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Moriah Baptist Association
2020 Missions Celebration
(Annual Session)
(Date to be Determined)

Hyde Park Baptist Church
1898 Flat Creek Road
Lancaster, SC 29720

**The Executive Team will be meeting
on September 8, 2020 to determine
how our Missions Celebration
(Annual Session)
will be conducted this year.**

**The information will be
published on our website
as soon as it is available.**



**2020 Pastor's Appreciation Day
October 11, 2020**

Each year, the second Sunday in October marks a special day of recognition for church pastors known as Pastor Appreciation Day. This Hallmark holiday dates back to 1992 when it was originally known as [Clergy Appreciation Day](#). The idea behind the holiday is that church congregants take at least one day per year to show gratitude for everything pastors do for their church. Many churches celebrate their pastors throughout the year, but this holiday provides a specific day for recognition.

Taking the time to genuinely recognize all the work that pastors do for a congregation is so important. A pastor's role is uniquely stressful in that it doesn't have typical 8-5 business hours. Weeks are long, and the role carries a lot of emotional, mental, and spiritual weight. There are few, if any "off-the-clock" moments for a pastor. They constantly work to meet the needs of the congregation. Pastor Appreciation Day is a great opportunity to reciprocate that.

What will your church do to recognize your pastor?

The Moriah Baptist Association will be honoring our pastors on October 15, at noon, at the Seagull's Restaurant in Lancaster. A note will be going out to our pastors to reply if you will be able to attend the luncheon.

Around the Association...

September		
3	10:00 a.m.	Personnel Team Meeting, Mission Center
	11:00 a.m.	Kershaw Area Pastors Small Group, Kershaw Second Baptist
6		Single Adult Sunday
7		Labor Day, Mission Center
8	10:00 a.m.	Closed Executive Team Meeting via Zoom with some seating at the Mission Center
10	10:00 a.m.	Empowering Leadership Track Mission Center
13		Anti-Gambling Sunday
17	11:00 a.m.	Lancaster Area Pastors Small Group, Mission Center
22	10:00 a.m.	Executive Team Meeting
October (18-24 Week of Prayer for Baptist Associations)		
1	11:00 a.m.	Kershaw Area Pastors Small Group, Kershaw Second Baptist
4		Personal Evangelism Commitment Day
6		Missions Celebration (Annual Session)
8	10:00 a.m.	Empowering Leadership Track Mission Center
11		Pastor Appreciation Day Global Hunger Sunday
15	11:00 a.m.	Lancaster Area Pastors Small Group, Mission Center
Nov. 1	2:00 a.m.	Time Change—Fall back



Rev. Charles Cauthen in the loss of his wife,
Vergie.
Rev. Rusty McAlister in the loss of his sister,
Juanita Garner.
The family of Pastor Sam Catoe and his church
family at Center Grove Baptist Church.
The family of Mrs. Ann Taylor.
The family of Keith Copeland.



Pastor's Small Groups—Encouragement/Accountability
Rev. Bill Truesdale, Facilitator

These small groups are open for all lead and staff pastors.

The Kershaw-Heath Springs Meeting is the first Thursday in the month, and the Lancaster meeting is the third Thursday at 11:00 a.m., with lunch following. The meeting dates are listed below:

- September 3** Kershaw Area, Kershaw Second
- 17** Lancaster Area, Mission Center
- October 1** Kershaw Area, Kershaw Second
- 15** Lancaster Area, Mission Center



Empowering Leadership Track for Lead and Staff Pastors

Dr. Joe Youngblood

On the second Thursday of each month we have an Empowering Leadership Track Cohort. I lead and staff pastors are invited to attend. I offer encouragement to each of you who attend. The schedule for our upcoming meetings are listed below and they begin at 10:00 a.m. at the Mission Center with lunch following the meetings.

- September 10
- October 8

Please make your plans now to attend these meetings. I would love to have you join us.



**The Moriah Baptist Association
Will be closed on September 7
In observance of Labor Day.**

Enjoy your time with your family.

Opportunities within the Association

- **Retired Ministers/Wives Luncheons**
Rev. Mike Hammond

Due to the COVID 19, we will not be able to have our monthly luncheons until further notice. You should have received a card from the Associational Office requesting that you be sure to send us your email addresses so we can communicate through emails and stay in touch. God bless each of you. We are looking forward to a better year in 2021.

