

January 2016

Edgefield Baptist Association

Organized 1807

Making History with His Story

Pattons Beginning 10 Years of Ministry at Modoc

In January 2006 Robert Patton was asked to supply for a few Sundays at Modoc Baptist Church. This led to his being called as interim pastor and then to full time in June.



Robert and Teresa Patton

This journey began in Paducah, KY where he served as a part time youth pastor, then to a full-time position in Illinois. Then he received a call from Dr. Randall Jones in Conway, SC, which led to his serving at Langston Baptist Church for 11 years and then on to a church in Abbeville—all a result of his obedience to God’s leading as a Minister of Music and Youth.

Then he answered the call to serve as senior pastor at Jordan Memorial in Greenwood and from there he came to Modoc as their pastor.

Robert and his wife, Teresa, were married in 1974 and have one daughter and two grandchildren. Teresa works at Velux in Greenwood and they both enjoy singing. Robert plays the guitar and sings with the McCormick County Community Chorus which performed at Biltmore on December 14.

Dolls on Mission

Jean Wells and Carol Bryan are finishing up 50 salvation dolls to send on a mission trip to Peru in January. You may help

- by joining the group to make the dolls at the association office.
- by donating Poly-Fil.
- by donating plastic linen or quilt bags used to pack the dolls for shipping.
- by praying for the recipients of the dolls.
- by letting us know of upcoming mission trips.



WILD GAME SUPPER

Saturday, February 6 at 6 P.M.

Edgefield Gym

Speaker: Tim Shull

This community outreach event is sponsored by the Men’s Ministry to reach those unchurched who need to hear the Good News.

Invite Others!

Contact our EBA Men’s Ministry Director, Wayne Miller, at 637.3663 to volunteer or for more information.

Mark your 2016 Calendar:

Churches Changing Communities

July 17-22

**Host Church:
Antioch**

Edgefield Baptist Association
 985 Highway 25 North
 Edgefield, SC 29824
 803.637.3309
<http://edgefieldbaptistassoc.org>

Director of Missions
 Rev. Tim Shull

Moderator
 Rev. John Noblin

Vice-Moderator
 Rev. John Alexander

Ministry Assistant
 Mrs. Jackie Ridings

Clerk
 Ms. Faye Usry

Treasurer
 Mrs. Terri Miller

Editor
 Rev. Tim Shull

tim@edgefieldbaptistassoc.org

Designer
 Mrs. Jackie Ridings
jackie@edgefieldbaptistassoc.org

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

Office Closed
January 1-3
January 18

**Meetings at the
 Association Office:**

Dolls on Mission Workshop
 Tuesday, January 5
 Tuesday, January 19
 9:30 A.M.

CCC Leadership
 Tuesday, January 19
 4:00 P.M.

WMU Leadership Team
 Thursday, February 4
 7:00 P.M.

January 19
Deadline for February
Newsletter


Simply The Story

Inductive Bible Study—Oral Style

January 25-29,
 January 27-29, 2016

White Oak Conference Center, SC
 (near Columbia, SC)



Workshop is led by International Training Staff

Want to ...

- ▶ Learn an engaging way to teach and develop Small Groups?
- ▶ Add excitement to family devotions?
- ▶ Witness naturally at work?
- ▶ Enhance your teaching skills?
- ▶ Maximize church planting on mission field?
- ▶ Equip teams for short term mission trips?
- ▶ Find a new way to teach Sunday School?

... Then join us!

Two Workshop Options

January 25-29-Full Workshop: Practitioner & Training Others
January 27-29-Practitioner Workshop

To register or for more information, contact Fan Hopple at 803.227.6172.
 Register online at www.scbaptist.org.

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

During 2015 you provided 629 Ministry Health Kits, 563 Christmas Prisoner Packets, 515 Christmas Child Shoeboxes, 483 Seafarer's Caps, and 190 Dolls on Mission – all of which helped share love with people here and around the world. Thank You!

**Special Days
 January**

Birthdays

08 Brantley Bryan.....Rehoboth
 10 Jon Maish.....Big Stevens Creek
 13 Tom Rogers.....Mount Zion
 15 Bobbi Noe.....Sweetwater
 23 AnnaBelle Nicholson.....EBA Retired
 25 Kathy McDaniel.....Parksville
 27 Nina Benenhaley.....Red Hill
 28 Gabriela Negrete.....Hispanic Baptist
 28 Drew Brogden.....Republican
 31 Teresa Patton.....Modoc

Wedding Anniversaries

07 John & Jennifer Alexander....First Bethany

Pastoral Anniversaries

Lance Thomas (11 years).....Republican

Church Events

Edgefield First: Welcome to Travis Brian, Associate Pastor of Music and Worship and Kelli Wise, Administrative Assistant.

First Bethany: "Souper" Bowl Sunday for Missions on Sunday, February 7 at 7 P.M. at the J.A.M. House next to the church. Canned soup will be collected for a local hunger ministry. Bowls of homemade soup will be sold to raise funds for a college student for a summer mission trip.

Plum Branch: New Year's Eve Fellowship on Dec. 31 from 6:30-9:30 P.M. includes games, snacks, and the movie "War Room."

RESTORE: Pastor & Wife Retreat

March 4-6, 2016

Sonesta Resort, Hilton Head Island

Cost: \$250 per couple

With Dr. Charles Lowery

Register at www.scbaptist.org.

