

Ashe Baptist Association News



August 2026

OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM Monday—Friday
Location: 204 Beaver Creek School Road West Jefferson, NC
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Laurel Knob
Liberty Grove
Little Helton
Midway
Mission Home
Mount Olive
New River
North Beaver
Oak Hill
Obids
Old Fields
Orion
Phoenix
Pilot Mountain
Pine Swamp
Pleasant Home
Pleasant Valley
Riverview
Round Knob
Trinity
Tuckerdale
Wagoner
Warrensville
Welcome Home

Preacher David's Corner

Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions

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Ashe Baptist Association 140th Annual Meeting: Faithful Through the Storm — United for Mission

The year 2026 marks a special milestone for the Ashe Baptist Association as we gather for our **140th Annual Meeting**. For 140 years, churches across the Blue Ridge Mountains of Ashe County have come together to worship, encourage one another, and serve our Lord Jesus Christ through cooperative ministry. This year's theme, "**Faithful Through the Storm — United for Mission**," reminds us of God's faithfulness through every season of life and ministry. Our theme verse comes from **1 Corinthians 15:58** "*Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.*" "These words speak to who we are as an association of churches. Through storms, challenges, and changes, God has continued to guide His people. Whether facing natural disasters, community needs, or the challenges of reaching people with the Gospel, our churches remain steadfast and united in the mission God has given us. The 2026 Annual Meeting will bring together our **44 churches throughout the Blue Ridge Mountains** for a time of worship, fellowship, and encouragement. The meeting will be held over two days, with **Midway Baptist Church** hosting on Friday, August 21 beginning at 2:00 and **Mission Home Baptist Church** hosting on Saturday beginning at 9:00. The Annual Meeting is always a special time in the life of our association. It is more than a business gathering—it is a family reunion of churches. We come together to hear powerful sermons, lift our voices in singing, spend time in prayer, receive reports from our churches and ministries, and enjoy meals together around the table. These moments remind us that we are stronger when we work together for the Kingdom of God. We will celebrate what God has done through our churches and look forward to what He will do in the days ahead. Every report shared, every song sung, every prayer offered, and every meal enjoyed together is a reminder that our labor for the Lord is never in vain. As we look toward the future, we are seeking **two churches to host the 2027 Ashe Baptist Association Annual Meeting**. Hosting the Annual Meeting is a wonderful opportunity to welcome sister churches, share fellowship, and be a part of the ongoing ministry of our association. How long has it been since the church you attend hosted the Annual Meeting? Could God be leading your church to open its doors and serve in this special way? If the church you attend is interested or would like more information, please contact the **Ashe Baptist Association Office** or the **Preacher Place Committee**. We would be glad to answer questions and help you learn more about what is involved. As we celebrate 140 years of ministry together, may we continue to be "**Faithful Through the Storm — United for Mission**," trusting that God will lead us forward as we remain steadfast, unmovable, and always abounding in His work.



Your Servant, David

Ashe Really Cares

336-846-5234

Greetings in the name of our precious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ !

" Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate." - Psalm 127:3-5

We often hear the old adage, "Children are the future of the church." What a profound, yet obvious statement! How do we get them prepared for the church? We "train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it (Proverb 22:6)." It is neither easy, nor is it for the faint of heart. Raising children in the ways of the Lord is challenging these days, but as Christian parents, we must do this in order for our faith to be revealed in the world, and to continue to be shown to a lost and dying world.

School is rapidly approaching. What tools will we send with our children? Pencils, pens, paper, calculators, lunch money? All these things, but the most important thing we can give them is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This month, as we do every day, we lift our children up to the Lord for protection and for wisdom in God's truths. We lift up our teachers and school employees to be blessed, but especially to know the Lord. Let us continue to pray for our kids, and let us continue to walk in the Lord's paths so our children will see Jesus in our lives.

