

# Exposure

Florence Baptist Association

September 2007

## Prayer

### Corner:

Please include the following prayer needs on your prayer lists and in your prayer times.

### Churches

#### without Pastors:

Ariel  
Calvary  
Florence First  
Immanuel  
Pamplico First  
Ridgecrest

### New Work:

Hispanic  
Ministry  
Rise & Live  
Pee Dee  
Community  
Fellowship

### CLC Program

Teachers  
Financial Needs  
Transportation  
Needs

CEF - Good News  
Club

## Florence Baptist Association 2007 Annual Session

October 16, 2007      Mizpah Baptist Church  
Registration 2:30 pm      Afternoon Session: 3:00 pm  
Evening Session: 7:00 pm

The Constitution and By-laws of the Florence Baptist Association states:

The association members shall consist only of duly elected messengers who are members of the affiliated churches. Membership shall be comprised of the following:

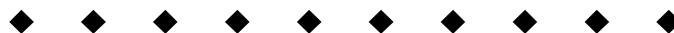
- (1) Three messengers from each church and one additional messenger for each fifty members or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of twelve messengers
- (2) The pastors of the affiliated churches
- (3) The duly elected officers of the association
- (4) The members of the Executive Committee



## Called 2007 Season of Prayer for State Missions

September 9-16, 2007

"Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner; but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; who have saved us, and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began." II Timothy 1:8-9 (KJV)



*See You at the Pole* September 26, 2007

GATHER. UNITE. PRAY.  
**come together.**  
John 17:20-23

*See You at the Pole*<sup>TM</sup> isn't about groups, grades, clothes, or churches. It's about praying. It's about all of us coming together and laying aside all the labels for one day, simply to call out to God, just as Jesus did in John 17 and say, "Lord, may we be one in you-- whether jocks, preps, geeks, Pentecostals, Baptists, Catholics, freshmen, or seniors-- may the world believe that You are real and have sent us to touch other through you, regardless of the dividing lines drawn by a broken world!" So are you in? Are you ready whatever group you're in, to join us in the circle? Join your generation of faith on Wednesday, September 26, at 7 a.m., **GATHER** at your school flagpole, **UNITE** in the name of the One Who died to save you, and **PRAY** for your school, friends, and families. **COME TOGETHER**, just as Jesus prayed we would.

**Carriage Place Missionary Residence Open House**

There will be an open house for the Carriage Place Missionary Residence on Sunday, September 9th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Everyone is invited to come see what God has brought together through our area churches and individuals. We will have a time of prayer at 4:00 pm dedicating this home to the Lord to be used by our missionaries for their times of furlough. The address for the missionary house is: 2147 Kentwood (Carriage Place sub-division), Florence.

**Welcome Back Packs Update**

Baptist Collegiate Ministry would like to thank all the churches that helped us out with the "Welcome Back Packs" for students at Francis Marion. We gave out over 400 bags, in 45 minutes, to incoming students during their first week of class. We appreciate your support for our ministry to college students in the Florence area. We could not do an outreach project of this magnitude without your support.  
Kendal Danford, BCM Director

**2007 Listening Sessions with James W. Austin, Executive Director-Treasurer, SCBC**

September 10  
Bethesda Baptist Retirement Center

This is an opportunity to review ideas with pastors, church staff members and association leaders. To register, or for other dates, please contact DaNel Chastain at 1.800.723.7242, ext. 1202 or by email at danelchastain@scbaptist.org.

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**Attention: Ministers & Staff**

The September Ministers Conference has been changed from Tuesday, September 4, to Tuesday, September 11. It will still be held at Ryan's Restaurant at 11:30 am.

**2007 Regional Retirement & Insurance Update Conference**

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2007  
Florence Baptist Association  
9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Come learn about

- GuideStone's new retirement funds
- GuideStone's three distinct categories of retirement funds
- GuideStone's new calculator tools
- GuideStone's medical insurance
- GuideStone's new web site

To register please call 1.800.723.7242 ext 2400.

**Disaster Relief Training**  
White Oak Conference Center  
October 12 - 13, 2007

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**Attention: Church Clerks and Ministry Assistant**

The 2007 Annual Church Profile is due in the associational office on September 29th. If you have questions or need assistance, please call the associational office at 843.662.5921 or contact the office at fbaconnie@sc.rr.com

**Operation Christmas Child Community Kick-Off**

September 20, 2007  
7:00 pm  
College Park Baptist Church  
1501 Third Loop Road  
Florence, SC  
Church Phone: 843.669.2148

Door Prizes                      Special Guests  
2007 Resources                Promotional Ideas

**Sept. 2007**

- 3 Labor Day; Assn. Office Closed
- 9 Open House for Carriage Place Missionary Residence; 2:30 pm
- 9-16 Season of Prayer for State Missions
- 10 Listening Session with James. W. Austin, SCBC; Bethesda Retirement Center
- 11 Ministers Conf.; Ryans; 11:30 am
- 18 Retirement & Insurance Update Conf; FBA; 9:30 am
- 26 See You at the Pole
- 29 ACP's Due in Assn. Office

