



If you have a church announcement or event you want included in the May/June Informer, please email it to [office@3forksassoc.org](mailto:office@3forksassoc.org) by **March 10, 2025**

**March and April  
 2025**

Words from Wesley...

Praise the Lord for all that He has done, is doing and will do! There have been some tough days, but God is faithful. Please look inside, read the articles, check out the pictures and join me in celebrating what God is doing. Prayerfully consider ways you and your church can be involved. I pray that in EVERYTHING we do that God will be glorified. We can do many good things, but if we are not about being obedient and doing God's things, what good is it? I recall the story when Jesus visited Mary and Martha's house in [Luke Chapter 10](#). Martha was upset that Mary wasn't helping her with the hosting responsibilities. Jesus tells her in verse forty one, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her." Let's keep our eyes on the main thing! Jesus!

'So teach us to number our days, That we may gain a heart of wisdom. Return, O Lord ! How long? And have compassion on Your servants. Oh, satisfy us early with Your mercy, That we may rejoice and be glad all our days! Make us glad according to the days in which You have afflicted us, The years in which we have seen evil. Let Your work appear to Your servants, And Your glory to their children. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, And establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, establish the work of our hands.' [Psalms 90:12-17](#)

**Three Forks Baptist  
 Association Churches**

- Beech Valley
- Bethel
- Brushy Fork
- Clark's Creek
- Cool Springs
- Cove Creek
- Emmanuel
- First Baptist Boone
- First Baptist
- Blowing Rock
- Greenway
- Howard's Creek
- Laurel Fork
- Laurel Springs
- Meat Camp
- Middle Fork
- Mt. Calvary
- Mt. Vernon
- Oak Grove
- Perkinsville
- Pleasant Grove
- Proffit's Grove
- Rutherwood
- South Fork
- Stony Fork
- Tabernacle
- The Heart
- Three Forks
- Union
- Watauga
- Willow Valley
- Willowdale
- Zion Hill



**188th Spring Gathering**  
 Monday, April 28, 2025  
 Join us for fellowship, worship,  
 and prayer

THREE FORKS  
  
 BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church  
 1564 Silverstone Rd  
 Zionville, NC 28689  
 Meal 5:30 PM  
 Worship & Celebration 6:30 PM

Join us on Monday April 28th for our Spring Gathering at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Zionville! A meal will be served at 5:30 PM and a worship and prayer time at 6:30 PM.



*Happy Easter!*



More info & Sign up 

**Go Certificate Cohort!**


Tuesdays  
 6:00pm-8:00pm  
 at the Baptist Building

**CHURCH LEADERS  
 MISSION LEADERS  
 SS TEACHERS &  
 PASTORS!**

Biblical Studies Certificate  
 7 courses total  
 3 courses per year  
 15 week semesters

 **Southeastern**  
 Baptist Theological Seminary

Please pray for these churches that are searching for a pastor.  
 Clark's Creek  
 Cove Creek  
 Mt Vernon  
 Proffit's Grove  
 Willowdale  
 Willow Valley



**THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**  
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 Visit us on the web: [www.3forksassoc.org](http://www.3forksassoc.org)  
 Office Hours: Mon-Thur. 8:30am-2:00pm



Please call the TFBA office for more information.

**FULL  
PLATES,  
FULL  
HEARTS.**



**POINT CHILDREN TO CHRIST BY COLLECTING FOR THE FOOD ROUNDUP.**

When your church, along with NC Baptists across the state, collects food, supplies and gift cards through the **Baptist Children's Homes (BCH) Food Roundup**, you ensure that we are able to provide three meals a day plus snacks to our boys and girls and everyone we serve.

**Children see that they are loved not only by churches and BCH caregivers but by our Heavenly Father. Through your efforts, they see Christ's love come alive!**



Slides, ads & other resources are at [bchfoodroundup.org](http://bchfoodroundup.org)  
For more information, call 336-474-1277

**April 2025**



Items can be dropped off at the TFBA office no later than May 8, 2025.



**Happy Birthday | Happy Anniversary**



**March Birthdays**

|                      |            |                |
|----------------------|------------|----------------|
| 1st Mike Townsend    | Meat Camp  | Pastor         |
| 6th Phillip Woodring | Stony Fork | Pastor         |
| 11th Jason Powers    | Mt. Vernon | Youth Minister |
| 11th Sherry Dockery  | Rutherwood | Pastor's Wife  |
| 13th Amanda Beane    | Watauga    | Pastor's Wife  |

**April Birthdays**

|                       |              |               |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1st Travis Burt       | Union        | Pastor        |
| 4th Burl Greer        | Cool Springs | Pastor        |
| 14th David Cooper     | South Fork   | Pastor        |
| 20th Dan Featherstone | Laurel Fork  | Pastor        |
| 20th April Everhart   | Bethel       | Pastor's Wife |

**April Wedding Anniversaries**

|                            |              |               |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| 21st Seth and Staci Norris | Perkinsville | Pastor & Wife |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|

