

Ashe Baptist Association News



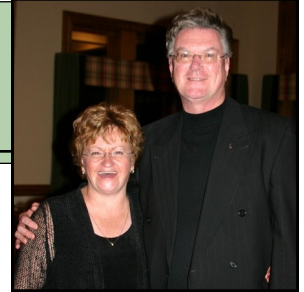
March
2019

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Appalachian
Bald Mountain
Beaver Creek
Big Flatts
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Christian Unity
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Farmers Memorial
Fletcher Memorial
Friendly Grove
Friendship
God's Will Missionary
Grassy Creek
Happy Trails Cowboy
Healing Springs
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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"NO PLACE LEFT"

This is a movement of movements. I too believe that there is "NO PLACE LEFT" that the gospel of Jesus Christ should not be shared. Even in Ashe County and beyond! I have a responsibility to share Jesus because of what Christ has done in my life and because I live in Ashe County. A new generation of people need to know Christ and his forgiveness. We need to tell our personal story and disciple another person so they can disciple another person, so they can disciple another person. It's a God-sized task but is commanded by Jesus in Matthew 28:18-20. Churches can multiply but more importantly souls can be won to Christ and then they have the opportunity to learn, grow and disciple. For some of us, the Holy Spirit has spoken and convicted us in regard to the lostness in Ashe County and beyond. Of the 27,281 folks in Ashe County, surveys show that 60% are not in church on Sunday. I believe to impact lostness we must lead churches to become Disciple-Making Churches and develop a Disciple-Making Strategy that will work in the area that you live in. It is that area that God has called us "ALL" to become a disciple maker. A church should be known as a disciple-making entity! (Disciple-Making Culture). Therefore we must go forward with an emphasis on impacting lostness through Disciple-Making! From our seats to the streets we must build an Army to impact lostness. Boots on the ground is necessary for all of us. Paul too taught us in 2 Timothy 2:2 "things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." A disciple is one who follows Jesus, whose life is being transformed by Jesus, and who embraces the mission of Jesus. The scriptural basis for this is Matthew 4:19, "And He said to them, follow Me and I will make you fishers of Men." New believers and other members of the church require much more than a public welcome and a handshake when they join the church. From the very first day, they need a Christ-centered friendship with someone who is prepared to walk by their side and help them feel genuinely welcome and answer their questions and to lead them to small group Bible Study. Studies have shown that new church members who do not establish meaningful relationships within six months, are likely to quietly exit through the back door. Personal training combined with traditional small group teaching, is vital. When we read in Matthew 28:19 "Go....make disciples" that is what it means. Are we doing that? If the answer is no, why are we not doing what Jesus commanded us to do? Fear? Lack of training? Because we have not been discipled? The Hope for the Mountains Disciple-Making Team is ready to help you to be a disciple-maker! For three years we have been preparing to share with you what can be done to help yourself and or the church you attend to have a plan of action forward disciple-making. Sixty-two folks representing twenty churches are coming together for a Dinner at Timber Rivers Event Center on March 2nd at 5:00. At this meal we will be sharing exciting new opportunities for you concerning disciple-making; including steps for the reproducible process of disciple-making: equipping disciples who make disciples! We have room for more folks if you would like to attend. Just call the Ashe Baptist Office and let us know. I believe this event will help Ashe County to do what Jesus said "Feed my Lambs". He also said "Do you love me?". Peter said yes; will you say yes? I look forward to the results of churches who implement a disciple-making process in this coming year. Thank you Linda Blackburn, Myra Phillips, Christina Wagoner, Trina LaFrance, Rev. Steve Allen, Glenn Miller, Rev. John Elledge, and Rev. Joshua Hernandez for spearheading this time of Go, Share, and Rejoice. Who is your one to disciple?

Your Servant, David



Ashe Really Cares

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A Glimpse Of The Light

Have you asked yourself what is that bright round thing in the sky that has only come out briefly just so that we can get a glimpse of it? The light that radiates from it cheers our heart and warms our bodies! We look forward to seeing it more and feeling the joy in our heart as the warmth covers us. What about the light of Jesus Christ. Do we look for that light and do we want to share that light with those around us? As brightly as the sun is it is no comparison to the Son that we have in our heart. Share that Son with someone who is hurting!

