



Purpose Statement:

The Savannah Baptist Association exists to encourage fellowship and cooperation among the churches; under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, it seeks to establish, strengthen, train, and work with the churches as they fulfill their mission in their unique setting.

Theme:

Serving and Honoring God Together

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Annual Fall Meeting
The CrossRoad Baptist Church
 Sunday, October 16, 2022, 5:45 p.m.

Theme: Serving and Honoring God Together

5:45	Pre-Session Music	Donna Davis, The CrossRoad	The CrossRoad Baptist Church
6:00	Call to Order	Dr. Johnny Bowen	Moderator
6:02	Music	Donna Davis, The CrossRoad	The CrossRoad Baptist Church
6:15	Welcome and Scripture	Dr. Johnny Bowen	The CrossRoad Baptist Church
6:20	Enrollment of Messengers	Connie Martin	Clerk
		Rev. Buddy Wasson	Introduction of New Pastors/Staff
		Dr. Johnny Bowen	Nominating Committee
		Dr. Johnny Bowen	Budget
		Mrs. Stephanie Carr	Savannah Baptist Center
		Rev. Marty Youngblood	BCM Director
		Rev. Buddy Wasson	Savannah Baptist Assoc. Disaster Relief
		Dale Griner	Savannah Baptist Assembly
		Dr. Johnny Bowen	Introduction of Guest Speaker
6:50	Special Music	Donna Davis, The CrossRoad	The CrossRoad Baptist Church
6:55	Inspirational Speaker	Rev. Steve Blake	First Baptist Church Bloomington
7:15	Prayer & Benediction	Rev. Buddy Wasson	Associational Missionary

Refreshments will be served after the meeting by The CrossRoad Baptist Church

Church Directory Savannah Baptist Association

704 Wheaton Street Savannah, GA 31401

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<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>PASTOR (WIFE)</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>ZIP</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>
Antioch	Doug Cone (Jennifer)	8102 Waters Avenue	Savannah	31406	354-8815
Baptist Church at Ebenezer	Matt Hines (Laura)	2401 Ebenezer Rd	Rincon	31326	754-4440
Bethel	Eddie Deas (Elizabeth)	1295 Little Neck Rd	Savannah	31419	748-9085
Beulah		700 Beulah Church Rd. PO Box 299	Pembroke	31321	653-2640
Bonnybridge	Dan Hall	811 Bonnybridge Rd	Pt. Wentworth	31407	964-0553
Bull Street	Calvin Fowler (Char-La)	1400 Bull St.	Savannah	31401	236-1511
Calvary Baptist Temple		4625 Waters Avenue	Savannah	31404	351-2288
Central	Kenneth Harrelson (Sherry)	4010 Old Louisville Rd	Garden City	31408	965-0752
Chapel-By-The-Sea	David Laughner (Ginger)	811 Butler Ave., PO Box 235	Tybee Island	31328	786-4647
Chevis Oaks	Kyle Waddell (Amy)	102 Sylvania Road	Savannah	31419	925-3852
Chinese Baptist Church	Joseph Wong (Hannah)	1 55 th St.	Savannah	31405	234-1256
Christ's Community	Jeffrey Cummings (Tiyanna)	1805 East Gwinnett St	Savannah	31404	233-8925
Corinth	Philip Palmer (Regina)	19536 Highway 144	Richmond Hill	31324	727-2617
Countryside	Rick Flowers (Rasha)	1201 Noel C Conaway Rd	Guyton	31312	728-3253
Dean Forest	Guy Boyd (Sherrie)	1524 Dean Forest Rd	Garden City	31408	964-7369
Delesseps Avenue		1310 Delesseps Ave	Savannah	31404	
Faulkville	Chad Vanderburg (Jennifer)	144 Zeigler Rd. PO Box 265	Bloomingtondale	31302	748-7332
FBC Bloomingtondale	Steve Blake (DeLynn)	2 E. Moore Rd. PO Box 279	Bloomingtondale	31302	748-4017
FBC Ellabell		3425 Hwy. 204	Ellabell	31308	398-1232
FBC Garden City	Tommy Duke (Amber)	35 Nelson Avenue	Garden City	31408	964-1448
FBC Marlow	Gene Fail (Debbie)	2229 Central Avenue	Guyton	31312	772-7438
FBC Pooler	Bryan Parrish (Codie)	204 US Hwy 80 W PO Box 506	Pooler	31322	748-7521
FBC Port Wentworth	Paul Mongin (Tammy)	402 Pinehurst Pl	Pt Wentworth	31407	964-5811
FBC Richmond Hill	Scott Baker (Kim)	9184 Ford Avenue PO Box1390	Richmond Hill	31324	756-2196
FBC Rincon	Josh Mordarski (I) (Amy)	201 East 6 th Street	Rincon	31326	826-5536
FBC of the Islands	Brooks Cail (Suzy)	6613 Johnny Mercer Blvd.	Savannah	31410	897-2142
Goshen Road	Cory Moore (Shannon)	1323 Goshen Rd PO Box 739	Rincon	31326	826-1826
Higher Ground	Andy Vaught (Martha Lee)	9120 Whitefield Avenue	Savannah	31406	355-1505
Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana de Savannah	Samuel Rodriguez (Martha)	1 Gamble Road	Savannah	31405	236-4425
Iglesia Bautista Latinoamericana of Savannah	Ovidio Cabrera (Lacy)	502 Skidaway Rd	Savannah	31406	355-7937
Iglesia Cristiana Jasper Springs	Francisco Rodriguez (Jenie)	62 Smith Avenue	Garden City	31408	964-6864
Immanuel	Lane Sanders (Jennifer)	7375 Hodgson Memorial Dr	Savannah	31406	354-0548
Int'l Bible Christian Fellowship	Jesse Pamplona (Vickie)	2607 Aimar Avenue	Savannah	31406	224-8834
Isle of Hope	Lyle Wood (Rachael)	22 Rose Avenue	Savannah	31406	355-9815
Life Church at Ardsley Park	Jonathan Tillman (Kristin)	3802 Bull St.	Savannah	31405	234-1256
Lighthouse (Bloomingtondale)	Aaron Webb (Denise)	310 Ash St. PO Box 278	Bloomingtondale	31302	348-3251
Lighthouse (Savannah)	Bobby Awtrey (Patsy)	401 Quarterman Dr.	Savannah	31410	897-6357
Meldrim	Chad Eason (Kelly)	229 Ohoopee Ave. PO Box 64	Meldrim	31318	748-5220

