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Trinity Baptist Church

October 25, 2004

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of the

Woman's Missionary Union

held with

Sedalia Baptist Church

March 27, 2004

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October 1, 2003 - September 30, 2004

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Timber Ridge Baptist Church

Monday, October 24, 2005

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DECLARATION OF FAITH

The sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. Confessions are only guides in interpretation, having no authority over the conscience. Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Therefore, the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

--From *The Baptist Faith and Message*

BYLAWS STRAWBERRY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I: NAME

This body shall be called the Strawberry Baptist Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Association shall be:

- A. To touch every person within reach of the churches with the gospel of Jesus Christ;
- B. To stimulate greater fellowship, spiritual growth, and unity of New Testament belief and practice among the churches;
- C. To assist the churches in strengthening their programs of stewardship, evangelism, missions, and Christian education;
- D. To provide the churches with information concerning the programs of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Baptist World Alliance; and
- E. To provide the churches a channel through which they may engage cooperatively in programs or projects which they cannot adequately support individually.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Eligibility for membership in the Association shall be to churches which:

- A. Follow the New Testament teachings of salvation by grace and believer's baptism by immersion; and
- B. Cooperate with the Association by:
 - (1) Contributing financially to the work of the Association;
 - (2) Returning to the Association an Annual Church Profile; and
 - (3) Participating in the business of the Association at least to the extent of messenger representation at the annual meetings of the Association.

Section 2. Voting Privileges at regular or called meetings of the Association shall be extended to:

- A. Four messengers elected from each member church;
- B. One additional messenger for each \$500 budget contribution up to \$2,000; one additional messenger for each \$1,000 budget contribution between \$2,000 and \$6,000; and one additional messenger for each \$2,000 budget contribution over \$6,000.
- C. Officers of the Association

All messengers must be members of the Strawberry Baptist Association church which they represent.

Section 3. Procedures for Reception of Non-member Churches to full membership in the Association shall be the following:

- A. The church shall submit to the Missions Development Committee a written request for membership in the Association.
- B. The Missions Development Committee shall investigate in order to determine if it is the intention of the church to comply with the conditions of membership in the Association. When and if the Missions Development Committee is satisfied with the church's eligibility according to Section 1 of this Article, it will so advise the Executive Board with a recommendation that the church be accepted for membership in the Association.
- C. The Executive Board may or may not deem it necessary to conduct its own investigation of the church in order to satisfy itself as to the church's intention to comply with the conditions of membership in the Association. When and if the Executive Board is so satisfied, it shall at an annual meeting of the Association recommend reception of the church into full membership.
- D. A non-member church may be admitted to full membership in the Association by a favorable three-fourths majority vote of the eligible messengers present and voting at an annual meeting of the Association, provided that at least one (1) annual meeting shall have been held since the church submitted its original request for membership.

Section 4. Termination of Relationship between the Association and member churches shall be accomplished by:

- A. A written request of the church to the Association; or
- B. Non-compliance, over a period of two consecutive years, with any of the conditions of membership outlined in Section 1 of this Article. After the first year of non-compliance, the Executive Board or its representatives shall consult with the church and/or its elected leaders seeking explanation and advising the church of the termination of relationship that will result if compliance is not forthcoming. If the church continues to choose not to comply with the conditions of membership, the Executive Board shall so report at the next annual meeting of the Association at the close of which the relationship between the church and the Association shall automatically be terminated. After having had its relationship with the

Association terminated for any reason, any church which subsequently wishes to be reinstated to full membership in the Association may be considered for reinstatement as would any non-member church according to the provisions in Section 3 of this Article.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

The Association shall meet annually during the month of October for the transaction of its business. Whenever possible, the annual meeting shall correspond to the schedule of associational meetings suggested by the Baptist General Association of Virginia. The officers may call meetings at other times. At least two weeks in advance of any special meeting, written notification of the meeting shall be given, by means of first-class mail, to all members of the Executive Board. The notice shall indicate the time, place, and purpose of the meeting, at which meeting no unrelated matters of business may be considered. A quorum shall consist of the eligible messengers present at any regular or called meeting of the Association. Nominations may be made from the floor for any associational office except for paid staff positions. No paid associational employees shall be elected except at a regular or called meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS AND DUTIES

Section 1. Moderator

- A. Election shall be at the annual meeting of the Association, after nomination by the Nominating Committee or from the floor, with the term beginning at the close of the meeting.
- B. Term shall be one year and limited to two successive terms.
- C. Duties shall be to preside at the meetings of the Association and at the meetings of the Executive Board. The moderator shall be a member of all committees and councils of the Association and shall appoint, subject to ratification by the Executive Board or by the Association, those committees not otherwise provided for in these Bylaws.

Section 2. Vice-moderator

- A. Election shall be at the annual meeting of the Association, after nomination by the Nominating Committee or from the floor, with the term beginning at the close of the meeting.
- B. Term shall be one year and limited to two successive terms.
- C. Duties shall be to assume the duties of the moderator in his/her absence or incapacity to serve.

Section 3. Clerk

- A. Election shall be at the annual meeting of the Association, after nomination by the Nominating Committee or from the floor, with the term beginning at the close of the meeting.
- B. Term shall be one-year, with unlimited successive terms.
- C. Duties shall be to keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the Association and Executive Board and to perform other duties normally

required of a clerk or requested by the Association.

Section 4. Treasurer

- A. Election shall be at the annual meeting of the Association, after nomination by the Nominating Committee or from the floor, with the term beginning at the close of the meeting.
- B. Term shall be one year, with unlimited successive terms.
- C. Duties include receiving, depositing in a commercial bank, and disbursing all current funds according to the adopted budget or special action of the Association and in compliance with the provisions in Article X, Section 5, D, of these Bylaws. He/She shall make quarterly reports to the Executive Board and an annual report to the Association. The treasurer may authorize the administrative assistant to receive and deposit funds of the Association and to sign checks for the routine business of the Association. Both the treasurer and the administrative assistant shall be bonded and insured at the expense of the Association. The amount of the bond shall be not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). The Treasurer shall be an ex officio member of the Budget Committee.

Section 5. Representative(s) to the Virginia Baptist Mission Board and other Baptist entities

- A. Election shall be at the annual meeting, after nomination by the Nominating Committee or from the floor. Nominations shall be in accordance with the requirements of the particular Baptist entity.
- B. Term shall be according to the requirements of the particular Baptist entity.
- C. Duties include those required by the particular Baptist entity. Representatives shall report to the annual meeting and to the Executive Board such matters as may be of interest and concern to the Association.

ARTICLE VI: DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES

Section 1. Election shall be at an annual or called meeting of the Association upon the recommendation of a special search committee. A favorable three-fourths majority of messengers present and voting shall be required to elect the candidate.

Section 2. Tenure shall end:

- A. At the end of the month following his/her seventieth birthday;
- B. By resignation or retirement with not less than thirty days' notice; or
- C. By a three-fourths majority vote of the messengers present and voting at a called meeting of the Association. Consideration of the dismissal of the director of missions and ministries shall come only on unanimous recommendation of the Personnel Committee and the concurrence of a three-fourths majority of the Executive Board at a called meeting of that body. Should the Association vote to dismiss the director of missions and ministries, he/she shall immediately be relieved of all associational responsibilities and shall be given ninety days' severance pay.

