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# At Baptists on Mission we are so blessed, but often we take so many things for granted.

I have known many volunteers and pastors who have served here and then moved to another state, thinking that they would get involved in the same ministries in another state only to find that all states don't have the opportunities and resources that we have been blessed with.

A few years ago at our Baptists on Mission board meeting, I got our board involved in a point that I was trying to make. I got them to say, "Nobody" after every question that I would ask them.

- We have two health screening buses. What other state has even one health screening bus? Nobody!
- Who else has three mobile dental trucks? Nobody!
- We have three Mission Centers across our state. What other state has even one Mission Center? Nobody!
- What state has the disaster relief equipment, volunteers of facilities that we have? Nobody!
- We have seven Disaster Rebuild Centers where volunteers can stay and serve families affected by disasters. Who else has rebuild centers and does long term rebuilds after disasters? Nobody!
- Who else has Deep Impact, or DI Kids? Nobody!
- What other state has the number of national and international partnerships that we have? Nobody!
- God has blessed us so much in the way of facilities, volunteers, equipment and opportunities!

3 things I want to say,

- 1) It's not what we do that is important, it's what God does that matters.
- 2) Jesus said, in Luke 12:48- "To Whom much is given, much is required".
- 3) We do have so much to be thankful for, but so often we take people, things and opportunities for granted. I don't want to take life, people or opportunities for granted because Jesus said, "To whom much is given, much will be required".

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**Richard Brunson**  
*Executive Director-Treasurer*  
Baptists on Mission



## A Closer Walk With Him

Many of you can probably identify with me as having grown up “Baptist from birth.” Attending church was a given on Sunday morning and Sunday evening plus other times during the week. Baptist traditions became a part of my life. I remember those who taught me on Sunday morning and in Royal Ambassadors. There are fond memories of each of these special people including my parents. My biblical foundation was in place, but the devil had not given up.

Upon moving away from home, the decision to attend church became my decision. Attendance at church decreased as the devil’s temptations increased. My lifestyle moved further away from those biblical foundations established earlier in life. My conscious continued to tell me that what I was doing was not right. I will never forget that Sunday morning when I woke not feeling well, because of the night before, and another part of me saying you need to go to church. I was in no shape for church! I was brought to my knees, and my Savior took me as I was that Sunday morning. He changed my life by forgiving me for my sins. He then encouraged me and guided me back towards His plan for my life. God did not give up on me. Romans 5:8 states that, “God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

There are still times that I look back and stand amazed that God did not give up on me. I often think of His sacrifice as He died on the cross for my sins. He conquered death when He arose. My life was without purpose until repenting of my sins. My life changed from darkness to light as the Holy Spirit began to guide me to a closer walk with Him. Once our sins are forgiven, others should be able to see the impact on our life through our actions. The first change was in my lifestyle. I left the dark side of my life behind and turned to the light of Christ. I am still a work in progress but strive for a closer walk with Him each day.

There were several other life-changing events that occurred in the next few years including getting married, moving to a new home, and finding a new church home. Soon after joining the church, a new pastor was selected. He believed in showing his faith through works as James 2:17 speaks about. His example and the opportunity to serve side by side with him led me to become mission minded. My mission journey began with weekend trips to assist at Caswell, then international mission trips after disasters, and then training and involvement in Disaster Responses.

There are opportunities to serve in your church, your neighborhood, or with your local association. If you are looking for other ways to serve your Savior, Baptist on Mission can provide opportunities for service. Look through this magazine or visit [baptistsonmission.org](http://baptistsonmission.org) and look under Mission Projects.

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Tim Etheridge". The ink is dark and the signature is written in a fluid, personal style.

Tim Etheridge

# 2026 DATES

## JANUARY

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- 23-24 BOM Board Meeting, Caraway Conference Center
- 24 BOM Advisory Council Meeting w/Board, Caraway
- 24 BOM Annual Business Meeting, 1:00 pm, Caraway

## FEBRUARY

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- 17 Region Rally 1, 4, 6
- 19 Region Rally 2, 5, 8, 10
- 21 DR Training-Rosemary Baptist
- 23 Region Rally 3, 7, 9
- 28 DR Training-Mercy Hill

## MARCH

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- 7 Construction Skills Training Charity
- 10 Construction Skills Training Charity
- 14 DR Training Westwood Baptist
- 21 Construction Skills Training Red Springs
- 28 DR Training-Stewartsville Baptist

## APRIL

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- 10-11 Baptists on Missions Conference, Charlotte
- 25 DR Training-Peninsula Baptist
- 18 Construction Skills Training Shelby

## MAY

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- 1-2 Men's Outdoor Weekend
- 2 DR Training lotla Baptist
- 4-6 Staff Retreat-TBD

## JUNE

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- 15-19 Deep Impact Shelby Mission Center
- 15-19 Deep Impact Charity Mission Center
- 22-26 Deep Impact Lumberton Rebuild Site
- 29-July 3 Deep Impact Shelby Mission Center

## JULY

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- 6-10 Deep Impact Red Springs Mission Center
- 13-17 Deep Impact Lumberton Rebuild Site
- 20-24 Deep Impact Red Springs Mission Center
- 27-31 Deep Impact Charity Mission Center

## AUGUST

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- 14-15 BOM Board Meeting, Caraway Conference Center
- 15 BOM Advisory Council Meeting w/Board, Caraway
- 17 Region Rally 1, 4, 6
- 18 Region Rally 2, 5, 8, 10
- 20 Region Rally 3, 7, 9

## SEPTEMBER

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- 1-30 NC Missions Offering Month
- 5 Construction Skills Training Red Springs
- 19-21 DI Kids Weekend Mundo Visa

## OCTOBER

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- 3 Construction Skills Training Shelby
- 4 DI Kids One Day Mission Cross Road BC Asheboro
- 17-19 Deep Impact Fall Mission Retreat Shelby
- 25 DI Kids One-Day Mission Mt Elam Roseboro

## NOVEMBER

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- 5 Region2 Men's Worship Rally
- 10 Region 4 Men's Worship Rally
- 15 DI Kids One-Day Mission Lighthouse Sylva
- 12 Region 6 Men's Worship Rally
- 19 Region 8 Men's Worship Rally
- 21 Marriage Conference
- 30 Region 10 Men's Worship Rally

# 2026 MISSIONS RALLIES

## for MEN, WOMEN & YOUTH

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE FEBRUARY 2026 REGIONAL MISSION RALLIES!**

*Mark your calendar now* FOR THIS EXCITING EVENT FOR MEN, WOMEN, & YOUTH.

▶ **REGION 1**

**Tuesday, February 17**  
Edenton Baptist Church  
200 S. Granville Street  
Edenton, NC 27932

▶ **REGION 2**

**Thursday, February 19**  
Oakdale Baptist Church  
13037 US-64 ALT  
Rocky Mount, NC 27801

▶ **REGION 3**

**Monday, February 23**  
Antioch Baptist Church  
5089 Old Whiteville Road  
Lumberton, NC 28358

▶ **REGION 4**

**Tuesday, February 17**  
First Baptist Church Butner  
200 W D Street  
Butner, NC 27509

▶ **REGION 5**

**Thursday, February 19**  
Green Street Baptist Church  
303 Rotary Drive  
High Point, NC 27262

▶ **REGION 6**

**Tuesday, February 17**  
New Home Baptist Church  
1617 New Home Church Road  
Peachland, NC 28133

▶ **REGION 7**

**Monday, February 23**  
Bethlehem Baptist Church  
7500 NC Hwy 127  
Taylorsville, NC 28681

▶ **REGION 8**

**Thursday, February 19**  
Mt. Home Baptist Church  
2272 Mt. Home Church Road  
Morganton, NC 28655

▶ **REGION 9**

**Monday, February 23**  
West Burnsville Baptist Church  
222 203 N Main Street  
Burnsville, NC 28714

▶ **REGION 10**

**Thursday, February 19**  
Windy Gap Baptist Church  
1111 Windy Gap Road  
Franklin, NC 28734

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**REGISTRATION IS DUE ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE RALLY DATE**

Supper 5:30 PM (free) Program 6:30 – 8:30 PM

**HOW TO REGISTER:**

- Scan the QR Code
- Contact BOM Office  
(919) 459-5596



**Information needed:**

name, email, phone number, church

2026 BAPTIST  
MISSIONS  
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- ⌘ Saturday only - \$20

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Tom Richter



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Lee Strobel



Tim Tebow



Worship Leader:  
Laura Story



For registration, hotel information and additional details, visit:  
[www.baptistsonmissions.org/MissionConference](http://www.baptistsonmissions.org/MissionConference) or call 919-459-5596.

Pre-registration is required. Registration deadline: April 1, 2026

## LODGING OPTIONS

You must make your own reservation directly with the hotel of your choice. Be sure to ask for the special **2026 Baptist Mission Conference** rate but it must be by the deadline date to guarantee the rate per night.

Below are some of the available hotels:

**Fairfield Inn & Suites Charlotte/Matthews**

\$118 per night  
8540 East Independence Blvd  
Charlotte, NC 28227  
980.245.9200  
*Reserve by March 11*

**Hampton Inn Charlotte/Matthews**

\$149 per night  
9615 Independence Pointe Pkwy,  
Matthews, NC 28105  
704.841.1155  
*Reserve by March 27, 2026*

**Hampton Inn Concord**

\$169 per night  
9850 Weddington Road Extension  
Concord, NC 28027  
704.979.5600  
*Reserve by March 11, 2026*

**Hilton Garden Inn Charlotte North**

\$139 per night  
9315 Statesville Road  
Charlotte, NC 28289  
704.597.7655 / 704.517.8504  
*Reserve by March 11, 2026*

**Holiday Inn Express University**

\$129 per night; \$112 Suite per night  
6020 University Pointe Boulevard  
Charlotte, NC 28262  
704.496.9780  
*Reserve by March 7, 2026*

**Holiday Inn Express**

\$134 per night  
2209 Cascade Pointe Blvd  
Charlotte, NC 28262  
980.346.2099  
*Reserve by March 7, 2026*

**Staybridge Suites**

\$134 per night – Studio 1 king or 2 queens  
\$144 per night – Suite with 1 king or 2 queens  
\$189 per night – Two Bedrm Suites (includes full hot breakfast)  
6017 Tyvola Glen Circle  
Charlotte, NC 28217  
980.938.0006  
*Reserve by March 7, 2026*

### REGISTRATION FORM

North Carolina Baptist Missions Conference  
April 10-11, 2026  
Complete and return by April 1, 2026

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost:**

# \_\_\_\_\_ Friday - \$20.

# \_\_\_\_\_ Friday and Saturday - \$20.

(The cost includes General Sessions, breakout sessions, event materials and lunch on Saturday.

# \_\_\_\_\_ Friday and Saturday with Friday supper - \$32.

**Total Enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-registration is required.

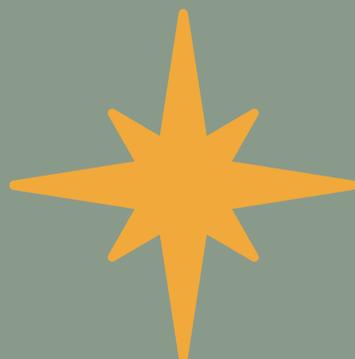
Registration Deadline: **April 1, 2026**

For registration, hotel information and additional details, scan the QR code on the page or call **919-459-5596**. Pre-registration is required.

**RETURN TO**

Baptists on Mission  
PO Box 1107  
Cary, NC 27512

Conference includes worship, general sessions, breakout sessions, missions fair exhibits, missions testimonies, Friday missions opportunities supper and more!



# Rebuilding Hope:

## WNC recovery continues as new home builds begin

### **Gerald Hodges understands the needs of western North Carolina because he grew up among its people.**

After retiring from the pastorate in the summer of 2024, Hodges moved back to the mountains just a few months before Hurricane Helene struck. Little did Hodges know that his return home would lead him into disaster relief ministry. Now he serves with N.C. Baptists on Mission at one of its five rebuild centers in western North Carolina, helping coordinate ongoing recovery efforts across the region.

“We’re doing work for homeowners who simply have nowhere else to turn,” Hodges said.

Now more than a year after Helene devastated the region, Hodges sees the exhaustion in his neighbors.

“They’re just tired,” Hodges said. “Many tried to repair their homes themselves, but the money ran out. Some are still living in very difficult conditions.”

One such homeowner is Loretta Swafford of Boone. After Baptists on Mission began repairs on her storm-damaged home, it became clear the destruction was too severe to continue.

Instead of repairing what ultimately couldn’t be saved, the team made the decision to construct an entirely new home, one of the first of several new builds now in progress across the region.

“Loretta is in her mid-70s and was working two jobs when we started,” Hodges said. “She didn’t have the resources to rebuild, and she didn’t receive insurance money. We’re providing a service she couldn’t get anywhere else, and she’s overjoyed.”

