



# The NAVIGATOR

*STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH AND IMPACTING LOSTNESS*

February 2014

## **MARK YOUR COURSE**

*Calendar of Events*

**February 2014**

- **1st TRBA/FCM Monthly Prayer Drive**  
8:00AM-10:00 AM Union View Baptist Church
- **10th Articles for March Newsletter due to Sherri**
- **12th TRBA Finance Committee Meeting**  
12:30 PM TRBA Office
- **13th Toronto Team Meeting**  
6:30 PM TRBA Office
- **18th Ministers' Monthly Fellowship and Prayer Time** 11:30 AM-1:00 PM TRBA Office
- **20th TRBA Outreach Trailer Training**  
6:30 PM Ephesus Baptist Church, Spring Hope
- **21st-22nd Baptist Men Region 2 Disaster Relief Training** Wilson County  
Visit [www.baptistmission.org](http://www.baptistmission.org) to register.
- **24th TRBA Meeting Night**  
6:00 PM- 8:00 PM TRBA Office- All committees, council, ministry teams that are not scheduled for alternate times of meetings are to meet 4th, Monday nights of February/May/August/November.
- **28th- March 1st TRBA Disciple Now**  
Rock Spring Baptist Church  
Registration Deadline is February 3.

## **March 2014**

- **1st-8th Toronto Mission Trip**
- **1st TRBA/FCM Monthly Prayer Drive**  
8:00AM-10:00 AM Hopkins Chapel Baptist Church
- **7th-8th Baptist Men Region 4 Disaster Relief Training** Franklin County  
Visit [www.baptistmission.org](http://www.baptistmission.org) to register.

*Please check our calendar on the website on a regular basis for updated calendar information. Our website is [www.tarriverbaptist.org](http://www.tarriverbaptist.org).*

**Please Print for your Congregations**

*The Monthly Newsletter of the Tar River Baptist Association*



## **Charting His Course**

*By: Dougald McLaurin*

*Associational Missionary*

*And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation".  
Mark 16:15*

Hard to believe I am writing the February newsletter! As this newsletter indicates clearly, MUCH is happening in the life and work of your association! Please join us in prayer as we seek to serve our member churches. Share with your church family what is going on and let us know how we can be of service to you. Please read carefully the news articles included in this edition. There are a few "time sensitive" events.

Our theme throughout 2014 is "How Cane We Reach Them Unless We Know Them." How well do you really know your neighbors? What are the ministry needs of your church community? Has you church evaluated its ministries to the community and programs in the church to determine how you can better serve? TRBA Staff can assist in these assessments and we stand ready to help you become the church God has called you to be in the communities He has placed you. At the moment, I am working directly with 5 of our churches with assessments, training, strategy development, as well as other things related to church strengthening and impacting lostness. I would love to talk with your church and see how I can walk with you in this journey.



## **TRBA Disciple Now Weekend**

**February 28th-March 1st  
Rock Spring Baptist Church**

**Cost: \$15.00**

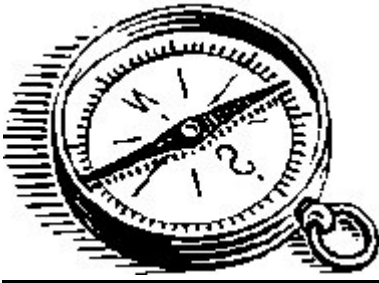
(Covers 2 meals, a t-shirt and bible study materials)

**PAID REGISTRATION IS DUE to TRBA by FEB. 3rd**

**The theme for the 2014 D-Now  
"How do I know Christianity is True?"**

**Contact: June Havens**  
[juhavens@msn.com](mailto:juhavens@msn.com)





# TAR RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION NEWS AND INFORMATION

## CHURCH AND ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

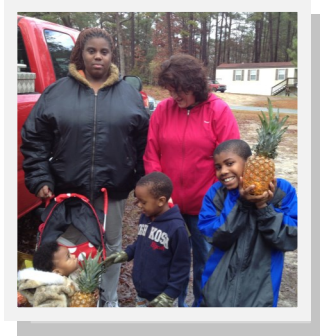


### Come and Join Us with Food Distribution

Tuesdays at 12:30pm

Sundays at 1:15 pm

For more information  
contact: 919-496-7172 or  
[fooddistribution@tarriverbaptist.com](mailto:fooddistribution@tarriverbaptist.com)



### 2014 Church Ministries

Outreach Trailers JOY and PEACE are already booking up for 2014. You can call or email up to six months in advance and reserve one for your church's event.