Section 3. Duties shall be to serve as an officer of the Association and to provide a ministry of resource, communication, leadership, and coordination to facilitate the accomplishment of the mission of the Association. The duties shall be those set forth in the job description adopted by the Association. The job description may be altered only upon recommendation by the Personnel Committee and with a favorable majority vote of those eligible messengers present and voting at an annual or called meeting of the Association.

Section 4. Reporting shall be to the Association through the Personnel Committee. He/She shall report orally at each meeting of the Executive Board and shall submit a written report at each annual meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE VII: EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. Composition shall be the following:

- A. Officers of the Association;
- B. Department directors, committee chairmen, and trustees chairman;
- C. Pastors; and
- D. Two representatives elected by each member church.

Section 2. Terms shall be limited to three years, and one year must elapse from the expiration of the term before eligibility for another term.

Section 3. Duties shall be to conduct the business of the Association between its annual meetings within the limitations of these Bylaws.

Section 4. Officers of the Association shall serve as the officers of the Executive Board.

Section 5. The Board shall meet the third Tuesday of April. Additional meetings may be called by the moderator in consultation with the other officers of the Association. At least one week in advance of any special meeting, written notification shall be given by first-class mail to all members. The notice shall indicate the time, place, and purpose of the meeting, at which meeting no unrelated matters of business may be considered. A quorum shall consist of the members present at any regular or called meeting of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VIII: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Section 1. Composition shall be the director of missions and ministries, who shall serve as chairman, administrative assistant, officers, and department directors. Committee chairmen may be requested to meet with the Council when matters relating to their areas of responsibility are under consideration.

Section 2. Duties shall be to serve as a long-range planning body responsible for the ongoing projection of plans and activities of the Association. Areas of projection shall include goals for evangelism, missions, Christian education, finances, Associational Emphasis Week, new programs, and such other activities as may be deemed necessary to accomplish the mission of the Association.

Section 3. Meetings shall be at least one week prior to Executive Board meetings.

ARTICLE IX: DIRECTORS AND CHAIRMEN

Section 1. Election shall be at the annual meeting of the Association, after nomination by the Nominating Committee or from the floor. Directors and chairmen (except the Woman's Missionary Union Director who is elected by that organization) shall be presented for approval at the April meeting of the Executive Board.

Section 2. Term shall be three years, and one year must elapse from the expiration of the term before eligibility for reelection to the same office. The term of the Woman's Missionary Union Director shall be in accordance with the Constitution/Bylaws of Woman's Missionary Union.

Section 3. Vacancies occurring between annual meetings of the Association shall be filled by the Executive Board after nomination by the Nominating Committee.

Section 4. Reporting shall be in written form to the annual meeting of the Association and as appropriate to the Executive Board.

Section 5. Duties shall be to lead the assigned department or committee in accomplishing its purposes as set forth in Article IX. Missions and Ministries Department Directors shall serve on the Executive Council.

ARTICLE X: DEPARTMENTS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Composition shall be members of the Executive Board who shall be assigned, insofar as possible, equally to committees or departments of their choice by the Executive Council.

Section 2. Terms shall be limited to three successive terms of one year each in a given department or committee. No member shall serve concurrently on more than one committee or department except for those serving in an ex officio capacity.

Section 3. Vacancies shall be filled by the Executive Council.

Section 4. Action Plans shall be presented to the Executive Board or the Association prior to implementation.

Section 5: Duties:

- A. Audit Committee shall audit the accounts of the Association at the close of each fiscal year and report the results in writing at the April Executive Board meeting. The committee shall conduct audits at other times as requested by the Executive Board or the Association.
- B. Bible Teaching/Discipleship Department shall develop a team to provide training for leaders and promote Bible Teaching and discipleship programs.
- C. Baptist Men on Mission Department shall promote missions education and missions action projects among men and boys within the churches of

the Association. The director shall develop an adequate organization (including enlisting others) to help accomplish these duties. He shall serve as an ex officio member of the Missions Development Department.

- D. Budget Committee shall present a proposed budget at the July Executive Board meeting for information and at the annual meeting for adoption. No unbudgeted expenditures shall be made without prior recommendation of the Budget Committee and the concurrence of the Association or the Executive Board.
- E. Bylaws Committee shall make periodic reviews of the Bylaws and make recommendations for amendments it deems advisable. It shall evaluate all written suggestions for revision or amendment and shall report its recommendation at the next annual meeting if possible and not later than the second annual meeting following the submission of proposed change. The Committee shall make one of the following recommendations:
- (1) Recommend as submitted
 - (2) Amend and recommend
 - (3) Not recommend, stating reasons for action
- The committee shall maintain an updated file of Bylaw changes.
- F. Children/Youth Committee shall identify the special age group needs of children and youth, usually in grades 7-12, and coordinate activities by which some of those needs might be met. It shall serve as a resource committee to churches requesting its help.
- G. Christian Life Committee shall identify civil, moral, and social issues which should be of concern to the churches of the Association. It shall provide suggestions and leadership by which the members, individually and collectively, can bring Christian principles to bear on such issues.
- H. Evangelism Department shall develop a program of evangelism that will advance the kingdom of Christ in the churches. It shall inform the churches of, and make available, as possible, resources that enable the churches to better fulfill the mandate of the Lord to share the Good News of Jesus Christ “beginning at Jerusalem.” It shall recommend plans for cooperative evangelistic goals and actions and seek to foster a fervent spirit of evangelism within the churches.
- I. Media Center Committee shall manage the media resources of the Association, produce video and audio records of associational activities, and provide resources in media use to the churches.
- J. Missions Development Department shall:
- (1) Develop a local and world wide missions consciousness within the churches;
 - (2) Develop and lead in such missions activities as World Missions Conferences, mission rallies, mission fairs, and other mission promotion activities;
 - (3) Develop plans and lead in implementing all special mission projects and/or new work undertaken by the Association;

- (4) Investigate requests by churches desiring financial assistance from the Virginia Baptist Mission Board and/or the Southern Baptist Convention North American Mission Board and make appropriate recommendations; and
 - (5) Evaluate applications of churches seeking membership in the Association, according to the provisions in Article III, Section 3.
- K. Missions Partnerships Department shall serve as liaison between the association, its churches, and the Virginia Baptist General Board Missions Partnerships office. It shall keep the churches informed of partnership opportunities and assist individual churches and/or members who wish to participate in partnership activities. The director shall serve as an ex officio member of the Missions Development Department.
- L. Music Committee shall support the churches in music ministry through workshops, day camps, concerts, etc. The chairman shall be familiar with church music resources and shall make them available, as possible, to the churches. He/She shall direct the music for the meetings of the Association.
- M. Personnel Committee shall:
- (1) Prepare and recommend job descriptions for all paid staff for approval by the Association;
 - (2) Make recommendations in such areas as staff needs, working days and hours, vacation and sick leave;
 - (3) Recommend the hiring of all paid staff other than the Director of Missions and Ministries (see Article VI);
 - (4) Evaluate annually all paid staff and recommend to the Budget Committee, no later than June 1 of each year, compensation packages for the following fiscal year.
- N. Program Committee shall plan the programs and secure all necessary personnel for the annual meetings of the Association.
- O. Property and Grounds Committee shall have oversight of and shall be empowered to take necessary actions, within the limits of the budget, for the maintenance, operation of, and additions to the physical properties owned by the Association. It shall have the authority to deal with emergencies that exceed the committee's budget only after consultation with and clearance by the Budget Committee.
- P. Singles Committee shall identify the social and spiritual needs of the never-married, widowed, separated, and divorced adults in the churches of the Association and coordinate activities by which some of these needs might be met. It shall help provide single adults with resources to equip them for their individual ministries.
- Q. Stewardship Development Department shall coordinate and promote stewardship growth among member churches, distribute resources and plans for stewardship development, and assist the churches in using these materials. It shall devise plans and methods for enlisting the

churches in adequate financial support of the Association's ministry and mission activities.

