

Catawba Valley Baptist Association

"That they may be ONE"

CATAWBA VALLEY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP TEAM

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Jeff Brown, Financial Administrator • Lisa Campbell, Administrative Assistant

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 OUR AMS

Dear Pastors, Church Leaders and Members,

God desires to assist our churches in the area of church health. Church leaders frequently find it challenging to recognize their church's opportunities and barriers to growth due to their close involvement. Churches often consider reaching out to a church consultant when they seek clarity and guidance. The relationship with a consultant can provide an objective perspective that helps identify issues and potential improvements. Understanding the top reasons for contacting a church health consultant can lead to more effective strategies for growth.

TOP REASONS CHURCHES CONTACT A CHURCH HEALTH CONSULTANT

- **1.** The Church is plateaued or declining; planned giving and/or offerings are declining; visitors do not return or join the church; there is conflict within the church.
- 2. The church does not have a plan for ensuring its growth in the short or long terms, and wants to have a plan.
- **3.** The church is planning a major effort in its life and ministry for example, a building expansion, mission effort, capital campaign, etc.
- **4.** The church is doing "OK" but is not sure what its strengths and weaknesses are ... at this moment, in its life.
- **5.** The church wants to assess its health and address any issues (listed above) more quickly than it could by relying on its own staff.

Three specific areas we offer assistance for the church is: Statistical Analysis (past), Church Health Survey (present), Demographical Study (future). This type of consultation encompasses the beginning development of a strategic plan for ministry, with specific attention to attendance and giving patterns, building space, and other growth issues. In essence, our team would assist your church to plan for its present and future. The *Church Health Survey* was created by Dr. Thom Rainer and Dr. Chuck Lawless. The *Church Health Survey* is a 160-item questionnaire that measures a church's perceived health in six areas:

worship, evangelism, fellowship, discipleship, prayer, and ministry. Church leaders choose a sampling of the church membership to complete the 30-40 minute survey, and *The Church Answers Group* provides a report for the church. I in turn write a prescription based on the results which can be used in casting the church's vision for the future. Thank you for considering our offer of assistance. We look forward to the opportunity to contribute and support your church's mission in any way we can.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your Associational Mission Strategist.

In Christ,

Dr. Charles Campbell, AMS















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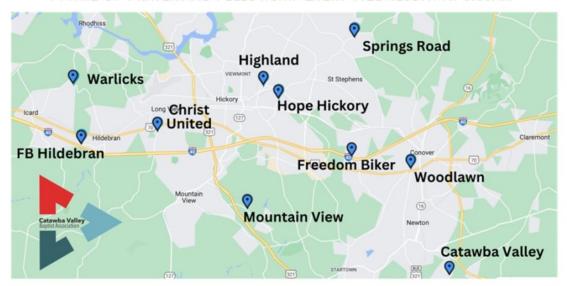
CHURCH LEADERS' CONFERENCE

MONDAY, MAY 12 2PM Springs Road Baptist Church

For more information and to register visit https://catawbavalleybaptistasso.subspla.sh/zyjq352

CVBA PASTOR PRAYER COHORTS

A TIME OF PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 8:30AM



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

April 2 FB Hildebran

May 7 Mountain View

June 4 Hope Hickory

April 9 Highland

May 14 Springs Road

June 11 FB Hildebran

April 16 Catawba Valley

May 21 Woodlawn

June 18 Highland

April 23 Freedom Biker

May 28 Christ United

June 25 Catawba Valley

April 30 Warlicks

First Baptist Hildebran –8831 Old NC Hwy 10, Hildebran

Highland–828 9th Avenue NE, Hickory

Catawba Valley-3390 Shepherd Road, Maiden

Freedom Biker Church-1385 33rd Street SE, Conover

Warlicks – 2684 Warlicks Church Road, Connelly Springs

Mountain View-4266 River Road, Hickory

Springs Road – 3580 Springs Road NE, Hickory

Woodlawn-430 7th Street Place SW, Conover

(white house located next to Family Life Center)

Christ United-1131 33rd Street SW, Hickory

Hope Hickory-130 16th Street, Hickory



Can we partner with you on your next outreach event?

Grants are available to our associational churches.

For more information visit

https://www.catawbavalleybaptistassociation.com/outreach-assistance



April Church Prayer Calendar

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1 Iglesia Bautista Central	2 The Journey Church	3 Lahu Baptist	4 Lakeview Baptist	5 Longview Baptist
		Elias Yax	Ben Rowe	Mark Meeseree	Troy Grant	Joe McRary
6 Mountain Grove Baptist	7 Mountain View Baptist	8 Mount Sinai Baptist	9 New Life Authentic Christian Comm	10 New Life Baptist Fellowship	11 North Newton Baptist	12 Open Door
	Steven Hill	Donald Gray	Chris Gruver	Jeff Kautz	Curtis Hagler	Shawn Davis
13 Oxford Baptist	14 Pilgrim Baptist	15 Providence Baptist	16 Sandy Ridge Baptist	17 Springs Road Baptist	18 Temple Baptist	19 Tri-City Baptist
Joel Frye	Terry Dickerson	Chris Dale	Bill Sturm	Jeff Brown	Lloyd King	Hampton Drum
20 Tri-City Fellowship	21 Trinity Baptist	22 Vertical Life	23 Vida Vertical Church	24 Viewmont Baptist	25 Warlicks Baptist	26 West Hickory Baptist
Ki-Young Kim	Paul Gilliam	Jonathan Foster	Julian Menchu Tax	Andrew Rawls	Gary Murry	Scott Frady
27 Winklers Grove Baptist Paul Deal	28 Woodlawn Baptist Tim Jernigan	Pray for the IMB and NAMB	Pray for the SBC Seminaries	KEY Blue-SBC Related requests Green-Hickory Area Churches Red-Hildebran/Icard Area Churches Yellow-Newton/Conover Area Churches		