New Beginnings Christian Community Church	Eric Henley (Shelia)	2310 Causton Bluff Rd.	Savannah	31401	388-6757
New Providence	Erik Palmberg (Susan)	106 Church St. PO Box 98	Guyton	31312	772-3590
New Vision	Gary Bradham	2417 Louis Mills Blvd	Savannah	31405	236-4841
North Salem	Jim Staubes (I) (Donna)	955 Highway 30	Pt. Wentworth	31407	777-6915
Northside	Mike Jones (Irene)	3621 GA 21, PO Box 254	Rincon	31326	826-5346
One Savior	Ben Canfield (Maria)	289 Harley Road	Guyton	31312	728-3810
Powers	Travis Cowart	1104 US HWY 80 PO Box 730	Eden	31307	748-6288
Quacco	Paul Pinel (Iris)	215 Quacco Road	Savannah	31419	257-6516
Rothwell	Micah Ellington (Sarah)	216 East Rothwell St	Pooler	31322	748-7593
Sand Hill	Derward Poole (Suzanne)	1931 Sand Hill Road	Guyton	31312	398-4990
Savannah Baptist Center	B.J. Duncan (I) (Emily)	704 Wheaton St	Savannah	31401	232-1033
Savannah Korean	Houngjik Kim (Priscilla)	6165 Chief OF Love Rd	Savannah	31419	927-0081
Silk Hope	Jonathan Phillips (Lori)	4929 Pineland Drive	Savannah	31405	233-8424
Skidaway Island	John Crunkleton (Kelli)	2 West Ridge Road	Savannah	31411	598-7997
South Newington	Steve McCoy (Peggy)	462 John Carter Road	Bloomingtondale	31302	748-4831
Southside	Stuart Doyle (Natalie)	5502 Skidaway Road	Savannah	31406	355-7937
Sycamore Church	Dusty Reynolds (Audrey)	2031 Grove Point Rd	Savannah	31419	289-8949
The Church at Godley Station	Darren Thomas (Mikki)	1601 Benton Blvd	Savannah	31407	330-8461
The CrossRoad Baptist	Johnny Bowen (Geneva)	8510 Middleground Rd PO Box 60746	Savannah	31420	925-0571
Thunderbolt Baptist	Truc Phan (Trinh)	3205 Russell Street	Thunderbolt	31404	354-2830
Trinity Baptist	Bill Bozeman (Ro)	365 Tunnel Rd.	Springfield	31329	407-0134
Victory Baptist	Robert McKenzie	1815 Montgomery X-Rd	Savannah	31406	354-8547
Whitemarsh Island		59 Johnny Mercer Blvd	Savannah	31410	897-4159
Windsor Forest	Mark Gentry (Cindy)	12521 White Bluff Rd	Savannah	31419	925-8650
Woodlawn	Matthew Travis (Amy)	407 Talmadge Avenue	Garden City	31408	964-8676
<u>Missions</u>					
Morningstar Community	Grady Taylor (Arlene)	2836 US Hwy 80	Bloomingtondale	31302	748-5757



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Feeding Unit

Doug Rowland, Director

Clean-Up and Recovery Unit

Tom Young, Director

Contact Savannah Baptist Association Office
for Information

Ministry Team Nominations for 2022-23

Associational Mission Strategist is an ex-officio member of all teams and leads the Administration Team

Administrative Team

Associational Mission Strategist	Rev. Buddy Wasson
Moderator	Rev. Steve Blake, FBC Bloomingdale
Moderator-Elect	Dr. Lane Sanders, Immanuel Baptist Church
Clerk	Connie Martin, FBC Rincon
Assistant Clerk	Tewanna Wommack, S. Newington Baptist Church
Treasurer	Tewanna Wommack, S. Newington Baptist Church
Assistant Treasurer	Rev. Stan Stones, The CrossRoad Baptist Church
GBMB Executive Committee Representative	Rev. Steve Blake, FBC Bloomingdale
Associational Missions Team	Dr. Johnny Bowen, The CrossRoad Baptist Church

Personnel Team

Moderator	Rev. Steve Blake, FBC Bloomingdale
Moderator-Elect	Dr. Lane Sanders, Immanuel Baptist Church
Treasurer	Tewanna Wommack, S. Newington Baptist Church
Assistant Treasurer	Rev. Stan Stones, The CrossRoad Baptist Church

Associational Missions Team

Vacation Bible School and Children's Director	Dr. Bill Gammon, Countryside
WMU Director	TBA
Disaster Relief Director	David Osborne, Immanuel Baptist Church
Missions/ Evangelism /Church Start Director	Dr. Johnny Bowen, The CrossRoad Baptist Church
Associational Prayer Coordinator	Rev. Steve Blake, FBC Bloomingdale
College Ministry Director	Rev. Marty Youngblood

Savannah Baptist Center Committee (Trustees)

2023 Regina Smith, Sycamore	2024 Brooks Cail, FBC of the Islands
2023 Pam Crovatt, Pooler FBC	2024 Jon Tillman, Life Church at Ardsley Park
2023 Linda Weeks, Life Church at Ardsley Park	2024 Stan Stones, The CrossRoad
2023 Larry Bukowiec, Countryside	2024 John Durant, Skidaway Island
2023 Stephen McAliley, The Church at Godley Station	2024 Stan Bond, Immanuel
2023 Doris Hagan, Higher Ground	2025 Randall Frantz
2023 James Lee, Sycamore	2025 Derward Poole, Sand Hill
	2025 Guy Sammons, Calvary

Savannah Baptist Center Ex-Officio Members

Moderator- Rev. Steve Blake, FBC Bloomingdale	Associational Mission Strategist – Rev. Buddy Wasson
Moderator- Elect- Dr. Lane Sanders, Immanuel Baptist Church	Director Savannah Baptist Center – Stephanie Carr

