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FROM YOUR DOM

WE CAN'T AFFORD TO FAIL

I learned an amazing statistic the other day: 32 people a day are moving to Horry County. A day! Not a month; or even a week. A Day! Every day, 32 people move into our communities, most of whom are not born again believers. They are going to school with our kids, working with us at our jobs, shopping with us at the same supermarkets and living life right where we are. Who will reach them for Jesus? Who will stand in the gap for them? We must be the one to reach them. We cannot afford to fail in this crucially important task of sharing the Good News of the gospel with them. Why not? Because if we don't share Jesus with them, they are headed for a Christless eternity in hell.

We can't afford to fail because of HIM. We are bought with a price – the high price of the precious blood of Jesus. He paid the price we should have paid. He paid it in full and He did not fail us. We cannot afford to fail either.

We can't afford to fail because of HELL. Hell is a very real place. A place of consciousness; a place of torment; a place of darkness and eternal separation; a place of memory and regret; a place of intense misery. People who don't know Jesus will go there. But we have the answer; the cure, the way out; the way to heaven instead of to hell. NOT sharing the gospel is NOT an option. God's will is for them to be saved. But how will

they hear, understand and believe if we don't tell them?

We can't afford to fail because of HERE. We are here in Horry County where these 32 people a day are moving. We need to be AWARE of what is taking place. People are in our paths that do not know Jesus. They are dying without Jesus and moving into an eternity in hell. We need to get ACTIVE in sharing the Good News with those around us. Tomorrow may be too late. Now is the time. Today is the day of salvation. We need to get back to the ALTAR- actively seeking God and crying out for Him to intervene and to use us to lead people to Christ. We need to be ABLE to get in touch with the Lord to make intercession for the people.

WE CAN'T AFFORD TO FAIL! Will you make a difference? 32 people a day are moving to Horry County. Their lives and eternities depend on us.

Ezekiel 22:30 reads “*And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.*” Let's not let that be said of the WBA. Let's stand in the gap.

God bless you as you seek to serve Him by sharing Jesus.

Your Co-laborer in the Lord,
Tommy Richardson, DOM

Important Dates:

- February 3-5—Converge College Conference, Myrtle Beach
- February 6-10—DOM on vision mission trip to Haiti
- February 12—WMU Tea for T20, Maple Baptist
- February 14—Valentine's Day
- February 18—GA Brunch and Children's Ministry Day, Hickory Grove Baptist
- February 23—Leadership Track meets
- February 25—Mission Trip Fund-raiser yard sale and lunch; WBA

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DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING

March 18—Calvary Baptist Church, Florence, SC

April 22—FBC Taylors, Taylors, SC

October 13-14—White Oak Conference Center

Get the training you need to participate in Disaster Relief locally, across SC and nationally. For details or to register, go to www.scbaptist.org/dr



WMU NEWS

2017.... Lying ahead in the new year, months to find opportunities and occasions to inspire, to challenge, to educate and to continue the 2016-2018 WMU emphasis, *to follow His example and BY ALL MEANS step into the world around us, cultivate relationships, and create opportunities to demonstrate the love of Christ.*

Reflection upon recent activities:

We are grateful for the outpouring of love demonstrated by and through the South Carolina WMU Region IV missions project, "After Matthew, PERSEVERANCE. A Christmas Food Drive Focusing on Nichols." There was an outpouring of generosity, so the blessing of the Christmas Food Drive spilled over from Nichols into other areas of Marion County! Churches and individuals within the ten associations of Region IV (Carolina, Waccamaw, Pee Dee, Marion, Southeast, Williamsburg, Florence, Santee, Chesterfield, Welsh Neck) were part of this project,

praying, giving, or going and making Christmas 2016 a special time for many families in need. Special thanks to the Hall Family (Steve, Tracy, Sam & Joe) and to the Reeves Family (Gary & Andrew) for loading items into the van. It is amazing how God works His plan for the good of so many and in so many different ways. Unexpected blessings and opportunities to share God's love at Christmas arose as we distributed the items on Dec. 23, 2016! Thank you!

Anticipating upcoming activities:

Cultivate relationships at the "Tea for Two Praying Together" Association-wide event from 3:00 pm-4:30 pm, Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017, hosted by Maple Baptist. Bring your special tea cup and an extra to exchange with a prayer partner selected at the Tea. Call Diane at 843 248 9358 by February 3 to reserve your seat.

Demonstrate the love of Christ on Feb. 18, 2017, at the Association

FROM OUR WINTER QUARTERLY MEETING

The special guest speaker at our recent Winter Quarterly Meeting was Shrek of the STAND Strength Team. He challenged us to persevere in our walk and service to the Lord, and to not give up. Thank you, Shrek, for your message and challenge.