This month, our needs at Ashe Really Cares are:

- Canned Green Beans
- Ramen Noodles
- Grape Jelly and/or Strawberry Jam
- Mac-n-Cheese
- Small and Medium Sized Men's Shirts and Pants
- Linens (towels, washcloths and bedsheets)
- Deodorant
- Fresh vegetables from your garden

Ashe Really Cares assisted in food care for 499 individuals in June and 625 individuals for clothing. Praise the Lord!

Remember, God is good..... All the time!!!

Billy Norris
Director, ARC
Faith Health Connector



BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY WISHES

August 2

B- Rev. John Elledge

August 3

B- Rev. Lonnie Carpenter

August 3

B- Mrs. Joyce Jones

August 8

B- Rev. Jonathan Stansberry

August 9

B- Rev. Lonnie Jones

August 11

A-Rev. & Mrs. Danny J. Farmer

August 16

A- Rev. & Mrs. Johnny Goodman

August 18

A- Rev. & Mrs. Jonathan Stansberry

August 20

B- Mrs. Shelia Miller

August 22

B- Mr. Donnie Houck

August 22

A- Rev. & Mrs. Dale Ring

August 27

A- Rev. & Mrs. Roger Blevins

August 28

B- Mr. Dan Bare

August 29

B- Rev. Roger Blevins

August 29

B- Rev. Billy Joe Blevins

GOOD SOIL MINISTRY would like to remind everyone that we accept your used literature and other materials monthly at Ashe Really Cares. This literature goes out all over the world to assist in aiding those you are spiritually orphaned. We do appreciate your support with this mission.

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We want to **CELEBRATE** with you and share the **GOOD NEWS** when exciting things are happening at the church you attend! Please send articles, pictures or flyers to our e-mail address at:

ashebaptist@gmail.com, and we will announce on our WSKS weekly radio show, post on the events page of our website, ashebaptist.org, and on our Facebook Page, in addition to printing in this monthly newsletter publication that is posted in color on the website and mailed to 580+ folks in Ashe Co., all across NC, and neighboring states! **As you set dates for church events, Special Singings, Revivals, or Speakers, let us know! You must submit articles for the Newsletter NO LATER THAN the 20th of each month in order for them to appear in the next month's publication.**

**COME AND PRAY WITH THE
HOPE FOR THE MOUNTAINS
PRAYER TEAM
EACH TUESDAY 8:00 AM
MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH
EVERYONE IS WELCOME !**

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Rev. David Blackburn, AMS presents Rev. Steve LeaShomb, Pastor at Midway with a Award of Excellence leading Ashe Baptist Association with their offering to the NC Baptist Mission Offering.

Thank you Pastor LeaShomb & Midway Baptist.



THIS YEAR'S RAMPIN' UP

We currently need **YOU** to help us meet the need for 250+ wheel chair ramps across the state! We aligning this year's *Rampin' Up* with the *Serve NC* initiative, and we would love to partner with your church.

PARTNER WITH US:

877-506-2226



Ashe Baptist Associational Executive Committee Meeting was held on Thursday, July 9th at Laurel Knob Baptist Church in Todd. There were 12 churches represented and 24 representatives in attendance. Our next meeting will be October 8th at North Beaver Baptist.