R. Vacation Bible School Department shall provide training for church leaders and promote VBS in the churches. The director shall develop an organization (including enlisting age-level leaders) to accomplish this. He/She shall be familiar with a broad range of VBS resources and make them available, as possible, to the churches.

S. Woman's Missionary Union Department shall promote Christian missions by training, encouraging, and providing resources for the Woman's Missionary Union organizations in the churches as they pray for and give to missions, engage in mission action and personal witnessing, learn about missions, and develop spiritually toward a missions lifestyle. The director shall serve as an ex officio member of the Missions Development Department.

Section 6. Creation of New Committees may be accomplished by majority vote at any meeting of the Executive Board. Such committees shall be permitted to function in a temporary capacity until the Association authorizes permanent status according to the amendment procedure provided for in Article XIV of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI: NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Section 1. Composition shall be nine members.

Section 2. Election shall be at the annual meeting of the Association. Two positions shall be filled each year by nomination of the moderator. The third position shall be filled by nomination from the floor. The committee shall elect a chairman from its number at its first meeting.

Section 3. Term of Office is three years.

Section 4. Vacancies occurring on the committee between annual meetings shall be filled from the floor of the Executive Board.

Section 5. Duties shall be to present nominations for committee chairmen, department directors, and officers for approval at the April meeting of the Executive Board and for election at the annual meeting. The committee shall also make nominations for trustees when vacancies occur.

ARTICLE XII: TRUSTEES

Section 1. Composition shall be three persons, one of whom shall be elected by the trustees to serve as chairman.

Section 2. Election shall be at a regular or called meeting of the Association after nomination by the Nominating Committee.

Section 3. Term of Office shall be at their pleasure or that of the Association.

Section 4. Duties shall include legal custody of all property belonging to the Association. They shall act upon officially recorded instructions of a three-fourths

majority of the eligible messengers present and voting at any annual or called meeting. They shall affix their signatures to legal documents involving the sale, mortgage, purchase, or rental of property, or other legal documents when required.

ARTICLE XIII: PERSONNEL POLICIES

Section 1. Hiring shall be at a regular or called meeting of the Association. Staff other than the director of missions and ministries shall be elected after recommendation by the Personnel Committee. The director of missions and ministries shall be elected according to the provisions in Article VI of these Bylaws.

Section 2. Reporting by paid staff shall be to the director of missions and ministries.

Section 3. Working Conditions for paid staff shall be according to the job descriptions adopted by the Association after recommendation by the Personnel Committee.

Section 4. Tenure of staff shall be indefinite except by agreement prior to employment. Staff members resigning or retiring shall give no less than 30 days prior notification of their intentions. Staff members other than the director of missions and ministries may be dismissed by a majority vote at a called meeting of the Association after recommendation by the Personnel Committee. In such instances the staff member shall be given one month's salary as severance pay and shall immediately be relieved of all responsibilities.

ARTICLE XIV: AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by an affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the eligible messengers present and voting, provided the amendment was submitted through the Bylaws Committee (see Article X, Section 5,E) at the previous annual meeting and the published minutes of the annual meeting at which the amendment was recommended give its exact wording. Amendments shall become effective at the close of the annual meeting at which they are adopted.

ARTICLE XV: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

In all matters not covered herein, the latest revision of *Robert's Rules of Order* shall govern.

PROGRAM FOR THE 228TH ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, October 25, 2004

Trinity Baptist Church

Theme: “The Church Across the Street”

“What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, ‘Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.”

(James 2:14-17 NIV)

4:00 p.m. Session

Organ Prelude.....Mr. Harold B. Wright

Timothy Mark

Call to Order..... Mrs. Lois Stevens

Election of Moderator *Pro Tem*

Welcome, Scripture, and Prayer.....Rev. Vernon DeLong

History of Trinity Baptist Church Rev. Rick Dellinger

Welcome and Introduction of New MinistersRev. Steve Manuel

Hymn 571 “*Let Others See Jesus in You*” COLEMAN

Introduction of SpeakerRev. Steve Manuel

Timothy Mark

Business Session:

(Ends at 5:15 p.m., with unfinished business carried to evening session)

Nominating Committee Report Rev. Richard C. Mallory

Missions Partnerships Committee Report Mrs. Kathy Smith

Switzerland Mrs. Evelyn Giles

Disaster Relief.....Mr. Tommy Smith

Hymn 611 “*Let Your Heart Be Broken*” WYE VALLEY

Missions Reports:

River Rock Church Rev. Marc Jantomaso

Special Presentation to North BedfordRev. Steve Manuel

Timothy Mark

Budget Committee Report Mr. Douglas J. McDaniel

Adoption of *Book of Reports*Mrs. Lois S. Stevens

Memorial Service Rev. S. Woody Elliott

Special Music Rev. Rick Dellinger

Prayer and BlessingRev. Bryon LePere

6:30 p.m. Session

Organ PreludeMr. Harold B. Wright
Praise and WorshipPraise Choir
Call to Order Moderator *Pro Tem*
Prayer Rev. David Williamson

Timothy Mark

Conclusion of Business:

(Unfinished business from afternoon session)

Evangelism Committee ReportMrs. Rita Calhoun
Nominations from the floor for Nominating Committee Members (7)
Attendance ReportMrs. Esther Woodford

Timothy Mark

Hymn 566 "*Tell the Good News*"RHEA
SBA Missions and Ministries Report Rev. Steve Manuel

Timothy Mark

Praise Benediction with Timothy Mark
Organ PostludeMr. Harold B. Wright

ANNUAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS

First Session - 4:00 P.M.

1. The two hundred twenty-eighth Annual Session of Strawberry Baptist Association was held on Monday, October 25, 2004, at Trinity Baptist Church. The theme for the meeting was "*The Church Across the Street*" with a text of James 2:14-17 NIV. The organ prelude was presented by Mr. Harold B. Wright of Lynchburg, a sales representative with Ridenhour Music Center in Salem.

2. Timothy Mark led in worship by singing a song entitled "*The Church Across the Street.*"

3. The session was called to order by Lois Stevens, Clerk.

4. Rev. Rick Mallory, Chair of the Nominating Committee, made a recommendation from the Committee that Rev. Dennis Moore be elected Moderator, *pro tem*. There were no other nominations from the floor and Rev. Dennis Moore was elected as Moderator, *pro tem*.

5. Rev. Moore then explained that the Moderator and Vice-Moderator have both resigned, this being the reason for having to elect a Moderator, *pro tem*.

6. Rev. Vernon DeLong, Pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, gave the welcome, read scripture from Luke 2, and led in prayer. He also encouraged everyone to complete the survey that was distributed and these will be collected at the conclusion of this meeting.

