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Children's Music Camp June 24 - 27, 2024

9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Concert, Thursday - 7:00 pm

Host Church: Aversboro Road Baptist Church
1600 Aversboro Rd, Garner, NC

Mark your calendar for this fabulous week of music camp for children Grades 1 - 6!!

Featured Musical:
The Greatest Hymn on Earth created by Christy Semsen and arranged by Nathaniel Semsen & Daniel Semsen.

Musical Director: Sherry Lattin
Sherry is a teacher at Southside Christian Elementary School in Raleigh. She holds a B.M. degree from the University of South Carolina and M.M. degrees in music history and violin performance from Bowling Green State University.

Drama Directors: Hunter Pearce, Children's Minister at Aversboro Road Baptist Church, Garner and Benjamin Steward, Children's Minister at Mount Moriah Baptist Church, Raleigh.

Interest Group Leaders:
Talented music leaders from local churches and music schools will lead our interest groups.

Cost of Camp: \$80.00
(Includes t-shirt, daily snack, drink and an excellent week of camp!)

For a informational flyer go to www.raleighbaptist.org

If you have any questions regarding camp reach out to Iris Woodard at 919.231.3995 or iris@raleighbaptists.org.

Auditions for Singing, Speaking and Non-Speaking Parts will be held on:

Thursday, May 2, 2024, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Call Iris Woodard at 919.231.3995 or email iris@raleighbaptists.org to schedule your child's audition. Please include your child's name, church name, current grade, parent name, cell phone number, email address and home address. Auditions will be held at Aversboro Road Baptist Church, 1600 Aversboro Road, Garner.



You provide NC children food
while pointing them to Jesus.



Baptist Children's Homes of NC Food Round Up

Drop off at the Raleigh Baptist Association
May 1-2, 2024, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

For a Full Listing of Items Needed Go to:
www.raleighbaptists.org

ASSOCIATIONAL PRAYER TIME

Monday, May 13, 2024
Monday, June 10, 2024
Monday, July 8, 2024

11:00 am

Raleigh Baptist Association
820 S. New Hope Rd, Raleigh

Raleigh Baptist Association Offers
On-Line Giving

Go to www.raleighbaptists.org and click on "Give" to sign up and give to support local missions through the RBA.

Network and Mission Opportunities



#RETHINKPOVERTY



A Community Action Poverty Simulation

hosted by The Caring Connections Ministry
In Partnership with the Raleigh Baptist Association

This is an interactive poverty exercise designed to help participants understand the barriers and realities our low-income neighbors encounter daily. As a participant, you will gain a deeper understanding of the complex and interconnected issues of poverty and experience the emotional impact of these challenges.

- During a two-hour simulation, participants are assigned roles as members of a family facing barriers of poverty, or as providers of a community resource utilized by a family.
- In the family member role, you are given a card with the unique circumstances your family is facing.
- You will walk through four, 15-minute "weeks" where you must provide food, shelter, and necessities for your family, while managing scenarios related to transportation, healthcare, education and employment, and interact with community resources located around the simulation room.
- At the end, there will be time to discuss what you learned and the emotions you experienced.

Event Details:

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024
Time: 6:30-9:00 PM
Location: Bethlehem Baptist Church, 8400 Poole Road, Knightdale
Ages: Best suited for ages 14 and older.



Registration is required to ensure we have enough participants for the event to run effectively. You may opt to serve in a provider role on the sign-up link. Those in a provider role will need to arrive at 5:45 for a brief training.



RSVP: cynthia@caringconnectionsministry.com

Questions or more information contact Cynthia Thelen at cynthia@caringconnectionsministry.com 919-231-3995 ext. 109. Most roles in the simulation require walking around the room. Please contact me with any concerns about physical limitations and we will plan accordingly for your assigned role.



2024 RECONSTRUCT CONFERENCE
Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 8:45 am
Faith Baptist Church, 249 Holden Rd, Youngsville, NC

Whether you are a church of 200 or 2,000, Reconstruct Conference is for healthy churches, associations and networks looking for strategic ways to help struggling churches in their area. Learn from North Carolina churches leading the way in revitalization processes such as church fostering, adoption and replanting.

Register: ncbaptist.org/events/reconstruct-conference/

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What can your church do to meet the needs in your community?

Visit [ServeNC.com](https://www.servenc.com) to sign up and receive resources, tools and more.

Looking for a Mission Project?

Collect the following hygiene items in a gallon size zip lock bag.

Hygiene Items Needed:

- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Comb
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Disposable Razors
- Washcloth



Deliver to the Raleigh Baptist Association, 820 S. New Hope Rd, Raleigh Mon–Thurs, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.