Ashe Missionary Baptist Association					
Treasurer's Report April - June 2026 (4th Qtr.)					
Church Name	4th Qtr.	Year-To-Date		Amount	Year-To-Date
APPALACHIAN CHURCH	\$0.00	\$750.00	Churches	\$13,833.33	70,782.12
BALD MOUNTAIN	\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00	Other Income	2,370.33	47,324.49
BEAVER CREEK	\$300.00	\$1,800.00	Reimbursements	23,499.87	113,540.60
BIG FLATTS		\$0.00			
BIG LAUREL		\$200.00	TOTAL INCOME	\$39,041.06	\$231,647.21
BLUE RIDGE		\$600.00			
BRISTOL	\$600.00	\$2,400.00	Beginning Balance	37,249.05	
BUFFALO	\$300.00	\$1,650.00	Income	76,290.11	
CALVARY	\$200.00	\$400.00	Expenses	55,851.46	
CHRISTIAN UNITY		\$600.00	Ending Balance 06.30.2026	\$20,438.65	
FARMER MEMORIAL		\$0.00			
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	\$526.46	\$1,993.89			
FRIENDLY GROVE		\$1,150.00			
FRIENDSHIP	\$1,100.00	\$6,050.00			
GOD'S WILL		\$600.00			
GRASSY CREEK	\$676.20	\$1,984.80			
HAPPY TRAILS		\$1,607.41			
HEALING SPRINGS	\$245.64	\$1,340.10			
LAUREL KNOB	\$438.44	\$1,872.42			
LIBERTY GROVE		\$5,000.00			
LITTLE HELTON	\$60.00	\$240.00			
MIDWAY		\$2,625.00			
MISSION HOME	\$500.00	\$1,500.00			
MOUNT OLIVE		\$0.00			
NEW RIVER	\$565.54	\$2,411.67			
NORTH BEAVER	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00			
OAK HILL		\$500.00			
OBIDS	\$250.00	\$1,000.00			
OLD FIELDS		\$500.00			
ORION	\$1,500.00	\$4,500.00			
PHOENIX	\$600.00	\$2,400.00			
PILOT MOUNTAIN	\$308.55	\$1,114.75			
PINE SWAMP		\$0.00			
PLEASANT HOME	\$370.00	\$1,697.00			
PLEASANT VALLEY	\$250.00	\$1,000.00	All checks sent to the Associational Office written directly to either Ashe Really Cares or ABA Campground are recorded in separate bank accounts		
RIVERVIEW	\$50.00	\$500.00			
ROUND KNOB	\$393.00	\$1,542.00			
TRINITY		\$853.08			
TUCKERDALE	\$300.00	\$1,200.00	Note: Funds coming in after the first of the month, will show on the next month/quarter.		
WAGONER	\$150.00	\$600.00			
WARRENSVILLE	\$1,200.00	\$4,800.00			
WELCOME HOME	\$450.00	\$1,800.00			
Totals	\$13,833.83	\$70,782.12	Every man according as he purposeth in his heart so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7		



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Thank you Volunteers from Hephzibah Baptist Church in Princeton, NC for coming to help clean up the campground in July!!! The campground looks beautiful!!!



And after a hard day's work a delicious meal prepared by the ladies of Hephzibah Baptist Church for all to enjoy!

Thank you! Thank you!! Thank you!!!

Bald Mountain Baptist Church paid a visit to Ashe Really Cares with their Food Truck to serve lunch to Ashe Really Cares neighbors, friends and community on Tuesday, July 14th!!! Youth from the church came to do some volunteer work at Ashe Really Cares also!!!! Thank you Bald Mountain Baptist, the Youth, Pastor John Elledge and Youth Pastor Joshua Dellinger! We appreciate you!



Pleasant Home Baptist
recently elected Rev. Arvill Scott as their pastor.
We look forward to working with Pastor Arvill Scott and Pleasant Home Baptist.



Orion Baptist -Outstanding VBS –2025!
Rev. David Blackburn, AMS presented Mrs. Stephanie McClure with the Award.



ASHE BAPTIST CAMPGROUND MOWING SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER
AUGUST 8— TBD AUGUST 22– MISSION HOME BAPTIST
SEPTEMBER 5– NEW RIVER BAPTIST SEPTEMBER 19– LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST



Church Announcements

Bald Mountain Baptist -Come join us! Sunday School- 9 am and Worship Service -10 am. Wednesday night services are at 6:30 pm. Pastor, Rev. John Elledge welcomes you to attend.

