suffering that Jesus endured during the last few hours before His death on the cross.

On Friday and Saturday, I hope that you will take some time to reflect of the significance of what Jesus did for you (and all of humanity) on the cross. At our last Sunday night Bible study, the youth read through some of the same passages that we will read on Maundy Thursday. We concluded our study by reading Psalm 22, which begins with “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”. We all sat in silence for a moment as we reflected on those words and the fact that they were written several hundred years before Jesus would say them on the cross. If you have never taken the opportunity to reflect on Psalm 22, I hope that you will find time on Good Friday to do so.

Then on Sunday, April 5, we will be ready to celebrate Jesus’ Resurrection. Bright and early on Easter Sunday, you can join us at Lake Holt for a Sunrise Service that will be hosted by the Butner Church Council. Afterwards, we can all come back to the church and enjoy an Easter Breakfast at 8:30 in the Family Life Center before Sunday School begins at 9:30. Our celebration concludes with Worship at 11:00 a.m. This will be a time when we can sing songs of joy and praise, hear the Good News of Jesus’ Resurrection, and partake in Communion. I truly hope that we can all take time to reflect during Holy Week. Take advantage of the opportunities that we can share together to reflect on the events of Jesus’ life, death, and Resurrection. Prayers as we continue on the journey together.

God bless! Blaine

# Report from Business Meeting

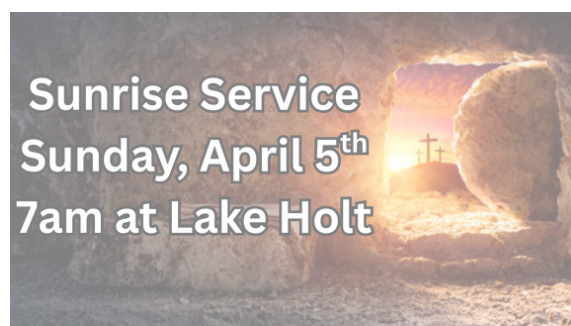
At the Wednesday night March business meeting the motion was made to end our affiliation with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina. There will be a secret ballot vote after worship on **April 12th** at a called business meeting to make this decision. Absentee ballots will be available to members who cannot be present. Also, due to time constraints, the Constitution Committee will resume its presentation of changes to the Constitution at the next business meeting on **April 8th**.

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## Who's Your One?

“Are you praying about ‘Who’s Your One?’ The emphasis is now underway, and Dr. Beckett has begun to receive names that have been submitted. He will be praying with you for opportunity to share the Gospel, and hope in the name of Jesus! As was referenced in the bulletin insert from a few weeks ago, here is where you begin: 1) remember that this is your purpose as a follower of Christ... you exist to know Jesus and make Him known; 2) Pray for opportunities... ask Jesus to give you a chance to share Him today; 3) Engage people and see what the Spirit may do; 4) Build relationships outside your area and comfort, and be willing to bring Jesus into every conversation; 5) Remain faithful in "planting and watering the seed.” When you decide who you one is... remember, to submit your card so Dr. Beckett can pray with you.

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# Heart Sisters

Heart Sisters Mission Statement: ***Heart Sisters exists to serve God, love others, and inspire women to grow in their walk with Christ through faith, fellowship, and service.***

Happy Spring, Sisters!

I always look forward to the beginning of spring when noticeable life returns to bare trees with green leaves, beautiful flowers are forcing their way through the earth that protected them over the winter, and the birds! There's a choir of birds singing, in different languages, pitches, and song and it's absolutely amazing!

Let me ask you a serious question.....what does your faith look like? Does it have "noticeable life," or does it look dead? Are you budding with growth and beauty or are you experiencing stunted growth? How do you change your situation? You don't, the Holy Spirit does but you MUST be obedient to His direction. How? Start with participation in a group at church. Our women have many opportunities for engagement through Heart Sisters mission activities, prayer group, meetings, Bible studies, various activities and more! God has so much more for you than where you are! Our church has been preparing for the celebration of one of the most important events in a Christian's life. Yes, the resurrection of our Savior, Lord Jesus! What will you look like as a follower? It's up to you.....

The Experiencing God Bible study has concluded, and this study is the most powerful, life-changing, and convicting study we've ever done. Our little group of 10 women aren't the same as when we began! The Spirit has done and continues to work in and through us. We pray that when this is offered again, people respond because it truly is life changing.