Spiritual Direction

If you desire to grow your faith journey, Dr. Bill Slater, of the Raleigh Baptist Association staff, is certified in Spiritual Direction and available to meet. He can be contacted at

bill@raleighbaptists.org.

Summer Mission Opportunity

Backpacks and School Supplies for Children in Need:

The Raleigh Baptist Association is collecting the following items to be distributed. Select items you would like to donate and drop off at the RBA office located at 820 S. New Hope Rd, Raleigh. Drop off times are Monday–Thursday, 9:00 am–4:00 pm. Please deliver by August 5, 2024.

Backpacks (sturdy, high-quality bags to ensure extended use)

Elementary Students:

- #2 Pencil Pack
- Pencil Pouch (no boxes)
- Glue Sticks
- Crayons/Colored Pencils
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pocket Folders
- Composition Notebooks
- Highlighters
- Loose-Leaf Paper (wide-rule)
- Binders (older elementary grades)
- Spiral Notebook



Middle/High School Students:

- Pen Pack
- Pencils
- Pencil Sharpener
- Highlighters
- Loose-Leaf Paper (college rule)
- Spiral Notebook – Multi-Subject
- Post It Notes
- 3 Ring Binder
- Composition Notebook

Thank You Raleigh area Baptist Churches!

ThriveMore, formerly known as Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, wants to show our gratitude for over 70 years of support with more than words by providing options and solutions for those that have supported us over the years. Our Board of Directors made the decision in 2022 to start our newest senior adult “community”, **ThriveMore** at Home, in the Raleigh area to show we recognize the support provided to our organization from Raleigh Baptist Association churches over decades of faithful giving. Fully licensed by the NC Department of Insurance in 2023, **ThriveMore** at Home provides a solution for those older adults in area churches who want to stay in their own homes and “age in place” instead of moving into retirement communities.

We began accepting members in 2024 and currently have active members across the Raleigh and Cary areas with several others signing membership agreements this month. With such a positive reception by area Baptist churches and Raleigh communities, we anticipate having over 30 members by year’s end.

We welcome opportunities to share our program with area churches by providing informational luncheons for interested parties 62 years old and older.

With gratitude,
Lynne Moore, RN/CMC/CAPS
LMoore@thrivemorenc.org

THRIVEMORE
at Home

RBA Calendar and Bulletin Board

May 2024

- 1-2 **BCH Food Round Up Drop Off - RBA**
- 2 **Music Camp Auditions - Aversboro Road Baptist Church, Garner**
- 7 **Reconstruct Conference - Faith Baptist Church, Youngsville**
- 12 **Mother's Day**
- 13 **Association Prayer Time**
- 21 **Poverty Simulation - Bethlehem Baptist**
- 27 **Memorial Day - RBA Closed**

June 2024

- 10 **Association Prayer Time**
- 24-27 **Children's Music Camp - Aversboro Road Baptist Church, Garner**

July 2024

- 4 **Independence Day - RBA Closed**
- 8 **Association Prayer Time**
- 9 **Missions & Ministry Council**
- 11 **Resource Committee**

Ministry Openings:

Perry Creek Church, Raleigh is seeking a Part-Time Children's Ministry Director. The Perry Creek Kids (PCK) Director equips children and their families to know Jesus, grow in faith, and go by serving our church, our community and the nations. Know, Grow, Go! Qualifications: Spiritual Gifts of servanthood, encouragement, leadership, administration, shepherding, and teaching A passion for ministry with children and a deep commitment to growing their faith

Basic knowledge of child development and the importance of providing a safe and nurturing environment for them Excellent communication and interpersonal skills as well as the ability to work with diverse age groups effectively. Estimated time commitment is 8-10 hours weekly with a compensation of \$10,000 annually. To apply or to receive more information email Info@PerryCreekChurch.org.

Forest Hills Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC is seeking an Associate Pastor who will provide leadership, direction, and oversight to the **children and adult ministries** of the church. The minister will lead in planning and implementing special age-group activities and programs appropriate for the spiritual growth of children and their families, while also providing direction and administrative oversight for the young adult's ministry, the men's and women's ministries, and the senior adult ministries of the church. The minister will work closely with appropriate teams, committees, and staff to realize the overall mission of Forest Hills Baptist Church: Love God. Love People. Live the Gospel. This is a full-time position. To apply for this position, visit: foresthills.org/careers.

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For complete Church Staff Job Descriptions and Other Ministry Openings please visit our website under "Ministry Placement"
Go To: www.raleighbaptists.org

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The Great Commission
To Church Mission
For Kingdom Growth
Matthew 28:19-20

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