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Daylight Savings Time Ends November 6.

#### Associational Mission Strategist Search Team Update November, 2022

Thank you for your continued prayers for the AMS Search Team. We know that prayer is so vitally important as we seek the direction of the Lord. He will direct us to the person of His choice in His time!

We are in the interview stage of the search and are very thankful for the privilege to meet with prospective candidates. Our desire is to know the candidate as well as for the candidate to know Caldwell Baptists.

It is a great blessing that the Team continues to share a sense of unity! We believe that unity is important in the entire process. We fully expect the Holy Spirit to direct each of us regarding the eventual candidate to be presented to the Association.

We are eagerly but patiently looking forward to the time when we can present a candidate for your approval. Until then we will keep trusting the Lord for guidance and wisdom!

We will continue to keep you updated regarding the progress of The AMS Search Team.

AMS Search Team Stuart White





The Caldwell Baptist Center will be closed Wednesday - Friday, November 23-25 in observance of Thanksgiving.

## Handyman Ministry



The Baptist Men's Team of the Caldwell Baptist Association has started a Handyman Ministry and is working in conjunction with Foothills Service Projects to build ramps. Five men from two churches worked with Foothills to build a ramp on Friday, October 7, 2022. If you would be interested in helping with this ministry please contact Darlene at the Baptist Center at 758-4081.

## Food for the Hungry Report



Thank you to the nineteen churches that participated in the Food for the Hungry and the thirty-nine leaders and volunteers who assisted with it. We collected 3,593 food and paper products and received \$5,112.75 along with \$420.00 in gift cards. Clarks Chapel collected the most food items (866) and Mulvale gave the most money (\$2,250.00). All money, gift cards and food/supplies were given to Bethel Colony, Lenoir Soup Kitchen, Yokefellow of Caldwell County, and South Caldwell Christian Ministries.

## WMU Red Box Item Report



Special thanks to the WMU ladies for a great response to the Red Box Ministry. Twenty-four churches have given 2,438 bars of soap to be included in red boxes with various other items. These boxes are given to incarcerated women in the state each year around Christmas time. Your participation in this ministry is greatly appreciated by the women who receive this gift.

#### Raking for Missions Mid-October - Mid-December



This is a local mission project sponsored by the Associational Baptist Men's Team. Churches are encouraged to choose a date and time within the two-month period (Mid-October – Mid-December) to rake leaves in their neighborhood. Each church is makina responsible for arrangements with homeowners to be on their property and to rake their leaves. This will be an opportunity to share the Gospel as appropriate, pray with the homeowners, and to share information about your church. Please complete a report and mail to the Caldwell Baptist Association. Click here for the report form.

## WMU Retreat Reservations Due November 1, 2022



The WMU Retreat will be held November 18-19 at Ridgecrest Conference Center. Cost per person is \$146 for single, \$92 for double, \$77 for triple, and \$69 for quad. Campus usage fee for commuters is \$12 plus meals. **Reservations and full payment must be mailed to the Caldwell Baptist Association, PO Box 1555, Lenoir, NC 28645 no later than Tuesday, November 1.** Reservations must include number of rooms needed and names of guests in each room. The age of the guest, if under 18 years, is also needed. Please provide mailing or email address for each guest.

### Ministers Conference Wednesday, November 2, 2022



The next Ministers Conference will be held on November 2 at 10:00 AM at the Caldwell Baptist Center. The program will be *Working Relationship Between Churches and Public Schools*, presented by Dr. Donald Phipps, Superintendent of Caldwell County Schools. A Dutch-treat lunch will be enjoyed by all interested persons at a nearby restaurant following the conference.

## World Day of Prayer November 7, 2022



The World Day of Prayer will be held Monday, November 7 at 7:00 PM at Lower Creek Baptist Church. The program for the Day of Prayer is translated into well over 80 languages so thousands upon thousands of Baptist women gather to pray for each other on that special day. All ladies, whether affiliated with Baptist women or not, are invited to join us and women around the world in prayer for each other.

#### Ministers Evening Fellowship November 14, 2022



This fellowship is for all interested ministers, including pastors, interim pastors, staff ministers, and retired ministers. It will be held at Empire Buffet, 1009 Blowing Rock Blvd, Lenoir, NC 28645, Lenoir on Monday, November 14 at 6:30 PM. It includes a time of fellowship with a complimentary meal and a program. Please register by Thursday, November 10 by calling the Baptist Center at 758-4081 or via <u>email</u>.

