



# Yates Baptist Association

*"Working together to advance God's Kingdom"*

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*Yates Baptist Association is a network of churches working together in mission and ministry for the purposes of church growth and church renewal in the Durham - Chapel Hill Metro area.*

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# Quarterly Worship Gathering

## *"Night of Encouragement"*

Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Rose of Sharon Baptist Church  
4109 Guess Road, Durham, NC 27712

### Guest Speakers:

**Chris Alley, Strategic Focus Team Leader**  
**Baptist State Convention of NC**  
 and

**Karen Slate, Development Director**  
**Baptist Children's Home**

***Come join us as we gather together for worship and learn how your church can be involved in ministry. Special report from the Executive Committee. All are welcome.***



Greetings YBA Family,

With the Summer Olympics just around the corner I wanted to share an Olympic story. Matthew Emmons is one of the best shooters in the history of American shooting. Across his 23-year career, the four-time Olympian has won numerous titles, including one gold, one silver and one bronze at the Olympic Games, plus a gold and bronze medal at the World Championships.

But he might be better remembered for the Olympic gold medal that he didn't win.

Two days after winning the gold medal, Emmons stood on the stage of the men's 50m rifle three-position final, during which he had established a huge lead in the point standings, with a three-point lead over the second-placed athlete. Prior to the final shot, all he needed to do was hit the target to win his second gold medal. Then, the unthinkable happened. Emmons scored zero on his final shot after misfiring at another competitor's target. He shot at the wrong target. He blew the three-point lead, dropped to eighth overall. Now don't feel too bad for Emmons as he went on to win more medals, but this example should be one that the church today should hear. Obviously, the lesson here is to make sure you are shooting at the correct target. As a Christ follower what is your target, as a church what is your measuring stick of faithfulness?

What is the goal or the target we as Christ followers should be aiming at? Well, many people over the years have suggested that there are five purposes of the church. Here's the list: worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and mission. I know in any group of pastors and theologians, there might be some who would want to add to this list and others who might take some away. But if we were to narrow that down to one thing, what is the mission of the church? I'm reminded of John 20:21 where Jesus said to His disciples, "as the Father has sent Me, I also send you." I have noticed a reoccurring theme in all my sermons over this past year. This theme is that we have been saved to be sent! You and I have been saved to be sent out and represent Christ to a lost world. We have been commissioned to share the Gospel message with a world that is literally dying to hear it.

God is at work here in our association. Here's one example of what God is doing in our area. Back in March of this year, the student pastor at Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Austin Tsumas, challenged the youth to have 500 Gospel conversations over the next year. To date, the students have shared the Gospel with 129 people.

In the past month, they have seen 5 people accept Christ and 18 others come forward for baptism. There was lady in her 60s who came to their first baptism service to support one of the students. After watching everyone get baptized, she was convicted by the Holy Spirit and went back to her home church (that is not Ridgecrest) to talk to her pastor about getting baptized as well. So that would make 19 people altogether who have come forward for baptism!

The majority of the people who have come forward for baptism are students in grades 7th-12th grade. However, a few college age students have come forward as well. Will you stop and thank God for what He is doing with these students and pray that it will be contagious!



One of my favorite sports quotes comes from NHL Hall of Famer, Wayne Gretzky. He said "You miss 100 percent of the shots you don't take." Today I am praying that you will aim at the right goal and you will take the shot. Share the Good News of the Gospel with someone today.

for His glory,  
Marty

# PRIME TIME XXVII Senior Adult Event

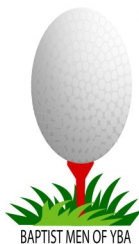
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021  
10:30 A.M. - 12:00 NOON (lunch follows)  
Cost: \$8.00 (RSVP Required)

Ebenezer Baptist Church  
1210 Pleasant Green Road  
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Special Guest Speaker:  
Mrs. Renea Henderson  
([www.youlaughalot.org](http://www.youlaughalot.org))



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22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL  
GOLF TOURNAMENT  
FOR MEN, WOMEN, YOUTH

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

UMSTEAD PINES at WILLOWHAVEN  
253 COUNTRY CLUB DR, DURHAM, NC  
(Cost: \$75/golfer (Includes golf and lunch))

8:30 am - First Session  
1:45 pm - 2nd Session  
(12:15 - 1:30 pm - Lunch & Door Prizes)

