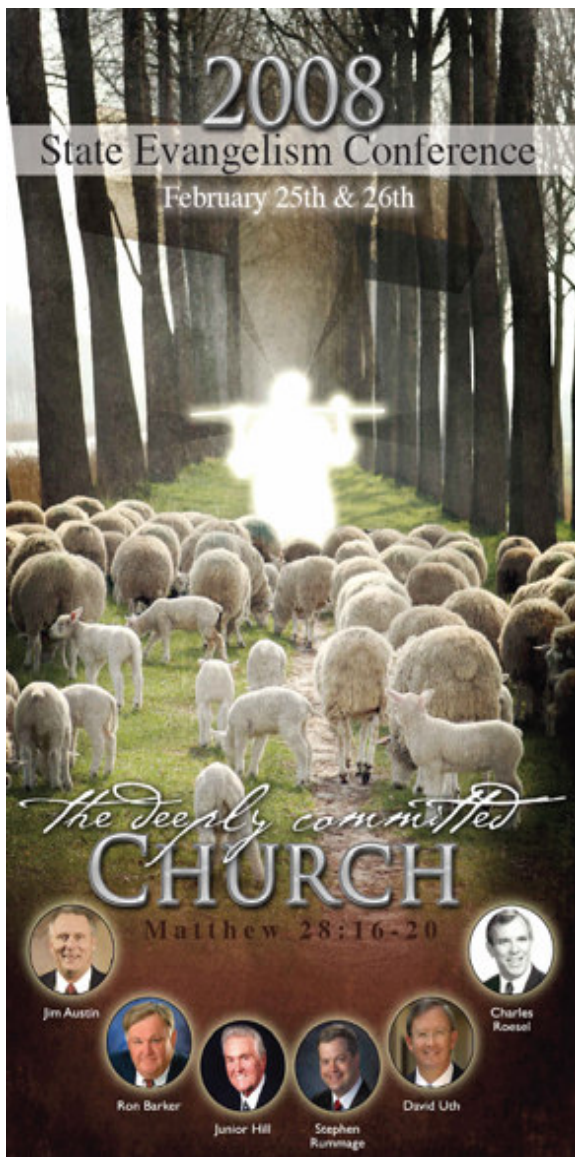


The Vision

"Where there is no vision, the people perish." Proverbs 29:18

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Rock Hill First Baptist Church

Guest Speakers: Jim Austin, Ron Barker Junior Hill, Charles Roesel, Stephen Rummage, David Uth

Monday, February 25, 2008

2:00 p.m. Evangelism Workshops
6:00 p.m. Conference

Tuesday, February 26

9:00 a.m. Conference
12:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)
2:00 p.m. Conference

Evangelism Workshops

Monday, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Topics Include:

- ~A Story to Tell
- ~ACTS
- ~Every Member a Witness
- ~Internet Evangelism
- ~Meeting Needs, Sharing Christ
- ~Men's Fraternity
- ~Prayer and Spiritual Warfare
- ~Revitalization through Evangelism

If you would like to travel as a group to Tuesday's Conference, Call Pastor Jerry Phillips at 843-446-9873

For additional information visit the website at www.scbaptist.org or call 1-800-723-7242 or 803-765-0030 ext. 5000



Association Prayer Network Testimony

By: Diane Hutto

Prayer walking as a part of the On Site team for the WBA Prayer Network has had a profound impact in my life. As a part of this team, the awareness of needs and prayers for these needs, have become much more personal. Actually walking an area allows our team to identify with people we have never seen or met and to pray specifically as we see evidence of needs or as we are made aware of requests through personal contact. I believe that our focused prayer is preparing the way for God to do a great work in our communities, churches and personal lives.

Prayer walking and riding have become a way of life for me and I find myself lifting up prayers wherever I go. I believe that God has given me new "eyes" to see what He can and wants to do and a burden to lift those needs to Him continually, so if you see me out and about and I'm mumbling under my breath- I'm talking to the Lord!

Something is Cooking!

A Waccamaw Association Cookbook is being compiled to commemorate 100 years of Royal Ambassador and to honor those men and women who have worked and supported Missions Education for Boys. We would love to have each church in our association represented in the cookbook. Please submit your favorite recipes by February 15th
To: Mickey Hyman, 4916 Yaupon Circle Myrtle Beach, SC 29575

Church News

Cedar Grove: Bud Dyer began as the new full-time Minister of Music on December 30th.

Good Hope: Is seeking a part-time Youth Director. For more information call the church at (843) 365-6242 or send resume to the church at: 6101 Privetts Rd. Conway, SC 29526 Attention: Youth Director Search Committee.

Sweetwater Branch: Conference with Dr. Ernie Perkins February 2nd -7th. (Saturday @ 6:00 p.m. Sunday, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 pm. Monday - Thursday 7:00 p.m. nightly.) On Monday, February 4th there will be a pastor's luncheon with Dr. Perkins. Any one interested please call the church office to make reservations, RSVP by February 1st. (843)347-6644.

Greetings and Happy New Year from the desk of your Association V.B.S.

Director.

With the start of the New Year your V.B.S. team is getting into action! Teaching materials have been ordered and team members are being reminded of clinic dates, times and places. By the time you read this, the trip to White Oak will be near at hand. Please remember your clinic leaders in prayer as they travel to study and prepare to teach in the Waccamaw Association clinics. Some of our team members were able to go to Ridgecrest and I am sure they will bring some additional V.B.S. information back to share with us later. Please review the clinic dates, times and places and be sure to attend the one that is most convenient to you.

