

April 2015

Edgefield Baptist Association

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Making History with His Story

The Twenty-Fifth Spring Meeting
of the
Edgefield Baptist Association
Sunday, April 12 at 3:00 P.M.

Association Sermon:
Rev. Ryan Vaughan

Host Church: Republican



Republican Baptist Church
610 Republican Road, Clarks Hill

May 17-24: Week of Prayer for Association Missions
And the EBA Missions Offering

Bulletin Covers, Prayer Cards, and Posters are available Free from the EBA Office

READYCHURCHES  READYHARVEST

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few." - MATT. 9:37



Edgefield Baptist Association
is Glad to Be
YOUR MISSION PARTNER



**IGNITE! EBA
Youth Retreat**

April 24-26
Marietta Baptist Camp

For information please
contact Randy Jackson
at 910.352.4337,
919.306.7309, or
randy@antiochofedgefield.com.

Disaster Relief Ramps and Repairs Prisoner Packets Dolls on Mission
Training Workshops Good News Clubs Seafarer's Ministry Adopt London
Stewardship Evangelism Health Kits Hispanic Ministry English Classes
Prison Ministry Men's Ministry Prayer Ministry Operation Christmas Child
Churches Changing Communities Migrant Worship & Meals Discipleship
Vacation Bible Schools Festival Tent Ministry Literacy Missions WMU
Connie Maxwell Children's Home Fellowship & Support Send North America
John de la Howe Wild Game Supper Leadership Development
...and many more!

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Office Hours
Monday-Tuesday
8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Wednesday
8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

**Meetings at the
Association Office:**

Dolls on Mission Workshop
Tuesday, April 7 & 21
9:30 A.M. - 12 Noon

Prayer Team Conference
Saturday, April 11
10:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

**CCC Construction
Coordinators**
Monday, April 20
4:00 P.M.

WMU Leadership
Thursday, May 7
7:00 P.M.

**April 20
Deadline for May
Newsletter**

**Ministry Health Kits
Due May 5**

Please place one each of the following items
in a 2-gallon slider zip-lock bag:

- ✓ Adult-size Toothbrush
- ✓ Toothpaste (6 oz. or larger)
- ✓ Bath-size Soap
- ✓ Wash Cloth
- ✓ Bath Towel
- ✓ Comb

These ministry health kits will be distributed
to the migrant camps on May 26.

**Prayer Conference
Saturday, April 11**

10:30 - 12:30

Edgefield Association Office
Guest Speakers: Tim & Carolyn Fuqua,
Biltmore BC in Arden, NC

Please contact Carol Bryan at 637.1293 for
more information.

**Men's Ministry Supper/Meeting
Thursday, April 16**

7:00 P.M.

Little Stevens Creek Baptist Church

Come meet and fellowship with men from EBA
churches.

**The Perfect Me Myth:
A Conference for Women
Saturday, April 18**

Philippi Baptist Church

10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

\$10 per person includes lunch.

Registration by April 11 encouraged. Go to:
<http://form.jotform.us/form/50213757173149>

**Constitution & By-Laws Workshop
Tuesday, May 19**

6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

Edgefield Association Office

Workshop Leader: Steve Rohrlack, SCBC

**Jamming With Jesus: A Youth Rally
Saturday, June 20 at the MACK**

If you are interested in knowing more, please
contact one of the following at First Bethany:
Buddy Rushton at 864.602.9042
Angela Quarles at 864.993.5081
Clifton White at 864.993.3778
John Alexander at revjohnalexander@gmail.com

**Special Days
APRIL**

Birthdays

01 Ashley Maish.....Big Stevens Creek
06 Sandra Mosteller.....Providence
08 Tim Shull.....EBA
12 Bethany Brogden.....Republican
14 Lori Noblin.....Plum Branch
19 Jennifer Alexander.....First Bethany
19 Larry Ford.....Ebenezer
21 Vonda Cooley.....Berea
28 Lynn Williams.....Edgefield First

Wedding Anniversaries

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

Pastoral Anniversaries

John Noblin (8 years).....Plum Branch

Church Events

Community Sunrise Service: April 12 at
6:30 A.M. at Slade's Lake.

