

Mt. Zion Baptist Association

The Encourager

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Until the whole World hears. Matthew 24:14

KOURY CONVENTION CENTER
3121 W Gate City Blvd
Greensboro, NC 27407
November 16th -17th, 2026

ANNUAL
MEETING
2026

On
Mission
Together
NC BAPTISTS

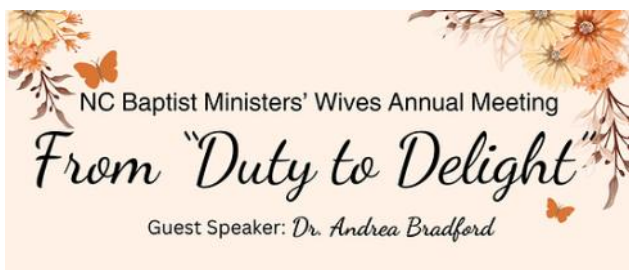
For more information go to:

<https://ncbaptist.org/annual-meeting/>



Pastor's Conference - Register Here!

<https://form.jotform.com/261234099989170>



Pastor Wives Conference - Register Here!

<https://ncbminwives.wixsite.com/ncbmw/events>



Mt. Zion Association

Pastor's & Wives Christmas Dinner

Thursday Evening, December 3rd at 6:00pm

save the date!

*Holly Hill Baptist Church
2818 Edgewood Drive, Burlington*

*Check your emails often!
Information will be sent through
emails in the days to come!*



Grateful Thankful Blessed



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

YOU'RE INVITED!!

Hosted by: MOUNT ZION Associational WMU

Monday, November 2nd, 2026

Mars Hill Baptist Church
1418 N.C. Highway 57 * Hillsborough, NC

Program begins at 7:00pm

Guest Speaker

Mitch & Jennifer Mann, The Source Food Bank

Please join us for a time of Sharing and Prayer



**Come join us for a special night
of Gospel Music
Ben Rochester Family**

Sunday, November 1, 2026

5pm

**Glencoe Baptist Church
2556 Glencoe St, Burlington**



On 7/20/26 our world was turned upside down. My husband Greg was in a near fatal car accident on his way home from Bible study group. His backbone was broken in half, as was his collar bone. He had many head lacerations requiring staples, and also had a concussion.

The next day Garry sent out an email requesting prayer, and he started a Meal Train for us, and God's people showed up!

You sent cards, gift cards, and monetary gifts to help with meals and bills. But most of all you prayed.

Greg went into surgery to have his back repaired. The trauma to his body was so severe, they put him on a ventilator in the OR so that he could breath. God's people were praying, and even though the doctors said he might be on it for several days, it was removed the following morning - less than 24 hours.

He was moved out of intensive care sooner than expected, and his rehab was only 3 days instead of 7-10. Recovery from this type of Trauma/surgery is 12 weeks. Greg went back to work exactly 9 weeks after the accident. He is in all respects a walking miracle. At every moment in this journey God's touch was evident. God's people prayed, and God responded.

The love and care that you have demonstrated to us has been overwhelming. We wanted to say "thank you" for every prayer uttered, for every card, and for every gift - it has meant the world to us.

May God Bless you all,
Sandi & Greg King

You are Cordially Invited to a **Community Thanksgiving Celebration Service**



Featuring Special Music By
The Steadfast Quartet

Date & Time:
Sunday Nov 22nd at 4:00 PM

Location:
Mars Hill Baptist Church
1418 NC Highway 57
Hillsborough, NC 27278

All Are Welcome! Invite friends and family. (A love offering will be received)



Monday, November 9th
10 - 11:30am with lunch to follow

Riverside Baptist Church
1568 E. Harden Street, Graham

We need a headcount by Friday, November 6th for lunch preparations. Contact Garry at gates@mtzionassociation.com
Suggested donation for lunch \$5.



God has given us beautiful fall colors. Thank him.

Upcoming events:

I am working on the calendar for 2027. If you have not contacted me about the projects you wish to participate in, please let me know.

World Day of Prayer Monday, November 2, 2026, at Mars Hill Church in Hillsborough. Our speakers will be Mitch and Jennifer Mann of "The Source Food Bank."

Appalachian Backpacks are due to First Baptist Burlington, Saturday, November 7, 2026. Bring your filled backpacks between 9:00 am and noon.

Operation Christmas Child – shoeboxes - Collection week, November 16, 2026, thru November 23, 2026.

Past Events:

On Thursday, October 15, 2026, Dinner for Ralph Scott Residents was provided by Antioch and Mt Zion Baptist Churches.

Thank you for the gloves for the Red Boxes. Totals will be reported next month.

NOTICE:

2026-2027 WMU Dues are due 1/1/2027. The dues are \$3 per member (more details in notices).

Pat Parks - Associational WMU Director (cell: 336-684-6255)
(email: jwpil@att.net)

*Happy Thanksgiving
from our homes to yours!!*

*Garry Gates, Larry Lambeth
& Sandi King
Mt. Zion Association*



The MZBA office will be closed
Wednesday, Nov. 25th & Thursday, Nov 26th in
observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday

2026 Mount Zion Association Calendar

Pastors Gatherings

2nd Monday of each month
November 9th Riverside Baptist Church

NC Baptists Annual Meeting

November 16th - 17th
Koury Convention Center, Greensboro
November 15-16th Pastor's Conference
November 16th Pastor Wives Breakfast

Minister's & Wives Christmas Banquet

6:00 December 3rd
Holly Hill Baptist Church

Please Note. The dates and times of the 2026 proposed calendar are subject to change based on future availabilities of venues and speakers. MZBA reserves the right to cancel or reschedule any event due to low enrollment.

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Veterans Day
November 11th

★ ★ ★ THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE ★ ★ ★

Thank you for the important ways you serve churches in NC! Our churches help to strengthen our shared mission of reaching people with the gospel.

The digital ACP form opens each year on Jan. 1 and collects data from the previous calendar year. To help you prepare, we have provided a [pre-recorded tutorial video](#) that walks through the process and answers common questions. You can also find answers to FAQ at ncbaptist.org/acp_faq.

ACP data helps us celebrate what God is doing through our churches and better serve N.C. Baptists across the state. We encourage churches to utilize the digital form as it streamlines reporting, reduces errors and lowers costs.

If you have questions, or need assistance we are here to help! Please call (800) 395-5102 or email communications@ncbaptist.org.

