

# BAPTISTS ON MISSION

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## BAPTISTS ON MISSION AREAS OF WORK

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**At Baptists on Mission, our Purpose is to Glorify God by involving churches and Christians in meeting human needs in Jesus' name. We do that by offering a wide variety of opportunities for volunteers to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Everything from aviation missions where we fly patients to much-needed medical care, partnership missions, prayer ministries, medical, dental, construction, disaster relief, disaster recovery, etc.**

**Baptists on Mission volunteers serve in 19 ministries that include the following:**

### **STATE/NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL MISSION PROJECTS**

God is changing lives through mission trips sponsored by Baptists on Mission in North Carolina (mission camps, Impact NC, Disaster Rebuilds, etc.) and to places such as Pennsylvania, Hawaii, New England, Rocky Mountain Region, Appalachian Coalfields, Alaska, Guatemala, Kenya, Armenia, Romania, Hungary, Moldova, Cuba, South Africa and other places. Many hundreds of volunteers serve in these partnerships every year. [As a result of the war in Ukraine, we have sent and are sending teams and funds to assist refugees in Poland, Hungary, Moldova and inside of Ukraine to assist displaced people. Because of your generosity, our goal we fed more than 1,000,000 Internally Displaced Persons \(IDPs\) whose lives have been upended by the war in Ukraine. Additionally, this past Winter we were able to send more than 1000 stoves to Ukraine to assist those affected by the war.](#)

**Lives are being changed...** The British missionary William Carey said, "Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God." Here are some of the things that we as NC Baptists have been doing to minister to people and to glorify God:

### **DISASTER RELIEF**

God has blessed us with excellent disaster relief equipment and volunteers. North Carolina Baptists have five large disaster feeding units. The two largest units are capable of preparing and serving 30,000+ meals per day. We now have more than 250 disaster recovery trailers (owned by local churches and associations) used to clean up and repair work after a disaster. We also have six large shower units, three laundry units, a childcare unit, several large recovery units, large generator units, and lots of other disaster relief equipment that the Lord has provided. This past year NC Baptist Disaster Relief responded to the Kentucky Tornadoes, Rockingham County tornadoes, Hurricane Fiona in Puerto Rico, flooding in Kentucky and Virginia, Hurricane Ian in Florida, and other disasters.

### **DIASASTER REBUILD**

In September, 2018, Hurricanes Florence slammed our state and affected thousands of families. Three years later in August 2021, Tropical Storm Fred devastated Haywood and other counties in WNC. God has blessed us with rebuild centers where we can house, feed, and coordinate the work of thousands of rebuild volunteers. So far, we have helped more than 2000 families get back in their homes. There are more families still waiting for assistance in rebuilding their lives years after the storms. People in great need are hearing and seeing the love of Christ, and many people are coming to commit or to recommit their lives to Jesus.

### **MEDICAL/DENTAL MISSIONS**

Baptists on Mission offers the use of the mobile medical/dental units to Baptist and non-Baptist churches and service organizations within North Carolina who wish to reach out to people in need. More than 100 clinics are

held each year on the two mobile units. Patients targeted through this ministry may include the impoverished, Hispanic, and other ethnic groups, farm workers, fair workers, the homeless, the elderly, and more.

### **HEALTH SCREENING MINISTRY**

Health disparities are prevalent in more impoverished neighborhoods. Our goal is to take healthcare to the most disadvantaged populations, thus improving community health navigation as we align local community health centers with patients seen at the mobile clinics. The unit's health screening tests include Hemoglobin A1C for diabetes screening, finger stick glucose, Cholestech LDX for total cholesterol and HDL results, body mass index calculation, depression screening, basic eye exams, and vital signs assessment. This ministry provides not only basic health screening clinics but spiritual assessments and counseling as well. Our hope is that by meeting a physical need, a spiritual door will be opened, and the love of Jesus can be shared.

### **STUDENT MISSIONS**

Deep Impact helps North Carolina Baptist churches develop a comprehensive, coed youth missions strategy to produce committed followers of Christ. This strategy includes pre-packaged mission weeks, free online mission studies, weekend mission retreats, hands-on mission training, and much more.

### **DI KIDS**

One of our newest efforts is DI Kids (Deep Impact Kids), a missions weekend/week for children and their leaders. DI Kids Missions Weeks, Mini-weeks, and Weekends are pre-packaged mission experiences sponsored by Baptists on Mission. They provide elementary-age students and their leaders/parents with the opportunity to share the love of God with people in NC. The children enjoy a great camp experience with a mission focus. Involving children in missions is an excellent beginning to develop disciple-making students and adults with love for missions.

### **OTHER MINISTRIES**

In addition to the ministries described above, other ministries of Baptists on Mission designed to equip, motivate and mobilize volunteers to be involved in missions are Agriculture Missions, Aviation Ministry, Baptist Builders, Baptist Educators, Family Foundations, College Missions, Compassion Ministry, Church Renewal, Prayer Support, Sports and Recreation, Men's Ministry, Student Missions and Children's Missions.

### **MISSIONS CONFERENCE**

The annual missions conference, sponsored by Baptists on Mission, includes music, testimonies, speakers, breakout sessions, mission fair exhibits, volunteer suppers, and much more. The desired end result is for participants to be spiritually renewed and inspired to become involved in missions locally and worldwide. Over 1,600 people attend this conference every year.

### **REGIONAL MISSIONS RALLIES**

Each spring and fall, Baptists on Mission sponsors regional rallies in all 10 regions of our state. These meetings are designed to challenge North Carolina Baptists across the state to greater mission involvement and promote the September North Carolina Missions Offering. The rallies are open for all men, women, and youth interested in missions.

### **BAPTISTS ON MISSION MAGAZINE**

This publication is mailed twice each year to all church mission leaders on each level, mission volunteers, BOM ministry groups, youth directors, ministers of education, and pastors. Information is provided through this magazine to promote upcoming mission projects/events and to report on recently completed projects.

### **MISSION CAMPS**

Every year an average of 5,000 volunteers respond to needs through the Mission Camps in Red Springs, Shelby, and Rose Hill (Charity). These Mission Camps are a great way to get your church involved in life-changing mission projects at a very affordable price.

## STAFF

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The Baptists on Mission Staff is committed to helping North Carolina Baptist churches involve their members in missions. Your Baptists on Mission staff are: Richard Brunson, Executive Director-Treasurer; Chelsie Carpenter, Administrative Coordinator; Krissy Watson, Mobile Dental Ministry Coordinator; Crystal Horton, Health Screening Ministry Coordinator; Mark Abernathy, Consultant for Partnerships and Men's Ministry; Tom Beam, Consultant for Disaster Relief and Mobilization; Jordan Caddell, Consultant for Student Missions Mobilization; Dollie Noa, Consultant for Children and Family Missions; Paul Langston, Missions Mobilization Consultant; K Brown, Videographer and Communications Consultant; Robbie and Christie Alexander, Mission Camp Coordinators in Shelby; Sarah Johnson, Shelby Mission Camp; Larry and Teresa Osborne, Mission Camp Coordinators in Red Springs; Teresa Jones, Financial Administrator/Roma Partnership Coordinator, Melanie Crawford, Events and Partnerships Assistant; Tracey Ford, Disaster Relief Assistant; Dewey and Kathie Aiken, Appalachian Coalfield Field Coordinator; Bill Martin, Florence Rebuild Coordinator; Rick Trexler, College Missions contract worker; Lynn Tharrington, Board/Advisory Council Communications Coordinator contract worker.

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