



July 14, 2020

Serving and equipping our churches to fulfill the Great Commission.

Special Thanks, Pastor & Lois Wease, As You Retire



We would like to share a special thank you to Pastor William Wease and his wife Lois for their faithful service to the South Yadkin Baptist Association and to two of our member churches, Hebron Baptist Church and Union Chapel Church.

During their sixteen years of service at Hebron, they not only led the congregation in building a new sanctuary, but more importantly, invested in its people. Several men were called out of Hebron during those years to serve as pastors. In addition, they founded a radio and prison ministry that continue to share the good news of the Gospel today.

This level of dedication to people also was evident in their fifteen years serving at Union Chapel. You both have left a lasting impression on the Kingdom, on these churches, and on so many others that you reached in your journey!

Finally, thank you for your faithful service to the South Yadkin Baptist Association, where Pastor William served as both moderator and president of the SYBA's pastors' conference. He invested in and was an important mentor to so many pastors! This area of your ministry will leave an impact on our faith community for generations!

Proverbs 27:17 (NKJV)

***17 As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.
William and Lois, you have faithfully served the Lord during your entire lives. Well done!***

Matthew 25:21 (NKJV)

21 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over and few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

May God bless you mightily as you go forward!

Do More Together!

Volunteer Opportunity!

SYBA has been contacted by a person who needs help performing roof repairs on his double wide mobile home, located in Statesville.

He is not physically able to do the work himself, nor does he have the funds to pay for the materials.

Please contact Mary Jane Hoover by July 30 with questions or interest in serving by emailing mhoover@sybaptist.org or calling 704.873.4372 x 3.



2020 Appalachian Backpack Partnership

An SYBA mission trip to deliver well-filled backpacks to Kentucky is scheduled for November 12th—14th. An exact schedule along with project ideas will be shared later, but we know backpacks are needed. Filled backpacks OR supplies may be delivered to the SYBA office. Please call Mary Jane Hoover to schedule a delivery 704 873-4372, ext. 3.



For more information on what goes in the backpacks, [click here!](#)

Fair Ministry Cancelled for 2020

The 2020 Iredell County fair has been cancelled. Please continue to pray for all involved, especially the traveling fair workers. We'll miss seeing them this year! If you have already purchased items for the fair ministry, please share your donation with our Appalachian Backpack Partnership or our SYBA Food Pantry Ministries (see article above).



Toy Store for Jesus 2020

Dates for our 2020 Toy Store for Jesus are:

Rowan County: Tuesday, December 8th

Davie County: Thursday- Saturday,
December 10th – 12th

Iredell County: Tuesday, December 15th



and Thursday – Saturday, December 17th – 19th

Stores sometimes have one of their best clearance sales in the summer. Watch for bargains and consider sharing a donation to the Toy Store for Jesus! New toys may be donated and delivered year-round. Please contact Mary Jane Hoover for delivery options at mhoover@sybaptist.org or 704 873-4372, ext. 3.

SYBA Food Pantries Are Open

Thank you for your prayers and support for this ministry. Both locations have been providing assistance since mid-March using a non-contact approach.

We will continue offering assistance at the Amity Hill location via appointments for pick-up. Drive-thru assistance will continue on Wednesday mornings at the Front Street food pantry. This helps our clients, staff and volunteers remain safe and healthy.

Donations of non-perishable foods and basic hygiene items are welcomed as we continue to assist local families in need. If you would like a specific list of needed items for yourself or your church, please contact Mary Jane Hoover at mhoover@sybaptist.org or 704 873-4372, ext. 3.



Blood Drive at Trinity Baptist Church

August 8 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

All donors will receive a FREE OneBlood Tote Bag and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening!

To make an appointment, please visit www.oneblood.org/donate-now and use sponsor code #61186.

FREE COVID-19 Antibody Test for all successful donors. ID required. Donors must be at least 16 years old.



Partner in Prayer

Pastor Prayer Meetings Resuming!

Senior Pastors, Youth Pastors, Associate Pastors all welcomed!

August 5 @ 8am

Statesville Pastor Prayer Meeting @ SYBA offices

Mooresville & Mocksville meetings resuming soon!



Mobilize to Share Christ's Love

Statesville Back to School Bashes!

