

“That they may be ONE”

CATAWBA VALLEY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP TEAM

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I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. John 17:23

AN ENCOURAGING WORD FROM YOUR AMS

THE CHURCH

Many lessons can be learned when Jesus mentioned THE CHURCH for the first time, which is found in Matthew 16:18.

I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it. (Matthew 16:18 NASB)

Let us focus on the context and background of the passage. The town of Caesarea Philippi was 20 miles north of the Sea of Galilee at the foot of Mount Hermon. It was the head waters of the river of Jordan that brought water out of a rock to the entire country of Israel. This was their life source and was referred to as the living water. Jesus brought them to this place where every Jew would have known its significance. Also, Caesarea Philippi was important to the Greeks as it was the location of the Cave of Pan, a place of pagan worship and where they believed it to be the dwelling place of their gods, the Gate of Hades. Multiple temples were built at this site to worship false gods. Jesus asked His disciples a critical question, “Who do you say that I am?” (Matthew 16:15 NASB). Peter responded rightly when he said “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” (Matthew 16:16 NASB). This is when Jesus mentioned the church for the very first time and made several profound statements. So, why would Jesus choose such a place to share with His disciples? He was intentional as He contrasted between the world’s pursuit of life, hope, and truth and its true source, Jesus Christ.

Jesus is the Rock. (Matthew 16:18)

Jesus is the Living Water. (John 4:13-14, 7:37-38)

Jesus is the only Hope. (1 Timothy 1:1)

Jesus is the only Way, Truth, and Life. (John 14:6)

Jesus is the Christ. (John 10:24-25)

Jesus is the Son of the Living God. (Luke 1:35)

Jesus is our object of worship, not the gods of this world. (Philippians 2:10-11)

Jesus is ...

As we come together as the called-out ones from the world, THE CHURCH, may we never forget who Jesus is. Did you notice Jesus did not say churches. For we are one in the Body of Christ. His Church, for His purpose, is to reach a lost world with the saving knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for all who will believe and put their faith and trust in Him. May God give us favor in THE CHURCH and beyond as we proclaim the Gospel and who Jesus is until He comes.

In Christ,
Chuck



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Catawba Valley Baptist Association

FALL 2023 BIANNUAL MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 6PM

MOUNTAIN VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

4266 RIVER ROAD, HICKORY

EVENING MEAL

FREE SUPPER PROVIDED BY MOUNTAIN VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

BUSINESS SESSION

ALL MESSENGERS ARE URGED TO ATTEND

CELEBRATION WORSHIP SERVICE

MESSAGE

WORSHIP

PASTOR JOHN COMPTON

MOUNTAIN VIEW PRAISE TEAM

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP, TESTIMONIES, BUSINESS,
WORSHIP AND UPDATES ON THE ASSOCIATION FROM OUR
ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION STRATEGIST, DR. CHUCK CAMPBELL.

Pastors, Staff, Leaders, and Messengers are encouraged to attend.
Visitors are always welcome. Please register by October 12.



TO REGISTER, SCAN THE QR CODE
OR VISIT OUR [WEBSITE](http://WWW.CATAWBAVALLEYBAPTISTASSOCIATION.COM).



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Pastors/Leaders Conference
EXEGETING YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD
Led by Dr. Chuck Campbell
Lunch and Learn



Thursday, Nov 16, 2023

11:30am - 1:30pm

Springs Road Baptist Church
3580 Springs Road NE, Hickory



The purpose of exegeting one's community is to proclaim the gospel in contextualized and relevant ways. We are looking for "keys" to unlock doors to homes and hearts to share the Gospel and make disciples. Come and join us as we explore a simple but effective way in leading your church to reach its community.