- **Prayer Corner**

Please pray for these churches without pastors in Moriah. They are as follows:

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| Beaver Creek | Jones Crossroads |
| Center Grove | Oakhurst |
| Charlesboro | Spring Hill |
| Flint Ridge | |

- **Oak Ridge Baptist Church, Kershaw** is prayerfully seeking a full-time Pastor. We are a Southern Baptist Church and active in the Kershaw Baptist Association. Please mail resume to 603 Oak Ridge Church Rd, Kershaw, SC 29067 or email to

oakridge.baptist@yahoo.com

- **Bethel Baptist Church** is seeking a part-time music director. If interested, please send resume or inquiries to the email address below:

slanalin67@gmail.com

- **Union Baptist Church** is seeking a **Worship Leader/Minister of Music**. If you would be interested, please email resume to

mtaylor@lancastersc.net

or mail to:

Micky Taylor
3838 Joshua Tree rd. Lancaster SC. 29720

Principle Function: The minister of music is responsible to the pastor for planning, conducting, and promoting of the music and worship programs of the church.



Organizational Resources

John Hess, Treasurer

	2020		
	First Six Months	July	YTD
Antioch	\$600.00	\$100.00	\$700.00
Beaver Creek	467.00	150.00	617.00
Bethel	500.00	0.00	500.00
Bethlehem	4,440.78	406.52	4,847.30
Calvary	200.00	0.00	200.00
Camp Creek	0.00	0.00	0.00
Carolinas Cowboy	0.00	0.00	0.00
Catawba	120.00	20.00	140.00
Center Grove	985.98	0.00	985.98
Charlesboro	0.00	0.00	0.00
Covenant	1,980.00	330.00	2,310.00
Crestview	600.00	100.00	700.00
Eastside	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ebenezer	248.27	30.73	279.00
Elgin	0.00	0.00	0.00
Flat Creek	750.00	125.00	875.00
Flint Ridge	625.00	125.00	750.00
Fork Hill	1,118.99	215.81	1,334.80
Friendship	0.00	0.00	0.00
Glenwood Heights	499.98	0.00	499.98
Haile Gold Mine	600.00	0.00	600.00
Heath Springs	0.00	0.00	0.00
High Point	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hyde Park	1,515.75	0.00	1,515.75
Immanuel	1,433.26	0.00	1,433.26
Indian Land	0.00	0.00	0.00
Jones Crossroads	250.00	100.00	350.00
Kershaw 2nd	1,400.00	200.00	1,600.00
Lancaster 1st	4,117.00	821.00	4,938.00
Lancaster 2nd	7,084.98	0.00	7,084.98
La Roca (Mission)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Midway	5,469.26	0.00	5,469.26
New Hope	2,011.93	236.21	2,248.14
New Horizon	0.00	0.00	0.00
Oak Hill	0.00	0.00	0.00
Oakhurst	940.71	95.86	1,036.57
Pineview	811.98	89.88	901.86
Pleasant Dale	1,000.02	166.67	1,166.69
Pleasant Hill	2,605.85	206.01	2,811.86
Pleasant Plain	1,296.82	181.06	1,477.88
Rich Hill	1,662.50	607.50	2,270.00
Sand Hill	2,371.79	973.36	3,345.15
Sherwood	300.00	50.00	350.00
Springdell	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Spring Hill	1,425.84	1,527.72	2,953.56
Taxahaw	0.00	0.00	0.00
Taylor's Grove	600.00	360.00	960.00
Temple	0.00	0.00	0.00
Thorn Hill	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
Union	780.00	0.00	780.00
Westside	985.00	271.00	1,256.00
White Bluff	1,221.18	229.20	1,450.38
White Springs	150.00	0.00	150.00
Grand Total	\$55,669.87	\$7,718.58	\$63,388.40

Gifts to Moriah: Basic, 3%; Glory, 4%; Hallelujah, 5%

Disaster Relief

Shirley Buckner, Director



This has really been a very unusual year for all of us. Because of the Corona Virus, Moriah's Disaster Relief Team will not be meeting for the remainder of the year. Please remember to practice all the guidelines that have been given to us and stay safe not only for yourself but also for your family and friends.

If you have an opportunity, do something nice for your neighbor.

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Restore Process Update

Dr. Joe Youngblood

The Restore Process is entering the final stage, which is stage three. The small cohort meetings with pastors, staff members and lay leaders of the association, which was stage two, completed in August. The months of May through August were spent meeting with the pastors, pastoral staff members and lay leaders of the association discussing the association assessment, discussing current reality and future direction. God has greatly blessed the cohort meetings.