Also, an amendment to WBA By-laws was proposed, voted on and passed unanimously to change WBA scheduled meetings to three per year instead of four.



-wide "In Loving Color" at Hickory Grove Baptist, GA Brunch & Children's Ministry Day. 9:00 am - 12 noon, Project: Conway Manor (visiting and praying for Conway Manor Residents, gifting them with coloring books and pencils from each GA). GA groups are asked to bring a plate of pastries, muffins, finger food or fruit.

Be encouraged and gain knowledge by attending the 2017 SC WMU Missions Encounter & Annual Meeting hosted by Boiling Springs First Baptist Church, March 24-25. For information, contact Cynthia Oxford by phone - 803.227.6201 (in SC 800.723.7242, ext 8501).

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God bless,
Peggy Jones, WMU Director

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY UPDATE

It's hard to believe that we already in another semester of ministry at our local colleges and universities. We are so grateful to have you as partners in the Gospel, and we continually pray that God would do a work in the lives of students. We know you are joining us in praying for the same! Here are some updates for you:

Fall Retreat: In October, we took a group of students to Camp LaVida for a weekend retreat. We looked at questions that God asks, and challenged students to see evaluate how they would answer those questions. We had a group of 21 students go with us, and it was a special weekend to grow closer together!

Tuesday Night Gatherings: We continue to meet each Tues-

day night and we are really striving to build community this semester. This semester we feel that will be best accomplished through a variety of activities including meal nights, serve nights, worship nights, and even group nights. Please continue to pray for these critical times whenever you have a moment!

Converge: Our annual statewide conference is quickly approaching! It will be the first weekend of February, and we are estimating that about 25 of our students will participate with us. The conference will be here in Myrtle Beach again this year. Every year



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we do have a couple of students who financially

cannot make this weekend work, so we are always in need of a few scholarships so that everyone can participate regardless of financial situation. If you or your church would like to partner with us, we would welcome any scholarship money for students to attend converge!

BCM Golf Tournament: We are in the process of planning our 3rd annual spring golf tournament to benefit the ministry of BCM. We would love for you to not only pray for the event, but also to participate. Last year we grew the tournament, but there is definitely room to increase this year as well. Please commit to being a part of this event! For more information, please contact David.

Praying and serving alongside you,
David Neace, BCM Director

WBA CHURCH NEWS

- ◆ **Green Sea Baptist**—Is searching for a Part Time Music Director. Resumes can be mailed to PO Box 125, Green Sea, SC 29545 or emailed to gsbc2@sccoast.net.
- ◆ **Langston Baptist**—Is having a Priscilla Shirer simulcast on Saturday April 8, 2017 from 10 am—4:30 pm. Cost is \$25.00 per person and includes lunch. For more information call the church at 843-365-5141.
- ◆ **Tilly Swamp Baptist**—Is prayerfully searching for a

Youth Pastor. For detailed information got to the WBA website and click on Job Postings under the *Ministries* tab

- ◆ **Timberlake Baptist**—Is searching for a FT Youth Director. Send resumes to scornell@timberlakechurch.net. Or mail to Timberlake Baptist Church, 9850 Hwy. 707, Myrtle Beach, SC 29588

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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.

RA DERBY RACE

Make plans now for your RA boys to participate in the **RA Pinewood Derby Race**

Saturday March 25, 2017
North Conway Baptist Church
1608 Sessions Street
Conway, SC 29526
9:00 am—1:00 pm

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.

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OFFICE HOURS

M—Th 8:30—4:00
Fri—Sun CLOSED

COASTLINE UPDATE

Coastline Women's Center is proud to present the results of 2016! There is nothing more important in our society today than protecting family and the lives of babies. This is the basic right to protect life and the natural law given by God. Coastline Women's Center is affirming life on a daily basis and uplifting sanctity of life. We can't do this alone. We need everyone to join in this pursuit. Giving every person created by God the opportunity to serve God. Please consider how you can help. We invite you to come tour Coastline Women's Center and see first hand how God is working through this ministry. There will be a Fundraising Gala on March 9th that will help provide the needed funds for the year. We need volunteers, prayer partners, and financial givers for 2017. This will continue the life saving work both from a physical and spiritual standpoint. Please help us in the name of Jesus Christ!

Clients:

163 - Total Clients
138 - New Clients
595 - Visits

Medical

125 - Pregnancy test
86 - Ultrasound Scans
38 - Abortion minded clients
12 - Lives saved before leaving the center

* (this does not account for those who changed their mind after leaving center)

Spiritual

556 - Spiritual Discussions
21 - Gospel Presented
8 - Client Salvation's (Lead to Jesus Christ)
Life Abundantly,
Carter and Jeannie Smith

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, March 9, 2017—SPRING TO LIFE GALA

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Ezekiel 22:30