There are two Back to School Bash events in Iredell County.

The Mooresville Back to School Bash will be July 14-17 from 5:30-8:30pm at Mooresville Middle School. Students can receive school supplies, backpacks, news shoes and gently used clothing (if they wish).

The Back to School Bash in Statesville will be a drive-thru event only. It will be on July 25 from 9-1pm at Statesville High School.

For both events, participants **MUST REGISTER**. Please visit www.B2SBiss.org to learn more and to register.

Engaging College Students Who Are 'Home' and 'Away'

Jeff Humphrey at Chalybeate Springs Baptist Church has kept his college group together through a weekly virtual meeting by combining his 'home' and 'away' teams. Try combining your students who have returned early ('away team') due to campus shutdowns or summer break with the 'home team' that may be attending community college or other local colleges.

Find a platform (video call, small and socially-distanced outdoor gatherings, or a combo of both) to study the Bible together.



[Click here for more from #nocollegeleft](#)

Resources

Equipping and Inspiration for Leading Worship

With nearly 70 breakout classes and some of the best faculty from around the world, the Virtual Worship Conference will renew your passion and equip you to better serve in these unusual days.



Tickets will give you access to the event as well as an ALL-ACCESS PASS to access all

videos for 3 months.

Tickets:

\$15 through July 18.

\$20 after July 18.

Groups of 5 or more, \$10 through July 18 only.

[Click here for more info!](#)

Resource for Kid's Ministry Leaders

Kids Ministry Connection offers an environment for conversations, support and encouragement for children's ministry leaders in the local church.

Amid the challenges presented by the coronavirus, join these recurring virtual meetings to discover helpful ideas and practical suggestions from your colleagues.

Join us via Zoom on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. -- July 23, Aug. 13, Aug. 27

[Click here to register.](#)



Lifeway Women Live Simulcast!

Pursuing Christ Together!

August 8, 2020

After months of social distancing, it's time to gather the women from your church, small group, or community for the first-ever LifeWay Women Live Simulcast. A full day of practical study with your favorite authors in a gorgeous setting, where women, unapologetic and unshakeable in their pursuit of Christ, can come together.

Featuring Beth Moore, Priscilla Shirer, Jen Wilkin, Jackie Hill Perry, Kelly Minter, Jennifer Rothschild, Angie Smith & Kristi McLelland



[Click here for more information.](#)

Encouragement

Wandering in the Pandemic Wilderness

An article by Jason Hobbs, LCSW, MDiv

...unlike a specific traumatic event that may have a beginning-middle-end, we don't yet have a sense of the scope and duration of this pandemic. It feels more like a series of waves that continually crash upon us, a tsunami at first, then a series of other waves, some deceptively small, others overwhelming.



...the image that I keep returning to is the Exodus from Egypt and that time of wandering in the wilderness for the children of Israel. There were lessons there for the people ... and maybe for us too.

[Read more](#)

You are SYBA!

Our Mission

Our Mission is to Serve & Equip Our Churches to Fulfill the Great Commission.

Our Vision

Our vision is to serve our South Yadkin Baptist Association churches so they fulfill the Great Commission. We aspire to design services and tools specific to their needs to equip them to serve Christ effectively, fulfill their calling to disciple and reach those unchurched in our community. We aspire to bring value to our churches and help them to be a do all that God has called of them for His kingdom.

Our Values

Our five values of the South Yadkin Baptist Association define the way we do ministry together as a network of churches. The drive behind our values is a solid faith in the Lord Jesus Christ to fulfill our calling to serve, equip, encourage and care for our churches, pastors and their staff.

Partner in Prayer

We encourage and pray for our pastors, churches and unchurched friends through planned events and systems to pray corporately, in small groups and through our prayer network.

Encourage Pastors

We appreciate our pastors and will give care, personal visits and consistent contact with associational leaders to affirm their ministry in the local church.

Do More Together

We engage our churches in relationship with each other to network on initiatives to build the body of Christ and proclaim the name of Christ in our community and wherever God leads.

Help Fulfill Ministry Needs

We help, provide and assist churches with resources to fulfill their mission and help them minister to needs.

Mobilize to Share Christ's Love

We mobilize churches to share the gospel with unchurched friends in our community, some of whom will accept Christ as Savior.