Loretta’s gratitude shines through in her gestures. She often texts Hodges to let him know she’s left donuts or homemade chili and cornbread for the volunteers working on her home.

With the combined efforts of experienced carpenters and other volunteers eager to help, Swafford’s freshly framed home now stands as a symbol of what a reconstruction looks like when God’s people show up. Her new home will soon be finished and work will continue or commence on others.

Late in 2025, Baptists on Mission began reconstructing homes from the ground up as part of its long-term rebuilding efforts in western North Carolina. In addition to the more than 650 homes that Baptists on Mission volunteers have completed work on in the aftermath of Helene, volunteers have started building about a dozen brand new homes.

The work, which will continue in western North Carolina for years to come, gives homeowners like Swafford a fresh start.



## ‘Not in this alone’

In Spruce Pine, the Freemans faced the difficult task of saying goodbye to a home that had been in their family for three generations. Hurricane Helene dropped more than two feet of water in and around Spruce Pine, washing away many of the family’s possessions. But the storm didn’t wash away the Freeman’s resolve.



“Trees were falling everywhere, and water just poured down the hillside, pushing everything in its path,” Kendra Freeman said.

Despite the hardship, the Freemans clung to their faith.

“As hard as this has been, it means the world to know we’re not in this alone,” Freeman said.

In January, the Freemans will see the first walls of their new home rise up on their family land, a new structure being built where the old one once stood, representing strength and safety for the future.

For Linda and Sam Pitman, coordinating the rebuilding efforts for Baptists on Mission in Spruce Pine is deeply personal. As lifelong residents of the town, the Pitmans know many of the families who have been affected by Helene.

“We’ve never seen a storm like this in western North Carolina, and mountain people aren’t used to asking for help. That’s the hardest part.” Linda Pitman said. “You can’t just leave a family in a situation like this.”

But watching new homes take shape has been a powerful reminder that recovery is possible.

## ‘A new beginning’

Barbara Waldrup’s story is one of perseverance. Unable to sift through the remains of her home after Helene, she endured another blow when a water heater damaged by the

storm exploded, causing a fire that destroyed what was left.

“When you thought it couldn’t get any worse, it did,” Waldrup said. “But I never gave up.”



Waldrup hopes to recover a portrait of her mother that was painted in Austria. Even if she doesn’t, she remains optimistic. “We’ve lost pretty much everything, but there’s always a new beginning,” Waldrup said.

For Waldrup, that new beginning is literally being built before her eyes, being

constructed from the foundation up.

“Just being home, it’s going to be my anchor,” Waldrup said. “This shows you have people who love you and will hold onto you. I’m just so excited to even think about it.”

For Linda Pitman, the joy of seeing people’s lives restored comes from a long history of helping people in need. “It feels like I’m part of a chain link fence,” Pitman said. “But it’s a fence made up of people holding hands, saying, ‘We’re here to help. You’re not alone.’”

And that chain grows stronger with each new home and life that is rebuilt.



To learn more about Baptists on Mission’s ongoing work in western North Carolina, visit [baptistsonmission.org/helene](https://baptistsonmission.org/helene) or scan the QR code.

# Helene Rebuild Centers

## Restoring Homes/Restoring Spirits

There's a sound echoing across the mountains of western North Carolina these days. The sound of hammers, backhoes, nail guns and saws. It's the unmistakable sound of hope after the storm.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Helene it quickly became apparent that a long-term rebuilding effort would be needed, much like in eastern North Carolina where three rebuild centers were established after Hurricane Florence in 2018.

Throughout western North Carolina, Baptists on Mission is breathing new life into several facilities throughout the region: a retired elementary school, two closed retirement centers, and a former roofing company.

When God opened the door to purchase and renovate the former Deyton Elementary School in Spruce Pine,

it proved to be an ideal location for a rebuild center. Housing and feeding up to 200 volunteers, the center allows teams to work across multiple counties as we continue restoring existing homes and begin building new houses for families whose property was too damaged to repair.

Having grown up in Spruce Pine, Sid and Linda Pitman understand the situation first hand. "We need your help," Linda said. "People here are way over their heads and need someone to come alongside and lend a hand. This is a wonderful opportunity to be Jesus to people."

Projects at all the rebuild centers range from small repairs to complete rehabs, which includes tearing out flooring, removing water-damaged sheetrock, and replacing electrical and plumbing systems.



## Spruce Pine: Stephanie McCellan

When more than 8 feet of water rushed through their home, the thought of where to even start could have been overwhelming for Stephanie McCellan and her family. But over the next few months, disaster relief volunteers and coworkers from her husband's office restored everything, including the new kitchen she had always dreamt of.

One of Stephanie's favorite spaces in her home is a "wall of gratitude." She can tell you stories about each photograph and the volunteers, many of whom made multiple trips to help them rebuild their lives. Teams came from Colorado. A couple drove three days from Wyoming. And there were all of those people in yellow shirts.

"You know, when I think about those yellow shirts, they're people who are willing to literally get down on their hands and knees, to do God's work in the grossest of situations," Stephanie said. "My house, smelling like all the things that it smelled like, and they still went inside."

She remembers one volunteer in particular. "Mr. Tom stood by my side especially on that first day when we were hauling everything out, because he knew I'd need someone to lean on."

Reflecting on Psalm 51, Stephanie said, "David asked God to 'restore unto me the joy of my salvation.' And you know, God can do that for us. He restored our physical home, but He also restored our spirit."



## East Flat Rock: Cal and Robin Petticrew

After handing over the family construction business to their children, Cal and Robin Petticrew signed on to oversee day-to-day operations at the East Flat Rock Rebuild Center. As with all the other centers, East Flat Rock continues restoring homes damaged by the storm and preparing to begin construction on new ones.

When Hurricane Helene finally moved out of North Carolina, June Frazier's entire neighborhood was under water. The only visible parts were rooftops. She was temporarily living out of state when Lewis Price, rebuild coordinator at the center, called to say Baptists on Mission could repair her home.

Over the next few months, volunteer teams replaced

flooring, cabinets, insulation and sheetrock. Over emails and texts, Lewis and June discussed paint colors and other options. They used photographs to restore the home as closely as possible to its original design.

Six months later, June returned to North Carolina — back to the home she loves and to a new chapter. “The joy for me was to be able to see her walk in this house and just become flooded with emotion,” Lewis said.

June couldn't believe it, standing in her newly refurbished kitchen. “How do you thank total strangers that you've never met, who gave up so much of their lives to come help?” June said. “Where do I even begin?”



## Burnsville: Keith Ashe

In Burnsville, a former assisted living facility has been transformed into a rebuild center overseen by Keith Ashe and his team.

God shows up every day in Burnsville, from providing an architect who offered his services free of charge right when they needed it, to supplies arriving just in time so they continue to restore existing structures.

Now volunteers in Burnsville have started building two brand new homes. “We’re rebuilding a community,” Keith said. “I want to be where God is working, and I experience it every day, whether it’s through the homeowners or through the volunteers.”

Materials to refurbish existing homes and build new

structures from the ground up are being provided through financial assistance from the N.C. state legislature, foundations, churches and individuals.

With more than 73,000 homes damaged in western North Carolina by Helene, the needs can appear overwhelming. But with God’s help and the ongoing work of volunteers, we will continue restoring stability and returning families to their homes.

Over the next few years, we’ll need carpenters, licensed electricians, plumbers and other skilled laborers, but we also need volunteers willing to do whatever is needed. To find out how you can be involved visit <https://helenerebuild.org>





# Service Is What We Do

**Hurricane Helene did more than just destroy homes, businesses and lives in western North Carolina. It revealed deep, longstanding needs within communities that had largely gone unnoticed.**

Seeing the desperation of their neighbors, Pastor Anton Roos and members of Lake Lure Baptist Church felt compelled to do more to meet those needs. As they prayed and dreamed about new ways to serve their community in the storm's aftermath, they sensed a clear direction to meet basic needs that many lacked. With that in mind, the church reserved one of Baptists on Mission's mobile dental units and continued praying.

Those prayers were answered when enough volunteers stepped forward to host a two-day dental clinic at the church in October. Church members coordinated meals and registration, hygienists set up inside the church and several dentists rotated shifts on the unit, ultimately providing care to 59 patients.

One of those dentists was Brian Moore, who served both days along with his two daughters. Service is a defining value for the Moore family, who volunteer whenever one of the dental units comes to the area.

One of Moore's daughters, Kayla, even drove 3.5 hours from Raleigh on a Friday night so she could serve at the clinic on Saturday, before returning to Raleigh the next day.

"I love to work with my dad," said Kayla, who volunteered in the midst of finishing her final semester at N.C. State University and preparing to attend dental school. "Not only do I get to treat patients, but I get to spend quality time with him, so that's worth the drive for me.

"As Christians, service is what we do. It's how we show our love. And there is nothing like being able to see someone's life changed, seeing a smile on their face."

For church member and clinic coordinator Linda Poe, hosting a dental clinic at the church was a natural continuation of the church's ongoing ministry in Lake Lure and surrounding area after Hurricane Helene. In the immediate aftermath of the storm, the church had provided meals and served as a distribution center for relief supplies.

"This was just an extension of that, especially coming off of what happened last year," Poe said. "Our greatest need of course is where we're going to spend eternity. So we're happy to meet their physical needs and hope that leads to an opportunity to pray with them and sow seeds of the gospel."

*Learn how your church can utilize the dental or health screening unit as an outreach to your community by contacting Baptists on Mission's Medical-Dental Ministry Coordinator Krissy Watson at [kwatson@ncbaptist.org](mailto:kwatson@ncbaptist.org)*



Kayla and Brian Moore



Linda Poe

# Agricultural Wisdom

Isaiah 28:24-29 (NASB1995) reads, “Does the farmer plow continually to plant seed? Does he continually turn and harrow the ground? Does he not level its surface and sow dill and scatter cummin and plant wheat in rows, barley in its place and rye within its area? For his God instructs and teaches him properly. For dill is not threshed with a threshing sledge, nor is the cartwheel driven over cummin; but dill is beaten out with a rod, and cummin with a club. Grain for bread is crushed, indeed, he does not continue to thresh it forever. Because the wheel of his cart and his horses eventually damage it, he does not thresh it longer. This also comes from the LORD of hosts, Who has made His counsel wonderful and His wisdom great.”

The Bible is full of Agricultural parables, including this one. Although it is not explicitly trying to teach man how to farm, from an agricultural standpoint this passage is very much applicable to our growing practices. God knows more about agriculture than we do. The Lord created everything and has established certain patterns and seasons to establish, maintain, and harvest our food.

On Saturday May 2, 2026, the Agriculture Missions invites you to the Shelby Mission Camp for a Garden Day, where we'll host a practical, hands-on field day to improve and

better steward our gardens. It will be a useful tool for your home, church, or community garden.

Please reach out to Robbie at the Shelby Mission Camp if you would like to join us for that training, or find other dates you can volunteer with agricultural missions at the camp.

Please also be in prayer for our team members as they serve in Togo, Africa and Santiago, Cuba.

If you have any interest in the Agriculture Missions team or activities as an individual or church, please reach out.

We also welcome your questions related to agricultural issues. We often don't know answers to everything, but we typically know the folks that do.

Please visit the Agriculture Missions page of the NC Baptist on Missions for more information.

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# Using our Gifts and Talents to Serve

Dale Fuller

**Baptist on Mission Aviation Ministry's pilots are using their gifts and talents to serve HIM.** Whether through Angel Flights, Youth Flying, Prayer Flights or delivering needed supplies to disaster relief areas. Many lives have been positively affected by the dedication of these pilots.

Angel Flight organizations coordinate flights for patients who need transportation to medical facilities for treatments or follow up visits. Patients seek these flights for either financial reason or because of a weakened immune system that does not allow them to fly on a crowded commercial flight. These Angel Flights gives the pilots time to witness to those who need Christ and time to encourage Christians as they are going through their trials.

Youth flying involves a church or church association organizing their youth for a day to fly. We take them on a brief flight to show them God's creation from a different perspective. If possible, we will fly them over their church and pray for the congregation. Some of these youths have never flown before and to see how different the world appears from this perspective is a life changing experience. These flights also given us an opportunity to talk about how God created this world and encourage them to pursue an aviation career on the mission field.

Our pilots not only do Angel and Youth Flights, but they have also been involved in delivering backpacks, winter coats, baby supplies to Appalachian cold fields; coats and warm clothing to rural West Virginia and Kentucky areas and Helene relief supplies to western North Carolina.

The Aviation ministry pilots that I have been involved with are extremely dedicated serving others while bringing Glory to God through the gifts and talents He has given each one of us to serve Him. I have been flying Angel Flights for over 15 years. Each flight has its own unique story. It is such a privilege to help others in need as God has given me the talent and ability to serve HIM in this capacity.