**New Reservation Option!** On the Tar River website there is a way to check the date you are looking for and if it is available, you can now submit the application online. Simply go to [www.tarriverbaptist.org](http://www.tarriverbaptist.org) and look under church resources. Then find the Outreach trailer tab and to the right there is an "APPLY ONLINE" option. Go Check it out.

#### 2014 Outreach Trailer Training Dates:

**Thurs. February 20 at Ephesus Baptist**

**Thurs. April 10 at TRBA**

**Thurs. June 5 at TRBA**

**Thurs. August 7 at TRBA**

All Trainings take place from 6:30-7:30 PM.

For questions:

Contact [Meredith@tarriverbaptist.com](mailto:Meredith@tarriverbaptist.com)

### TRBA Church Announcements

**Churches looking for Music Directors:** Ephesus, Hopkins Chapel, and Pilot Churches . There may be others as well.

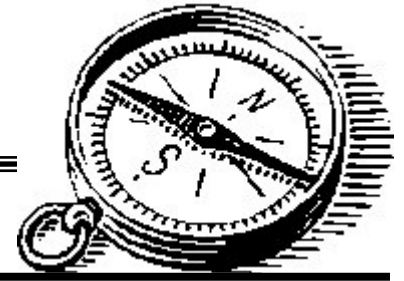
**Churches without pastors:** Bunn, Cedar Rock, Centerville, Rocky Cross, Unity, and Wood. Please be in prayer for these churches as they seek out the individual God has prepared for them.

**Youth Minister:** Pine Ridge Baptist Church, If interested please send your resume and cover letter to Pine Ridge Baptist Church, 874 Pine Ridge Road, Zebulon, NC 27597 or [PRBC-YMSC@yahoo.com](mailto:PRBC-YMSC@yahoo.com)

**Duffle Bags for Foster Children:** Open Road Community Church is collecting duffle bags, children's under garments, toothbrushes, toothpaste, wipes, etc. for foster children in our area. For more information contact Angela Romero 919-793-8425

**Monthly Community Prayer Drive for the Southern area churches of the association.** Second Saturdays of each month at 8:00 am meet at Pilot Baptist Church parking lot. Everyone is welcome. *Please note, this is in addition to the TRBA/FCM on first Saturdays. Our prayer is that more of our member churches will gather regularly for prayer together!*

# CHURCH & COMMUNITY MINISTRIES



## MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### NC Baptist Men Missions Opportunities

Operation InAsMuch is approaching fast. **There is training coming up on January 25<sup>th</sup> at Morrisville Baptist Church.** The dates for Operation InAsMuch are April 26<sup>th</sup> and May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Be in prayer for what type of project your church would like to do. OIAM is hoping to have Church participation in all 100 counties. For ideas of types of projects or to register for the training go to [baptistsonmission.org](http://baptistsonmission.org) click on events and then NC OIAM and follow the links under "Local Mission Project Ideas".

It's also time for "Disaster Relief Training". As with every year there are 5 training events throughout the State. This year Region 4 (which TRBA is in) will be having training in Franklin County. For those who are unfamiliar with DR Training, each year there are 5 trainings across the state, preparing volunteers for disaster events. These trainings consist of; (Basic) Chaplaincy, Communications, Child Care, Mass Feeding, Medical, Shower/Laundry, (Advanced) Administration, Assessment, Crewchief, Forklift, Logistics, Maintenance, Points of Distribution (PODS), Recovery Equipment Manager, Sharing Christ in Crisis and Water Purification. All of these trainings are good for 3 years, help in making you a prepared volunteer and are required in most major disasters. You are required to take at least one basic training before taking the advanced trainings. Please prayerfully consider attending training this year to use your God given talents to serve others, in times of need.

For more information feel free to call me,  
Sammy Gupton, at 919-495-1055 or 919-853-3421, or go to  
[www.baptistsonmission.org](http://www.baptistsonmission.org)

### NC Baptist Men Disaster Relief Training Opportunities

**Region 2: Feb. 21-22, 2014 Wilson County**  
**Region 4: March 7-8, 2014 Franklin County**  
**Region 6: April 11-12, 2014 Mecklenburg County**



### TRBA Toronto Canada Partnership Initiative

**Trip Dates** - March 1-8, 2014

**Cost per Participant** - \$1,100.00

Team meetings at TRBA at 6:30pm: Deposits will be discussed at the first meeting.

1. January 31
2. February 13
3. March 27

**Available Spots** - 14

**Trip Details** - We will be traveling from Raleigh to Buffalo, New York. From Buffalo, New York we will be driving into Toronto Canada. We will be working with Michael Seaman who is a church planter there in Canada. Our mission team will be presenting evangelistic events such as VBS, Park ministry, giveaways, volunteering in Boys & Girls Clubs etc.

