



**ALLENDALE-HAMPTON  
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**  
IN GOD WE TRUST  
GOD IS!! AND ALL IS WELL!!

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Director of Missions

Associational Mission News

Rev. Darrell A. Smith



## BE CLEAR WHY YOU ARE HERE

I expect you noticed the drawing first and then read the church sign. Did you have the same thoughts I did regarding the message on the sign? I had two: we need to be sure we are on target with the “business,” or purpose of the church; and, the church actually belongs to our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. And then I had a third thought. What God’s Word says about the purpose of the church applies directly to each born again member of the local church. It applies to us both individually and also as a corporate body (applies to us as a group of believers). This means we aren’t right if we think we pay the pastor to do the work of the church. Each of us is responsible to do our part.

We do need to be clear why we are here, as a local church. I appreciate what Henry and Richard Blackaby wrote about this in Flickering Lamps. They wrote that the three purposes of the church, according to Scripture, are these:

1. To Glorify God (Ephesians 3:20-21 and Isaiah 55:8-9) The highest purpose of each believer is to glorify God. How do we do that? First, to love God, and second, to serve God in God’s way, not our own way.
2. To Make Disciples throughout the world (Matthew 28:18-20) Disciples do more than believe in Christ; they follow Christ and are committed to doing everything Christ commanded.
3. To Preserve and Bless Their Communities (Matthew 5:13-16) God expects us to make a positive difference in our communities.

This follows what our Association Vision Committee and our Executive Committee decided about the purpose of our association. Our new purpose statement is “The Allendale-Hampton Baptist Association exists to assist churches to evangelize the lost, disciple the saints, and facilitate mission endeavors.”

We can be clear about why we are here. And we must be! Read and meditate on the Bible passages mentioned and others. Think and pray. Ask God what He wants to do in and through you and your local church. May my actions and your actions show that we are clear about why God has us here.

In His service,

Darrell



CHAPEL AT CAMP JACKSON

**CAMP JACKSON**

For churches within

**Allendale-Hampton Baptist Association****Outdoor USE ONLY - Free**

There is a small cost for overnight stays or if you want to use the dining hall or pool because of the cost of air-conditioning/heating and electricity. If you have up to 25 people, you can use the dining room and 1 dorm

Friday – Sunday for \$300

If you have more than 25 people  
the cost would increase.

**TO MAKE RESERVATIONS****PLEASE CONTACT****LONNIE RUSSELL @803-842-1903****OR****THE AHBA OFFICE****Telephone 803-632-1882****E-Mail: ahba58@gmail.com**

Is it time for your church to have a Prayer–Retreat?! Consider utilizing your own Camp Jackson. It is a beautiful, quiet, country setting where you can get close to God and the wonderful nature He has given us.

**We need volunteers to help with maintenance projects at Camp Jackson . If you are available and able to help please call Mr. Lonnie Russell, Camp Caretaker, at 803-842-1903 or Mr. Bernie Smith, Chairman of the Camp committee, at 803-942-2351 to volunteer. They will let you know what is needed and assign you a day and time to help.**

**ABC Regional Hispanic Ministries Report**

Not long ago, I had the opportunity of helping a refugee with a practical need. I was reminded through our conversation of the blessing of living in a free nation. Although many of the people I serve are not refugees, they often arrive in this country fleeing difficult situations in their lands of origin. Others simply come to work for a time so they can improve their families' financial situation. I believe that we as Christians are called to love and serve those from other nations who are present in our country. God commanded his people, the Israelites, "You are also to love the resident alien, since you were resident aliens in the land of Egypt." (Deuteronomy 10:19 CSB) Please join me in praying for those who have sought refuge in our country. Pray for those in authority over us, that they may be guided by God's wisdom in administering our immigration system. Pray especially that many more may come to know the love of Christ, so they may be "no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with the saints"

(Ephesians 2:19 CSB).

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ABC Regional Hispanic Ministries

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### SEAFARER'S MINISTRY TIME!!

Donations for the the Seafarers Ministry are now being accepted through the end of October. You may deliver them to the Allendale-Hampton Association office or contact **SHELLIE ACKERMAN @ 803-842-9623.**

Your prayers and support for this worthwhile ministry will be appreciated.

#### ITEMS NEEDED:

Toothbrushes	Towel
Toothpaste	Washcloth
Comb	Crocheted Hats

Also needed are monetary donations for the purchase of Bibles and other Christian Literature in different languages.

### CHRISTMAS PRISONER PACKETS

**THESE PACKETS NEED TO BE DELIVERED TO THE AHBA ASSOCIATION OFFICE NO LATER THAN**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021.**

**"A care package ministers to the spirit of a man or woman in prison. Many inmates have no one in the free world. You may be the only person or group who displays any concern or regard for such an individual all year long...in doing a care package ministry, you tell people that you care, and that gives hope." THIS IS NOT A CHRISTMAS GIFT! IT IS A MINISTRY GIFT! Our Bible tells us that we are to minister to those in prison.**

#### ITEMS NEEDED IN EACH PACKET:

ONE black non-retractable pen (no wire clips, no other color ink)  
 ONE writing tablet no larger than 5 1/2" x 8" (no wire bound books, or composition books)  
 ONE adult toothbrush (individually factory-sealed, no multi-packs)  
 ONE 4 oz to 6oz toothpaste (no travel size)  
 TWO rolls of hard candy like LifeSavers, Mentos, Breath Savers (NO Smarties, Sweetarts, Necco Wafers, Rolos, Starburst, TicTacs)  
 THREE first-class #10 STAMP-EMBOSSSED ENVELOPES (from US Post Office NO regular stamps, no other size envelope)  
 ONE gallon size zipper bag (no other size bags accepted)  
 ALL ITEMS MUST FIT IN THE ZIPPER BAG WITH ZIPPER CLOSED SECURELY  
 DO NOT INCLUDE: washcloths, toothbrush holders, floss, combs.