Savannah Baptist Association Annual Budget 2023					
		2022		2023	
Missions/Evangelism/Outreach					
10670-01	Associational Mission Trips	2,000		2,000	
Total Fixed for Missions/Evangelism/Outreach			2,000		2,000
Percentage Missions/Evangelism/Outreach					
10635-01	Baptist Center (8% of Budget)	19,781		19,448	
10645-01	Student Ministry (AASU 2.3% of Budget)	5,687		5,591	
Total Percentage Missions/Evangelism/Outreach		25,468		25,040	
Church Growth					
10710-01	Men's Ministry	250		250	
10715-01	Disaster Relief General	2,000		2,000	
10720-01	WMU	1,500		1,500	
10725-01	Sunday School	250		250	
10730-01	Music	250		250	
10732-01	Evangelism	1,000		1,000	
10735-01	GA/RA Ministry	500		500	
10736-01	VBS	600		600	
10738-01	Association Media Services (Website & e-mail)	1,000		1,000	
10742-01	Senior Adult Ministry	450		500	
10758-01	Savannah Day at Baxley	200		200	
Total Church Growth			8,000		8,050
Administration					
10809-01	Housing Allowance - AM	18,000		18,000	
10810-01	Salary/Allowances - AM	36,050		36,050	
10812-01	Convention Expense - AM	1,000		1,000	
10814-01	Ministry Expenses - AM	500		500	
10815-01	Annuity - AM	15,600		15,600	
10817-01	Travel pay - AM	4,500		4,500	
10823-01	Clerical overtime	500		500	
10829-01	Financial Secretary	21,218		21,218	
10830-01	Treasurer Salary	3,713		3,713	
10842-01	Christmas Bonus	1,000		1,000	
10843-01	Receptionist Salary	10,000		10,000	
10844-01	Training (ACS for Connie and ACR for Tewanna)	1,000		500	
10850-01	Auto Expense Reimbursement	800		500	
30805-01	Assembly Salaries	28,232		28,232	
30806-01	Assembly - Auto Allowance	2,400		2,400	
30808-01	Tax Deferred Annuity/Assembly Manager	3,120		3,120	
Total Administration			147,633		146,833

Operations					
10837-01	Janitorial Supplies	200		200	
10851-01	Memorial Fund	150		150	
10910-01	Insurance/Workman's Comp	15,000		15,000	
10912-01	Gen. - F.I.C.A. / Medicare Employer	3,500		3,500	
10914-01	Office Maintenance	3,180		3,180	
10916-01	Utilities	10,000		10,000	
10918-01	Equipment Maint/Svc Agreement (ACS)	4,500		4,700	
10920-01	Office Supplies	1,000		1,000	
10921-01	Postage	600		600	
10923-01	Office Equipment (Purchase)	1,000		1,000	
10946-01	Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000		1,000	
10980-01	Expense - Emergency Savings	3,500		3,500	
10949-01	Bank Fees and Expenses	0		250	
10950-01	Legal Fees	0		800	
30804-01	Assembly-Temp Labor	2,000		1,000	
30807-01	Assembly Utilities	18,000		18,000	
30809-01	Assembly - Maintenance/Operation	15,000		15,000	
30812-01	Assembly - Miscellaneous Exp	500		541	
30813-01	Assembly Development	1,000		1,000	
30815-01	Assembly -F.I.C.A. / Medicare Employer	2,200		2,500	
30816-01	Assembly-Equipment Replacement Reserve	2,000		2,000	
30817-01	Assembly - Conference/Convention	800		800	
30818-01	Assembly Development - Media/Advert	500		500	
30965-01	Assembly A/C for Big House & Lodge	4,000		0	
Total Operations			89,630		86,221
Total budget before Baptist Center and Student Ministry			247,263		243,104
Baptist Center and Student Ministry			25,468		25,040
Total budget with Baptist Center and Student Ministry			272,731		268,144

Savannah Baptist Association Mission Strategist

Rev. Buddy Wasson

Our 2021-2022 Association year was a time of preparing to move forward with the ministries of the Association. It has taken a lot of preparation in every ministry. Rethinking how we do certain ministries and revamping and reevaluation are the thoughts of the day and God is honoring our efforts.

The Savannah Baptist Center has been extremely busy with the Clothes Closet, Sewing Ministry, Oasis Ministry, and Food Pantry. Their Ministry partnerships with the Certified Nursing Assistance program and Royce Learning Center are doing great.

All the building projects at the Savannah Baptist Assembly are just about complete. Every cabin will have restroom facilities and each cabin has heating and air conditioning, which means we can have ministry there year-round.

The BCM is doing well this year. In one of their last meetings, they had over fifty in attendance. Some leadership has changed, but our God has not. God is very Faithful to the BCM at Georgia Southern Armstrong Campus.

Our Disaster Relief Units are prepared to roll. Our Clean-up & Recovery/Chainsaw Unit 36R has been on callouts in Georgia and other states. Our Feeding Unit 91A volunteers have worked in our community at a Free Dental Clinic, as well as ministering in other areas in Georgia and Kentucky.

The Savannah Baptist Association is always seeking to help God's Churches, our community, and all around the world. We thank you for your prayers, your financial support, and your willingness to work hand in hand with the spirit of Cooperation.

Savannah Baptist Center

Stephanie Carr, Director

Mission Statement

The Savannah Baptist Center exists to bring glory to God by bringing churches, groups, and individuals together to serve and meet the needs of our community.

New Ministries for 2022

Children's Clothes Closet

We are providing shopping opportunities for parents to select clothing for their children and God-centered activities for any children in attendance. This is also an outreach opportunity for the Savannah Baptist Center Church.

Adult Continuing Education with the Royce Learning Center

We have partnered with the Royce Learning Center to offer adult education classes. This program is designed for adult learners of all ages and abilities. Classes are individualized and taught with a learner-centered approach.

Certified Nursing Assistant Program Dunamis Healthcare Academy

We have partnered with Dunamis healthcare Academy to offer this program. Upon completion of this challenging five-week course, the student is issued a certificate and becomes eligible to take the National Nurse Aide Assessment Examination for Certified Nurse Aide.