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# This Could Be the Great Awakening!

We've all heard about how young people are turning to Jesus Christ! This is the revival we've been waiting for. The assassination of Charlie Kirk has caused all of us to look again at what God is doing now in the USA with young people. Genesis 50:20 says, "You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives." AND MANY LIVES ARE BEING SAVED!

I am personally getting reports of large numbers of school kids attending Christian events and being saved. Here are a few of the stories:

FCA in Yadkin County has had triple their number of kids and many are being saved during meetings at their schools. These are public schools.

First Baptist, Cary reached out to the Cary High School football team and 11 were baptized at a football practice in October.

Many churches and groups are reaching out to East Carolina University. Even a frat house hosted an evangelistic event in September. Hundreds of students there have accepted Jesus as their Savior.

At the Fields of Faith event in October at Southwest Edgecombe High School in Pinetops, hundreds of students came and heard the gospel and believed in Jesus Christ.

In the Union County public school system, 9 prayer walks have been held so far in 5 different schools through Heart for Monroe. In addition, they have given out Bibles, food, clothing, prom dresses and sponsored weekly Bible studies in those schools. They plan a total of 11 Prayer Walks in 6 schools this year.

Cherry Point Baptist Church in Havelock started Heart for Havelock as a result of training we did in that area in June. They are volunteering in

local schools and sharing the good news in many new ways.

Numerous churches held Teacher Appreciation events in May during Teacher Appreciation Week to show that local Christians love them and support their work. Many additional churches provide lunches and snacks for teachers during the year, especially on Teacher Workdays.

A good number of churches are tutoring students through math or Reading Buddies programs.

Look how God has opened the doors to ministry in our schools! Some of the staff will even hold the doors open for you when you walk in to love on their kids. You are invited to show Jesus and volunteer wherever you can.

I want to ask you to consider going to your church and asking them to pray about this wide-open opportunity to share the love of God in your school. Pray and then talk with your pastor. Gather teachers and volunteers in your church to find new ways to step into this ministry.

If your church needs training, we have a team of people who can come and help you decide the next steps in being a witness there! Come connect with us!



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# Church Renewal Journey— Ministering to the Local Church

**The Church Renewal Journey** is a powerful movement of the Holy Spirit designed to awaken, equip, and empower local congregations to rediscover their first love for Christ and their mission in the world. At its heart, it is not a program or a series of events, but a journey—a pilgrimage of faith that leads believers and entire congregations back to the joy of a vibrant, Christ-centered life. In an age when many churches struggle with decline, division, or distraction, the Church Renewal Journey stands as a beacon of hope and revival, calling God's people to return to the simple yet profound truth that Jesus Christ is the head of the Church, and that the Church exists to glorify Him.

When a local church embarks on the Church Renewal Journey, it invites God to do a deep work of transformation within its members. This journey begins not with new strategies or flashy programs, but with prayer, repentance, and a renewed commitment to live in obedience to God's Word. The emphasis on personal renewal reminds each believer that revival starts in the heart. When individuals encounter Christ afresh—when they surrender their pride, fears, and complacency—God begins to move in the life of the whole congregation. The Church Renewal Journey provides sacred space for that encounter, creating opportunities for the Spirit to heal, restore, and ignite passion for ministry.

A renewed church is a missional church. As believers rediscover their purpose, they begin to see their community through the eyes of Christ—with compassion for the lost, concern for the hurting, and a willingness to serve. The Church Renewal Journey equips local churches to move from maintenance to mission, from inward focus to outward love. Ministry becomes not just the work of a few leaders, but the shared calling of the entire body of Christ. Each member learns that they are gifted, called, and sent to be ambassadors of God's kingdom right where they are. In this way, the local church becomes a living expression of Christ's hands and feet in the world.

The beauty of the Church Renewal Journey lies in its simplicity and its dependence on the Holy Spirit. It does not rely on human wisdom or elaborate structure, but on the transforming power of God. When a congregation humbly seeks the Lord, unity is restored, worship becomes authentic, and service becomes joyful. The church ceases to be merely a building or an organization—it becomes a family on mission, a community of grace and truth.

In the end, the Church Renewal Journey reminds us that renewal is not a destination but a continuous walk with Jesus. As local churches commit themselves to spiritual renewal, they bear witness to the power of the Gospel to bring life out of weariness, hope out of despair, and light into the darkness. Through this journey, the Church becomes what it was always meant to be: a vibrant, Spirit-filled community that loves God deeply and loves people well.



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# Long-term Help After a Disaster: When We Share Our Sufferings, They Get Smaller

A year later, the man wept and wept and showed me videos that he made as he sat on his roof and watched the flood take everything away in his home. Another man showed me the video he took of his own mobile home floating down a river with all his family's possessions lost. For him, it was still hard to watch.

One year after Hurricane Helene hit, some people who are affected have lots of community and lots of support. That's great. But some people feel all alone. God bless six local churches in the Black Mountain who banded together to include both groups.

These local churches came together to work with Baptists on Mission to reach out to those around their church who had been helped by mission teams after the storm. Some of the people already had a strong Christian life and a church home. Others felt so far away from God and from support.

Tough mountain men still cry as they talk about the loss of their home or their valuables. Resilient women may have new flooring, but they have sometimes lost four generations of family memorabilia and precious keepsakes. So the pastors of the local churches and church leaders got together to simply provide a meal in a community space for those that were affected. More churches could still do this.

**The goal was to get people from the churches together with people who were helped and don't have a church.** It worked. Some people had lost business, or shops, or parts of their house, or their entire house. There's nothing like eating together to help bring the walls down. Baptists On Mission helped sponsor the meal.



## EATING TOGETHER

We had lots of great food and lots of fun. We also had a precious time for so many to share with others their answer to this question—"What was one way God has been faithful after the storm?" Local pastors and church leaders sat at tables with those who had been helped by Baptists on Mission—and they often simply listened. The theme of the meal was "From Storm to Strength."



## SHARING EXPERIENCES

Generous door prizes were donated by artists from the churches, by local stores, and by Baptists on Mission. Everyone pitched in and the morale was high. Sometimes it is easier to laugh together once you have grieved together. A teacher at the local college gave closing thoughts on dealing with trauma and our faith.

When we share our sufferings, they get smaller—many thanks

to Baptists on Mission for sharing Christ's love in tangible ways and to the local churches for following up so well with those that were ministered to.



## PRAYING TOGETHER

NOTE: To help your church strengthen your community, check out our Compassion Ministries page to find future Upside Down Training events. Just scan the QR code!

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# God Knows Your ABILITY— He Wants Your AVAILABILITY

By Terry A. Hall

Is it time to give God your Availability? Baptists on Missions Disaster Response and our state of North Carolina were blessed in 2025 with no major weather events. Only God knows what 2026 will involve.

This Spring Disaster Response has numerous training events scheduled to allow each of us to use our AVAILABILITY to serve God in some capacity. Please go to the BOM website under "training" and register. You will receive blessings that exceed your expectations while following God's will.

In Deuteronomy 10:12 (KJV) it states: "And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to "serve" the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul". To me this describes how Disaster Response attempts to follow God's directions. But in order to follow this directive from God, we as volunteers have to be AVAILABLE and say, "Here am I—Send me, send me!"

I hope to see many new faces at the scheduled trainings. The world of Disaster Response is a great community of believers where lifelong friendships are established. In the current world we live in you can never have too many Christian friends.

Blessings!

Disaster Response Training is an important step in participating in any disaster we have been asked to respond to. In 2025 we trained over 3,000 people. Let's do that again this year. Training prepares you to know what to expect and how to prepare to respond. Training helps you get to know your leaders. And training gets you on the first call out for disasters we respond to. Of course, the best training is at a response site in the midst of helping people who are hurting. Spring 2026 trainings will open this fall:

February 21– Rosemary Baptist Church,  
Roanoke Rapids, NC

February 27 – Mercy Hill Church, Greensboro, NC

March 14 – Westwood Baptist Church, Roxboro, NC

March 28 – Stewartsville Baptist Church, Laurinburg, NC

April 25 – Peninsula Baptist Church, Mooresville, NC

May 2 – Iotla Baptist Church, Franklin, NC

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# Thanking God

**Mark Hinson**  
NCBOM State Disaster Recovery Coordinator

I want to begin by thanking God for all His Blessings toward NC Baptist on Mission and our Volunteers while I have been serving as the NCBOM State Disaster Recovery Coordinator. It has been an honor to serve God in this capacity. 2024 was a tough year but we arrived on the other side of it. God always takes us through the storms of life.

I am thankful that at the time of this letter, 2025 has been mostly a peaceful year for Recovery in NC. We responded to TS Chantal in Durham, Alamance, and Orange Counties, and a Nor'easter that caused some flood and roof damage in Columbus County. We also responded to Kentucky and Maryland for flood recovery. There were many other storms and hurricanes that we thank God for protecting us from, allowing them to steer away from NC and the USA.

On that note, please continue to support the relief and recovery efforts for Jamaica, Cuba, and others in the Caribbean. Hurricane Melissa was the strongest hurricane to make landfall in Jamaica, and they were devastated like NC was after Hurricane Helene. Please continue to pray for those in the wake of Melissa, knowing if God had allowed it, it could have affected NC or other neighboring states instead of Jamaica and Cuba!

I am thankful that I was able to go with Tom and Terry to San Paulo, Brazil in 2025 to speak during the Brazil Baptist Convention. We presented ways NCBOM is structured and how we set up and respond to disasters, and how they can be a disaster ready church. Best of all we got to worship our Savior with them. That blessed me most of all and taught me to "Speak Jesus" over every situation in life. After all it is HIS life I am supposed to live, not my own.

NCBOM has 6 DR training events scheduled in 2026, again adding one extra to allow more flexibility and increase in numbers wanting to take training in one or more ministries. We continue to train many volunteers in Recovery, Assessment, State Recovery Unit, and Recovery Administration, which is a new ministry we started near the end of 2024. We have Heavy Equipment training twice each year now which includes the Aerial Lift and Skid Steer. The Heavy Equipment training is by invitation, however if you have experience with equipment and want to take the training, speak to your Region Recovery Coordinator about that.

I want to thank everyone for all you do for our Savior through NCBOM. I look forward to continuing to serve with you!

But He said, "Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it." Luke 11:28.



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# GRACE AND GROWTH MARRIAGE WEEKEND

FEBRUARY 20 - 21, 2026

Shiloh Baptist Church  
3414 N. Shiloh Road  
Garner, NC

Cost: \$40/couple  
Friday evening: 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Saturday: 8 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.



Cost covers Friday dinner, light breakfast Saturday morning, Saturday lunch and weekend materials.

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*TIME*  
8:30 am - 3:30 pm



SPEAKER  
*Dr. Gary Chapman*

*REGISTER AT*  
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# Armenia The Land of Noah



## ENCOURAGING, STRENGTHENING, AND PLANTING CHURCHES

Armenia, a historically Christian country surrounded by several Muslim countries, is a crossroads of east and west. Situated on the borders of Europe and Asia, Armenia is a strategic country for reaching Central Asia with the Gospel. Years of devastating war with neighboring Azerbaijan has taken a toll on Armenia but a wave of revival is sweeping the country. The Armenian Baptist Union had only one church after the fall of the Soviet Union and now it has more than 100 groups meeting throughout the country with several more starting every year.

Pastor Garnik led a church in the Nagorno Karabakh Autonomous Region when the Azeri invaded and seized the region in 2023. More than 100,000 people fled Nagorno

Karabakh in just one week and are now refugees in Armenia. Garnik's church members, who lived in Stepanakert, are now scattered across all Armenia have started a new church on the outskirts of Yerevan, the capital city. Grigor, a young deacon in the church who left everything when he fled Stepanakert, reflected on the commitment the first disciples made when they followed Jesus and compared it to his own experience:

*"Their sacrifice is so inspirational and challenging. Jesus asked them to leave homes, families, possessions... everything. There were no role models to imitate. Jesus was a new teacher whose history they did not know. He called them to follow and they voluntarily walked away from everything they had known. Our sacrifice cannot be compared to the sacrifice of the early disciples. We were forced to leave Stepanakert and would have died if we'd chosen to stay. We also had role models whose steps we could follow. We want to be as faithful as the first disciples were and leave an example for those who come behind us."*

Your team can work with church leaders like Grigor when you lead

Pastor's Conferences, Women's Conferences, conduct sports camps or VBS, help with construction of a new church, assist pastors and church planters, or teach at the Seminary. In 2026 we are planning to build another church in central Armenia in a town with no church. You can fan the flames of revival by volunteering or donating to the Armenia Partnership.

