

TREASURER'S REPORT

Robeson Baptist Association Operating Account

New Century • January 1, 2009 - March 16, 2009 • In each newsletter, the treasurer's report is printed. Each church's cumulative contributions for the year are listed and the first newsletter of the new year reports the total contribution for the entire previous year.

| <u>CHURCH</u> | <u>MISSIONS</u> | <u>CHURCH</u> | <u>MISSIONS</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Antioch | \$3,000.00 | Oakdale | \$1,000.00 |
| Back Swamp | 0 | Oak Grove | \$1,500.00 |
| Baltimore | 0 | Oakton | 0 |
| Barnesville | \$454.00 | Orrum | 0 |
| Bear Swamp | \$876.30 | Parkton | \$233.00 |
| Berea | 0 | Pittman Grove | \$297.21 |
| Iglesia Bet-el | \$286.30 | Pleasant Hope | 0 |
| Bethel | 0 | Proctorville | 0 |
| Beulah | 0 | Raeford First | 0 |
| Bladen Union | \$350.00 | Raft Swamp | 0 |
| Bloomington | 0 | Raynham | 0 |
| Broad Ridge | \$1,182.46 | Red Springs First | 0 |
| Calvary | 0 | Roca Eterna | \$180.00 |
| Carolina | 0 | Rowland First | 0 |
| Cedar Grove | \$456.00 | Rozier | 0 |
| Centerville | 0 | St. Pauls First | \$1,500.00 |
| Charity | 0 | St. Pauls Second | \$448.84 |
| Clybonville | 0 | Sand Hill | \$420.25 |
| East Lumberton | \$834.00 | Shannon | 0 |
| Ephesus | \$225.00 | Singletary | 0 |
| Fairmont First | 0 | Smyrna | 0 |
| Five Forks | 0 | Ten Mile | \$1,200.00 |
| Forest Acres | \$243.24 | Tolarsville | \$726.73 |
| Friendship Memorial | 0 | West Lumberton | 0 |
| Godwin Heights | 0 | Westside | \$211.00 |
| Great Marsh | 0 | White Pond | 0 |
| Green Springs | \$1,158.75 | Zion Hill | \$605.54 |
| Hillcrest | 0 | Zion's Tabernacle | 0 |
| Hog Swamp | 0 | | |
| Hyde Park | \$1,500.00 | | |
| Long Branch | \$842.49 | | |
| Lumber Bridge | 0 | | |
| Lumberton First | \$1,500.00 | | |
| Maxton First | 0 | | |
| McDonald | \$800.00 | | |
| Midway | 0 | | |
| Mt. Elim | \$547.00 | | |
| Mt. Moriah | 0 | | |
| Mt. Vernon | 0 | | |
| Mt. Zion | 0 | | |
| North Lumberton | 0 | | |
| | | Total Income from Churches | \$25,578.11 |

ROBESON BAPTIST NEWS

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April / May

2009

Reaching Robeson With Real Love!

It Is Time to Serve!

Mark 10:45

Who are the Best Christians that we have known?

They are the people who are active in service. They do not talk about it, they do it!

How many churches talk about being a ministering or missionary church, and never help anyone or leave their building to share the Love of Christ?

We live in a lost and dying world that need to see Christians become the hands and feet of Christ. I am thrilled that in the past three years, Robeson Baptist Association Churches have built ramps, repaired roofs, painted, helped churches of other denominations, fed, clothed, have sent teams around the world and around the block. We are a loving and generous group of believers.

Yet we have only scratched the surface of the needs of our community. We need to continue to challenge the majority of church members to become ministers and missionaries in our neighborhoods, schools, and on our jobs. Just look around..., there needy people everywhere. And Jesus is still the answer to every need or question!

Why do Christians fail to serve consistently ?

1. *Because we are people, and as people we have a tendency to be selfish.*

A good servant always looks outward and finds a need.

2. *Another problem is we serve out of guilt and not for a purpose.*

When there is a purpose for ministry more people are inclined to join the team.

3. *Many people are not serving according to their giftedness.*

When a Christian sees a purpose and knows their spiritual gift, they begin to serve with a passion that is hard to discourage.

Take time today to pray, look around, see a need, and plug into your passion.

There is no greater thrill in life than to know Jesus and to let Jesus serve others through me!