Volunteer Opportunities

Thanksgiving 2022

Please consider helping us minister to the families who receive services at the Baptist Center. We are asking for donations of \$10 Kroger gift cards. These families include the ladies who participate in the sewing and Bible study classes at the Baptist Center. The deadline to collect gift cards is November 10th.

Christmas 2022

We will be providing a gift for the clients that receive services at the Baptist Center. Items needed include knit hats for men, gloves/mittens, deodorant, and razors. Items are due Dec. 1st.

Volunteer Meeting: We will be having a volunteer meeting Thursday, November 3rd at 10:00 am.

Services Provided Jan 2022-Aug 2022

Bible Study and Sewing Attendance: 586, Benevolence: 26, Clothes Closet Clients: 1477, Food Pantry Bags: 790

Oasis (Laundry, Showers, Day Lockers): 3243

Total services: 6122

Total Volunteer Hours Jan 2022-Aug 2022:

4730.25

Please continue to pray for us and God's work at the Savannah Baptist Center.

THANK YOU!





Savannah Baptist Assembly



This has been a year of many changes for the Savannah Baptist Assembly. We started off in January with a brand new director. Dale Griner, along with his wife, Courtney, and their children, moved to the property in January.

Our pool remodel was completed before the summer season began and several groups have been able to take advantage of it. It is brand new, sparkling, and just plain awesome.

Number 5 Cabin is in the process of getting a new bathroom. When this is completed, all cabins will have access to a bathroom. If you remember the bath house that we had for

many years, you will realize what a blessing this is.

Lots of repair work has been going on. The bus entrance drive has been graded, buildings have been painted, and air conditioners have been replaced. If you haven't been out to the Assembly in a while, it would be worth the trip just to see all of the changes. Everyone who has been out there only had one word to say... "WOW!"



Senior Adult Ministry

The Senior Adult Picnic was held on May 12th at J. F. Gregory Park in Richmond Hill. Music and testimony were provided by Billy (Buddy) Wommack of South Newington Baptist Church. The Disaster Relief Feeding Team prepared a delicious BBQ meal for everyone. We were excited to be able to have our picnic this year after canceling it for the last two years because of the pandemic. The next picnic is scheduled for May 11th, 2023, at J.F Gregory Park.



VBS Report 2022

Dr. Bill Gammon Associational Director

It looks like VBS almost got back to normal this year. Unfortunately, as of the time of printing, we did not have a complete list of churches that had VBS this year. Out of the nine churches reporting, 1101 lives were impacted by VBS. We are still accepting ACP forms so that we can get an accurate count of VBS participation in 2022.

Lifeway provided a variety of curriculums to choose from. Some of the themes used this year were:



Some churches also elected to use other programs.

Women's Missionary Union

2022-2023 Savannah Baptist Association Leadership Team

GA Director	Karen Mulvehill 194 Horseshoe Rd. Bloomington, GA 31302	748-4819 assocdirector@yahoo.com
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BCM Consultant	Beverly Purcell 521 Buckhalter Road Savannah, GA 31405	236-0858 429-2740 rlpbcp@bellsouth.net

Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries

<https://www.georgiachildren.org/>

We collected Walmart and Visa gift cards for the Baxley Children's Home again this year. Churches came together and sent gift cards amounting to \$2605. The staff at the Children's Home was overjoyed to receive them. Thank you for your generosity and support.

The theme of Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries is "Giving Kids Hope and a Home for 150 Years". Thanks to you, they served 417 clients in 2021.

Disaster Relief

The year started with training and orientation at FBC Richmond Hill on January 8th. About 60 people signed up for the event. If you still need to be re-certified or you want to join Disaster Relief, contact the Associational office and we will get you set up.

We had the opportunity to serve the Pembroke and Ellabell communities after the destruction of the tornado on April 4th. Our Clean Up Recovery/Chain Saw Unit 36R was there right after the tornado went through. Bro. Tom Young, our Unit Director, lives in the Black Creek area, and immediately drove around, assessing the damage. The next morning, our volunteers went to work helping remove debris, clearing roofs and cutting down dangerous trees. The Georgia Baptist DR brought in a shower trailer. Many of our churches also donated to the victims with food, clothing, and supplies. Thank you.

On May 3rd, our Feeding Unit, unit 91A, prepared 120 meals for the Elementary School in Bloomingdale. We had enough meals to feed the teachers, staff, the First Responders for Bloomingdale, Public Works workers, and the City Government employees.

Our Feeding Unit also prepared over 120 meals for the Senior Adult Picnic of our Association on May 12th.

We are very proud of our two DR Units, our Unit Directors, our Association DR Leadership, and all of our volunteers. We are grateful for their servant's hearts and for their willingness to go and help others in need.

We are prepared and ready to go when we are called out or to assist any of the churches of the Savannah Baptist Association as well as other surrounding churches and community needs. We always need folks to consider volunteering with our Disaster Relief Ministry. Just give us a call and we will be happy to get you started.







Baptist Collegiate Ministry

Georgia Southern University
Armstrong Campus

Thanks for your continued prayers and financial support of your BCM ministries in Savannah. As Marty Youngblood transitions to his new position as Pastor Wellness Consultant for the Georgia Baptist Mission Board, his wife, Daphne Youngblood, has taken the position of volunteer BCM Campus Missionary for the Armstrong Campus. If you have an interest in helping with the BCM ministries in Savannah, please contact Daphne via email, at daphne.youngblood@gmail.com.

You can find reports from Marty and Daphne in *The Baptist Mission*, the Savannah Baptist Association's monthly newsletter. Previous editions can be accessed at our website at www.sbassociation.org. You can also subscribe to the newsletter by emailing Tewanna at info@sbassociation.org.

The website of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board also has information about Baptist Collegiate Ministry statewide. You can find that information at <https://gabaptist.org/collegiate/>.

