



# THE SURRY BAPTIST NEWSLETTER

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**PROVIDE FOOD AND POINT CHILDREN TO JESUS**  
BCHFOODROUNDUP.ORG

**Bring Gift Cards to SBA by July 31, 2024**

**God Bless All the Mothers!**

*"Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates." Proverbs 31:31*

ATRIUM WAKE FOREST BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER

## Giving Thanks

*A Mission of Health, Hope, and Healing for All*

*"That they may see and know, and consider and understand together, that the hand of the Lord has done this, and the Holy One of Israel has created it." ISAIAH 41:20*

Robin and Miss Shepherd's baby sole love every changed when Miss developed Stage IV melanoma—their love grew stronger. When Miss died a year later, the Lord gave Robin didn't she was still facing burdensome medical bills. "It was overwhelming," she said. "I was grieving, but I was also worried and embarrassed because I was struggling to pay bills."

"Then she received a letter that said Miss's medical bills were paid by mission-minded congregations through the Mother's Day Offering. "You won't believe the load that was taken off my back had just passed away—there were some less things to worry about." Life without Miss is different for Robin, but it's no longer filled with financial fear.

"Thank you for this Godly love you gave me. Your gift lifts financial burdens." Robin encourages others to support the annual Mother's Day Offering so people can shift their attention from medical bills and focus on what's most important—caring for their loved one.

**2023 MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING**  
**WEEK OF PRAYER**  
MAY 8-14, 2023

Scan this code or visit mothersdayoffering.org to learn more.

**Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist**  
mothersdayoffering.org

STATEWIDE GOAL: \$650,000    OUR GOAL:

## Discipleship Training Class

### "Gospel of John"

**Tuesday morning: August 20 @ 10-12**  
**Tues. eve. Zoom Meeting: Aug. 20 @ 6:30**  
**Thursday morning: August 22 @ 10-12**  
**Thursday evenings: August 22 @ 6:30-8:30**

**Instructor: Dr. Daniel Merritt**

**Books are \$25**

**Come by the SBA office and sign up and pick up a book written by Dr. Dan.**

"The Mission of Surry Baptist Association is to glorify God through Jesus Christ by assisting and encouraging Congregations in a partnership of cooperative ministries of reaching people and developing believers."

## From Your Director of Missions — Dr. Dan Merritt

May has burst upon us with bright sunshine and colorful flowers. It would be nice if life was always filled with abundant sunshine and vibrant flowers, but it is not. Without question we are living in turbulent times. There is chaos and confusion on every hand both domestically and internationally. In such times we need a God who can feel our pain, comprehends our hurts, not indifferent to our problems, hears our prayers, and sees our every situation.

The Bible teaches us that the God of the Bible is a personal Being. Though He is high and lifted up, though He transcends our finite minds, yet our God has revealed Himself to humanity in the person of Jesus Christ. In Christ our God became a man. Our God has wept through human eyes. We serve a God who feels our pain, understands our hurts, is not indifferent to our problems, hears our prayers and who sees our every situation. We serve a God who loves and who interacts with humanity.

In Genesis 16, being cast out by Sarah, Hagar discovered in the wilderness situations of life God's eyes is ever upon us. The truth of that reality is not found in our ability to always see God, because there are times we may feel God has abandoned us. But the truth of that statement is based on the promise that He does in fact see us. That is a promise from the Word of God. It matters not the wilderness situation we find ourselves in. The gaze of His eyes is upon us. What a comfort and encouragement that as we journey down the dusty roads of life. Deuteronomy 11:12 tells us that eyes of the Lord are always upon us from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. In what ways and in what circumstances are the Lord's eyes always upon us. From Genesis 16 we discover that...

First, the Lord sees us when we go astray. The whole episode in Genesis 16 with the plan of Sarah, Abraham, and Hagar in trying to help God bring about a promised seed for Abraham, was from the start a recipe for disaster. Their actions were outside the will of God. In such instances the Lord meets us in our astrayness, and seeks to bring repentance, restoration and put us on a path of righteousness.

