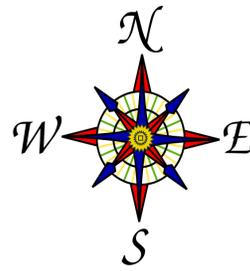


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Calendar of Events

(*) = more details in this newsletter *Please check our calendar on the website on a regular basis for updated calendar information. Our website is www.tarriverbaptist.org.*

April 2018

- ◆ 2nd TRBA Office closed for Easter Holiday
- ◆ 9th Pastor's Prayer Bus Tour w/ Chris Schofield
- ◆ *23rd TRBA Annual Spring Meeting at Cedar Rock FBC, Castalia - Registration begins at 5:30pm
- ◆ 30th. Pastors' "Lunch & Learn" at TRBA. Two session—11:30 AM-1:00 PM/6:00 PM –7:30 PM.

May 2018

- ◆ 10th Finance Committee Meeting 1pm @ TRBA
- ◆ *19th "Revive! Christ and His Church" Blackaby Revitalization Conference
- ◆ 20th—27th: Week of Prayer Associational Missions
- ◆ 28th TRBA Office Closed for the Memorial Day



Please print The Navigator Newsletter for your churches bulletin boards!! We

want to make our news and information easy for everyone to read and share. We need you help in getting the information out.



Watch for our Facebook updates & information postings. Help us share & spread the news that happening around us.

*Expect additional information to come to you electronically and check the TRBA Calendar for updates. MUCH is happening at time of publication. * means more information inside on these specific events*

Driving to the office these days one takes note of the "budding scenery" of a new Spring. I began to think of this season of the year, the Easter holiday coming quickly and all the "new life" and hope for the future this season brings to us. "Spring forward" was shared when we moved up our clocks, but there's something about this time of year that implies new growth, moving forward, a new beginning. This April marks a lot of things planned to help us move forward and as we pray together for revival as churches, renewed commitment to share the love/hope of Christ to a world in desperate need of a Savior.

- ◆ April 1 - **Easter 2018:** Praying God will use the special services of the week to renew commitment among our church members and bring lost people into His Kingdom.
- ◆ April 9 - **Prayer Bus Tour:** Pastors/church leaders visiting pockets of lostness and praying together towards renewed efforts to proclaim the Gospel and minister to need in the community.
- ◆ April 23 - **TRBA Spring Meeting:** Worshipping/celebrating Christ and His church as member churches of the association.
- ◆ April 30 - "Lunch & Learn;" 11:30 AM and 6:00 PM—a gathering discussing "RECLAIMING GLORY" (Mark Clifton) and discussing ways we can work together as groups of churches to strengthen His church and impact lostness in this generation.
- ◆ May 19 - "Revive: Christ and His Church:" Richard Blackaby will lead this special conference and **each church encouraged to take their leadership teams** to lead our churches to experience God's invitation to renew our commitment to join Him in His work.

There are other things we could highlight. I trust you will both join me in praying about these events and that God will use them mightily to accomplish His purpose. Expect more info on each.

Yours in Christ, Dougald



Please be in prayer for these churches as they seek out the individual God has prepared for them. Remember to lift all of our pastors and their families up in prayer, as they strive to minister to God's people.

Pray for Our Churches Without Pastors

**DUKE MEMORIAL EPHESUS CORNERSTONE
WHITE LEVEL SOCIAL PLAINS**

Pray for Our Churches With Transitional Pastors

Centerville Baptist: Doug Moore Pine Ridge Baptist: Richard Walker

April's Safety Tip

Sponsored by: Church Mutual Insurance Company

Are you doing all you can to prevent sexual abuse from occurring at your organization? Review your abuse prevention policies and update background checks for staff and volunteers.



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Please pray for your staff as we seek to more effectively serve every member church.



Monday - Thursday
10:00am to 2:00pm
****Other times by appointment****

PASTORS' PRAYER BUS



Monday, April 9th
9:00am to 2:00pm
For church leaders to see, pray and "strategize" on how we can work together to impact lostness.

TRBA Annual Spring Meeting

Monday, April 23, 2018

Registration begins @ 5:30pm

Hosted by: Cedar Rock First Baptist Church
4879 NC Hwy 56 E, Castalia, NC

Each member church is entitled to 5 voting messengers - one is the pastor or interim and then 4 others elected by the church. If TRBA has email address for your messengers, we will get important information to them in time for review before the meeting. To be sure email Pauline at Pauline@tarriverbaptist.com with the list of your churches messengers. **Please note: Everyone is ALWAYS welcome to attend, but each church has only 5 voting members. We hope to see you there!!**

Child Care is available for the Pastor's!!

Pastor's please email Pauline if you will need child care for the evening. Please list your child/children's name(s) and age(s) to ensure workers are available for all ages.



The 2018 Outreach Trailer season is here..... and reservations are filling up fast. Check the on-line calendar for open dates!!

The cost for reserving and use of the Outreach Trailers is \$300.00 per event.

We want to encourage our churches to use these trailers for ministry outreach events. We have two trailers ready for use. To check for Outreach Trailer availability visit



www.tarriverbaptist.org

Click on the Resources tab and go to Outreach Trailer. There is a calendar listed to see the available dates and apply online. More info or questions contact Pauline via email at Pauline@tarriverbaptist.com



**Reserve your tickets by going to the
website address below.....**

Revive!
Christ and His Church
with Richard Blackaby

Saturday, May 19

9 AM – 3 PM

Trinity Baptist Church, Tarboro, NC

This conference will feature Dr. Richard Blackaby, President of Blackaby Ministries International. Dr. Blackaby will focus on topics such as Christ's Presence and Purpose for His church. He will share how it is vitally important to be centered on and oriented to the Headship of Christ in order for your church to experience renewal and revitalization. A box lunch from Chick-fil-A is included with the ticket price. During lunch, conference participants will have the opportunity to engage Dr. Blackaby in a Q&A session. The afternoon session will focus on prayer and will be led by Rev. Rick Fisher of Blackaby Ministries International.

This event is for pastors, staff, and all church leaders!

**\$12.00 per person for tickets go to:
www.eventbrite.com/e/revive-christ-and-his-church-tickets-44373719991?aff=efbeventtix**



This year Louisburg Baptist Church will be the host site for the food roundup collections instead of the TRBA office. TRBA is thankful for the on-going partnership that the area churches has with the Baptist Children's Homes. Listed below is the drop off information.

Drop Off Deadline: Friday, April 28th

Drop Off Hours: Monday through Friday during regular office hours which are 9am - 12pm and 1pm - 4pm.

There will be someone in the office during those hours to give drop off instructions. The church office is on Middle Street, a side street off of Main Street just north of the Post Office. Those dropping food off can go to the office entrance door where there is an intercom. The church administrative assistant will give instructions as to which door is most convenient to reach the food holding room.

Louisburg Baptist Church is located at 302 North Main Street, Louisburg