Annual Calendar

October 2022

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	4	5	6	7	8
9 Pastor's Appreciation Day	10 Ministers Meeting 11:00am Columbus Day	11	12	13	14	15
16 Annual Fall Meeting 5:45 pm The CrossRoad Baptist Church Church ACR Deadline	17 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	18	19	20	21	22
23 Day of Prayer for Associational Missions 30	24 Ministers Meeting 11:00am SBC Golf Tournament 31 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	25	26	27	28	29

November 2022

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Center Volunteer Meeting 10:00	4	5
6 Daylight Savings Ends 2 am	7 Ministers Meeting 11:00am World Day of Prayer	2	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12
13	14 Ministers Meeting 11:00am GBMB Annual Meeting Warren Baptist Church Augusta, GA	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 1:30	22	23	24 Thanksgiving Day Offices Closed	25	26
27	28 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	29	30			

December 2022

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Week of Prayer for International Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering						
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Week of Prayer						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
			Offices Closed			Christmas Eve
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Christmas Day		Offices Closed				New Year's Eve

January 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <div>New Year's Day</div>	2 <div>Offices Closed</div>	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div> <div>Admin Team 9:30</div>	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 <div>Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Office Closed</div>	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div> <div>Baptist Center Trustees 1:30</div>	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div>	31				

February 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Center Volunteer Meeting 10:00	3	4
5	6 Minister's Meeting 11:00am	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Minister's Meeting 11:00am	14	15	16 WMU Banquet 6:30 PM Immanuel	17	18
19 Focus on WMU Day	20 Minister's Meeting 11:00am President's Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Minister's Meeting 11:00am	28				

March 2023						
Savannah Baptist Association						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	<div>6</div> <div>Admin Meeting 9:30 am</div> <div>Minister's Meeting 11:00am</div>	7	8	9	10	11
Week of Prayer for North American Mission & Annie Armstrong Easter Offering						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<div>Daylight Savings Time Begins 2 am</div> <div>Week of Prayer</div>	<div>Minister's Meeting 11:00am</div>					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<div>Executive Committee Meeting 5:45 TBA</div>	<div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div> <div>Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 1:30</div>					
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	<div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div>					

April 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	4	5	6	7 Good Friday Office Closed	8
9 Easter	10 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	18	19 Deadline for Gift Cards for Baxley Children's Home	20	21 Savannah Day at Baxley Children's Home	22
23	24 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	25	26	27	28	29
30						

May 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:30 am</div>	2	3	4 <div>Center Volunteer Meeting 10:00</div>	5	6
8	8 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:30 am</div>	9	10	11 <div>Senior Adult Picnic 11:00am J.F. Gregory Park</div>	12	13
14 <div>Mother's Day</div>	15 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:30 am</div> <div>Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 1:30</div>	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:30 am</div>	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 <div>Memorial Day Offices Closed</div>	30	31			

June 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Ministers Meeting TBA	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Ministers Meeting TBA	13	14	15	16	17
18 Father's Day	19 Ministers Meeting TBA	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Ministers Meeting TBA	27	28	29	30	

July 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4 Independence Day Office Closed	5	6	7	8
9	10 Ministers Meeting TBA	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Ministers Meeting TBA Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 1:30	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Ministers Meeting TBA	25	26	27	28	
30	31 Ministers Meeting TBA					

August 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Center Volunteer Meeting 10:00	4	5
6	7 Ministers Meeting TBA	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Ministers Meeting TBA	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Ministers Meeting TBA	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Ministers Meeting TBA	29	30	31		

September 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 Labor Day Offices Closed	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Admin Meeting 9:30 am Ministers Meeting 11:00am	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Ministers Meeting 11:00am Baptist Center Trustee Meeting 1:30	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Ministers Meeting 11:00am	26	27	28	29	30

October 2023

Savannah Baptist Association

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 <div>Pastor's Appreciation Day</div>	9 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div> <div>Columbus Day</div>	10	11		13	14
15 <div>Annual Fall Meeting 5:45 pm TBA</div> <div>Church ACR Deadline</div>	16 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div>	17	18	19	20	21
22	21 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:00am</div>	22	23	24	25	26
27 <div>Day of Prayer for Associational Missions</div>	24 <div>Ministers Meeting 11:00 am</div>	29	30	31		

Georgia Baptist Mission Board

<http://gabaptist.org>

Because of the length of the reports from GBMB, we have provided the Website so that anyone who wishes to can access that information.

On this website, you will find information about the ministry of GBMB, a calendar of events, and contact information for staff members. They have recently re-arranged the website so that there is now a way for churches to give online or to download a remittance form if you would rather mail donations directly to them.

Bi-annual Meetings

Annual Fall Meeting

October 17, 2021

Immanuel Baptist Church

Presession music was led by Mark Layton, Music Minister of Immanuel Baptist Church.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Johnny Bowen, Moderator.

Dr. Lane Sanders, the pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, welcomed everyone. He stated that he wished they could do refreshments but were still not able to because of Covid. He read from Psalm 133-1 and led in prayer.

Dr. Johnny Bowen added a quote by David Jerimiah. "It is time for every church to wake up and for every Christian to wake up."

The attendance report was given by Connie Martin. Tonight, we have more churches than we have had in the last 4 years. There are 15 churches, 40 messengers, 37 guests, and 5 staff present. This is a record for us.

Rev. Buddy Wasson, Savannah Baptist Association's Mission strategist, reported the current status of the SBC. The Convention is having difficulty. I just want to share information with you and have a word of prayer. It is negative because it is a problem. We should know the information. I am just going to give the bullet points. There will be no discussion because it would be speculation. The SBC has been charged with abuse claims over the last few years. Seven churches and other individuals are accused of having incidences of sexual misconduct. Because of the handling by the churches, the executive committee was charged to look into it over a year ago. A letter was leaked to the media. It had concerns of coverup and mistreatment of victims by SBC. At the June convention in 2021, a motion was made to address the issue. A task force was to be appointed within 30 days to look into oversight and give a review, investigating abuse and mistreatment of victims and the actions and decisions of staff. It is to be funded by the cooperative program. They are to recommend "best standards" and make the investigation public by the next convention. They hired Guidepost Solutions to investigate these allegations. The Executive Committee voted 34-21 to waive attorney-client privileges. On October 11, 2021, the law firm resigned as legal counsel for SBC over attorney-client privileges. Ronny Floyd, the executive committee president, resigned. There is turmoil in SBC. More will resign. We don't know how it will affect the SBC, state, or associations. All is speculation. We need to continue standing firm and supporting the cooperative program. Pray for the convention and its leaders. People need to be held accountable if that is what happened. This is all I know. Watch the news and pastors, please filter down to your church body as you feel led. He then led us in prayer.

