

# Rowan Southern Baptist Association Newsletter

## Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00 pm

Friday - Closed

## September 2011



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**Rev. Ken Clark**, Interim Director of Missions

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### **Greetings in the Strong Name of King Jesus!**

Summer is fast coming to a close, schools have started back, and football season is right around the corner. As you think of each of those items I mentioned different pictures are developed in your mind. Summer closing out brings thoughts of that last trip to the beach and the transition from the heat of summer to the crispness of fall. School starting back creates pictures of renewed friendships, homework and all the extra traffic on the roads. Football season....well realizing all the different people who will be reading this, maybe I better leave this one alone. (Go Seminoles!) Sorry, I couldn't help myself.

The point is that as time passes things begin to change. Change is an inevitable part of life. Anything that is not changing is dead, and that means the ability to impact is lost. I am honored to proclaim that Rowan Southern Baptist Association is alive and well. If I make an announcement like this, then it should come as no surprise that change is happening in our Association. We have already seen this in the changes that have been made concerning the Christmas Store. Many of you have readily accepted that change and are working diligently to help this year to be the greatest Christmas Store we have ever had. To each of you, I say Thank You and well done!

On another note, we are honored to present for your consideration, a proposed new Vision for our Association. A vision Task Force was formed for the purpose of developing a Vision that is forward looking and captures the heart of what God has placed us here to be. Following is the proposed Vision that will be presented at the October meeting for your approval:

***Rowan Southern Baptist Association exists as a family of churches working in harmony to bring the reality of Jesus Christ into the lives of the people of Rowan County and around the world.***

We do this by: **1. Supporting**—we serve as a church health/growth strategist for our churches. In this capacity we seek to strengthen the local church so that they can be more effective in their ministry. We serve as a liaison between the church and the state organizations.

**2. Equipping**—new work strategist, network facilitator, source of missional opportunities. Provide staff and lay leader training in administration, pastoral ministry, deacon ministry, crisis management, conflict resolution, and planning skills.

**3. Encouraging**—mentor, guide, and serve as a confidant for the pastor, staff, and lay members of the local church. Encourage church leaders and members to develop personal relationships. Offer a network of fellowship and prayer.

Another aspect of this vision will be a transition in the structure of our Association. This structure change will position us to most effectively fulfill this vision. We hope to be able to have the proposed structure ready for your approval at the October meeting as well.

There are many plans that are well underway for the coming months that should have life changing impact not only upon our churches but Rowan County and beyond. The staff and leadership of your Association covet your prayers as we work together to help our churches fulfill the Great Commission.

What a joy it is to serve King Jesus with you in Rowan County,

Pastor Ken

Salisbury's premier women's conference for all ages is being hosted by Neel Road Baptist Church, Salisbury. We want to provide a warm, relevant worship and learning opportunity for Christian women in and around our community that is also friendly to women not currently active in church. All of the information is available at [www.TheGetRealConference.com](http://www.TheGetRealConference.com)

On **November 3, 6:00 pm**, (note time change) a prayer retreat focusing on **"Human Exploitation"** will be held at High Rock Community Church (West/Jake Alexander) in Salisbury. This will be a dinner meal. All men and women of the Association are invited to attend. Purchase tickets at the Associational Office by October 31.  
Cost \$7.

**"Share A Mission"**

**"Do A Mission"**

Saturday, September 24

9am-1pm (Associational Office)

Training update and missions project for leaders of WMU age-level organizations. Contact

Dee Dee Moody [deemoo@carolina.rr](mailto:deemoo@carolina.rr).

for more information.

**WMU News! Red Boxes Project**

Each year, RSBA participates in the WMU NC "Red Boxes" project for incarcerated women. In the past, we have collected shampoo, toothbrushes, and other toiletry items which are placed in the boxes and delivered at Christmas time. This year's item is **Bar Soap, 4-5 oz size** only. Our goal is 750 bars. The bars may be taken to the Associational Office or brought to the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting that will be held at High Rock Community Church (West/Jake Alexander) in Salisbury. Please remove price stickers if possible.

**Christmas Store**



We at the Association have been making plans for the Christmas Store. We need your **prayers, financial donations** and **new toys**.

Bring donations to the Associational Office anytime Monday-Thursday 8:30-4:00 pm. For more information contact Phyllis Smith, Christmas Store Director at 704-210-9161 or email [Phyllis.Smith@tharperobbins.com](mailto:Phyllis.Smith@tharperobbins.com).

