



North Canadian Baptist Association

News & Information

Pastor/Staff Fellowship

May

May 6Jay Roberds

May 13David Brown

May 20Matthew Wood

Pastor/Staff Breakfast

May 27.....Terry Pittman

June

June 3..... Andy Taylor

June 10.....Dale Huckabay

June 17.....

Pastor/Staff Breakfast

June 24



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Spring Events Well Attended !

March and April were very busy months.

- March 2nd we had 25 of our 32 churches who participated in helping Oklahoma Baptist University to re-start OBU Day in the Churches.
- March 8th was our Association Office Cleanup Day with 10 people participating.
- March 10th was the Ladies Spring Renewal with 232 ladies in attendance.
- April 4th was our Annual Pastor, Deacons & Wives Dinner with 164 present.
- April 8th VBS Preview 119 people attended representing 17 of our churches.
- NCBA Women's Ministry took 73 to Oklahoma Baptist Women's Retreat.
- April 12th our 3rd Annual Associational Evangelism Rally, saw 128 in attendance representing 13 churches, including 11 pastors.
- April 22nd Spring Executive Board Meeting.
- April 25th NCBA took a group to the Oklahoma Baptist Men's Retreat.
- April 28th ACC Sponsors Meeting.

May—June Birthdays / Anniversaries

May Birthdays

Bill Rowland 5-15
Sherry McKeen 5-18
Roy Rogers 5-27

June Birthdays

Dale Huckabay 6-10
Mike Lewis 6-12
Dave Brown 6-28
Jeremy Kitchen 6-29

May Anniversaries

Dave & Terrie Brown 5-10
Dakota & Lindsay Bunch 5-21
Tommy & Rachel Daniels 5-19
Kendell & Deanna Hamilton 5-31

June Anniversaries

Robby & Mered Bowen 6-02
Noah & Halee Baker 6-03
Berry & Nancy Norwood 6-06
Justin & Angelica Wells 6-10
Brayden & Lauren Buss 6-15
Bob & Coleen Fowler 6-24
Roy & Joyce Rogers 6-26

Liberty Baptist has Called a New Pastor



Please join Liberty Baptist Church in welcoming their new pastor Steve and Shawna Basquez. (*pronounced boss-key*).

Steve accepted the call from Liberty to come as their new pastor on Sunday, March 30th. He will be serving in a MVP (bi-vocational) role. They are long term residents in this area. Steve and Shawna look forward to what God has in store for them in this new adventure. Again welcome to your new role in the NCBA family.

FBC Preston has Called a New Pastor

FBC Preston is pleased to call Gus Cosby as their new pastor.

Gus, Rachel and their son Koda have most recently served at Calvary Baptist in Okmulgee where he was the Student/Worship Pastor.



Gus accepted the call from Preston on April 6th. Please be praying for Gus as he begins the first Sunday in May making the move from being a Student Pastor to being the Senior Pastor. They are excited to see what God has in store for them in this new ministry role.

Block Party Trailer Price Increases

We tried very hard to keep that costs down but the economy let us no choice. Due to costs going up across the board, we have been forced to raise the cost for the use of the block party trailer.

The cost of a carton of Cotton Candy Floss is now \$10 and the single use popcorn (corn, oil and seasoning) is now \$1.50 per bag. These reflect our actual costs with no mark up.

The usage fee for the use of the trailer itself has gone up from \$50 to \$75 to cover the costs of wear and tear and upkeep.

Upcoming Events

ASSOCIATIONAL CHILDREN'S CAMP

EPHESIANS 1:5



WE ARE FAMILY

ACC 2025

Cost \$120

Registration

RSVP May 13

MAY 28-31

NOTICE: Registration for Associational Children's Camp will be 100% Digital this year

Ladies Spring Renewal

The 2025 Ladies Spring Renewal was indeed a big success.

There were 232 ladies present to enjoy the message from Stacie McCracken of FBC Minco and a time of worship led by Gus and Rachel Cosby of Calvary Okmulgee.

Ministry Wives Break for the Summer

Due to the crazy Busy-ness that is summertime in our churches, the NCBA Ministry Wives group has decided to suspend their monthly meeting until the end of Summer.

Please stay tuned for the announcement that they are resuming the monthly meeting again. We will let you know of the time and place as soon as they are set.

