

September
2016

Edgefield Baptist Association

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Making History with His Story

Executive
Committee

Tuesday,
September 6
7:00 P.M.

Edgefield Reaches Around the World



From hand sewn dolls to hand knitted watchcaps, items made in Edgefield go around the globe enabling others to share the Gospel story with men, women, and children.

Since February 144 dolls wearing a salvation necklace have been given to children in Peru, Nicaragua, and Puerto Rico by mission groups from South Carolina. The colored beads of the necklace are used to tell the children the story of Jesus.

Each knitted, crocheted, or hand sewn fleece cap is placed in a Christmas bag with a gospel tract in several languages. These are distributed, along with Bibles, Bible study material, and other reading material to sailors from over 100 countries. Seafarer Ministry Chaplain, Christopher Dale, meets the ships at the port in Charleston, and talks with the sailors about Jesus.

Photo: Children in Puerto Rico delighted to be given dolls by mission team.

Dolls on Mission

No sewing or craft skills are needed to help with the **Dolls on Mission**. Just come to the EBA office on the first and third Tuesday in September and October to help replenish the supply of dolls. For more information please contact Carol Bryan at 637-1293.

Seafarer's Ministry

Items for the **Seafarers Ministry**, including the watch caps, are needed by October 10-12. Other items that can be used are devotional materials like Open Windows, Reader's Digests, and adult Bible Study materials.

Photo: Alyssa (Big Stevens Creek) age 11, sewing fleece caps



196th

SCBC Annual Meeting

November 15 - 16, 2016

Riverland Hills Baptist Church - Irmo, SC

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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.

Office Closed
Labor Day

Monday, September 5

Meetings at the
Association Office:

Executive Committee
Tuesday, September 6
7:00 P.M.

Dolls on Mission
Tuesday, September 6
Tuesday, September 20
9:30 A.M.

Prayer Team
Monday, September 12
6:30 P.M.

WorldCraft Drop-In
Saturday, September 24
10 A.M. - Noon

September 19
Deadline for October
Newsletter

WMU Fall Networking Night Thursday, September 8 7:00 p.m.

Edgefield First Baptist

WMU leaders will be sharing ideas and light refreshments will be served. Please contact Susan Keck at 637-3906.

WorldCrafts Drop-In Saturday, September 24 10 a.m. - Noon Association Office

Come see samples of items and place your orders Light refreshments provided. Please contact Jenny Banner at 637-3059.

WMU Tent and Comfort Station Saturday, September 24

Heritage Festival On the Square

Volunteers are needed to help. Please contact Mary or Sheryl Scott at 637-6566.

Association-Wide Youth Events

Middle School Lock In September 16 at 11:45 P.M.

Airstrike Extreme Sports in Augusta
Cost is \$20 and includes dinner, breakfast, drinks, and unlimited use of the park from midnight till 7 A.M.

High School/Small Group Lock In October 21 at 11:45 P.M.

Adventure Crossing in Augusta
Cost is \$30 and includes breakfast, drinks, and unlimited use of the park from midnight till 7 A.M.

For more information please contact Randy Jackson, Association Youth Leader, at 910-352-4337.

Association Prayer Team

Kerry Blackston, an active prayer partner and member of Big Stevens Creek, has joined the prayer team to serve Edgefield First, Providence, Ebenezer, and Mt. Zion.

Other members are Jean Wells, Tim Sanders, Robert Loar, and Gladys McNeil, who is a semi-active member.

Carol Bryan, Prayer Team Leader

Special Days September

Birthdays

01 John Alexander.....First Bethany
01 Gloria Shull.....EBA
04 Preston Creech.....Retired
09 Craig McDaniel.....Parksville
21 Eleazer Benenhaley.....Red Hill
28 Randy Jackson.....Antioch

Pastoral Anniversaries

Robert Huffman (5 years)..Mountain Creek
Paul Noe (4 years).....Sweetwater
Tom Rogers (3 years).....Mt. Zion

Church Events

Edgefield First: Homecoming service on September 25 with Dr. Tony Hopkins.

First Bethany: Revival Services October 9-12 at 6 P.M. with Rev. Chuck Sprouse.