Second, the Lord sees our adversaries (v. 6). When Hagar became with child, Sarah communicated disdain for her and became her adversary. Hagar took off through the desert wilderness. She made it to a spring of water in the desert and sat down totally exhausted. She was

fleeing from her adversary. Facing adversaries, the Lord came to her to aid her. We fight not alone, the Lord is our Captain, He sees our plight. The battle we encounter are not ours but the Lord's

Third, the Lord sees us when we are afraid (v. 6-7). Don't you know Hagar was afraid? She no doubt expected the worst to happen to her. We all get afraid. Let us fear not, for the Lord sees us. He says, "Fear not for I am with thee." In the midst our fears there is Jesus.

Fourth, the Lord sees us in our afflictions (v. 11), Hagar found herself enduring afflictions - physical, mental, and emotional. She probably wondered if God knew or cared about her situation. No doubt she was confused. Do we not sometimes think the same way in affliction? But he sees our affliction. We have the promise of his Resurrection power. He is comfort for the afflicted.

Fifth, the Lord sees us in our aloneness. Hagar found herself abandoned and alone. But we read, "Now the angel of the Lord found her" (16:7). What a beautiful picture of our compassionate God, he cares for this confused servant girl. Like Hagar we often find ourselves alone, yet we are not alone, in Christ we have the assurance of His presence.

What an encouraging story this is in turbulent times, if you are hurting, suffering or feeling that God has abandoned you, He sees your circumstances. Because He sees, we can experience His mercy, compassion, if we only submit to Him. Let us come to Him from whom flows rivers of living water and sees our every circumstance.

If I can ever be of help to you, give me a call or stop by the office.

Serving Christ Together,

Dr. Dan

## WMU Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, June 8, 2024

9am @ SBA Office

**"Hope In Christ"**

**All Members are encouraged to attend.  
Please register at the SBA by May 30.**



## Baptist Men Update

For our April meeting, we met at the Surry Baptist Associational office with Mike Francis providing our meal. We had 10 in attendance with 8 churches represented. Our devotion was brought by Royce Clodfelter, who spoke on- Abraham and Issac about their story of faith and trust in God for all.

Gary reported that we have 1 ramp to do, along with some other special projects. There is an up-and-coming trip to Lumberton planned for April 23. We are planning a Children's Home project if anyone is interested.

We have decided to move all meetings going forward to the second Monday night of the month.

Please consider donating to the Surry Handyman Ministry to help fund our local projects. We have many project requests and limited funding; with your help we can continue to make a difference in the lives of those who need it most.

The Baptist Men invite all Men and Women within the association to come join us on Monday, May 13th at 6:30pm at the Surry Baptist Association office for a meal. We hope to see everyone there for fellowship and a time of planning how to share God's love through our service.

If your church has a men's group or an individual interested in taking part in any of our activities, you are welcome to call Mike Francis at 336-830-1655 for more information.



Bring food anytime to be given out for May; For 2024: Hills Grove in May; Turkey Ford in June; Highland Park in July; Cross Roads in Aug.; Dover in Sept.; Salem Fork in Oct.; Woodland in Nov.; and Highland Park in Dec. We accept donations anytime at the SBA and are desperately in need of groceries to help stock our pantry.

WMU groups are encouraged to contribute to various WMU compassion mission projects; 1) Pure Water, Pure Love helping people in parts of the world that have unclean drinking water - donations due Sept. 30 to SBA; 2) NC WMU Red Box Prison Ministry to provide Christmas boxes for incarcerated women, donations due Oct. 31 to SBA. 3) SBA WMU Surry Medical Ministry Food Program - donate bags of food given to clients at the free medical clinic in Mount Airy - call SBA to get info; 4) NC WMU Mission for the Visually Impaired - contact NC WMU (919-882-2344) if you would like to have the monthly Missions Mosaic recorded on CD and mailed to those in your congregation who are visually impaired. And remember, there is "Hope In Christ"!



