



THE MESSENGER

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YADKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Bread of Life
Charity
Courtney
Deep Creek
East Bend
Enon
Flat Rock
Forbush
Friendship
Huntsville
Jonesville FBC
Maplewood
Mountain View
Richmond Hill
Rock Spring
Sandy Springs
Shady Grove
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Yadkinville FBC
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FALL Greetings!!!

The cooler temperatures, leaves changing their colors (and falling), Fall Carnivals, the Carolina Classic Fair, Chicken Stews, Hot Dogs and Marshmallows toasted over an open campfire, hay rides and pumpkin carving.....ALL these mean that it is definitely FALL!!!

October also means that many of our YBA Churches will celebrate Homecoming! We celebrate with all of our Churches and their special services. It is our prayer that God will continue to work within our Churches until the Lord returns.

The YBA is celebrating our 236th year! Many changes have occurred over the years, but our Mission to share the Gospel with a dark and troubled world has not changed. Our upcoming Annual meeting will be held on Thursday, October 22nd at 6:00 pm at Mountain View Baptist Church in Hamptonville. Each Church can have 5 Messengers.

The Finance Committee will be presenting the Proposed 2027 Budget and the Nominating Committee will be presenting the 2027 YBA Officers, Directors and Committee Members. Our Guest speaker will be Caleb Waller, one of our Region 7 Catalyst with the Baptist State Convention. Refreshments will be served after the service.

October is Minister Appreciation Month. I know that our Churches will honor their Ministers for the excellent work they are doing in service to the Lord.

Our Ministers Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 13th, 11:30am at the YBA office.

My reverse Shoulder replacement Surgery is scheduled for Thursday, October 15th. Your continued prayers for a successful surgery, recovery and Physical Therapy will be greatly appreciated.

Please pray for Friendship and Sandy Springs as they search for a Pastor.

Please contact the Office if Brenda or I can be of any help to you or your Church.

Thanks for your partnership,

Dennis

YBA ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR YADKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Effectively immediately, we are updating our systems to add a more secure email system. Our new email addresses are as follows:

Dennis Shaw, DOM: domyadkin@gmail.com

Brenda Chandler, Admin: yadkinbaptistadmin@gmail.com

Please update your records accordingly. Thank you!

**** REMINDER**** – Yadkin Baptist Association has a **NEW STREET MAILING ADDRESS** and no longer uses the PO Box address. Our new address is 720 North State Street, Yadkinville, NC 27055. Please update your records accordingly. Thank you!

Pray for these Churches Without a Pastor: Friendship Baptist Church and Sandy Springs

Aspire Reminder: Just a friendly reminder that we will have our next Aspire class next week, Tuesday, October 6th at 10am at the YBA office.

Churches Care Closets

Arlington First Baptist Church's The Joy Closet will be open on Wednesday's from 5-7:00pm.

Charity Baptist Church's Care Closet: The closet is open on the third Saturday of each month from 9am-12pm.

Enon Baptist Church's Outfitters Clothes Closet is open on the first Saturday of each month from 9am to 12pm. It includes Baby Blessings clothing too.

The Well Resource Center: Whether you need a little help or want to lend a hand, The Well Resource Center is a new community resource located in East Bend, NC. See their flier on page 7 or the YBA website.

Church Events

Arlington First Baptist Church: We have the following events coming up in October:

- Senior Lunch, Thursday, October 8th, 12pm
- Pastor Appreciation Lunch, Sunday, October 11th (Potluck)
- Lifeline Banquet, Thursday, October 15th
- AFBC Kids go to The Farm at Dobson, Saturday, October 17th
- Senior Trip to Old Salem, Thursday, October 22nd
- Missions Night, October 28th 7-8pm
- Trunk or Treat, October 31st, 6pm

Bethel Baptist Church: We will have the following events in October:

- A group from Bethel and other churches will travel to the Good Shepherd Children's Home in Guatemala on October 3-10, 2026. They are collecting items for infant care and the medical clinic which include prenatal vitamins, vitamin E, baby aspirin, Omega 3, Colace, Nasacort, cloth diapers, infant formula, infant vitamins, and sleep sacks.
- Homecoming will be celebrated on Sunday, October 18, 2026, at 12:15 pm with a covered dish lunch.
- Fall revival services will be held on: Sunday, October 18th, 6:00 pm Dana Blankley, speaker; Monday, October 19th, 7:00 pm Dana Blankley, speaker; Tuesday, October 20th 7:00 pm; Jake Robertson, speaker Wednesday, October 21st, 7:00 pm Jake Robertson, speaker