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT DEADLINE IS  
FRIDAY, SEPT. 10, 2021

For more information, go to [www.yatesba.org](http://www.yatesba.org)  
or call 919-489-3396

All Proceeds go to benefit the YBA Handyman  
Ramp Ministry, Orange County Prison Ministry,  
Good Shepherd Mission Center in Guatemala and  
the Oaxaca, Mexico Partnership

*Fill the*  
**TANK**

LEAD YOUR CHURCH TO CELEBRATE BAPTISMS

Sunday, SEPT. 12

FILLTHETANKNC.ORG

## Fill the Tank Sunday Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>

Just think of the changed lives, the rejuvenated churches and the eternal impact we would witness if every church in the Baptist State Convention participated. (Even if a church doesn't have someone to baptize on that day, the focus on baptism will raise awareness of the lost, the need for a gospel witness and life-transformation in Christ.)

Churches sign up today at [Fillthetanknc.org](http://Fillthetanknc.org)

## Yates Baptist Association 73rd Annual Mission Celebration Tuesday, October 26, 2021



*"For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works."*

~Titus 2:11-14

Ridgecrest Baptist Church  
1104 Milton Road, Durham, NC 27712

**AFTERNOON SESSION: 3:30 PM**

**DINNER: 5:30 PM**

(Chick-Fil-A Meal: Cost: \$6)

RSVP Deadline: Thursday, October 21

**EVENING SESSION: 6:45 PM**

We will have an **Associational Choir** for the Evening Session. If you are interested in being a part of this choir, please call 919-489-3396 or email [office@yatesba.org](mailto:office@yatesba.org) (REHEARSAL TIMES: TBD)

## Pennsylvania Partnership Mission Trip

Tamaqua, PA  
July 23-30, 2021  
Back Yard Bible Club  
and Service Projects



**15 Team Members needed.**

**Cost: \$400.00**

plus VBS material. For more info  
contact Michael Bond at 919-489-3396  
or email [mlbond@yatesba.org](mailto:mlbond@yatesba.org)

PLANTACIÓN DE IGLESIAS NC

**NO ESTAMOS SOLOS!**  
WE ARE NOT ALONE!

Sábado 31 de Julio, 2021  
9:00am – 2:30pm  
Lebanon Baptist Church  
Greensboro, NC

[ncbaptist.org/nosolos](http://ncbaptist.org/nosolos)

### Church Planting and Missions Congress for Hispanic Pastors and Leaders

Free Event - Lunch provided. You must preregister.

*For more information and to register, go to:*

For more information, go to: <https://ncbaptist.org/nosolos>

**Replenish**

A RETREAT FOR PASTORS & THEIR FAMILIES  
Fort Caswell, Oak Island, NC

### Replenish Retreat September 6-8

The "Replenish" retreat for pastors and their families is designed to help pastors replenish their marriage, their ministry and their mission. Through encouraging teaching and free time together, pastors and their wives can learn to apply principles for restoring joy to their marriage, family and ministry.

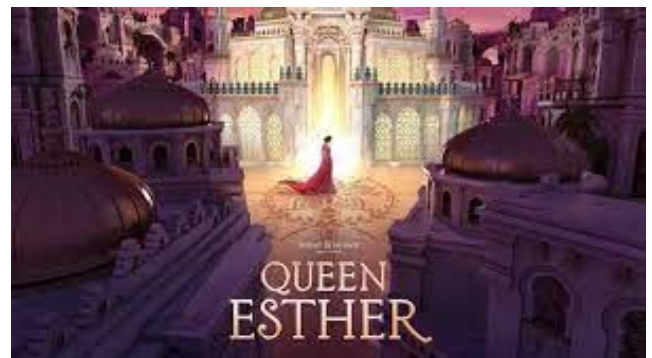
Cost: \$99/per room

For more information, go to: <https://ncbaptist.org/replenish>

### Bus Trip to Amish Country, PA September 28-30, 2021

Cost: \$425/person

*(Includes Double Occupancy Hotel, Show Tickets,  
4 Buffet Meals, Attraction Admissions, Insurance and Tips,  
Holiday Bus and tour guides)*



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For more information and to reserve your spot, contact Jan Perry: 919-475-3654 or email [jans.piano@gmail.com](mailto:jans.piano@gmail.com)

PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE ONLINE AT: [WWW.YATESBA.ORG/GIVE](http://WWW.YATESBA.ORG/GIVE)  
(Select "Other" and type "Amish Bus Trip" in the memo line)



Saturday, September 11, 2021  
 Lee Park Baptist Church  
 Monroe, NC

Do you desire to see men come alive with the realization of Christ’s stamp upon their lives? Would you rejoice to see them engaged in growing, meaningful fellowship with our Lord? Join us for a day of encouragement, exhortation, and inspiration for men!