There is one new staff member. Bobby LeCompte is the Worship/Student Pastor at Skidaway. He is from Louisiana.

Dr. Johnny Bowen referred to page 7 of the Book of Reports for the nominating recommendations. He announced that an assistant clerk was added, a new WMU Director would be announced in the next few weeks, and we still need an evangelism director. Nominations come from the nominating committee. There was no discussion. The motion carried.

Our receptionist, who was also the Center Financial Secretary and our assistant clerk, resigned recently. Our treasurer also resigned. We found a person to fill all of these positions. He introduced Tewanna Wommack to the audience.

The proposed annual budget is in the Book of Reports. We only went up about \$13,000. Most of it was in workman's comp. This comes from a standing committee. There was no discussion. The motion carried.

Dr. Bowen reminded everyone that tonight is a celebration of what God has done in the ministry of our association. We should be praising him tonight.

Rev. Buddy Wasson brought a recommendation that two churches be allowed to join our association. They have both met all criteria. Iglesia Cristiana Jasper Springs has been with us for 14 years. We celebrate with them. There was no discussion or questions. The motion carried. Iglesia Bautista Latinoamericana of Savannah has also been in the association for a long time. There was no discussion and the motion carried. Rev. Wasson asked everyone to gather around them and pray.

Stephanie Carr, Director of Savannah Baptist Center, gave her report. I have been here for 8 years. God is taking things that we were doing and adapting them to the circumstances. We decided to collect gift cards and collected over \$1700 in gift cards for Thanksgiving baskets and the food pantry. Making these connections showed people that we had not forgotten them. We are doing it again this year. We see a lot of families. I have continued to give out those gift cards throughout the year. We give out groceries that come from your donations. God weaves all of your gifts and volunteers together. At Christmas, we gave our packages with flyers. Churches are coming together and providing care packages to share with the homeless. We continue to have Bible Study and sewing classes, making items to share with others. We had a lot of growth in September. The clothes closet almost doubled and volunteers also increased. It is such a blessing. The Oasis needed volunteers and some homeless men volunteered to run it for a couple of weeks. In January, we are going to be starting a partnership with Royce learning center, teaching adult literacy. We have opportunities for volunteers to help in that area. We are also sponsoring a CNA program that is getting approved now. We need volunteers in the food pantry and the clothes closet. Mostly, we need prayer. There is an increase in the strongholds of addictions in clients.

Rev. Wasson stated that the Center helped John Crunkleton with refugees from Afghanistan. They don't know about our culture and we want to help them learn how to get around. We are not sure how it will come out, but we are working on classes for that now.

Rev. Marty Youngblood reported on the BCM. He thanked everyone for all that they do. His report is in the Book of Reports. Since he got here in January, it has been a time of assessment. There was only one student leader in the summer. Now there are six. Thanks for the weekly lunches. In 1997, he went to state conference with five students. The Lord did amazing things with those five students. This year he took five again. He knows what God can do with five students. Continue praying for him in his work with college and university-age students.

Rev. Wasson reported on Disaster Relief. God used Disaster Relief in great ways. In August, the Clean Up and Recovery Unit cut down trees in Springfield after a tornado. The Feeding Unit went to Groves High School and fed a dental team that was doing a free dental clinic. We prepared over 500 meals for staff. There was a hurricane in Louisiana and we had a state-wide callout. Our Clean Up and Recovery Unit spent 3 weeks there. The feeding unit was also there. We have 2 units and a team of volunteers. We will have recertification and orientation on Jan 8 at FBC Richmond Hill. The more, the better. I am proud of Savannah Baptist Disaster Relief.

Assembly news – The Admin Team voted to move forward with the pool and a bathroom in cabin 5. Donnie Martin and Kevin Carter are out there working all of the time. Bobby LeCompte and his family are staying there now because they came without anywhere to live. We are looking for a new director.

Special music by Immanuel Baptist Church.

Rev. Robbie Norman was the speaker. He stressed that we will be held accountable for how many disciples we have made. He referred to the Great Commission. “The best volunteers, missionaries, pastors, etc. will always come out of discipleship. We need to get out there and do it.”

Rev. Buddy Wasson closed in prayer.

Annual Spring Executive Committee Meeting

There are no actual minutes for the Annual Spring Executive Committee Meeting due to the illness of an Associational Staff Member. The following is an agenda for the meeting.



Annual Spring Executive
Committee Meeting
CrossRoad Baptist Church
Sunday, March 20, 2022, 5:45 pm

Theme: Serving and Honoring God Together

5:45	Pre-Session Music	CrossRoad Baptist	CrossRoad Baptist
6:00	Call to Order	Dr. Johnny Bowen	Moderator
6:02	Music	CrossRoad Baptist	CrossRoad Baptist
6:15	Welcome	Dr. Johnny Bowen	CrossRoad Baptist
6:20	Scripture Reading and Prayer	Rev. Steven Blake	FBC Bloomingdale
	Enrollment of Messengers	Tewanna Wommack	Assistant Clerk
	Approval of Minutes	Tewanna Wommack	Assistant Clerk
6:23	Associational Misc. Business	Rev. Buddy Wasson Mrs. Stephanie Carr Rev. Buddy Wasson Rev. Marty Youngblood Bro. Dale Griner Rev. Buddy Wasson	Recognitions of New Pastors / Staff Savannah Baptist Center Disaster Relief Baptist Collegiate Ministries Savannah Baptist Assembly Introduction of Guest Speaker
6:50	Special Music	CrossRoad Baptist	CrossRoad Baptist
6:55	Inspirational Speaker	Dr. Johnny Bowen	CrossRoad Baptist
	Prayer and Benediction	Rev. Buddy Wasson	Associational Missionary Strategist

CONSTITUTION OF THE SAVANNAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE

The Savannah Baptist Association is a cooperative ministry of autonomous Southern Baptist Churches in the Greater Coastal Empire area of Georgia. Our core values are service to churches, leadership development in the churches, mission and evangelism opportunities for the churches, and unity among the churches. Our mission statement is: The Savannah Baptist Association will promote excellence in ministry and missions to help churches become healthy and multiplying bodies of Christ.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This body shall be known as "SAVANNAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, INC." as specified in the charter and shall hereinafter be referred to as THE ASSOCIATION.