We have some upcoming activities and events to assist in your Christian walk and growth. Please take advantage of these.....

**April 6:** Easter Sunrise Service

**April 12:** Deadline to register for mission trip to Charity Mission in Rose Hill

Dates: May 21 – 23 (or any part of these dates)

Cost: \$25 per night

**April 13:** Heart Sisters monthly meeting and college package project

6:30pm in the Family Life Center

**April 18:** Cookout at Morning Glory or Twin Circles

At 9:30am meet at church to give details.

At 10:00am move to the event location



# Baptist Children's Food Roundup

Providing food for the children and families served through Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina (BCH) is not the end result—it's where compassion begins. When NC Baptists collect needed items for the Food Roundup, you help us serve hundreds of thousands of meals and snacks to children across the state each year. What you do not only opens children's eyes to the compassion and generosity of God's people but, most importantly, it is a first step in opening their hearts to Christ's love.



## **Thank you from Baptist Children's Home**

Dear Butner First Baptist Church,

For many children who come to us, their first night is the most important one.

After seasons of instability or uncertainty, the very first gift we can offer is a safe place to sleep.

A warm bed in a Baptist Children's Homes cottage or in the home of one of our foster families. Clean sheets. A soft pillow. A quiet room. And maybe for the first time in a long time...peace.

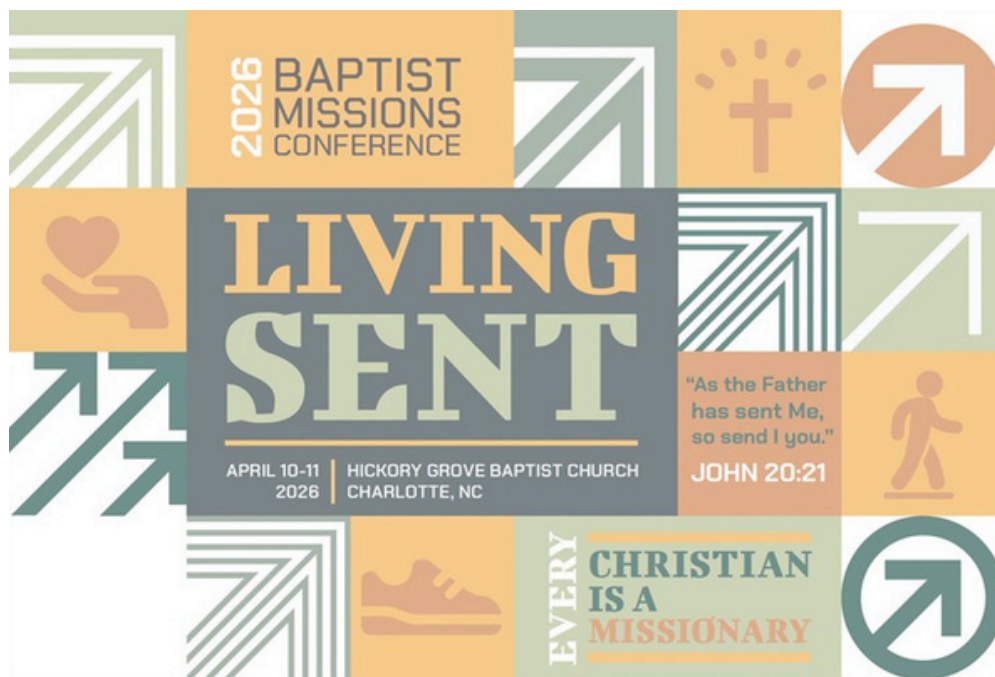
*That first night's sleep begins something beautiful. Because once children feel safe, they can begin to feel hope. And once they feel hope, they can begin to dream again.*

The kindness of your church is what opens the door for dreams to take shape and, most importantly, for children to know about a Heavenly Father who loves them more than they can imagine - **THANK YOU!**

# BAPTISTS ON MISSION Men In Action

NC Baptist on Mission's statement is *“Exist to glorify GOD by involving churches and Christians in meeting human needs in Jesus' name.”*

The 2026 Baptist Missions Conference will be held at Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC 7200 E. WT Harris Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28215 from **Friday, April 10th** at 4:30pm to **Saturday, April 11th** at 4:00pm. Special features include 100 different breakout sessions, Friday missions' supper, mission testimonies, mission exhibits and much more. Please go to this link to register if you are interested and fill out all information for yourself:



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Blaine will be on vacation from **Sunday, April 19** through **Friday, May 1**. Please be respectful of his time away so he can rest and recharge.



