



Randolph Baptist Association

BANNER

MAY 2025

VOL. 83, #5

Member Churches

*Antioch
Asheboro FBC
Balfour
Beulah
Cedar Falls
Cedar Grove
*Center Cross
Central Falls
Cross Road
Deep River
*El-Shaddai
Firelight
at Greystone
Forest Park
Franklinville FBC
Glenola
*Gravel Hill
Highland (Mission)
Huldah
Iglesia Bautista
Emmanuel
*Liberty FBC
Macedonia
Maple Springs
Mt. Pleasant
Oakhurst
*Oakwood Park
Panther Creek
Ramseur FBC
Randleman FBC
Richland
Riverside
Russell's Grove
Sandy Creek
Seagrove FBC
Shady Grove
Sophia
Staley
Triad Cowboy Ch.
Trinity
Union Grove
Unity Baptist
Fellowship
Victory
*West Asheboro
Westfield
White's Memorial
Worthville

**Pray for our churches seeking senior pastors.
Pray for their interims and search committees.*



Welcome Trinity!

RBA welcomed its 45th church into the association during our Spring Meeting.

Trinity Baptist Church

in Trinity, NC is now under WatchCare, a period of time where both RBA and the church will explore the benefits of working together.



Caraway Cookout

Senior Adult Cookout & Service Opportunity

May 21st, 11am-1pm
at Camp Caraway's
Davis Dining Hall

RBA is hosting a cookout for our churches' senior adults & Caraway's camp staff. Senior adults will pray for/over the camp counselors, pack goody bags for them, and fellowship with them during a hot dog lunch.

Want to attend or have questions?
Call Renea Henderson at 336-953-0908.
Learn more at bit.ly/cookout-2025



Women on Mission

May Collection

RBA's Women on Mission and Family Ministries Teams are joining forces for the month of May!

Please consider donating items for the Caraway Cookout goody bags for camp staff.
We need items in increments of 50.

Visit bit.ly/cookout-2025 to sign up for your specific donation.

Obedience Even When I am Afraid

Judges can be a challenging read as you navigate the Old Testament. It has some amazing stories of deliverance for Israel, but also some dark sections displaying their dire disobedience. The events of Gideon's life are one of those amazing depictions. From the very start, Gideon displayed a lack of courage and a sense of doubt. The Lord in His kindness would not give up on Gideon, repeatedly calling him "a hero of Israel." Eventually, the Lord had whittled Gideon's army from 32,000 to 300 to face the Midianites "hordes" of 135,000. At this point He says to Gideon, "if you are afraid to go to battle," sneak down into the enemy camp and hear what they are saying because I want to encourage you. In a display of the fear he was feeling, Gideon crawls quietly into camp and overhears the enemy warriors sharing how Gideon's God would orchestrate their impending defeat. Gideon exemplifies obedience in the face of fear, just as David did centuries later as, in spite of his fear, he faced and defeated the Philistine champion, Goliath. Do not let your fear cause you to miss the Lord's miraculous victories; rather walk in obedience and enjoy what it brings to your life.

What an amazing close to the month of April! Sunday the 27th was "Fill the Tank" Sunday across SBC life. Early reports from over 90 churches across the state are that over 1,100 people have publicly professed their faith in Christ through believers baptism. Praise the Lord! That Sunday evening, Union Grove BC in Seagrove hosted the 5th annual Community Prayer Service. The house was packed for this prayer service, crying out for revival and the fear of the Lord to fall in our county.

On Monday night, Balfour Baptist hosted the RBA Spring meeting, with guest speaker Dr. Michael Cloer, of Cape Fear Network, sharing in the main service. What an amazing challenge to be about the task of winning the lost to Christ around the world. We also welcomed Trinity Baptist Church into the RBA family, as messengers unanimously voted to bring them under WatchCare pending full membership. Trinity Baptist folks, we are excited to have you as part of our team.