Big Flatts Baptist— welcomes you each Sunday 10 am for Sunday School & 11 am Worship. Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm Choir practice. Classes for all ages! Pastor Darien South

Farmer's Memorial Baptist— Special Singing August 1st—6 pm-with Mountain Fellowship Gospel Singers. Pastor, Rev. Tim Greer & the congregation invite everyone to attend.

Healings Springs Baptist -announces Decoration on Sunday, August 2 at 10:00. There will be a short service at 10:30 by Rev. Kevin Jones and then at 11:00 Regular Worship Service in the church, Speaker will be AMS David Blackburn. Rev. Kevin Jones and the congregation invite all members, former members and friends to attend.

Little Helton Baptist— will have a Special Singing Service on August 29th— 6pm featuring Bill Greer & Family. Rev. Tyler Dillard & the congregation invite you to attend.

North Beaver Baptist-Sunday School classes for all ages starts at 10:00, with Children's Church and Worship Services starting at 11:00—Bible Study and Prayer Service Wednesday evenings at 6:30, for more information, contact us at 336-698-6396, email at mjtilley@gmail.com or www.northbeaver.org, Facebook & YouTube @northbeaverbaptistchurch
Pastor Matthew Tilley will be preaching a new series, "Jesus: Rescuer:-June 7, — September 27, 2026.
August 2, 2026: Mark 2:1-12 | Bring the pieces to Jesus
August 9, 2026: Mark 2:13-17 | Some don't need rescuing
August 16, 2026: Mark 2:18-22 | Jesus' rescue makes you fully new
August 23, 2026: Mark 2:23-28 | Jesus doesn't need your help
August 30, 2026: Mark 3:1-6 | The priorities of the Rescuer
Pastor Matthew Tilley and congregation invite you to come and worship at North Beaver Baptist Church.

Old Fields Baptist - Homecoming-Sunday— August 2, 10:30 am with Music by the Fairchild Sister's & their dad, Bill. Chris Brooks will be providing music & singing. Pastor Cory Halsey will share the message. Food & Fellowship after the service. Pastor Cory Halsey and congregation welcome everyone.

Orion Baptist—Homecoming, August 2, at 10:30 with Rev. Lawrence Goodman speaking. A fellowship meal will follow the service. All members, former members and friends are invited to attend.

Round Knob Baptist— will have Homecoming Service on Sunday, August 23 at 10:30 am. Special Music by Phil Barker. REVIVAL Services at Round Knob on August 28-30th 7pm each evening. Special Singing nightly— Revival Speaker will be Rev. Allen Huffman. Pastor Lonnie Carpenter & congregation invite everyone to attend.

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When you pray, please remember Orion Baptist Church, Pine Swamp, Trinity Baptist Church, Mt Olive Baptist Church, Liberty Grove Baptist Church, Riverview Baptist Church, and Wagoner Baptist Church. They are without a pastor.

Announcements from our friends:

Harrison Ridge, a bluegrass gospel group, will perform at the Museum courtroom in Jefferson on Aug. 1 at 7 pm for about 1 hour. Admission is free. Please get the word out to anyone that might enjoy some excellent music. Dr. Lee Beckworth invites everyone to attend.

New River Calvary— Sunday August 9th at Big Flatts Baptist 2373 Big Flatts Ch Rd Fleetwood, NC at 6 pm— Mountain Bluegrass Gospel Sunday Night. Features Area Musicians! Dessert & Fellowship time following the music in the Fellowship Hall.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT FORM

Please fill out the form and return to the associational office after the completion of you VBS.
You may mail, email or call it into the office at 336-846-5631.

Please respond by: Friday, August 14th. Thank you

Send in your VBS pictures to ashebaptist@gmail.com, we will get them in the newsletter and on the Ashe Baptist Website.

VBS 2026 CHURCH REPORT FORM

Congregation Name: _____

SBC ID (Optional): _____

Association Name: _____

Congregation Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

What format did you choose for VBS: Check all that apply.

