

“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 OUR AMS



5 WARNING SIGNS YOUR CHURCH NEEDS REVITALIZATION

Dear Church,

I have been studying and working with churches in the area of church health for many years. I enjoy reading and listening to podcasts from various groups. The goal is to continue to explore ways to help the church, from pastors and leaders with a proven biblical track record of success. Recently, I came across a podcast that sparked some deep thoughts in me regarding the role of the church and its mission in our lives. I want to share the outline of this podcast with you, as I believe it captures the essence of what we need to discuss and explore together.

The Church Revitalization Podcast - (Malphurs Group) Episode 147

Warning Sign 1: The church and its members are not reaching people with the Good News about Jesus. Jesus commissioned the Church to make and mature disciples. That is our mandate.

Warning Sign 2: Tradition or cultural values crowd out a focus on Biblical discipleship and life transformation. Core Values are the hidden hand in your church that makes decisions when you aren't paying attention. That is to say, the intrinsic motivations that drive your church are responsible for the micro-decisions that ultimately drive the day-to-day operations of your church.

Warning Sign 3: The church calendar is so cluttered that it's difficult to know which ministries are truly effective. Churches accumulate ministries like people accumulate junk in their garage. Over time, a garage might lose its primary function: a place to park the car. Likewise, ministries lose their primary function: to mature disciples.

Warning Sign 4: The church feels stagnant and is unclear how tomorrow could be different or better. The Lord never intended for mankind to be passive and stagnant. We are to be moving forward, making plans, and living out His call.

Warning Sign 5: The church regularly fails to make plans and follow through to completion. Churches love to brainstorm and write down ideas, but they're tragically poor at following through.

For the full podcast or article: <https://malphursgroup.com/5-warning-signs-your-church-needs-revitalization/>

Now for the good news! It's never too late to become a healthy church. I am here to be of service to you and with the Lord's help, all things are possible (Matthew 19:26). Are you in a healthy church? Then let's pray for each other (see the Church Prayer Calendar in this publication) to be the churches that the Lord has commissioned us to be—thriving, growing and reaching our neighbors with His love for His glory.

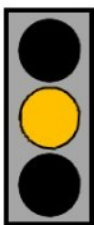
In Christ,
Chuck



CVBA Financial Snapshot

May 2025

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CAUTION AHEAD

- Cash flow was negative for the month and for the year
- I transferred \$3,000 from SAVINGS to CHECKING to ensure that the checking account stays in the black. This knocks into our RESERVE FUNDS by nearly \$600, which I will try to "repay" in June, if funds allow.

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

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Operating Funds Activity May

Received from churches	8,379.57	
Interest earned	8.57	
Total Received	8,388.14	
Total Expenses	<u>10,822.63</u>	
Period Balance	-\$2,434.49	

Net Assets (Spendable Cash) Activity

Net Assets January 1, 2025	38,536.28
Net Assets April 30, 2025	39,594.60
Net Assets May 31, 2025	37,160.11
Growth for the month	-\$2,434.49
Growth for the year	-\$1,376.17

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Operating Funds Balance:

May 2025

ASSETS:		
TOTAL in Checking Account	24,210.99	24,210.99
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	1,559.62	
Evangelism/Church Plants		
Donor-directed gifts for evang. & church planting	10,783.14	
Disaster Recovery Trailer Fund		
*\$5,000 deposited in early April will cover this overage.	804.39	
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	465.45	
CVBA Church Grants		
Funds received from the NC Missions Offering		
Designated for CVBA churches to use for outreach	3,847.45	
TOTAL DESIGNATED		-19,760.83
Current Liabilities:		
Federal Taxes Payable	1,464.67	
State Tax Payable	266.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>-1,730.67</u>
SPENDABLE in Checking Account		2,719.49
Petty Cash		+\$27.91
TOTAL in Savings Account	34,412.71	
SPENDABLE in Savings Account		+34,412.71
NET ASSETS (SPENDABLE CASH)		\$37,160.11

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Scholarship Fund

Investment Portfolio:	100,114.63
Change in value	-1,040.97
As of March 31, 2025	

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)

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Mission Fund

(from sale of old office building)

Investment Portfolio:	122,604.01
Change in value	-1,274.82

Value as of March 31, 2025
Original Investment: \$116,690.00

CVBA DR TRAILER ORIENTATION TRAINING

Saturday, July 19, 9am-10:30am
Woodlawn Baptist Church Student Center (Old Ford Bldg)
610 Conover Blvd (Hwy 70 SE)

For all CVBA church leaders that are interested in utilizing the new DR trailer.