Mount Zion: Revival Services with Evangelist Daisy Harris on Sunday October 16 at 11 A.M. and 6 P.M. and October 17 & 18 at 7 P.M. Miss Daisy is known for leading Prayers of Intercession each morning for officers and employees of the North Augusta Department of Public Safety.

Mountain Creek: Homecoming with Tim Shull on September 25 at 11 A.M. and revival services on Sunday at 6 P.M. and Monday-Wednesday at 7 P.M. Guest pianist for revival is Wallace Watkins.

Plum Branch: Revival Services are planned for October 2-5 at 7 P.M.

Rehoboth: You are invited to hear good Southern Gospel Music by The Bunkleys on September 18 at 5 P.M. For additional information please call Lesley Davis at 803-384-0751.

Take a Trip to the Holy Land

Pastor Paul Noe, Sweetwater Baptist Church, and Pastor Tommy Meador, Big Stevens Creek Baptist Church, will be leading a trip to the Holy Land February 20-March 1, 2017.

You are invited to travel with them for this once in a lifetime pilgrimage. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Paul at 803-279-2821 or Pastor Tommy at 803-278-5217.

Financial Report July 2016

Church Contributions		MTD	YTD	
Antioch		0.00		1811.00
Berea		75.00		525.00
Big Stevens Creek		300.00		1800.00
Ebenezer		0.00		2000.00
Edgefield First		0.00		6700.00
First Bethany-McCormick		1082.00		4062.00
Gilgal		0.00		1000.00
Little Stevens Creek		0.00		1145.00
Modoc		0.00		0.00
Mountain Creek		0.00		506.99
Mt. Zion		150.00		450.00
Parksville		0.00		1359.50
Peace Haven		0.00		1286.47
Plum Branch		0.00		2077.07
Providence		0.00		1150.00
Red Hill		1423.71		3900.02
Red Oak Grove		0.00		2580.00
Rehoboth		650.00		1950.00
Republican		0.00		7739.49
Sweetwater		0.00		2470.54
Various Donations		300.00		1608.56
TOTAL		3980.71		46121.64
Designated Accounts	Beginning Balance	Revenues	Expenses	Ending Balance
Missions				
---AAA	51.15	0.00	0.00	51.15
---CCC	14012.69	1445.00	3770.36	11687.33
---IMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---NAMB	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
---Hispanic	3640.29	0.00	0.00	3640.29
Disaster Relief	8182.97	0.00	246.00	7936.97
Men's Ministries	2412.06	0.00	0.00	2412.06
WMU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
EBAMO	2743.40	286.76	300.00	2730.16
TOTAL	31042.56	1731.76	4316.36	28457.96
		MTD		YTD
Beginning Balance		69483.75		
Receipts		3980.71		46121.64
Expenses		4236.64		42142.88
Sub Total		69227.82		3978.76
Designated Revenues		1731.76		
Designated Expenses		4316.36		
Ending Balance		66643.22		
Investments				
Money Market #1		13334.90		
Money Market #2		10350.21		
TOTAL		23685.11		
Baptist Foundation		12312.14		

Thank you for supporting local missions!
Acts 1:8
Here, There And Everywhere!

Christian Humility

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. Philippians 2:3-4

Lon Shull III was a fine attorney who sought to gain justice for his clients. Though his reputation as a lawyer was well earned, it was his music that brought him joy and, from others, much appreciation. For many years, churches and concert halls in Charleston desired to enlist his singing talent and choral conducting skill. Even with serious illness he was persistent to share his music. (I've posted some of his solos on a YouTube channel called, "Lonnie Shull Legacy.")

As my brother lay dying in a hospital bed in Charleston last month, Lynn, his faithful wife of 30 years, was at his side along with our mother, Hazel. We quoted scripture proclaiming the believer's victory through Christ over death and of the blessings of heaven assured for us. My brother Andrew and I have been at many deathbeds and I don't think I've observed an act of Christ-like selflessness like this before. My mother looked up and suggested that we clear the room so Lynn could have some time alone with Lon. Rather than thinking of her place with her firstborn son, she thought more of his wife and his marriage. She had always taught Christ's words, "a man shall leave his father and mother and cleave to his wife," and she valued Lynn's feelings more than her own. Rather than prioritizing her own sorrow (with her husband of 58 years unable to help due to Alzheimer's), she showed us all to share the grief by preferring each other.

