



Palmetto Baptist Association

"A Body of Churches Being His Hands and Feet"

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Contributions from the PBA Churches Year: October 2023 – September 2024 Reporting: December 2023

Churches	Receipts	Year-to-Date
Beaverdam	213.25	692.02
Big Creek	480.00	1,875.00
Calvary	192.68	697.66
Cedar Falls	-	-
Cedar Grove	100.00	300.00
Columbia	192.35	538.58
Eastview	50.00	200.00
Friendship	-	186.55
Hillcrest	678.09	1,996.70
Macedonia	-	2,300.00
New Hope	-	468.87
Open Door	-	191.01
Piedmont Heights	400.74	619.11
Pelzer First	83.33	333.32
Revive Church	-	-
Riverside	-	877.00
Tabernacle	233.33	699.99
Washington	600.00	1,800.00
Waycross	-	-
West Pelzer	173.31	568.83
White Plains	367.04	1,278.94
Whitefield	316.60	1,014.31
Williamston First	383.00	1,149.00
Fuente de Vida PBA Hispanic Church	100.00	300.00
Total Received	4,563.72	18,086.89
Balance Brought Forward <u>Total All Accounts</u> December 1, 2023		\$ 49,846.53
Total Receipts from Churches		\$ 4,563.72
Deposit- Designated Account: Hispanic Church Mission		\$ 384.00
Interest on Checking December 2023		\$ 2.05
Love Offering- SCBC Support Deposit		\$ 1,112.00
PBA Total Disbursements: Designated & General Fund for 12/31/2023		\$ (6,317.39)
Total all accounts: Designated & PBA Operations 12/31/2023		\$ 49,590.91
*DESIGNATED FUNDS ACCOUNT BALANCE:		
Hispanic Church Mission		\$ 20,262.23
ESL Mission		\$ 2,508.60
<u>Total Designated Accounts December 2023</u>		<u>\$ 22,770.83</u>
** PBA Operations General Fund December 2023		\$ 26,820.08
*Designated Funds Total		22,770.83
**PBA Operations General Fund		26,820.08
<u>Total PBA Funds for December 2023</u>		<u>49,590.91</u>

Birthday – Anniversary – Wedding

February Birthdays

14, Dr. Billy Dickerson, Interim Pastor of Friendship Baptist
27, Mrs. Margaret Clayton, wife of Piedmont Pastor

Pastoral Anniversaries

15, Rev. Ryan Steed, Pastor of Riverside - 9 years

Wedding Anniversaries

2, Rev. & Mrs. Trey Haning, Pastor of Williamston First
12, Rev. & Mrs. Lloyd Robinson, Pastor of Open Door

March Birthdays

3, Rev. Terry Greer, Pastor of Macedonia Baptist
18, Rev. Richard Burton, Pastor of New Hope
19, Rev. Trey Haning, Pastor of Williamston First
29, Rev. Jeremy Sargent, Pastor of Revive Church

Pastoral Anniversaries

1, Rev. Brandon Couch, Pastor of Beaverdam - 2 year

Season of North American Missions

March 3-10, 2024

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is the primary way Southern Baptists fund missions in North America. One hundred percent of gifts given go to the field to support more than 2,400 missionary families serving across the US and Canada.

Palmetto Baptist Association
North American Mission Study
and Salad Supper
Tuesday, March 5, 2024
PBA Associational Office
at 6:30 PM

Please bring your favorite salad to share. Drinks and dessert will be provided.
Guess Speaker:
Debra McDowell
Connie Maxwell Childrens Home
Chief of Staff/Dreams Administrator
Greenwood, SC



PBA Spring Senior Adult Luncheon

Tuesday, March 12, 2024
White Plains Baptist Church
1435 Easley Highway
Pelzer, SC 29669



Program at 10:00AM, Lunch to follow.

Host church will furnish the meal. Churches are asked to bring 1 or 2 gifts for door prizes. Please call the associational office with your church attending number by March 7th, noon. This helps our host church know how many to prepare for. Join us for a great time of fellowship, food, and lots of fun!

Looking forward to seeing you!

Focus on WMU Sunday- February 18, 2024
WMU Annual State Meeting March 22-23, 2024
First Baptist Church, Boiling Springs, SC

Dates to remember-

2/27, Nomination Committee Meeting at 10:00AM, PBA Office.
4/1-5, PBA and Operation Care closed for Easter Holiday.
4/15, PBA Administrative & Executive Committee Meeting at 6:45PM, PBA Office
4/22, Assoc. WMU Spring Meeting at 7:00PM, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Pelzer SC

Rev. Mike Baker, Director of Missions

'23 is gone! From my perspective, it was a tough year. Many of us lost much loved family members. The association yet reels from losses of people who gave much to help us move forward in ministry. Yet we remain. In the revelation of Jesus Christ written by the apostle John we read, "Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have found your deeds unfinished in the sight of my God." This verse reminds us we are all tenuous here on this Earth. Time passes and so do those we love. But there are things that remain. There are people who remain- able people. Strengthen them. Hey, our deeds; your deeds are not finished until Christ comes or call us home! One of the two will happen soon. At age 77, Pastor Ron Fousek of Big Creek said to me, "The Lord has not told me to retire!" He's still preaching the word weekly and not WEAKLY! Several of our other pastors could retire or have and they are still at it. For these guys is reserved a "Crown of Glory!" (1Peter 5:4) Maybe you're one who has retired from your employment, but you want direction for your years yet ahead. **Why not volunteer for service with us?** We have places to serve. The Operation Care ministry needs people to help pack shelves and bags for the "helpless and harassed" who come needing food. It is a terrific ministry where we share nourishment for the body and soul. Through this ministry alone it's opened the door for me to see 43 professions of faith outside and inside the building. That took 2290 conversations over 11 years! Many others who volunteer share and pray with these folk who appreciate their words of encouragement. YOU could do that! Will you? Call Cathy Cannon at (864) 847-7090 and give an hour. We recently voted to bring the ladies back packers into the association as a part of the PBA family. They've been packing faithfully for years for latch key kids who are identified by school counselors as those who may not have food available on weekends. They NEED helpers! Can you come pray with them and help feed 211+ kids a week? Yes, you can. Call Beverly Adkins at (864) 940-1479 and volunteer. Men and women are needed! Can you speak a little Spanish? We have a Hispanic church where you could plug in and teach a group of children. Call me whether you speak Spanish or not. You can use English which they want to learn! There are overseas mission trips available and I can help you plug into those. An old pastor, who is now with the Lord, once told me, "Son if you'll make yourself available to the Holy Spirit, He'll use you up!" This is an invitation. Come just as you are. We'll show you amazing things to do for the Lord! Call now, but wait! There's a bonus..."you'll receive a crown of rejoicing in heaven!" (1 Thessalonians 2:19)

Love Y'all
Mike Baker, Director of Missions
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March 2, 2024 & April 27, 2024



Spend a day at Camp La Vida helping prepare the cabins and grounds for summer camping season. Make an event of it and bring others with you! We need yard work, carpentry, cleaning, electrical, painting, plumbing and miscellaneous repairs done. There is something for every skill level and all the help is very much appreciated! For more job specific info., please call Troy Coates at 803-227-6207 or 803-422-3213.

Easter Sunday
March 31, 2024

*"He is not here
FOR HE
HAS RISEN
just as he said"*

Matthew 28:6

PBA Campus closed 4/1-4/4/2024