7. Rev. Rick Dellinger gave the history of Trinity Baptist Church.

8. Rev. Steve Manual, Director of Missions and Ministries, introduced new ministers to the association: Dr. Eldridge Cullum, Pastor of Thaxton Baptist Church, Rev. Vernon DeLong, Pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, and Rev. Rick Kallstrom, Pastor of Mount Hermon Baptist Church. He also introduced Mr. Cliff Hudgins, Regional Representative from the Virginia Baptist Mission Board. Rev. Steve Manual led in prayer for the new ministers

9. Mrs. Susan Batten-Bell led the congregation in singing “*Let Others See Jesus in You.*”

10. Rev. Steve Manuel introduced our guest evangelist, Timothy Mark, recording artist/evangelist from Nashville, Tennessee. Timothy stated that the work of the church begins with prayer, and his music was entitled “***While They Were Praying.***” Timothy led our worship in music throughout the afternoon and evening sessions.

11. Rev. Rick Mallory, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the Committee’s recommendations as follows:

Moderator.....	Rev. Dennis Moore
Clerk	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens
Treasurer	Mrs. Esther O. Woodford
Missions Director.....	Rev. Eldridge Cullum
Youth Chairman	Mrs. Judy Ward
Audit Chairman	Ms. Janet Miller
Budget Chairman.....	Mr. Doug McDaniel
Property and Grounds Chair.....	Mr. John Goodrich

Rev. Mallory moved the adoption of these recommendations of General Officers and Committee Chairs. Motion carried.

12. The Missions Partnership Committee Report was present by Mrs. Kathy Smith. Kathy reported that a number of people from the Association participated in mission trips this past year. Evelyn Giles and Pam Turpin participated in a trip to Interlaken, Switzerland. Seventeen people went to Nicaragua where they were involved in evangelism and met other needs. There was a group that went to Florida to assist in the cleanup from hurricanes. As requests come in for volunteers, the call goes out to our Association churches to respond.

13. Mrs. Evelyn Giles spoke on her mission trip to Interlaken, Switzerland. This trip began July 1, 2004, and was for ten days. There were a total of ten people participating. Evelyn stated that she and Pam Turpin went on the trip from Strawberry Association. This location is part of the Italian Baptist Union, European Baptist Convention's English language churches. Evelyn served as a nurse and Pam supervised youth teams working in the

kitchen. They worked with the European Convention's Summer Camp with the theme "Never Too Lost To Be Saved."

14. Mr. Tommy Smith spoke on his mission trip to Florida to assist with the cleanup from the hurricanes. There were approximately 12 people that participated in this relief effort. Some worked with the Virginia Baptist feeding unit and some worked along with Samaritan's Purse. The team also gave out Bibles to those they came in contact with.

15. Rev. Eldridge Cullum led in prayer for partnership missions and for future mission trips.

16. Mrs. Susan Batten-Bell led the congregation in singing "*Let Your Heart Be Broken.*"

17. Rev. Marc Jantomaso, Pastor of River Rock Church, introduced his three oldest children that were with him and he shared about the ministry at River Rock Church. He introduced Mr. John Swanson, member of River Rock, who shared further about the ministry at River Rock. The church currently is meeting at the Greenstone Center in Forest, Virginia, but they need to find a meeting place within the next several months. Marc stated that there is a brochure available about the Spiritual Blessings at River Rock Church, and encouraged everyone to get one at the conclusion of this meeting.

18. Rev. Dennis Moore gave the benediction and blessing. The evening meal was served in the fellowship hall of the church.

Second Session - 6:30 P.M.

19. The organ prelude was presented by Mr. Harold B. Wright.

20. The Praise Choir from Trinity Baptist Church led in a praise and worship celebration.

21. The second session of this Annual Meeting was called to order by Rev. Dennis Moore.

22. Rev. Steve Manual made a special presentation to North Bedford Baptist Church. North Bedford was recognized for being the top giving church and the top per capita giving church in the Association to the Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions. Rev. Charles Stinson, pastor of North Bedford, accepted the certificate on behalf of the church.

23. Timothy Mark led in worship by singing a song entitled "*Helpless.*"

24. Mr. Douglas J. McDaniel, Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented the proposed budget for the year 2005 which is found under Department Reports. The budget was adopted as presented.

25. Mrs. Lois S. Stevens, Clerk, moved the adoption of the *Book of Reports* which was approved.
26. Rev. S. Woody Elliott, Pastor of Bethel Church, conducted the Memorial Service and read the names of deceased persons from each church.
27. Special music was presented by Rick Dellinger.
28. Rev. David Williamson, Pastor of Hunting Creek Church, led in prayer.
29. Timothy Mark led in worship by singing a song entitled "*Stumble.*"
30. Mrs. Rita Calhoun gave the Evangelism Committee Report. She thanked all the churches that participated in Centerfest held on September 25, 2004.
31. Rev. Jackie Carver led in prayer
32. Rev. Dennis Moore, Moderator, *pro tem*, asked for nominations from the floor to fill seven positions on the Nominating Committee. The following were nominated: Inez Parks, Sedalia; Farris Maddox, Morgans; Carol Jones, Trinity; and Al Calhoun, Palestine. There were no other nominations and the nominations were closed. Inez Parks, Farris Maddox, Carol Jones and Al Calhoun were elected to serve on the Nominating Committee. Rev. Rick Mallory also serves on the Committee.
33. Mrs. Esther O. Woodford, Administrative Assistant, reported that 28 churches were represented, with 166 messengers and 24 visitors for a total attendance of 190. Seven churches had full messenger representation, those being Flint Hill, Hunting Creek, Mentow, Norwood, Shady Grove, Suck Spring and Thaxton. The Annual Meeting for 2005 will be held at Timber Ridge Baptist Church.
34. Timothy Mark led in worship by singing a song entitled "*What if There's a God.*"
35. Rev. Steve Manuel gave the Missions and Ministries Report. Steve reported on the events that Strawberry Association has participated in this past year. Efforts in evangelism and missions remain a top priority. Churches in our association sent mission teams to minister in Nicaragua, Romania, Switzerland, Uganda, the Dominican Republic and Florida. Steve thanked all those that have participated in these mission ministries. Steve's prayer for the association is that we can come together and be "*The Church Across the Street.*"
36. The benediction was offered by Rev. Steve Manuel.

