



# 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.



Greetings YBA Family,

Let me ask you a question. Have you ever needed something and you really didn't know it until you got it? Maybe you got home exhausted and you took an afternoon nap even though you never take naps. But when you woke up you felt so refreshed and you said, "Wow, I really needed that!"

Well, I just got back from the Disciple-Making Conference in Greensboro that the BSCNC sponsors every year, and boy was it just what I needed!

Honestly, for the weeks leading up to it, I kept trying to talk myself out of going. I wrestled with the whole COVID-19 guidelines and protocols. I asked myself, "Do I want to put myself in the middle of a large group?" I justified not going by thinking, "It's probably stuff I've heard before. Do I really have time to miss a day of work to attend?"

All of the speakers were excellent, but God used Vance Pitman to speak directly to me. I'm not going to give you his complete message, but the general gist for me personally was God asking me this question: "How much longer are you going to use COVID as an excuse?"

Pittman stated that we are living in an unparalleled time in human history. He went on to say that "moments of crises are always opportunities for the church to make Jesus known and invite others into His kingdom."

In retrospect, God has been reminding me over the past months that we are called to a specific task. The great commission is not the great suggestion. We have been commanded by our Lord to go and make disciples. There is no small print that says, "Oh, don't worry during a pandemic." The mandate still applies today. We have been called to effectively share the good news of the gospel and invest our time in making disciples of all nations.

Pittman has written a book titled Unburdened. The subtitle of the book says, "Stop living for Jesus so Jesus can live through you." Wow, stop and think about that statement. How many times do we find ourselves striving so hard for Jesus but we're not allowing him to work and live through us?

I'm reminded in John 15:5, Jesus said, "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." Did you catch the Great Commission reference there? We are called to bear "much fruit." But that fruit cannot come until we learn to abide in Him and allow Him to live through us.

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A few weeks ago, a trusted colleague shared that he believed that this newsletter was not being maximized. After careful thought, I've come to the conclusion that he is right. In the coming months we look forward to sharing stories of how the mission is being completed and what challenges are here in front of us.

This reminds me of a story by Tony Evans. He tells the story of going out to see a friend's farm. The farm was huge and beautiful. There were cattle and horses and almost every animal you could imagine on a farm. But there was something unusual about the red barn. Now obviously a red barn on a farm is not unusual. But after doing the whole tour they got close to the barn and he noticed that they were seven bullseyes painted on the side of the barn. As Tony got a little closer, he noticed that in the dead center of each bullseye there was a single bullet hole. Tony asked, "What's this all about? Who did this?" His friend shrugged his shoulders and said, "I did."

Tony asks, "Where were you when you took the shots? The farmer pointed up on the hill about 400 yards away. Tony was so surprised he said, "I didn't know you were a sharpshooter. Were you in the military?" "No," the farmer answered. "You don't understand. You see, one day I went hunting and I didn't have any luck and I was frustrated so on my way back I saw the barn and I just started shooting at it. Then later I went over and I painted bullseyes around the holes that I had shot on the side of the barn."

This story reminds me that sometimes that's what we do with God. We want to tell God, "Lord, this is my best shot, my plan," instead of asking Him what He wants us to do. Or in our case remembering what He has already told us to do. "Make Disciples."

It's like striving and trying so hard to live for Jesus that we have forgotten to allow Him to live through us. It's like struggling so hard to know what God wants us to do when He's already told us very clearly to go and make disciples.

What is your target? Make sure you're shooting at the right one.

For His glory,  
Marty

## Yates Baptist Association Baptist Children's Home Food Roundup

Collection Dates:  
Monday-Thursday, April 26-29

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.

