2025

January

Chowan Baptist Association



Executive Committee Meeting January 21, 2025 Meeting begins at 7 PM Place TBA

"WELCOME 2025!"

Another year is in the books, as they say. For everyone, of course, but specifically for Chowan Baptist Association. A great deal has happened in and around our association that I would like to review.

Camp Cale had a good year this year, in fact they enjoyed the largest amount raised in a single year in 2024. It was a great year of raising funds, specifically for the new dining hall that we all hope will be a reality in the not so, distant future.

There have been many activities on Cale's Campus including fund raisers, the expected camp season, training opportunities, events to encourage others, such as a Friends of Cale luncheon and Senior citizen events and so forth. We can look back at the history of Cale and rejoice in where we are today. Of course we are all appreciative of Matt and his staff for moving this ship forward.

Our churches have seen changes both in good and challenging ways this year. I have had many conversations with many individuals, committees and pastors and seen a variation of results.

Our number of churches without pastors is back down a bit as we start the new year. We have seven churches without pastors at the moment and at least three of those have good interims leading them for the time being.

We also have seven new pastors, in the sense that they are new to their current church, to start our year with.

In August we saw almost have of our churches participating in Serve NC. These churches were creative in reaching their communities by serving them. There were yards cleaned, houses painted, hot dogs served, ramps built, food distributed and on and on. What a blessings to see our churches getting outside of the halls of their comfort and touching the lives of their neighbors.

Then in a bigger way, did our churches come to life after that horrible hurricane. I have no clue how many Baptists from CBA took time and traveled to Western North Carolina to assist in any way they possibly could. And those who could not go, sent thousands of pounds of supplies and thousands of dollars to help rebuild what so many people lost during that storm. Great Job Chowan Baptist Association but don't stop now as the need will be there for many years to come.

We have had the pleasure of helping several men in the process of ordination to help them serve the churches they are in and we have more waiting. We also approved two new churches for watch care in 2024 and we have one more already receiving recommendation from the Leadership Team and hopefully at least one more before the Executive Committee meets in January.

There is so much going on in the Chowan Baptist Association and so much more ahead. I'm looking forward to continuing to serve you as your Associational Mission strategist in this new year and welcome your comments and suggestions.

Please mark your calendars for our first Executive Committee meeting of the year on Tuesday, January 21st. The location will be announced very soon.

> God Bless each of you. James Harrington

Leadership Council Members

AMS	Leadership Group	Section 1 Leader (Dare &
James Harrington, Fellowship	Greg Carr, Corinth	Currituck): Charles Rikard
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Moderator		Section 2 Leader (Pasquotank
Ethan Drum, Coinjock		Camden):
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	Becky McLawhorn, Eure	& Chowan):
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Jason Wise, Berea		Cody Brinkley, Reynoldson
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Wayne Proctor, Eure 312-9910		& Washington): Charlie Rice, Soundside 394-6404

General Fund Budgeted Amount: \$140,000

CBA Amount Given in November: \$8,126.56

General Fund Given to-Date \$127,741.08(91.24% given toward budget requirement of 91.63%)

Camp Cale Budgeted Amount: \$67,000

Camp Cale Given in November: \$3,413.33

Camp Cale Given To-Date \$69,237.25(103.34% given towards budget requirement of 91.63%)

(These figures are through the end of November)



February

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December

Pancakes & Pajamas 6:30pm Save the Date! Pancakes, Cookies, Hot Chocolate and a visit from Santa!



Valentine's Senior Adult Luncheon

11:30am-1:00pm Save the Date! Lunch, entertainment, & more



March

9:30am-1:00pm Save the Date! All you can eat BBQ! Silent Auction, Vendor Fair, Bake Sale & MORE!



