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Fall Senior Adult Rally
Tuesday, September 29, 2026
Registration Begins: 9:30 am
Program Begins: 10:00 am

Location: Highland Baptist Church, 8524 Crowder Rd, Raleigh

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Menu: Hamburger Steak with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots, Corn Muffins and Dessert

Devotional Message: Rev. Larry Stephens of Highland Baptist

Congregational Music: Rev. & Mrs. Allen Moody of Wakefield Central Baptist

Entertainment:

Generation Excellent is an evangelistic choral and drama ministry passionately proclaiming the name of Jesus Christ and the life-changing truth of His Gospel. Formed in 2009, Generation Excellent was initially composed of children and youth; however, over time, our members and presentations have greatly changed, evolving and maturing into a smaller group of professional adults who are strongly committed and dedicated to our original purpose and mission. Although we come from different backgrounds, it is still our utmost desire to further God's kingdom by spreading Christ's love and bringing encouragement to lost and hurting souls.



Registration Deadline: Monday, September 14, 2026

Raleigh Baptist Association, PO Box 46659, Raleigh, NC 27620



Raleigh Baptist Association
Semi-Annual Meeting
Tuesday, October 27, 2026
10:30 am

Host: Samaria Baptist Church, 3621 Poole Rd, Raleigh

Business Session and Reports:

- Presentation of RBA Nominating Report
- Presentation of RBA Finance Report
- Presentation of Church Relations & Credentials Report:

Full Membership:

- ♦ Franklinton Baptist Church, Franklinton, NC
- ♦ Primitive Haitian Church of Garner, NC
- ♦ Tabernacle Evangelical Baptist Mahanaim Church, Garner, NC

Watch Care:

- Montagnard DEGA Church, Raleigh, NC

Worship and Mission Celebration

ASSOCIATIONAL PRAYER TIME

Monday, September 14, 2026
Monday, October 12, 2026
Monday, November 9, 2026

11:00 am

Raleigh Baptist Association
820 S. New Hope Rd, Raleigh



Northern Ministers Connections Group

We welcome all Pastors and Ministers that serve in the Northern part of the Raleigh Baptist Association to join us for our monthly support group. This is a time to get to know others serving our congregations as well as offer support to one another. This group is led by Dr. Bill Slater. Feel free to reach out for more information at bill@raleighbaptists.org.

Upcoming Dates: Thursday at 9:30 am

September 3, 2026

October 1, 2026

November 5, 2026

December 3, 2026

Location: Franklinton Baptist Church, 102 W. Mason Street, Franklinton, NC

Network and Mission Opportunities



NC State Fair Ministry Needs and Opportunities October 15-25, 2026

Each year the Raleigh Baptist Association partners with Campers On Mission to provide services to the carnival workers during their stay here in the Raleigh area for the NC State Fair. Below you will see many ways you can be a part of this ministry.



- **Fair Chaplains:** Volunteer to serve 4 hour shifts, 9:00 am-1:00 pm; 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm; or 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Call Julie Williams at 919.538.4584 or Travis Williams at 919.624.5165.
- **Donate Food Items:** Sweet Sue Brand Chicken & Dumplings; Great Value Chicken & Dumplings, Great Value Beef Stew, Dinty Moore Beef Stew, Jiff Creamy Peanut Butter, Grape Jam (not squeezable), Hot Chocolate Packets, Pop Tarts or Breakfast Bars, Fruit Cups, Bottled Water. **Deliver to the RBA office by October 8, 2026**
- **Donate Hygiene Kits:** Trial size only. Toothpaste, Toothbrush (Regular size), Shampoo, Hair Conditioner, Deodorant, Lotion, Soap, Disposable Razors, Wash Cloths, Combs, Gallon Size Zip Lock type bags. **Deliver to RBA by October 8, 2026**
- **Donate Baked Goods:** Cookies, muffins, brownies and cakes (no icing please) are needed during the days of the Fair. You may drop off at the old church at the fairgrounds anytime during fair hours or deliver to the RBA office on October 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22. Baked goods can be individually wrapped in plastic wrap or put in plastic sandwich bags to be easily transported and served.
- **Dental Bus Volunteers:** Dentists, dental assistants, dental hygienists, doctors and nurses are needed to volunteer Monday, October 19 - Friday, October 23; four hour shifts. Contact Julie Williams at 919.538.4584 or Travis Williams at 919.624.5165.
- **Donate Clothing:** **New** Black Pants, Belts, Socks, Shoes, Gloves, Ball Caps or Toboggans, Coats, Sweat Shirts in Men and Women's Sizes, and Blankets.



BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD
DAY of PRAYER

Baptist Women's Day of Prayer
Monday, November 2, 2026
10:00 am - 12:00
"The Power of Being Prayed For"

Location: Raleigh Baptist Association
820 S. New Hope Rd, Raleigh

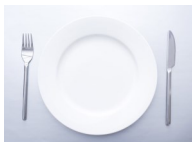
Special Music by Teresa Middleton and Lee Ann Spahr.

Guest Speakers will be Amy Boone and the WMU of NC Staff.

Mission Project will be writing blessing cards to recipients of Mission Dignity of North Carolina.

RBA Hunger Fund

Please consider supporting this important mission effort by giving a gift to the RBA Hunger Fund as we help families, children and seniors overcome hunger in the Triangle Region of North Carolina.



You may donate by mailing a check or making an online donation on our website. Please indicate "Hunger Fund".

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"... as the Father has sent Me,
I also send you."
JOHN 20:21



North Carolina
MISSIONS
Offering



Network and Mission Opportunities

Save the Date!