Traditional ____ Neighborhood/Backyard Kids Club ____ Alternate Schedule ____

Total Enrollment (Volunteers and participants): _____

Decisions to Accept Christ: _____

Decisions for Vocational Ministry: _____

Missions Offering (Rounded to nearest \$) _____

Resources Used (check all that apply)

Lifeway's Illumination Station ____

Lifeway's Backyard Kids Club ____

Previous Lifeway VBS Theme ____

Lifeway's Go & Tell Kids ____

Other Publisher ____

Created by Church ____

Please return this form to:

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PO BOX 850 JEFFERSON, NC 28640

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The Wounds of a Shepherd!

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The Wounds of a Shepherd

Betrayal never leaves anyone the same. Pastors are no exception. Many pastors enter ministry filled with zeal, compassion, and genuine love for people. They love other people's children as though they were their own. They open their homes to strangers, care for them like family, and invest themselves in lives they had never known before.

The call of God is unlike any other calling. It stretches the heart beyond what seems reasonable. It enlarges your capacity to love until your life is no longer your own. You find yourself making sacrifices for people to whom you are not related by blood—acts of kindness and devotion you may never have imagined yourself giving. Ministry reshapes your priorities, your time, and often your entire life.

The burden of ministry is not something that can easily be ignored. In many ways, withdrawing from the call becomes more painful than carrying it. So you embrace the difficult path. You lose yourself in serving others. You surrender at a depth you never thought possible, often discovering a humility that surprises even you.

Behind every public sermon are private battles. Pastors fight for the freedom of people who may never fully understand the spiritual warfare taking place on their behalf. They fast while others feast. They spend countless hours studying, praying, and waiting before God for answers that are meant to bless someone else.

Many pastors have endured tremendous personal cost. Some have experienced devastating losses. Others have narrowly escaped serious accidents. Some have faced intense spiritual attacks that affected not only them, but also their families. In many homes, the demands of ministry have required sacrifices that only those closest to the shepherd truly understand.

Most pastors never entered ministry for recognition or earthly reward. Yet one of the deepest wounds comes when people they poured their lives into choose to walk away over an offense, believing it to be God's direction. In those moments, something within the shepherd can quietly break.

Pastors grieve separation much like a family grieving the loss of a relationship they once believed would last. Such experiences inevitably shape the heart.

Those who meet a pastor after years of repeated disappointments may not encounter the same vibrant, trusting shepherd who first entered ministry. Instead, they may meet someone who has become cautious, guarded, or emotionally reserved. Before embracing new people, they remember those they once loved deeply—people who did not hesitate to leave or betray that trust. To protect themselves from future pain, they begin to hold back.

Pastors are human too.

Before asking, "What about the sheep?" remember that both shepherd and sheep carry a responsibility to guard one another's hearts. Today, however, let us pause to consider the shepherd.

Dear Shepherd,

Guard your heart above all else. Pray that life's wounds never become your identity. Ask God for the grace to forgive those who hurt you, even after you have loved them well. Pray that no root of bitterness is allowed to grow from the disappointments of yesterday. Ask the Lord to help you shepherd His people without viewing them through the lens of past pain.

Pray that when faithful, sincere people enter your life, they will not pay for the mistakes of those who came before them. Ask God to restore your capacity to trust, to love freely again, and to receive the people He sends.

There are still good people. There are still faithful sons and daughters whom God will entrust to your care. There are still relationships through which God brings healing. May you recognize them when they come.

Above all, remain close to Jesus. He alone is the unchanging Shepherd of our souls. As your eyes remain fixed on Him, your perspective will be transformed. Nothing can separate you from the love of Christ.

Today, take a moment to pray for the Vineyard workers !

