



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. Dr. Tommy Kelly

What Do We Need to Talk About?

This is the day after the sixty-fifth annual AHBA meeting. Deep Branch Baptist Church was an exceptional host. Their culinary skills were enjoyed by everyone. Messengers and guest enjoyed the day of worship, fellowship, and food. The entire AHBA family wishes Darrell Smith a happy and restful semi-retirement.

With the annual meeting over, several matters of interest need to be shared with the AHBA churches. Two young ministers are being called into our association. Michael Finley was recently ordained to ministry at West End Baptist Church on September 17th. Michael is married to Rachael and they have four children. He is presently the interim pastor at West End and teaches school in Orangeburg during the week. They reside in Springfield, South Carolina.

Chris Mills has accepted the pastorate at Robertville Baptist Church. His ordination counsel will convene at 4:30 PM on October 22 with the ordination service to follow at 6 PM. Robertville Baptist will be hosting both events. If all ordained ministers would mark their calendars to help with Chris' ordination counsel, it would be greatly appreciated. Chris is married to Priscilla and they are parents to Bella. He is a history teacher at North District Middle School.

Also, remember Fields of Faith on Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at Hampton County High School football field. Regional Operation Christmas Child collection site this year will be at Varnville First Baptist Church. Children's Celebration will be on November 21st at Varnville, First Baptist Church at 6 PM. Children's Christmas Caroling will be at Hampton Gazebo on December 14th at 6 PM.

As I am now officially the "point person" for the AHBA, I covet your prayers. I am very humbled by your confidence and faith in me. Patricia Terry now has the partial responsibility of keeping me in line. Please pray for her. We are very blessed to have her. Thanks again for allowing me to fill this position at this important time for the AHBA.

God bless,

Tommy Kelly

Hebrews 11:1;6a

FIELDS OF FAITH SPONSORED BY THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023 AT THE

HAMPTON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL STADIUM BEGINNING AT 6:00 PM.



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**

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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.



Last night, as we often do, a member of Nueva Esperanza and I visited one of many locations where temporary workers are housed. I visited this home a few weeks ago to distribute health kits and New Testaments. Now we were returning to visit and share the Gospel more extensively. When we arrived, several men were fixing their evening meal. As we stood on the front porch, one or two approached us and we began to converse. As it grew darker and a cool breeze began to blow, our conversation turned to spiritual things. One of the workers asked several questions that displayed a deep spiritual interest. After I had given him the best answers I could, I asked him about his own spiritual walk. The answers he gave me brought to mind Jesus' words in Mark 12:34: "You are not far from the kingdom of God." We encouraged him to surrender his life to Christ, and I feel confident he will do so. Like this young man, there are many around us who are interested in spiritual things. God is at work in their lives, and he invites us to participate in his work by sharing the Good News of Christ. We may not see the moment when someone surrenders their life to Christ, but we can help them move one step closer to that decision.

Would you join me in praying for this young man, and for so many more like him? Pray that the Scriptures would come alive for them. Pray that Christ's truth would become clear to them. As always, thank you for your prayers and support of ABC.

Submitted by Tony Hancock, Director of Hispanic Missions
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ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." (Luke 19:10)
 "Therefore go and make disciples." (Matthew 28:19)

PUBLISHED MONTHLY**PAGE 3****Kings Cross In Concert****Sunday, November 5, 2023 @ 6:00 pm****Sandy Run Baptist, 2100 Sandy Run Road, Hampton****Join us for a wonderful evening of Christian music****Featuring Mike Smith****A Love Offering will be received.****Seafarer's Ministry Time!!**

Donations for the Seafarers Ministry are now being accepted through November 3, 2023. You may deliver them to the

Allendale-Hampton Baptist Association office.

Your prayers and support for this worth-while ministry are appreciated.

ITEMS NEEDED**Shampoo/Body Wash****Towel****Toothbrushes****Washcloth****Toothpaste****Crocheted Hats****Comb****Monetary donations (to purchase Bibles)****Church Contributions Received to****Support the Association Budget****Budget Year (2023-2024)**

Allendale FBC	\$
Beech Branch	72.60
Bethel	
Brunson	150.00
Deep Branch	
Fairfax FBC	
Furman	
Great Salkehatchie	
Hampton FBC	
Harmony	117.00
Hickory Grove	
Hopewell	
Lawtonville	
Lower Three Runs	
Mt. Arnon	
Mt. Olive	
Nixville	1,124.64
Open Arms Fellowship	
Robertville	
Sand Hill	
Sandy Run	
Stafford	
Steep Bottom	150.00
Sycamore	
Varnville	1,056.00
West End	138.06
Donation	

Budget Receipts 2023-2024

Church Contributions Received To Date - September 30, 2023 - \$2,808.30

**Needed to date \$6,457.75
 \$77,493.04 - \$6,457.75(mth.)**

Hickory Grove Homecoming

The 154th Homecoming will be November 5th @ 11:30 am with a Covered dish meal following the service. Rev. R.P. Hodge will bring the special message as he celebrates his 15th year of pastoring Brunson Baptist and Hickory Grove. Special music and kids games.