As May, June, and July roll our way, we are excited about activities to bring our church families together to do ministry. On May 21, Senior Saints from across RBA will spend time packing goody bags, providing lunch, and praying for the Camp Caraway summer staff. Do not let your seniors miss this amazing day of ministry.

In June, we will be headed to Dallas with several RBA church messengers to take part in SBC2025. For several days, SBC messengers will meet to worship the Lord with our voices, our service, and our business. Pray we represent the Lord and His kingdom well. Also, on June 14th, we will be hosting the 2nd Annual Youth Fishing Tournament at High Rock Lake. RBA churches in conjunction with Liberty Baptist Association, Fishers of Men, and Child Evangelism Fellowship will come together to allow youth from 0-15 spend a couple of hours fishing, earning prizes, and hearing a clear presentation of the gospel.

MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

2	Thomas Smith	Pastor, Richland
3	Bonnie Davenport	Retired Foreign Missionary
4	Travis Brock	Pastor, Sandy Creek
5	Stephen Owen	Pastor, Asheboro FBC
6	Amy Austin	Pastor's Wife, Mt. Pleasant
7	Marty & Anita Grainger	Pastor, Cedar Grove
10	Nai Soung	Pastor's Wife, Highland Christian
10	Jonathan Burris	Pastor, Sophia
13	Kenneth Bouldin	Pastor, Riverside
14	Rob & Debbie Roberts	Pastor, Oakhurst
18	Sandra Eller	Pastor's Wife, Shady Grove
22	Joyce Ritter	Pastor's Wife, White's Memorial
24	Laurie McDuffie	Pastor's Wife, Forest Park
30	Jim & Jane Petty	Pastor, Seagrove FBC
30	Kristiana Shelton	Youth Pastor's Wife, Beulah

CHURCH ANNIVERSARIES

Jimmy Austin	8	Mt. Pleasant
Rob Roberts	3	Oakhurst

July brings a pastor vision trip to the island of Scotland to see how our association may partner with the work God is doing there. VBS will be in full motion across the Association, so do not forget we have the red trailer for refreshments; new this year, there are the two bounce house blowups available for use.

I genuinely believe the Lord is up to something in Randolph County. Lord, help me be obedient to follow as You lead, even if I cannot see the whole picture and am just a little afraid.

Your servant in Christ,
Jeff

SERVE



August 2-9, 2025

servenc.com

FINANCES & CALENDAR

Church Receipts 2025	April	YTD
Antioch	-	-
Asheboro 1st	791.67	4,093.39
Balfour	2,481.39	10,898.01
Beulah	1,200.00	4,800.00
Cedar Falls	-	75.00
Cedar Grove	100.00	400.00
Center Cross	-	1,184.00
Central Falls	192.18	641.86
Cross Road	416.67	1,666.68
Deep River	125.00	625.00
El Shaddai	-	-
Firelight at Greystone	-	-
Forest Park	100.00	400.00
Franklinville 1st	165.00	680.00
Glenola	-	2,002.09
Gravel Hill	-	-
Highland Christian Church	624.78	1,198.17
HulDAH	467.11	806.53
Liberty 1st	-	-
Macedonia	-	-
Maple Springs	-	1,488.56
Mt. Pleasant	400.00	1,600.00
Oakhurst	443.78	1,695.98
Oakwood Park	-	1,000.00
Panther Creek	-	-
Ramseur 1st	215.04	746.84
Randleman 1st	-	-
Richland	420.00	420.00
Riverside	-	200.00
Russell's Grove	-	335.00
Sandy Creek	-	2,752.39
Seagrove 1st	927.00	1,695.00
Shady Grove	357.50	1,165.73
Sophia	-	600.00
Staley	248.52	507.84
Triad Cowboy Church	300.00	1,300.00
Union Grove	1,060.26	3,335.26
Unity Baptist Fellowship	125.00	500.00
Victory	-	-
West Asheboro	-	750.00
Westfield	-	-
White's Memorial	300.00	1,200.00
Worthville	100.00	400.00
Other Undesignated	336.05	2,997.14
Total Undesignated	11,896.95	54,160.47
Total Receipts	13,845.23	71,077.38
Total Expenses	12,435.59	63,791.10
Net Income (Loss)	1,409.64	7,286.28
2025 Budget: Needed:	13,622.70	54,490.80
2025 Budget: Received:	11,896.95	54,160.47
Over or Under Budget:	(1,725.75)	(330.33)

A complete financial statement is available upon request.