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Bethel Baptist Church: con't

- The youth will attend the fall retreat at Ridgecrest on Friday, October 23-Sunday, October 25th
- The Fall Festival and Truck-or-Treat will be held on Sunday, October 25. The activities will begin at 4:00 pm and the meal will be served at 5:00 pm.

Charity Baptist Church: We have the following events coming up in October:

- We welcome Parents and Couples on Wednesday nights to join our new group, "Anchored Families" at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall after whole group worship.
- Fall Revival/Homecoming on Saturday, October 10th-11th, 7pm nightly and 10am on Sunday morning. Our guest speaker is Jon Bowman, Pastor of Peace Haven Baptist Church. Special music nightly.
- Fall Lattes, Sunday, October 4th at 8:30am before Sunday School in Fellowship Hall.
- Outdoor showing of "DAVID" ON Movie Night on Friday, October 23rd at 7:30pm. We are having movie style snacks & S'mores.
- A Children's trip to the Farm on Sunday, October 25th after worship services.
- Join us at "Boo Bash" in Boonville on Saturday October 31st from 4 to 6pm

Courtney Baptist Church: We will have the following events in October:

- Homecoming, Sunday, October 4th at 10am
- Renewal, Sunday, October 4th through Wednesday, October 7th at
- Fall Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 24th from 5 – 8pm. The Theme is "Fall for Jesus, He never Leaves". Come join the fun and fellowship. There will be Hamburgers & Hot Dogs served at 6pm. We will have Bounce houses, hayrides, pumpkin decorating and a cake walk. There is no cost for this event.

Deep Creek Baptist Church: We will have the following events in October:

- Elders Meeting on Monday, October 5th at 6:30pm
- Glory Girls Meeting on Tuesday, October 6th at 7:00pm
- The JOY Group meets on Thursday, October 22nd

Enon Baptist Church: We will have the following events in October:

- Enon Outfitters is accepting fall/winter clothing donations for October Coat Giveaway on Saturday, October 3rd from 9am to 12pm.
- Old Fashion Day Service outside at 11am on October 4th followed by food, games and music.
- Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 25th after service. There will be a Silent Auction and chicken stew will be served. Donations for candy, and items for the Silent Auction will also be collected.

Flat Rock Baptist Church: We will have the following event in October:

- The Promised Land, Discovering Jesus in the Story of Genesis, on Sunday, October 11th at 11am, This is a worship experience with Generation Excellence.

Forbush Baptist Church: We will have the following events in October:

- Sunday October 4th FBC Homecoming & 150th Anniversary starting at 10am. Several former pastors will be speaking in this service. A catered lunch to follow in the fellowship hall.
- Sunday October 4th through Wednesday, October 7th FBC Fall Revival starting at 7pm each night. A Pot Luck Dinner will be served Wednesday night at 6pm.

Maplewood Baptist Church: We will have the following events in October:

- Saturday, October 17th starting at 9am to 3pm (doors open at 8am) the Women's Conference, "Angels Among Us". Guest speakers and music will be provided. Tickets are limited so call (336-679-3555) to get yours today.
- Pumpkin Patch – October 5-31 various hours
- Trunk or Treat – October 31st from 4-6pm

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Mountain View Baptist Church: We have the following events scheduled for October:

- Guatemala Mission Trip, Saturday October 3rd to Saturday October 10th
- Baptist Senior Women Meeting on Tuesday, October 6th from 11am to 12pm
- Yadkin Baptist Association Annual Meeting on Thursday, October 22nd from 6 to 8pm.

Rock Spring Baptist Church: We will have the following event for October:

- Pastor Appreciation Day will be Sunday, October 18th. We will have a guest speaker and will have a fellowship meal following the service. A box will be available at the church entrance for cards or small gifts for Pastor Randy & Tammy.
- Trunk or Treat, Saturday, October 31st from 5-7pm for fun, fellowship, music, Chicken Stew, and photo opportunity.

