
2023

September

Chowan Baptist Association



***Associational Training Day
September 30th
Sawyer's Creek Baptist
9 am-1 pm***

***CBA Annual Meeting
Tuesday, October 17th
Berea Baptist Church
Registration 2 PM***

See You In September!

I always enter September with mixed emotions. I love summer, even as hot as this year has been. I love the early and late daylight. I love wearing shorts (not while preaching of course). I love seeing an occasional bear run through a field in my travels. I love the beach, though I haven't been on it in several years but still enjoy seeing it when I attend meetings that way.

I love summer camp with a thousand teenagers, yes, even at my age.

So, leaving that for September is a challenge. However, I look forward to football, and cooler nights and my yearly visit from my siblings, On Labor Day weekend. My wife and I both celebrate our birthdays in September along with, our, soon to be one year old grandson.

But there are other reasons to be excited about September this year. In addition to those things listed above, Fellowship Baptist Church is sponsoring our first ever Men's Conference on the 16th. It is a one day conference with three great preachers, Dr. Michael Cloer, Dr. Zeb Cook and Dr. Eric Thomas. We will be lead in worship by Isaac Pittman who has lead thousands of teens at Centrifuge camps and hundreds of men in Men's Conferences. We wanted this to be a gift to the Chowan Baptist Association as well, and hope to have 200 men worshipping together. John Gordy will be there representing the state Baptist convention with gifts for all attending. We are happy to have the convention partnering with us for this event.

Then there is our annual Fund Raiser for Camp Cale which promises to be an exciting night, on September 23rd. It is beyond exciting what is happening at Cale and beautiful plans are in the works for our next phase. Please plan to come out and be a part of that event.

Then the month ends on the 30th with our annual Training Day, which will be hosted this year by Sawyer's Creek Baptist Church in Camden. Pastor Kevin and the folks at SCBC are excited about having a great crowd for a full slate of training opportunities. This is always a wonderful event for our association. I highly encourage you to plan now to check out the training opportunities and come be a part of this event.

Soon after we recuperate from a busy September, we will be ready for our Annual Associational meeting on Tuesday October 17th. This year we will be hosted by Berea Baptist Church in Elizabeth City. The day will begin at 2:30 with a supper provided and an evening session that will feature Dr. Jamie Work of the International Mission Board. Berea is always a great host and we look forward to lots of good things during our annual meeting.

Whew, I think I'm already looking forward to next summer so we can rest a little. Seriously, There are many things to participate in and to celebrate in the coming days in the Chowan Baptist Association and we hope you will all make it a part of your schedule.

So, I'll see you in September! God Bless!

James A. Harrington, Associational Mission Strategist

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	Nancy Scaff, Woodville 339-4328	

General Fund Budgeted Amount: \$140,000

CBA Amount Given in July: \$14,746.84

General Fund Given to-Date \$73,825.89(52.73% given toward budget requirement of 58.31%)

Camp Cale Budgeted Amount: \$67,000

Camp Cale Given in July: \$4,694.36

Camp Cale Given To-Date \$36,117.72(53.91% given towards budget requirement of 58.31%)

(These figures are through the end of July)

September 30: Associational Training at Sawyer Creek Baptist Church from 9 to 1. There will be one session of WMU Training. There are many other topics to choose from to attend also.

Our Red Box item is soap for women prisoners. It has to be at least 4 oz. and no more than 5 oz. in the package it comes in. I need this by October 31 and you can bring it to the training, take it to the Associational Office or I can meet you and pick it up. If you take it to the office call and make sure Annie is there that day.

November 4: Sparkle for Jesus at Edenton Baptist Church. Light breakfast will be served beginning at 9:30. Our speaker is Caroline Jones. Please be in prayer for her as she is having some medical issues and pray she will be able to come.

Thank you for all you do for our Lord.

Blessings,
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Chowan Baptist Association Associational Training Day

September 30th

9-1pm at Sawyer's Creek Church

Participants can choose up to four learning sessions from the following:

Lifestyle Evangelism - Marty DuPree

Gospel Conversations - Marty DuPree

Being the Best Deacon I Can Be - Ed Rose

Exploring the Elder Leadership Model - Ed Rose

Church Revitalization - James Harrington

Teen Ministry: How to Develop Leaders - Dr. Matt Thomas

Ministering to Children with Special Needs - Julie Brothers, Susan Buzzard, Tammy Cooper, Beth Norvell, and Magen O'Neal

How Kids Learn: The 5 Senses - Rebecca Lindhout

How to Engage Children in Worship Music - Lynn Hodges

Focus on WMU - Nancy Staff & Team

More sessions to be announced...



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My husband and I recently welcomed our 2nd child the end of July and I will be working more from home for a short while. Please call or email the CBA office or my cell to make an appointment if you need to come by the CBA office.

Contact Information:

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-Annie Weir, CBA Administrative Assistant



**REFRESH
RESTORE**
Men's Conference
Fellowship Baptist Church
Moyock, NC

**Date: Saturday,
September 16th
Time: 9am - 3pm**

**Cost: \$20
(ages 16 & up)**
Lunch will be provided.

Free T-Shirt to first 100 paid registrations.

Speakers:


Dr. Michael Cloer


Dr. Zeb Cook


Dr. Eric Thomas

**Music
Led By:**


Isaac Pittman

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B.L.E.S.S. EVANGELISM

This particular model for evangelism is used by Dave & Jon Ferguson of Community Christian Church in Illinois (near Chicago). They point to actual usage in Thailand. We could say it was *field tested*. Two groups were doing evangelism. One group sought to “convert” the locals. The other sought to “bless” them. Over a two year period, the “blessers” saw 100 people come to faith, while the “converters” saw only 2 people come to faith. So, how does “bless” work?

It uses the acrostic, BLESS, and it goes like this:

B – Begin with prayer. Spend seasons of prayer before the first words are uttered, or the first action taken.

L – Listen. 62% of non-Christians and lapsed Christians would talk about faith with people who did not pass judgment.

E – Eat. Find ways to build relationships around meals. It’s the fellowship model found in Acts 2. If not full meals, it could be having coffee or tea or whatever is culturally relevant.

S – Serve. Serve others. This can happen in thousands of ways.

S – Story. Tell your story and The Story. When people were ready to listen to Jesus, He told them stories.

If you want to purchase the book behind the model, here it is.

B.L.E.S.S.: Five Everyday Ways to Love Your Neighbor and Change the World, by Dave & Jon Ferguson. Or connect through www.bless-book.org