Come enjoy a free meal (taco soup & salad) and learn ways to reach our neighbors for Christ. Register at <https://subspla.sh/vk7x2zh/>

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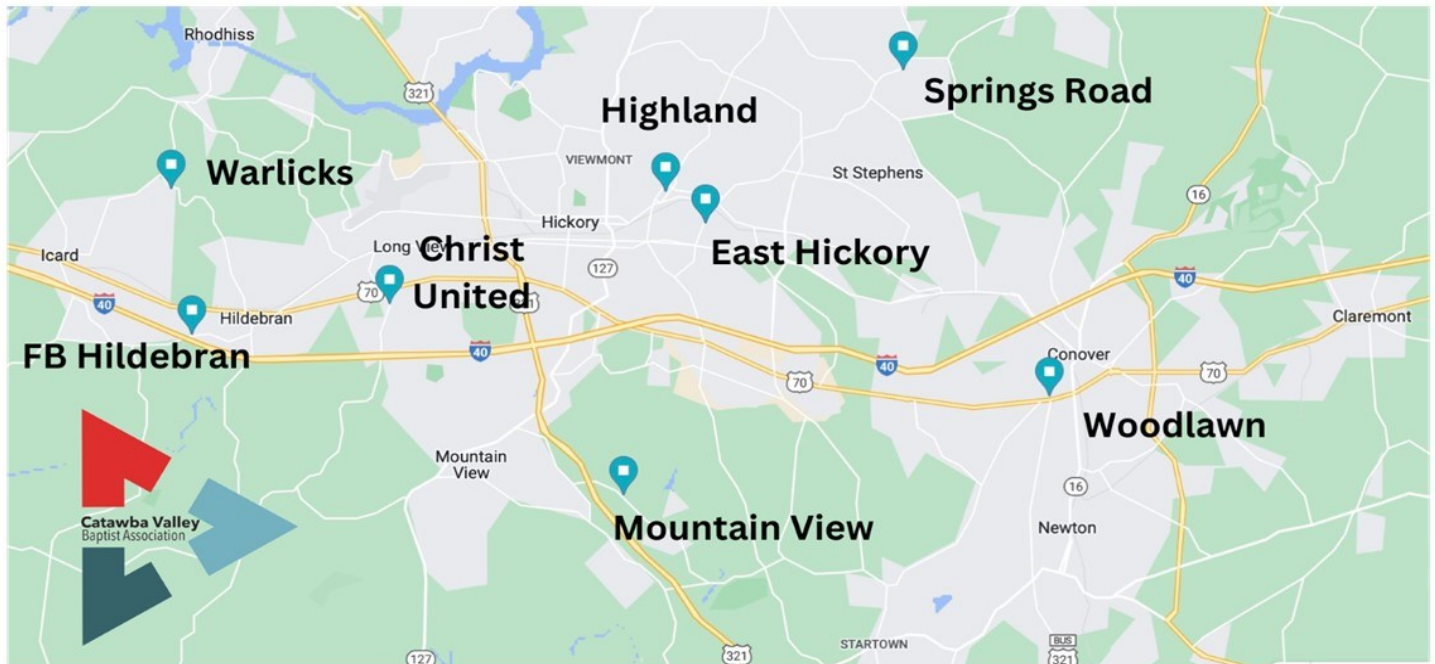
MISSION STATEMENT: OUR MISSION IS TO WORK WITH THE GLOBAL CHURCH TO INSPIRE PEOPLE TO LOVE OTHERS BEFORE SELF AND CHRIST ABOVE ALL.

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ANNUAL CHURCH PROFILES

Attention Church Clerks/Administrative Assistants: There is still time to input your information in the SBC Workspace! Need help? Call or email the CVBA office.



CVBA Pastor Prayer Cohorts

A time of prayer and fellowship every Wednesday @8:30am

PASTORS AND ASSOCIATE PASTORS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AS MANY PRAYER MEETINGS AS YOU CAN, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN YOUR VICINITY.

Sept 6 Springs Road

Oct 4 Christ United

Nov 1 Springs Road

Sept 13 Warlicks

Oct 11 East Hickory

Nov 8 Warlicks

Sept 20 Mountain View

Oct 18 FB Hildebran

Nov 15 Mountain View

Sept 27 Woodlawn

Oct 25 Highland

Nov 22 Thanksgiving

Nov 29 Woodlawn



Pastors, Get Plugged In
HELP US HOST A
Pastor Prayer Cohort Meeting
at your church in 2024

All Associational Pastors are invited to come together each Wednesday morning from 8:30-9:30am for a time of prayer. If you're interested in hosting a PPC Meeting next year, please notify the office by November 20th to see what Wednesdays are available and we will plug you in!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY