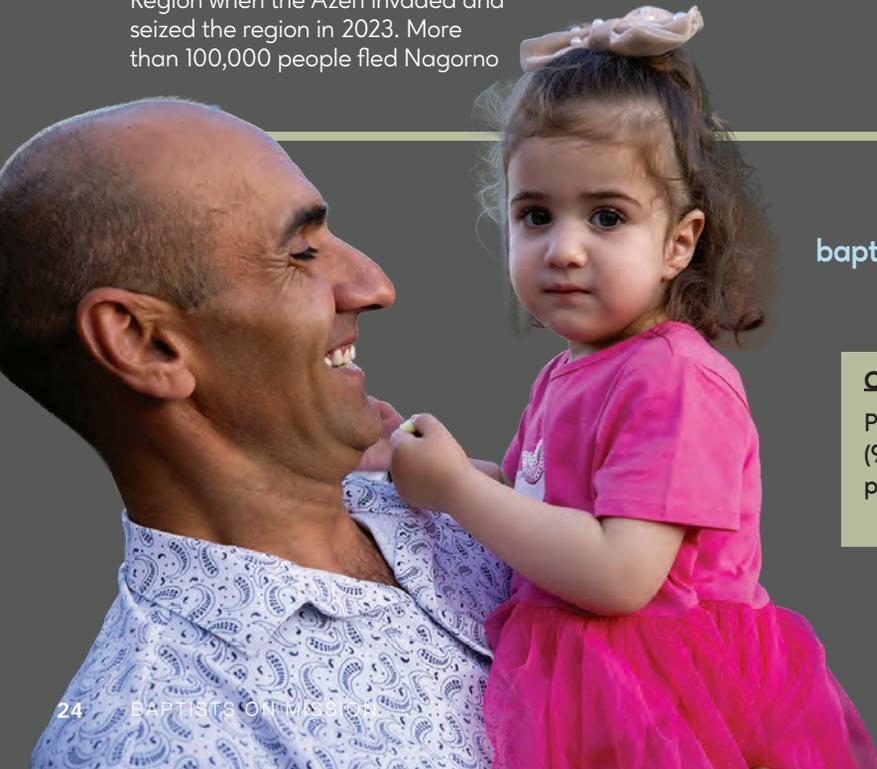
Contact Paul Langston to learn more about serving in this country at the crossroads between Europe, Asia, and the Middle East.

### Will You...

**Pray:** That church planters will answer God's call, and many hearts will be open to the gospel.

**Give:** Sponsor a church planter for \$200 per month or help with church construction costs.

**Go:** Send a team to serve alongside Armenian believers and strengthen church planters.



Register your Team:  
[baptistsonmission.org/Mission-Projects/Outside-US/Armenia](http://baptistsonmission.org/Mission-Projects/Outside-US/Armenia)

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# CUBA



**Hurricane Melissa, a powerful and destructive storm, made landfall in late October 2025, leaving a catastrophic trail across the eastern provinces of Cuba.** Media reports and humanitarian assessments paint a grim picture, with the city of Santiago and its surrounding areas bearing the brunt of the disaster. The scale of the damage has necessitated a robust response and Baptists on Mission, because of our long time partnership with the Eastern Baptist Convention has responded.

Santiago, the country's second-most populated city, has been particularly hard-hit. Assessments indicate a staggering number of damaged and destroyed homes, critical infrastructure failures, and widespread community isolation.

The recovery effort is taking place amidst a challenging environment, characterized by an existing economic crisis and an increased risk of disease exacerbated by stagnant floodwaters.

In the immediate aftermath of the hurricane, four dedicated volunteer teams, deployed in November and December 2025, are central to this initial phase of recovery. These teams are focused on immediate physical cleanup, shelter repair, and material salvage.

The four incoming volunteer teams are tasked with the following: Roofing the Retirement Home Chapel, Community Cleanup, Home and Building Clearing and Material Salvage and Repurposing

The work of these early teams is foundational, clearing the way for more teams in the coming months.

Beyond the physical labor provided by the volunteer teams, a long-term recovery strategy is financial support. North Carolina churches are being asked to partner with local churches in Cuba that have received damage to fund repairs. This model of partnership is designed to empower local Cuban congregations, which are often at the center of community relief efforts.

- **Direct Support:** By linking a North Carolina church with a specific damaged Cuban church, the funding is directly channeled to the local congregation for its repair costs.
- **Empowering Local Leaders:** The Cuban churches themselves, which understand the needs of their communities intimately, will manage the procurement of materials and the supervision of repairs.
- **Funding Priorities:** The financial partnerships aim to secure the necessary funds to replace structural elements and roofing, ensuring that the local churches can quickly resume their vital role as centers for spiritual and community support during the recovery process.

This effort not only provides material resources but also reinforces a spiritual bond and a commitment between the North Carolina and Cuban church bodies. The scope of this partnership reflects a commitment to the recovery of faith communities in the wake of catastrophic natural disaster.

**For more information on how you can be involved in the Disaster Response efforts in Cuba or one of our partnership opportunities in Cuba, please contact Tom Beam at [tbeam@ncbaptist.org](mailto:tbeam@ncbaptist.org).**

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# GUATEMALA

## Medical Teams Making a Difference

Like many young physicians of my generation, I have experienced cynicism as relates to short-term 'medical service trips'—what the medical literature calls medical mission trips. However, with sanctification and maturity, I began to understand that our skills offer healthcare professionals a unique opportunity to draw people—especially those of under-resourced areas—into evangelistic relationships with local churches and the full-time missionaries working with them.

Thus, I was blessed to join a team from our church to serve with Good Shepherd Ministries (GSM) through Baptists on Mission, in central Guatemala, offering primary care clinics in Uspantan and Nebaj. Our team of twelve joined Vicki Grossman, DNP of GSM, a medical student she supervises, and [Marco Yax] a local clinical psychologist and pastor. Our team saw over 500 people of the local indigenous community, treating a variety of ailments including hypertension, diabetes, gastrointestinal disorders, and degenerative musculoskeletal problems in adults. In children we saw a host of pediatric conditions resulting from poor nutrition. Some of our busiest team members were the two physical therapists who helped our patients with the variety of

musculoskeletal problems that result from the hard physical labor of indigenous Guatemalans.

From a medical perspective, Good Shepherd Ministries offers short-term medical teams the opportunity to improve the effectiveness of their clinical efforts. The local churches contact patients needing follow up and refer them to local clinicians. Thus, ongoing care that supports local medical practitioners is a priority. Dr. Grossman reviews the records of clinic interactions to be sure that no patient with worrisome conditions fails to get follow up. Most importantly, the clinics enable the development of connections with local churches that pursue ongoing relationships.

A common question asked of team members on such trips is, "Where do you see God working?" For me that answer came easily. The fruit of the Spirit is so very evident in the pastors and members of the churches that hosted our clinics. Their love for their neighbor is evident, as is their grace and humility, their hospitality, joy, and irrepressible desire to see the Gospel spread in their community. To come alongside them and help them in their work was an extraordinary blessing. Despite the challenges of poverty, poor education, and syncretism with

Mayan beliefs, the evangelical church is engaging the indigenous people of central Guatemala and humbly, joyfully, and diligently bringing to them the love of Christ and His hope for this world and for eternity.

– Dr. Randy Peters, Two Cities Church, Winston-Salem NC

Medical teams like the one above serve throughout the year. Teams also enjoy serving at the beautiful Good Shepherd Ministry Center. Whether serving in construction, leadership training, or medical, volunteers have opportunity to visit and meet the children at the Good Shepherd Children's Home and to host a "family night" for the older youth who live in two cottages near the center. In 2026, construction, medical, and leadership training teams are needed. Pray about being a part of this meaningful ministry!

Guatemala dates for 2026 are posted on our webpage. Follow the QR code. Then, click on the link to view and download a .pdf of the details and current date list.

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# KENYA “Yesu Opaki!”

FBC Shallotte partnered with Baptist on Mission in their Houses of Hope ministry in July 2025. Our team of thirteen, included two teens, three ladies, and men over 70. We all had a fantastic time serving the Lord. The Kenyan Baptist partners know what they are doing and run a well-oiled machine. We arrived in Nairobi and drove six hours to Ahero, where we stayed in a secure “compound”. Each day, we drove into the surrounding areas to build houses. The work was hard, but very rewarding. We built homes for eight deserving recipients, including young families living in very substandard conditions. Our Kenyan co-laborers worked just as hard as we did, and were passionate about sharing the Gospel.

Each day, a team of us went house to house in the surrounding village to share the Gospel. I will never forget the living conditions I saw during these walks, nor the hospitality of those who welcomed us into their home. During our visits, over 40 villagers accepted Jesus as Savior. These four working days were the core of the trip. On Sunday, our team joined Othoo Baptist Church. Worshipping with the Kenyans was a moving experience for many of our team. The Holy Spirit was very evident. After church, we joined the pastors on a tour of nearby Lake Victoria. This was a great day and a good chance for our blisters to heal on our hands!

During the week, we were also able to visit a couple of public schools which were in the area. Each stop at a school included a gospel proclamation and the sharing of testimonies. At

Jolly Kids - a school for poor children with unsafe or unstable homes - we had the privilege of sharing a hot meal, and PB&J sandwiches we had made the night before. They were very appreciative!

Our time ended with a trip to the Masai Mara game park, where we saw the beauty of Kenya in full. The safari game drives and sleeping in the game tents along the river were the perfect way to end an awesome week of service. Our entire team was deeply impacted by the trip, and it gave many of us new perspective on how blessed we are to live in America and how fortunate we are to have a community of believers around us. We are looking forward to returning soon. Praise the Lord! Or in Luo, “Yesu Opaki!”

- Pastor Kevin Gore, First Baptist Church, Shallotte NC

Teams to Kenya can be as small as five volunteers or as large as sixteen. Trips begin on a Tuesday and conclude on the following Friday and can be scheduled throughout the year. Costs includes approximately \$1000 per person for ground expenses (including a one-night stay at the Masai Mara), plus the cost of airfare, which typically runs from \$1200 - 1800. Come enjoy a true African experience while assisting a family in need and sharing the Gospel in Kenya!

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# A Window of Opportunity in MOLDOVA

If a window of opportunity appears, don't pull down the shade. – Tom Peters

As a new pastor at Olive Chapel Church in Apex, I prayed that my church would become an Acts 1:8 church: serving as witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. A new partnership with a Baptist church in a formerly communist country is providing an opportunity for our small congregation to take the gospel to an unchurched village in Moldova.

In July 2024, through Baptists on Mission, Olive Chapel established a five-year partnership with Jesus the Alpha and Omega Baptist Church in Tintareni, Moldova, (the mother church) as they attempt to plant a church in the nearby village of Mereni (population 5,757). We began praying for the people of Mereni and providing a monthly stipend to support the church planter there. Bivocational church planter, Valeriu Sagin, leads a core group of a dozen village disciples in Bible study and worship on the second floor of a rented building in Mereni. He and his wife are also discipling over twenty village children in a weekly Kid's Club ministry. This past summer they hosted their first Kid's Camp VBS for 29 children (ages 9-14). In July 2026 our church plans to send a team to assist Pastor Sagin with his Kid's Camp VBS in hopes of reaching at least 50 children with the gospel. We will also assist in distributing food packages for the hungry.

It's hard to believe, but before 1991 when Moldova was part of the Soviet Union, sharing the gospel was illegal. No evangelical churches were allowed to meet. Once Moldova declared its independence and adopted their

own constitution in 1994, they established a democratic government. Now there is an unquenchable thirst for God, a growing hunger for scripture, and an aching need for the gospel. The Moldova Baptist Union wants to plant a church in each of the 750 villages where there is no evangelical presence. That's where NC Baptists can help. Olive Chapel is one of nine NC churches who are partnering with Moldovan mother churches to plant churches while the window of opportunity is still open for sharing the gospel. The relentless war in neighboring Ukraine and fear of Russia's encroachment into Moldova provides an urgency in sharing the gospel there. Time is of the essence.

Would your church consider a partnership with a Moldovan mother church?

- Pastor Randy Clipp, Olive Chapel Church, Apex, NC

**The primary focus of the North Carolina/Moldova partnership is that of supporting church planting through strong Moldovan "mother churches". These churches are led by visionary pastors, who are gospel-focused and mission-hearted. Please contact Baptists on Mission if your church would like to make an eternal difference in Moldova!**



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# TEACH IN HUNGARY – A STEP OF FAITHFUL OBEDIENCE

**Makellyn Mathis is a member of Buff Creek Baptist Church in Sylva, NC. She is serving as a missionary for a second year, living and teaching in a grade school in Hungary.**



In the fall of 2024, the Lord invited me into a step of obedience—one that stretched my faith and opened my heart in ways I never expected. He called me to Hungary to serve and love the Hungarian people. I didn't fully understand what He was preparing me for, but I knew His voice, and I chose to follow.



What I didn't realize was that God would take a weakness I had carried all my life—my struggle with English—and use it for His glory. It still amazes me that I now serve as an English teacher. Every step of obedience has reminded me to boast in Christ alone.