Our AMS, Chuck, will cover:

- basic orientation •tool management
- trailer hookups •policies •and much more.

We will need to make sufficient copies, therefore, if you plan to attend, please let us know by calling the office at 828-328-1555 or emailing our AMS, Chuck, at

ccampbell@catawbavalleybaptistassociation.com

or our Administrative Assistant, Lisa, at

lcampbell@catawbavalleybaptistassociation.com.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CVBA CHURCHES

Visit each site for more information by clicking the live links below.

July 13-17 Tri-City, Hickory, MAGNIFIED

<https://tcbc.org/kids>

July 13-18 Oxford, Conover, TRUE NORTH

<https://oxfordbaptist.com/vbs>

July 14-18 Mountain Grove, Hickory, MAGNIFIED

<https://www.mgbchickory.org/upcoming>

July 20-24 Trinity, Newton, CAMP DISCOVERY

<https://www.trinitybaptistnewtonnc.org/childrens-ministry>

July 27-30 First Baptist Claremont, ROAD BLOCKS VBS

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61555870312743>

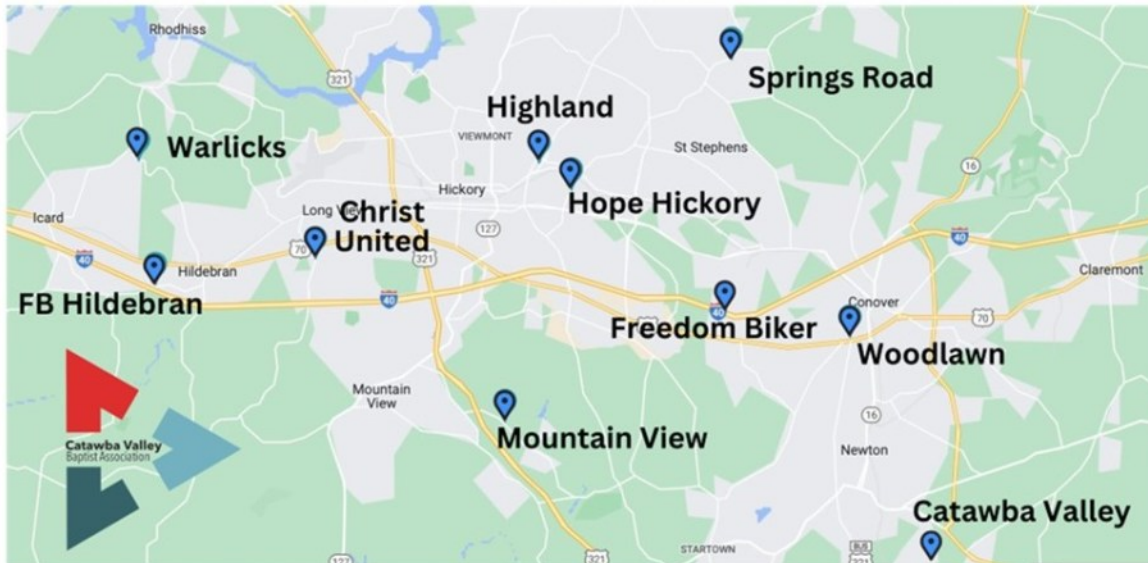
August 11-15 Blackburn, Hickory, CAMP FIRELIGHT

<https://www.facebook.com/blackburnchurch>



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.