Last month we served 189 families with food and clothing which touched 505 individuals. We had 7 new families to come in seeking help. With those who shopped our clothing pantry and those that received food and clothing we touched about 800 individuals. With your support we shared that light of Christ with those that are hurting. Thank you for touching lives and helping families to have food and clothing. Through church donations and individual donations we have been able to help some families with heating assistance. We also have been able to help families that are struggling to keep their electricity on during the cold months.

Thanks to all of the churches that participated in our annual Souper Bowl collection of soup and other items. So far we have collected 3,097 items along with \$1,119.50!!! As of today some churches have not been able to get their items to the ARC due to bad weather. We will give a final total on David's radio announcements when everything has come in. We appreciate all that you do to keep your mission going and able to meet the needs of our community.

If I can be of assistance to you or your church please call the office or come by. We would love to help someone see that light from the Son and feel God's love. Thanks again for the support and for the prayers that mean so much.

Ashe Really Cares
Pat Miller, Director



- 3 Mrs. Jennifer Hart**
- 6 Mr. David Miller**
- 9 Rev. Russell Hart**
- 17 Rev. Rick Miller**
- 24 Rev. Larry Shepherd**
- 28 Mrs. Jean Burkett**
- 30 Dr. Jim Rash**



Christian Unity Baptist Church

Jefferson, NC

March 31-April 1 with Dr. Dennis Love

Special Music Nightly

Sunday, 11:00 AM, then Sunday – Wednesday
nights at 7:00 PM

*Pastor, Rev. Michael Carter and
congregation invite you to attend*

Restoration



Marriage Conference

Presenters: Neil & Sue Hatfield

March 15th -16th

Friday, March 15th 6:30 - 9:00pm

Saturday, March 16th 1:00 - 5:30pm

Catered meals will be provided on both days!

No charge for anything!



Location: Timber Rivers
1703 North Fork New River Road
Lansing

You must register online by **March 10th** to give us a accurate count on meals-

<https://www.restorationchurchashecounty.org/>

Sponsored by Restoration Church



SHELBY MISSION CAMP

WE WANT & NEED YOU IN 2019

We hope you will include the Shelby Mission Camp in your mission plans this spring or summer. We have a tremendous number of help requests to respond to as God leads and provides us with volunteers; youth groups or mission teams. Construction is our biggest need, but there are opportunities for VBS, sports camps, a wide variety of senior adult ministries, children's ministries, food and others. Currently most weeks still have plenty of space, but some are starting to fill, so book your time early. You can come for one day, a week or as long as you want. To make a reservation or with questions contact David 919-422-9990 dbrown@ncbaptist.org or Janet 919-337-2342 jbrown@ncbaptist.org.

Weeks must be booked online with BaptistonMission.org.

April 13 Construction Skills Training

May 3 & 4 Family Missions Weekend

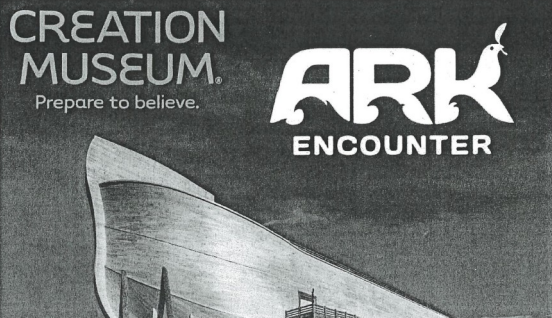
June 13-16 Deep Impact Mini Week

July 8-13 Deep Impact Full Week

GOOD SOIL MINISTRY

Just a friendly reminder that it is time to collect your used Sunday School literature from the winter quarter. These may be dropped off at any of the usual locations Good Soil is growing by leaps and bounds! Thank you all so much for being good stewards of what God has so richly blessed us with.

