

The Kingdom Focus

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Important Dates:

- May 5—National Day of Prayer Community Events
- May 15-22—Association Emphasis Week
- May 15—Afternoon Dessert Party for Pastors' Wives, Good Hope Baptist, 3:00 p.m.
- May 30—WBA Office closed for Memorial Day

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER COMMUNITY PRAYER EVENTS

**Two opportunities:
Thursday, May 5, 2016**

**12:00 Noon, Horry County Courthouse, Conway
Led by Pastor Jeff Gaskins,
North Conway Baptist Church**

**7:00 p.m., Myrtle Beach Speedway
Sponsored by Waccamaw Baptist Association**

**Please join us for a time of prayer for our
communities, our cities, our state and our nation.**

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COASTLINE WOMEN'S CENTER UPDATE

Greetings From Coastline!

In she walked scared, confused, and pregnant. "I can't have this baby" she spoke. She said her only option was abortion. The advocate sincerely listened to her heart. She gently began to explain the spiritual, and emotional impact abortion could have. The advocate then asked her to consider other options and began to educate her. The advocate assured her we would be with her every step of the way. The client called and spoke to our staff

again and she stated "I just don't think I can abort this baby. The staff scheduled for her to come back the following week for an ultrasound. She returned with her family and it was during that ultrasound that we witnessed the sweet beating heart that no one could deny. It was in that sweet moment that the client embraced mother hood and decided to parent.

Options, what are options? It



seems when your in a crisis pregnancy that there are no options. That is where Coastline steps in to minister, to educate, to love these clients and walk them through their options in a biblical way. It is life changing and life saving. I hope this encourages your hearts as much as it does ours! We are so blessed to serve in this great ministry! Please cover us always in your prayers and as always thank you for your support!

Life Abundantly,
Jeannie Smith

Coastline
Women's
Center
Founder/CEO

WMU NEWS

May is traditionally the Season of Prayer not only for missions and individuals within Waccamaw Baptist Association but for our nation as well. Be in prayer, wherever you are, during this month and, if possible, attend the prayer-related events planned for our Association: Twelve Noon on Thursday, May 5, at the old Horry County Courthouse, and at 7:00 p.m. at the Myrtle Beach Speedway.

A kick-off event to honor pastors' wives is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15, at Good Hope Baptist Church; WMU Directors and/or Ministry Leaders are also invited. RSVP to Diane at 843 248-9358 by Monday, May 9.

We are grateful for this season in which we can participate in missions through prayer, giving, and doing. Thank you for your continued support of missions within

Waccamaw.

"If Not You, Who?" was an excellent theme for the 2016 Waccamaw Spring Meeting hosted by Antioch Baptist Church. Attendees were reminded of their giftedness and the importance of serving in areas which maximize our gifts. Attending were representatives from thirteen churches, individuals from Carolina Association, a member of SC WMU staff, and several pastors from Waccamaw churches. A love offering of \$200.00 was given for Loaves and Fishes in Lynch, Kentucky. We appreciate our host church.

On Saturday, April 16, individuals from Chapel by the Sea, Surfside, Wampee, Maple, and Carolina Association participated in the Camp LaVida Work Day. A great spirit of fellowship, fun, and joy was experienced by all attending. Please

pray for adult leaders and children grades 1 through 6 who will be attending Camp LaVida (for girls) and Camp McCall (for boys) this summer. Mark your calendars and plan to fellowship with other volunteers from throughout South Carolina in April 2017 for another Cleanup Day. You will be blessed.

Make plans to participate in MissionsFest in Spartanburg this July. Go to the WMU website, click on mission trips, and register. Questions can be directed to Sandra Tapp at South Carolina WMU, 1 800 723-7242.

Enjoy your spring and summer; let us know what you are doing as you continue to surrender, sacrifice, serve.

God bless.
Peggy J. Jones,
WMU Director

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY UPDATE

It is hard to believe that the school year is finished and that students have left the area. Some of our students will be serving all summer in Christian camps, some will be working in full-time jobs, and others will be returning home, where the ministry need might be the greatest. Please pray for our students throughout the summer as they are away from us.

In April, we hosted our second annual BCM fundraising golf tournament. All of the proceeds from this tournament will go directly to the benefit of students in the ministry through missions, scholarships, and campus outreach. I am grateful to those of you who partnered with us through prayer, financial support, or by playing. Participation was still not what we were hoping for, but I do

greatly appreciate those of you who helped make this a priority! It means so much to know that there are people and churches who invest in this ministry and who believe in God doing a work in the lives of college students.

As we approach the summer months, please continue to pray for the ministry as we make efforts to prepare for next school year. We will be trying to connect with incoming students as well, so if you have students who will be attending CCU or HGTC, please let me know so we can get them connected!

Praying and serving alongside you,
David Neace, BCM Director
davidneace@hotmail.com



BLOCK PARTY OUTREACH TRAILER REVISED FEE POLICY

Effective April 21, 2016, the fee for use of the Block Party Outreach Trailer has been increased to \$100 per day/use. This is due to increased cost of supplies, repairs and maintenance. No refunds will be given. Those churches which booked the trailer and paid before April 21 will be covered under the old fee schedule.



WBA CHURCH NEWS

- ◆ **Hickory Grove Baptist**—Invites everyone to attend their annual “Singing on the Lawn” Sunday, May 29, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Myrtle Beach First Baptist**— has called Richard Floore as their new Youth Minister.
- ◆ **North Myrtle Beach FBC**—is sponsoring a trip to Lancaster & the Dutch Country Sep. 18-24, 2016. Cost is \$636 pp, dbl. occ. And includes, transportation, lodging, 11 meals, admission to “Samson” at the Sight & Sound

Theater, , “Crooners” show at the American Music Theater, the Landis Valley Museum, a luncheon cruise aboard the Spirit of Philadelphia and more. For more information contact Roy Austin at 843-273-0146 or 336-259-4341 or the WBA office.