WMU NEWS

The **WMU Annual Fall Prayer Retreat** will be held at Charity Baptist Church in Boonville, NC on Saturday, November 14th, 2026 at 10:00am. Our guest speaker will be Makellyn Mathis. After spending two years teaching English in towns and villages across Hungary, Makellyn is thrilled to be back home in Sylva, NC. She is honored to share God's goodness at this year's prayer retreat where her journey echoes the "Meant for the Mission" theme and John 15:16 reflecting on what it means to be chosen and appointed to bear lasting fruit. A light brunch will be provided. Our Associational WMU Missions coordinator, Melissa Atkins, will be reaching out to our Associational churches to get a number in attendance. We look forward to this time of fellowship, worship, and prayer with our sisters from our association churches.

Red Box Ministry: Again this fall, our association will be collecting for the Red Box Ministry. This prison ministry of NC WMU provides inmates with Red Boxes filled with toiletries, goodies, and a gospel tract. We are asking each church to collect their offerings and send them to Mechelle Crissman by October 19, 2026. If you write a check, make it payable to Yadkin Baptist WMU and on the memo line note "Red Box". You can drop it by to Mechelle at the Boonville Flower & Gift Shop or mail it to her at PO Box 207, Boonville, NC 27011. As an association, let's give generously to this worthy ministry and remember that each box is a gospel opportunity.



Stephanie McEwen Oct 23rd

**Will Hamric
Zachary Taylor**

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YADKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES
August and Year to Date Ending December 31, 2026

	<u>AUG</u>	<u>YTD</u>		<u>AUG</u>	<u>YTD</u>
ARLINGTON	\$204.79	\$1,580.01	JONESVILLE		\$200.00
BEAR CREEK		\$3,600.00	MAPLEWOOD	\$700.00	\$3,150.00
BETHEL	\$800.00	\$1,600.00	MOUNTAIN VIEW	\$200.00	\$1,600.00
BOONVILLE		\$6,875.00	RICHMOND HILL	\$1,000.00	\$9,125.04
BREAD OF LIFE		\$745.00	ROCK SPRING	\$300.00	\$2,988.00
CHARITY	\$651.00	\$3,557.00	SANDY SPRINGS		\$1,800.00
COURTNEY		\$3,000.00	SHADY GROVE		\$2,700.00
DEEP CREEK		\$2,400.00	SOUTH OAK RIDGE		\$5,400.00
EAST BEND		\$469.00	SWAIMS		\$900.00
ENON	\$3,000.00	\$9,000.00	TRIPLE CROSS		\$0.00
FLAT ROCK	\$175.00	\$1,400.00	UNION GROVE		\$5,000.00
FORBUSH	\$113.11	\$1,579.94	WEST YADKIN		\$0.00
FRIENDSHIP	\$125.00	\$1,000.00	FBC YADKINVILLE	\$100.00	\$800.00
HSPNC CHURCH		\$1,740.99	ZION	\$100.00	\$950.00
HUNTSVILLE		\$1,575.00	TOTAL	\$7,468.90	\$74,734.98
			Other Revenue	\$9,196.40	\$13,811.45
2026 Budget (Church Contributions) - \$109,584			Total Revenue	\$16,665.30	\$88,546.43
Projected Contributions needed per month - \$9,132					



Maplewood Baptist Church, Yadkinville, NC

Children's Ministry Pastor/Director

Job Type: Part Time – 20 Hours/week

Reports to: Senior Pastor

Children's Ministry Vision:

To see all children come to know Christ and to grow in their relationship with God and with their church enabling them to develop a biblical worldview.

Job Description:

Oversee all children's ministry and education areas from birth through sixth grade. The Children's Pastor/Director will partner with the senior pastor in his/her vision for developing children as disciples of Christ

For complete job description, please go to the YBA website, click on Job Openings Tab. The website is: <https://yadkinbaptistassociation.org/job-openings/>

Part time Pianist

We have a part-time pianist position open in our church. If interested please email MBCworship@gmail.com or call (336)679-3555 for more information.