J.C. Trivette, coordinator



DATE: TBA JOURNEY TO THE ARK & CREATION MUSEUM

DETAILS
Join Buffalo Baptist Church for a 3 day/2 night trip to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum in Williamston, Kentucky. The Ark Encounter features a full-size Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given in the Bible. Spanning 510 feet long, 85 feet wide, and 51 feet high, this modern engineering marvel amazes visitors young and old. At the 75,000-square-foot Creation Museum, the pages of the Bible dramatically come to life. Journey through biblical history as you marvel at the Garden of Eden alongside Adam and Eve, and discover more about Noah's Ark and the Flood.

TICKET PRICES

	ARK TICKETS	ARK + MUSEUM COMBO
Adult (ages 18-59)	\$48	\$70
Senior (ages 60+)	\$38	\$60
Youth (ages 13-17)	\$25	\$40
Child (ages 5-12)	\$15	\$25
Child (ages 4 and under)	FREE	FREE

Travel:
Charter Bus

Accommodations:
Holiday Inn Express & Suites: Richwood - Cincinnati South.
Located 23 miles from Ark and 22 miles from Creation Museum

Avg. Rate
\$140.76/night*

*Rate dependent on number of attendees

Sign-up sheets are located in the back of the church

Need a tentative list of attendees by March 3rd

For more info contact:
Tyler or Micala Rash
336-620-1291
OR
828-434-0552

www.arkencounter.com

SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 9, 2019

AMAZING ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS
JOHN 20:31

2019 VBS Clinic
Friendship Baptist Church
6:00 PM

SAT, APRIL 6TH

8:00 AM

Association -Wide Campground cleaning of brush with chipper and moving of gravel into the prayer garden. We need men, young people and any ladies that would like to come help. Bring Wheel Barrows, Rakes, Shovels, Hedge trimmers, and Pruning Shears!

If you can carry a stick, WE NEED YOU!



2019 Food/Supply Needs List

MOST NEEDED: (in bold)

- **Canned Fruits**
- **Paper Products (paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, napkins)**
- **Household cleaning products (i.e. bleach, Comet, Lysol spray and wipes, Clorox spray and wipes, Windex, Pine-Sol, Pledge, Tilex, etc.)**
- **Fruit Juice (Apple, Orange, Grape, Cranberry)**
- **Laundry Detergent**
- Bottled Water
- Dry Cereal
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Pasta (Spaghetti, Lasagna, Macaroni)
- Canned Tomatoes (diced, sauce, paste)
- Pancake Mix and Syrup
- Soups (All types & condensed)
- Sugar (Granulated & Brown)
- Flour
- Stevia and Splenda
- Popcorn, Kettle Corn
- Apple Sauce
- Fruit Pie Filling (Cherry, Peach)
- Beverage Mixes (Tea, Tang, Kool-Aid, Lemonade, Cider Mix - All Sugar Free)
- Vegetable Oil, Shortening, Olive Oil, Pam Cooking Spray, Bakers Choice
- Canned Sweet Potatoes, Canned Yams, Canned pumpkin
- Canned Meats (pink salmon, tuna, roast beef, chicken - packed in water)
- Stuffing Mix
- Gravy Mixes
- Hamburger, Chicken, Tuna Helper (all types)
- Pickles (Sweet & Dill)
- Refried Beans
- Hot Chocolate Mix
- Snack Foods with & without sugar (Fruit Rollups, Fruit Cups, Beef Jerky, Slim Jims, Pepperoni Sticks, Cheese Nips, Pretzels, etc.)
- Health Snacks (Dried Fruit, Nuts, Raisins, Cranraisins, Trail Mix)
- Individual Cookie Packs
- Jello
- PopTarts
- Rice
- Instant Potatoes (scalloped, au gratin, mashed, julienne)
- Muffin Mixes
- Bisquick Mix
- Kidney Beans
- Baked Beans
- Pickle Relish
- Cranberry Sauce
- Mac & Cheese
- Corn Meal
- Jiffy Mixes, Corn Muffin Mix
- Potatoes
- Hush Puppy Mix
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly, Jams, Preserves (Strawberry is their favorite)
- Pizza & Pizza Dough Mix
- Saltine Crackers, Ritz Crackers, Graham Crackers, Nabs
- Sauces (A-1, Steak, BBQ, Texas Pete, Cheese, Worcestershire, Soy, Teriyaki Sauce, Sweet and Sour)