**If we missed anyone, please let us know!**

**Church Anniversaries**

**March**

Oak Grove 1916  
Allen Perry Pleasant Grove Hired 2010

**April**

Mount Vernon 1866  
Proffit's Grove 1911

**Please pray for these pastors, pastor's wives, and church leaders as they celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this month.**



MOUNT VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH | BOONE, NC  
6:00 P.M. | MONDAY MARCH 17TH, 2025

**RENEWING WORSHIP**  
ROUNDTABLES

**MAR. 17 2025**

**A GATHERING OF WORSHIP LEADERS**  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THREE FORKS BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A FREE BOOK TO HELP YOU IN LEADING YOUR CHURCH'S WORSHIP MINISTRY, THE WORSHIP MINISTRY GUIDEBOOK

**COST: FREE! DINNER PROVIDED** | **REGISTER BY MARCH 16TH**

**REGISTER AT [RENEWINGWORSHIPNC.ORG/THREEFORKS](http://RENEWINGWORSHIPNC.ORG/THREEFORKS)**

Pastor's Conference and Luncheon to be held March 17th, 2025 at 11 A.M. at Three Forks Baptist Association.

<https://ncbaptist.org/events/renewing-worship-roundtables/>

**TRUETT**  
Conference Center & Camp

**Woven Women's Conference**

March 14-16, 2025  
Connect Spiritually

**TRUETT**  
Conference Center & Camp

**Mother & Daughter Retreat**

April 4-6  
Intentional Connection

**TRUETT**  
Conference Center & Camp

**Grandparent Camp**

April 11-13  
Create Memories

To Register: [truettcamp.org/upcoming-events/](http://truettcamp.org/upcoming-events/)



### Baptist on Mission Boone Rebuild

This past December, just before Christmas, the Boone Rebuild team finished our first rebuild on a home in Todd. The homeowner, a single mom, was very grateful and wrote to us saying, "Thank you so much for everything. We are so grateful for everyone who has come to help. We have felt pretty alone out here for years, but that all changed after Helene because of Baptist on Mission. All of you have absolutely changed our lives... So thank you, thank you, thank you."

Ultimately the work of Baptist on Mission Helene Rebuild is far beyond repairing houses. All of our work is ultimately for the purpose of glorifying God by involving churches and Christians in meeting human needs in Jesus' name. Our desire is to see broken lives restored as we repair houses.

Here in the High Country that work is extensive. The needs are huge and these needs will be ongoing for a long time.

As of the end of January Boone Rebuild has completed seven rebuild projects in Watauga, Ashe and Avery counties. We are currently working on four homes and have several others in the preliminary planning stages.

In the coming months the work load will be increasing, as will the opportunities for volunteering and participating. Please contact us for more information.

Thank you, 3 Forks Association, for your prayers, your financial support, and your volunteer hours. Thank you for partnering with Baptist on Mission to rebuild homes and impact lives with the love of Christ.



## Food & Supplies Needs List 2025



### MOST NEEDED: (in bold)

- \_\_ Canned Fruits
- \_\_ Fruit Juice (**Apple, Orange, Grape, Cranberry**)
- \_\_ Laundry Detergent
- \_\_ Paper Products (paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, Kleenex)
- \_\_ Bottled Water
- \_\_ Canned Vegetables (green beans, corn, etc.)
- \_\_ Dry Cereal
- \_\_ Baked Beans
- \_\_ 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
- \_\_ Pickle Relish
- \_\_ Cranberry Sauce
- \_\_ Mac & Cheese
- \_\_ Corn Meal
- \_\_ Jiffy Mixes, Corn Muffin Mix
- \_\_ Potatoes
- \_\_ Hush Puppy Mix
- \_\_ Peanut Butter
- \_\_ Jelly, Jams, Preserves (Strawberry is a favorite)
- \_\_ Pizza & Pizza Dough Mix
- \_\_ Saltine Crackers, Ritz Crackers, Graham Crackers, Nabs
- \_\_ Sauces (A-1, Steak, BBQ, Texas Pete, Cheese, Soy, Worcestershire, 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
- \_\_ Household cleaning products (i.e. bleach, Comet, Lysol spray and wipes, Clorox spray, Windex, Pinesol, Pledge, Tilex, etc.)

### OTHER NEEDED ITEMS:

- \_\_ Brownie, Cookie, Cake Mixes & Icing
- \_\_ Canned Vegetables (no corn or green beans)
- \_\_ Individual Chef Boyardee cups
- \_\_ Clif nutritional bars
- \_\_ Hot Dog Chili
- \_\_ Coffee (Regular & Decaf)
- \_\_ Coffee Creamer
- \_\_ Sweetened Condensed Milk
- \_\_ Evaporated Milk
- \_\_ Powdered Milk
- \_\_ 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)

### FINAL NOTES:

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).

**IMPORTANT:** Please check for expired dates on food — we cannot accept expired items.

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

Pack like items together. Please do not pack chemicals with food.