July 2 Freedom Biker	Aug 6 Christ United	Sept 3 Catawba Valley
July 9 Warlicks	Aug 13 Hope Hickory	Sept 10 Freedom Biker
July 16 Mountain View	Aug 20 FB Hildebran	Sept 17 Warlicks
July 23 Springs Road	Aug 27 Highland	Sept 24 Mountain View
July 30 Woodlawn		

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 SE, Hickory



Catawba Valley Baptist Association Scholarships

The Catawba Valley Baptist Foundation was started in 1971 to provide financial assistance for the education of qualified students entering full-time Christian service.

If you are a member of a CVBA Church and would like to have an application for a scholarship or renew for another semester or learn about the requirements of the scholarships, visit our website at <https://www.catawbavalleybaptistassociation.com/scholarship>.

July 15 is the deadline for this upcoming semester!





July 2025 Church Prayer Calendar

Prepared by CVBA Prayer Ministry Leader, Pastor Scott Frady

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Blackburn Baptist	2 Calvary Baptist Shawn Milburn	3 Catawba Baptist Derek Jones	4 Catawba Valley Baptist Doug Nab	5 Catawba Valley Hmong Cher Teng Lee
6 Catawba Valley Vietnamese Andy Vo	7 Central Baptist Bob Dockery	8 Christ the King John Morrison/ Seth Harvey	9 Christ United Baptist David Stikeleather	10 Covenant Baptist Edwin Elmore	11 East First Street Baptist Alan McCoy	12 Encounter Church Elijah London
13 Escalate Church Matt Morgan	14 Fairbrook Baptist Rick Davis	15 Fairgrove Baptist	16 First Baptist Claremont Charles Beaucond	17 First Baptist Hickory Joshua Barrett	18 First Baptist Hildebran Cory Smith	19 First Baptist Hildebran En Español Lester Urbina
20 First Baptist Icard Michael Pardue	21 First Baptist Newton Chris Griffin	22 First Baptist Startown William Church	23 Freedom Biker Church Phil Goins	24 Harmony Baptist Arthur Mason	25 Highland Baptist Jeff Myers	26 Hmong Community Baptist Jonathan Moua
27 Hope Hickory Mark Schmitz/ Kenny Hall	28 Iglesia Bautista Betel Jorge Ramos	29 BSCNC Todd Unzicker	30 NAMB Kevin Ezell	31 IMB Paul Chitwood		

Blue—SBC, Green—Hickory, Red—Hildebran/Icard, Yellow—Newton/Conover

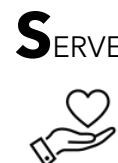
CREATE A CULTURE OF B.L.E.S.S.



The BLESS app has surpassed 70 million prayers!

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/>.





3 WAYS WE WANT TO SUPPORT YOUR SERVE NC EVENT or PROJECT

FOR MORE INFO, CLICK THE TITLES BELOW

1 EVANGELISM & OUTREACH GRANT

The Catawba Valley Baptist Association is offering our member churches the opportunity to receive a grant of up to \$200 to be used toward expenses for evangelistic and outreach events sponsored by your church.

2 MACHINES TO LEND

Let the association provide some extra fun at your next outreach event. We have a popcorn machine, cotton candy machine, and sno-cone machine. First come, first served so be sure to contact the office.

3 DISASTER RESPONSE TRAILER

The DR Trailer is fully stocked and ready for your next project. Let us provide the tools you'll need for ramp building, mud outs, yard work, and more!

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON **SERVENC**, VIEW THE LAST PAGE OF THIS PUBLICATION

WMU/WOMEN'S MINISTRY RED BOX PRISON MINISTRY



This year we are collecting 3.8 oz bags of **JOLLY RANCHER HARD CANDY** for incarcerated women in NC. A donation of cash (receipt given) or a check made out to Catawba Valley Baptist Association with "Red Box" in the memo section or bags of candy can be dropped off at Springs Road Baptist Church, 3580 Springs Road NE in Hickory, Mon.-Wed. 8a-4p or Thurs. 8a-noon. Deadline is Wednesday, October 15.