## Birthdays

- May 10: Rev. Larry Jones (Dover)
- May 12: Mrs. Melissa Vernon (Mountain View)
- May 13: Rev. Jacob Hall (Simmons Grove)
- May 15: Rev. Mickey Cogdill (Bannertown)
- May 18: Rev. Tim Burton (Flippin Memorial)
- May 22: Mrs. Michele Joplin (Salem Fork)
- May 23: Mrs. Emmy Corn (Turkey Ford)



### One Day - VBS in Saltville, VA June 22, 2024

Call the SBA office  
if interested in helping!  
(336-789-5701)

**\*Asking for Food Donations - in hopes that each child can take home a bag of food.**

**(Things for kids to eat at home this summer)**

WE WILL BE  
CLOSED  
\*\*\*\*\* FOR \*\*\*\*\*  
MEMORIAL DAY

**Monday May 27, 2024**

### 2024 Printed Minutes Books

Printed Minutes books that the churches ordered are ready. Have someone from your church come by the SBA Office to pick up your church's copies.

### Senior Adults Fellowship

June 11, 2024

Cook-Out

11:30 am @

Fancy Gap Baptist

**(Bring Canned Food for Medical Ministry and a dessert.)**



**Appalachian Christmas Outreach**



**Backpack Ministry**



Now is the time to start planning ahead and purchasing your items for this worthwhile ministry. We will be sponsoring 4 local elementary schools this year.

One of the greatest ministry needs in this area occurs around Christmastime. NCBM is calling on churches statewide to respond to this need through Appalachian Christmas Outreach 2024.

- 1) Small items of NEW clothing such as winter hats, gloves, socks, underwear, rolled t-shirts
- 2) Small pop-top canned food such as ravioli, tuna, beef stew, vegetables, fruit (3-4 cans)
- 3) At least one NEW, age appropriate non-breakable toy (no toy weapons, please!)
- 4) Hygiene items including toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, washcloth, brush or comb, shampoo, deodorant

(try to fit these items into a one gallon Ziploc bag).

- 5) A children's Bible or youth Bible (no one version is required)
- 6) Fresh, wrapped candy (no chocolate please, as it may melt)
- 7) A copy of ["The Christmas Story"](#) \*\*

**Hold them until Sat. Nov. 2, @ 9am-12pm**

**We have no room to store them @ the SBA!**

**Use Ribbon instead of name tags.**



- June 2-6** Antioch - "Scuba" 6:30-8:30pm w/meal  
Highland Park - "The Great Jungle Journey"  
Calvary  
Dobson First - "Camp Firelight"
- June 2-5** Central View - "Breaker Rock Beach" w/meal @ 6pm
- June 3-7** Westview
- June 17-20** Fairview
- June 17-21** Ladonia
- June 18-21** Holly Springs - "Breaker Rock Beach" 6-8:30pm w/meal
- June 22** Welcome
- July 15-19** Turkey Ford - "Breaker Rock Beach" 6-8:30pm w/meal

**National Day of Prayer**  
**May 2, 2024 @ 12pm**  
**Mount Airy Municipal Bldg.**



Dr. Dan Merritt will be speaking on



**"Lighting Up the World  
by Lifting Up the Word"**

**The Surry Baptist Newsletter - Church News**

**Albion** had an Easter egg hunt w/crafts, games, stories, and lunch. Had Sunrise service, breakfast then Sunday school afterwards. WMU had a poor man's supper, w/donations only, all proceeds went to help those in the community.