When I first arrived, I thought teaching English simply meant grammar, vocabulary, and

pronunciation. But the Lord gently whispered that my purpose was deeper. My calling wasn't to create perfect English speakers or collect awards and top grades. My calling was to build relationships and share the love, joy, and peace that flow from knowing Jesus Christ.

I imagined my days would be filled with lessons, then quiet afternoons at home. But God had something much richer in mind. Obedience meant walking closely with people—listening, loving, serving, and simply being present in their daily lives. Through this step of faith, the Lord has let me witness countless miracles that I would have missed had I stayed where I was comfortable.

Obedience has looked like sharing meals with students, cheering them on at competitions, baking cookies together, making thank-you cards, praying over them, and teaching them how to reflect the compassion and kindness of Christ (Colossians 3:12-14).

He has allowed me to weave His love into every lesson.

A beautiful example of this happened during a one-on-one lesson with an 8th-grade student. She asked me, "Why did you leave America to come here?" I softly replied, "Because of Jesus." As we talked, I shared Scripture and the gospel message with her. She confided that, although she longed for a relationship with Christ, it was difficult because her parents were unbelievers and no one around her had a relationship with Him. What began as a simple English lesson soon became a profound opportunity to share God's love and pray with her. Though we may not always see the immediate fruit of our labor, God calls us to walk faithfully in obedience and trust His sovereign work.

So, I ask you: Will you take your own step of obedience?

Will you let God use your weaknesses as a testimony of His greatness?

Perhaps God is calling your church to be part of this work—to share the love of Jesus in Baptist schools, to invest in English Bible camps, and to help build meaningful relationships within the Hungarian community.

When we say yes to God, lives are changed—our own included.

Step out in faith and watch how He will use you to shine His light in Hungary.

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For more information about the Teach in Hungary opportunity or to send a team to serve in the schools, contact Teresa Jones, [tajones@ncbaptist.org](mailto:tajones@ncbaptist.org).

## South Africa – Door of Hope Village

# OFFERING HOPE TO THE HOPELESS

Imagine a team from your church taking piles of sand and gravel and building a safe, loving home for a child who is desperate for a forever family. Imagine watching homes rise up on what was once a farm so that up to 200 children who were abandoned have a place to call home. Imagine watching children laugh and play who began like abandoned and with no hope. Not only does the Door of Hope save infants from abandonment, but they give children a place to grow up rooted in faith, hope, and the love of God. Helping children know that they are loved is the backdrop for serving at Door of Hope.

Building homes is just one part of serving at Door of Hope. Door of Hope rescues abandoned infants and cares for them in “Baby Houses” until they are toddlers. There are normally more than 60 infants being cared for at the Door of Hope Baby Houses. Some are adopted by families or reunited with their birth families but one out of every three babies cared for at Door of Hope is not chosen for adoption will need to make their home at Door of Hope Village. The alternative for most would be spending their entire childhood in a state-run orphanage only to be sent out at

eighteen years of age with no one to help them make their way in life. Door of Hope Village will offer those not chosen for adoption a place to grow to adulthood. That will mean building a school, a child development center, and dozens of homes in the years to come.

You can also serve as an intern at the Door of Hope at one of the Baby Houses caring for children. Interns can serve for as little as six weeks or for several months. You can assist the aunts who are caring for the babies and be a lifeline to a child who is beginning a new life filled with God’s love.

You can offer hope to the hopeless through Baptists on Missions’ partnership with Door of Hope Children’s Mission. There is space for your team in 2026!

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# SEEDS OF JOY IN WESTERN UKRAINE

Abigail McClure is the granddaughter of Larry and Kathy Phillips, members of FBC Hickory and long-term volunteers with Baptists on Mission.

Ever since I was a little girl, I have watched my grandparents, Larry and Kathy Phillips, travel across the world serving the Lord. I always dreamed of joining them one day. That dream became a reality one afternoon during my final semester at East Tennessee State University, when my phone rang with life-changing news: I had been invited on my first mission trip to Western Ukraine.

In that moment, excitement and nerves collided—but with faith and courage that only the Lord could provide, I said yes. Hand in hand with my grandparents and Luke Millhaupt, I took one of the biggest steps of my life, walking boldly into what would become a truly transformative experience.

From long flights to winding van rides along unfamiliar roads, every mile carried both anticipation and exhaustion. Yet through it all, the Lord's hand was upon us. He guided us safely across the border between Hungary and Ukraine, calming every worry and filling our hearts with peace as we entered the place where we would share the good news of our Savior through Vacation Bible School.

I'll never forget stepping into the sanctuary for the first time. The air felt different—filled with joy, hope, and something sacred. Then I saw her: an eleven-year-old girl named Anna, with a radiant smile and eyes that shone with the light of Christ. From that moment, she became the heart of our welcome, greeting everyone with love and laughter. Through her, I saw what it truly means to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Each day was full of life—greeting the children at their first meal, listening together as the Bible story of the day was

shared, and watching them write, create, and play. Every evening, we gathered around a big table to share a meal as laughter and conversation filled the room. From the very first day, the seeds of God's love were planted, and we began to see them sprout in the children's hearts.

As their faith grew, I felt something blooming within me, too. My own flower of faith opened wider, shining brighter than ever before. The Lord knew that through this experience, my light would grow stronger—that I would find deep joy not only in seeing another part of the world but in changing lives through something as simple as a hug and the words, "God loves you."

When our time in Ukraine came to an end, I realized how much I had changed. What began as a journey to serve others became one of transformation within my own heart. Leaving was bittersweet, but I carried home something far greater than memories: a renewed sense of purpose. The Lord reminded me that sharing His love doesn't require grand gestures—just a willing heart and open hands. I returned home with a deeper faith, a brighter light, and a passion to keep planting seeds of joy wherever He leads me next.

2026 opportunities are available for teams to serve in Western Ukraine.



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# FORGOTTEN AT THE FAIR



For 11 days each October, the NC State Fair bursts with food, lights, laughter, and crowds. But behind the scenes—tucked between the rides and the vendors—are stories too often unseen. This year, on the Baptists on Mission Health Screening Bus, more than 446 people stepped through our doors for free medical screenings, conversation, prayer, and care. Many were fairgoers, but a significant number were the workers who spend long days serving others while carrying silent burdens of their own.

The Health Screening Bus was faithfully staffed by volunteers from churches across North Carolina—both medical and non-medical—along with our leadership team: Sheila Prevatte RN, and Ken & Rhonda Brown. Their steady presence ensured that operations ran smoothly and lovingly throughout all 11 days of the fair. They helped to make sure every person seen was offered a Gospel tract. To our knowledge only one person declined to accept the offer.

But for Sheila Prevatte—BOM Board member, registered nurse, and dedicated servant from First Baptist Salisbury—this year brought a moment she will never forget. It came in the form of a young fair worker named Sam.



## A Young Man, a Hard Road

“Sheila, there’s someone here for screening.”

That’s how their conversation began.

Sam’s young face showed the wear of a life lived under strain. While machines processed his cholesterol and diabetes tests, he opened up about why he’d come to Raleigh. He had traveled from another state, hoping to earn some money working in a booth where workers guess people’s weight, age, or birth month. He spoke quietly, sharing that when the fair ended, he’d return home—not to something exciting, but to a bartender job he dreaded.

His depression screening confirmed he was struggling. Sheila gently continued the conversation.

“I asked him if he knew the Lord,” she recalls. “With moist eyes, he said yes, but that he hadn’t been following his faith for a long time.”

Right there in the middle of the bustling fairgrounds, Sheila reminded him that God had been with him the whole time—through every hardship, every burden, and every lonely night. With Sam’s permission, she prayed with and for him. Tears streamed down his face.

Before he left, he made a small promise:

*“One day, I’ll bring you a teddy bear from my stand.”*

A few days passed. The bus bustled with volunteers and nursing students. Then, Sheila spotted a small bag of stuffed animals near the front.

“I assumed some of our student volunteers had won them,” Sheila said. But the students quickly told her a fair worker



had dropped them off and said they were for “the lady on the bus.”

Sheila smiled softly. “I asked if he happened to say his name. Yes, He did.”

It was Sam. She had prayed for him every day since they first met. And he had not forgotten.

The next morning, before the fair

opened, Sheila was outside setting up when she heard a voice behind her: “*Did you get your animals?*” It was Sam—smiling big, brighter than before. “You turned this fair around for me,” he said. “You really helped me. I know I’m going to be alright now.” Then he wrapped his arms around her in a grateful hug.

Among thousands of fairgoers each day, Sam had been invisible. A young man living quietly in pain, hoping someone—anyone—might see him. That day, God allowed Sheila to be in the right place, at the right time. To listen. To pray. To remind Sam of his worth and God’s love.

“He gives each of us those opportunities,” Sheila says. “We just have to be ready to recognize them—and act on them—to show God’s love to others.”

## No One Should Be Forgotten—At the Fair or Anywhere

Baptists on Mission’s dental and health screening buses exist for moments just like this. They are available for churches, ministries, and community organizations across North Carolina to use as tools of outreach—offering free care, compassion, and the hope of Christ.

No one should be forgotten at the fair.

No one should be forgotten in your community, either.

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# God Loves All People

## APPALACHIAN COALFIELDS

There is something special and spiritual about traveling on mission for the Lord, getting away from your normal routine, and placing yourself in close quarters with fellow believers. This is exactly what we found working with God's Love from a Diaper Bag in Jenkins, KY. Our agenda was full of good works- a baby shower for women from a lower income community, mission house repair, VBS activities for children in subsidized housing, and visiting a nursing home. Our expectation was for God to show up and work through us and around us. He is faithful! God showed us how He loves ALL people.

God loves the unborn. We shared His love with expecting mothers and made sure they have what they need to welcome a baby into the world. Each woman received clothes, blankets, a diaper bag, necessities, and a Bible.

Women from our team shared about how God used motherhood to teach them more about Him. Women and their unborn were prayed over and provided with essentials.

God loves children and young families. We handed out VBS flyers on Friday night and the people in the community were so receptive. The next day many kids and families showed up to learn about how to magnify God. It was a fun time to hang out, play, do crafts, sing songs, and tell Bible stories. However it was our team that was encouraged by a family sharing with us the music and dances they learned from their church! God is working in this housing area and it was a privilege to be a small part of His work.

God loves the elderly. Our mission at the nursing home was to sing hymns, play bingo, and hand out gift bags that

our kid's ministry had decorated. Residents entered the dining hall and listened to the hymns. A few sang along. After dinner many left, but a few stayed for bingo. Hesitation changed to happiness and reserved attitudes changed to openness as people called out "Bingo!" and collected their prizes. God used songs, bingo, and prizes to remind the elderly that He still cares and loves them.

God is at work all over the world. This trip was a great reminder of how God is at work just four short hours away in an old coal-mining town in Jenkins, KY. God is using resident missionaries Lester and Bessie McPeek's deep community roots for Kingdom impact and it was a pleasure for our church to get to join in. We cannot wait until next year!

- Abby Hardin, Calvary Baptist Church, Gastonia, NC

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Appalachian projects occur year-round, and can include service in children's ministry, sports clinics, evangelistic outreach projects, and construction, to name a few. There are dozens of requests for mission teams to help in 2026. Click on the QR code and find out how your church can play a part!



# Mission Teams at Their Finest in PENNSYLVANIA



I enjoyed traveling to our partner state of Pennsylvania the last week of June 2025. There, I witnessed three North Carolina mission teams at their finest!. Pastor Tim Trexler once again led a team from Mount Sinai Baptist in Shelby. The talented team, composed of adults and youth, conducted a “park party” outreach in Middletown, PA. This was an effort of Valley Baptist to reach out to their surrounding community. Later in the week the team served with our friend Bob Conrad at Covenant Community Church in Harrisburg. The team did some repairs and landscaping at Grace House, a ministry that reaches the many children and families in nearby housing developments. The team also had a great time doing VBS-type activities with the children here. Trexler shares, “I was thrilled to see our team members sharing their faith with individuals, praying over people they met, seizing divine appointments, sharing witness bracelets, and simply being zealous for good works morning, noon and night!” Thank you Mount Sinai, for your nine years of commitment to this strategic partnership area.

Carpenter’s Hands brought three large teams in back to back to back weeks to serve at Riverbend Church in Bethlehem PA. Riverbend recently acquired a very large church facility in a strategic area of downtown Bethlehem. Though ripe with potential, the building needs a lot of work! That is where Carpenter Hands and their volunteers are genius! Led by our friend Mike Nelson, the crews jump in and tackle the most difficult of tasks. Riverbend pastor Joe Velarde—a real fireball himself—was thrilled to have the

teams come help! The teams work hard, they worship hard after hours, and generally enjoy fellowshiping and serving together. Thank you Carpenter’s Hands, for taking on the hard jobs!