- Spices and Seasonings (including Salt & Pepper)
- Dishwashing detergents
- Laundry pre-treating products (i.e. Shout, Spray and Wash)
- HE Laundry Detergent
- Brooms, Mops, Scrub Brushes, Dust Pans
- Foil and Plastic Wrap
- SOS Pads
- Fabric Softener (Dryer Sheets)
- Sanitary Pads & Tampons
- Hand Lotion
- Shampoo
- Body Wash
- Soap
- Hand Sanitizer

OTHER NEEDED ITEMS:

- Brownie, Cookie, Cake Mixes & Icing
- Canned Vegetables
- Individual Chef Boyardee cups
- Cliff nutritional bars
- Hot Dog Chili
- Coffee (Regular & Decaf)
- Coffee Creamer
- Sweetened Condensed Milk
- Evaporated Milk
- Dehydrated Food (powdered milk & eggs, dehydrated meals)
- Flavorings (Vanilla, etc.)
- French Fried Onions
- Honey
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Oatmeal
- Parmesan Cheese
- Puddings, Pudding Cups
- Salsa
- Vinegar
- Paper Products (Cups, Plates, Bowls, Plastic Ware, Dixie Cups)
- Copy/Printer Paper
- Trash Bags (large & small)
- Zip-Loc bags (Sandwich, Snack, Quart & Gallon Sizes)
- Band Aids
- Rubbing Alcohol/Peroxide
- Anti-bacterial ointment
- Razors
- Shaving Cream/Shaving Gel
- Dental Floss
- Hair brushes
- Deodorant
- Conditioner
- Tooth Paste
- Tooth Brushes
- Diapers (all sizes)
- Baby Wipes
- Bug Repellent
- Wasp/Hornet Spray
- Sunblock 30+
- Batteries (AA, AAA and D)
- Disposable Gloves (Non-Latex ONLY)
- Heavy Duty Soap (Fast Orange)

Gift Cards are appreciated for buying perishables and items not received. (i.e. Wal-Mart, Sams Clubs, Food Lion, Lowes, Ingles, Piggly Wiggly).

We can use all size cans. Some locations prefer #10 cans (family size).

Check for expired dates on food.

Please help our volunteer truck drivers by packing your church's donations in small, sturdy boxes.

Questions?
Contact Alan Williams at 1-800-476-3669 ext. 1277 or awilliams@bchfamily.org
www.bchfoodroundup.org



FILL HER
PLATE
FILL HER
HEART

OUR GOAL: To roundup \$400,000 in food, supplies & gift cards.

WHY? To provide approximately 700,000 meals & snacks for Baptist Children's Homes' boys & girls, many who have known hunger.

Through the Food Roundup, you fill his or her heart when you fill the plate of a child who has gone without eating regularly before coming to Baptist Children's Homes (BCH). **You are the hands and feet of Jesus** helping provide enough food to feed children and families for **an entire year** at BCH's caring, cottage homes and ministries across 21 NC communities.



100%
of your gifts to the
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering®
supports North American missionaries.

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**SENDING
HOPE**

**WEEK OF PRAYER
FOR
NORTH AMERICAN
MISSIONS**

March 3-10, 2019

**The North American
Mission Board serves a
diverse and complex
region: US, Canada, and
US territories of Puerto
Rico, Virgin Islands,
Guam and American
Samoa.**

363 Million People

350 Languages

14+ Religions

273+ Million LOST

KNOWN BY
LOVE

2019 MISSIONS CONFERENCE

Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.
APRIL 5-6, 2019

SPEAKERS



BOB GOFF



JENNIFER ROTHSCHILD



D.A. HORTON



BRYAN LORITTS



KAREN KINGSBURY



TOM RICHTER

IF YOU HAVE LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER, THEN EVERYONE WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES.

JOHN 13:25 (GNT)

WORSHIP



LAURA STORY

Grammy and Dove award winning artist. Worship leader LAURA STORY at Perimeter Church in Atlanta.