Stone
Soup

SUPPER FUNDRAISER

NOVEMBER 4TH | 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

THE TALLEY CENTER
RALEIGH, NC

More information to follow!

Join Us for the 2026 Stone Soup Supper!

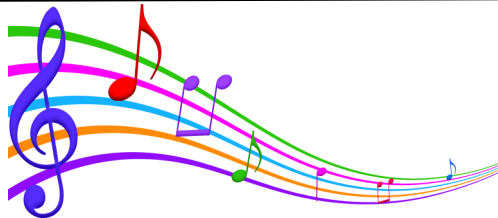
Urban Ministries of Wake County is excited to host the **2026 Stone Soup Supper on Wednesday, November 4**, at NC State's Talley Student Union. For nearly 20 years, this special event has brought together hundreds of supporters to enjoy wonderful soups from local restaurants, take home a piece of handmade pottery, celebrate our community, and—most importantly—raise critical funds for Urban Ministries.

For More Information Contact:

Brian Buechler

Urban Ministries of Wake County

Email: bbuechler@urbanmin.org



Attention Music and Children's Leaders

Mark your calendar for the next Children's Music Camp

Children's Music Camp
June 14-17, 2027

Host Church: Aversboro Road Baptist Church,
Garner

You are welcome to join us for a **planning session** on **Monday, September 21 at 12:00** at the Raleigh Baptist Association located at 820 S. New Hope Rd, Raleigh. Lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP to Iris Woodard iris@raleighbaptists.org or call 919.231.3995.

Bring any musical ideas you may have as well as interest group suggestions. We look forward to planning together.

2026
IRON
SHARPENS
IRON
ONE-DAY MEN'S
EQUIPPING
CONFERENCES

25
YEARS
OF MINISTRY
TO MEN

SATURDAY
OCT. 24, 2026

APEX, NC

Cornerstone Fellowship Church
401 Upchurch Street

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OF YOUR CHURCH**



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**REGISTRATION
STARTS AT \$55**



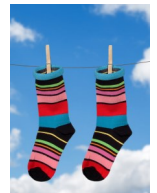
**Operation Christmas Child
Shoe Box Collection**

November 16-23, 2026

www.samaritanspurse.org

Warmth for Winter Mission Project

We will be collecting **New** socks, underwear and small blankets for men, women and children. These items will be distributed to those in need during the winter months.



Please deliver items to the Raleigh Baptist Association located at 820 S. New Hope Rd, Raleigh during the hours of 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday - Thursday.

Thank You for Your Support

Thank you to the individuals and churches that donated backpacks and school supplies to our back to school drive. We were able to distribute over 200 backpacks filled with school supplies to several school social workers, Caring Connections Ministry, and church leaders which serve children in need.



Appalachian Christmas Outreach

If you are interested in another backpack mission opportunity please consider participating in the Baptist On Mission **Appalachian Christmas Outreach 2026**. Their goal is to collect 26,000 backpacks of items to be distributed to Appalachian children in areas of need in late November and December 2026. **Statewide collection date will be Saturday, November 7.**

For complete guidelines go to:

baptistsonmission.org/Appalachian-Christmas-Outreach

RBA Calendar and Bulletin Board

September 2026

- 3 Northern Ministers Connections Group
- 7 Labor Day - RBA Closed
- 14 Associational Prayer Time
- 29 Fall Senior Adult Rally - Highland Baptist Church

October 2026

- 12 Associational Prayer Time
- 13 Missions & Ministry Council
- 13 Resource Commission
- 15-25 NC State Fair Ministry
- 27 RBA Semi-Annual Meeting
- 31 Halloween

November 2026

- 1 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 2 Baptist Women's Day of Prayer
- 7 Appalachian Backpacks Collection Date
- 9 Associational Prayer Time
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 16-23 Operation Christmas Box Collection
- 26 Thanksgiving Day - RBA Closed

Ministry Openings

Fellowship Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC is prayerfully seeking our next Lead Pastor. We are asking God to provide a shepherd who is passionate about expository preaching, soul-winning, and expanding the Kingdom of God both in Raleigh and through our church family. Fellowship Baptist Church is a conservative Southern Baptist congregation in Raleigh, NC, that fully affirms the Baptist Faith & Message (2000). Please submit your resume and cover letter to pastorsearch@fellowshipbapch.com or

mail to Fellowship Baptist Church, 5029 Old Stage Road, Raleigh NC, 27603

Franklinton Baptist Church, Franklinton, NC is seeking to fill the position of Director or Music Ministries. The Director of Music Ministries is responsible for leading the congregation in Christ-centered worship through music, prayer, Scripture, and spiritual leadership. This person works closely with the pastoral staff, musicians, vocalists, and technical volunteers to plan and lead worship services that support the church's mission, theology, weekly message, and blended worship style. The Director of Music Ministries should be comfortable leading both traditional hymns and contemporary worship songs while modeling authentic faith, musical excellence, humility, and a heart for helping people encounter God in worship. In addition, they provide intentional leadership for traditional worship elements, ensuring that historic Christian practices and hymns remain vibrant and meaningful in the life of the church.

Apply By Sending Resume To:

FranklintonBaptistPersonnel@gmail.com or mail to FBC Personnel Committee 102 West Main Street Franklinton, NC 27525

Piney Grove Baptist Church, Fuquay Varina, NC is in search of a Youth & Young Single Adult minister who will develop a

comprehensive and compelling student ministry designed to meet youth and young single students where they are so they might know and grow in Christ. A full job description is available upon request sgordon@pineygrovebc.org.

For complete Church Staff Job Descriptions and Other Ministry Openings please visit our website under "Ministry Placement"

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The Great Commission
To Church Mission
For Kingdom Growth**
Matthew 28:19-20

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