You shine the  
**LIGHT**  
into his darkness

**food roundup** 

SHARING HOPE...CHANGING LIVES  
Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina  
April 2021 | [bchfoodroundup.org](http://bchfoodroundup.org)



*“Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.” Philippians 2:4*

**Join us for a virtual meeting to learn how you and your church can be a part of the ministry of sharing the Gospel through building ramps.**

**Thursday, April 15, 2021 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

*To sign up, contact the YBA Office at [office@yatesba.org](mailto:office@yatesba.org) and the Zoom link will be emailed to you. For additional information, feel free to email any of the ministry contacts listed below.*

***Three ministries working together...***



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## EVENT INFORMATION

### Two Dates for your Convenience

#### WHEN

April 10, 2021  
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

April 27, 2021  
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

#### WHERE

Virtual via Zoom

**Registration Required to receive  
Electronic Workshop Material**

Pre-register at:

(April 10)  
[amodelministry.com/registration-yba](http://amodelministry.com/registration-yba)

(April 27)  
[amodelministry.com/registration-yba1](http://amodelministry.com/registration-yba1)

or 919.810.5359

### Preventing Child Sexual Abuse



[wwwamodelministry.com](http://wwwamodelministry.com)

## Sexual Abuse Awareness Training

### About the Safety Workshop

Join Yates Baptist Association for Virtual Training “Sexual Abuse Awareness” presented by “A Model Ministry,” frontrunner in the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse. Through this training, participants will learn how to recognize predator behavior and how to establish a culture of safety in the church.

**Larry McGlothlin, Leadership Development Trainer and Children’s Ministry Leader for over 20 years, covers the following topics:**

- ❖ The Silent Epidemic of Child Sexual Abuse
- ❖ Why Sexual Abuse is Growing in Ministry
- ❖ Methods of Deception
- ❖ The Grooming Process
- ❖ Indicators and Signs of Sexual Abuse
- ❖ Recognizing Peer-to-Peer Sexual Abuse

### What to Bring

**Bring a Picture:** Our facilitator will walk us through an interesting photo-sharing exercise. Please bring a picture of a child in your life – either a hard copy or version on your phone.

### Sponsored By





# Join us as we PRAY and GO

Saturday, April 17, 2021  
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

*Will you join us* in praying for the unreached and least reached of North Carolina?

We will pray for “Pockets of Lostness” within our area then prayer walk. This event will take place simultaneously at the locations listed below. For more information, contact Marty Childers at [martychilders@yatesba.org](mailto:martychilders@yatesba.org)

## Prayer Walking Locations:

**Braggtown Baptist Church**  
3218 N. Roxboro Street  
Durham, NC 27704

**Immanuel Baptist Church**  
3610 Hillandale Road  
Durham, NC 27705

**Yates Baptist Church**  
2819 Chapel Hill Road  
Durham, NC 27707

**Faith Baptist Church**  
3321 Cheek Road  
Durham, NC 27704

**Ridgecrest Baptist Church**  
1104 Milton Road  
Durham, NC 27712

If your church would like to participate, email [martychilders@yatesba.org](mailto:martychilders@yatesba.org)

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

(For additional information, go to [www.yatesba.org](http://www.yatesba.org))

#### **Immanuel Baptist Church**

**Community Easter Celebration - Sat., April 3, 10am-2pm**  
Free Hot Dog Bag Lunch, Great Giveaway (gently used clothes, toys, furniture, home items), Bounce Houses, Craft Station and Children’s Story Video. All Covid precautions will be in place including wearing masks. (3610 Hillandale Road, Durham, NC)  
[www.visitimmanuel.org](http://www.visitimmanuel.org)

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

#### MARCH

Nominations Committee..... March 4, 10am  
Associational Leadership Team..... March 8, 10:00am  
Annual Missions Celebration Committee ..... March 9, 10am  
Finance Committee ..... March 31, 11am

#### APRIL

Nominations Committee.....April 1, 10am  
Good Friday (YBA Office Closed).....April 2  
Sexual Abuse Awareness Online Training .....April 10, 9am  
Associational Leadership Team..... April 12, 10:00am  
Annual Missions Celebration Committee .....April 13, 10am  
YBA “Night of Encouragement” Virtual Meeting ..... April 13, 7pm  
Ramp Ministry Online Workshop.....April 15, 10am  
“Pray & Go” Prayer Walk..... April 17, 8:30am  
Sexual Abuse Awareness Online Training ..... April 27, 7pm  
Baptist Children’s Home Food Roundup .....April 26-29

## YBA QUARTERLY GATHERING “Night of Encouragement”



**Tuesday, April 13 at 7 PM**

Join us as we worship together virtually. This event can be viewed from our Facebook page or YouTube Channel. A link will also be posted on our Facebook page and website: [www.yatesba.org](http://www.yatesba.org)