**Antioch** had 1 person join by Baptism & 1 by letter. Collected for Annie Armstrong and surpassed goal. The Children participated by collecting change and filling up an Easter Bunny bucket. The Well Food prepared and delivered 198 meals. The Golden Autumn traveled to Zootastic and went out for lunch. The Children also collected non perishable food to help fill the blessing box @ Cedar Elem. The Sisterhood continues w/the following ministries: sunshine baskets for nursing home residents or people in need of a good pick me up, lunch Davis project each month, filling the blessing box w/ hygiene bags and Bible/Book Study. Upward Flag Football and Cheerleading will begin registration on May 4. If anyone would like to participate please contact the church office for more info. VBS is June 2-6. The theme will be Scuba @ 6:30-8:30pm. w/meal provided each night. All ages are welcome. We have a lot of fun diving deep into God's word. The Youth went to Ky. to visit the Ark & Creation Museum w/26 participants.

**Bannertown** Baptized four new believers. Children's choir sang on Palm Sunday and Worship Choir sang on Easter Sunday. Served two Drive-thru Community Meals. Hosted nationally known guest speaker Rick Gage from GO TELL Ministries. Youth sponsored Spaghetti Lunch fundraiser for summer camp.

**Blues Grove's** WMU provided a meal for the men @ "Your Father's House". May 19, @ 6pm. Choir will be singing and Pastor Travis will be guest speaker @Hill's Grove Bapt. Mon, May 20, 7pm. "By God's Grace" will be singing and Pastor Travis will be guest speaker at Hill's Grove Bapt. Senior's Dinner will be in Fellowship Hall on Fri, May 24 @ 5pm.

**Calvary** Pastor Alex's sermon series as we headed to Pentecost was titled "Adventures in Ekklesia" as we share what it means to be a called-out church. He is taking suggestions for summer sermons on topics that will help our congregation grow in faith. Our April mission project was collecting diapers and pull-ups, along w/ clothes, for the Legacy Center. The Surry Baptist WMU dinner was held at Calvary on April 25. On May 5, will celebrate our 110th Anniversary. We'll have a joint worship service celebrating our past, present and future, followed by lunch. VBS is from June 2 to June 6.

**Cedar Lane** held annual Easter Egg Hunt w/a hotdog meal in the Fellowship Hall. Brother Ritchie Harris preached Easter Sunrise Service message and everyone enjoyed breakfast afterward. An offering was collected for Annie Armstrong missions. A special Baby Dedication service was held w/Pastor Ed Bowman bringing the message. The youth enjoyed a trip to the NC Zoo.

**Central View** had a large group for the Easter Egg Hunt and a crowd for our Easter Sunrise Service. We went over Our goal for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering w/\$1570.00. VBS, Breaker Rock Beach June 2-5 w/Supper @ 6pm, VBS @ 6:30.

**Community** had wonderful Sunrise service w/breakfast afterwards followed by worship service. The choir did a great job w/new Easter music. VBS workers attended the SBA clinic. Had community meal in April. Pastor Brad's wife Misty was recognized w/gift for her birthday and pastor wife's appreciation. Spring revival is May 5 w/ special singing followed w/Rev. Stephen Dagenhart on May 6-8.

**Cross Roads** finished renovations and additions to the church & fellowship building, adding Awnings to entrance to the building. Participated in Annie Armstrong Easter offering for North American Missions. Continues Facebook Live Sunday morning & Wed. night Bible study.

**Dobson First's** celebrated five new members by letter this month. Pastor Cory is preaching a series of sermons on the book of Daniel. Women's Ministry held PAR-TEA in April. Over 100 women and Youth participated. Our Shoulder2Shoulder's Men's Min. will sponsor a Port-A-Pit chicken take out meal on May 4 from 11 to 2pm. Our newborn babies will be dedicated on May 12, Mother's Day. High school graduates will be honored on May 19. Call the church office for more details.

**Fairview's** Pastor Billy continues sermon series "Family Matters, seeing your household as a gift from God." Romanian American Mission (RAM) missions dinner will be May 2 @ 6:30 w/guest speaker Pastor Sali Sabri. Pastor Sabri is a former Muslim now being used by God to reach Muslims for Christ. VBS is June 17-20. WMU continues to support Surry Medical Ministries w/food bags. WMU also continues to collect items for the Appalachian Backpack ministry. The Prayer Shawl and Prayer Quilt ministries continue w/ ongoing projects. Youth held car wash to support kids going to Camp Caswell in June.