Conference includes worship, general sessions, breakout sessions, missions fair exhibits, missions testimonies, volunteer supper and more! • **Registration Deadline: March 29, 2019**

REGISTER: ☎ 800-395-5102, ext. 5596 🖥 baptistsonmission.org

New-and-Improved
WEBSITE

YOUR Ashe Baptist Association website has a new look. We invite you to log on and let us know if there are ways we can better serve you.

www.ashebaptist.org



A W A K E N

A NORTH CAROLINA PRAYER GATHERING

PLEASANT GARDEN BAPTIST CHURCH
1415 NEELLEY RD // PLEASANT GARDEN, N.C.
MARCH 8-9, 2019

The Awaken Prayer Gathering provides an environment for God to speak to His people through seasons of worship, focused prayer, dialogue and the preaching of God's Word.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

3:00 - 9 P.M.

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. | Pastor and Ministry Leader Dialogue Session and Dinner

6:30 - 9:00 p.m. | Awaken General Session

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

8:45 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

8:45 - 10:30 a.m. | Awaken General Session

10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. | Awaken Concert of Prayer Gathering

SPEAKERS

PRAYER TESTIMONIES



RICHARD OWEN ROBERTS
International Awakening Ministries, Wheaton, Ill.



J. CHRIS SCHOFIELD
Director, Office of Prayer, BSCNC Cary, N.C.



STEPHEN BUYS
Lake Hills Church, Candler, N.C.



DAVID COX
Beaver Island Baptist Church, Mayodan, N.C.



JIMMY HAMMONDS
Bethel Hill Baptist Church, Lumberton, N.C.

REGISTRATION

Register at the door. A love offering will be received. For more information, please visit www.praync.org or contact Fatima Roma at froma@ncbaptist.org or 1-800-395-5102 ext. 5513.



PLEASE **PRAY** FOR:

God's Will Baptist Church

Pleasant Valley Baptist Church

Laurel Knob Baptist Church

Phoenix Baptist Church

Bristol Baptist Church

Grassy Creek Baptist Church

AS THEY CONTINUE TO SEARCH FOR THE MAN GOD HAS TO SHEPHERD THEM.

FaithHealthNC

I wanted to take a minute of your time to share with you about “Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe”.

I recently had the opportunity to share about news in FaithHealth and what we are currently seeing as needs in our community concerning health. We had a wonderful time of sharing and I would like to thank Carol Scott for invitation to speak and Barb Rash for hosting the meeting at her home. This group does wonderful work in our community and internationally. Below is information on how you may send donations as well as be involved in their mission.

What We’re Doing

MMMA is continually working to make an impact locally, regionally and internationally. They have a heart for missions and give of themselves and their resources to the various missions efforts.

MMMA has been sponsoring Biblical training for men in Nicaragua so they can become leaders and pastors in their villages. Many of these villages do not have a church or a pastor. Our missionary in Nicaragua has been faithfully training them to fill this void.



MMMA

c/o Ashe Medical Associates
PO Box 765

Jefferson, North Carolina 28640

Our current needs in Faith Health of Ashe are: 1) an individual who could finish updating a resource manual for us, 2) donations for gas and travel expense for patients and 3) volunteers.

Please contact me, Diane Dixon at Ashe Baptist Associational Office 336-846-5631.

Mr. Wayne Hicks of Welcome Home Baptist Church has developed this Bible Study Tool and is willing to share how to use this method of Bible Study in your Christian Walk. He is available if you have questions or want him to speak at the church you attend: 336-981-8139

UNDERSTANDING GOD’S WORD

***ASK THESE (4) QUESTIONS AS YOU READ EACH TEXT, AND YOU WILL RECEIVE INFORMATION, INSPIRATION, AND TRANSFORMATION IN YOUR LIFE!**

- INFORMATION:** 1. What does this passage talk about- people, places, things, and actions?
- INSPIRATION:** 2. What does this passage tell me about our fellow man? (non-believers and Believers)
3. What does this passage tell me about GOD? (The FATHER, The SON, and the HOLY SPIRIT)
- TRANSFORMATION:** 4. What must I do; What must I change; and What must I implement in my life? (my actions, attitudes, language, lifestyle, habits, friendships and use of time) to bring my life into harmony with the message of this passage and follow the Will of GOD that HE has planned for my life!