Prepared by CVBA Prayer Ministry Leader, Pastor Scott Frady

THEOLOGICAL TRAINING

in the Catawba Valley

- Stay Local
- Serve Your Church
- Earn Credit toward Your Degree at SEBTS





email john@ctkhky.org for more information



CREATE A CULTURE OF B.L.E.S.S.

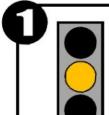
If you've not already signed up, please consider utilizing the Bless App. We have a long way to go but together we can reach the over 77,000 households God has placed in our direct mission field. If you have any questions or want to learn more, visit their website at https://app.blesseveryhome.com/.





CVBA Financial Snapshot

February 2025



CAUTION AHEAD

- Cash flow was positive for the month and for the year.
- •I have not yet moved any money out of savings to bolster our checking account. February receipts were better than expected, and boosted us enough into "the black" to see us through the month. At the Leadership Team's suggestion, I'll transfer in smaller increments as necessary throughout the year if the checking account goes "in the red".
- · Gage Allen's scholarship was returned by Liberty University.

To return to Solid Green:

- Sufficient amount in checking account to keep operating balance from dipping into the negative at any point during that month.
- · 35K "Reserves" in Savings Account
- Net Assets of 35K

Operating Funds Activity February					
Received from churches	13,467.01				
Interest earned	7.73				
Insurance Refund	17.00				
Total Received		13,491.74			
Total Expenses		10,960.79			
Period Balance		\$2,530.95			

Net Assets (Spendable Cash) Activity				
Net Assets January 1, 2025	38,536.28			
Net Assets Jan 31, 2025	37,527.97			
Net Assets Feb 28, 2025	40,058.92			
Growth for the month	\$2,530.95			
Growth for the year	\$1,522.64			

Operating Funds Balance:	F	ebruary 2025
TS:		
TOTAL in Checking Account	27,765.06	27,765.06
Designated Funds:		
Strategic Discipleship Transferred from the former Hollifield Center Designated for CVBA educational programming	1,536.52	
Women's Ministry Funds given by and for our Associational WMU	1,438.62	
Evangelism/Church Plants Donor-directed gifts for evang. & church planting	2,554.55	
Disaster Recovery Trailer Fund	7,374.93	
Subsplash Processing Fees	0.00	
Scholarship Dividends Dividends from our Scholarship Fund Designated for ministerial scholarships	764.26	
Mission Fund Grants Dividends from our Mission Fund (building sale) Designated for CVBA missions projects/programs	4,465.45	
CVBA Church Grants Funds received from the NC Missions Offering Designated for CVBA churches to use for outreach	5,247.45	
TOTAL DESIGNATED		-23,381.78
Current Liabilities:		
Federal Taxes Payable	1,458.55	
State Tax Payable	266.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		-1,724.55
SPENDABLE in Checking Account		2,658.73
Petty Cash		+\$27.91
TOTAL in Savings Account	37,372.28	
SPENDABLE in Savings Account NET ASSETS (SPENDABLE CASH)		+37,372.28 \$40,058.92

Scholarship Fund Investment Portfolio: 103,609.93 Change in value 3,699.91 As of Sept 30, 2024 Designated Funds Account: Disbursable Funds \$764.26 Total available \$764.26 Most Recent Scholarships: (3 scholarships @ \$700/student) Spring 2025 Jeremy Frady/Boyce \$700 Seth Harvey/SEBTS \$700 Gage Allen/Liberty \$700 (not enrolled)



CHURCH NEWS







WELCOME NEW SENIOR PASTOR

Trinity Baptist Church
Dr. Paul Gilliam, III



Pictured I to r: Pastor Gilliam, wife Lou Ann, and daughter Matty Grace of Raleigh

MINISTRY OPENING

Highland Baptist Church is in search of a Youth Pastor

If interested, send resume by April 15 to highlandbaptiststaff@gmail.com

CHURCH NEWS





NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL MINISTRY NEWS



Thank you churches for sacrificially giving of your time, talents and means to the continued relief efforts of our WNC neighbors.

As the needs continue there are various ways to give and get involved. For more information visit Baptists on Mission.

https://baptistsonmission.org/Mission-Projects/By-Mission-Type/Disaster-Relief/ Hurricane-Helene/Donations

AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN PROJECT

Foothills Service Project is a non-profit Christian ministry established to assist elderly and disabled persons in making their homes dry, safe, and warm. They serve Burke, Caldwell, Alexander and Catawba County. They have recently received a large grant and would like to help fund your next project but they also need volunteers in Catawba Valley to help with homes in our area. Is your church brotherhood or handyman ministry in need of a project or funding? Do you have carpentry skills and can volunteer to build ramps in our county in

order to reach your neighbors with the gospel? Then contact Scotty at sdonnelly@foothillsserviceproject.org or call 828-879-8400.





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nationaldayofprayer.org