37. Timothy Mark led in worship by singing a song entitled “*The Church Across the Street.*”

38. The organ postlude was presented by Harold B. Wright

Respectfully submitted,
Lois S. Stevens, Clerk

Messengers to the 228th Annual Session

Officers: Rev. Steve Manuel, Rev. Dennis Moore, Lois Stevens, Eugene Suggs, Esther Woodford

Beaverdam: Bud Hash, Louise Hash

Bedford: Dr. David L. Henderson, Susan Batten-Bell, Linda Harper, Judy Mansfield, Pat Muse, Betty Smith, Evelyn Wade, Jeanne Willis, Lelia Yates

Bethel: Rev. S. Woody Elliott, Phyllis Elliott

Bethlehem: Rev. Timothy L. Dooley, Ruby Dooley, Charlie Nichols, Charlotte Nichols

Big Island: Betty Peters, Colleen Taylor, Mike Tomlin, Harvey Wray, Phyllis Wray

Diamond Hill: Mary Meador, Tilton Meador, Iris M. Shank

Flint Hill: Rev. Gary Fowler, Bill Bryant, Mary Lee Bryant, Becky Fowler, Pat Rockwell, Sheila Saunders, Lois Slocum, Martha Smith, Ron Smith, Lucille Spradlin, Wilma Thurman

Glade Creek: Janie Dudley, Nelson Dudley

Hunting Creek: Rev. David Williamson, Truly Casto, Everett Gable, Shirley Radford, Mary Rusher, Harriet Tanner, Ray Tolley, Erma Whorley

Mentow: Mildred Bragg, Haywood Crouch, Douglas Dellis, Ellen Mitchell, Paul Mitchell, Lois Nichols, Melinda Nichols, Tommy Smith, Barbara Woodford, John R. Woodford, Linda Woodford, Winston Woodford

Morgans: Rev. Rick Mallory, Farris Maddox, Pat Maddox, Hertha Nichols, Eunis Saunders, Harry Saunders, Rev. Elmer Sellers, Tiena Sellers, Carol Suggs, Gene Thommen, Shyrl Thommen

Mount Hermon: Dr. Rick Kallstrom, Mildred Arrington, Doug McDaniel, Phyllis McDaniel, Hilda Markham, Melvin Markham, Joyce H. Williams

Mount Olivet: Wanda Goodrich

Mount Zion: Randy Board, Rodney Franklin

Mountain View: None

North Bedford: Rev. Charles L. Stinson, Carolyn B. Dixon, Donald Langford, Lamar Owens, Ed Sanderson, Horton M. Southall, Mrs. Jeanette C. Southall, Irene Stinson, Barbara M. Templeton, Melvin E. Templeton

Norwood: Austin Hull, Louis Martin, Myri Padgett, Roy Padgett, David Stevens

Palestine: Rev. Jackie S. Carver, Al Calhoun, Rita Calhoun, Betty Dotson, John Dotson, Eva Elmore, Larry Elmore, J.P. Smith, Kathy Smith

Pecks: None

Quaker: Rev. Grover Stevens, Alma Blankenship, Richard Goode, Dewey

Lipscomb, Lena Lipscomb, Mi Hwa Stevens, George Kenneth Waldron

Rainbow Forest: Dr. Jim Kistner, Jim Martin

Sedalia: Rev. Mike Jones, Robert Cheatham, Inez Parks, Ruby Sanderson

Shady Grove: Rev. Harry Leland, Freeda Cadd, Grover Carter, Shirley Carter, T. Evans, Jimmy Hartberger, Nellie Hartberger, Lisa K. Hawkins, Howard Hendrick, Annie Pollard, Bobby Pollard, Emily St.Clair

Staunton: Roger Beeman, Sandra Beeman, David Graves, Dayl Graves

Suck Spring: Rev. Jerry Parr, Rev. Bruce Barrett, Liz Parr, Joseph Smith, Rachael Smith

Terrace View: None

Thaxton: Dr. Eldridge Cullum, Jean Holland, Frances King, James King, Mary Jane Salyer, Margaret Saunders, Nancy Saunders, Dolphine Swofford, Ouida Witt

Timber Ridge: Annie Keyes, Rev. James Napier, Judy Robertson, Mabel Frances Stanley, William Stanley, J.E. Wilkerson, Horace Wooldrige, June Wooldrige

Trinity: Rev. Vernon DeLong, Rev. Rick Dellinger, Wanda DeLong, Elsie Gillespie, Pete Kirby, Bill Owsley, Eva Case-Smith

Walnut Grove: Judi Cook

EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES

North Bedford Baptist Church, Tuesday, April 20, 2004

Upon arrival, everyone enjoyed delicious refreshments provided by North Bedford Baptist Church. The Vice-Moderator, Mike Jones, called the 7:00 p.m. session to order.

Rev. Charles Stinson, Pastor of North Bedford Baptist Church, welcomed everyone, read scripture taken from Acts 4:32, and lead in prayer.

1. **New Ministers:** Steve Manuel introduced three new ministers in the Association: Eldridge Cullum, Thaxton; Vernon DeLong, Trinity; and Rick Kallstrom, Mount Hermon. This was followed with prayer by Harry Leland thanking God for the new ministers.

2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the Annual Meeting were included in the 2003 Annual Report, which had been distributed.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Reports showing January-December 2003, and January-March 2004, were distributed prior to the meeting. Following are summaries of those reports which are on file:

Financial Summary January 1, 2003-December 31, 2003	Beginning Balance 01/01/03	Year-to-Date Receipts	Year-to-Date Disbursements	Ending Balance 12/31/03
Designated Funds:				
Bedford Jail Ministry	0.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	0.00
Assn. Missions Week Offerings (Prior Yrs.)	4,778.54	0.00	0.00	4,778.54
Mission Partnership Trips	213.11	4,238.00	4,238.00	213.11
Assn. % of State Missions Offerings	2,939.61	755.37	0.00	3,694.98
River Rock Church	0.00	3,107.55	3,107.55	0.00
Bedford Christian Ministries	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Total Designated Funds	\$7,931.26	\$10,300.92	\$9,545.55	\$8,686.63
Budget Fund (Includes Legg Mason & AMW)	\$19,164.28	\$96,419.02	\$99,542.60	\$16,040.70
Checking Account	\$27,095.54	\$106,719.94	\$109,088.15	\$24,727.33
Va. Bapt. Fdn. Acct.	\$14,837.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,837.82
TOTAL - ALL ACCOUNTS	\$41,933.36	\$106,719.94	\$109,088.15	\$39,565.15

Financial Summary January 1, 2004 - March 31, 2004	Beginning Balance 01/01/04	Year-to-Date Receipts	Year-to-Date Disbursements	Ending Balance 03/31/04
Designated Funds:				
Assn. Missions Week Offerings (Prior Yrs.)	4,778.54	0.00	0.00	4,778.54
Mission Partnership Trips	213.11	0.00	0.00	213.11
Assn. % of State Missions Offerings	3,694.98	571.54	0.00	4,266.52
River Rock Church	0.00	825.00	825.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	400.00	400.00	0.00
Total Designated Funds	\$8,686.63	\$1,796.54	\$1,225.00	\$9,258.17
Budget Fund (Includes 2004 AMW)	\$16,040.70	\$21,961.55	\$25,861.30	\$12,140.95
Checking Account	\$24,727.33	\$23,758.09	\$27,086.30	\$21,399.12
Va. Bapt. Fdn. Acct.	\$14,837.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,837.82
TOTAL - ALL ACCOUNTS	\$39,565.15	\$23,758.09	\$27,086.30	\$36,236.94

The floor was open for questions and discussion. The minutes and treasurer's reports were approved as printed.

4. **Nominating Committee Report:** On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Rev. Rick Mallory presented the slate of officers for 2004-05. He stated that all of them have been contacted and all have agreed to serve. The recommended officers are: Moderator, Jeff Powers; Vice Moderator, Rev. Michael S. Jones; Clerk, Mrs. Lois Stevens; and Treasurer, Mrs. Esther Woodford. Coming as a recommendation it needed no second. The floor was open for questions and discussion. A vote was taken and the slate of officers was approved as recommended. They will be voted on at the Annual Meeting.

