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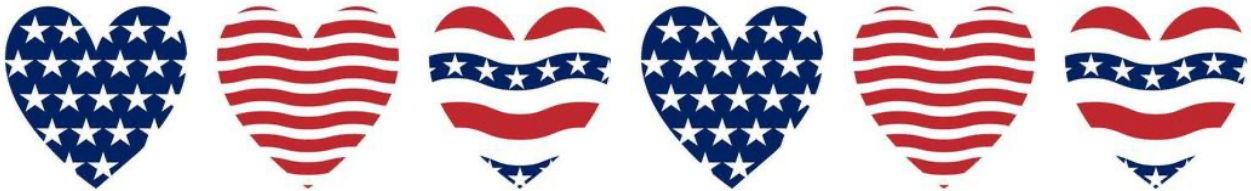


July 15, 2025

CBA Executive Committee Meeting

Gatesville Baptist

Meal 6:30 PM Meeting 7 PM



Where Does It Go?

It was a warm, summer day on the campus at Camp Cale on July 19, 2015, where the Associational Leadership was conducting their monthly meeting. Later that evening, the Executive Committee would convene for its quarterly meeting. One of the items of business was to vote on an Interim Associational Mission Strategist (Director of Missions).

Exactly one week before that meeting I had no idea nor any plans to be the one being considered for that position. Once asked if I would allow my name to be considered, I prayed about it and discussed it with all the appropriate parties.

I felt God had opened the door for me, to an additional ministry, with, of course, the title "Interim". Two years later, the "Interim" was dropped.

I left the Camp campus that night elated that I would be allowed to serve this Association that I have been a part of for my entire life. "If only my little Sunday School teaching mother could see me now", was one of many thoughts that crossed my mind on the way home that night.

Obviously, I had no idea that ten years later I would still be in this position. I feel nearly as unqualified today as I did ten years ago to have this position. But I have to say I have learned an awful lot. I have been stretched and challenged and have grown in so many ways.

I have traveled thousands of miles and attended hundreds of luncheons and led dozens of training classes and seminars. I have spent countless hours in meetings with Pastor search committees, pulpit committees, deacon bodies, pastors, concerned church members and much more.

My greatest regret in this position is my inability to be in a different church each week. But I can assure you, I pray often for the churches of our association and there are very few that I haven't had some interaction with on some level.

It has been exciting to see all the wonderful progress that has taken place at Camp Cale under Matt's leadership and the dedication of his staff. We have a beautiful facility and ministry that God will surely use mightily for years to come.

We will be voting this month to bring two churches into our membership after a year of watch care and two more are currently on watch care and there is a possibility of another request pending.

So there are positive things happening in the Chowan Baptist Association and what a privilege it is to serve as your Associational Mission Strategist, now for ten years.

*I will ask the age-old question that is asked often and by so many, **"Where has the Time Gone?"***

James Harrington

Leadership Council Members

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Becky McLawhorn, Eure
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Church Planting & Revitalization

Wayne Proctor, Gatesville
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WMU

Nancy Scaff, Woodville
339-4328

Section 5 Leader (Tyrell, Hyde

& Washington): Charlie Rice,
Soundside 394-6404

General Fund Budgeted Amount: \$150,000

CBA Amount Given in May: \$7,892.29

General Fund Given to-Date \$53,133.54(35.42% given toward budget requirement of 41.65%)

Camp Cale Budgeted Amount: \$70,000

Camp Cale Given in May: \$3,735.11

Camp Cale Given To-Date \$29,433.12(42.05% given towards budget requirement of 41.65%)

(These figures are through the end of May)

2025 SUMMER CAMP WEEKS

Cost: \$450 (all inclusive)

110 Spots per week*



***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**

Alpha Week: July 13-18

Cost: \$250 (all inclusive)
13-17 years old

Day Camp: July 14-18

Cost: \$350 (all inclusive)
6-9 years old

Ages:

Kids Week: 7-12 years old

Youth Week: 12-15 years old

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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 blackwellpastorsearch21@gmail.com.

*Yet in all things we are
More Than Conquerors
through Him who loved us.
Romans 8:37*



Tara Lorencen

Tara has a Master's degree in Church Ministries. She leads Women's Ministry at her church and has had the privilege of speaking at women's events across the region. Tara loves the Bible and testifies of its life-changing power. Teaching God's Word and encouraging women in their relationship with Jesus is her passion. We will be blessed as Tara joins us to share her passion for Jesus and His Word.



Kristin L. Kellen

Kristin has a M.A. in Biblical Counseling, a Ph.D. in Applied Theology – Biblical Counseling, and an Ed.D. in Christian Counseling. Kristin is the Associate Professor of Biblical Counseling and the Associate Director of EdD. studies at SEBTS. We are so privileged to have her join us to share with us in how we can better counsel those we come in contact with in life.

More Info. And to register online

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NC BAPTIST MINISTERS' WIVES RETREAT

July 7-9, 2025/CARAWAY CONFERENCE CENTER

Retreat Chairs: Sandy Cooper – coopertw@yahoo.com Barbara Murdock – barbaramrdck@yahoo.com

We want to say thank you to everyone that came to the Ladies gathering on June 8 at Corinth. We appreciate you giving your time on a Sunday afternoon to listen to the ministry needs where we serve in Southeast Asia. We enjoyed seeing each of you and were deeply encouraged by your interest and support. Additionally, thank you for how generous you were with the financial gift that you gave us! We are humbled by your care and concern for us. Thank you for making those that live in foreign lands who have never heard the gospel before a priority in your heart, prayers, and giving. Thank you as well for your faithful prayers for our family as we live and minister in a foreign land; your faithfulness in that area provides the strength we need to persevere. With gratitude and appreciation, Bill and Ashley Freeman

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I want to thank everyone who came out to pray walk Camp Cale. Also all the staff have someone to be praying for them. Let's all be praying for summer camp.

I want to thank Corinth for hosting our event with Ashley and Bill Freeman. It was wonderful to hear about their ministry and how they are helping and being the hands and feet of Jesus to people recovering from the earthquake. With our love offering we will also be a part of that. Ashley gave us names of ladies to be praying for. Please pray for Ashley, Bill and family.

October 4 we will have the training at Berea, it will be 9:30 until 2.

October 31 I will need the 5 stick chewing gum for the Red Box ministry for women prisoners.

November 14-16 I will be doing snacks for the Military Wives/Mom Camp. This year the theme is "My Cup Overflows" and I will be doing a tea and hot chocolate bar and the leaders would like each lady to have a cup or mug to take home. I could also use money, water and snacks. Thank you for always helping with this.

I am so happy and blessed to be a part of our associational WMU, you all always show up and help in anything we plan. We could use help in planning and carrying out our events, please let me know if you would like to be a part of our associational team.

Blessings,
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B.L.E.S.S. EVANGELISM, by Wayne Proctor

***The following article was posted about a year ago. I share it again because I believe this is the best “biblical” process for sharing Christ that I have ever come across. It certainly encourages telling the Story, using whatever scriptures you wish (John 3:16, Roman Road, ABC, etc.) but doing so in the context of building relationships that last.*

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



25-26 Preschool Year

Opening Day:

Tuesday, September 2nd

Classes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
8:00am - 11:30am

- Space available in the 3 year-old class
 - (3) Teacher positions open
 - (1) Teacher Assistant position open

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