

Yadkin Baptist Association

# THE MESSENGER

Thankful  
Grateful  
Blessed

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West Yadkin  
Yadkinville FBC  
Zion

Greetings!!!

As we approach the month of November, I want to say a few words about our 234th Annual Meeting that was held on October 24th. We have 18 Churches represented with a total of 75 people present! We had two guest speakers, Clay Leonard from the Baptist Childrens Homes of NC, and Dr. Todd Martin from the Shallowford Foundation. Flat Rock, established in 1783, is known as the "Mother Church" of many of our surrounding Baptist Churches and a Charter Member who helped organize the Yadkin Baptist Association in 1790, hosted our Annual Meeting. And host they did!! When the meeting was over, everyone was invited to their renovated Fellowship Hall for a "mini feast!" Thanks to Pastor and Mrs. Tomlin and the members of Flat Rock for being such gracious hosts.

In November, we are reminded of upcoming Annual events. Our Baptist State Convention is always in November. This year the Convention is November 4th and 5th at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.

Election Day is always the first Tuesday of November every other year. This year is a Presidential election year, which occurs every four years. Because of the sacrifice of our men and women in uniform who fought for our liberty and freedoms that we hold so dear in America, please exercise your right and privilege to vote.

The fourth Thursday in November is recognized as Thanksgiving Day. This is a day set aside to give THANKS to our Heavenly Father for His Many Blessings. As the song says, "Count your many blessings, name them one by one, and it will surprise you what the Lord hath done!"

Our Association has given over \$100,000 directly to Hurricane Helene relief efforts!!!! This is in addition to contributions to the State Missions Offering. Our Churches have also responded with over \$50,000 of in-kind donations for the relief efforts by giving bottled water, can foods, baby food, diapers, and wipes, cleaning supplies, wheel barrows, tools, mops, brooms, shovels, tarps, space heaters, propane gas tanks, charcoal grills, blankets, towels and wash cloths, sweaters, coats, gloves, pants and shirts, shoes and boots, OTC medications and personal hygiene items!!!! Our Association responds above and beyond when the need arises. To date, the YBA has taken 4 fully loaded trailers to the Western part of NC to give out supplies to those in need. On one of our trips, we also grilled 250 hot dogs and gave Activity bags (coloring books, crayons, toys, stuffed animals and candy) to the Children, as well as, giving out Cotton Candy, Snow Cones and popcorn to the folks who came through the drive thru distribution. Currently, we have 2 loaded trailers awaiting word on where the need is the greatest.

Many of our Churches have also responded by going to the devastated areas to help with chains saw work, mud outs, drilling a well, working on the Feeding Unit and providing meals in many local communities.

Our November Ministers Meeting will be Tuesday, November 19th at 11:30 a.m. at the YBA Office. Our December Meeting will be for Minister, Spouse and at home Children on Tuesday, December 3rd at 6:00 p.m. at Forbush Baptist Church. We will have a delicious meal, entertainment (a small Jazz band and lots of audience participation!!!) games with everyone getting a gift and lots of fellowship!!!

Our (new) Associational Administrative Assistant has now been with us one year!! Our Personnel Committee, Finance Committee, Executive Council and made a good decision to recommend Brenda (Chandler) for the position! We wish our former Administrative Assistant, Brenda (Garner) much happiness as she enjoys her retirement after serving our Association for 42 years. Last I heard, she was "just a rocking" in her rocking chair!!!

Counting My Blessings,  
Dennis

# What's Happening??

## ANNUAL YBA WMU PRAYER RETREAT

Our annual YBA WMU prayer retreat will be at Union Grove Baptist Church, 2401 Nebo Rd, Yadkinville on Saturday, November 9th at 10:00 am. Our speakers will be Shonda Smitherman and Sarah Pina. They will be sharing about Compassion Care Center and the impact it has in our community. A light brunch will be provided for us. Please mark this event on your calendar.

## Sherry Anne Concert:



### CONCERT

**Saturday, November 2, 2024 • 6:00 PM**

**Free admission/Love offering invited**

**Maplewood Baptist Church**

**1100 Maplewood Drive • Yadkinville, NC • 336-679-3555**

*Sherry Anne has appeared at The Ark, Gaither Family Fest, Gaither Homecoming Hershey...  
She is an award-winning singer-songwriter, speaker, and author.*



[www.sherryanne.com](http://www.sherryanne.com)



# ANNUAL MEETING 2024 ON MISSION TOGETHER

Messengers and guests can now register for the 2024 N.C. Baptist annual meeting, which will take place on Nov. 4-5 in Greensboro. Read the story below to learn more.

Online registration for the 2024 N.C. Baptist annual meeting is now open.

Messengers and guests may visit [ncannualmeeting.org](https://ncannualmeeting.org) to register for the meeting, which is scheduled for Nov. 4-5 at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.