**Fancy Gap** welcomed 2 new church members. Continued nursing home ministry monthly. Finished up the Winter Coats Outreach. Food pantry continues to be a great community outreach. Youth outreach had a Easter egg hunt and kids received candy bags w/VBS info and invitations, had a glorious Easter sunrise Service w/breakfast afterwards and had communion during the morning worship service.

**Fellowship's** WOM held their regular monthly meeting w/thirteen members present. After prayer, and supper, devotions were held. We discussed our on-going projects. Members brought Blessing Bags for the homeless to be distributed by Social Services. Also, donated several personal care items for hospice patients and families. Voted to buy gift cards for the Baptist Children's Homes. Are planning a church-wide gathering of food items for the Saltville VBS. With the help of our church family we exceeded our Annie Armstrong offering goal.

**Flippin Memorial** had a Men's Fellowship Meeting w/breakfast @ the fellowship hall. Had Choir Supper for all members @5pm at the fellowship hall. Went to Mt. Airy Bowling Lanes as a church for fun and fellowship. Collecting for several missions through the year. And we are always praying for our missionaries. God Bless!

**Haymore Memorial** is welcoming the new pastor, Ron Young, for the month of May. There are still issues w/Canada before the family can come permanently. The Baptist Men Retreat is May 10-11 @ Raven Knob. The WMU will be having a Tea Party for the women of the church. Mission projects for WMU include Snacks for the Northern Hosp. Surgical Lobby, snacks for the EMT, Police and Fire Dept., and paper products and cleaning supplies for Life Span.

**Highland Park** received five new members this past month. Held a baptism for three of our new members. Hosted a Ladies High Tea on w/over 100 in attendance. Guest speaker was Jackie Pegram from Concord, NC. Our Joy in the Morning Support Group, led by Bonnie Fulk & Belinda Utt, meets each month on the second Tues. from 12-3pm in our Fellowship Hall. Our Tues. Morning Bible Study for ladies continues to meet each Tues. from 10- 11:30am and 12:15 - 1:45pm. (Both classes cover the same material.) Continues to prepare for our VBS coming up June 2-6, "The Great Jungle Journey." Our ladies are excited about their upcoming Women's Retreat "Enjoy the Journey" on June 22 from 9:30am-2:30pm. Our Graduate Recognition Ceremony is Sunday, May 19th during the 11am worship service. Associate Pastor Jim Richland taught a Bible study on Encountering False Religions. Our WMU ladies enjoyed having eight of our teen girls at their last meeting to help them complete gift baskets in appreciation of our Security Team members. A team of 10 people will be leaving soon for a mission trip to Uganda led by evangelists Brian and Carla Tyndall.

**Hills Grove's** WMU is still meeting every month. God has blessed us so much w/giving to various local organizations recently. Our spring fundraiser is still the spaghetti dinner on May 4 from 4-7pm, take out only. If interested in purchasing tickets please see one of our WMU members before April 28. Thank you all who are helping w/this event. Our Easter services were still amazing and all god's work. Thank you again Connie and Garland Burge for a wonderful Sunrise breakfast and also a special thank you to Garland for the beautiful

cross placed in our graveyard. Randy sheets recently worked on our children's playset outside w/new swings. Our church is continuing to grow w/little families, praise the Lord.

**Holly Springs** recognized Mothers on Mother's Day. Donated to Westfield Elemn. School fundraiser. Started Wed. night Teen class. Collected \$749.00 for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Pastor and wife went on the SBA bus trip to Lancaster. WMU went to the WMU Annual Meeting @ Calvary Baptist Church. Daughters of Promise met for in depth Bible study. Our VBS will be June 18-June 21. Meal @ 6pm each night and classes starting @ 6:30-8pm. Our Theme is "Breaker Rock Beach."