5. Jackie Carver touched on "*It's Not About Us*" (*our priority in ministry*). He stressed that is it our job to go and tell and to share because 75% of our world does not know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

6. **Evangelism & Youth Report** was given by Steve Manuel. He urged everyone to begin thinking about Centerfest which will be the last Saturday of September. On that single day, 25,000 people come to Bedford, and we have an opportunity to minister to them in various ways. They have not had a great response for participation yet so he encouraged everyone to go and tell. As for the Youth, there is a real concern in reaching teenagers in this area. There have been several moving youth events around the Association; again, there has not been very good participation. We are not reaching our teens.

7. **Missions Partnerships Committee Report** was given by Mrs. Kathy Smith. She reported that the Virginia Baptist Mission Board is still looking for people to fill positions on a team to Interlaken, Switzerland, from July 2-9; the estimated cost is \$1,500 per person. She noted that the Bedford County Board of Supervisors did not approve financial assistance for the Transformers coming to Bedford this year, so Transformers will be in Williamsburg June 2-5. A \$50 deposit is due by May 7. She encouraged everyone to go ahead and fill out the form.

8. Tim Mathia then spoke on *“The Fruit of Obedience” (obedience demands risk taking that will reward us with vision, power and focus)*. He shared a little bit about what is going on in Mentow and how they have gotten involved in going on mission trips. He went on a trip in September, and then in February a group of 16 people stepped out in faith and went on a trip. He stated there was a sense of unity in getting ready for the trip and when they returned home it only got better. There has been truly a transformation in their Church. They have another trip planned for July and ten people have already signed up to go. I Samuel 15:22 - People who are willing to, listen to God.

A moment of silent prayer and prayer by Rick Kallstrom was given to remind us that mission work starts here.

9. **English as a Second Language** – Steve Manuel shared how a small group of people have been quietly working, reaching out to internationals, sharing Christ with them. Some have not taken time off for two years. They work with folks from a dozen different countries. He stressed that the need is so great and the number of teachers and workers has declined. They have about four who come and faithfully work. There is a need for more volunteers to work in missions right here in Bedford County. Esther Woodford, one of the newest teachers, shared her experiences about one she is working with.

10. Marc Jantomaso shared about another mission opportunity—**River Rock Church**. The River Rock Church is about a year and a half old and he is very pleased with its progress. Between 45-60 people come on Sunday. He expressed thanks to everyone for their support—for being a part of it.

11. Dennis Moore talked about *“The Mission Field Across the*

Street” (how away mission efforts prepare us for local evangelism and ministry). Rev. Moore stated that we go on mission trips and help start churches. His church just participated in a mission trip to Romania; three people went and the church paid for it. However, the trip has convicted him to do more locally. Are we too busy doing the wrong things? We have to work as a team. If you listen to God, He will direct you.

12. Rev. Larry Ross presented the **Baptist Men on Mission Report**. He spoke of RA training opportunities and the great need for people to teach our young people, teaching our young boys. He noted training offered at Cave Spring Baptist Church on April 30-May 1. Disaster relief training will be offered at this same time; two sessions – Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 9 a.m.. They are repeat sessions so do not have to go to both of them. He encouraged everyone to take advantage of this training. He stressed the real problem is getting good, consistent leadership. He noted that our young people are facing some real hard issues. Rev. Ross also encouraged everyone to take advantage of the Christmas in April opportunity. He also mentioned a joint men and women’s training conference on September 11. Jim George is coming to lead the men’s meeting at Bedford Baptist Church. More information will be sent out later. He again encouraged everyone to get a group of men and women together and participate in this conference.

13. In the **Stewardship Committee Report**, Jim Kistner shared concerns regarding the financial situation in the Association. Bottom line is that over the past four years the SBA has been spending more than brought in and the reserved funds have been systematically going down. It was agreed that Pastors and key lay leaders need to let people know, to raise the issue and spell it out clearly. We need to let them know what the SBA does and why we should support it. One suggestion made was to encourage churches to have every member contribute \$1 a day for a certain period of time. All agreed that while we do need to own the problem, God is the answer—we need to pray. A special meeting to pray for and specifically address this issue was scheduled for May 25 at Trinity.

14. **Attendance Report:** Esther reported an attendance of 46 people; 12 pastors, 24 other representatives; 10 visitors; with 20 churches represented.

We had a moment of silent prayer and then prayer by Rick Mallory.

15. **SBA Missions and Ministries Report** was given by Steve Manuel. Steve talked about “The Church Across the Street”—we are that church across the street. We have those who are lost in our area crying out for the answer—we have the answer. We need to get pastors involved—noted pastors in attendance tonight. There is a desperate need for a youth coordinator. Talked about the financial situation. Good news—we have actually taken in a couple thousand more this year than we did by the same time last year. We need to

get this moving; it will not go away and disappear. Good news—new pastors are coming in. At one time we had nine churches without pastors, currently we have one (Timber Ridge). He encouraged everyone to get the word out about the financial situation and then decide where we want to go from there. Steve closed his report by having prayer.

Vice Moderator, Mike Jones asked, “Do we feel SBA has a purpose?” If so, we need to let our churches know.

16. Eldridge Cullum adjourned the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Sumner, Clerk *pro tem*

GENERAL OFFICERS REPORTS

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES

Rev. Steve Manuel

Many of our 2004 ministries have been continuations of those established in previous years, though a few new ones came about out of urgency.

Our efforts in **evangelism and missions** remained top priority. Individuals from a number of churches joined together to minister in Nicaragua, Romania, Switzerland, Uganda, the Dominican Republic, and Florida.

For several years some of us have had opportunity to partner with “*Because We Care Ministries*” in some very worthwhile projects in Somotillo, **Nicaragua**. This town is located in the north near the border with Honduras. Six or seven trips a year are made, and this year SBA volunteers took part in four of them. Ministries are so broad and diverse that no one would find themselves without an important task to do. From evangelism in remote villages to intensive training of national pastors and leaders to feeding programs to construction, a week in Nicaragua is one of the most rewarding personal investments in foreign missions that you may experience.

Dennis Moore and a couple of Beaverdam folks partnered with some in the Roanoke area and enjoyed another wonderful experience ministering in **Romania**. Jackie, Glynda, and Clayton Carver and several others of Palestine went to **Uganda** and later shared with us how God did some amazing things in the lives of those they were allowed to minister with. Rick Mallory of Morgans, along with his son Andy traveled to the **Dominican Republic** and had a fruitful and exciting time with those they worked with. Any of these would be more than happy to tell you more of their mission efforts and how you can share in similar experiences.

Pam Turpin and Evelyn Giles traveled to **Switzerland** to take part in this year's Euroventure youth camp. They served 240 young people from all over the European Baptist Convention. The experience was rewarding and the views breathtaking, as you can see on our Website's Missions page.

Florida occupied a great amount of our time and energy in August and September. We shared in sending two teams to help with disaster relief. Part of the time we related through NAMB's ministries, but when NAMB pulled our Baptist units out, a number of our men signed on with Samaritan's Purse, who chose to stay put in the face of Frances. Their experience was very positive and full of blessing. We received about \$1,700 from individuals, SBA churches, and even others from outside our area that was a tremendous help in getting our volunteers to Florida and back.