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association



**"FAITHFUL THROUGH THE STORM-
UNITED FOR THE MISSION"**

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Always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know
that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 15:58**



One Hundred Fortieth Annual Session

**Friday, August 21, 2026
Hosted by:
Midway Baptist Church**

**Saturday, August 22, 2026
Hosted by:
Mission Home Baptist Church**

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ONE HUNDRED FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 21st, 2026

2:00 Call to Order Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers
Bald Mountain Baptist Church

Congregational Hymn ?????????? Mr. Butch Miller
Associational Music Director
Rev. Alan Ambrose
Worship / Associate Pastor, Bald Mountain Baptist Church

Welcome / Devotion / Prayer Rev. Steve LeaShomb
Pastor, Midway Baptist Church

2:15 Organization (See "Rules of Order" Page ??)
Seating of Messengers Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers
Adoption of Order of Business
Recognition of Visitors
Recognition of New Pastors
Committee Appointments

2:25 Roll Call of Churches Associational Clerk, Mrs. Debbie Miller

History of Midway Baptist Church ??????
Midway Baptist Church

Congregational Hymn ???????? Mr. Butch Miller
Rev. Alan Ambrose

2:30 Message Rev. Jeff Rizoti
Pastor, Friendly Grove Baptist Church

Alternate Rev. Nate Wood
Pastor, Phoenix Baptist Church

Baptist Church

3:00 Congregational Hymn ?????????????????????? Mr. Butch Miller
Rev. Alan Ambrose

3:05 Miscellaneous Business Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers
Election of Administrative Committees
Treasurer's Report Mrs. Debbie Miller
Budget Report Rev. Tom Graybeal
Chairman, Ashe Baptist Association Finance Committee
Special Presentation to Mr. Jerry Powers AMS David Blackburn

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ONE HUNDRED FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 21st, 2026

Institutions Agencies Missions

(See "Rules of Order" page ??)

Special Report (15 minutes)

Persecuted Christians

Rev. Getaneh Getaneh
from Ethiopia

Reports

(10 Minutes Each)

3:20 Baptist on Mission, Baptist State Convention of NC Rev. Paul Langston
3:30 Great Commission Catalysts Region 7, BSC of NC Mr. Calab Waller
3:40 North Carolina Baptist Children's Home Rev. Jody Yopp
3:50 Congregational Hymn ????? Mr. Butch Miller
Rev. Alan Ambrose
4:00 NCBAM Western Regional Director Rev. Jimmy Lancaster
4:10 Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center and FaithHealth NC Rev. Dr. Brian Davis
4:20 Baptist Retirement Homes of NC (Thrivemore) Mrs. Stephanie Shaffer
4:30 Provision Financial Resources of NC Baptists. Mr. Chris Jones
5:00 BluePrint and BSC of NC Info Rev. Westley Smith

5:20 Congregational Hymn ?????

Mr. Butch Miller
Rev. Alan Ambrose
???????

5:30 Special Music

Midway Baptist Church

5:40 Annual Message / Associational Sermon

Rev. Paul Strickland
Pastor, Fletcher Memorial Baptist

Alternate

Rev. Gene Shumaker
Pastor, Buffalo Baptist Church

6:10 Benediction & blessing on food

Rev. Steve LeaShomb
Pastor, Midway Baptist Church

Supper will be served by Midway Baptist Church

Special thanks to Midway Baptist Church
for hosting and to the ladies and men for a delicious meal!
Thanks to everyone who attended today's meeting!

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ONE HUNDRED FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
Saturday Morning, August 22nd, 2026

9:00 Call to order Moderator, Rev. Allen Huffman
Pastor, Pleasant Valley Baptist Church

Congregational ????? Mr. Butch Miller
Associational Music Director
Rev. Alan Ambrose
Worship / Associate Pastor, Bald Mountain Baptist Church

9:05 Welcome / Devotion / Prayer Rev. Luke Watson
Pastor, Mission Home Baptist Church

9:15 Roll Call of the Churches Mrs. Debbie Miller
Associational Clerk
(See "Rules of Order" Page ??)