3.8 oz bags can be found at Dollar General, Family Dollar and Dollar Tree. Our goal is 500 bags! Thank you for supporting this ministry for those in need.

-Jeanie Minor and Janet Jordan
Co-Leaders CVBA WMU/WM

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CHURCHES OF YOUR NEXT
MISSION TRIP OR DISASTER
RELIEF EFFORTS USE 40 FREE
PADDED OAK PEWS?

For additional details and contact
information visit

<https://www.catawbavalleybaptistassociation.com/equity-exchange>





BLACKBURN BAPTIST CHURCH

Hickory NC

is in search of a
BIVOCATIONAL SENIOR PASTOR

For more information or to submit a resume,
contact Alisa at alisabhome@charter.net



Tri-City Baptist Church

is in search of a

**part-time childcare worker for
nursery and preschool age children.**

The position is needed for Sunday
mornings, during events, Bible studies
and Wednesday evenings.

Send resume' to mhefner@tcbc.org.



ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Wednesdays 6:30pm



201 Highway 70 E
Hildebran

For more information,
contact the church office at 327-9683.



INSTRUMENTALIST NEEDED

Temple Baptist Church is in need of a part-time pianist, organist or keyboardist for our Sunday morning worship service and occasional services, such as funerals and other special events. However, those interested in only the Sunday worship service are encouraged to apply. If interested, please email your resume' to office@tbc825.com. For more information contact Aundra at 828-244-2629.

5TH SUNDAY JOINT WORSHIP

August 31 at 5pm

**CHURCHES COMING
TOGETHER FOR PRAYER,
WORSHIP & THE WORD**

We invite you to join us at
**West Hickory Baptist Church
40 12th Street NW, Hickory**

for worship and a time of fellowship after the service. Additional service will be held on November 23 (4th Sunday Community Thanksgiving Service).

If you are interested in joining us, please let me know by emailing pastorfrady@gmail.com.

Dr. Scott Frady
Pastor of West Hickory Baptist Church

Thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord,
Pastors Scott Frady, Terry Dickerson,
David Stikeleather and Jeff Kautz

STATE AND LOCAL MINISTRY NEWS

3 Ways an NCBAM Regional Director Can Share in Your Church

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Church Service: Enjoy a 30-minute uplifting message along with an NCBAM update.

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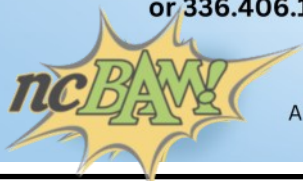
Outreach Opportunities: Receive a 5-minute update on NCBAM's 14 outreaches and an info table featuring ways to minister to and with aging adults.

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Wise Up Workshops: Choose from 40 workshops covering topics such as Planning Ahead, Healthy Aging, Prevention Programs, and more! Our workshops are great for lunch 'n' learns, conference break-outs, mission groups, and senior adult rallies or retreats.

Jimmy Lancaster, NCBAM's West Regional Director, would love to share with your church!

Contact Jimmy at
jlancaster@bchfamily.org
or 336.406.1050



North Carolina Baptist Aging Ministry
A ministry of Baptist Children's Homes of NC
ncbam.org / onehopencbam.org

BAPTISTS ON MISSION

As the needs continue in WNC after Hurricane Helene, 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>

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RICH FORK BAPTIST CHURCH
THOMASVILLE, NC
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025
IGNITING THE HEARTS OF MEN CONFERENCE
BAPTISTSONMISSION.ORG/IHMC
CHRIS HARPER
BETTERMAN CEO, AUTHOR, DISCIPLE-MAKER
ROD HANDLEY
FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF CHARACTER THAT COUNTS

NC MISSIONS OFFERING
Week of Prayer and Giving Aug 31- Sept 6
LIVING & SENT
2025 Goal 2.6M
<https://ncbaptist.org/north-carolina-missions-offering/>



CLICK THE LOGO OR SCAN THE QR ABOVE FOR INFORMATION ABOUT EACH MINISTRY.