Mountain Creek: Easter Sunrise Service
on April 5 at 7:30 A.M. followed by
breakfast. Revival Services on April 26-
29 with Dr. Brad Willis. Worship on
Sunday night at 6 P.M. Monday-
Wednesday at 7 P.M. Music on Monday
and Tuesday by Wallace Watkins and Tim
Shull.

Rehoboth: Homecoming on May 3 at 11
A.M. and revival Services Sunday-
Wednesday at 7 P.M. with Rev. Josh
McClendon.

From the DOM Search Committee:

God is great. God is good. As
kids at the kitchen table, we probably
recited those two statements by rote. As
adults, He allows us to see that, indeed,
God is great! And, God is good!

Please continue to pray for your
DOM Search Committee. And, remind
others to do so also.

Ron Creswell, Chairman

**Attention all Men from 16 to 60
Learn from the Experts**

A Young Men's Ramp Ministry group if
being formed by the Men's Ministry and
the first project is constructing a handicap
ramp on **Saturday, April 11** in Ward.

Please contact Wayne Miller at 637-3663 if
interested in participating.

Financial Report February 2015

Seven Miles

Disappointment, Doubt, Despondence, Discouragement, Disillusionment, Defeat, Death. Luke 24:13-35 tells us how two walked the seven miles from Jerusalem to Emmaus with heavy hearts. For the last week they had been with Jesus. They had followed Him with excitement and anticipation. It was glorious...until Jesus had been arrested, tried and crucified. His dead body had been placed in a tomb. Now all their hopes and dreams were shattered and gone. Now, it was all over; and they were making their weary way back home. The early morning reports that Christ's tomb was empty did nothing to alter their thinking. It only confused them. They had seen him die a brutal and agonizing death. Their world had crashed; their hopes were dashed.

As a third traveler joined them on the way and inquired about the reason for their sadness, they summed up the situation neatly, *"We had hoped that He was the One who was going to redeem Israel."* They did not know that the One who walked with them was Jesus, but *"they were kept from recognizing Him."* I wonder: is it possible for us to meet Jesus along our roads of life and not know it? Have we allowed our grief or frustration or preoccupation or sadness or anger to keep us from recognizing the Risen Christ who promised that He would never leave us? Yet they listened to their new companion as He *"started with Moses and the Prophets and explained to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself."* He showed them that the Messiah's death on the cross fulfilled many prophecies and was essential to their salvation. They later described how it felt to have such a Bible lesson: *"O how our hearts burned within us while He talked with us on the road and while He opened the Scriptures to us!"* A heart-warming encounter: The Living Word explaining the Written Word!

Evening came as they reached the turn to their village. Even though they were tired and sad, they invited Him to stay with them, and He did! He so wants people to invite Him in and let Him take charge. As if He was the host, He took the bread and He blessed it and broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized that their companion was the Risen Christ! He vanished from their sight; and they ran back to Jerusalem!

An encounter with the Risen Christ changes everything! Their eyes were opened and their hearts were warmed. As witnesses of the resurrection, they ran the seven miles that had before been long and hard. *"That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection..."* Philippians 4:10.

Have you experienced such an encounter with the Risen Christ?