**Oct. 2007**

- 2 Assn. Council Mtg; FBA; 8:00 am
- 2 Ministers Conf.; Ryans; 11:30 am
- 4 Executive Committee Mtg; FBA; 7:00 pm
- 12-13 Disaster Relief Training; WOCC
- 16 FBA Annual Associational Meeting; Mizpah;

**We Are Grateful!  
July Contributions**

Church	July	Budget YTD
Ariel	105.00	720.00
Beulah	150.00	450.00
Calvary	1,783.21	11,303.26
Cartersville	975.29	1,949.23
College Park	.00	1,652.31
Coward	290.00	2,677.16
Ebenezer	1,408.35	6,344.09
Elim	.00	3,600.00
Evergreen	.00	3,478.38
Florence 1st	.00	3,102.23
Grace	452.21	3,841.32
Greenwood	334.82	2,597.83
Hebron	.00	600.00
Hoffmeyer Rd	1,015.00	6,933.00
Immanuel	827.43	2,913.49
Kingsburg	.00	.00
Korean	160.00	560.00
LifeSpring	.00	.00
Mizpah	616.44	4,079.07
Mt. Zion	600.00	1,800.00
New Hope	.00	.00
Northgate	452.18	3,514.92
Oakdale	251.40	1,977.69
Pamplico 1st	654.60	1,305.89
Pee Dee Community	50.00	300.00
Peniel	.00	600.00
Quinby	180.32	1,054.03
Rehoboth	.00	.00
Ridgecrest	.00	3,579.00
Rise & Live	.00	25.00
Sardis	.00	.00
South Florence	942.26	6,717.63
Southside	2,044.75	16,731.55
Sparrow Swamp	358.32	2,960.23
Tans Bay	.00	362.19
Timmons ville 1st	625.00	1,875.00
Union	208.33	1,458.31
Unity	177.15	1,129.36
Willow Creek	.00	646.88
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>14,662.06</b>	<b>102,839.05</b>

**Support Associational Missions**  
Think - -  
3% Basic  
4% Glory  
5% Hallelujah

**Happy Birthday**

- 8 Eddie Stewart (MC,Y&R), Elim
- 9 Rev. Richard Smith, retired
- 11 Rev. Jeffrey Allen (MC&Y), South Florence
- 16 Rev. Craig Tedder (P), Coward
- 17 Rev. Bruce Hall, retired

**Happy Anniversary**

- 1 Phillip (P) & Paula Gandy
- 5 Gerald (P) & Pat McCants, Northgate
- 9 W. L. & Vera Collins, retired
- 11 Julian & Betty Long, retired
- 16 Charles (P) & Marlene Larrimore, Unity

**Around the Association**

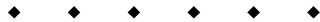
**Immanuel...**Dr. Gary Anderson, Director of the Cooperative Program Office of the SCBC presented the church a "World Globe" in recognition of having given more than One Million dollars to the Cooperative Program since the formation of the Cooperative Program in 1925.

**Florence First...**Has called Rev. W. L. Collins as Transitional Pastor.

**Southside..**Has called Jason Allen as Minister of Youth. We welcome Jason, his wife Jessica and their daughter Isabelle, to our association.

**Mizpah...**Is seeking an organist to assist in their worship services and choir rehearsals. You may contact the church at 662-6940 or send a resume to Personnel Committee, Mizpah Baptist Church, 233 N. Price Road, Florence, SC 29506.

**Bethea Singers...**Are available to perform for Senior Adult Group events, or any church event. For more information contact Ben Maynard at 393.2867, ext 8.



**Christian Sympathy** is expressed to Rev. and Mrs. Lanier Singleton, Hoffmeyer Road Baptist Church, in the death of her father and in the death of her brother-in-law.

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## Perspectives by Henry Simmons

Sandy Frye shared the following testimony after the August trip to Romania. "V. came into the room to see me regarding her health. ... She had recently separated from her husband and returned home to live with her invalid mother. Her husband was an abusive, alcoholic. Because of her separation she was in dire financial trouble. She had lost her car and her job because she no longer had a way to travel. She was desperate and ashamed feeling that she was a failure. She had been raised in a church and attended regularly. She had come to the clinic for free medicines."

Sandy told her that she had no medications to give her for her problems (anxiety, depression), but she could tell her about Someone who could meet all her needs. God is so good. He provided the time needed to share

the gospel and she prayed to receive Christ as her personal Savior. The following Sunday she was in church and waved to let Sandy know she was there. Sandy said, "My heart rejoiced to see how God was meeting the need of my new sister in Christ but also at how He is faithful to meet all my needs as well!" At the end of the service, V. stood and made a profession of faith. After the service she promised, "I promise you, I will be faithful and here to receive you in one year when the team returns to Romania."

This is the story of one life changed through the work of Associational Missions. As I think about this Summer, I think of the scores of children influenced through Summer Missions. I think of lives influenced by LifeChangers. I think of the

Christian Learning Centers and our participation in this non-denominational effort. The work of the association is about changing lives.

Thank you for your support of the Florence Baptist Association financially and in other ways. Our ability to make a difference depends on the support of our churches. Together we are the association. I also want to ask churches to consider raising the level of support for our common task. Our financial needs have increased without an accompanying increase in funding. The gifts from our churches are our main source of support. While we receive approximately 10% of our funding from the Cooperative Program, the bulk of our support comes directly from our member churches.