We really need each one of you! If you are a seasoned V.B.S. worker we need to hear your ideas and experiences, if you are brand new in that area of God's work, there may be something we can say or teach that will make your work easier and spark more interest in V.B.S. for you. Oh yes, Vacation Bible School will be one hundred and ten years old this year! Let us do our very best to carry on the effort to be "Someone to care for their souls."

We will share more news about V.B.S. with you as it becomes available, watch "The Vision" for updates.

*Yours in Christ,
Ina Bullock & Peggy Brown*

Early Bird Clinic

Tuesday March 18th 2008 7:00 p.m.
Sweetwater Branch Baptist Church
1436 Highway 544, Conway
(843) 347-6644

General Clinics

Thursday, April 17th 2008 7:00 p.m.
Antioch Baptist Church
2080 Highway 129, Galivants Ferry
(843) 358-6390

Saturday, April 19th 2008 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.
Living Water Baptist Church
1569 Highway 9East, Longs
(843) 399-5833



Churches of the Waccamaw Association once again contributed greatly toward making Christmas special for many men, women, and youth who otherwise would find Christmas just another day their lives. Thank you, Churches of the WBA for giving over 1000 packets! Packets were delivered to St. Andrews Baptist Church in Columbia and to J. Reuben Long. God bless both the giver and receiver!

News from Peter

2008 : Leap Year, Election Year, it's ours!

Over the past year serving you as your US/C2 missionary, God has astounded me in so many ways. I have made 59 church visits in the last year, which included 36 different WBA churches. I am thankful for the many opportunities to preach in Sunday services, share with youth groups in Wednesday night Bible studies, and to be part of our WMU meetings all over this county. But a New Year means a New Year of ministry and missions! Just 3 weeks ago, I returned with others from our WBA churches from the country of Nepal and that was a blessing from above. It was a tough trip, a very cold experience, but a great one that I will never forget. Thanks for praying for our team and yes, we all made it home for Christmas with our families. It was a joy to see many of you at our Executive Meeting last month, and what a joy it is to see our churches every month get involved with their community. 2008 promises to be a blessing for each of us as we join God at work in what He is doing in our community and around us individually. If I can be of assistance to you, please feel free to get in touch with me. (626-3171)

Mobilizing Our Missionaries

In the last year, we have celebrated the addition of our new DOM; Brother Rick, continued to redefine the vision of our association's purpose, and have sought to know how we can assist you in reaching the lost in your communities. As we enter 2008, you will continue to see many new training events and opportunities to equip your church members and staff as you have expressed your needs. God is up to some great things here in the Waccamaw Association. Continue to pray for God to reveal what He is up to so we can join Him where He is working.

One area of major focus I will be working on this year is communication with our churches. Many times the communication breaks down between the church and the association. We want to make sure that we are being the best listeners so we can be properly equipping you for your ministry where you express needs. Secondly, we want to be the best mobilizer we can be for your church. This is not to be confused with us creating projects and then telling you to participate in them. Instead, we will try to offer opportunities, ideas, and training as you and your members express needs to the WBA. As I contact you in the next few months, I look forward to hearing more about how we can help you more and improve the communication both directions. I am looking forward to a wonderful 2008 serving with you in the WBA.

Todd Wood

WBA Resort and Community Missionary

248-9358

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

March 14-15 &

April 11-12

Pre-Project ICO visits

March and April

ICO Spring Break

Month of April

Missionary Pounding

May 21 arrival

Summer Missionaries

May-August

WBA churches are invited to bring lunches & dinners for summer missionaries

THANK YOU SOCASTEE BAPTIST CHURCH FOR HOSTING OUR EXECUTIVE MEETING WHICH WAS HELD ON JANUARY 21. THANKS SO MUCH TO ALL THE WORKERS AT SOCASTEE FOR THE OUTSTANDING JOB! SIXTY -FIVE PEOPLE ATTENDED WITH 27 CHURCHES REPRESENTED.

WBA UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS **AND INFORMATION:**

February 11th Missions Celebration for WMU @ North Conway Baptist Church, Registration 6:00 p.m. a soup and salad supper @ 6:30 p.m.

February 18th Pastors' Conference 10:30 a.m. @ University Baptist Church

February 29th –March 1st Disaster Relief Training @ Myrtle Beach Community Church

March 2nd -9th Week of Prayer for North American Missions

March 13th Prayer Network Enlistment & Training @ Sweetwater Branch
7:00 p.m.

March 14th -15th Crossroads WMU Annual Meeting @ Fairview Baptist Church, Greer, South Carolina

March 18th VBS Early Bird Clinic, Sweetwater Branch Baptist Church @ 7:00 p.m.

April 12th Association Bible Drill, Langston Baptist Church @ 9:00 a.m.

April 17th VBS General Clinic, Antioch Baptist Church @ 7:00 p.m.

April 19th VBS General Clinic, Living Water Baptist Church from
10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

April 21st Semi-Annual Meeting, Spring Branch, 5:30 p.m.

April 24th Association –Wide Deacon Training, 6:30 p.m. @ FBC Myrtle Beach

July 21st Executive Committee Meeting, Pine Grove, 6:30 p.m.

August 9th Association-Wide Sunday School Training @ Living Water Baptist Church

September 4th Prayer Network Appreciation Banquet

October 20th Semi-Annual Meeting, North Conway Baptist Church @ 5:30 p.m.

October 24th -26th Association-Wide Prayer Conference, Socastee Baptist

November 30th –Dec. 7th Week of Prayer for International Missions

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