Article II - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: COMPOSITION: THE ASSOCIATION shall be composed of Baptist churches that are in cooperation with the program of THE ASSOCIATION, and with its Faith and Message as set forth in the charter thereof and in Article VIII hereof. All churches represented in the membership of THE ASSOCIATION shall be entitled to enroll messengers at all sessions of THE ASSOCIATION without further action of THE ASSOCIATION.

Section 2: REPRESENTATION: Every church represented in THE ASSOCIATION shall be entitled to two (2) messengers and one (1) additional member for every \$500 given to the association per year. The total number of messengers from any one church shall not exceed ten (10) at any session.

Section 3: ADMISSION: Churches desiring to be received into the fellowship of THE ASSOCIATION must have been constituted at least six (6) months before the Fall Session of THE ASSOCIATION and must present to the Missions/Church Start Team sixty (60) days prior to the Fall Session the following credentials: (1) Petitioning letter, (2) Constitution and By-Laws of the Church if such exists, and (3) the Articles of Faith of the church or a statement that the church has adopted the Baptist Faith and Message of 2000. Upon the recommendation of the Missions/Church Start Team and a majority vote of the messengers present to receive the church, the Moderator shall declare the church received and its messengers seated.

Section 4: COOPERATION: Cooperating churches of THE ASSOCIATION will support the Baptist Faith and Message of 2000, send to the clerk an Annual Church Report, send messengers to the Executive Committee meetings and Annual meetings of THE ASSOCIATION, contribute financially to THE ASSOCIATION, and participate in the missions and ministries of THE ASSOCIATION.

Section 5: DISMISSAL: Should any church disqualify itself by doctrines contrary to those of THE ASSOCIATION, or by its failure to financially support THE ASSOCIATION in accordance with its ability to do so, the Executive Committee, upon failing to reconcile such church, may recommend dismissal. A majority vote in the Fall Session shall be required to withdraw fellowship from a church. Proper notice of probable action must be given to all churches by THE ASSOCIATION or the Executive Committee before such action may be taken. If a church desires to withdraw from THE ASSOCIATION, or cease to exist, it is requested that written notification be given to THE ASSOCIATION.

Section 6: CHURCH PROFILE: Each church represented by members in the membership of THE ASSOCIATION shall send annually, preferably at the time of the Fall Session but no later than November 1, to the Clerk a church profile which shall include a report of the activities of the church during the preceding church year.

ARTICLE IV - SESSIONS

Section 1: FALL SESSION: THE ASSOCIATION shall hold a Fall Session on the third Sunday night in the month of October at a time and place set by the Administration Team.

Section 2: SPECIAL SESSIONS: Special sessions of THE ASSOCIATION may be held at the call of the Administration Team. The Administration Team shall exercise this prerogative only in case of extreme emergency.

Section 3: NOTICE OF SESSION: A written notice of all sessions of THE ASSOCIATION shall be sent to each church represented in the membership of THE ASSOCIATION not less than five (5) nor more than (90) days prior to the session. The notice shall state the time and place of the session, and, in case of special session, the purposes for which called.

Section 4: PROCEDURE: Any officer of THE ASSOCIATION may call a meeting to order and may act as Chairman thereof, precedence being Moderator, Moderator-Elect, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk. In the absence of all such officers, the messengers present may elect a chairman. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk of THE ASSOCIATION shall act as secretary at all meetings but in their absence, the presiding officer may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

ARTICLE V - ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

Section 1: GENERAL OFFICERS: The General Officers of THE ASSOCIATION shall be the Moderator, Moderator-Elect, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer.

Section 2: ORGANIZATIONAL OFFICERS: The organizational officers shall be such team members and departmental officers THE ASSOCIATION may elect through its nominating committee process.

Section 3: TRUSTEES: The Moderator, Moderator-Elect, Clerk, and Treasurer shall be the Trustees of THE ASSOCIATION.

Section 4: ELECTION OF OFFICERS: At the Executive Committee prior to the Spring Meeting, the Moderator shall appoint a nominating committee of three persons to bring a slate of officers and team leaders to the Spring Meeting. Other nominations will be accepted from the floor and an election will be held. Installation of all such officers shall be at the Fall Session. These officers shall serve for the ensuing year and until their successors have been elected and installed. The Moderator-Elect shall be installed as the Moderator in the year succeeding his election as Moderator Elect.

Section 5: DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

(A) MODERATOR. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside during all meetings of THE ASSOCIATION; to preside as Chairman of the Executive Committee; preside as Chairman of the Personnel Team; to appoint with Associational approval any special committees that THE ASSOCIATION or the Executive Committee shall authorize him to appoint; and to serve as an ex-officio member of all committees.

(B) MODERATOR-ELECT. It shall be the duty of the Moderator-Elect to assist the Moderator in his duties and be ready to assume his responsibilities in any emergency. He shall, in the absence or at the request of the Moderator, do and perform the duties of the Moderator. The Moderator-Elect shall serve as Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee and as an ex-officio member of all committees.

(C) CLERK. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of THE ASSOCIATION, serve as Secretary of the Executive Committee, furnish churches Annual Church Reports for making reports to THE ASSOCIATION, and direct the printing and distribution of the Minutes of THE ASSOCIATION.

(D) ASSISTANT CLERK: It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk to assist the Clerk in his duties and be ready to assume his responsibilities in an emergency. He shall serve as Assistant Secretary of the Executive Committee.

(E) TREASURER: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to supervise the receiving, proper crediting, depositing, and paying out upon proper authorization all monies of THE ASSOCIATION. Following approved methods of accounting, the Treasurer shall keep accurate records of all receipts and disbursements. The Treasurer shall present reports to the Executive Committee and THE ASSOCIATION when in session. The Treasurer shall be authorized to sign checks and shall be bonded by an amount set by the Administration Team.