# Children & Youth Ministries



**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

11am until 12 Noon  
Gym



There will be activities planned just for our preschool pals to help them get excited about Jesus!



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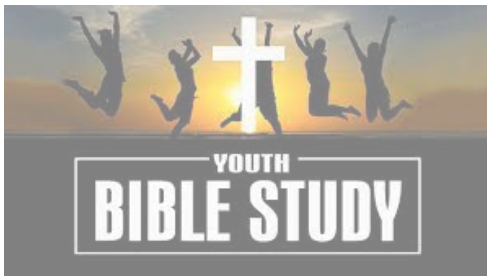
5-8pm  
FLC

There will be lots of fun, food and fellowship as we learn about God!



There is a Youth Rally **"RECHARGE"** at Baptist Home Baptist Church on **Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>** at 3pm. There will be fun, food and worship. Address: 2367 Sparta Rd, North Wilkesboro, NC 28659

Registration details on flyer on the office hallway bulletin board.



**Separate Youth Bible Studies**

***Date to be determined***

Girls 5:30pm (Teal's House)  
Boys 6pm (Gym)

**All Youth Bible Study**

***Date to be determined***

6pm Youth House



There will be a parent meeting for summer camp for the children and youth on **Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** in the Fellowship Hall after morning worship and our special called business meeting.



VBS will be **July 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>**. There will be classes for all ages and we need lots of volunteers! The sign up is available in Realm to volunteer. If you have questions about how you can help serve, please contact Cecily. This will be a fun theme with a great message! We hope to see you all there!

# April

Calendar of Events  
\*Subject to change\*

- April 1- No Wed Night Activities
- April 2- 8:00am Men's Bible Study (FH)  
6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service (Sanctuary)
- April 3- Church Office Closed (Good Friday)
- April 5- 7:00am Sunrise Service at Lake Holt  
8:30am Easter Breakfast (FLC)
- April 6- Church Office Closed (Easter Monday)
- April 8- 5:45pm Fellowship Meal: Covered Dish  
6:30pm Business Meeting
- April 9- 8:00am Men's Bible Study (FH)
- April 10- 11 Baptist Missions Conference (Hickory Grove Baptist Church)
- April 12- 12:00pm Special Called Business Meeting after worship (Voting)  
Parent Camp Meeting (FH)
- April 13- 6:30pm Heart Sisters Meeting (FLC)  
6:30pm Small Group (Teal's House)
- April 14- 10:00am Ruth Helms Prayer Group Meeting (FH)  
6:00pm Deacons Meeting
- April 15- 5:45pm Fellowship Meal: TBD (Baptist Men)  
6:30pm Bible Study
- April 16- 8:00pm Men's Bible Study (FH)
- April 17- May Newsletter Info Due
- April 18- 11:00am Praise Pals (Gym)  
5:00pm Mischief (FLC)
- April 22- 5:45pm Fellowship Meal: Chick-Fil-A (Ferrell Team)  
6:30pm Bible Study
- April 23- 8:00am Men's Bible Study (FH)
- April 25 Skylar Wedding
- April 27- 6:30pm Small Group (Teal's House)
- April 29- 5:45pm Fellowship Meal: Pizza (Deacons)  
6:30pm Bible Study
- April 30- 8:00am Men's Bible Study (FH)



APRIL SHOWERS  
Bring  
MAY FLOWERS



# Happy Birthday!



4-1 Lisa Clark  
4-1 Joy Hicks  
4-1 Cecily McDowell  
4-2 Deborah Evers  
4-8 Matilda Travis\*  
4-9 Betsy Dixon  
4-9 Allan Kempinski  
4-10 Gary Byrd, Sr.  
4-10 Jean Walker  
4-11 Kim Cone  
4-11 David Corn

4-11 Raegan Woodward  
4-17 Linda Harris  
4-19 Billy Cone  
4-20 Wanda Conrad  
4-20 Jodie Tuck  
4-21 Trent Brummit (TW II)\*  
4-23 Claude Fogleman  
4-26 Peyton Ferrell\*  
4-28 Myra Travis\*  
4-28 Patrick Travis\*  
4-30 April Dixon

**\*Prospect or Family of Member**

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