

Coming Up on the Calendar

All events will take place at the NBA Office unless stated otherwise.

March

- 01-08 — Week of Prayer for North American Missions/AAEO
- 08— Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 15 – Items Due for APRIL Newsletter
- 16 – NBA Leadership Team Mtg., 9:30 AM**
- 19 – Pastors' Lunch & Learn, Noon**
Topic: Preaching – Creating a Preaching Calendar
- 29 – Palm Sunday

April

- 01– Ault Scholarship Application Closes**
- 03 – Good Friday, NBA Office CLOSED**
- 05 – Easter Sunday**
- 10-11 — NC Baptist Missions Conference, Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte
- 12 — Statewide “Fill the Tank” Sunday
- 13 – NBA Executive Board Meeting, 6PM**
- 15 – Items Due for MAY Newsletter
- 16 – Pastors' Lunch & Learn, Noon**
Topic: Leading Through a Change Process
- 27-28 — Youth Pastor Summit, Seven Marks Church, Raleigh NC

May

- 04-05 — Transitional Interim Training, South Roanoke Baptist Association
- 07 – National Day of Prayer
- 10 – Happy Mother's Day!**
- 14 – NABS Luncheon, Noon @ NBA Office**
- 15 – Items Due for JUNE & JULY combo Newsletter
- 18 – NBA Leadership Team Mtg., 9:30 AM**
- 21 – Pastor's Lunch, Noon**
Topic: Reaching Your Community
- 22 — Deadline to drop off items for Annual Project: Personal Care Gift Bags for

June

- 09-10 — SBC Annual Meeting, Orlando FL
- 15 – NBA Leadership Team Mtg., 9:30 AM**
- 18 – Pastors' Lunch & Learn, Noon**
Topic:
- 21 – Happy Father's Day!**

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**Contributions from Churches,
January, 2026**

Churches	January, 2026	YTD 2026
Abide		
Adamsville		
Anointed Vision		
Bethel	320.00	320.00
Cabin		
Calvary		
Casa del Dios	500.00	500.00
Community LaGr		
Community Sauls.		
Davis Grove		
Deep Run First		
Emmaus	497.56	497.56
Falling Creek	424.29	424.29
Fremont		
Gateway	1,200.00	1,200.00
Goldsboro First	1,215.00	1,215.00
Grainger		
Horeb		
Immanuel		
Jordan's Chapel	900.00	900.00
Kinston First		
La Grange First		
Love Memorial	360.05	360.05
Madison Avenue	725.26	725.26
Mount Nelson	5,323.92	5,323.92
Neuse	1,424.39	1,424.39
New Beginning	50.00	50.00
New Hope		
Northview		
Nueva Amanecer		
Pikeville First		
Pineview		
Pinkney	527.65	527.65
Restoration		
Rivermont	932.50	932.50
Rosewood First		
Sandy Bottom		
Seven Springs	800.00	800.00
Snow Hill First	1,175.20	1,175.20
Spilman Memorial	400.00	400.00
The Way		
Trinity	250.00	250.00
Union		
Total CHURCHES	17,025.82	17,025.82



2026 NBA MEETINGS

April 13

**Executive Board Meeting
6PM @ NBA Office**

September 14

**Executive Board Meeting
6PM @ NBA Office**

October 11

**NBA Annual Meeting, 6PM
@ Gateway Community Church
401 West Main Street
Pikeville, 27863**

The 'Share the Gospel' App

A low-stakes way to practice engaging with people from totally different backgrounds, made possible by the North American Mission Board.

HOW TO USE THE TOOL



Pick Your Challenge:

- **Easy** – Beginner Practice
- **Medium** – Thought-provoking scenarios
- **Hard** – Deep apologetics practice



Choose a Conversation Partner:

Practice navigating different worldviews so you are ready for the real thing. Feeling brave? Select "Surprise Me".



Get Real-Time Coaching

The best part. After about 6 exchanges, type "YES" or "Feedback, please" to get immediate tips on how to make your responses more effective.