Christian humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less.

I watch the way the individuals and churches that are Edgefield Baptist Association "look to the interests of others," demonstrating selfless service, Christ-like concern and genuine friendship. Christ reminds us, "By this shall all men know that you are My disciples; if you love one another." May our churches be exemplars of Christian humility and God's amazing grace.

Humbly His,
Tim Shull

Individuals may make contributions or donations to the Edgefield Baptist Association. Contributions to the General Fund or to a designated ministry should be indicated on your check. Memorial or honor gifts may be made in recognition of individuals. Envelopes are available at the EBA office.

Looking Ahead

Event	Date	Location
The GO Conference http://www.scengage.org/go/	Sep 16-17	Pinecrest BC Charleston
Mission: Possible - 2016 Chaplains & Pastors Conference sandybezzak@scbaptist.org	Sep 26-27	White Oak
Worship and Music 60 th Anniversary Celebration	Nov 14	Spring Valley BC Columbia
Launch Out SCBC Annual Meeting	Nov 15-16	Riverland Hills BC Irmo

"But God gives more grace. Therefore He says: 'God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.'"

James 4:6

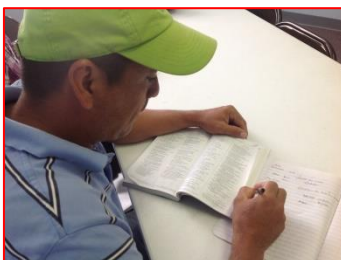
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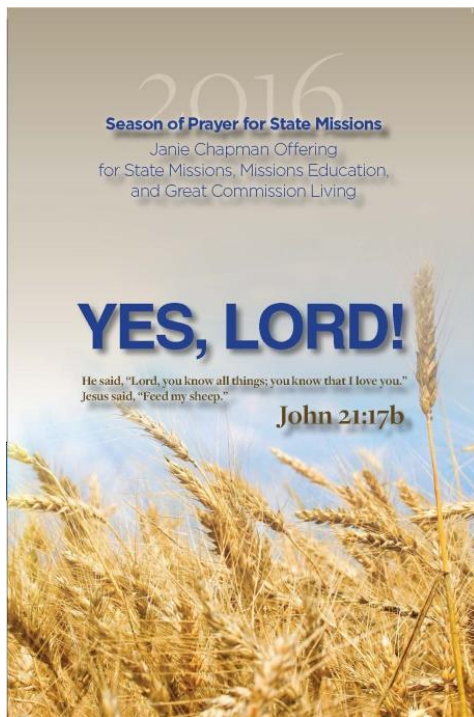
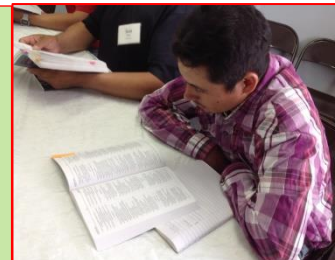
Ways to find out what's happening in the EBA:

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



Advanced ESL Students Use Bible as Textbook

Twelve students were enrolled in the advanced level English as a Second Language class during the summer. Each was given a English/Spanish New Testament and Psalms to be used as their text. Jackie Ridings and Faye Usry taught parts of speech and pronunciation using Bible verses, many chosen by the students.



Associational RA Racer Event
Saturday, September 24 • 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
Republican Baptist Church • Dinner will be served!

Proceeds will go to Peru Mission for Rebekah McIlwain. For more information about RA Racers Rebekah McIlwain or Peru Mission and to register online go to www.republicanbaptist.org/race-for-peru

Association Fall Meeting • October 16 • Red Hill Baptist Church • 3 P.M.

Are you a pastor? Are you the wife of a pastor? Are you a child/parent/brother/sister of a pastor?

Do you have a pastor? Is your church looking for a pastor? Do you know a pastor?

If so, you need to make sure to come to the EBA Fall Meeting Sunday afternoon at Red Hill Baptist Church. Our Director Missions Tim Shull will bring the sermon, "The Man of God" from John 1:6-15.