### Questions?

Contact Alan Williams at 1-800-476-3669 ext. 1277 or [awilliams@bchfamily.org](mailto:awilliams@bchfamily.org) [bchfoodroundup.org](http://bchfoodroundup.org)



**On the Calendar**

- March 6 - Community Pastor's Prayer Lunch, 12—1:30 PM, Mount Vernon
- March 7 - Night of Worship with Travis Cottrell Concert, 7 PM, Benefit for Hope Pregnancy Center at Alliance Bible Fellowship
- March 2 - 9 - Week of Prayer for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- March 9 - Daylight Saving Time Begins
- March 13 - CSFP Food Distribution
- March 13 - Revitalization Cohort, 10 - 11:30 AM, Baptist Building
- March 14 - 15th - Baptist On Mission Conference, Calvary Baptist, Winston Salem, NC
- March 17 - WINGS, 9:30 - 10:30 AM, Baptist Building
- March 17 - Pastor's Conference with Kenny Lamm, 10:30 AM - 12 PM
- March 17 - Renewing Worship Roundtable with Kenny Lamm, 6 PM, Mount Vernon Baptist Church
- March 22 - WINGS Women's Spring Event, 8:30 AM - 12 PM
- April 3 - Community Pastor's Prayer Lunch, 12 - 1:30 PM, Kings Cross
- April 7 - 9 - Associational Missions Conference at Caraway
- April 7 - WINGS, 9:30 - 10:30 AM, Baptist Building
- April 10 - CSFP Food Distribution
- April 10 - Revitalization Cohort, 10 - 11:30 AM, Baptist Building
- April 13 - Palm Sunday
- April 13 - 18 - Holy Week
- April 14 - Pastor's Conference, \*\* NEW DATE\*\* 10:30 AM - 12 PM Baptist Building
- April 20 - Easter Sunday
- April 21 - Office Closed in observance of Easter
- April 27 - "Fill the Tank" Baptism Sunday
- April 28 - Semi - Annual Spring Gathering, 5:30 - 8:30 PM,

A Night of Worship with  
**TRAVIS COTTRELL**

**MARCH 7**  
7PM | \$20

Visit [CHOOSEHOPE.ORG/WORSHIP](https://www.choosehope.org/worship) for tickets  
Ticket proceeds benefit The Hope Center



**HOPE**

<https://www.choosehope.org/worship>

April 27, 2025

LEARN MORE

*Fill the*  
**TANK**



FILLTHETANKNC.ORG

<https://ncbaptist.org/fill-the-tank-nc/>

2025 BAPTIST MISSIONS CONFERENCE

**LIVING Sent**  
EVERY CHRISTIAN IS A MISSIONARY



MARCH 14-15, 2025 · CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH · WINSTON-SALEM, NC  
Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you". John 20:21

Cost:  
\$20 (Covers Friday and Saturday)  
\$32 (Covers Friday and Saturday with Friday Supper)

Cost includes:  
General Sessions  
Breakout Sessions  
Event Materials  
Lunch on Saturday

Calvary Baptist Church  
134 S. Peace Haven Rd  
Winston - Salem, NC

To Register: [baptistsonmission.org/events/missions-conference](https://baptistsonmission.org/events/missions-conference)

*Speakers*



*Worship Leader*

<https://baptistsonmission.org/events/missions-conference>

Ann Armstrong Easter Offering

**STEP INTO THE STORY**



100% of your gifts fuel missionaries and their ministries

Week of Prayer for North American Missions and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering  
March 2 - 9, 2025

<https://anniearmstrong.com/checkout/>

**Gospel Singing**

**Rutherford Baptist Church**  
142 Don Hayes Rd.  
Boone, NC 28607

Date: March 23, 2025  
Time: 6:00 PM

Join us for a powerful night of music and worship!

Enjoy an uplifting performance by the local group,  
**"Joyful Noise"**

Also be blessed by the beautiful voice of special guest,  
**Laura Perry**

Bring your family and friends and let's celebrate the joy of the Gospel together!

For more info, call (828) 264-5319, or (828) 403-0592

*Choose Joy!*

Registration is NOW OPEN!

**IGNITE**  
Missions Conference

April 25-26, 2025  
Trinity Baptist Church  
Raleigh, NC

<https://wmunc.org/ignite/>

**"Women in God's Service"**  
TFBA Spring Women's Event  
Saturday March 22, 2025  
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
at TFBA Building  
513 Jefferson Rd.  
Boone, NC

**WHAT JOY!**

Join us for Brunch & Fellowship  
As we celebrate the JOY of walking with Christ.

Highlights include:  
"Joys of Servanthood"  
Amanda Martinsen of NC WAW

"Joys of Missions"  
Pam Riley  
Former IMB Missionary

"Joys of Giving"  
Local ministries  
Foster Connections  
Hurricane Relief  
Appalachian Christmas Outreach Backpacks

For missions giving, we will be collecting gift cards (ex: WalMart, grocery stores, and area restaurants) for foster families in Watauga County.

RSVP to TFBA office by Thursday, March 13, 2025  
(828) 264-4482 or [office@3forksassec.org](mailto:office@3forksassec.org)