**EVERYTHING YOU WANT
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EXISTS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF PRACTICE**

Start practicing today:
<https://www.namb.net/resource/share-the-gospel/>





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ANNUAL PROJECT

ITEMS NEEDED

PERSONAL CARE GIFT BAGS FOR SEASONAL FARM WORKERS



ALL ITEMS ARE FOR MEN ONLY

75 of each of the following:

(items marked through have been committed to)

- **Bath Towels**
- **Razors** (75 pkgs of 3-4 razors each)
- **Individual Bags of Candy** *other than chocolate*
- **Reusable Shopping Bags** (see reverse for image of bags)
- ~~Bath Cloth~~
- ~~Bath Soap/Body Wash~~
- ~~Shampoo~~
- ~~Men's Deodorant~~
- ~~Toothbrush *individually packaged*~~
- ~~Toothpaste~~
- ~~Shaving Cream~~
- ~~Chap Stick/Lip Balm~~
- ~~Writing Tablets~~
- ~~Ink Pens~~

Items need to be full-sized, and please remember to buy for MEN. Thank you!

PLUS, we are collecting any number of:

- **Gently-used, clean, button down long-sleeved work shirts**
in sizes Small, Medium, Large and XL only
- **Ball caps / sun hats / sun visors**

Items need to be dropped off at the NBA Office on or before May 22, 2026

*Special thanks to the Pedro & Gabriela Trejo Family and
Iglesia Bautista Nuevo Amanecer of Kinston for their tremendous help with this project!*

ANNUAL PROJECT



PERSONAL CARE GIFT BAGS FOR SEASONAL FARM WORKERS

Each year, NBA Churches work together to provide personal care items for seasonal farm workers in Kinston arriving from outside the USA. The items get sorted into reusable shopping bags and distributed to the workers at the beginning of their farm season in June. **This year we are providing 75 bags** to meet the need.

WHAT WE NEED:

- Churches willing to contribute items.
- (See reverse side for list of specific items).
- **75** of each item is needed.
- *Men's items only; there are no women in the farm camps.*
- To ensure that all items get provided we ask churches to select the item they're able to contribute and contact Wendy at the NBA Office. This will prevent duplicates and excess.



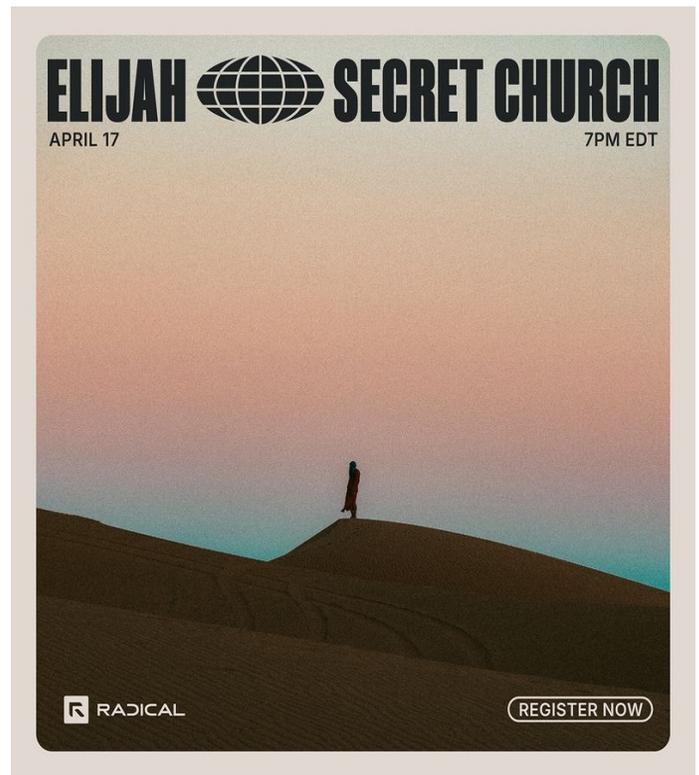
ITEMS DUE TO NBA OFFICE ON OR BEFORE

MAY 22, 2026

**Please see reverse
for complete list and
more information.**

Call or email Wendy with your item . 252-566-9478

wendy@nbachurches.com



Secret Church

Secret Church is a unique, one-night event that is streamed each Spring to tens of thousands of participants around the world. Encouraged by our persecuted brothers' and sisters' example, we meet for 6 hours for intense study of God's Word and passionate prayer for the persecuted. This year's study will be a deep-dive into the life of Elijah.

