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Greetings YBA family,

Somewhere along the way I started repeating a phrase I heard as a funny quip or response. If someone asked me a question which involves numbers and/or mathematics, I would reply, "I was told there would be no math involved today." (This quote actually originated from a sketch with Chevy Chase on Saturday Night Live in 1976.) Today, as Christ followers we are asked our opinion on a lot of things and we may want to respond, "I was told there would be no math" as a way to not respond or inadvertently admitting that maybe we really don't have a clue or don't want to answer. But as 1 Peter 3:15 instructs us, we must be ready to give an answer.

I want to share with you briefly today about the math of the Gospel message. The Bible talks a lot about math. Now I'm not talking about some numerology study that is going to predict the end of times, but I am talking about the importance of mathematical terminology in the Bible. Terms like addition, subtraction, multiplication and even division.

Acts 2:46-47 tells us that the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

We are told not to add or subtract anything from God's word in Deuteronomy 4:2. In the beginning God told Adam and Eve to **be fruitful and multiply**. In fact, the word "Multiply" occurs over 23 times just in the book of Genesis. The word "divided" or "division" occurs over 175 times in the Bible including the verse in Mark 3:24 **"If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand."**

The year 2020 will be remembered here in America as the year of COVID-19 and a year of focus on Social Justice, especially when it relates to the injustice of racism committed against our African American citizens. We the church must be ready to give an answer that adds up. A few weeks ago, a friend of mine, Nate Jones, published an article in the Biblical Recorder where he made the following statement:

"It is not enough to simply say, "I don't condone racism or participate in racism." We must do what we can to be part of the solution. Scripture tells us in 1 John 4 that God loved us and we ought to love others. In fact, if we don't love others, then the love of God is not in us." We must be willing to add, subtract, multiply and divide in ways that will honor God.

I wholeheartedly agree with Nate and others who are calling us as the church to stand up against racism. Black Lives Matter! Yes, I said it! Now many of us will want to respond, but All Lives Matter to God and while we are correct, we are missing the point entirely. If four of us were in a car wreck and three of us had minor scratches and bruises while one person was seriously injured, I doubt that we would fight over who needed the paramedic's attention first.

We must prayerfully ask God to help us to treat each person, made in the image of God, with respect and learn to love one another as Christ loves us. Last week I listened to a panel discussion hosted online by Ronnie Floyd, president and CEO of the SBC Executive Committee, who brought together five African American Southern Baptist pastors and leaders. The panel discussion was honest and painful to hear but as Christ followers, we must all listen and learn.

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Philadelphia pastor K. Marshall Williams urged Southern Baptists to stand together in unity against injustice, stating that, *"unless hearts change, nothing will change in America."*

Affirming Southern Baptists' strong, passionate stands against things like abortion and sexual immorality, Pastor Williams charged Baptists *"to be as passionate about racism and injustice, because it's part of the biblical mandate, Micah 6:8, to do justice."*

"I don't think we need to write any more resolutions," he said. *"We need to put some shoe leather in it and effect some change. ...Our younger generation wants to see practical application of the biblical principle."*

May we practice the Gospel math of adding new friends from other races, cultures, subtracting our bias and hate, and multiplying Agape love to all people. And may the church not be divided but more united than ever as we move forward. I look forward to seeing how God can use your church and YBA to truly reflect His glory to the Triangle and the ends of the earth. I pray that John 17:21 will become a reality; *"May they all be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I am in You. May they also be in Us, so that the world may believe You sent Me."*

For His glory,
Marty

YBA Food Pantry

Antioch Baptist Church
1415 Holloway Street
Durham, NC 27703
(919) 688-8893

Food is currently being received and distributed on Tuesdays & Thursdays (9:00 am-12:00 noon).
You DO NOT need to call before delivering food.

