



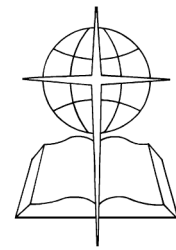
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The Burnt Swamp Bulletin

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

As we enter the holiday season, I pray and hope that God will continue to greatly bless each and every one of you. This challenging year is not yet over, but we do want to finish strong and count our blessings. The theme of last year's Annual Meeting, "Staying Anchored in Jesus During Challenging and Changing Times," has even more meaning now than it did then. We could not have known that in a matter of months we would be dealing with a pandemic due to COVID-19, heightened racial tension, and great political unrest. The loss, grief, and hardships of this season has affected our nation as well as our local communities. Yet in the midst of difficulties and hurts, we have continued to see God do great things through His Church and His People. I am appreciative of our Pastors and Church leaders for your resolve to find ways to keep your congregations engaged and to continue the ministry of sharing the Gospel through loving people where they are. Someone has said, "When you go through hardships and decide not to surrender, that is strength." There is no surrender of the Church or the people of God. It is in the midst of pandemics, racial tension, and political unrest that the church has its greatest of opportunities to shine bright and show the fullness of its strength. Jesus has promised, as the builder of the Church, that not even the gates of hell can prevail against it (**Matthew 16:17-18**). Let us look to Him and finish the year strong and faithful. May God always smile upon the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association. God Bless you all!

Rev. Steve Strickland
BSBA Director of Missions

WMU UPDATE

⇒ All WMU Meetings/Events for the month of NOVEMBER have been **CANCELED** at this time!

You may contact **Mrs. Suzanne Locklear, BSBA WMU Director**, at (910) 391-4722 for further details regarding these cancellations!

ACP REPORT - FINAL REMINDER

The deadline for submitting data for the ACP Report was Monday, **10/5!** We still have some churches who have not yet completed and submitted their Data! If you have not yet done so, please complete this as soon as possible. If you need any assistance with this, please feel free to contact us at **(910) 521-9850**.

A Special **"THANKS"** to all of the churches who have already submitted their ACP Data! We Greatly Appreciate you taking the time to get this done!

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME OFFERING REMINDER

Just a friendly reminder that the Annual Offering date this year, for the Baptist Children's Home Offering, is November 22nd. For this offering, we need all of our churches to make your check payable to: Burnt Swamp Baptist Association and **earmark** it for the **Odum Home Pledge**. Burnt Swamp Baptist Association made a pledge of \$75,000.00 to the Odum Home, over a five-year period. **We will fulfill this pledge with one more payment of \$15,000.00 this November.** As an Association, we certainly want to honor our pledge.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Pastor Ernest Best is asking that we keep his church and ministry in prayer. He is Pastoring **Weogulkiee Indian Baptist Church** in Oklahoma. Their Church Building is currently in need of some repairs. They are attempting to raise the funding for that work to be done. If you would like to assist financially, we ask that you send that funding to Burnt Swamp Baptist Association and earmark it for **Ernest Best or Weogulkiee Indian Baptist Church**. I know Pastor Ernest Best would greatly appreciate any assistance offered.



Gospel Tabernacle - Service on Sundays is still outside in the Parking Lot @ 10:00 a.m.; **10/22**- Shoe Box Collections.

Willard's Chapel - **11/4, 11, 18**- Christmas Play Practice & Bible Study at 7pm; **11/8**- Homecoming; **11/29**- Communion.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR NATIVE AMERICAN RESERVATIONS

Pastor Charles Locklear will be collecting and delivering Christmas gifts to Native American Reservations again this year. I hope we will be able to help support this effort through our churches, by providing gifts or funding. If you plan on providing gifts, please call the office at **(910) 521-9850** to schedule a time to drop them off at the building. We will need all gifts at the Baptist Building by **November 20th**.