*Humbly His,
Tim Shull*

Financial Report February 2015				
Church Contributions		MTD	YTD	
Antioch		498.00		498.00
Berea		75.00		150.00
Big Stevens Creek		300.00		300.00
Ebenezer		0.00		0.00
Edgefield First		0.00		6200.00
First Bethany-McCormick		0.00		1065.00
Gilgal		1000.00		1000.00
Little Stevens Creek		0.00		0.00
Modoc		0.00		0.00
Mountain Creek		76.67		169.94
Mt. Zion		0.00		0.00
Parksville		153.69		338.43
Peace Haven		0.00		0.00
Plum Branch		0.00		0.00
Providence		0.00		0.00
Red Hill		660.94		660.94
Red Oak Grove		0.00		4000.00
Rehoboth		0.00		600.00
Republican		0.00		0.00
Sweetwater		188.86		570.73
Various Donations		950.00		950.00
TOTAL		3903.16		16503.04
Designated Accounts	Beginning Balance	Revenues	Expenses	Ending Balance
Missions				
---AAA	51.15	0.00	0.00	51.15
---CCC	7744.38	0.00	0.00	7744.38
---IMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---NAMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---Hispanic	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Disaster Relief	5786.90	0.00	0.00	5786.90
Men's Ministries	839.52	450.00	1019.59	269.93
WMU	136.83	0.00	0.00	136.83
EBAMO	4417.40	0.00	0.00	4417.40
TOTAL	19026.18	450.00	1019.59	18456.59
		MTD	YTD	
Beginning Balance		55790.35		
Receipts		3903.16		16503.04
Expenses		5827.66		10105.73
Sub Total		53865.85		6397.31
Designated Revenues		450.00		
Designated Expenses		1019.59		
Ending Balance		53296.26		
Investments				
Money Market #1		13324.91		
Money Market #2		10342.46		
TOTAL		23667.37		
Baptist Foundation		12134.99		

**Thank you for
supporting local
missions by your
gifts and
contributions to the
Edgefield Baptist
Association.**

Looking Ahead

Event	Date	Location
Work Day	Apr 18	Camp La Vida
GO Conference: for ladies age 15 and above. www.scengage.org/go	Apr 17-18	Spartanburg FBC
Jubilee: Conference for Senior Adults	Apr 27-29	Myrtle Beach
SC Baptist Ministry Assistants Association Meeting	May 14-16	Round Hill BC Lexington
Student Seminar-The Cause: Strengthen Your Faith for College!	July 10-12	The Cove Asheville
Women's Seminar with Stormie Omartian	July 31-Aug 1	The Cove Asheville
Carolina Women: Missions Encounter SC & NC WMU	Oct 16-17	Fort Caswell Oak Island NC

More information on all events is available at the Association Office (803.637.3309 or <http://edgefieldbaptistassoc.org>), and the SC Baptist Convention (1.800.723.7242 or www.scbaptist.org).

Help Us Economize

To receive your newsletter electronically, email jackie@edgefieldbaptistassoc.org

Churches Changing Communities July 12-17, 2015

Host Church: Antioch

Camp Pastor: John Noblin



140 dolls, packed and ready to be shipped, were made by the Dolls on Mission ladies and will be given to children by Lynn Rearden during her medical missions trip to Samoa in June and July.

Prayer for Mission Trips

Be prayerful for spiritual preparation for the teams, for God to be glorified, and for safe travel.

April 6-16: Asia-Evan Croy, Ed Kvietkus, Tommy Meador, Jerry Thompson, Enoch Tsai (Big Stevens Creek), and Phillip Howle (Antioch)

May 15-31: Thailand-Hannah Shull

June: Rwanda, Africa-John Noblin (Plum Branch)

June 26-July 12: Samoa-Lynn Rearden and Sydney Farmer (Edgefield First)

July 27-August 7: Russia-Tommy Meador (Big Stevens Creek)

To send financial support for any of these mission trips, please contact the church, the participant, or the EBA office.



RA/Challenger Field Day

Saturday, April 18

Connie Maxwell Children's Home
10 A.M. – 4 P.M.

A day packed with outdoor and indoor competitive events for boys in grades 1-12.

Bring your boys (do not have to be members of an RA group) for individual and group events-relays, sprints, tug-o-war, missions quiz bowl, Frisbee throws and more!

Hispanic Migrant Ministry

The summer worship services for the migrant workers will begin on Sunday, May 31 at Providence. ESL classes will begin at 6 P.M. followed by a meal at 6:45 P.M. and the worship service.

Margaret Ann Thompson at 637.3248 will coordinate the meals and transportation. If interested in being an ESL volunteer, please contact Jackie at 637.3309.



Your Church's **Bridge of Faith** to the **Community**

Let us know when you are having VBS. Call Jackie at 803.637.3309 or email at

jackie@edgefieldbaptistassoc.org

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

John 11:25-26

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