Love Memorial invites you to join them for Secret Church on **Friday, April 17 — 6:45 PM to 1:00 AM** at their location — 192 Woodland Church Road, Goldsboro 27530.

Refreshments, coffee, and beverages will be provided.

Study books are \$10.

Please call the church office at 919-735-8855 to register.



Transitional Interim Ministry training seeks to equip pastors and church leaders to help churches make the most of this transitional time period. During this training, you will be provided effective tools that can be used by either a traditional or a transitional interim pastor, as well as the pastor search committee.

The training is two days, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, with lunch and snacks provided. The **\$85** registration fee covers meals, snacks and materials.

If you have completed the Transitional Interim Training within the past five years, you can refresh your skills at one of these events for only \$45!

NBA is partnering with South Roanoke Association for this training. For more information or to register, call the NBA Office or email keith@nbachurches.com.



CHURCH NEWS, Cont.

Rivermont (John Morton) The Youth will be sponsoring a Yard Sale on Saturday, March 7 from 7 to 10 AM. The sale is open to the public; lots of items will be available. The youth will use the proceeds toward the purchase of a new digital sign for the church.

Snow Hill First (Brick Crowder) "Bring the Book Revival" with guest speakers Christian Powell and Scott Coghill was held February 22-25; a meal was provided nightly prior to services. See the announcement for "Beast Feast" below — on Saturday, March 28 from 6-8PM, all men and boys are invited for a night of giveaways, various wild game dishes, and a message geared toward men.



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ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILE

IT'S ACP MONTH!
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March Birthdays
 Alex Ellis, Davis Grove – 3/1
 Greg Kincaid, Neuse – 3/10
 Jeff Russ, Cabin – 3/14
 Carol Carter, Grainger Pastor's Spouse – 3/21
 Jim Willoughby, Emmaus – 3/22
 Norm Davis, Retired Pastor – 3/23
 Susan Dale, Mt. Nelson Pastor's Spouse – 3/31

March Ministry Anniversaries
 Richard Toler, Love Memorial – 20 years
 Michael Lewis, Community Saulston – 10 years
 Dave Fishman, Trinity – 5 years
 Tim Lipp, Rosewood – 3 years

39%
of NBA Churches have completed their ACP. The Association goal is 100% participation.

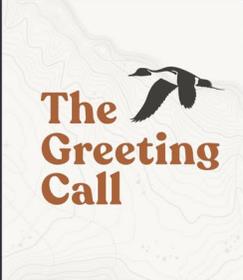
The following NBA Churches have completed their ACP (as of 2/23/26):

- Adamsville
- Calvary
- Community-Saulston
- Davis Grove
- Deep Run
- Emmaus
- Falling Creek
- Fremont
- Jordan's Chapel
- Love Memorial
- Madison Avenue
- Mount Nelson
- New Beginning
- Pinkney
- Seven Springs
- The Way

If you don't see your church on this list, please complete your ACP as soon as possible by clicking the hyper-linked graphic above or by visiting <https://form.jotform.com/252114138154145>.

BEAST FEAST

WILD GAME SUPPER




Men's Event

First Baptist Church - Snow Hill, NC
Saturday, March 28th 6:00 - 8:00 PM



The CHURCH NEWS Page

As Submitted by the Churches

Deep Run First (Bert Potter) Two young men were celebrated in baptism in February. Situation Room Bible Study continues; attendees are learning what a healthy church is. Handy Man ministry built cabinets to resource the Choir Room. Over 20 traveled to Raleigh to enjoy Winter Jam on February 27. Several enjoyed an outing to Baron and the Beef to celebrate Valentine's Day. Church Food Bank served 77 families in January.