- ◆ **Socastee Baptist**—Has called Aaron Perkins as their new Minister of Music and Youth.
- ◆ **Tilly Swamp Baptist**—Has a 2001 Ford 25 passenger bus with 40,000 miles, new paint and new

interior that they are interested in possibly trading for a 15 passenger bus. For more information, call Bill Bullard at 843-365-1358.

Want to share something going on at your church? Email it to diane@waccamawbaptist.org by the 15th of the month for the next month’s edition.

FROM YOUR DOM

For the last few months we have been looking at habits that characterize exceptionally successful people. These are habits that are possessed by great leaders in the Bible and are scripturally supported. Developing these habits in your daily life can make you a stronger, more effective leader in your home, church and realm of influence. This month I want to describe three more.

Exceptionally successful people are **open-minded**. Webster defines open-minded as “receptive to new ideas or reason.” Many times we can be closed-minded and reject any new ideas or approaches simply because “we’ve never done it this way before.” This may severely limit what we are willing to allow God to do. God’s message remains the same, but the method of getting that message out may change. Think of the story in Acts 10 of Peter’s vision. He saw the vision of the sheet with the beasts, creeping things and birds in it three times and heard the command “Rise, Peter; kill and eat.” Peter’s response each time was “Not so, Lord! For I have never eaten anything common or unclean.” God was getting ready to send the Good News to a group of Gentiles, but because he’d never “done it before”,

Peter immediately rejected this line of thinking. He was not very open-minded. After the arrival of the men from Caesarea, Peter understood that the Lord was doing a new thing and was then receptive to it. As a result, the entire Gentile group at Cornelius’s house was saved! In chapter 11, we see the boldness of Peter as a leader defending his actions and the plan of God. Open-mindedness can produce confidence and effectiveness in leadership.

Exceptionally successful people always **do more than is expected of them**. Many people like to do just enough to get by, and honestly, people with that mind set will likely not be very successful or effective as a leader. In Matthew 5: 38-41, Jesus speaks of turning the other cheek and going the second mile. That’s doing more than expected. Much more. Actions that go beyond the expected speak volumes about the integrity and ethics of an individual, and show the servant heart of a godly, effective leader. Colossian 3:23 reads “And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men.” If we truly do all that we do as to the Lord, we will always do more than expected!

Being diplomatic is another habit of exceptionally successful people. What does this mean? Diplomatic people are

marked by sensitivity and use tact when dealing with people. As a result, anything can be said – positive or negative- and the relationship will not be damaged. Think about how Nehemiah was able to get the Jews living in Jerusalem on board to rebuild the wall. He didn’t come in criticizing and complaining. He used diplomacy to appeal to their attitude about being the people of the one true God. He described how God had been at work already and then invited them to be a part of the vision to complete the work: “Come and let us build the wall of Jerusalem, that we may no longer be a reproach.” The result? All the people said, “Let us rise up and build.” They had caught the vision and were ready to follow and be involved. This is how great and effective leaders lead. With diplomacy.

No matter where or who you lead, these habits will contribute to making you more effective and successful. If you strive to develop these habits, I believe you will see the Lord using you in new and amazing ways. God bless you as you continue to reach those in your realm of influence.

Tommy

VOLUNTEER AT THE SUNBURN UNIT



The summer season is gearing up and our the Sunburn Unit will begin operation on Saturday, May 28. This ministry is an incredible outreach of the association as hundreds of tourists are reached each summer by volunteers working through the sunburn unit. There is always a need for volunteers to work the unit and it is a great opportunity for the local church to get involved in missions on a local level. If you would like to schedule some folks from your church to serve at the unit, call Martha Bullard at 843-995-1320.

CAMP WACCAMAW



**SC FFA Center
Cherry Grove, SC**

July 25-29, 2016



Camp Waccamaw is a week of Christ-centered camp available locally to **any** youth with permission from their parents. Youth pastors and chaperones are welcome to come also.

We are asking that each church provide enough chaperones for a 1:8 ratio.

WHY CAMP WACCAMAW?

The association staff, camp leaders, counselors and sponsoring churches have a desire to see youth living for Christ. Many youth are saved and never understand how to grow in their Christian walk. The leaders wish to teach youth how to access God through redemption, relationship, representing and reaching.

Camp Waccamaw will run from
July 25-29, 2016

Registration begins immediately.

Check-in will be from 12:00 noon—
2:00 p.m. on Monday and will end
at noon on Friday.

The camp daily schedule will be available when you receive your registration packets.

To receive registration packets, please
call Diane Hutto @843-248-9358 or email
diane@waccamawbaptist.org

The cost of camp is \$150

A **\$50** nonrefundable deposit for each youth is due on or before June 1, 2016.



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OFFICE HOURS

M—Th 8:30—4:00

Friday—CLOSED

You're Invited to the
EMBRACE THE NATIONS
Conference

May 13-14, 2016

First Baptist Church Mount Pleasant

Learn how to help your church accomplish the Great Commission. Led by Kevin & Collette Black from Nashville, TN.

Registration is \$25 per person

Topics include:

Cross Cultural Evangelism

Preparing Mission Volunteers

Discovering Unreached Peoples and Places

Working with Missionaries and National Leaders

Reproducing Models that Avoid Dependency

For more information or to register call the
Missions Mobilization Group at 803-765-0030, ext. 4800

Lodging available at the Hampton Inn Charleston/Mt. Pleasant.

Call 843-881-3300 and let them know you want to reserve one of the
rooms on hold for the SCBC.

*"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of
Christ, for it is the power of God to
salvation for everyone who believes"*

Romans 1:16