Three large cohort meetings will be held in September. The dates of the three Large Cohort Meetings will be held on the following dates:

Thursday, September 10

--- The cohort will meet from 1:00-2:30

Thursday, September 17

---The cohort will meet from 10:00-noon

Tuesday, September 22

---The cohort will meet from 1:00-2:30

Each Large Cohort Meeting will have ten to twelve (10-12) participants. The cohort discussions focus on developing:

1. The Purpose Statement
2. The Priority Statement
3. The Plan (an Implementation Strategy)

In October, at the annual meeting, the final recommendation will be presented for approval. Lois and Judy will be contacting each pastor, pastoral staff members and lay leaders to schedule their attendance and participation on one of the above three dates.

Please pray much about this final stage of the Restore Process



Personnel Team Meeting

September 3, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Small Conference Room

At the

Mission Center

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Executive Board Meeting

September 8, 2020

10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

This meeting will be held via zoom

With a few seats available at

The Mission Center.

Please let Judy know how you

Will attend the meeting.

Judy_Moriah@Comporium.net

Or call: 803-283-8409

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Senior Adults

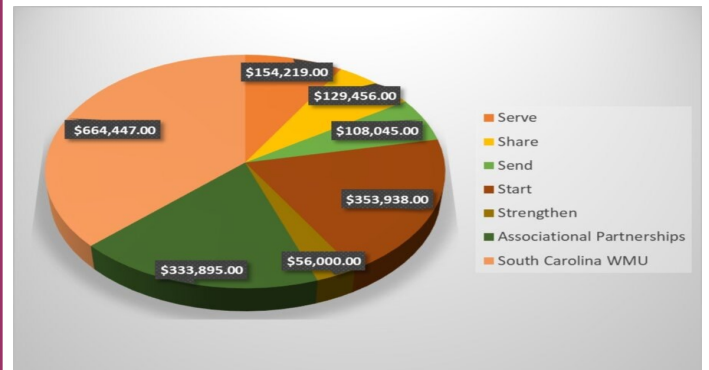
Linda Shehane, Director

Because of the COVID 19 virus, we will not be having our annual Fall Festival.



We hope and pray that next year will be a better year and we can get together once again.

God bless each of you, and please stay safe.



How the Chapman Offering is Used

\$1,800,000

Janie Chapman Offering September 13-20, 2020

The State Missions Offering is named for Janie Chapman, so let's learn a few things about her. She was the first President of South Carolina WMU (SC WMU) and served 22 years. Born on May 5, 1867 as Janie May Weston, she became a Christian at 14 in the Methodist church. Janie grew up in Albany, Georgia as the only daughter in a family of seven children. Two years after college graduation she was baptized in the Baptist church by her new pastor-husband, Rev. J. D. Chapman. They moved to South Carolina when he became pastor of First Baptist Church, Anderson. They had six children, but only four grew into adults. The first Season of Prayer for State Missions began in 1908 while Janie was president. During her presidency, camps for children were started (1913), and Mrs. Chapman led SC WMU to give \$1,487,647 to the 75 Million Campaign (prior to the Cooperative Program). This was over 1/5 of the state goal.

In 1937 the state missions offering was named the Mrs. J. D. Chapman Offering for State Interests. Her personal motto was 1 Cor. 15:58, 58 " So then, Christian brothers, because of all this, be strong. Do not allow anyone to change your mind. Always do your work well for the Lord. You know that whatever you do for Him will not be wasted." She was said to be a person of strict discipline with inner strength and a gentle spirit. She did her work well for the Lord. She gave us an example of a woman who lived out her personal motto. While she was president WMU celebrated their 25th anniversary and Janie wrote: "We do not want to live too much in the past-just an occasional reminder of the stalwart (courageous, strong) and true souls who dared to blaze new trails." Janie often identified the purpose and power of WMU: "Spiritual power is the greatest power...The object of our work is soul saving at home and abroad." Janie Chapman died in 1948 at age 81. The Janie Chapman offering is still about 'soul saving,' sharing Christ here and around the world. Will you help blaze new missions trails like Janie? The Janie Chapman State Missions Offering helps to continue to blaze new trails in sharing Christ. You too can have a part by praying, giving and helping to reach our state for Christ.