Celebrate Recovery's



8 Recovery Principles

Based on the Beatitudes

Matthew 5:3-10

Realize I'm not God; I admit that I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and that my life is unmanageable. (Step 1)

Happy are those who know that they are spiritually poor.

Earnestly believe that God exists, that I matter to Him and that He has the power to help me recover. (Step 2)

Happy are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Consciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and control. (Step 3)

Happy are the meek.

Openly examine and confess my faults to myself, to God, and to someone I trust. (Steps 4 and 5)

Happy are the pure in heart.

Voluntarily submit to any and all changes God wants to make in my life and humbly ask Him to remove my character defects. (Steps 6 and 7)

Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires.

Evaluate all my relationships. Offer forgiveness to those who have hurt me and make amends for harm I've done to others when possible, except when to do so would harm them or others. (Steps 8 and 9)

Happy are the merciful. Happy are the peacemakers.

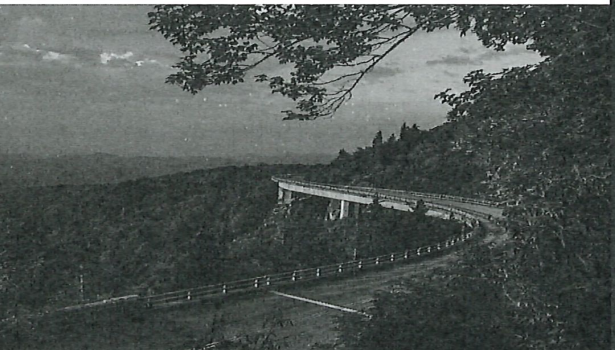
Reserve a time with God for self-examination, Bible reading and prayer in order to know God and His will for my life and to gain the power to follow His will. (Steps 10 and 11)

Yield myself to God to be used to bring this Good News to others, both by my example and my words. (Step 12)

Happy are those who are persecuted because they do what God requires.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

A Christ Centered Ministry



Get On the Road to Recovery!

Meets Every Friday Night

- Dinner: 6:30pm
- Meeting: 7:00pm
- At Christian Unity Baptist Church in Jefferson, NC
Located beside
Jefferson Post Office

****We Offer Childcare On Site****

Children are NOT allowed in Group Meetings.

Look Us Up on Facebook

@cubc2018

GOT A HURT,
HABIT OR
HANG-UP?

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

A CHRIST-CENTERED RECOVERY PROGRAM



What are Hurts, Habits and Hang Ups?

A **HURT** is an emotional reaction to another person's behavior or disturbing situation.

Some common HURTS are: Abandonment, Abortion, Abuse, Adoption, Betrayal, Dysfunctional family, Neglect, Rape and Rejection.

A **HABIT** is an unhealthy pattern that often starts as a perceived remedy for some problem in your life, but ends up turning into a chronic bad behavior or addiction.

Some common HABITS are: Abusive behavior, Alcohol, Bitterness, Affairs, Critical spirit, Drugs, Eating disorders, Gambling, Gossip, Homosexuality, Isolation, Lying, Pornography, Self-mutilation, Sex addictions, Spending problems, Stealing, Unforgiveness, Wasteful pursuits and Workaholism.

A **HANG-UP** is a negative attitude used to cope with adversity. **Some common HANG-UPS are:** Anger, Anxiety, Codependency, Control freaks, Depression, Fear, Greed, Impatience, Laziness, Materialism, Perfectionism, Pride, Procrastination and Shame.

What does a Friday night at Celebrate Recovery look like?

6:30-7:00 – Fellowship Meal

WE EAT TOGETHER, talk and fellowship. We meet new friends and catch up with old friends.

7:00-8:00 – Large Group Meeting

THE LARGE GROUP MEETING is our general meeting, where all men and women participants gather for a time of worship through music, followed by either a testimony or a teaching. This is a totally relaxed, non-threatening gathering where someone can come and see what recovery is all about.

8:00-9:00 – Open Share Groups (men/women)

AT THE CONCLUSION of the Large Group meeting, participants dismiss to attend small groups that are divided by men and women. These groups are a safe, non-judgmental and confidential place to share life's struggles and victories. Sharing is completely optional at this meeting.

ANONYMITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY are basic requirements of Celebrate Recovery. *Anyone you see here and anything you hear here, stays here!*

What is Celebrate Recovery?