You may also contact the Associational Office at 704-637-3407. Your prayers and donations are greatly appreciated.



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Week  
of  
Prayer

**September 11-18, 2011**

This offering goes to support the work of our North Carolina Baptist Men; Church Planting Evangelism, Resort & Leisure; Associational Projects, African American, Special Ministry & Chaplaincy; Associational Partnerships; NCMO & Education & Support, Truett Camp Ministry and the Mandate Missions Video.



The Associational Office will be closed on Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.  
Have a safe Labor Day!

**REVIVAL!**

**September 11-14**

**Yadkin Baptist Church**

**150 Yadkin Baptist Church Road**

**Salisbury, NC**

**Dr. Benny Vickrey**

**Sunday Night - 6:00 pm**

**Monday-Wednesday - 7:00 pm**

**Everyone welcome!**

## September Birthdays

- 2 Mrs. Delores Bitner, retired pastor's wife
- 5 Rev. Ed Bitner, retired pastor
- 12 Rev. David Smith, Associate Pastor, Sherrill's Ford
- 14 Mrs. Lucy Wilson, Pastor's Wife, China Grove First
- 15 Rev. Gene Sides, Pastor Emmanuel
- 23 Mrs. Ruby Myers, Pastor's Wife, Spencer First
- 27 Mrs. Karen Suttles, wife, Pastor West Corinth

## September Anniversaries

- 22 Dr. & Mrs. Rick (Jackie) Cockerham, Pastor, Calvary
- 23 Rev. & Mrs. Sy (Jo) Ponds, Pastor, Providence

### *Rowan Southern Baptist Association*

#### *Semi-Annual Meeting*

*Monday, October 17* (note date change)

*7:00 pm*

*First Baptist Church*

*302 Patterson Street*

*China Grove, NC*



**MEETING**

### **Rowan Southern Baptist Association**

#### **Fall Revival**

**October 24-26**

**7:00 pm**

**Faith Baptist Church**

**203 North Main Street**

**Faith, NC**



#### **Guest Speaker:**

***Dr. Mark E. Harris***  
***Senior Pastor***

***First Baptist Church***  
***Charlotte, NC***

## **Children's Choir Leadership Conference September 17, 2011 Friendly Avenue Baptist Church, Greensboro Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

The Children's Choir Leadership Conference will provide intense training (four hours of instructional time) for choir leaders (directors, accompanists, helpers) in four different tracks:

**Preschool Choir** (ages 4-kindergarten)  
**Younger Children's Choir** (grades 1-3)  
**Older Children's Choir** (grades 4-6)  
**Combined Children's Choir** (grades 1-6)

#### **More information**

Sherry Thompson  
(800) 395-5102 ext. 5634  
[sthompson@ncbaptist.org](mailto:sthompson@ncbaptist.org)

#### **Cost**

BSCNC Churches: \$12 per person  
Others: \$20 per person

For more information: [www.ncbaptist.org](http://www.ncbaptist.org)  
(search Children's Choir Conference)



The Stewardship Committee will begin working on the upcoming budget for 2012. Budget requests should be submitted to the Associational Office and will be forwarded to the Stewardship Committee. For other information, contact Daryl Raper at 704-636-1331 or Darrell Carper at 704-278-2993.

#### **Pastor's Conference**

Just a reminder to all of our Pastors, Associates, and Youth Pastors, as well as staff.... Don't forget about our weekly Pastor's Conference held every Tuesday at 11:30am.

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 General Fund Financial Report  
 July 2011

