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Monday—Thursday
8:30 am—5:00 pm
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Retired Pastors Breakfast

Tuesday, July 9 8:00 am TRBA Mission Center

All retired pastors are invited to join us for this time of fellowship.

How are you living your "encore years"?

How are you continuing to serve the Lord?

What do you wish someone had told you before you retired?

To Register, please call 834-9635 or email denise@threeriversba.org

THANK YOU for your years of faithful service to the Lord and His Kingdom.

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August is Pastor's Wife Appreciation Month



Your pastor's wife is a behind the scenes cheerleader for your pastor and your church. She often gets little thanks or appreciation for all she does, but continues to serve with a gracious spirit and loving heart. Please take the time this month to show love for your pastor's wife.

Independence Day

Thursday, July 4

Your Association Office will be Closed

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord"



A huge **THANK YOU** to Rev. Stephen Splawn from the SC Baptist Convention for leading our **Communication Workshop** on May 16 to equip us to be more effective in ministry as we *"Say What We Mean, so People Hear What We Meant."*

Welcome to the TRBA Team

Bert Ross

Leadership Development Strategist

Bert has 30+ years of experience in human resources and leadership development in ministry and the marketplace. He offers the ability to provide assessment and coaching to organizations that leads to vision and strategy development in order to accomplish their mission.

We are blessed and grateful to have Bert join our team to help the Association and churches develop effective leaders for Kingdom impact.



Pastor & Staff TEAM Cookout



Tuesday, August 13 6:00 - 8:00 pm
TRBA Mission Center

Good to Great: Make Your Staff a Winning TEAM

For Pastors with Part-Time Staff

Menu – All-American Cookout **FREE**

Speaker - Rev. Chris Dewease,
Associate Pastor - Lake Murray Baptist Church
Former pastor of Blue Ridge Baptist Church in TRBA

Call 834-9635 to Register by August 7

~ ~ Pastors Breakfast ~ ~

Thursday, August 15 8:00 am Mission Center

"Inside Out Church in an Upside Down World"

Wayne Bray, Pastor - Simpsonville First Baptist

We live in a world that's turned upside down, but most Christians have no idea how they should respond. The majority of churches in America are plateaued or declining, but this is only a consequence of deeper spiritual issues. How should Christians respond to the chaos? What can reverse this social trend and bring spiritual awakening?

**The only hope for a world turned upside down
is a church turned inside out.**

Please call 834-9635 to reserve for breakfast.

Executive Committee Meets

Thursday, August 29 10:00 - 11:30 am

TRBA Mission Center

Business Focus

TRBA 2020 Vision

Ministry Highlight

*Reaching Your Community through
Serving Our Schools*

Lee Clamp, Director of the Evangelism Team for the SC Baptist Convention will share about **Heart4Schools**, a statewide initiative to connect churches to public schools for ongoing ministry outreach.

The pastor and one member of each church in the Association serve as representatives on the Executive Committee. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Pray for These Churches in Transition

Abner Creek	Donald Thomas	Interim Pastor
Forestville	Bill Cashion	Interim Pastor
Gap Creek	Pete Wilbanks	Interim Pastor
Groveland	Paul Fleming	New Pastor
Northwood	Trent Henson	Supply Pastor
Pebble Creek	Frank Page	New Pastor
Pleasant Hill	Larry McDonald	Interim Pastor
Shiloh	Ben Wharton	New Pastor

**Please make the following information
available to your church
members**



If you would like to begin receiving the Three Rivers Baptist Association Weekly E-Newsletter, please visit

Coming in September through December and Beyond — Save the Date



State Missions Emphasis

Season of Prayer - September 8-16

Many people move to South Carolina daily from across the United States and around the world. Our population is larger and more diverse than ever. Over 70% of SC residents do not attend any church. The Janie Chapman Offering supports many varied mission efforts to *Meet Needs and Share Christ*. This offering also supports associational ministry. Please GIVE generously to show and share the gospel with every man, woman and child in SC.

Pastors Breakfast

Tuesday, September 10 8:00 am

"Small Group Ministry - Developing Investors not Tippers"

Led by Maurice Henson

Former Associate Pastor, First Baptist Church, Indian Trail, NC

Salt Lake City Vision Trip Sept 16-19



Joseph Vest, pastor of Freedom Fellowship will lead a Vision Trip for Pastors to Salt Lake City, Utah. Please be in prayer for this group as they see first hand the many needs of such a dark place that needs the Lord.

Prayer Summit

Experience Spiritual Renewal through Prayer

Monday, September 23 (time and place TBA soon)

Bill Elliff - Teaching Pastor, The Summit Church in North Little Rock.
Director for OneCry! A Nationwide Call for Spiritual Awakening



Men & Boys Rally

September 24 6:00-8:00 pm

El Bethel Baptist Church

September 26 6:00-8:00 pm

Marietta First Baptist Church

Meal . . . Music . . . Speaker - Chris Allen

Who's the ONE person you will bring whose life could be changed forever?

Additional Information Coming Soon



TRBA Annual Missions Celebration ACROSS . . . Our Continent

Sunday, October 13 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Washington Baptist Church

Speaker - Kevin Ezell, President

North American Mission Board



Leadership Summit with Kevin Ezell

Monday, October 14

(place to be announced)

10:00 am Coffee with Church Planters

12:00 pm Lunch with Pastors

No Cost Please Register with the TRBA Office

Senior Adult Day

Connie Maxwell Children's Home

Tuesday, October 15 9:00 am

810 Maxwell Avenue, Greenwood SC

Music - Inspiration - Food - Fellowship - Fun on the Farm

Additional Details Coming Soon!

Executive Committee Lunch

Thursday, November 7 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Business Focus Budget & Leadership for 2020

Ministry Focus *"Benevolence that Blesses"*

Jon Jamison - SCBC Missions

Ministers & Spouse Christmas Dinner

Thursday, December 5

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Aurora Farms - Milford Church Road



2020 Pastors & Wives Retreat

January 24-25

Mountain Lodge & Conference Center

Hendersonville, NC

Speaker & Worship Leader—Travis Agnew

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July

1	Ken Hall	Duncan First
6	Amy Baker	Abner Creek
6	Dwayne Simmons	Freedom
14	Terri Paris	Fairview
15	Allison Grubbs	Washington
15	Johnny Larrabee	Edgewood
16	Emily Hoffman	Greer Station
16	Kim Clark	Holly Springs
18	Jamie Southerlin	Paris Mountain
19	Paul Manous	Hillcrest
19	Kevin Batson	Taylors First
28	Eric Sinclair	TR Community Church

August

3	Tommy Wallace	North Fork
11	David Cline	Taylors First
12	Becci Owens	Forestville
12	Bill Tyler	Riverside
12	Patrick Clark	Pelham First
12	Scott Norman	Taylors First
13	Mark Lawing	Airport
17	Ruth Anne Catoe	Slater
18	Denise Sudduth	TRBA
19	Rosa Manous	Hillcrest
26	Brian Richardson	Clearview
26	Eddie Leopard	Fairview
28	Joshua Ballentine	El Bethel
31	Larry McDonald	Pleasant Hill



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