9:20 History of Mission Home Baptist Church ??????
Member, Mission Home Baptist Church

9:25 Mission Reports (5 Minutes Each)
Associational Missions Strategist AMS, David Blackburn
Ashe Really Cares and FaithHealth NC Rev. Dr. Billy Norris
Baptist Men Mr. David White
Missions Rev. Homer Murdoch

10:00 Special Music Mission Home Baptist Church

10:10 Message Rev. Arvil Scott
Pleasant Home Baptist Church

Alternate Rev. Dr. Russel Hart
Pastor, Laurel Knob Baptist Church

10:40 Reports (5 minutes each) (Local & Associational)
N. C. Baptist Women Mrs. Elaine Cox
Disciple Making Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Church Music Mr. Butch Miller
Historian Mrs. Debbie Miller
Baptist Campground Mr. Jim Walters
Vacation Bible School Rev. Steve LeaShomb

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ONE HUNDRED FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION
MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
Saturday Morning, August 22nd, 2026

11:20 Congregational Hymn ?????????? Mr. Butch Miller
Rev. Alan Ambrose
(See "Rules of Order" Page??)

11:25 Reports (5 Minutes Each) (Local & Associational)
GuideStone ABA Rev. Johnny Goodman
Gideon's International Mr. Allen Miller
Ashe Pregnancy Care Center Mrs. Zella Gaeta
Detention Center Chaplain Program Rev. Michael Carter

11:45 Congregational Hymn & Offering ?????????? Mr. Butch Miller
Rev. Alan Ambrose

11:50 Business Session Moderator Allen Huffman
Old Business
Adoption of Associational Budget
Other
New Business
Other
Report of Time / Place Preacher Committee Rev. Allen Huffman
Friday, August 20, 2027 Host: ?????? Baptist Church
Saturday, August 21, 2027 Host: ?????? Baptist Church

11:55 Memorial Service Rev. Wayne Jones
Pastor, New River Baptist Church

12:00 Benediction & blessing on food Rev. Luke Watson
Pastor, Mission Home Baptist Church

Lunch will be served by Mission Home Baptist Church

Special thanks to the ladies and men of Mission Home Baptist Church for the delicious meal.
Also thank you to Mission Home Baptist Church for hosting.
Thanks to everyone who attended today's meeting!

NORTH BEAVER BAPTIST—VBS —2026





MMMA Cookout



Thursday, August 13
10:00am-2:00pm
Ashe Medical Associates
151 Medical Park Dr., Jefferson
Donation only

Menu: burgers, hot dogs, slaw, chili, baked beans, chips,
dessert, drink

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All proceeds go toward ministry projects, local and abroad.

Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe (MMMA) — Who are we?

Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe (MMMA) is a 501c3 organization that has been active in making an impact since 1997. It started from a vision shared by medical professionals at Ashe Medical Associates and others in Ashe County, North Carolina.

Our mission, heart, and focus is to seek opportunities to make a difference in the lives of people locally and abroad. We accomplish this with medical and ministry missions efforts that will improve their health, their daily life and their spiritual walk with God.

Impact on local and foreign missions efforts have been realized via missions trips, funding of projects, medical assistance and ministry to those in need. MMMA has partnered with individuals, churches and businesses to make a difference in the lives of those who need it most.



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Discipleship Tip of the Month

Guided by God

“Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will shew you things to come.” John 16:13

Some of our decisions are so important that they could affect our entire future. We are faced with financial issues, health concerns, relation struggles, and all kinds of challenging situations. It could be we have researched a subject, but we are still confused requiring what to do. In times like these we need someone who can give us true and wise counsel and the only One who never guides us the wrong way is God.

August 21 ABA Annual Meeting
Midway Baptist at 2 pm
22 ABA Annual Meeting
Mission Home at 9 am

September 7 Labor Day
ABA & ARC Offices Closed
22 Fall Begins

October 6 ARC Committee Meeting
@ ABA Conference Room 7 pm
8 ABA Ex.Committee Meeting
@ North Beaver Baptist 7 pm
31 ABA Campground Closes
(Open to Volunteers Only)

2026 AUGUST

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