Mark your Calendars

- ♦ 2025 Hurricane Relief plan, see below
- ♦ May 6 - Food Round Up Items due to RBA Office
- ♦ May 17 - Ladies Conference @ Balfour, back page
- ♦ May 21- [Caraway Cookout](#) for Senior Adults, see front pg
- ♦ June 3- [Upside Down Training](#) in Cary, see back page
- ♦ June 14 - [Youth Fishing Tournament](#), see back page
- ♦ July 7-9 - [NC Baptist Ministers Wives Retreat](#), see below
- ♦ Aug 2-9 - ServeNC, servenc.com

Helene Relief Trips

Anyone is welcome to volunteer!

View the schedule at:

bit.ly/RBA-Helene-plan

May = Union Grove

June = FBC Franklinville



Ministers Wives Retreat



July 7-9 at Caraway

ncbminwives.wixsite.com/ncbmw

Scholarship Opportunity!

RBA would like to help our ministers' wives attend; we are able to offer either 4 half-scholarships or 2 full-scholarships.

Let Erica know if you're interested!

rbaoffice2022@gmail.com

P.K. PREACHER'S KIDS

BY DAVID AYERS



Taken from: <https://www.baptistpress.com/resource-library/comics/monday-may-14-2018-3/>

The deadline for submitting material for the next Newsletter is **noon on May 20.**

RANDOLPH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Post Office Box 2167

Asheboro, NC 27204-2167

Return Service Requested

Non-Profit Org.
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
Asheboro, N. C. 27203
Permit 47

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

VBS Schedule

View the summer schedule at

randolpbaptistassociation.com/news

Compassion Ministry Training

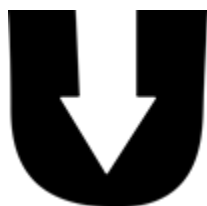
with Baptists on Mission

Tues, June 3rd

\$15/person; includes lunch.

Learn more & register at

bit.ly/compassion-ministry



Ladies' Conference

Saturday, May 17th

[Balfour Baptist Church](#)

1642 N Fayetteville St, Asheboro, NC

8am - continental breakfast
9-12pm conference

\$10/person, includes light lunch
No childcare available

Sign up with Leondia Leonard

Cell: 336-963-0033

Home: 336-626-4731



Youth Fishing Tournament

June 14 at High Rock Lake

9am-12:30pm

Two divisions: ages 10 & under and ages 11-15

Registration starts at 8:30am.

Tournament starts at 9:00am.

Live bait and lunch provided.

Hourly prizes awarded in each division.

Cash prizes awarded for largest fish in
each division at day's end.

First place = \$100

Second place = \$50

Third place = \$25



Learn more,
register to fish, &
sign up to volunteer:
[randolpbaptist
association.com/news](http://randolpbaptistassociation.com/news)

If you'd like to receive emailed Newsletters
or be taken off our mailing list,
please contact Erica at 336-625-4175 or
rbaoffice2022@gmail.com. Thank you!