#### Church Contributions Received to Support the Association Budget

End of the Year (2020-2021) Total Receipts  
 72,528.25 - Amount Needed \$79,997.42

#### New Budget Year (2021-2022)

Allendale	\$
Beech Branch	60.30
Bethel	
Brunson	125.00
Deep Branch	
Fairfax FBC	328.08
Furman	
Great Salkehatchie	
Hampton FBC	
Harmony	124.00
Hickory Grove	
Hopewell	276.12
Lawtonville	
Lower Three Runs	87.00

Mt. Arnon	
Mt. Olive	
Nixville	838.00
Open Arms Fellowship	300.00
Robertville	
Sand Hill	
Sandy Run	319.24
Stafford	
Steep Bottom	249.02
Sycamore	
Varnville FBC	1,334.00
West End	217.02
Donation	

#### Budget Receipts 2021-2022

Church Contributions Received To Date -  
 \$4,257.88

Needed to date - \$6,666.41  
 Budget Requirements 2021-2022 -  
 \$79,996.92 - 6,666.41 (mth.)

### Bethel Baptist Church

has volunteered to receive and deliver the Christmas Backpacks if any church is interested in participating in this ministry. We have included a flyer with this newsletter that gives the information needed to pack the Backpacks.

Please contact Gretchen Blakeney at 803-686-1681

for more information. The due date for the Backpacks is Tuesday, October 19th.

*Thank you for your  
 contributions to our  
 association!*

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 Address Service Requested

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 US POSTAGE PAID  
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 BRUNSON, SC 29911

**Office Hours -Tuesday 1/2 day: Hours Vary**

**Wednesday: 9:00am - 3:00 pm; Thursday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm**

### Steep Bottom Baptist Church has called a new Pastor.

**We would like to WELCOME**  
**Rev. Jamie Burgess and his wife, Ivy to our**  
**association. Jamie and Ivy began their**  
**service at Steep Bottom on September 12.**

### Help Us Economize

To receive your  
 newsletter  
 electronically, email  
[ahba58@gmail.com](mailto:ahba58@gmail.com)  
 Also, please let us know  
 of address changes or if  
 you wish to be re-  
 moved from our mailing

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### October

- Cooperative Program Month**
- 10 Global Hunger Sunday**
- 11-14 Office closed this week**
- 14 ABC Meeting 10:00 @ AHBA -Zoom**
- 15 Newsletter Articles Deadline**
- 17-24 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**
- 18 WMU Associational Team Mtg-6pm**
- 19 Christmas Backpacks due to Bethel**
- 24-26 Revival—Lawtonville Baptist Church**
- 26 Pastor Appreciation - 7:00 PM Varnville First Baptist Social Hall**
- 30 Associational Trunk or Treat**

#### November

- Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer TBA**
- 1 Executive Committee Mtg. 7pm**
- 1 Church Profile due to AHBA**
- 2 Election Day**
- 7 Daylight Saving Time Ends**
- 8-9 SCBC Annual Mtg.—Columbia**
- 11 Veteran's Day**
- 14-20 Shoebox Collection Week**
- 17 Newsletter Articles Deadline**
- 18 PRISONER PACKS DUE TO AHBA**
- 22-26 Office Closed -Thanksgiving Holidays**
- 25 Thanksgiving**
- 28—Dec.5 Season of IM (study, prayer, offering)**

#### December

- Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**
- 7 Hispanic Christmas Outreach Program**
- 16 Newsletter Articles Deadline**
- 22-Jan3 Office Closed for Christmas**

**HISPANIC CHRISTMAS OUTREACH PROGRAM TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021 @ 6:00 PM @ Allendale First Bapt. MORE INFORMATION TO COME.**

### GRASS MOWING SCHEDULE OCTOBER

9th - GILBERT HEAPE

23rd -BUTCH SAULS

**If these date are not suitable,**  
**PLEASE CONTACT PATRICIA AT THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE.**  
**THANK YOU!**



**FIELDS OF FAITH**  
**WEDNESDAY—OCTOBER 20TH, 2021**  
**HAMPTON COUNTY EVENT HELD AT:**  
**WADE HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM**  
**6:30 -8pm**  
**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND**

**An evening of inspiration with Student Speakers from our**  
**Local schools sharing their stories of Faith & Encouragement.**  
**Free Food, Music & Fellowship begins a half hour prior to events.**

**Fields of Faith, where communities gather on school athletic fields**  
**on the same night to hear students share their faith stories and**  
**challenge each other to apply the Bible as their "game plan for**  
**life". All are invited to join this community wide event of inspiring**  
**Faith, Fellowship, Food and Worship. For questions email**  
**[news@southcoastalfca.org](mailto:news@southcoastalfca.org) Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Insta-**  
**gram.**

**Event sponsored by FCA Student Campus Clubs, Community, and**  
**Church Partners of South Coastal FCA**