Emmaus (Jim Willoughby) Mykayla Hines has recently been selected to serve as the new Youth Director at Emmaus. Monthly Senior Luncheon will be held Thursday, March 12 at Noon; all are invited, the luncheon is free. Emmaus will host the community Maundy Thursday service on April 2 at 7PM. Trinity Baptist and Tehillah Cathedral will be participating and refreshments will be served following the service. Sister churches are invited to join in this special event. An Egg Hunt is planned for April 4 and the Easter Cantata, *It is Finished*, at 10:45 on Easter Sunday, April 5.

Gateway (Thayer Stamper) A new Bible Study for Young Adults launched in February. "Mission Monday" continues, and was most recently held at Panera & Chuck E Cheese in Goldsboro. These events are an opportunity to dine for a cause, with a portion of the proceeds being donated to ministry partner, Harvester's International. The next Mission Monday will be March 23 at Hwy 55's Wayne Memorial location in Goldsboro. Gateway Kids Easter "Eggs-Ploration" is planned for Saturday, March 28 and will include an egg hunt, games, and snacks; all are invited.

Iglesia Bautista Nueva Amanecer *Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the church family upon news of the passing of their Interim Pastor, Indalecio Trevino on February 1st.*

Love Memorial (Richard Toler) Several months ago, Pastor's Wife, Jennifer, challenged the kids in Children's Church to invite their friends and that if attendance reached 20 kids, they could dump water on her. On February 15, twenty-one kids attended Children's Church and they held Mrs. Jennifer to her promise! As the true Leader that she is, she gracefully endured a cold bucket of water dumped over her head after Sunday worship for the entire church family to witness.

Valentine's Day was celebrated with a 50's theme Valentine's Banquet for the church family. Students and other volunteers dressed as 50's car hops to serve the meal, and entertainment included a group-sing of songs from the 50's.

See the announcement on a further page about "Secret Church", to be held April 17 at Love.

Madison Avenue Baptist Church is seeking a Part Time (to lead to Full Time) Pastor.

The candidate will hold a Bachelors or is currently working toward a Master of Divinity from an accredited Seminary or Divinity School, as well as three to ten years of pastoral experience. The candidate must be a Godly man of high moral character. He must be spiritually mature and have a good reputation with those inside and outside the church. He must be outgoing and personable. He demonstrates an evangelistic lifestyle with the ability to attract and effectively minister to people of all ages.

He will: Demonstrate a strong foundation of Biblical knowledge and be committed to cultivating spiritual growth in the congregation, both as a teaching preacher from the pulpit and leading in discipleship (2 Timothy 2:2).

Lead the Deacons and family care ministry and be responsible to train those individuals.

Serve as the Chairman of the Church Council in planning, organizing, directing, coordinating and evaluating the total church program (Sunday School, church events, etc.)

Keep the church informed of developments within the denomination.

Offer office hours for premarital counseling, individual counseling, visitation, and prayer. Advise other professional help as necessary.

Officiate weddings, conduct funerals, and baptisms.

Interested Candidates Should Email Mary Morton, Pastor Search Committee Chair
mabcpssc@yahoo.com

Madison Avenue (Brad Parker, Interim) *Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Pastor Brad & Sandra upon news of the passing of his mother, Marilyn Shively on February 13 in Indiana.*

New Hope (Scott Wright) Welcome to new Church Secretary, To'avia Deaver. Her Office Hours are Monday and Thursday, 9AM to 1PM.

Pinkney (Steven Gay) Valentine Banquet and guest speaker were enjoyed by all. Pew ends, lectern and pulpit table were repainted and complement the sanctuary nicely. Gift cards and gift certificates will be distributed to kids who are witnessed to as part of the Joe Woodard Homeless Ministry. Church continues to collect easy-open foods as part of its Backpack Ministry to kids.

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Time: TBD (Based on Group)

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Youth Pastor Summit
April 27-28, 2026
Seven Marks Church
(3500 Spring Forest Road, Raleigh 27616)

Youth Pastor Summit is a two-day conference that brings together student pastors, educators and volunteers to foster collaboration, community and soul-care. It is a direct response to the growing need for people to pour into this generation. If you serve in student ministry, this is for you.