A bit further north, a team from FBC Icard, NC drove up to participate in the Pennsylvania/South Jersey Convention’s annual “Serve” initiative. This year it was “Serve Wilkes-Barre”. Churches from all over Pennsylvania—and few “outsiders” such as the FBC Icard team—spread out all over the Wilkes-Barre and Scranton areas for a wide variety of service and ministry projects. Led by pastor Michael Pardue, the team was welcomed with open arms by Rev. Stan Oschman and the PLAID church in Jenkins Township, PA. They shared the Gospel through door to door visitation, block party events, and community service. Thanks Michael and team!

Mission partners are needed each year in Pennsylvania/South Jersey for projects such as the ones above! Evangelism, outreach events, children’s ministry, and construction needs can all be found on the current projects list found on the Pennsylvania webpage. Each request represents church planters, pastors, and congregations who are asking for help in reaching their communities for Christ. If your church has been involved in furthering God’s kingdom in Pennsylvania—thank you! If not yet, please pray about how God might use your team here!

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Pennsylvania projects for 2026 are posted on our webpage. Follow the QR code. Then, click on the link to view and download a .pdf of current projects.



# Reminded of God's Care in **NEW ENGLAND**



Our involvement with Baptists on Mission's New England Partnership featured two key components: first, a platform to engage a community with the hope of the Gospel; and

secondly, a healthy local church to work alongside. Our team of 25 students and leaders was blessed to partner with First Baptist Marlborough as we served through prayer walking, evangelism, and vacation Bible school.

FBC's passion for reaching its community created the perfect environment for our high school students to practice meaningful, gospel-centered conversations. Throughout the week, our team had the opportunity to share the gospel with two homeless individuals who were wrestling with the brokenness and suffering around them. It was a joy to see our students listen to their stories, offer compassion, and point them to the source of everlasting hope. We also met with a former Marine seeking to overcome addiction. Our students encouraged him with Scripture, prayed for his deliverance, and shared about the transforming power of the gospel. We also ministered to a group of Portuguese-speaking children at FBC's VBS. Using Google Translate, our students were able to talk with, pray with, and share Christ with these kids. For many, it was their first experience serving across a language barrier. Due, in part, to the training they received in Marlborough, several of these students have already signed up to participate in their first international mission trip next summer!

There were many more stories like these throughout the week. In every case, we were able to point individuals

and families toward a healthy, gospel-centered church. It was a joy to come alongside the faithful work of Pastor Loveday and his team, to be a gust of momentum in their ongoing ministry, and to direct each person we met back to a healthy church that will continue to be salt and light in the Marlborough community for years to come.

We're deeply grateful for ministry partners who provide opportunities to live out the spirit of Matthew 28:19-20: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

- Travis Suttles, Brookwood Baptist Church, Jacksonville, NC

**This is one example of how mission teams are making a difference throughout New England. Teams serve through children's ministry, evangelistic outreach, construction ministry, and more. Visit Baptists on Mission's New England Partnership webpage to see a detailed list and pray about how you and your church can make a Kingdom difference in this most-needed area of our nation!**

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# ROCKY MOUNTAIN

## Serving on the Summit

In July 2025, a team of twelve from Zion Baptist Church in Morganton, NC traveled to Mountaintop Baptist Assembly, located 8,100 feet on Casper Mountain in Wyoming, to serve during Summit Youth Week. We went expecting to work hard. We did not expect how deeply God would work in us and through us. The team arrived on Saturday, giving us time to settle in, assign duties, and learn our way around the kitchen. By Monday afternoon, campers were pouring in, and our assignment was officially underway - prepare and serve three meals a day for every student and staff member.

For the next six days, mornings began early, and the kitchen stayed busy well into the evening. It was tiring, joyful, demanding, and sacred all at once. In the middle of flipping pancakes, washing dishes, and handing out plates to hungry teenagers, we watched God move in remarkable ways. Twenty campers committed their lives to Jesus Christ that week. Some came burdened, some searching, some unsure. But by the end of the week, they were asking spiritual questions and stepping forward in faith.

The Lord was also working in our volunteers. Long days in close quarters created deep conversations, shared prayer, and friendships strengthened by service. The Lord used the work to stretch us, bind us together, and remind us that ministry often happens in the quiet, unseen acts of obedience. One of our team members, Lori Matthews, said it best: "Cooking for a week at the MTBA was exciting, tiring and rewarding. Seeing everyone dig into their food with such joy and satisfaction was the ultimate reward. It felt great knowing I was fueling all their adventures and Bible studies. I was truly blessed to serve at camp. Every long day, every early morning, every dish washed was worth it. God didn't just change the campers' lives. He changed ours."

One of the most powerful aspects of Mountaintop Baptist Assembly is its reliance on volunteers. By using volunteer labor rather than a paid kitchen staff, the camp can keep costs low; low enough for students who might never afford a traditional summer camp. Many of the young people we served were only able to attend because churches like ours gave their time. We encourage churches across North Carolina to prayerfully consider partnering with Baptists on Mission to serve at Mountaintop Baptist Assembly. Your service can change the life of a student and the heart of every volunteer who goes. God is already working on that mountain. He is inviting you to join Him.

- Zion Baptist Church 2025 Wyoming Mission Team, Morganton, NC



Cook teams are needed each summer to serve at our sister camps in Wyoming and New Mexico. These camps minister to a thousand campers each summer. The camps take good care of volunteers, providing housing and meals. Other requests are also listed on our website. Might this be where God is calling you and your team to serve in 2026?

Rocky Mountain projects for 2026 are posted on our webpage. Follow the QR code. Then, click on the link to view and download a .pdf list of current projects.

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# Encouraging the “Encouragers” in ALASKA

By Jeff Pate, Adaville Baptist Church, Spindale NC

Adaville Baptist began its relationship with Alaska Missions through the original NC/Alaska Partnership in 2024. While planning that trip to Anchorage, AK we were introduced by one of our members to Arctic Barnabas Ministries in Kenai, AK. The connecting point was aviation missions since Arctic Barnabas utilizes planes, boats, and the road system to minister to over 30 Alaskan Pastors and Missionaries in some of the most remote areas of Alaska. As the name implies, Arctic Barnabas is an encouragement ministry that supplies respite, pulpit supply, and physical supplies such as “dip netting” opportunities allowing families to stock their freezers with salmon for the upcoming winter. It also serves as a network connecting all of these pastors and missionaries to one another as they offer a free week of spiritual retreat each October for anyone who can come at Victory Bible Camp.

Adaville had the desire to “encourage the encouragers”, so we set out to help with their pre-winter chores. This

included things like felling, bucking, and splitting firewood, painting/staining decks or houses, rebuilding broken steps or even building chicken coops. Our aim was to serve these tireless servants by checking as many things off their personal “to do” lists as possible. We also spent a day spreading gravel and doing basic clean up preparing a property down in Homer, AK to be used for pastoral retreats free of charge to all who serve in Alaska. According to them no team had ever come to serve them before in such a capacity and it was a huge blessing.

We returned in 2025 with more team members, more skilled labor, and more focus on projects and plan to continue to serve them in this capacity for however many years the Lord leads. We have also partnered with them for 2026 to not only assist in the end of summer labor in August, but to bring another team to lead worship for their Ministry Family Retreat camp in October. God is moving in Alaska and Adaville Baptist is thankful to be a part of it.

**This is just one example of how North Carolina Baptist congregations are serving in our Partner state of Alaska. The opportunity for sharing Christ and furthering His Kingdom in Alaska is great. Many congregations there are small and some located in isolated areas. Our participation in missions in Alaska provides needed resources, leadership, and possibly most importantly, - encouragement. Be in prayer about this exciting Partnership and your participation in it next summer! Visit our Partnership webpage to see the current opportunities.**



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Alaska projects for 2026 are posted on our webpage. Follow the QR code. Then, click on the link to view and download a .pdf listing current opportunities.



# Be a Part of God's Work in HAWAII



The Pu'u Kahea Baptist Conference center, owned by the Hawaii-Pacific Baptist Convention, has operated on the west coast of the island of Oahu since 1949. The main building is the Plantation House which was built in 1910, as part of a sugar plantation. It has been beautifully maintained over the years. The beach is only half a mile away, and the average weather is sunny, with highs in mid 80's and lows around 70. It is a truly beautiful location in which to serve.

After many years of volunteer couples happily serving at Pu'u Kahea through Baptists on Mission, the Conference Center closed due to COVID in 2020. It remained closed until the fall of 2024. The reopening process has been gradual, with immediate maintenance and repairs required on buildings and the grounds that had sat dormant for those years. This consumed much of the new camp director's time and energy. Finally, volunteer couples, recruited again by Baptists on Mission as part of the North Carolina/Hawaii Partnership, began to arrive in the fourth quarter 2024. Laney and I arrived before the larger retreat groups began arriving. Our responsibilities included

housekeeping (general cleaning and laundry), grounds keeping (mowing and trimming), construction, interior painting, and floor cleaning/waxing. We also helped with floor repair of the outdoor tent, cutting doors between two adjacent units, replacing five window A/C units, and some exterior painting. While there was always plenty to do each day, our work was typically completed by three o'clock so there was time to rest relax, go to the beach and sightsee on days off.

While we were there, youth groups brought their praise bands, so worship music was frequently heard. There was joy and excitement throughout the campus. Worship services resulted in salvations and a closer walk with God for the young people who participated. We also met some older folks who fondly recalled their experiences at camp over the years. Without a doubt, God is using Pu'u Kahea Conference Center to further his ministry in Wainane. It is an awesome location to volunteer and be a part of God's work in Hawaii.

- Wayne and Laney Ellington, Community Church of Mountain City, TN

**Baptists on Mission's Hawaii Partnership offers couples the opportunity to make a real difference in the spiritual lives of Hawaii Baptists through service at Pu'u Kahea Conference Center. The work is not easy. Couples should be in good physical condition, self-starters, and willing to work hard. They should also be willing to commit one month of service at the camp. The work is also very rewarding, and volunteers deeply enjoy the opportunity to contribute. If you are interested in serving, start by contacting Mark Abernathy at the Baptists on Mission office. Aloha!**

Hawaii projects for 2026 are posted on our webpage. Follow the QR code. Then, click on the link to view and download a .pdf projects request list.

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# CONSTRUCTION SKILLS TRAINING

Hanging and finishing drywall, laying laminate flooring, framing a wall, or building a wheelchair ramp may seem like foreign languages, but they can be the avenue for you to make Christ known and seen in your community. You can be “Jesus with skin on” to your neighbors or around the world.

People in every community need help. The needs in your community may be for building wheelchair ramps, installing grab bars, doing small home repairs or assisting with other construction needs. Is your church prepared to answer the call? Hands-on training for those with limited construction experience can help us move out of our seats and into the streets to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Construction skills training can open the door for you to serve at the Baptists on Mission Red Springs, Shelby, or Charity Mission Centers; volunteer at our disaster rebuild centers in Eastern NC or in WNC; or go on a construction mission trip. There are projects in the Appalachian Coal Fields, New England, the Rocky Mountains, and throughout NC where you can use your new skills. You will also learn more about our rebuild opportunities at six rebuild centers we are operating in Western NC after Hurricane Helene.

Imagine helping hurricane survivors return home, assisting a church plant or replant renovate a facility, or changing lives in your own community! Plan now to bring a group from your church to learn new skills, develop stronger relationships, and prepare to move out to serve and reach your community.

**March 7 and October 10, 2026 - Charity Mission Camp**

**March 21 and September 5, 2026 - Red Springs Mission Camp**

**April 18 and October 3, 2026 - Shelby Mission Center**

**\$15 for Saturday training only**

**\$25 for Friday overnight and Saturday training**

**Register:**

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# Missions Camps

# CHARITY MISSION CENTER

**Purpose**— The purpose of Charity Mission Center is to assist churches, individuals, and organizations to get involved in missions by using their God given gifts and talents to impact the work of the Kingdom through Word and Deed. We accomplish this by offering affordable short term missions opportunities to men, women, students and families.

**Facilities**— Our facility can house 200 volunteers in our 62,000 SQ FT facility. We have 16 private shower stalls, with handicap availability and a self-serve laundry room. On our site we have a game room, a lounge, a gym, and sports fields. We have an exercise room for physical health and a prayer chapel for spiritual health. We also have a tool room that is equipped with all the tools and supplies needed. We have classrooms and conference rooms that teams can use to have Bible studies and team building time. There is an on-site thrift store and food pantry.

## HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Construction, Handyman ministry, Wheelchair ramp construction, youth camps, Men retreats, Women retreats, Couple Retreats, Prayer Retreats, Packing and distributing senior adult food boxes, working in the thrift store or food pantry, Sports camps, VBS, Backyard Bible clubs. We are also willing to work with your team on creating your own mission experience that fits your church.

