
2025

March

Chowan Baptist Association



Marching into March!

February was a busy month for me and, I'm sure, for many of you as well.

We ended up having our January Executive Committee meeting in February due to weather issues.

The day we had the meeting was Tuesday, February 4th. My day started that day with a dentist appointment in Moyock and then a quick drive straight to Camp Cale for a seminar (I was 40 minutes late). From there, straight to Elizabeth City for our Section two monthly pastor's lunch. With no moss growing under the tires, Jason and I both headed to Sunbury to help with an ordination council evaluation. That ran right into the time of our next meeting which was our monthly (from January) Leadership Team meeting.

We were finished with that meeting in time to step over to the fellowship hall for a great barbecue sandwich followed by the aforementioned, rescheduled Executive Committee meeting. We had probably one of the best attended meetings we have had since the COVID pandemic days, with just over 40 in attendance. (It was there that someone from Geneva Baptist volunteered to transport a trailer load of donated items that filled our conference room to Western NC., for which we are very grateful)) Then back home to Elizabeth City. Now that was a full day. Obviously and thankfully, not every day is quite like that one.

But it was somewhat of a preview of how the month was going to go because it has indeed been a pretty busy month.

In addition to a well-attended Executive Committee meeting there were a few other events, including some I didn't make, like the senior adult luncheon and the Friends of Cale Luncheon at Camp Cale. (It was a busy month for the staff at Cale for sure, also)

Another wonderful event was the semi-annual North Carolina Baptist on Missions, Missions Rally. Each year the two rallies are alternated between Chowan and West Chowan Association which make up region One. This year the first rally was hosted by Berea Baptist Church and pastor Jason Wise. What an amazing job they did. The food was off the charts and the accommodations were spot on right down to the smooth transitions of video presentations which were handled by a teenager, who happens to be Jason's son. The music was some of the best we have experienced in these rallies with an obvious spirit of worship. The evening was very well attended with close to 150 people in attendance. These rallies are always uplifting and a blessing to attend. This one was especially encouraging.

Now we are marching into March and no doubt there will be many opportunities and challenges ready for us. So, put on your marching shoes and let's see what God has in store for each of us daily as we carry His Love and Joy into every space we enter!

Blessings!

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General Fund Budgeted Amount: \$150,000

CBA Amount Given in January: \$15,821.55

General Fund Given to-Date \$15,821.55(10.55% given toward budget requirement of 8.33%)

Camp Cale Budgeted Amount: \$70,000

Camp Cale Given in January: \$14,164.13

Camp Cale Given To-Date \$14,164.13(20.23% given towards budget requirement of 8.33%)

(These figures are through the end of January)

PIG ON THE PERQUIMMANS



MARCH

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2025



377 CAMP CALE RD, HERTFORD
9:30AM-2:00PM

Come out and enjoy some of the best BBQ around! Enjoy our BBQ Competition, Silent Auction, Cake Auction, Vendor Fair, Bake Sale and more!

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STILL LEARNING?

By Wayne Proctor, Church Planting & Revitalization

Are you a lifetime learner? One of the reasons I have volunteered in CBA ministry is because it provides a real life classroom for my personal growth in ministry. I give, but I also receive. While I am not a church planter, I do know that for church planters to be successful, they must continually learn and stay connected to their support system. Fortunately, the SEND network is a superior support system, at the national level and also the state level.

Still learning? I have some rather strong convictions relative to pastoral ministry. One conviction is the necessity for pastors being intentional life-time learners – reading books and articles, doing writing projects, preparing thoughtful and challenging sermons, listening to podcasts and webinars, and learning from our peers. A second conviction is doing it – doing it regularly. Here is an example: Yesterday (Feb. 25) a number of our pastors met to discuss a chapter on “Curiosity” in a book study. Following this collaborative learning time, even more of us pastors, representing SBC and non-SBC churches, gathered for lunch. One of the outcomes was planning the next rendition of the Gates County Revivals, to be held with 5 churches during the beginning of April. These revival meetings will probably bring together Christians and seekers from at least 8 churches, hopefully as many as 12. Another great part of these services is including 4 pastors and churches that have not participated before.

A book recommendation. In my current reading list is Becoming a Future-Ready Church, by Daniel Yang, Adelle Banks, and Warren Bird. It was written with the support of Exponential (check out exponential.com). The subtitle is “8 shifts to encourage and empower the next generation of leaders.” Have you ever heard anyone say, “The youth are our future?” While true, this generation is our present. We need to invest in them and empower them. They can teach us a few things. If we want our churches to grow, we must empower younger leaders. It is not an option.

Section 3 Chowan-Perquimans pastors meeting to be held at Captain Bob’s for Monday March 24 at 11:30am. All pastors, ministers and staff members are welcome to attend.

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I have some dates I want you to put on your calendar.

March 8- VIP Party at Camp Cale we have 88 VIP's and 40 chaperones registered. We could always use help.

June 3- Prayer walk Camp Cale, finish off with ice cream and lots of toppings. Prayerfully consider being a prayer partner with a staff member this year, pray for them, send encouraging notes and send little gifts to let them know how much you appreciate them.

October 4- Abound training led by WMU NC, at Berea Baptist Church in Elizabeth City. More information as I receive it.

No date yet for an Associational Women's Tea with missionary Ashley Freeman from Southeast Asia. It will be in the summer. If you have tea cups and saucers you could donate this would be appreciated.

We could use YOU on our Leadership Team, let me know if you would be willing to serve.

As always thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus as you serve in our association.

Blessings,

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