Join us in Raleigh N.C. for powerful worship, engaging main-stage sessions, relevant leadership labs and free resources. This year, we're honored to host YPS Raleigh N.C. in partnership with Lifeway Students and celebrate over 26 years of serving next-gen leaders, student ministry teams and educators.

For more information and to register, click here:
<https://slulead.com/yps-summit/raleigh/>.
Use code: Raleigh25 for half off.

2026 BAPTIST MISSIONS CONFERENCE

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APRIL 10-11 2026 | HICKORY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH CHARLOTTE, NC

EVERY CHRISTIAN IS A MISSIONARY

"As the Father has sent Me, so send I you."
JOHN 20:21

Baptist Missions Conference Speakers Include: Jennifer Rothschild, Tom Richter, Lee Strobel, Tim Tebow and Worship Leader Laura Story. For more information and to register, visit baptistsonmission.org/events/missions-conference.

From Keith

Do you ever feel like “missions” is something that only happens when you get on a plane?

Do you think you have to cross an ocean or learn a new language to really be on the field?

The truth is, the mission field starts the very second you step off your front porch.

We talk a lot about the ends of the earth. We focus on places like Guatemala or Africa. And we should! But sometimes, we forget about the people sitting in the house next door. We forget about the guy at the gas station or the family in the apartment down the hall.

Everything you want for your community—peace, hope, and new life—exists on the other side of your willingness to see your neighborhood as a mission field.

The Rhythm of the Gospel

I love a quote from the Send Network that really hits home:

“Living on mission is the rhythm of living out the gospel wherever we call home.”

Think about that word: RHYTHM.

It’s not a special event. It’s not a once-a-year trip. It’s the heartbeat of your daily life. It’s how you talk to your neighbors. It’s how you serve your town.

Whether you are in Kinston, La Grange, Snow Hill, Goldsboro, or anywhere else in the Neuse Baptist Association, you are exactly where God wants you to be. You are an ambassador right where you live.

Why the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Matters

This month, we are focusing on the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO).

You might think, “Keith, why do we need a special offering for North America?”

Here’s the blunt honesty: North America is one of the fastest-growing mission fields in the world. Thousands of people are moving here every day. Millions of people in our own country have never heard a clear presentation of the gospel. The AAEO is how we fight back.

When you give to this offering, 100% of your money goes straight to the field. It supports:

Church Planters: Brave men and women starting new churches in places where there is no gospel presence.

Missionaries: People working in our biggest cities and smallest towns to meet needs and share Jesus.

Resources: Tools that help local churches reach their specific communities.

Your gift helps make the “rhythm” of mission possible for thousands of leaders across North America.

What Is Your Part?

So, how can you help?

- **PRAY:** Ask God to open doors for gospel conversations right in your neighborhood this week.
- **GIVE:** Be generous with the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Every dollar is a seed planted for the Kingdom.
- **GO:** Look across the street. Who needs a helping hand? Who needs to hear that they are loved?

Don't wait for a plane ticket to start living on mission.

Start today. Start right where you are.

The mission isn't just "over there"—it’s right here.

Let’s show our world that the gospel changes everything, starting with us.

Love to All,
~Keith



The banner features a logo in the top left corner consisting of a stylized 'N' and 'B' in blue and green. Below the logo, the text reads: "Registration: ncbaptist.org/events/replenish-retreat/". The word "REPLENISH" is written in large, bold, serif capital letters. Underneath it, in smaller capital letters, is "A RETREAT FOR PASTORS & THEIR FAMILIES". At the bottom of the text, it says "March 9-11 @ Fort Caswell". The background of the banner is a photograph of a sandy path leading through tall grasses to a beach with waves crashing against the shore under a clear sky.

March 2026



NEUSE NEWS

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APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FEBRUARY 1 - APRIL 1

Students may request a link to the application by emailing wendy@nbachurches.com

Current High School Seniors, College Students & Graduate students. | Applicants should be in good standing with an NBA Church.