CenterFest was a success, even though only half of our churches are participating. Close to 3,000 cups of water and lemonade were distributed to the thirsty visitors, the baby changing station was used numerous times, and many SBA folks walked the streets handing out tracts and recipe booklets while others were prayer walking. Besides Matt and Patti Stafford, no one signed up this year to help with stage ministries like puppets, mime, face painting, clowning, or interpretive movement. This was very surprising, considering past involvement and the depth of ability among the many people in our 31 congregations. I want to thank the churches and individuals who made a personal contribution or commitment of time or money to our evangelistic effort. Please tell others what great things God did as a result, and let's help them experience the same blessing in 2005.

ESL has had a very good year as far as students, but we still desperately need workers who will share their lives and faith with the internationals who look to us for help and support in their adopted culture. Unless we go and tell how will they hear?

River Rock has grown to about 60 folks. It is a joy to worship with them and to see how the congregation relates. They've been very faithful in financially supporting Strawberry, and I commend their faithful example. One of their greatest needs at the moment is to find a suitable meeting place.

One of the big concerns of 2004 had to do with our **churches' financial commitment** to the Association. During the first few months of the year we noted the trend of the last many years—more money was going out than coming in. It was obvious that at this spiraling trend the Association would be unable to continue as it was accustomed. Serious consideration had to be given to how this challenge would be met and whether or not we indeed wanted to cooperatively serve our Association and County.

In mid-April a stewardship team was formed and met to address the concern. A special Association meeting was called for on May 23, and with very good church representation, there was a unity of spirit as testimonies were given regarding the importance of our Association and the need to encourage our congregations toward stronger giving to the work. Several pastors shared that they had been unaware of the difficult circumstances and would do what they could to lead their churches to increased giving and support.

We also took advantage of our annual **Associational Missions Week** to promote “one dollar per member per day for seven days.” Though we were far from having each member contribute seven dollars to the Association during the week, we did receive more gifts during the 2004 emphasis than had been received in Strawberry since 1989. This offering goes a long way not only to help our current budget but to show us that there is still strong interest in local congregations sharing together in ministry. We are expecting 2005 to be a better financial year as churches move to increase their budget giving to Strawberry and become more involved in ministry.

In January and April there were two more **youth events**; a movie night at Thaxton and a field day at Trinity. Ron Borer, a friend who moved to the area in 2003, served as our Association’s “Youth Coordinator,” and he did a most excellent work. Unfortunately for us, he accepted a paid position in a church in Clifton Forge, and we lost him as an enthusiastic and committed servant. The latter part of 2004 has thus far been without further SBA youth events. Thankfully, Judy Ward of Mount Olivet is coming on board for the new year, and we anticipate good things for the teenagers of our area.

Thanks to the sweet spirit of another friend, many of our congregations have shared in the ministry of **Timothy Mark**, an internationally known concert artist from Nashville, Tennessee. Tim comes on a love offering basis to minister through his concerts and revival ministry. He has now been in about a third of our churches, and my hope is to have him in all of our churches within another two years. His love, insight, and concern for the local church is obvious when you hear him sing or speak, and he has a powerful message we need to hear.

I am grateful for the **new pastors** we received this year. Vernon DeLong is at Trinity, Eldridge Cullum is at Thaxton, and Rick Kallstrom is at Mt. Hermon. I appreciate their friendship and the way they have not been afraid to become involved. I am also thankful for the better participation of our pastors at the monthly ministers’ conference. Each month a different pastor has the responsibility to either share some personal word or invite a guest to share with us.

I’ve been busy **speaking** to many of our congregations, and I love this part of the work. It means a lot to me that I am trusted to share the pulpit. Whether Bible studies, singing, training, or preaching, I look forward to being with you

in 2005. I am also grateful for the interest shown to Barbara and her jail ministry. It is good to see the encouragement and support she receives from the members of our Strawberry churches.

Barbara and I still get invited to a lot of “**missionary**” events. As I’ve said before, our hearts in many ways are still on the mission field, and to tell the story again and again never bothers us. To be privileged to handle the things of the Lord in English is an undeserved blessing, but to permit us to do this in Spanish humbles us all the more. We will go and tell and report back as long as the Lord allows.

This month “**www.sbava.org**” celebrated its third full year online. Many thousands of people have been to our site, some becoming actively involved in a congregation they met through the Website and others asking prayer or help via our Prayer Page. It has been an excellent investment and a wonderful way to promote our diverse ministries and get out information.

Some of our churches have still not taken advantage of the free Web page that is available through www.sbava.org. All that is necessary is for someone to send us some minimal information on weekly schedules and staff, easy directions on how to get to the church, and a brief paragraph outlining those things that make your church unique and poised to touch the lives of neighbors who will visit the Internet site. This is a static church page, so there is no need for regular updates. It is designed simply as a promotional tool, and when taken together with our other church pages becomes part of a handy church directory of our Strawberry churches.

Day to day work in an office can sometimes be a thankless or underappreciated task. I hope you will make an effort to express to Esther how much she means to you and our churches. Her heart and hand have touched just about every ministry mentioned in this report tonight, and even this meeting itself is a direct result of her personal commitment and love for the churches of our Association. We rarely communicate to her just how much she is valued. Tonight would be a good opportunity to express your appreciation.

My prayers for the Strawberry Association have remained unchanged over the years.

1. I pray for more fellowship and shared ministry among our churches. Too many churches are caught up in their corner of the world and are missing opportunities to learn from and minister to sister churches. An association must enjoy a cooperative spirit or it is an association in name only.

2. I look for pastors who live out the mind of Christ serving one another in true humility. There are many among us who are isolated and striving alone.

3. I look to the Lord to stir hearts to much deeper financial commitment to the ministries of the SBA. There are many other ways we can do a better job and join God where He is at work, but unless we walk together and share in the financial requirements it will not happen.

4. I pray that local churches will become so burdened for the unchurched families in their backyards that they dynamically look for exciting, friendly, and innovative ways to reach out and become involved.

5. I ask God's Spirit to break, melt and mold us so there is a greater emphasis on what we have in common and less on what makes us different.

6. I pray that we will not grow weary in our multiple evangelism and mission efforts throughout the year—to Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST MISSION BOARD
Rev. Dennis E. Moore

I have just finished my second consecutive term on the Virginia Baptist Mission Board. (That's all the constitution allows.) It's been an informing and challenging time.

The two-year old Kingdom Advance theme continues to take shape as the reorganized Board income remains almost flat. The divisions of the Board have adjusted their budgets to meet the realistically lowered budget amounts. The largest controversy is over a religion professor at Averett and his comments sympathetic to homosexuality. That issue is still being dealt with, and their funds in the BGAV budget are still in escrow.

The most recent big issue is the report of the appointed Property Committee. The most notable recommendations are the following:

1. Possible sale of Peaks of Otter property.
2. Possible sale of Hoover Center at Eagle Erie.
3. Possible sale of two campus ministry centers at UVA & VCU.

Coming up at the November 9-10 meeting of the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV) in Roanoke is an issue regarding World Mission Causes in the World Missions 2 Track that reduces by three percent the budget allocation for the International Mission Board and adds it to the budget allocation for the Baptist World Alliance.

Also, the Virginia Baptist Mission Board is going to recommend for approval by the messengers that the BGAV seek membership in the Baptist World Alliance.

See Dennis if you want any of the above explained.

There are many fine people on the Board. I've enjoyed my fellowship and my assigned tasks. Thank You.

TREASURER

Mrs. Esther O. Woodford

Following is the treasurer's report for the 2003 fiscal year and a financial summary for the first nine months of the 2004 fiscal year.