Church Contributions Received to

**Support Camp Jackson's Budget
 September 2023 - August 2024**

Nixville	119.00
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PRISONER PACKETS ARE DUE TO THE AHBA OFFICE NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023. WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SUPPLY 300 PACKETS. WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

ITEMS NEEDED

- 1- black non-retractable pen (no wire clips, no other color ink)
- 1- standard size writing tablet approx. 6" x 9" (no wire bound books, composition books, post-it notes, or colored paper)
- 1- adult toothbrush (individually factory-sealed, no multi-packs)
- 1- 4 oz to 6 oz toothpaste (no travel size)
- 1- 3.2 oz to 6 oz bar of soap (no travel size, no unwrapped or unboxed bars)
- 2- rolls of hard candy like LifeSavers, Mentos, Breath Savers (NO Smarties, Sweetarts, Necco Wafers, Rolos, Starburst, TicTacs)
- 3- first-class #10 Stamp-Embossed Envelopes (from US Post Office. NO regular stamps, no other size envelopes)
- 1 - gallon size zipper bag (no other size bags accepted)

NIXVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH AT 3915 TWO SISTERS FERRY ROAD, ESTILL, SC HAS A BLESSING BOX WITH NON-PERISHABLE FOODS. PLEASE VISIT WHEN YOU HAVE A NEED AND WE PRAY YOU WILL BE BLESSED.

ASSOCIATION VISION STATEMENT

The Allendale-Hampton Baptist Association exists to assist churches to evangelize the lost, disciple the Saints, and facilitate Mission Endeavors.

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October 2023

OFFICE HOURS - TUESDAY 1/2 day: Hours Vary
Wednesday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Thursday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

To receive your newsletter electronically, send email to ahba58@gmail.com Also, please let us know of address changes or if you wish to be removed from our mailing list.

ART TO HEART WITH BILL COX

At Sand Hill Baptist Church on Sunday, October 15th beginning at 6:00 pm. Cox leads audiences in worship & praise during his presentation. Bill will also present chalk drawings and dramatic monologues. Through special effects and lighting, Cox's creations appear to come to life. He has been doing this for fifty years. **EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME TO SAND HILL AND JOIN US AS WE ENJOY AN EVENING OF MUSIC AND CHALK DRAWING DEMONSTRATING THE MESSAGE OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR.**

Mount Olive Baptist Church

Celebrating 150 Year Anniversary

October 15, 2023 will be Homecoming Service @ 11am

Followed by a Meal

Rev. Billy Stockton, Former Pastor will deliver the Sermon

Robertville Baptist Church

Homecoming—October 15, 2023 @ 11:00 am

Speaker —Rev. Jeff Robinson, Editor & President

Baptist Courier Meal After Service

Revival - October 16th - 18th @ 7:00 pm each night

Monday night - Speaker, Rev. Aron Winn

Tuesday night—Speaker, Rev. Brian Toney

Wednesday night - Rev. R.P. Hodge

**Grass Mowing Schedule**

October 14 Bernie Smith

October 28 Franklin Harriott

CALENDAR OF EVENTS**October 2023**

- 1 Cooperative Program Sunday
- 12 ABC Quarterly Meeting - 10am—Zoom
- 13 Disaster Relief Training - Catawba Baptist Church—Rock Hill
- 15 Robertville Baptist Homecoming - 11:00 am
- 15 Art to Heart with Bill Cox—Sand Hill Baptist Church @6pm
- 15 Mount Olive celebrates 150 years with Homecoming at 11:00
- 16-18 Robertville Revival - 7:00 pm each night
- 16 Newsletter Articles Deadline
- 18 Fields of Faith —Hampton High - 6pm
- 22 Day of Prayer for the Association
- 31 Associational Trunk or Treat - 6pm - Hampton Police Station

November 2023

- Shoe Box Ministry/Prisoner Packets
- 3 Seafarer's Ministry Deadline
- 5 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 5 Kings Cross in Concert @ Sandy Run—6pm
- 5 154th Homecoming Hickory Grove @11:30—meal after
- 6 Executive Board Meeting—7:00 pm @AHBA
- 7 Election Day
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 16 Newsletter Articles Deadline
- 16 Prisoner Packets due to AHBA Office
- 21-24 AHBA Office Closed for Thanksgiving
- 23 Thanksgiving Day

December 2023

- Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 6 Hispanic Christmas Outreach— Allendale First
- 3-10 Season of International Missions (study, prayer Offering)
- 14 Newsletter Articles Deadline
- 21-Jan 1 AHBA Office Closed for Christmas
- 24 Christmas Eve