#### Church Profile Due November 15, 2022



Church Profiles must be completed online by Tuesday, November 15. When you key your information in please contact the Baptist Center at 758-4081 or via <u>email</u> to let Darlene know your profile has been completed. Please be advised that she will begin working on the Associational Annual Minutes on December 1 and if your information is not in by that date, then it will not be included in the 2022 Annual Minutes. Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

### Senior Adult Lunch & Learn Thursday, November 17, 2022



The next Senior Adult Lunch & Learn will be held on November 17 at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall of Day 3 Church and the meal will be compliments of the church. The Bible study leader will be Keith Dixon, Church Relations Director for the Baptist Retirement Homes. The program will be Issues Important to Older Adults and an Overview of Baptist Retirement Homes. Please register by Thursday, November 10 by calling 758-4081. Please share this information with the senior adults in your church. The church is located at 4365 Hickory Blvd, Granite Falls.

## Media Library Christmas Fellowship Monday, December 5, 2022



Church librarians will meet for their annual Christmas Fellowship on Monday, December 5 at 6:30pm at Miller Hill Baptist Church, 1230 Virginia Street, Lenoir. Please bring finger foods and books to swap. We will not be exchanging gifts but there will be door prizes. The program will be *Information about the Jan Karon Museum*, presented by Sarah Thomas, Director.

### **Harvest Seeds Ministry**



The Caldwell Baptist Center continues to be a collection site for used literature for Harvest Seeds Ministry. Please bring your gently used literature to the back of the Baptist Center during the hours of 8:30am-12:30pm and 1:30-4:30pm Monday-Friday. Press the button beside the glass door to alert the staff that you have arrived. When you are gathering materials to donate and packing your boxes, please pack to make sure that the outside covers are flat and not curled, or missing on your materials. If your books are dusty please wipe them off. Do not send any materials that have mold or mildew on them because they have to be thrown away. Literature must be delivered in boxes with lids for easy packing. If the box has flaps, please make sure the flaps are not folded into the box. The boxes must be brought ready for shipment with no exposed literature.

### Caldwell Baptist Association Financial Report October 2022

Click on the button below to see the Financial Report

**Financial Report** 

## **Church News**

North Catawba Baptist Church is having a Lottie Moon Fundraiser and breakfast on Saturday, November 5 from 8AM to Noon. Featured will be crafts, wreaths, baked goods, home canned items, gift ideas and more. The church is located at 1596 Catawba Church Avenue, Lenoir. For more information call 828-278-9253.

For a list of available interim/supply ministers click on the link.

## **Community News**

Yokefellow is in need of a cashier for the Thrift Store. The hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30-4:30 and alternating Saturdays 9:00-1:00. The person must have hands-on cash register experience. For more information contact Sharon Harmon at 754-7088.

North Carolina Baptists on Missions is sponsoring Appalachian Coalfields Christmas Backpack Ministry again this year. The statewide goal is 19,000 and we would love for you to be a part of that. Letters were sent to all churches with details on items to be included in the backpacks. You will be able to drop off backpacks at Lakeview Baptist Church Lenoir, NC on November 5th. If you have any questions, please go to their website at <u>www.baptistsonmission.org/aco</u> or contact Miranda Denning at 828-394-9713.

Truett Conference Center & Camp: Click on the links for further information.

- Forged Man Camp: November 4-6
  - Worship Leader Training: November 17-19

Samaritan's Purse is hiring seasonal workers (November 21 through Mid-December) at the Boone OCC Processing Center. A paid 4-hour orientation prior to training is required. 40+ hours per week, Monday-Saturday (Thanksgiving Day off). Hourly pay rate of \$20 per hour for customer service and warehouse workers. CDL truck drive pay and benefits to be discussed with individual. Click on the <u>link</u> to apply.

MOM CAMP will be held November 11-13 at Camp Mundo Vista, Sophia, NC. The cost is \$65 per person. The theme is "Feels Like Home". The keynote speaker will be Joy Canupp and there will be several breakout conferences. For more information and to register click on the <u>link</u>.

Here & Now, a Missions Experience for College Students and Young Adults will be held at Shelby Mission Camp on January 2-4, 2023. The cost is \$44 and includes 2 nights lodging, 6 meals, a shirt, and Disaster Relief certification/training. Click on the <u>link</u> to register.

# **Available Positions**

Dudley Shoals Baptist Church has two positions to be filled. They are Minister of Pastoral Care and Associate Pastor of Youth & Family Ministry. Please click on the <u>link</u> for more information about these positions and how to send a resume.

Setzer Creek Baptist Church is in search of a full-time pastor. Please send resume to Setzer Creek Baptist Church, Search Committee, PO Box 449, Patterson, NC 28661.

Clover Baptist Church, 100 Pinewood Rd, Granite Falls, NC 28630 is seeking a part-time Worship and Music Leader. For a job description click <u>here</u>.



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