DEVOTIONAL BOOKS

Dr. Chris Webb still has some Devotional Books available from last year. The books are **\$12 each** or **\$10 each for two or more**. The Devotionals are designed to use in any year and would again make great Christmas gifts. If you are interested in placing an order, please feel free to contact Dr. Chris Webb directly at **(910) 674-5836** or you can call the office at **(910) 521-9850**.

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NC'S 2020 ANNUAL MEETING

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's **2020 Annual Meeting** will be held **Tuesday, November 10, 2020** from **1-5 p.m.** at First Baptist Church of Charlotte. The Convention's Bylaws authorize the board to change the time or place of the Annual Meeting in the event of "emergency or unusual circumstances." More information, including registration details for Messengers, will be made available in the coming days.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

ALL BSBA MEETINGS/EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER HAVE BEEN CANCELED, AT THIS TIME! WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF ANY IMPORTANT UPDATES THROUGHOUT THE MONTH!

THANK YOU!

ANNA MAE LOCKLEAR NATIVE AMERICAN MISSIONS OFFERING (NOVEMBER 1, 2020)

As an Association, we have designated the 1st Sunday in November, as the Anna Mae Locklear Native American Missions Offering. If you are unable to collect this offering the first Sunday, you can designate any Sunday in November. It is an avenue to Honor the Memory of Ms. Anna Mae Locklear, for her work and ministry among our people, as well as support the ongoing efforts of others. We are asking each church to take up an offering on that Sunday. We as an Association will specifically use these funds to support missions among Native Americans locally, as well as Nationally. We will use these funds to offer assistance to those going to the reservations, as well as ministry in our own communities. You can send that to Burnt Swamp Baptist Association, P.O. Box 1207, Pembroke, NC 28372 and earmark it **Anna Mae Locklear NAMO**.

PREACHERS BENEVOLENT FUND

Don't forget our **Preachers Benevolent Fund**. Every Preacher is challenged and encouraged to give **\$100.00** a year to this fund. These funds will be a resource to help and assist other Preachers in our Association that may encounter a financial crisis. Be a part of **Preachers taking care of Preachers**.



We are on the Web
www.burntswamp.org



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Burnt Swamp Baptist Association

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| <p>1</p> <p>Anna Mae Locklear Native American Missions Offering</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends, We Fall Back 1 Hour</p> <p>Rev. Don Carter</p> | <p>2</p> <p>Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Election Day</p> | <p>4</p> | <p>5</p> <p>Mrs. Cynthia Hammonds (Adrian)</p> <p>Mrs. Elizabeth Griffin (William)</p> <p>Rev. Hilton & Iola Woodell</p> <p>Rev. Jason & Marlea Whitfield</p> | <p>6</p> | <p>7</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>8</p> | <p>9</p> | <p>10</p> <p>Baptist State Convention of NC Annual Meeting 1-5 pm at First Baptist Church of Charlotte</p> | <p>11</p> <p>Veterans Day</p> | <p>12</p> <p>Rev. Jason Whitfield</p> | <p>13</p> <p>Rev. Kenny Bullard</p> | <p>14</p> <p>Rev. Mike Cummings</p> <p>Rev. Ronnie Locklear</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>15</p> <p>Baptist Children's Home Offering (Odum Home Pledge \$75,000)</p> | <p>16</p> | <p>17</p> | <p>18</p> <p>Rev. Don Bullard</p> | <p>19</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Native American Christmas Gifts Drop-off Deadline for the Reservations out West (Rev. Charles Locklear)</p> <p>Rev. Tony Hunt</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Mrs. Frances Hunt-Lowery (Greg)</p> <p>Rev. Hubbard Lowery</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>22</p> | <p>23</p> <p>Mrs. Ellen Hunt (James A.)</p> <p>Rev. Ray Bryant</p> | <p>24</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Rev. Hubbard & Phyllis Lowery</p> <p>Rev. James Lloyd & BJ Demery</p> | <p>26</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day</p> | <p>27</p> | <p>28</p> <p>CANCELED</p> <p>Union Meeting @ 10:00 am</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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