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ centered recovery program designed to help people address a variety of **HURTS, HABITS, and HANG-UPS.**

What is the purpose of Celebrate Recovery?

The purpose of Celebrate Recovery is to celebrate God's healing power in our lives through the Twelve Steps and Eight Recovery Principles. This experience allows us to be changed. We open the door by sharing our experiences, strengths, and hopes with one another. We become willing to accept God's grace in solving problems in our lives.

What makes Celebrate Recovery different from other recovery programs?

Celebrate Recovery is based on the words of Jesus and its Eight Recovery Principles correspond with the Beatitudes in the Gospel of Matthew. (Eight Principles listed on back cover)

The program is forward looking and emphasizes personal responsibility and a spiritual commitment to Jesus Christ. It utilizes the Biblical truth that we need each other in order to grow spiritually and emotionally, and addresses **all types of habits, hurts and hang-ups. Celebrate Recovery is NOT just for Drug and Alcohol Addiction!**

Celebrate Recovery Share Groups Will:

- Provide you a safe place to share your experiences, strengths and hopes with others who are going through a Christ-centered recovery.
- Provide you with the opportunity to find an accountability partner.
- Encourage you to attend other recovery meetings held throughout the week.

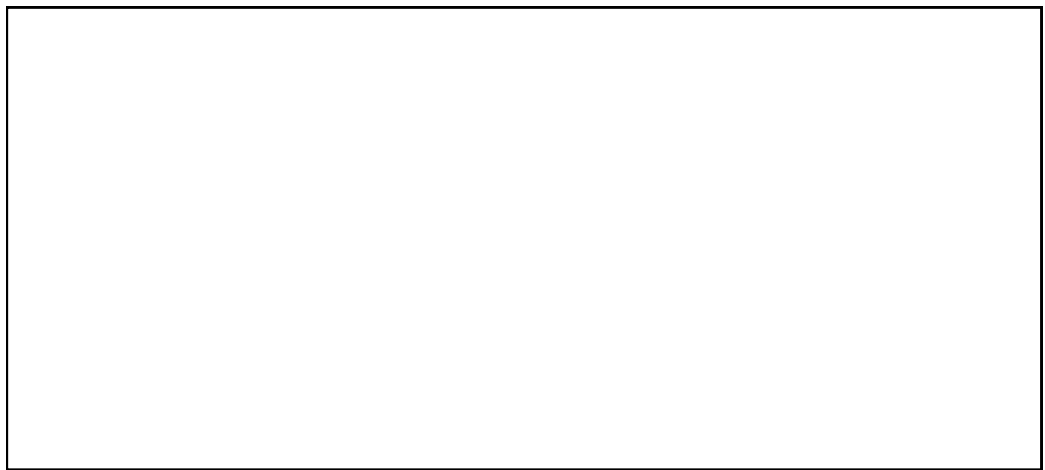
Celebrate Recovery Share Groups Will NOT:

- Attempt to offer any professional clinical advice. Our leaders are not counselors. We will provide you with a list of approved counseling referrals.
- Allow its members to attempt to fix one another.

Discipleship Thought of the Month

Spring is around the Corner (YAY!)

How many seasons are there in the Bible? Nothing really has changed in terms of seasons between the Bible Times and now. According to the Bible, we have a fairly young earth after the “Creation Story”. The Bible introduced us to “night and day” in Genesis 1, and subsequently after the flood, God specifically mentioned the seasons that we are still familiar with today. And the Bible says that as long as the earth remains, those seasons will continue to be in existence. I’m glad God is in control! I’m ready for Spring!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March (all month—Annie Armstrong Offering)

- 3-10 Week of Prayer for North American Missions
- 10 Daylight Saving Time begins
- 20 First Day of Spring

April

- 1 Campground opens
- 4 Executive Committee meets @ Old Fields
- 9 VBS Expo at Friendship
- 19 & 22 ABA & ARC offices closed for Easter
- 21 EASTER SUNDAY

May

- 2 National Day of Prayer
- 5 Senior Adult Sunday
- 12 Mother’s Day
- 27 Memorial Day—ABA/ARC offices closed

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