Bud (John 13)

Ministers' Anniversaries



APRIL

- 5 Rev./Mrs. Oren Honeycutt, retired
- 6 Rev./Mrs. David McGugan, McDonald
- 26 Rev./Mrs. Charles Howell

MAY

- 3 Rev./Mrs. Gary Henderson, Orrum
- 21 Rev./Mrs. David Holloway, Godwin Heights

PRAYER CALENDAR

Group II

| | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Baltimore | March 29 - April 4 |
| Friendship Memorial | April 5 - 11 |
| Oakdale | April 12 - 18 |
| Bear Swamp | April 19 - 25 |
| White Pond | April 26 - May 2 |
| Five Forks | May 3 - 9 |
| Fairmont First | May 10 - 16 |
| Centerville | May 17 - 23 |
| McDonald | May 24 - 30 |
| Pleasant Hope | May 31 - June 6 |

47th Annual North Carolina Baptist Minister's Wives Retreat

July 20-22, 2009
Camp Caraway

Cost: \$135 per double Occupancy (2 nights)
\$158 single Occupancy (2 nights)
\$45 commuters (2 days)
Fee includes registration and meals.

Deadline: April 24, 2009 (but will receive registrations up to the week before retreat).
Call 865-4227 for more information.

Make checks payable to and mail to:

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EXTRA MILE OF DOLLARS

Thanks to your participation last year in the mile of Dollars campaign the Brotherhood was able to do major repairs on 4 homes. Two in Lumberton, one in Parkton and one in Red Springs.

Once again we are asking you to donate to the EXTRA mile of dollars to do repairs to homes that have no other means of getting funds for repairs.

Please send donations to the Robeson Baptist Association and earmark the donation for Baptist Men's Projects.

Thanks,

Baptist Men

1 dollar = 6" 1 mile of dollars = \$10,560

Calendar of Activities

APRIL 2009

- 3-4 **Disaster Relief Training, Region 3**
- 4 RA Car Race Day
- 9-15 SBC Seminaries Sunday
- 6 **Ministers Conference**
- 12 **Easter**
- 19 Life Commitment Sunday
- 23 **Semi-Annual Meeting, Robeson Baptist Association**
- 24-25 Father/Son Overnight (1-6 grades), Caswell
- 25-26 Father/Son Overnight, Caraway
- 26 Cooperative Program Sunday

MAY 2009

- 2 State RA/Challengers Track Meet
- 3 Senior Adult Sunday
- Week of Prayer & Special Offering for NC Baptist Hospitals**
- 4 **Ministers Conference**
- 10 **Mother's Day**
- 15-16 NC WMU Executive Board, Mundo Vista
- 17-23 **On Missions in Baptist Associations**
- 19 Executive Committee Meeting
- 25 **Memorial Day**

WMU Annual Meeting
April 19, 2009
Ten Mile Baptist Church
3:00 p.m.
Sheryl Churchill, Birmingham, AL

Robeson Baptist Semi-Annual Meeting
April 23, 2009
Ten Mile Baptist Church
6:30 p.m. registration begins
Refreshments will be served following the service.

Treasurer's Report should have included Great Marsh giving as \$2,000.00 for the year of 2008 (it has been included in the final report). We apologize this was not in the last newsletter report.

Where can I serve to Make a Difference?

If our Association decides to move to a Team Concept, Join a team that will use and develop your Spiritual Gifts.

To which Team do you belong?

Missions/Evangelism Team

= To share Jesus Love Globally and Locally

Ministry/Discipleship Team

= To serve the Lord and grow in Christ

Leadership Care/ Developing Leaders Team

= To assist Leaders and train them

Congregational Health/Church Strengthening Team

= To move local church to the ability of growth

Executive/Administration Team

= To oversee the function of the Association

Ask God to Lead our Association and join a team.



CHURCH NEWS



Sand Hill Church - Rev. John Bruce, pastor will be in revival April 19-22 11:00 & 6:00 Sunday, Monday-Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Dr. M. Randall Jones, guest evangelist, is the former pastor of Langston Baptist Church in Conway, SC.

Zion Hill Church, Rev. Josh Lancaster, pastor will have their Annual Game Tasting and Christian Sportsman Fellowship April 4th 2:00 p.m. until. Everyone welcome. For more information call Jimmy 734-7486 or 738-6178.

End of Life Conference

"Life Goes On...Living after the Loss" will be the theme for the 7th Annual End of the Life Conference from 8:30a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on April 23, 2009 at the Southeastern Agricultural Center in Lumberton. The event is sponsored by the Robeson County End of Life Coalition and those interested are invited to attend the one day conference. Author Fern Lary Mills will be the keynote speaker. Registration is required. Call 910/272-5080 or 910/272-5061 to register.