Cost: \$450 (all inclusive)

Kids Week 1: June 8-13 Kids Week 2: June 15-20 Kids Week 3: June 22-27 Youth Week: June 29-July 4 Kids Week 4: July 6-11

Ages:

Kids Week: 7-12 years old Youth Week: 12-15 years old

252-264-2513



Scan to register

campcale.com

Alpha Week: July 13-18 13-17 years old Cost: \$250 (all inclusive)

ALL STARS

Day Camp: July 14-18 Cost: \$350 (all inclusive)

info@campcale.com

I will be working more from home for a little 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:

CBA Office (252)426-9621

My Cell (601)604-4382

Email office@chowanbaptist.org

-Annie Weir, CBA Administrative Assistant

Rehoboth Baptist Church in Maple, NC is seeking a part time pianist. This is a paid position. Please contact Pastor Andrew Williams for more information at 910-651-7671

Ballard's Bridge is looking for a Children's Director and a Secretary! Resumes may be submitted to <u>ballardsbridgeinfo@gmail.com</u> or mailed to the Personnel Committee @ Ballard's Bridge Baptist Church, 3025 Virginia Road, Tyner, NC 27980. See job descriptions here: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/e/2PACX-1vRPyb-</u> xx2_U6ar6AATiWtXb387lv67Kw2LErE9X-ewJfuhTk1NDoiqCYZLKrNM73A/pub



Blackwell Memorial Baptist Church is looking for an ordained bi-vocational minister. Being bi-vocational, the pastor will need to be able to supplement his income. We are an older congregation seeking to grow by welcoming multigenerational families. We are located in the water-front town of Elizabeth City, North Carolina. We are affiliated with the SBC and the Chowan Baptist Association. We are associated with CBF. We believe in the sanctity of marriage between one biological male and one biological female. We have a history of men and women serving in leadership roles. We affirm both men and women as deacons.

The seasoned pastor must hold an accredited theological or divinity school degree. We need a Christ centered, prayer driven, Bible based preacher willing to lead our congregation by example.

Are you called to be Blackwell's next pastor? After prayerfully considering, please send a cover letter articulating your conversion experience and your calling to serve God in ministry. Include a resume with references and a sermon link to <u>blackwellpastorsearch21@gmail.com</u>.

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Happy New Year!

I want to thank you for all your support and help in all our projects and events in 2024. Look forward to more people helping in 2025.

I will be sending out a letter soon with everything coming up in 2025. Here are some dates to remember.

March 8— VIP Party at Camp Cale

June 3— Prayer walk Camp Cale and end toppings.

with ice cream and all the

We will also be prayers partners with the staff.

October 4— Abound training put on by WMU NC. This will be at Berea Baptist Church in Elizabeth City.

Prayerfully consider being a part of the WMU Associational team.

Looking forward to working with you in 2025.

Blessings, Nancy Scaff 252-339-4328 call or text <u>ncmom78@hotmail.com</u> 628 Old US 17, Elizabeth City, NC 27909

SUCCESS COMES IN COMMUNITY

by Wayne Proctor

For this month, I want to refer you to the article written by Dennis Conner. It includes some of his reflections from his experience as a church planter, and working with many others called to plant churches.

Since I know little about the actual church planting world, I gladly defer to those who have been there and done that. I do know some things, however, about the value of community. Most of the success I have experienced in ministry is because I've learned from others and worked alongside others. The successes of our Gates County churches are largely because of our willingness to work in community.

One of my essential truths is that we are better together, better in our communities, better in our Association, better in our convention, better in our denomination, but most importantly, better in the Kingdom (the Kingdom of God). Churches that eschew (word for today) community, for whatever the reason, eventually fail. They become isolated and fail to enjoy the wonderful benefits of true community.

Take a moment and check out Dennis' article. Dennis is a good friend to me and the CBA. God has given him some great wisdom.

The following request comes from Donna Peele @ Rocky Hock Baptist. During the past few years, as far as we can tell, only Rocky Hock has participated in the State Bible Drills. If any other church wants to do BIBLE DRILLS for 2025, please contact Donna Peele at 252-506-1245 or youth pastor Trey @ 252-221-4133 (Rocky Hock church).

Thank you, Wayne Proctor