THIRD QUARTER PANTRY PROVIDERS

(July - September)

Calvary, Durham Memorial, Emanuel, Faith, Gorman, Grace Park, Great Faith, La Fe, Leesville Road, LifeZone, NC Myanmar, North Durham, Plainview, Red Mountain, Ridgecrest, The Church at NC



**Quarterly
Worship
Gathering**

Yates Baptist Association
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**Will be aired on
Tuesday, July 21, 2020
at 7:00 p.m.**

Due to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings, the YBA Quarterly Worship Gathering will be pre-recorded and will be available to view online. A link will be posted on our website as well as on our Facebook page.

<https://www.yatesba.org>

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

**Join us online as we worship together
and share associational information.**

Training Extravaganza 2020

"Vital & Virtual in a COVID-19 Context"

Saturday, August 15, 2020

TE 2020 is not cancelled but will transition into a compilation of virtual Online Learning conference experiences. The Covid-19 virus has necessitated short term planning be structured without large gatherings and maximum flexibility.

The basics of this Virtual Learning model are emerging and will result in 12-15 learning experiences for viewing and downloading resources at your convenience.

Presenters/Facilitators/Leaders will record a presentation of about fifteen minutes and will also provide resource materials and/or PowerPoint presentations for the learners.

By August 15 all Training Sessions, resource materials and other interactive learning experiences will be posted on the Raleigh Baptist Association website.

www.raleighbaptists.org

PRIME TIME XXVII Senior Adult Event

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON

Ebenezer Baptist Church
1210 Pleasant Green Road
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will not have a luncheon following this year's Prime Time Senior Adult service.

Watch for more details to come.



21ST ANNUAL
GOLF TOURNAMENT

FOR MEN, WOMEN, YOUTH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2020

UMSTEAD PINES at WILLOWHAVEN
253 COUNTRY CLUB DR, DURHAM, NC

(Cost: \$70/golfer (Includes golf and lunch))

8:30 a.m. - First Session
1:45 p.m. - Second Session
12:00 p.m. - Lunch

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT DEADLINE:
FRIDAY, SEPT. 11, 2020

For more information, go to www.yatesba.org
or call 919-489-3396.

Sponsored by Baptist Men of YBA

Yates Baptist Association 72nd Annual Missions Celebration Tuesday, October 27, 2020



Luke 15:7 (ESV)

The Summit Church - Brier Creek Campus
2335 Presidential Drive, Durham, NC 27703

EVENING SESSION: 6:30 PM

Speaker: Dr. George Robinson
Associate Professor of Missions and Evangelism
Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Due to COVID-19, we will only have one session this year.
More details will be forthcoming as plans are finalized.

Baptist Children's Home Food Roundup



Collection Dates for YBA Churches:
Monday-Thursday, September 28 - October 1

Yates Baptist Association
 2100 Chapel Hill Road, Durham, NC 27707

Be the hands that help fill children's plates.

Help make this the best Roundup yet! A complete list of items needed is posted on our website and information has been sent to the church offices. Please help our volunteers by packing your church's donations in small sturdy boxes.

(Grocery store gift cards are also suggested.)

For more information, call the YBA office at 919-489-3396.

Mission: Dignity Sunday - August 30, 2020

Thank you for being there for God's faithful servants who now find themselves in financial need.



Your participation would be a blessing to the 1,700 households of SBC retired ministers, workers and widows we serve because:

They were there to point you to Christ.
 They were there to pray with and for you.
 They were there as the hands and feet of Christ in your life.

And now, they need your help more than ever. Retired SBC pastors, workers and their widows living on low incomes — after decades of faithful ministry in small churches — rely on Mission:Dignity for monthly grant assistance to pay for food, utilities, medicine and other necessities. And the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic makes this assistance more critical than ever before.

100% of the funding each recipient receives comes from people like you and churches like yours, so we need YOU to help us raise awareness for this important one-day giving event.