## PLAN A TRIP

- Cost is \$25 per day and includes meals, lodging and supplemental insurance.
- The Camp is open Monday through Saturday. No Saturday evening meals and the camp is closed on Sunday.
- Teams need to bring their own towels, toiletries, bedding, and pillows.
- RV sites are available upon request.
- Participants must be 12-years-old or have completed the 5th Grade.
- Youth groups must have 1 adult per 4 youths.

## LOCATION

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# Missions Camps

## RED SPRINGS MISSION CENTER

**Purpose**—The purpose of Red Springs Mission Camp is to get churches involved in missions. By providing affordable short term options, your church or youth group can experience missions without the cost and time involved in an out-of-state mission trip. You will be helping people who are in need in their own state.

**Facilities**—Our facility can house up to 200 volunteers per day and the ministry opportunities are endless. Our tool room and warehouse are fully equipped with all the supplies you will need for a construction or non-construction project.

**Ministries offered through Red Spring Mission Camp are:** Construction, Handyman Projects, Children’s Ministry, Women’s Ministry, Yard work for the Elderly, Painting, Disaster Relief Work (Following a Disaster).

### PLAN A TRIP

- Cost is \$25 per day and includes meals, and lodging.
- The Camp is open Monday through Saturday.
- Teams need to bring their own towels, toiletries, bedding, and pillows.
- RV sites are available upon request.
- Participants must be 12-years-old or have completed the 5th Grade.

### HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

**Labor needs:** Volunteers with a servant’s heart; roofers; carpenters; electricians; painters; cook teams; children’s workers; cleaning teams; couples to work in the warehouse.

**Material needs:** Building materials; cleaning supplies; non-perishable food; furniture; appliances; toiletry items.

### LOCATION

The camp is located at 114 Industrial Road, Red Springs, NC on the corner of Hwy 211 and Industrial Rd.



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# Missions Camps

# SHELBY MISSION CENTER

**Purpose**—The Shelby Mission Camp exists to glorify God by involving churches and Christians in meeting human needs in Jesus’ name. We do this by mobilizing church teams, organizations, and individual volunteers, to meet a variety of needs in Cleveland County and the surrounding areas.

**Facilities**—The Shelby Mission Camp is a purpose built facility situated on 40 acres of land just minutes from downtown Shelby, NC. Our facilities include sleeping, dining, worship, and recreation accommodations for up to 200 volunteers at a time. We also have a warehouse stocked with all of the tools and supplies needed for our ministries.

## PLAN A TRIP

- Cost is \$25 per day and includes meals, and lodging.
- The Camp is open Monday through Saturday.
- Teams need to bring their own towels, toiletries, bedding, and pillows.
- RV sites are available upon request.
- Participants must be 12-years-old or have completed the 5th Grade.

## LOCATION

The Shelby Mission Camp is located just south of Highway 74 in Shelby, NC. We are approximately 45 minutes west of Charlotte. The Camp’s address is 302 Sharpton Drive, Shelby, NC 28152.

## HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

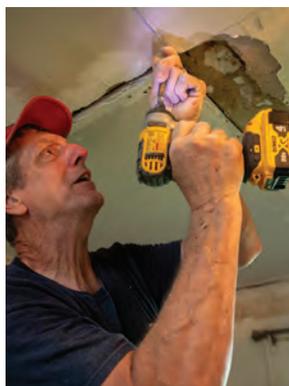
The Shelby Mission Camp offers standing ministry opportunities in 4 main areas. These areas are Handyman Ministry, The Community Farm Project, Evangelism, and Community Service. We also offer seasonal opportunities such as our Thanksgiving meal, Appalachian Christmas Outreach, Deep Impact Camps, Skills Training Weekends, and much more. We would love the opportunity to serve alongside you and your church team as we share the good news about Jesus with Cleveland County and the surrounding areas.

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### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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*“Whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40*

Partner with nationals we know and trust to offer hope in the midst of hopelessness with a one-time donation or a recurring gift to the *Least of These Projects*.

# LEAST OF THESE



**Armenia** – Help church planters (\$200 or more per month), build a church building in a town with no church, or support refugees from war with Azerbaijan who are living in church buildings.

**Ukraine** – Provide a nutritious meal for Roma children through the Love Help Teach soup kitchen that feeds 150 children per day and has expanded to also offer meals to senior adults affected by the war.

**South Africa** – Help build a “Baby House” that will offer a home to infants abandoned beside the road, dumped in garbage cans, or thrown in rivers. Build cottages that will give toddlers not chosen for adoption a place to call home.

**Cuba** – Help build a new seminary in Santa Clara or provide a water purification unit (\$1200) that will offer water to an entire community.

**Haiti** – Sponsor an elementary school student for \$30 per month, provide meals to students battling to overcome gang violence for \$1 per person per day, or help install a water system that will provide drinking water for a village of 30,000 people in southern Haiti.

**Hungary** – In Roma Gypsy camps, a church building often serves as the only gathering place. Help some of the most rejected communities in the world experience the love of Christ.

**Africa** – Sponsor a church planter through Africa for Christ for \$200 per month, decreasing each year over five years. These church planters are serving in countries across Africa.

### CONTACT

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or by sending a check to:  
NCBM, P.O. Box 1107, Cary, N.C. 27511.

Please specify the particular need you feel led to help meet.

# UPSIDE DOWN CONFERENCES

Plan to join us for 2026 trainings on how to “do” compassion ministry in the best way!

## It’s often UPSIDE DOWN

Upside Down Training sessions will be offered in 2026 across the state covering “Basic Principles for Every Church to Strengthen Ministry in Their Community.”

Each training will be taught by trainers who cumulatively have over 100 years’ experience with under-resourced communities (and every community is under-resourced in some way).

### Schedule:

9:00 - 9:45am	Intro and Meet the Need First
10:00 - 10:45am	Serve the Unserved
11:00 - 11:45am	See the Unseen
11:45am - 12:30pm	Lunch
12:30 - 1:10pm	Small Is Big
1:20 - 2:00pm	Admin and giving of certificates

Cost is \$15 per person (includes lunch)

### IF YOUR CHURCH WOULD LIKE TO HOST AN UPSIDE DOWN TRAINING WORKSHOP PLEASE CONTACT:

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EDWARD BEST SCHOOL



## THE PRIVILEGE OF PRAYER

**During the August NC Serve campaign,** one of the many ways our church loved the community was to decorate & fill gift bags for teachers in the local elementary school. After completing the gift bags, we gathered together on school grounds to do a prayer walk. We divided into two teams and each team walked around the school several times. Since it was on a Saturday, we were able to pray aloud, each member taking a turn to pray about a specific topic until someone else felt led to change the direction of our prayer. When the prayer walk was over, both teams came together before leaving to share what this prayer time had meant to us. As individuals shared their experiences, it became amazingly apparent how the Holy Spirit was in control of our prayers! It was humbling and thrilling to be a part of the Holy Spirit's work. He had united our hearts in prayer even though the teams were in different locations around the school praying!

What a privilege we as Christ followers have been given in prayer! "Therefore, He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He (Jesus) always lives to make intercession for them." Hebrews 7:25 We have been gifted with the opportunity to make intercessions for others as Jesus is always doing for us!

When believers are faithfully practicing the discipline of prayer, it strengthens our ability to pray in the spirit at all times. Would you consider becoming a prayer support team member? Would you be willing to accept the challenge of interceding for our brothers & sisters in Christ who are facing spiritual battles daily? "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against... spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places." Ephesians 6:12 Remember, "The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much!" James 5: 16b Are you ready to obey His call? "With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints." Ephesians 6:18

To join our team in the spiritual battle, send an email to Tracy Leonard at [bomprayerline@gmail.com](mailto:bomprayerline@gmail.com) saying you want to become a prayer warrior. You will receive a confirmation email followed by a weekly prayer guide each Monday.

### CONTACT

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## 2026 Men's Outdoor Weekend

Last year's Men's Outdoor Weekend was an absolute blast! More than 150 men gathered for a weekend of fellowship, worship, and outdoor fun. This annual event, held at Camp Caraway in Asheboro, provides men a fun outdoor experience that will also challenge them to walk closer with Christ. The weekend begins with a time of worship on Friday night, followed by fellowship around the campfire. Saturday morning features demonstrations

on a variety of shooting activities. Saturday afternoon includes participation and competition in skeet, archery, tomahawk throw, pistol shoot, and rifles. Information is also shared on how your church might begin an outdoor ministry to the men in your area. This year's event will be May 1-2, 2026. Last year's event sold out! So do not wait to register! Visit our webpage for more information on how you and your men can be a part of this great event!



## Men's Worship Rallies To Be Held Throughout State in November 2026

Men's Worship Rallies will be held in five locations throughout the state in November 2026. These rallies feature a good meal, great fellowship, worship, a spiritual challenge for men, missions information, and a prayer time. The purpose of the rallies are three-fold – 1) to worship and fellowship together as men 2) to share information on mission opportunities, and 3) to provide inspiration, and a model for how to strengthen the ministry to men

in your church. All men and their pastors are invited to attend the rally closest to them. Rally dates are as follows: Region 2 Thursday, November 5; Region 4 Tuesday, November 10; Region 6 Thursday, November 12; Region 8 Thursday, November 19; and Region 10 Monday, November 30. Specific rally sites will be listed on our website later in the year. Registration is \$5 per person, which will go toward covering the cost of the meal.



## Men's Ministry Training Available

The Baptists on Mission Men's Ministry Advisory Team is available to provide men's ministry training for the local church and/or the Baptist Association. Training helps churches develop an intentional strategy for reaching and discipling men. Included is discussion on reaching men spiritually, developing leadership among men, engaging men in the ministry of the church, and involving men in missions. We will also talk about what resources are available for men's ministry, including small group ministry. If you would like help in training and preparing the men of your church or

association, contact Mark Abernathy at 919-459-5607 or [mabernathy@ncbaptist.org](mailto:mabernathy@ncbaptist.org).

For more information on these events and for starting or strengthening your ministry to men, contact Mark Abernathy at 919-459-5607 or [mabernathy@ncbaptist.org](mailto:mabernathy@ncbaptist.org) or visit our Men's Ministry webpage at [www.baptistsonmission.org](http://www.baptistsonmission.org) (Church Programs/Men's Ministry)

# REACH AND TRAIN THE NEXT GENERATION...



This past summer I had the privilege of serving as the Deep Impact camp speaker in Hendersonville North Carolina. It was a great honor to serve side by side with the amazing DI team, and over 100 committed students and adults who lived out the deep impact mission. God used these adults and students in very powerful ways. They worked at habitat for humanity sites, took time to visit with residents of a nursing home, helped clean up debris from hurricane Helene, and held an incredible block party for children at the local boys and girls club. But God did not only work through them he worked in them. Throughout the week we walked through the life of Peter and saw how God gifted him and used him to do mighty things. Each day we learned that we are gifted by God, to be used for God, so the world sees the glory of God. At the end of each worship service the altar was filled with students and adults praying for forgiveness and praying to be used by God. What stood out to me the most was the number of students who stood up and boldly shared testimonies about what God was calling them to do and how God had saved them. One story that stands out the most is a young man who had brought his grandfather's Bible. After the worship service he stood up and shared that in the margins of His grandfathers Bible was the words "do it now." This young man told the room that he was surrendering his life to doing what God was calling him to do, which was to preach and teach the Bible. He was not going to wait any longer. There were so many other stories from that week that would take up pages. God is using Deep Impact and their partnership with churches to reach and train the next generation.

-Trent Drye



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### NEW STRUCTURE - SAME MISSION!

*Changes to Deep Impact for 2026*

- DI Students will have opportunities to serve in BOM Mission Centers or Rebuild Sites across North Carolina.
- Projects will focus on construction and serving the needs of the local community.
- NEW LOWERED COST OF \$199 PER WEEK!





## DI Kids: One Day Mission Events



Baptists on Mission is dedicated to providing mission mobilization opportunities for children that supports our purpose of “Glorifying God by involving churches and Christians in meeting human needs in Jesus’ name.”

DI Kids will continue offering churches the opportunity to host the One-Day Mission Events in their community. This allows children and their parents/leaders to serve for one day in local communities across the state. Watch for upcoming events in your area or sign up to host your own one-day event at your church. We plan to greatly increase the number of DI Kids One Day events so sign up now and pick the date that works for you!

### 2026 DI KIDS ONE-DAY MISSION EVENT

8:30AM - 3:30PM

\$10 PER PARTICIPANT

LUNCH/SNACK PROVIDED



Scan the QR code below if you are interested in hosting a One-Day Mission Event at your church.

### CONTACT

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# 2025 INVOLVEMENT STATS

## AGRICULTURE MISSIONS

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- Partnered with Shelby Mission Camp to involve volunteers in community gardening outreach.
- Promoted church and community gardens as ministry tools.
- Partnered with Togo Christian Mission to develop an Agricultural Demonstration Farm.
- Provided agricultural and water-system support to in-field missionaries.