**Ivy Green's** Wed. night Bible Study continues on the book of Joshua. A pizza dinner is served before the Bible study. WMU meets the first Wed. of each month. During the month of March, the shut-ins were given "Soup in a Jar" (chicken) that were put together by the WMU. The church worshipped together at the Easter Sunrise service w/the service beginning in the sanctuary and concluded outside around an empty "Cross" draped in purple. The congregation then enjoyed a bountiful and delicious breakfast that was cooked by members. During the month of April, the WMU collected single serve canned food items for the backpack ministry.

**Jessup Grove's** Baptist Women made a donation to Annie Armstrong, did several sunshine baskets for people who were sick or had surgery, and continue to collect items for the Shepherd's House. Delivered food to Medical Ministries of Mt. Airy, and helped families in need monetarily. The Baptist men helped w/handicap ramp building ministry. The youth and children continue to meet. The Senior's Group continue to meet monthly. Sent a donation for Annie Armstrong.

**Ladonia** added 2 new members praise the Lord! Plans are in progress for a Youth Meeting one Wed. night a month, stay tuned for details. VBS is scheduled for June 17-21 w/graduation cookout on Fri. night, all visitors are welcome! Regular services are Sunday School 9:45am, Preaching 11am, Wed. night 7pm, and 4th Sunday Night service 7pm.

**Mountain View** enjoyed revival w/Tim Burton & Calvin Bryant in March w/special singing on both nights. Celebrated our Risen Savior through sunrise service, breakfast, Easter music & an Easter egg hunt. Contributed \$1100 to Annie Armstrong Easter offering. Our speaker for Baptist Women's Day was Katherine Pusch, who shared her Honduras mission trip experience w/our congregation. Her passion of wanting to help these people was very evident. A meal was provided after the service. Fellowship meetings are held the third Fri. of each month @ 10:30am in the church fellowship hall; all are invited to attend.

**New Hope's** current Bible Study is "Always Be Ready" w/Pastor Trent Lyons. Our monthly meal delivery ministry was April 17. Sponsored multi-church teen night out in April @ Old White Plains School for ages 13 and up w/games, food, music, and Bible time. Had 2nd Annual Spring Carnival on April 27th from 2-4 pm w/games, pastor dunking booth, cake walk, mechanical bull ride, & concessions. Had Fellowship Breakfast & Missions meeting.

**Oak Grove** We have 4 new members and had 5 baptized in April. Had revival in March, w/over 300 people were in attendance and over 150 by Face Book. Had some re-dedications and 2 accepted Christ. Guest speaker, Matty Ponce de Leon brought strong messages on church's responsibility in reaching others. We have engaged w/ truckers at Sheetz and Flying J. Our VBS team is up and running w/great excitement. We have William, Susan and Dade Perkins as our new pastor team. Have an outstanding atmosphere among the congregation and our motto is God is good all the time. Some of the ladies attended a Ladies Conference at Flat Ridge Baptist Church in Cana, VA. Need a piano player and if interested contact William Swift 336-648-0626. Collecting food for Food Pantry.

**Pinnacle View** had 5 attend the SBA VBS workshop. A total of 96 in attendance at our annual Community Easter Egg Hunt. Held Sunrise service breakfast and early worship service on Easter Sunday morning. Continued the Saturday morning women's Bible Study.

**Rock Hill's** Easter Egg Hunt was lots of fun w/the children of all ages. Easter Sunday Sunrise Service was @ 7am w/breakfast and regular Sunday services following. The choir provided special Easter Music for the Sunday Service. Spring Revival was held each Sunday Night in April starting w/Rock Hill Baptist, Shoals Baptist and Siloam Baptist. Special music at each service.

**Salem** celebrated nine baptisms and welcomed one new member by transfer of letter. Our annual Easter Egg Outreach was a huge success, w/4,000 eggs being discovered in a record nine minutes! Happily, we exceeded our Annie Armstrong goal of \$10,000, and the money is still coming in. Our worship attendance continues to rebound, and we are excited about what God is doing in our midst.