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	<u>Month</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>Month</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>YTD</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Budget</u>
<b><u>Salaries, Allowances, Honoraria</u></b>					
1010 DOM Salary	\$0	\$1,360	\$0	\$9,521	\$16,321
1020 DOM Housing Allowance	1,950	1,679	3,413	11,753	20,148
1040 Adm. Assistant Salary	1,589	1,589	11,120	11,120	19,063
1050 Office Help	0	50	450	350	600
1060 Clerk Honorarium	0	50	0	350	600
1070 Treasurer Honorarium	0	50	0	350	600
1080 Staff Christmas Bonuses	0	87	0	607	1,040
<b>Total Salaries &amp; Allowances</b>	<b>\$3,539</b>	<b>\$4,864</b>	<b>\$14,982</b>	<b>\$34,050</b>	<b>\$58,372</b>
<b><u>Employee Benefits</u></b>					
2010 DOM Retirement	\$0	\$373	\$0	\$2,608	\$4,471
2020 DOM Health Insurance	0	757	0	5,298	9,082
2021 DOM Life Insurance	0	28	0	193	330
2030 Workers' Compensation Insurance	0	113	862	788	1,350
2040 Payroll Taxes	122	124	851	869	1,489
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$122</b>	<b>\$1,394</b>	<b>\$1,713</b>	<b>\$9,755</b>	<b>\$16,722</b>
<b><u>Ministry Support</u></b>					
3010 DOM Travel Expense	\$0	\$417	\$0	\$2,917	\$5,000
3020 DOM Covention/Education Exp.	73	167	123	1,167	2,000
3030 Adm. Assistant Conf./Ed. Exp.	0	17	0	117	200
<b>Total Ministry Support</b>	<b>\$73</b>	<b>\$600</b>	<b>\$123</b>	<b>\$4,200</b>	<b>\$7,200</b>
<b><u>Organizational Support</u></b>					
4030 Evangelism/Fair Mission	0	25	0	175	300
4070 VBS	0	17	600	117	200
4080 WMU	0	0	150	0	0
4090 Youth Ministry	0	125	0	875	1,500
4100 Pastors' Conferences	232	0	232	0	0
4120 Church Sec. Training	0	10	0	73	125
4170 Bible School Teachers Assistance	0	160	1,152	1,120	1,920
4190 Disaster Recovery Tr. Maintenance	0	8	63	58	100
4220 Christmas Store Supplement	0	125	0	875	1,500
<b>Total Organization Support</b>	<b>\$232</b>	<b>\$470</b>	<b>\$2,197</b>	<b>\$3,293</b>	<b>\$5,645</b>
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>					
5010 Office Supplies & Expense	\$44	\$208	\$1,799	\$1,458	\$2,500
5020 Postage	0	167	361	1,167	2,000
5030 Office Equipment Maintenance	1,033	250	1,683	1,750	3,000
5050 Telephone	301	308	2,071	2,158	3,700
5060 Natural Gas	26	83	596	583	1,000
5070 Electricity	341	208	1,396	1,458	2,500
5080 Water	26	50	147	350	600
5100 Building Maintenance & Repairs	24	100	526	700	1,200
5110 Lawn Care & Custodial Service Contract	300	217	1,500	1,517	2,600
5120 Insurance	0	100	1,216	700	1,200
5121 Web Site Development	100	100	700	700	1,200
5130 Miscellaneous Expense	36	83	862	583	1,000
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,231</b>	<b>\$1,875</b>	<b>\$12,858</b>	<b>\$13,125</b>	<b>\$22,500</b>

<b>Total General Fund Spending</b>	<b>\$6,196</b>	<b>\$9,203</b>	<b>\$31,874</b>	<b>\$64,423</b>	<b>\$110,439</b>
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<b>Total General Fund Receipts</b>	<b>\$9,399</b>	<b>\$9,203</b>	<b>\$65,274</b>	<b>\$64,423</b>	<b>\$110,439</b>
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<u>Funds Report:</u>		<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Spending</u>	<u>Ending</u>
		<u>Balance</u>			<u>Balance</u>
9010	General Fund	\$62,977	\$9,399	\$6,196	\$66,180
9020	Disaster Base Fund	647	0	0	647
9042	Haiti Boys' Home	30	(30)	0	0
9043	Christian Women's Job Corps	1,242	0	0	1,242
9050	Strategy Coordinator Association Fund	2,312	0	400	1,912
9060	Huneycutt Scholarship Fund (Interest)	625	0	0	625
9061	Huneycutt Scholarship Fund (Principal)	27,109	66	0	27,175
9070	Seminary Extension	334	0	0	334
9080	Christmas Store	3,008	0	0	3,008
9101	Haiti Mission Fund	405	585	250	740
9120	Payroll Taxes Payable - Federal	634	0	423	211
9130	Payroll Taxes Payable - State	132	0	88	44
9141	Bibles For Prison	447	0	0	447
<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>\$99,902</b>	<b>\$10,020</b>	<b>\$7,356</b>	<b>\$102,566</b>
<u>Deposit Locations:</u>					
1001	Premier FCU Checking Account				\$75,241
1002	Petty Cash				150
1006	The North Carolina Baptist Foundation Inc. (Huneycutt Scholarship Fund Principal)				27,175
<b>Total Deposits</b>					<b>\$102,566</b>