Office Holiday Closings

In keeping with the established guidelines of being closed when the SCBC office is closed our EBA office holiday closings for 2016 are:

Monday, January 18

Monday, May 30

Monday, July 4

Monday, September 5

Wednesday, November 23

**Financial Report
October/November 2015**

Church Contributions		MTD OCT	MTD NOV	YTD		
Antioch		0.00	0.00	2853.00		
Berea		75.00	0.00	865.00		
Big Stevens Creek		300.00	0.00	3000.00		
Ebenezer		0.00	0.00	2000.00		
Edgefield First		0.00	0.00	6290.25		
First Bethany-McCormick		925.00	0.00	3989.00		
Gilgal		0.00	1000.00	4000.00		
Little Stevens Creek		1000.00	0.00	2088.00		
Modoc		664.96	0.00	1665.65		
Mountain Creek		0.00	68.97	880.79		
Mt. Zion		0.00	0.00	450.00		
Parksville		165.38	160.14	2130.99		
Peace Haven		0.00	0.00	952.46		
Plum Branch		0.00	0.00	2777.09		
Providence		0.00	0.00	1725.00		
Red Hill		562.90	0.00	6228.00		
Red Oak Grove		0.00	0.00	4000.00		
Rehoboth		0.00	0.00	3095.00		
Republican		0.00	0.00	11001.52		
Sweetwater		0.00	159.30	2285.82		
Various Donations		0.00	0.00	4161.00		
TOTAL		3693.24	1388.41	66438.57		
Designated Accounts	Beginning Balance	Revenues		Expenses		Ending Balance
		OCT	NOV	OCT	NOV	
Missions						
---AAA	51.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	51.15
---CCC	7042.56	600.00	0.00	28.51	0.00	7614.05
---IMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---NAMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---Hispanic	2301.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2301.56
Disaster Relief	5821.09	3146.00	475.00	2118.12	0.00	7323.97
Men's Ministries	426.01	5807.09	2018.00	3366.57	0.00	4884.53
WMU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EBAMO	2542.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2542.40
TOTAL	18184.77	9553.09	2493.00	5513.20	0.00	24717.66
Balances	MTD OCT	MTD NOV	YTD			
Beginning Balance	55028.79	57146.76				
Receipts	3693.24	1388.41	66438.57			
Expenses	4575.16	4490.55	61513.87			
Sub Total	54146.87	54044.62	4924.70			
Designated Revenues	7413.09	2493.00				
Designated Expenses	4413.20	4581.14				
Ending Balance	57146.76	51956.48				
Investments	OCT	NOV				
Money Market	13329.90	13330.44				
Money Market	10346.33	10346.75				
TOTAL	23676.23	23677.19				
Baptist Foundation	11990.91	11922.97				

What If?

*If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.
2 Corinthians 5:17*

*If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.
1 John 1:7*

What if 2016 is the year that you get closer in your walk with Christ, grow stronger in your faith, and deeper in your relationship with God?

What if 2016 is the year that you read and understand all of your Bible?

What if 2016 is the year that you allow the Holy Spirit to rule your life so that you quit your unhealthy bad habits and begin new and healthy good habits?

What if that overflow of the Spirit gave rise to a renewed desire to give, serve and witness, reinforcing and strengthening your fellowship with each other?

What if you became convinced that wherever God guides He provides?

It could happen to you. It could happen to your church. Pray for it.

*If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.
2 Chronicles 7:14*



Humbly His,
Tim Shull

Looking Ahead

Event	Date	Location
NEXT: Women's Leadership Retreat	Jan 22-23	White Oak
Senior Adult Choir Festival	Feb 22-23	Springmaid Myrtle Beach
One for All: WMU Missions Encounter	Mar 11-12	Ashley River BC Charleston
Disaster Relief Training	Mar 18	White Oak
New England Vision Trip	Apr 2-5	
Unfolding Words: Literacy Missions Conference	Apr 9	Kilbourne Park Columbia
Ministry Assistants Association Annual Meeting	May 19-20	Charleston Southern Univ.

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

Ways to find out what's happening in the EBA:

- Go to <http://edgefieldbaptistassoc.org> for calendar of events and current newsletter
- Like us on Facebook
- Receive Newsletter by either mail or email (keep us updated on address changes)

Edgefield Baptist Association is pleased to be your Mission Partner. We are here to help. May our God bless you and your church in marvelous ways in 2016.

If we confess our sins, our God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I John 1:9

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

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

Return Service Requested

Honoring Marriage Date Night

Presented by First Bethany in conjunction with Focus On The Family

Saturday, February 13 from 6:00 – 9:00 P.M.

Tickets are required in advance. Please contact John Alexander for more information or for tickets at revjohnalexander@gmail.com

“Flood of Hope” Worship Service

A service of Prayer, Praise, and Proclamation with flood families as special guests

Thursday, February 4 at 7:00 P.M.

Special Guest Preacher: Dr. Fred Luter, past president of the SBC. As senior pastor of Franklin Avenue Baptist Church in New Orleans, Dr. Luter experienced Katrina flooding first hand.

Location in Columbia area TBA. Contact the EBA for info.



Men's Ministry Supper/Meeting

**Thursday, January 14
7:00 P.M.**

Rehoboth Baptist Church

A great opportunity to become involved with the work of the Men's Ministry in the Association. Contact Wayne Miller at 637.3663 for more information.



Wanted: Anyone 18 years old or older who is willing to give of their time and energy to help others during times of crisis. Training is required for deployment with any SBC DR team.

One Day Training Events

Saturday, March 19 at White Oak Conference Center
Saturday, April 16 at New Prospect BC in Anderson

Overnight Event

March 18-19 at White Oak Conference Center

Contact: Sue Harmon, Operations Manager
sueharmon@scbaptist.org or 803.227.6149