## AVIATION MINISTRY

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- 8 Active Pilots
- 157 Youth flown

### Angel Flights

- 18 trips flown
- \$13,263 Public Benefit
- 8,438 miles flown

## BAPTIST EDUCATORS

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- Trained and encouraged (visits with 20) churches to start or expand **public school involvement ministries**; this is the fastest-growing and most requested ministry.
- Promoted **ESL ministries** in churches; about **15 NC Baptist churches** currently involved.
- Shared **Roma Partnership** English teaching opportunities, including short-term teams and longer missionary service.
- Facilitated interest in **donating pastors' libraries** for overseas ministry, with another shipment planned for September 2026.

## CHILDREN/FAMILY MOBILIZATION

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- 837 total participants
- 8 DI Kids camps
- 4 Kids One-Day Missions Events
- 65 churches involved
- 112 mission projects completed

## CHURCH RENEWAL JOURNEY

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- Church Renewal Journey (CRJ) expanded across NC, Illinois, Georgia, and additional states through overviews, trainings, weekends, and convention displays.
- Active partnerships included Illinois Baptists, with growing opportunities in Georgia.
- Renewal and Awakening Weekends supported in Mississippi, Texas, Virginia, and Arkansas.
- 400+ volunteers participated in CRJ weekends in 2025.
- 2025 spiritual outcomes:
  - 20 salvations (mostly students)
  - 30 rededications of faith

## DISASTER RELIEF/RECOVERY

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### RESPONSE LOCATIONS:

- North Carolina: Hertford, Bryson City, Durham, Henderson, Siler City
- Out of State: Kentucky, Maryland
- Countries: Jamaica, Cuba

### GRAND TOTAL STATS

- Volunteers – 485
- Volunteer Days – 1,916
- Volunteer Hours – 19,160
- Laundry Loads – 221
- Showers – 534
- Assessments – 166
- Salvations – 12
- Chaplaincy Contacts – 216
- Meals Prepared – 3,606
- Meals Distributed (Jamaica) - 1,000
- Jobs Completed (chainsaw, tearout/spray, temp. roofing) – 145
- Churches involved – 232
- DR Trained - 3,000+ in 2025

## FAMILY FOUNDATIONS

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- 13 couples Marriage Retreat - March - Community Baptist Church at Caraway Conference Center Facilitated by Rex and Emily Stroud.
- Over 450 attended the Gary Chapman event, The Marriage You've Always Wanted, in October. This event was held at Pleasant Garden Baptist Church.

## INTERNATIONAL MISSION PARTNERSHIPS

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- Armenia: 69 volunteers on 10 teams
- Cuba: 80 volunteers on 13 teams
- Guatemala – 21 Teams & 176 volunteers
- Roma Partnership:
  - Hungary – 17 teams & 158 volunteers
  - Romania – 3 teams & 22 volunteers
  - Ukraine – 2 teams & 16 volunteers
- Ukraine Partnership:
  - 2 teams & 11 Volunteers
- Kenya – 7 Teams & 66 volunteers
- South Africa – 46 volunteers on 3 teams
- Moldova – 3 Teams & 14 volunteers; 9 NC churches partnered for church planting

## LEAST OF THESE PROJECTS

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- Armenia Church Planters - 25
- Haiti – School, Medical Clinic donations
- Door of Hope, South Africa - Development of Door of Hope Village and support of Door of Hope baby houses

## MEDICAL MISSIONS

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### MOBILE DENTAL MINISTRY

- 139 Dental Clinics completed
- 2891 People served
- 2184 Volunteers
- 58 Professions of faith
- 182 Sponsoring Churches/Organizations

### HEALTH SCREENING MINISTRY

- 71 Clinics completed
- 1242 Patients served
- 1064 Volunteers
- 21 Professions of Faith
- 97 Sponsoring Churches/Organization

### MEN'S MINISTRY

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- 150 for Men's Outdoor Weekend
- 139 for Igniting the Hearts of Men Conference
- 179 for Men's Worship Rallies

### NATIONAL MISSION PARTNERSHIPS

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- 150 Teams & 1960 Volunteers
- Appalachian Coalfields: 32 teams & 392 Volunteers
- Appalachian Christmas Outreach: 54 Teams & 929 Volunteers; 24,774 Christmas Backpacks Collected and Delivered
- Pennsylvania – 12 teams & 186 volunteers
- New England – 14 teams & 126 volunteers
- Rocky Mountain – 21 teams & 230 volunteers
- Alaska – 6 teams & 72 volunteers
- Hawaii – 11 teams & 25 volunteers

## NC STATE MISSION PROJECTS

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- Construction Skills – 203 participants in 6 trainings
- Disaster Rebuild assisted after Hurricane Florence, TS Fred, TS Helene and completed more than 2500 home rehabilitations to date.
- Impact NC - assisted Samaritan Colony Women's Center in Rockingham
- Red Springs, Charity, & Shelby Mission Camps: over 5,000 volunteer days each

## STUDENT MOBILIZATION MINISTRY

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- **Deep Impact Students and Collegiate Missions:**
  - 15 Trips
  - 777 Participants

## GENERAL EVENTS:

### BAPTIST MISSIONS CONFERENCE, WINSTON-SALEM

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- 1,1515 participants

### REGIONAL RALLIES

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- 3616 total participants in February and August

## *In Loving Memory*



**ROBERT MABRY**

Robert went home to be with his Lord on Wednesday, October 22, 2025 in Albemarle.

A man of steadfast faith and tireless service, Robert lived his life anchored in his love for Jesus. For decades, he was a dedicated and committed member of the North Carolina Baptist Men—now known as Baptists on Mission—where he served and climbed the leadership ranks on the disaster response feeding team. From New Jersey to Texas, the Florida Keys to the Outer Banks, and multiple trips to Puerto Rico, Robert showed up wherever people needed comfort, a meal, and a reminder that God hadn't forgotten them.

When he wasn't serving others, Robert was tinkering on his beloved farm, cheering on the Tar Heels alongside his wife, Terry, or cooking up something delicious to share with family and friends. He never missed a chance to tell a joke, but only if you first promised you wouldn't laugh first. His sense of humor, generosity, and big-hearted spirit left an impression on everyone lucky enough to know him.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family.

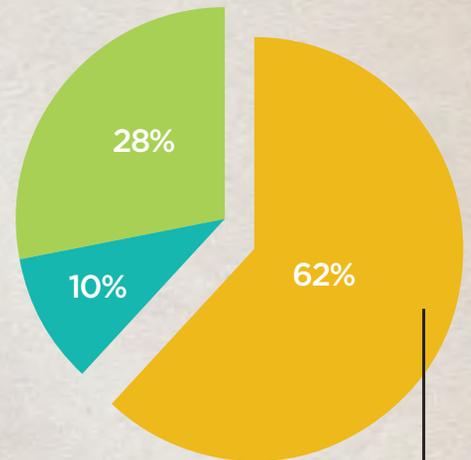




# THE NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS OFFERING:

As followers of Christ, we are called to live sent lives — going out with compassion into a broken world that is desperate for hope. “Living Sent” means we see a need, respond to the need and offer hope in Jesus’ name. Through your faithful gifts to the North Carolina Missions Offering, N.C. Baptists across our state and around the world are being mobilized to bring relief in times of crisis and share the good news of Jesus Christ. From responding to natural disasters and feeding the hungry, to planting new churches or serving through local missions, these ministries reflect God’s love in action. Know that every gift supports life-changing ministries that proclaim the gospel and extend the peace of Christ to those in need.

Visit [vimeo.com/channels/ncmo](https://vimeo.com/channels/ncmo) or scan the QR code to watch our video.



**BAPTISTS ON MISSION  
MINISTRIES 2026 GOAL:**

**\$2,800,000**

# Where Do I Fit In?

## Baptists on Mission Ministries

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### AGRICULTURAL MISSIONS

The purpose of BOM Agricultural Missions is to Glorify God by involving Christians in meeting poverty and hunger needs through Agricultural Missions. Volunteers are needed from all walks of life, including foresters, crop scientists, soil scientists, beekeepers, teachers, homemakers, engineers, and farmers.

### AVIATION MISSIONS

The Aviation Ministry involves pilots in ministry by providing medical air transport for patients en route to medical care, long-distance air transport for families in need, ground transportation for patients, and assistance in disaster situations. **Earth Angels** are responsible for meeting the inbound Angel Flight and driving passengers to the treating facility, hotel, and/or doctor's office.

### BAPTIST EDUCATORS

A ministry for educators who have a heart for missions and wish to use their educational skills to adopt a local school in various ways, teach **English as a Second Language** (ESL) to reach internationals for Christ and pray for students and teachers for the school year.

### CHILDREN MISSIONS

Children Missions opportunities are available to assist families and churches in engaging elementary-age children in mission education and hands-on mission experiences. **Deep Impact Kids (DI Kids)**, is a pre-packaged week or weekend hands-on mission experience. As a result, elementary-age children and their leaders are provided the opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ.

### CHURCH RENEWAL

The Church Renewal Journey is a "pew-to-pew" ministry designed to assist the congregation in experiencing a spiritual awakening. Led by lay volunteers, these weekends are known to both revitalize and encourage churches to change their worlds in Jesus' name.

### COMPASSION MINISTRIES

All churches are called to share God's love and grace with those who are hurting. Compassion ministry encourages, resources and equips NC churches in the following areas: supporting families affected by disability, foster care/adoption, helping those experiencing divorce or separation, tutoring, hunger relief, helping free people from addiction, job training, and many other areas.

### DISASTER REBUILD

Baptist Builders involves volunteers in all types of construction projects in and out of state. This ministry includes: **Handyman Ministries** which involves assisting those in need by offering volunteer labor upon request for building wheelchair ramps, minor home repairs and other needs for the physically disabled, **Disaster Rebuild**, and **Missions Construction**.

### DISASTER RECOVERY MINISTRY

Disaster Recovery is a great way to minister to people affected by disasters. We help with clean-up (tear-out/chainsaw), temporary repairs (tarping roofs, etc.), and other recovery needs. In addition, disaster training events teach volunteers various skills needed to perform their duties under stressful situations.

### DISASTER RELIEF MINISTRY

The purpose of Baptists on Mission Disaster Relief Ministry is to relieve human suffering caused by disasters. The goal of BOM Disaster Relief Ministry is to provide ways for Christians to minister to people who are hurting. In addition, we seek to provide organization, equipment and strategy for committed volunteers to help affected individuals/families rebuild their lives and homes.

### FAMILY FOUNDATIONS MINISTRY

Family Foundations seeks to assist and encourage churches, pastors, and church leaders in all aspects of the family: Marriage Retreats, Family Enrichment, and Family Missions Involvement.

### INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS/PROJECTS

There are numerous international partnership opportunities that are available for involvement in Armenia, Cuba, Guatemala, Kenya, Moldova, Hungary, Roma Gypsy, South Africa, and Ukraine. We want to Glorify God by involving churches and Christians in international short term missions.

### MEDICAL MOBILE HEALTH SCREENING AND MOBILE DENTAL MINISTRIES

There are many opportunities for medical and dental personnel to be involved in missions with BOM including International medical mission trips, the Mobile Dental Ministry and the Mobile Health Screening Ministry. In addition, support persons skilled in medical assistance and **non-medical** laypeople are involved in this ministry.

### MEN'S MINISTRY

Purpose: assist churches in providing a well-rounded, balanced ministry that challenges men to grow in their walk with Christ; share their faith with others; find their place of service in the local church, and be on mission with God. Outdoor Ministry is another part of Men's Ministry.

### NATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS/PROJECTS

Many national missions opportunities are available for your church in places like the Appalachian Coalfields, Pennsylvania, New England, Rocky Mountain, Hawaii and Alaska. There are a big variety of mission projects that are needed.

### MISSION CENTERS

**Mission Camps at Red Springs, Rose Hill and Shelby:** involve churches and Christians in life-changing mission projects at an affordable cost; each mission camp can house and feed up to 200 volunteers at a time.

### PRAYER SUPPORT

Because prayer should undergird all we do as Christians, churches are discovering new ways to become involved in missions through prayer walks, as well as praying for mission needs, mission volunteers, and missionaries.

### STUDENT MOBILIZATION/COLLEGE MISSIONS

**Deep Impact** Missions Weeks are pre-packaged mission experiences that allow middle and high school students and their leaders to share the love of God with people throughout North Carolina and around the world.

### For more information about any of the ministries of Baptists on Missions, contact:

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2026 Baptist Missions Conference  
April 10-11, 2026  
Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC

Featuring Tim Tebow, Jennifer Rothschild, Lee Strobel,  
Tom Richter. Worship by Laura Story.

[baptistsonmission.org/events/missions-conference](http://baptistsonmission.org/events/missions-conference)



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### Spring 2026 Disaster Relief Trainings *p. 21*

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DEEP IMPACT

### Deep Impact

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