**Keynote Speakers:**

**Rex Tignor** (Nationally recognized men’s ministry speaker, author, and Iron Sharpens Iron training director.)

**Tom Joyce** (Pastor, retired Navy captain, TOPGUN pilot, survivor of the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon.)

The conference will include breakout sessions led by men’s leaders from around the nation. Topics will include: Leadership Development, Discipling Men, Strengthening Marriage, Life Priorities, Fatherhood, Grandfatherhood, Witnessing in the Workplace, Investing in Young Men, Addiction Recovery ....and More!

Featuring a time of remembrance and prayer for those we lost during the 9/11 attack on our country on the 20-year anniversary of that tragic day.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER:**

Visit the Baptists on Mission Men’s Ministry web page: [www.baptistsonmission/men](http://www.baptistsonmission/men)  
 or call 919-459-5596 or email [mcrawford@ncbaptist.org](mailto:mcrawford@ncbaptist.org)

**CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS / MINISTRY POSITIONS**  
 (For additional information, go to [www.yatesba.org](http://www.yatesba.org))

**Bethesda Baptist Church Preschool**

**Children’s Director, Teachers/Assistants Needed.** For more information, go to: <https://www.bethesdabaptistchurch.com/jobs> (1914 S. Miami Blvd, Durham, NC 27703)

**Bethesda Christian Academy**

**Elementary Teacher and Athletic Director Needed.** For more information, go to: <https://www.bcacrusaders.org/employment-at-bca.html> (1914 S. Miami Blvd, Durham, NC 27703)

**Waypoint Church**

**FREE VBS Decorations and backdrops from Wilderness Escape by Group Publishing.** For more information, contact Danny Castiglione at [danny@waypointnctu.com](mailto:danny@waypointnctu.com)

**Yates Baptist Church**

**Full-Time Minister of Music Needed**  
 Yates Baptist Church in Durham, NC is seeking a skilled, energetic Christian woman or man as full-time Minister of Music and Worship. To find out more about this fulfilling opportunity, visit <https://yateschurch.org/momwsearch>

**NC Baptist Database to help match churches to Interims & Fill-In Worship Leaders/Musicians**

Churches are needing people to fill in (and permanent part-time) worship leadership roles across NC. The BSCNC is launching a database for people who are willing to fill a temporary role in the church for Worship Leader, Pianist, Organist, Acoustic, Electric or Bass Guitar, Drums, Keyboard. To add your contact information to the list, go to: <https://www.renewingworshipnc.org/database-fill-in-worship-leader/>

**Ramp Ministry**

The need for Handicap Ramps in our area continues to increase. If you or any member of your church are interested in learning more about getting involved in Ramp Ministry, please contact Roger Odle - [rwodle54@gmail.com](mailto:rwodle54@gmail.com)

**CALENDAR OF YBA MEETINGS & EVENTS**

**JULY**

- Nominations Committee (Zoom) ..... July 1, 10am
- Independence Day Holiday—YBA Office closed..... July 5
- Associational Leadership Team (Zoom)..... July 12, 10am
- Annual Missions Celebration Committee (Zoom)..... July 13, 10am
- Quarterly Associational Gathering (ROSB) ..... July 13, 7pm
- PA Mission Trip ..... July 23-30
- Finance Committee (Zoom)..... July 28, 11am

**AUGUST**

- Nominations Committee (Zoom) .....Aug. 5, 10am
- Associational Leadership Team (Zoom).....Aug 9, 10am
- Annual Missions Celebration Committee (Zoom).....Aug 10, 10am



**FINANCIAL REPORT: MAY 2021**

<b>Monthly Budget Needs:</b>	<b>\$ 22,343.50</b>
<b>May Receipts:</b>	<b>\$ 13,296.75</b>
<b>Total Receipts To Date:</b>	<b>\$ 80,157.67</b>
<b>Budget Needs To Date:</b>	<b>\$111,717.50</b>
<b>YTD Net:</b>	<b>\$(31,559.83)</b>