(F) ASSISTANT TREASURER. It shall be the duty of the Assistant Treasurer to assist the Treasurer in his duties and be ready to assume his responsibilities in any emergency. He shall be authorized to sign checks and shall be bonded for an amount set by the Administration Team.

(G) TEAM LEADERS: It shall be the duty of all Team Leaders to promote, direct, and organize the activities of their team and to give reports to the Executive Committee and THE ASSOCIATION during the Fall Session.

(H) TRUSTEES: It shall be the duty of the Trustees to represent THE ASSOCIATION by the authority of THE ASSOCIATION in acquisition and disposal of Associational property, transact on behalf of THE ASSOCIATION in acquisition and disposal of Associational property, sign all deeds, notes, contracts, and agreements, and intervene in all suits.

ARTICLE VI - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1: PURPOSE: The purpose of the Executive Committee is to carry on the work of THE ASSOCIATION between sessions. The Constitution and By-Laws of THE ASSOCIATION shall be the Constitution and By-Laws of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall place in effect all orders of THE ASSOCIATION, shall assist the churches in the spread of the Gospel, and shall make recommendations to THE ASSOCIATION.

Section 2: MEMBERSHIP: The Executive Committee is composed of the general officers, Team Leaders, chairmen of all standing committees, the Associational Missionary of THE ASSOCIATION, and the pastor, one associate minister, and two lay members from each church represented in the membership in THE ASSOCIATION. The lay members shall be elected by their churches.

Section 3: OFFICERS: The officers of the Executive Committee shall be the General Officers of THE ASSOCIATION.

Section 4: MEETINGS:

(A) Regular Meetings: The regular meetings shall be held on the third Sunday night in the month of March of each year at a time and place set by the Administration Team.

(B) Special Meetings: When necessary, the Chairman and the Secretary may call a special meeting of the Executive Committee, after consulting with the Administration Team. A written notice of all special meetings of the Executive Committee shall be sent to all members of the Executive Committee. In case of special meetings, the purpose(s) for their meeting shall be included in the notice.

(C) Place of Meetings: The members of the Committee may hold their meetings in such place or places as the Executive Committee may from time to time determine. However, the preferred method of selection of meeting sites is to rotate the meetings among the churches in THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

Section 1: AUTHORIZATION: The Order of Business Committee shall be the Moderator, Moderator-Elect, Clerk, and Associational Missionary. The Personnel Committee shall be the Moderator, Moderator-Elect, and Treasurer. The Associational Council shall be the general officers, the organizational officers, and the Associational Missionary. Other standing committees shall be such committees as THE ASSOCIATION shall deem necessary.

Section 2: ELECTION: The Nominating Committee shall nominate for election at the Spring Session all standing committees/teams on a rotating basis and shall name the chairman of each committee/team for the coming year. The members of these committees shall be selected from the membership of the participating churches. Except in extraordinary circumstances, no person shall serve on more than one committee at a time.

Section 3: DUTIES: The duties of the committees/teams shall be specified in an operations manual of THE ASSOCIATION which shall be approved by THE ASSOCIATION or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII - DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

The Holy Bible, the inspired, infallible, and inerrant word of God, is the basis of our faith and the final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind. It is the sole and final source of all that we believe for purposes of expressing the faith, doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline of the Association and its related ministries. We accept the BAPTIST FAITH AND MESSAGE 2000 as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention to be the representation of our core values.

ARTICLE IX - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The Parliamentary Authority for THE ASSOCIATION shall be Robert's Rules of Order, Revised (latest revision). The Moderator shall appoint a Parliamentarian to serve at all meetings of THE ASSOCIATION and the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and the By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the messengers present and voting at the Fall Session of THE ASSOCIATION. The proposed amendment shall be published to the membership of the Executive Committee at least three (3) months prior to the Fall Session at which the vote is taken.

BY-LAWS

1. **AUTHORITY:** THE ASSOCIATION shall look upon the churches as independent in all their internal affairs, and neither THE ASSOCIATION nor its Executive Committee shall exercise any ecclesiastical authority or claim any legislative or judicial powers over them.

2. **FISCAL YEAR:** The fiscal year of THE ASSOCIATION shall begin with the first day of January and end on the 31st day of December each calendar year.

3. **ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR:** The associational year on which information is to be reported from the churches shall begin on the first day of September and end on the 31st day of August of each calendar year.

4. **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:** The Moderator, Moderator-Elect, and Associational Missionary shall be ex-officio members of all committees and shall be notified of all committee meetings. They are without voting privileges.

5. **QUORUM:** A quorum for any meeting of THE ASSOCIATION, or the Executive Committee shall be those Messengers or Members present.

6. **NEW OR UNUSUAL BUSINESS:** In the event of unpublicized new business at a meeting of THE ASSOCIATION or the Executive Committee, any messenger or member may declare it new or unusual business and move that it be tabled until the next regular meeting. A vote of twenty percent (20%) of those present and voting may designate it as new or unusual business, and it will be tabled until it is publicized and taken off the table for discussion and vote at the next scheduled meeting.

7. **ENROLLMENT OF MESSENGERS:** All messengers to the various sessions shall register in accordance with the method of registration as set out in the Operations Manual and shall be enrolled as messengers to THE ASSOCIATION upon registration.

8. **BOOK OF REPORTS:** All reports to be made to the annual session of THE ASSOCIATION shall be in writing and reproduced in sufficient numbers to be distributed to the messengers upon the convening of the session. The distribution shall be in lieu of the reading of the reports. All reports to be incorporated in the Book of Reports shall be sent to the Associational office by September 15th each year.

9. **POLICY ON ESTABLISHMENT OF MISSIONS AND CHURCHES:** The churches represented in the membership of THE ASSOCIATION are requested to cooperate with the Missions/Church Start Team of THE ASSOCIATION in the establishment of missions and churches. It is suggested that any church wishing to start a work or to relocate is asked to confer with the Missions/Church Start Team of THE ASSOCIATION as to the advisability of such action.

10. **Associational Missionary:** THE ASSOCIATION shall employ an Associational Missionary who shall be primarily responsible to THE ASSOCIATION. The Operations Manual shall contain a job description for the Associational Missionary.