# Associational Missions



# January 2021

## ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS 2021

| CHURCHES                       | JAN         | YTD         |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Agape Reconciliation           | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Antioch                        | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Bahama                         | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Bells                          | \$ 234.44   | \$ 234.44   |
| Berea                          | \$ 489.00   | \$ 489.00   |
| Bethesda                       | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Braggtown                      | \$ 198.22   | \$ 198.22   |
| Calvandar                      | \$ 100.00   | \$ 100.00   |
| Calvary                        | \$ 330.26   | \$ 330.26   |
| Cedar Fork                     | \$ 129.33   | \$ 129.33   |
| Chapel Hill Chinese            | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Dayspring                      | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Durham Memorial                | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Ebenezer                       | \$ 289.03   | \$ 289.03   |
| Edgewood                       | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Ephesus                        | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Faith                          | \$ 250.00   | \$ 250.00   |
| Faith Community                | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| First Hillsborough             | \$ 476.62   | \$ 476.62   |
| Gateway                        | \$ 196.73   | \$ 196.73   |
| Global Gates                   | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Glory of Christ Fellowship     | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Gorman                         | \$ 333.33   | \$ 333.33   |
| Gospel                         | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Grace Park                     | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Great Faith                    | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Grey Stone                     | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Guess Road                     | \$ 1,430.56 | \$ 1,430.56 |
| Hanmaum                        | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Harvest Glen                   | \$ 1,716.50 | \$ 1,716.50 |
| HillSong                       | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Hope Valley                    | \$ 136.00   | \$ 136.00   |
| Iglesia Bautista Monte Carmelo | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Iglesia Bautista La Fe         | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Iglesia Cristiana Emanuel      | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Immanuel                       | \$ 739.80   | \$ 739.80   |
| Lawrence Road                  | \$ 507.81   | \$ 507.81   |
| Leesville Road                 | \$ 999.75   | \$ 999.75   |
| LifeSpring                     | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| LifeZone                       | \$ -        | \$ -        |
| Lord's Wing Korean             | \$ 75.00    | \$ 75.00    |
| Lowe's Grove                   | \$ 1,622.62 | \$ 1,622.62 |
| Lystra                         | \$ -        | \$ -        |

## ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS 2021 ~ Continued

| CHURCHES                  | JAN          | YTD          |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Mision Cristo La Solucion | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Mosaic                    | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Mount Carmel              | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Mount Gilead              | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Mount Hermon              | \$ 471.02    | \$ 471.02    |
| Mount Moriah              | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Mount Pisgah              | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| NC Myanmar                | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| New Freedom               | \$ 300.00    | \$ 300.00    |
| New Jerusalem             | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| North Durham              | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Olive Branch              | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Page Road                 | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Park View                 | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Plainview (2)             | \$ 369.00    | \$ 369.00    |
| Red Mountain              | \$ 100.00    | \$ 100.00    |
| Restoration Church        | \$ 50.00     | \$ 50.00     |
| Ridgecrest                | \$ 666.67    | \$ 666.67    |
| Rose of Sharon            | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Sunrise                   | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Temple                    | \$ 404.83    | \$ 404.83    |
| The Church at NC          | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| The Point-Chapel Hill     | \$ 50.00     | \$ 50.00     |
| The Point-Espanol         | \$ 50.00     | \$ 50.00     |
| The Summit                | \$ 404.17    | \$ 404.17    |
| University                | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Waypoint                  | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Yates                     | \$ 1,719.35  | \$ 1,719.35  |
| Church Missions Giving    | \$ 14,840.04 | \$ 14,840.04 |
| Other Contributions       | \$ 3,103.80  | \$ 3,103.80  |

**TOTAL INCOME**      **\$ 17,943.84**      **\$ 17,943.84**

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

**Monthly Budget Needs:**      \$ 22,343.50  
**Jan Receipts:**      \$ 17,943.84  
**Total Receipts To Date:**      \$ 17,943.84  
**Budget Needs To Date:**      \$ 22,343.50  
**Difference:**      \$ (4,399.66)