National Collection Week Nov 13-20

To learn more, visit

<https://samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>

We will keep you posted of drop-off locations in our area
or you can visit the link below in mid October

<https://samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/drop-off-locations>



WMU/Women's Ministry News RED BOX PRISON MINISTRY

for incarcerated women



This year we are collecting donations to purchase "Promises for a Fruitful Life" by Beth Moore. These booklets along with toiletry items will go to incarcerated women in North Carolina. A donation of cash (receipt given) or a check made out to Catawba Valley Baptist Association with "Red Box" in the memo section can be dropped off at Springs Road Baptist Church, 3580 Springs Rd NE in Hickory. The office is open Monday-Wednesday 8am-4pm and Thursday 8am-noon. The deadline is October 19th. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry for those in need.

-Jeanie Minor and Janet Jordan
WMU/Women's Ministry Co-Leaders

APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS BACKPACK OUTREACH

ASSOCIATION
COLLECTION
INFORMATION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4
9AM-NOON
HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
828 9TH AVENUE NE, HICKORY



BLESS EVERY HOME



Today **Bless Every Home** gives you the tools to become a LIGHT FOR CHRIST in your neighborhood. **Bless Every Home** provides what you need to get to know your neighbors by name so that you can begin to build relationships with them. You will even receive optional daily reminder emails with a prayer prompt and 5 neighbors to pray for that day. This can be accessed on your computer or on a phone app and best of all, it's free. It is my hope that every church in our association will answer this challenge to pray for their neighbors. You can sign up individually with the QR code to the right or the link below. Then you can connect to your church if they have an account, as well as to the association. If you have any questions, please contact us at the association.

<https://blesseveryhome.com/>



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ASSOCIATION NEWS

CVBA WMU/Women's Missions
**DAY OF PRAYER &
INTERNATIONAL MISSION STUDY**

November 4 9am-12pm
Woodlawn Baptist Church



VISIT THE LINK
FOR MORE INFO
& TO REGISTER



<https://subspla.sh/633qtsw/>

CHURCH NEWS

**EAST BURKE
COMMUNITY
FALL FESTIVAL**

FOOD • GAMES • TRUNK-OR-TREAT

OCTOBER 29TH
EAST BURKE
HIGH SCHOOL
4-6 PM

SPONSORED BY: CENTRAL BAPTIST, FIRST BAPTIST ICARD,
FIRST BAPTIST HILDEBRAN, MOUNT HEBRON,
AND WARLICKS BAPTIST CHURCHES

**Tri-City Pumpkin
Patch**

Tuesday, October 17th-
Tuesday, October 31st

📍 1409 NC-16 CONOVER, NC 28658

Monday-Friday 12pm-6pm
Saturday 9am-6pm
Sunday 1pm-6pm

**PUMPKIN PAINTING SATURDAYS
AND SUNDAYS**

Ministry Openings

Central Baptist - in search of a Minister to Families and Young Couples. This is a full-time position. Email resume' to rdoc102880@aol.com or mail to Central Baptist Church, 201 US Hwy 70 E, Hildebran, NC 28637 Attn: Family Ministry Search Committee.

First Baptist Hickory - in search of a Minister to Children and their Families. For more information visit hickoryfbc.org.

First Baptist Hildebran - in search of a part-time Minister to Students. For more information visit their website fbchildebran.com/jobs.html . Email resume' to ministry@fbchildebran.com.

New Life Baptist Fellowship - in search of an Administrative Assistant. The position is for 20 hours per week. If interested call Pastor Jeff Kautz at the church at 828-994-4127 or email your resume to pastor@nlbfcnewton.org.

West Hickory - in search of a biblically-qualified man to serve as full-time Pastor of Worship & Families. For more info: westhickorybaptist.org/staff-opening/.