**If you are interested in going contact**

**Matthew Bowden ASAP**

Phone: (919) 495-7352

Email: [matthew@tarriverbaptist.com](mailto:matthew@tarriverbaptist.com)

## What is God Doing in Your Communities?

**God is at work all around us, but are we watching and ready to join him?** Over the last several months we have watched God open doors in communities that have not been in areas that we were looking, but where He could see, when we could not. The binoculars that he has used to help us see is through prayer driving. As we have joined together on Saturdays to pray for our communities God has shown us the nooks and crannies of our area and the great needs of families and children. He has shown us the lostness of souls and the hopelessness right here in our backyards. It is hard for us to think that in America people live with no power and running water. It is hard to believe that there are children that are hungry living in our communities. It is hard to think that an 80 year old man in this area had never heard the good news of the gospel. **WHAT IS GOD DOING?** Opening our eyes and asking us to respond. What is He asking you to do to be a part of His solution?



## 2014 TRBA UPDATES

**Non-Perishable Food Collection-Thank you for your continued support of food collection.** We will be posting new recipes on our website in the next week. The collection list are also posted on our website. For more information about food distribution or collection please contact Sherri at [fooddistribution@tarriverbaptist.com](mailto:fooddistribution@tarriverbaptist.com) or 919-496-7172

**School Supply Collection**— is an ongoing collection. Any school supplies can be dropped off at the TRBA office. We will be delivering boxes to the schools at the end of January.

**Office hour changes:** Effective 1/6/2014 office hours are 8:30 AM—4:30 PM Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. 8:30 AM—Noon on Tuesday and Friday and **by appointment only Tuesday and Friday afternoons.**

**Reservations for ALL events:** The leadership of the association has directed TRBA staff, and ministry directors to require reservations for ALL events. **Please assist us with your understanding and reservations.**

**Church Contacts Needed:** We need at least one person in every church that will share information/see it gets into the bulletin or newsletter at your church. Contact Sherri@tarriverbaptist.com if you are willing.

*Please complete your Church ACP if you have not!*

## Community Awareness

Did you know you can get free, in-person assistance for the Health Insurance Marketplace right here in Louisburg?

Franklin Community Health Services has a Certified Application Counselor, Phyllis Rice on site Monday thru Thursday available for in person assistance enrolling in health insurance through the Marketplace: [healthcare.gov](http://healthcare.gov).

To schedule an appointment please call 919.800.4500. To get information on what paperwork is needed before enrolling, go to the Services section of Wake Health Services website: [wakehealth.org](http://wakehealth.org)

**Additionally, we will be available by appointment on Saturday, January 25, 2014.**

For general inquires please email Emily Lynn Mallasch, Outreach and Enrollment Administrator at [healthinsurance@whsi.org](mailto:healthinsurance@whsi.org).



**WAKE HEALTH SERVICES**  
A COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

## TRBA 2013 CONTRIBUTIONS January –December

Bailey	3,504
Bethlehem	5,229
Bunn	750
Castalia	4,893
Cedar Rock	1,150
Centerville	750
Corinth	4,075
Community	394
Cornerstone	800
Cypress Chapel	
Duke Memorial	2,500
Ephesus	8,501
Flat Rock	15,575
Franklinton	3,405
Good Hope	2,739
Grace Haven	
Harris Chapel	3,250
Hickory Rock	1,600
High Cross	256
Holly Grove	300
Hopkins Chapel	10,250
Louisburg	4,500
Maple Springs	1,600
Mount Zion	500
Mountain Grove	800
Oak Grove	2,200

Open Road	
Peachtree	1,704
Pearce	3,000
Perry's Chapel	600
Philadelphia	600
Pilot	6,600
Pine Ridge	4,600
Pleasant Grove	2,625
Poplar Spring	5,410
Ransdell Chapel	1,894
Red Bud	5,280
Rock Spring	4,354
Rocky Cross	700
Saints Delight	
Samaria	3,140
Sandy Creek	2,200
Social Plains	3,710
Spring Hope	2,400
Stanhope	300
Union Chapel	2,310
Union Hope	2,400
Union View	
Unity	1,992
White Level	4,000
Wood	700
Word of Life	264



**MARK  
YOUR  
STEPS**

**SAVE the DATE**

**2014 TRBA Senior Rally  
Thursday, May 1, 2014**

**4:00 PM**

**Maple Spring  
Baptist Church**

DETAILS COMING SOON!