**Because this year's meeting coincides with the U.S. elections on Nov. 5, the annual meeting features a condensed schedule on Tuesday, with sessions ending at 4 p.m. Messengers and attendees have also been encouraged to vote early.**

To register for this year's annual meeting, messengers should use a unique, personal email address, and they will need their church's ID and PIN numbers. Guests will also have the opportunity to register by selecting the "visitor" option on the registration page.

A letter containing registration instructions, along with ID and PIN numbers, has been mailed to N.C. Baptist churches. Churches that have an email address on file with the state convention were also sent an email with instructions and their ID and PIN numbers on Sept. 16.

Any churches who did not receive a unique church PIN or ID — which is not the same as a church's SBC ID — are encouraged to contact the state convention at (800) 395-5102 or (919) 459-5555.

Registrants will receive a ticket for the annual meeting via email after completing their registration. If registrants do not receive their ticket within an hour, they are encouraged to check their email spam folder.

An additional email with the ticket will be sent just prior to the annual meeting. Attendees must present their ticket when they arrive and check in at the annual meeting in November.

The theme of this year's annual meeting is "On Mission Together" and is based on Matthew 20:26-28, which says, "whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Messengers and guests will have several opportunities to reflect on being on mission together— especially during the meeting's breakout sessions, times of worship and during the N.C. Baptist and IMB Sending Celebration taking place on Monday night.

More details about the annual meeting are available online at [ncannualmeeting.org](https://ncannualmeeting.org). The website will be updated with additional information as the meeting draws closer. For more information regarding special ministry events taking place during the annual meeting, visit [this webpage here](#).

The annual meeting will be preceded by the N.C. Baptist Pastors' Conference on Nov. 3-4 at the Koury Convention Center. More information and registration details for the pastors' conference are available at [ncpastorsconference.org](https://ncpastorsconference.org).

# YBA ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- 1) **Pray for Churches Without Pastors:** BREAD OF LIFE, DEEP CREEK, and FORBUSH .
- 2) **Rock Spring Baptist Church** is happy to welcome Randy Goodin and his wife Tammy as their new full time pastor. We are blessed to have him and his family at our church.
- 3) **Mountain View Baptist Church** is looking for an Associate Pastor of Students. Job description is posted on our website.
- 4) **Annual Church Profile:** The Annual Church Profile is due no later than January 31, 2025. Some of our churches do not have internet access to complete the ACP online., the YBA office can help. Bring your completed 2024 ACP form to our office and we will enter the data into the NC Baptist State website.
- 5) **Operation Christmas Child: November 18-25 is National Drop Off Week for Operation Christmas Child!!**  
The Northwest Piedmont North Area Team of Operation Christmas Child / Samaritan's Purse would like to announce that this year Yadkin County and the surrounding area has two local Drop Off locations. West Yadkin Baptist Church and Forbush Baptist Church. See the Yadkin Baptist Website Calendar for more details ([yadkinbaptistassociation.org](http://yadkinbaptistassociation.org))



## Birthdays

\* Teresa Tomlin Nov 3rd  
Chris Alford Nov 7th  
Kay Trivette Nov 18th  
Tina Gooden Nov 19th

## Church Anniversary

\* Michael Eaton

## Wedding Anniversary

Larry & Kay Trivette Nov 18th

We welcome the churches to send in the happenings in your churches to the Monthly Newsletter. If your church has an upcoming event or other news to share with our church community, please email the information to [yadkinbaptist@yadtel.net](mailto:yadkinbaptist@yadtel.net) to be included in the upcoming newsletter. We can also post the information on the Yadkin Baptist Association website ([yadkinbaptistassociation.org](http://yadkinbaptistassociation.org)).



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# "Surviving the Holidays"

for those who have lost their loved one

BOONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

November 3 and December 1

2-4 PM (No Cost)

For more information contact

Rev. Mark Elmore

336-469-2958

[mark.elmore@bbc27011.org](mailto:mark.elmore@bbc27011.org)



# FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YADKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES

### SEPTEMBER and Year to Date Ending December 31, 2024

|  | <u>September</u>   | <u>YTD</u>  |                      | <u>September</u>  | <u>YTD</u>         |
|--|--|-------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| ARLINGTON  | \$255.98   | \$2,964.99  | JONESVILLE           |                   | \$100.00           |
| BEAR CREEK   |  | \$3,600.00  | MAPLEWOOD            | \$350.00          | \$3,150.00         |
| BETHEL   | \$200.00   | \$1,800.00  | MOUNTAIN VIEW        | \$166.67          | \$1,499.99         |
| BOONVILLE  |  | \$625.00    | RICHMOND HILL        | \$852.56          | \$8,891.46         |
| BREAD OF LIFE                                      |  | \$100.00    | ROCK SPRING          |                   | \$1,825.00         |
| CHARITY  | \$429.00   | \$4,356.00  | SANDY SPRINGS        |                   | \$2,045.00         |
| COURTNEY   | \$1,500.00   | \$6,000.00  | SHADY GROVE          |                   | \$4,050.00         |
| DEEP CREEK   | \$1,100.00   | \$3,000.00  | SOUTH OAK RIDGE      |                   | \$5,400.00         |
| EAST BEND  | \$67.00  | \$603.00    | SWAIMS               |                   | \$900.00           |
| ENON   |  | \$12,000.00 | TRIPLE CROSS         |                   | \$300.00           |
| FLAT ROCK  | \$175.00   | \$1,575.00  | UNION GROVE          | \$2,500.00        | \$7,500.00         |
| FORBUSH  | \$159.72   | \$1,624.27  | WEST YADKIN          |                   | \$2,000.00         |
| FRIENDSHIP   | \$125.00   | \$1,125.00  | FBC YADKINVILLE      | \$300.00          | \$2,100.00         |
| HSPNC CHURCH                                       |  | \$1,251.73  | ZION                 | \$125.00          | \$1,250.00         |
| HUNTSVILLE   |  | \$1,575.00  | <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>\$8,305.93</b> | <b>\$83,211.44</b> |
|  |  |             | Other Revenue        | \$361.56          | \$4,914.43         |
| 2024 Budget (Church Contributions) - \$109,584     |  |             | <b>Total Revenue</b> | <b>\$8,667.49</b> | <b>\$88,125.87</b> |
| Projected Contributions needed per month - \$9,132 |  |             |                      |                   |                    |
| Other Revenue:                                     | Sandy Springs Baptist Church –<br>Background Check.                                    |             |                      | 11.56             |                    |
|  | Special donation towards new<br>refrigerator at YBA office.                            |             |                      | 250.00            |                    |
|  | Special Donation from a member of<br>Bread of Life Church to Baptist<br>State Missions |             |                      | 100.00            |                    |
|  |  |             | <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>\$361.56</b>   |                    |



**SAMARITAN'S PURSE JOB OPPORTUNITIES:** Samaritan's Purse currently has a variety of job openings at their Samaritan Inn. Please see our website: [yadkinbaptistassociation.org](http://yadkinbaptistassociation.org) under job openings tab for details on the opportunities available.

**ROCKY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH:** The Pastor Search Committee of Rocky Hill Baptist Church is accepting resumes for the position of Senior Pastor. Rocky Hill Baptist Church is a rural diverse congregation made up of individuals of all ages, backgrounds and walks of life, a rich tapestry of faith and community.

Resumes and references are being received by the Pastor Search Committee at:  
Rocky Hill Baptist Church  
823 Mountain View Rd  
Statesville, NC 28625

Resumes can also be emailed to [rockyhillbc@yadtel.net](mailto:rockyhillbc@yadtel.net)

**Mountain View (MVBC)** is a Southern Baptist Convention affiliated church located in rural Hamptonville, North Carolina. MVBC's average worship attendance is 250 - 300 and includes a great diversity of ages. We are a fellowship of Christian believers committed to the Lordship of Jesus Christ and to one another under the leadership of the Holy Spirit to follow the two greatest Commandments as defined by Jesus in Mark 12:29-31. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only hope for salvation, forgiveness of sin, abundant and eternal life. We affirm that the Holy Bible is the inspired Word of God and is the authority for our beliefs. Additionally, the church subscribes to the Baptist Faith and Message 2000. We are missionally active, both locally and abroad and have strong children and adult ministries. MVBC is a serving and worshiping family of believers who love God, each other and our community.

As MVBC searches for our new Associate Pastor of Students, please find the following biblical qualifications and responsibilities we are seeking:

**Job Description:** Full-time Associate Pastor of Students. We are seeking someone with a strong faith in and love for Christ, as well as a desire to disciple our students (7th grade - college) toward spiritual growth and maturity. He will need to be enthusiastic, organized, and able to communicate well with staff, students, parents, and volunteers. Our student program includes, but is not limited to, Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings, and Wednesday evenings. Bible studies, fellowships, outreach events, personal outreach, camps, retreats, and mission trips will be component parts of our youth ministry.

**Job Qualifications:** The Associate Pastor of Students will be the lead staff person in coordinating, furthering, equipping, and encouraging middle-school and high-school students (grades 7-12) and their parents in a comprehensive ministry. The goal of this endeavor will be to see students and families come to know Jesus and develop in their knowledge of and faith in Christ.

The Associate Pastor of Students must have a sense of call and a passion for ministry with students and their families that is grounded in an understanding and appreciation of God's Word. This person should have appropriate experience in student ministry and possess good communication skills with both students and adults. Commitment comes from an understanding of God's love for us and God's desire for us to make the Good News of Jesus Christ come alive in tangible ways for each family.

A willingness to grow in faith in this position as the overall ministry strategy of our church develops is a requirement.

**If interested please send a copy of your resume to [mvbc@yadtel.net](mailto:mvbc@yadtel.net)**