**Surry Baptist Association  
Financial Contributions  
March 2024**

	2024 Budget Receipts To Date	Designated & Other Receipts
Albion	\$0.00	\$0.00
Antioch	\$1,717.50	\$0.00
Bannertown	\$2,000.01	\$0.00
Blues Grove	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Calvary	\$375.00	\$125.00
Cedar Lane	\$0.00	\$0.00
Central View	\$467.84	\$0.00
Christian Community	\$0.00	\$0.00
Community	\$825.00	\$1,300.00
Copeland	\$348.45	\$0.00
Cornerstone	\$225.88	\$0.00
Cross Roads	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dobson, First	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dover	\$0.00	\$10.00
Fairview	\$0.00	\$0.00
Faith	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fancy Gap	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Fellowship	\$398.00	\$300.00
Flippin Memorial	\$800.00	\$0.00
Fuente de Vida	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gum Orchard	\$0.00	\$0.00
Haymore Memorial	\$166.66	\$0.00
Highland Park	\$2,625.00	\$300.00
Hills Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Holly Springs	\$350.00	\$0.00
Indian Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ivy Green	\$593.95	\$0.00
Jessup Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ladonia	\$240.00	\$250.00
Little Richmond	\$651.64	\$0.00
Mount Carmel	\$900.00	\$0.00
Mount Zion	\$850.00	\$0.00
Mountain Park	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mountain View	\$690.06	\$0.00
New Bethel	\$100.00	\$0.00
New Hope	\$800.00	\$0.00
New Life	\$85.67	\$0.00
New Venture	\$0.00	\$0.00
Oak Grove	\$0.00	\$0.00
Oak Ridge	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pauls Creek	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pinnacle View	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Pleasant View	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rock Hill	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rockford	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salem	\$812.49	\$0.00
Salem Fork	\$1,350.00	\$0.00
Shoals	\$0.00	\$250.00
Siloam	\$0.00	\$0.00
Simmons Grove	\$4,000.00	\$1,200.00
Slate Mountain	\$498.00	\$0.00
Sparta, First	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Sulphur Springs	\$450.00	\$0.00
Turkey Ford	\$500.00	\$0.00
Union Cross	\$600.00	\$0.00
Victory	\$600.00	\$0.00
Welcome	\$250.00	\$0.00
Westfield	\$2,061.96	\$0.00
Westview	\$0.00	\$0.00
Woodland	\$600.00	\$300.00
Woodville	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other		\$30,722.43
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$33,433.11</b>	<b>\$35,757.43</b>

\*Designated & Other Receipts are additional monies given for specific SBA ministries (such as Surry Christian Counseling Center, Handyman Ministry, etc.) as well as General Funds.

**Church News continued from inside**

**Salem Fork** had four people join the church and one youth made a profession of faith. Pastor Sean preached a series of sermons on being a servant of God from the Book of James. WMU invited church members to contribute to the Pure Water, Pure Love mission project. Mission team that went to Guatemala gave a presentation to the church on their experiences while there. Youth went to the Baptist Children's Home Camp Duncan for a work day and tour of the campus. Had a quarterly business meeting. Brotherhood met.

**Shoals** Collected Annie Armstrong Offering; Joined w/Rock Hill and Siloam Baptist Churches for a 3 night revival; collecting food for the blessing box.

**Siloam** has another new member! A bridal shower was held for two special couples, Rachel Carter, and Levi Haynes and Brennan Day, and Ethan Shumate. Brotherhood held a church workday in March w/breakfast being served by the Carter's. Brotherhood has recently built 2 handicap ramps for needs in the community. Thanks goes to Ritchie and Trent Day for organizing these two Brotherhood projects! The youth had a glow in the dark Easter egg hunt. Sunny seniors continue to enjoy trips together and stretching class each Mon. led by Kenneth and Lisa Snow. Easter sunrise service was held w/breakfast following. Several churches have come together for an April Sunday night community revival, Rock Hill, Shoals Baptist, and Siloam Baptist w/special singing each night. Held a roadside pickup in April to help beautify our community. Congratulations to Bob and Joy Hemmings on the birth of twin grandsons, Fletcher Ellis and Knox Davis.