LIVE IN CONCERT

NOVEMBER 4TH 2023 6:00 PM

**CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
201 HWY. 70 E
HILDEBRAN NC 28637**

SPECIAL GUESTS: JOYFM

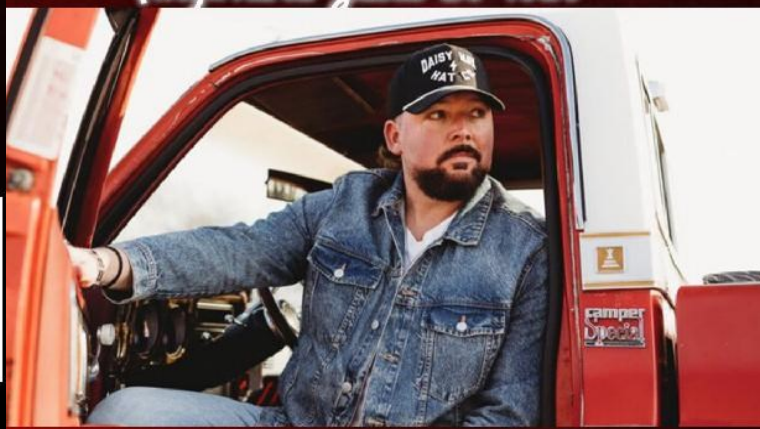
Love offering will be received.

CALL BRIAN @ 828-446-4141 FOR MORE INFO.



SCOTTY INMAN

Anywhere Jesus Is Tour



Fall CHURCH Events

1st Baptist Hickory - 339 2nd Avenue NW, Hickory
Trunk or Treat
Sunday, Oct 29 4-6pm see web

Springs Road Baptist Church - 3580 Springs Road NE, Hickory
Trunk or Treat
Tuesday, October 31 6pm

Pilgrim Baptist - 1223 11th Street NE, Hickory
Faith. Family. Fall. CELEBRATION
Sat Sept 30 11-2pm

Tri-City Baptist Church - 1409 NC-16, Conover
Pumpkin Patch
Oct 17-31st (see flyer for details)

Mountain View Baptist - 4266 River Road, Hickory
Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat
October 29 4-6:30pm



Pastor Appreciation October 8

I am thankful for all our Pastors and Associate Pastors in our association. It's been my greatest joy getting to know you and to hear of your

love

for your families, your

dedication

to your churches,
and your

heart

to reach your
communities for Christ.

-Chuck

COMMUNITY NEWS



SOUTHERN BAPTIST PASTOR OPENS A RESTAURANT AND FEEDS HIS FLOCK, TOO!

First Hmong Church Pastor, Pao Ly, in Morganton has opened a take-out restaurant in Hickory! Want some delicious food and support this pastor and his family's new adventure? Visit them at **Vee's Kitchen** across from CVCC at 2535 Hwy 70 SE, Suite 102, Tuesday-Saturday from 11-2pm & 4-7pm. Seniors receive a 10% discount on Wednesdays!

LOCAL MINISTRY NEWS

HIGHWAYS AND HEDGES is in desperate need of volunteers to drive, pick up, and deliver donations locally. They also need a cargo van in great condition to travel out of state. Want to learn more about this ministry? Visit this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7vigJD6eQps> or email the Founder and Director, Phil Williams, at phillip.mpwilliams42@gmail.com.



STRONG LIFE HAS AN OPENING FOR A DAY PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Qualifications include a clear calling to ministry, required working one Saturday a month (during Winter months only), and basic computer skills are a must.

Job description includes:

- Working 2-3 days per week
- Lead 5-10 minute Christian devotionals
- Drive 15-passenger van
- Provide conflict resolution for clients (willingness to be trained in C.R. skills)
- Pastoral care to clients in need
- Supervise staff/volunteers (1-2 usually per day)
- Accept and abide by StrongLife core values
- Offer compassion to all clients
- Work with Case Management to connect clients with various service agencies

Benefits offered:

- Flexible work schedule
- Hands-on ministry experience and training
- Generous pay depending on experience and qualifications

If interested, contact Pastor John Hays at stronglifenc@gmail.com.