Deep Creek Baptist Church is looking for a Part-time Church Secretary. The work schedule is two days each week from 9am to 2pm. Duties include: production and distribution of the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter; record and distribute the phone tree messages; forwarding phoned-in benevolence requests to Deacons; taking applications for Fellowship hall rental; and keeping the calendar of church activities (usually from a quarterly planning meeting with the committee chairmen).

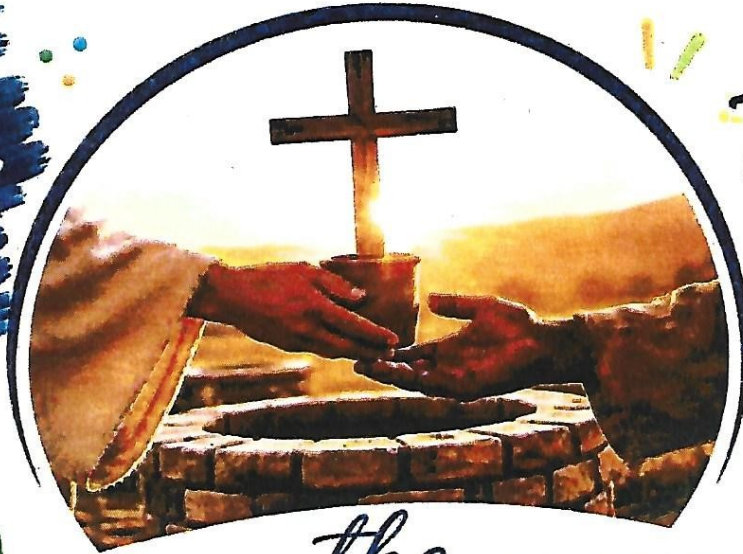
NOTE:

Job posting information can be emailed to the YBA office at yadkinbaptistadmin@gmail.com to be included in our Monthly newsletter. Additional job postings can be found on our website at yadkinbaptistassociation.org.

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Everyone
Welcome
Here!



Together
we can
make a
difference!



Hope.
Help.
Healing.



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essentials



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SUPPORT**

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& prayer



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you to help



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you matter

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You are
Loved!

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WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
SATURDAYS
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM



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East Bend, NC



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We would love to introduce you to Generation Excellent, an evangelistic choral and drama ministry passionately proclaiming the name of Jesus Christ and the life-changing truth of His Gospel.

For the past 12 years, our mission has been simple: to bring the Bible to life through powerful drama, heartfelt music, and Spirit-led presentations that connect with people in a deeply personal way. Our prayer is that God will use this ministry to encourage believers and inspire others to share the Gospel wherever they are.

Throughout the year, we travel to churches and special events, presenting high-quality, non-seasonal programs from January through early November. During the Christmas season, we also offer a moving Christmas production centered on the birth and hope of Christ through drama and choral music.

While our ministry is based in Ashe County, God has opened doors for us to minister in Boone, Wilkes, Yadkin, and, most recently, Goldsboro, NC. We continue praying that He will expand these opportunities and allow us to reach even more communities with the redeeming message of Jesus.

There is absolutely no cost to the churches or venues where we minister. Through God's faithful provision, donations, and love offerings, our needs have always been met. We also provide our own sound equipment, lighting, and technician, making hosting simple for your church or event.

For more information regarding the group, our current program and how to book an event see our website at

www.generationexcellent.org.

Thank you for taking the time to learn about Generation Excellent and we would be so grateful if you would consider sharing this information and video with pastors, churches, ministry leaders, or others who may be interested in hosting our ministry.

Blessings,

Pam Miller

Director of Generation Excellent

Contact Pam at email address millerpam0217@gmail.com to schedule a Generation Excellent event at your church today!!

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Flat Rock Baptist Church
Sunday, October 11, 11:00 AM



Find more information at
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Angels Among Us

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



THEME VERSE: PSALM 62:5-7

October 17, 2026
9AM-3PM

Register Today

Scan the QR code to register



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



Joye Furches
Conference Speaker



Chad & Meredith Tucker



The Salmons Sisters
Conference Singers

Worship Led by the MBC Praise Band

Host Church: Maplewood Baptist Church, Yadkinville, NC

I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will never
walk in darkness, but will have
the light of life. JOHN 8:12

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Saturday, October 24th

5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

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