Upcoming Events Continued

Senior Adult BASH

Speaker:
David Hamilton



May 12, 2025 - 12:00 pm
FBC Okmulgee

Music:
Nicolette Taylor



Please RSVP by May 5th

VBS Dates across the Association

Crossroads Beggs	June 2-6	Nuyaka	July 7-11 (PM)
FBC Paden	May 18-22	Natura	July 12-17
Henryetta Immanuel	June 16-19	FBC Preston	July 13-17 (PM)
FBC Weleetka	June 22-25	FBC Morris	July 14-18
Castle	June 22-26	Schulter	July 20-23
FBC Okemah	June 22-26	Calvary Okmulgee	July 21-25
Dewar	June 23-27	Natura - July 12-17	
Second Okmulgee	June 23-27		
Last Chance	June 29-July 2		
FBC Okmulgee	July 7-11		
FBC Henryetta	July 7-11		

Mission Trips

NCBA

invites you
to go on
MISSION with us.

Our 2025 in-state
YOUTH MISSION TRIP
will be helping 2 churches of the
Cimarron Baptist Association
with Vacation Bible School

Date: June 15-20
Cost: \$50.00
Sign up deadline: June 2

BE MY WITNESSES.



**COLORADO SPRINGS
MISSION TRIP
JULY 19TH - 26TH**

- Teams Serving Alongside different Churches & Ministries doing things like Outreach, VBS, Painting, Clean Up, and Construction

To serve contact the NCBA Office or Matt Collier, Mission Team Leader
via phone or text at (918) 470-5050

Signup Deadline: July 3rd Cost: \$ 300.00

DOM's Deliberations

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." — **Lamentations 3:22-23, ESV**

Are we fair weather followers? It is one thing to stand on the shore and admire the stout ship moored at the dock or to sail her around within the safety of the harbor, trusting that our captain will bring us safely again to shore. We are quick to tell of all her virtues and of the grand adventures that lay before her with our great Captain at the helm.

It is quite something else to set sail out of the harbor into a tumultuous sea where the wind and the waves that come crashing against the hull cause our hearts to skip a beat as we are tossed to and fro and where we perhaps even become a little fearful. The question is has the ship changed, has the Captain lost His ability or have we simply allowed the situations around us cause us to start doubting? That is what happened with Peter when Jesus came walking on the water and Peter stepped out of the boat to go to Him. As long as his eyes were fixed on Jesus, all was well. When he started looking around at the wind and the waves, he began to sink.

Right now, in our country, money is tight. Families, churches and by correlation associations and other ministries have felt the strain and are having

to tighten their belts and strategically examine what they are doing. Life circumstances have a way of distracting us and taking our focus off of God. Whether we're juggling a hectic schedule or stuck in a boring routine, or faced with a gigantic problem or perhaps just worried about how to pay the bills we must not become distracted.

Rather than fret and become fearful, however, we need to renew our trust in the Lord and remind ourselves that He is faithful. Instead of putting our focus on the problem, we need to be busy doing what we know that God has called us to do. We need to keep our eyes focused and our ears in tune with Jesus and then God will remind us that no matter what our day brings, that His love never fails and that He will provide for the things that He has called us to do in His Kingdom.

I have a small plaque on my wall that I got while I was in college. It's simple yet powerful message has helped me to keep focus in the midst of several of life's storms. It reads "The Will of God will never lead you where the Grace of God cannot keep you". That is so true. In the words of my sister-in-law as she was facing death's doo: **"God's got this"!**

Bill

Calendar

May

Pastor/Staff Fellowship

Tuesdays - 10:30 am - Association Office

Ministry Wives

On Summer Break

Senior Adult Bash

Monday— May 12th — 12:00 noon
First Baptist Church—Okmulgee

Associational Children's Camp

Wed. thru Sat. —May 28th—31st

Pastor/Staff Breakfast

Tuesday -March 25th - 9:00 am
Association Office

June

Pastor/Staff Fellowship

Tuesdays - 10:30 am - Association Office

Youth Mission Trip

Sun.—Fri. - June 15th—20th

Ministry Wives

On Summer Break

Summer Camps

Various (see your church's calendar)

Pastor/Staff Breakfast

Tuesday June 24th - 9:00 am
Association Office

Let's Spring Into Advancing the Gospel In 2025!

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