Rev. Jeff Joyce
Associational Mission Strategist
jjoyce.rba@gmail.com
randolpbaptistassociation.com

Erica Smith
Administrative Assistant
rbaoffice2022@gmail.com
Office hours: 8-1pm, M-Th

PO Box 2167
Asheboro, NC 27204
facebook.com/randolpbaptist
instagram.com/randolpbaptist

Physical address:
350 N. Cox St., Suite #10
Asheboro, NC 27203
336-625-4175

May is Foster Care Awareness Month

every
CHILD
foster & adoption ministry



SHARING HOPE...CHANGING LIVES

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

For more info, contact:

RICK NORMAN

Foster & Adoption

Church Liaison

828.450.9136

rnorman@bchfamily.org

www.every-child.org

Our mission is to ensure that every child in North Carolina receives the caring home he or she deserves. With over 10,000 children in the North Carolina foster system, we believe that the church is the answer! We train and license couples in churches to be foster families for these children who are in desperate need. We also work with pastors and their staff to establish a foster and adopt ministry within their churches to surround the couples and the children they foster with the support needed to help them thrive.



Hurricane Helene Response

**PRAY.
GIVE.
GO.**

*learn
how!*

NCBAPTIST.ORG/HELENE

[NC BAPTISTS](http://NCBAPTISTS)

The need is still great!

Visit facebook.com/randolphbaptist to view recent pictures of some relief work done by two RBA churches last month.

Learn more
about Helene relief at
ncbaptist.org/helene

&

randolphbaptistassociation.com/news

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES
FOUNDATION
FAITH • FAMILY • FULFILLMENT

100% of donations made to Baptist Retirement Homes go directly to the mission work we do.

Want to learn more? We'd love to come and share what God is doing through our ministry.

Contact Stephanie Moody Shaffer:

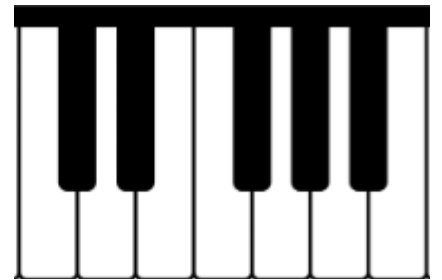
919.413.4614 or sshaffer@thrivemorenc.org



Pianist Needed

Randleman FBC
for 11am Sunday services

Contact Pastor Heppding:
cheppding@hotmail.com
or 336-953-9646



Praying for the Nations

2025's prayer emphasis with NC Baptist

Sign up for resources & weekly prayer reminders at:

ncbaptist.org/praying-for-the-nations-2/



Ramps Needed!

RBA currently has a list of several ramps that need to be built. Some of the requests already have the funding but are in need of manpower. If you or your church can serve your community in this way, please contact our Randolph BAM leader, Joe Edwards at 336-460-4508.

Denise Wilson as
"Edith Ann"



Introducing Denise Wilson, performing
as sassy 5 1/2 year old "Edith Ann"

SHARE A SMILE MINISTRY

Christian Entertainment for Church Groups and Birthday Parties
"Edith Ann", a 5 1/2 year old, tells jokes & sings gospel songs.

Denise Wilson (336) 302-2259 • kdwilson2937@gmail.com

EVENTS 2025

UPCOMING

Feb 21-23	College Retreat
Apr 5-6	Missions on the Mountain
May 10	Mighty Mountain Run
Jun 6-8	Summer Father/Son
Jun 16-20	Children's Camp 1
Jun 23-25	Grand Camp Session 1
Jun 23-27	Children's Camp 2
Jun 26-28	Grand Camp Session 2
June 30 - Jul 2	Children's Mini Camp
Jul 6-9	NC Baptist Ministers Wives Retreat
Jul 7-11	Warrior Camp for Boys
Jul 14-18	Children's Camp 3
Jul 14-19	Horizons Camp for Girls
Jul 19-21	Happiness Retreat 1
Jul 21-25	Children's Camp 4
Jul 21-23	Happiness Retreat 2
Jul 24-26	Happiness Retreat 3
Jul 28 - Aug 1	Children's Camp 5
Aug 1-3	Summer Mother/Daughter
Oct 6-9	Fall Festival Senior Adult Retreat
Oct 17-19	Fall Father/Son
Nov 7-9	Fall Mother/Daughter
Dec 31	Trinity Quartet NYE Concert

