



October 2025

The Link

Orangeburg-Calhoun Baptist Association



Please mark your calendars.....

October 16th – Deadline for Meal Reservations to OCBA Fall Meeting
October 23rd – OCBA Fall Meeting at St. Matthews 1st Baptist / 6:00 meal / 6:45 Business Meeting / 7:00 Time of Worship
November 8th – St. George Holiday Market
November 20th – Deadline for Annual Church Profiles (ACP).
November 20th – Prisoner Packets Deadline to Association.
November 20th – West Virginia Christmas Deadline

**UPcoming
EVENTS**

West Virginia Christmas List

Mission Trip Scheduled for
December 5th-6th, 2025

If you would like to help, please see list below.

Deadline for delivery is Thursday, November 20th

FOOD BOXES: Sugar / Flour/ Cooking Oil/ Dried Beans/ Soup (2 cans)/ Peanut Butter / Jelly/ Canned Fruit/ Dessert/ Vegetables (3 cans)/ Cookies /Crackers/ Rice/ Cereal/ Canned meat (1 can)/ Box Meals (Hamburger Helper, etc.)

SHOE BOXES: Toys/ School items/ Candy/ Toiletries/ Stocking Hat & Gloves/ Letter from you or your class

SENIOR BOXES: Stocking Hat/ Tang/ Tylenol/ Cough drops/ Chap stick/ Chicken soup

OTHER ITEMS: Quilts/ Comforters/ Blankets/ Children's coats. Must be double-bagged and labeled; BOYS/GIRLS (gently-used clothing will be accepted).

Contact Tim Shaw (864-320-5445) or Kimmet Lott (917-2630) with questions!

~ WMU ~

ALL ministry volunteers invited!

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer is
Monday, November 3rd.

6:30 PM at the Association Office

DEACON TRAINING

@ Elloree First Baptist Church

Saturday, October 19th
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

\$10/person (includes lunch &
book)

Guest speaker: Dr. Tony Wolfe



Annual Church Profiles: Due by Thursday, November 20th. All information can be found on www.sbcworkspace.com. If you need any help filling out surveys, please email ocba@bellsouth.net. Completion of ACP's keep each church in good standing with the Association and SC Baptist Convention. Thank you for your cooperation!

12 Ways to Pray for Your Pastor

1. Pray specific Scriptures over him and his family.
2. Pray for his spiritual life to flourish.
3. Pray that he will be strong in the face of opposition
4. Pray that he will flee temptation
5. Pray that he will be spiritually "wise" and equipped for battle (Ephesians 6)
6. Pray that he is sensitive to the leading and conviction of the Holy Spirit
7. Pray that he has wisdom to balance ministry, family and other responsibilities
8. Pray that he fixes his eyes on the eternal reward and doesn't get discouraged
9. Pray that he humbles himself continually before God
10. Pray for him and his wife: that they would be unified, give one another support and understanding, and that they would fight for their marriage on their knees and with their time.
11. Pray for him and his children: that he would spend sufficient time with them, validate and affirm them and that he would be present and available.
12. Pray that God would grant him breakthrough in his ministry: that he would see lives transformed!



**OCBA Fall Meeting –
Thursday, October 23rd at St.
Matthews First Baptist Church. Meal
begins at 6:00 (\$12/person).**

**Reservations must be texted to
Jennifer (803-971-0767) no later than
Thursday, October 16th. Details can
be found on our website,**

www.oc-ba.org



Prisoner Packet List

- * 1 black non-retractable pen (no wire clips, no other color)
- * 1 writing tablet no larger than 5 ½" x 8" (no wire bound, composition, or post-it notes)
 - * 1 adult toothbrush
- * 1 4 oz. to 6 oz. toothpaste (no travel-size)
 - * 1 3.2 -6 oz bar of soap (no travel-size)
- * 2 rolls of hard candy (No Smarties, Sweetarts, Rolos, Starburst, Tic Tacs)
- * 2 first class #10 Stamp-Embossed Envelopes (from US Post Office)
 - * 1 gallon size zipper bag (no other sizes accepted)

All items must fit in zipper bag.

Happy October Birthdays!

11th – Dr. Clark McCrary, OCBA

21st – Rev. Tim Shaw, Branchville

31st – Jennifer Banks, OCBA

Happy Church Anniversary!!

2017 – Rev. Ronnie Spires, Fellowship
of Praise

2022 – Dr. Clark McCrary, OCBA

Thank You for your Continued Support of OCBA Missions!

Beaver Creek	\$1000.00
Bethany	\$1125.00
Bethel	\$600.00
Bowman First	\$1650.00
Branchville	\$4143.72
Bull Swamp	\$713.39
Calvary	\$4500.00
Cameron	\$2775.00
Canaan	\$3643.97
Congaree	\$2201.91
Cope	\$0.00
Cornerstone	\$2700.00
Covenant	\$100.00
Double Branch	\$1227.77
Ebenezer	\$3940.50
Edisto	\$300.00
Elloree First	\$7561.04
Fellowship	\$0.00
Fellowship of Praise	\$0.00
Four Holes	\$9800.00
Gethsemane	\$900.00
Highland	\$1597.00
Mizpah	\$2426.60
Mt. Carmel	\$400.00
Mt. Tabor	\$2000.00
Neeses	\$1572.60
New Hope	\$2185.94
North First	\$562.50
Northside	\$2700.00
Orangeburg First	\$1255.51
Providence	\$2000.00
Rivelon	\$2953.51
Rowesville	\$0.00
Salem	\$633.00
St. George	\$7922.90
St. Matthews First	\$6000.00
Two Mile Swamp	\$450.00
Willow Swamp	\$3902.43

TOTAL: \$87,444.29

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PRESENTS OUR 2025

HOLIDAY MARKET

BENEFITS: Lottie Moon Christmas Offering



For more information contact: Linda Davis rddlpd@aol.com

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