WALK FOR LIFE

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER OF CATAWBA VALLEY OCTOBER 21 9AM

The walk will take place in downtown Hickory on the City Walk! This year's event will be operating differently. We are using the platform FundEasy which allows you to create walk teams. You can register as a leader of a walk team or you can join someone's walk team. Every team will have a fundraiser of their choice. We are encouraging all the churches and families to create as many teams as they can! The team model works well if every team has 5-7 people to ensure there are enough people to help with a fundraiser and the responsibility does not fall on one person. On the day of the event, we will all gather and walk a 3-mile route on the City Walk as a representation of our held belief that life is sacred and each child is an image bearer of Christ. At the **WALK FOR LIFE**, we will have prizes for the two top teams that raise the most money and a few other surprises along the way.



If you are interested in being a part of this event, please use the link below to get details and register! If you have any questions or want to speak with someone from our center more in depth please contact us through email or phone at 828-322-4727. We look forward to what God is doing in our community and beyond! Thank you in advance for helping us stand for the sanctity of life and for being the hands and feet of Jesus to our community. Link to register -> event.fundeasy.com/25506



Ridgecrest Conf Center
Black Mountain NC
October 8-11



Visit the link below for more information
<https://ridgecrestconferencecenter.com/events/>

LOCAL MINISTRY NEWS

ECCHUNGERWALK.COM

SPONSOR START A TEAM
RAISE SUPPORT WALK
SPREAD THE WORD

EASTERN
CATAWBA COUNTY

**HUNGER
WALK**



REGISTER NOW

SUNDAY | 3PM
OCTOBER 15, 2023
DOWNTOWN NEWTON

BENEFITING



**The
Corner
Table**

WHY WE WALK

To provide meals to the
homes facing food insecurity
in eastern Catawba County!

INFORMATION

2:00PM - Registration 2:45PM - Awards
(Top Team Fundraiser, Largest Team, Top Individual Fundraiser)

QUESTIONS click to register: www.echungerwalk.com

ECCCM **The Corner Table**
(828-465-1702 | ecccm.org) (828-464-0355 | thecornertable.org)



Bring your Bible to School Day

October 5

For more information visit

[https://
www.focusonthefamily.com/
bring-your-bible/](https://www.focusonthefamily.com/bring-your-bible/)



NC BAPTIST NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES



NC BAPTIST ANNUAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 6 & 7
KOURY CONVENTION CENTER • GREENSBORO

ANNUAL MEETING <https://ncbaptist.org/annual-meeting-registration/>

PASTORS' CONFERENCE <https://ncbaptist.org/events/2023-nc-baptist-pastors-conference/>

MINISTERS' WIVES CONFERENCE <https://ncbminwives.wixsite.com/ncbmw>

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Women's Discipleship Conference

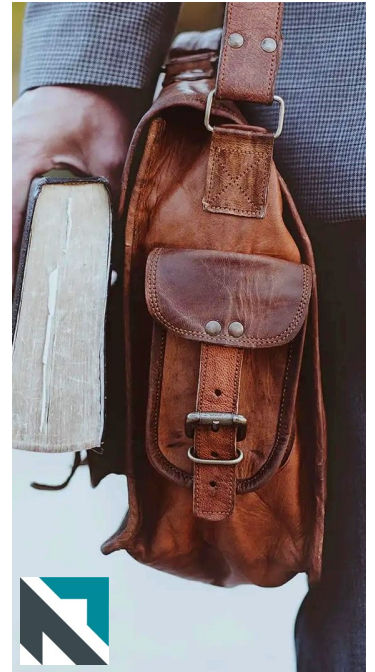
Caraway
Conference
Center

by
faith



October
27-28

<https://ncbaptist.org/events/womens-discipleship-conference/>



Transitional Interim Training

OCT
16-17
2023

MAR
11-12
2024

<https://ncbaptist.org/events/transitional-interim-training/>

STUDENT MINISTRY

STATE TOUR

BE DO TELL
&
STUDENT LEADERSHIP

<https://ncbaptist.org/events/student-ministry-state-tour/>

Rocky Mount	9/28	Greensboro	11/6
Asheville	10/19	Wilmington	11/9
Raleigh	10/26	Charlotte	12/4

[NCBAPTIST.ORG/STATETOUR](https://ncbaptist.org/statetour)

North Carolina Baptist Ministry Assistants

2023 CONFERENCE

November 13-15
Caraway Conference Center



For more information or to register visit the link below
<https://www.ncbaptistsecretaries.com/conference>



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