**Simmons Grove's** Pastor Jacob led the church on Wed. night in "Conversation Training" sessions The Best News. Reached the goal for Annie Armstrong Mission offering. Baptist Women of the church met in April for Bible Study and to discuss spring mission projects. Met in spring conference in April. Had Brotherhood breakfast meeting. April contribution to Pilot Outreach Ministry Food Pantry is Boxed cereal. Continues to pray for all our fellow churches in the SBA.

**Sparta First** celebrated the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ w/special programs: Palm Sunday, Good Friday w/the Cross Walk through the town of Sparta, Good Friday evening service, and our Easter morning service. Other activities for the month included, Baptist Men's Day, w/the gentlemen of our church filling the choir and issuing a beautiful performance. Also, Bible studies abound w/something for everyone, the Family Discipleship Conference was held, and members volunteered for a month of service at the Solid Rock Food Closet. So blessed with so many opportunities.

**Turkey Ford** was well represented at the VBS Clinic (7 in attendance) in April, and we are excited about our upcoming VBS scheduled for July 15-July 19, 6pm to 8:30pm, w/a light meal at 6pm. Theme is "Breaker Rock Beach". Classes for all ages. Several Women on Mission attended the WMU Annual Meeting @ Calvary, and our church participated in the Baby Shower for The Legacy Center.

**Union Cross** is making plans for VBS this summer. Sent money to Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Remember birthdays each Sunday. A member is faithful for sending out Birthday Cards, Get Well Cards and Sympathy cards to members.

**Welcome** had Flowering of the cross for Easter Service. Continued praise for New Born Baby ministry w/over 200 mothers receiving gifts. Held special surprise Birthday Party for pianist Mary Ann Thomas w/dinner and gifts. VBS scheduled for June 22.

**Westfield's** Student Ministry Bible Study will be on Sunday nights over an 8wk period. Students will learn that spiritual disciplines are developed over time. They will "taste and see that the Lord is good"(Ps. 34-8) growing in their relationship w/ Christ and pointing others to Him. Had Family Ministry Uno Night. Held Student Ministry Hang Out Day. Our new senior pastor, Blake Bowman officially began his ministry in April w/ installation service during Worship Service w/Fellowship Meal and House Warming Party. We are so blessed to have Blake, his wife Amber, Isaiah Lydia as part of our WBC family. We will have Lancaster Family Appreciation so we can express to Rev. Lancaster, his wife Penny, and his mother, Pat our deep appreciation for their dedication to the Lord and WBC. Prayers and Squares are working on making "Prayer Angels" along w/the quilts. VBS is June 9-12. WMU accepted donations for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering in March and will be accepting offerings for the Baptist Children's Home Food Round-up during in April. Brandon and Tricia Lowe will be hosting an internet and social media safety and information workshop for the Golden Agers. May 4 @9am we will be having a craft and vendor market. Handmade items and other local vendors are welcome. Proceeds will go to help cover cost of summer events for the children and youth. Will recognize all 2024 graduates during worship service May 19.

**Westview** had 3 souls saved and 1 rededication. Pastor James will be preaching at Willis Gap Baptist May 20 @ 7pm. Also Pastor James will be preaching @ revival services May 21-22 @ Hills Grove Baptist @ 7pm all welcome. Had a ground breaking ceremony for our new fellowship hall. VBS is June 3-7 everyone welcome to attend God is Good.

**Woodland** took part in communion. Had a great turnout for Easter Egg Hunt. Had a sunrise service for Easter followed by a great breakfast prepared by the men. Celebrated Rev. Pete King's birthday w/a luncheon. Collected for the Annie Armstrong Easter offering. Had a special singing by The Kinders. Sunday night service was held the last Sunday night of April.

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