 **Mission: Dignity**
 Assisting Retired Ministers and Spouses

Associational Missions



May 2020

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS 2020

CHURCHES	MAY	YTD
Agape Reconciliation	\$ -	\$ -
Antioch	\$ -	\$ -
Bahama	\$ 669.13	\$ 3,743.53
Bells	\$ 291.88	\$ 1,928.23
Berea	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00
Bethesda	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Braggtown	\$ 157.35	\$ 919.33
Calvandar	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Calvary	\$ 280.98	\$ 1,725.17
Cedar Fork	\$ 40.05	\$ 556.59
Chapel Hill Chinese	\$ -	\$ -
Cresset	\$ -	\$ 860.08
Dayspring	\$ -	\$ -
Durham Memorial	\$ -	\$ 4,696.12
Ebenezer	\$ 269.14	\$ 1,315.86
Edgewood	\$ -	\$ -
Faith	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Faith Community	\$ -	\$ -
First Hillsborough	\$ -	\$ 1,722.55
Gateway	\$ -	\$ 1,013.26
Global Gates	\$ -	\$ -
Glory of Christ Fellowship	\$ -	\$ -
Gorman	\$ 666.66	\$ 1,666.65
Gospel	\$ -	\$ 275.30
Grace Park	\$ -	\$ -
Great Faith	\$ -	\$ -
Grey Stone	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Guess Road	\$ 677.89	\$ 4,081.97
Hanmaum	\$ -	\$ -
Harvest Glen	\$ -	\$ 674.00
HillSide	\$ -	\$ -
Hope Valley	\$ 425.87	\$ 3,149.87
Iglesia Bautista Monte Carmelo	\$ -	\$ -
Iglesia Bautista La Fe	\$ -	\$ -
Iglesia Cristiana Emanuel	\$ -	\$ -
Immanuel	\$ 1,214.36	\$ 3,602.47
Lawrence Road	\$ 414.90	\$ 1,673.53
Leesville Road	\$ -	\$ 421.31
LifeSpring	\$ -	\$ 247.04
LifeZone	\$ -	\$ 200.00

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS 2020 ~ Continued

CHURCHES	MAY	YTD
Lord's Wing Korean	\$ -	\$ 375.00
Lowe's Grove	\$ 539.32	\$ 3,533.45
Lystra	\$ -	\$ 250.00
Mision Cristo La Solucion	\$ -	\$ -
Mosaic	\$ -	\$ 760.63
Mount Carmel	\$ 411.91	\$ 1,366.36
Mount Gilead	\$ -	\$ -
Mount Hermon	\$ 336.20	\$ 1,600.07
Mount Moriah	\$ -	\$ 300.00
Mount Pisgah	\$ -	\$ 169.00
NC Myanmar	\$ -	\$ -
New Freedom	\$ -	\$ -
New Jerusalem	\$ 1,375.00	\$ 1,375.00
North Durham	\$ -	\$ -
Olive Branch	\$ -	\$ -
Page Road	\$ -	\$ -
Park View	\$ 100.00	\$ 500.00
Plainview	\$ 1,104.00	\$ 2,391.00
Red Mountain	\$ -	\$ 125.00
Restoration Church	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00
Ridgecrest	\$ 666.67	\$ 4,646.35
Rose of Sharon	\$ -	\$ 675.00
Sunrise	\$ 200.00	\$ 800.00
Temple	\$ 194.00	\$ 1,206.83
The Church at NC	\$ -	\$ -
The Point-Chapel Hill	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
The Point-Espanol	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
The Summit	\$ 375.00	\$ 1,875.00
University	\$ -	\$ 500.00
Waypoint	\$ -	\$ -
Yates	\$ 978.67	\$ 5,065.77
Church Missions Giving	\$ 13,738.98	\$ 66,787.32
Other Contributions	\$ 2,403.75	\$ 12,363.26

TOTAL INCOME **\$ 16,142.73** **\$ 79,150.58**

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Monthly Budget Needs: \$ 22,854.33
May Receipts: \$ 16,142.73
Total Receipts To Date: \$ 79,150.58
Budget Needs To Date: \$ 114,271.67
Difference: \$ (35,121.09)