Receipts: January 1, 2003-December 31, 2003						
Church	Assnl. Missions Budget	Assnl. Missions Week	Jail Ministry	River Rock Church	Partner-ship Missions	Bedford Christian Ministries
Beaverdam	\$5,029.37			2,665.00		
Bedford	7,095.00					
Bethel	357.54					
Bethlehem	400.00	124.00				
Big Island	3,000.00	235.00				
Diamond Hill	500.00					
Flint Hill	4,389.65					
Glade Creek	1,415.00	100.00				
Hunting Creek	3,096.69		600.00			
Mentow	6,153.37	508.00				
Morgans	7,673.17					
Mount Hermon	2,039.63	170.00				
Mount Olivet	2,200.00					
Mount Zion	3,847.08	365.00				
Mountain View	200.00					
North Bedford	6,428.90					
Norwood	529.89					
Palestine	4,618.41				2,000.00	
Pecks	850.00					
Quaker	2,500.00	241.25		442.55		500.00
Radford	4,542.43					
Rainbow Forest	2,000.00					
Sedalia	2,000.00					
Shady Grove	5,842.56					
Staunton	500.00		500.00			
Suck Spring	550.00		550.00			
Terrace View	118.73					
Thaxton	3,064.87					
Timber Ridge	4,276.38		50.00			
Trinity	3,858.33					
Walnut Grove	150.00	820.00				
River Rock	2,319.43					
Total from churches	\$91,546.43	\$2,563.25	\$1,700.00	\$3,107.55	\$2,000.00	\$500.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,309.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,238.00	\$0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$93,855.77	\$2,563.25	\$1,700.00	\$3,107.55	\$4,238.00	\$500.00

	2003	2003
Department	Budgeted	Disbursements
Brotherhood	\$500.00	\$0.00
Bible Teaching/Discipleship	500.00	0.00
Evangelism	500.00	81.13
Internet Evangelism	250.00	238.40
Missions Development	9,000.00	6,403.88
Missions Partnerships (Czech Republic/Brazil)	4,000.00	760.00
Stewardship Development	200.00	0.00
Vacation Bible School	200.00	52.44
Woman's Missionary Union	300.00	200.39
	\$15,450.00	\$7,736.24
Committee		
Christian Life	\$100.00	\$0.00
Media Center	300.00	0.00
Music	325.00	28.79
Program	500.00	500.00
Property and Grounds	1,000.00	(675.27)
Singles	100.00	0.00
Youth	1,500.00	379.00
	\$3,825.00	\$232.52
Personnel		
Clerk's Expense Reimbursement	\$100.00	\$0.00
Director of Missions': Salary	20,400.00	20,400.00
Housing Allowance	12,100.00	12,100.00
Retirement	4,100.00	4,100.00
Insurance	6,452.00	6,882.65
Ministry Related Expenses (Auto/Conv/etc)	5,200.00	5,292.01
Social Security Allowance	4,500.00	4,500.00
Administrative Assistant's: Salary	18,100.00	18,100.00
Insurance	5,553.00	5,530.32
Retirement	4,375.00	4,375.00
Training Conferences/Conventions/etc.	300.00	0.00
Social Security on Admin. Asst's Salary	1,385.00	1,385.62
	\$82,565.00	\$82,665.60
Associational Office		
Office Supplies	\$5,500.00	\$3,517.59
Mileage Reimbursement	300.00	146.88
Condominium Owners Association dues	480.00	480.00
Insurance	1,095.00	1,377.00
Utilities	2,500.00	1,747.81
	\$9,875.00	\$7,269.28
Other		
Associational Annuals	500.00	275.16
Ministers Conference	200.00	6.98
Eagle Eyrie	1,600.00	1,356.82
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
	\$2,300.00	\$1,638.96
TOTAL	\$114,015.00	\$99,542.60

Financial Summary January 1, 2003 - December 31, 2003	Beginning Balance 01/01/03	Year-to-Date Receipts	Year-to-Date Disbursements	Ending Balance 12/31/03
Designated Funds:				
Bedford Jail Ministry	0.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	0.00
Assn. Missions Week Offerings (Prior Yrs.)	4,778.54	0.00	0.00	4,778.54
Mission Partnership Trips	213.11	4,238.00	4,238.00	213.11
Assn. % of State Missions Offerings	2,939.61	755.37	0.00	3,694.98
River Rock Church	0.00	3,107.55	3,107.55	0.00
Bedford Christian Ministries	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
Total Designated Funds	\$7,931.26	\$10,300.92	\$9,545.55	\$8,686.63
Budget Fund (Includes 2003 AMW)	\$19,164.28	\$96,419.02	\$99,542.60	\$16,040.70
Checking Account	\$27,095.54	\$106,719.94	\$109,088.15	\$24,727.33
Va. Bapt. Fdn. Acct.	\$14,837.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,837.82
TOTAL - ALL ACCOUNTS	\$41,933.36	\$106,719.94	\$109,088.15	\$39,565.15

Financial Summary January 1, 2004 - September 30, 2004	Beginning Balance 01/01/04	Year-to-Date Receipts	Year-to-Date Disbursements	Ending Balance 09/30/04
Designated Funds:				
Assn. Missions Week Offerings (Prior Yrs.)	\$4,778.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,778.54
Mission Partnership Trips	213.11	0.00	0.00	213.11
Assn. % of State Missions Offerings	3,694.98	571.54	0.00	4,266.52
River Rock Church	0.00	2,475.00	2,475.00	0.00
Jail Ministry/Florida Mission Team	0.00	2,900.00	1,990.93	909.07
Total Designated Funds	\$8,686.63	\$5,946.54	\$4,465.93	\$10,167.24
Budget Fund (Includes 2004 AMW)	\$16,040.70	\$81,121.31	\$75,862.55	\$21,299.46
Checking Account	\$24,727.33	\$87,067.85	\$80,328.48	\$31,466.70
Va. Bapt. Fdn. Acct.	\$14,837.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,837.82
TOTAL - ALL ACCOUNTS	\$39,565.15	\$87,067.85	\$80,328.48	\$46,304.52

DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUDIT

Mr. Carl Wells, Chairman

We certify that we have examined the books of Mrs. Esther Woodford, Association Treasurer, and find all funds of record coming into the hands of the treasurer in the fiscal year 2003 have been properly accounted for.

BAPTIST MEN ON MISSION

Rev. Larry Ross, Director



Thanks for allowing me to serve as your Baptist Men On Mission Director. We have a good number of Baptist men who are involved in a wide variety of mission activities. Men have participated in disaster relief training and have been out on various disaster relief teams, including

Florida. Baptist men are involved in mission activities right in their own community, including participation in Christmas In April projects. Baptist Men On Mission involvement and awareness are growing.

Thanks, again, to Bedford Baptist Church for hosting another Baptist Men On Mission training event this year. John Gordon, Director of Missions for Piedmont Baptist Association and Baptist Men On Mission Consultant for the Baptist General Association of Virginia, was our speaker. Eight men attended.

This year brought more changes to the Baptist Men On Mission materials and ordering of materials. Watch for a material order form in the mail to your church. Pastors are asked to channel this on to the person responsible for ordering. The Baptist Men On Mission wrap-around to the On Mission Magazine is no longer available. Now order a new quarterly publication called *Men @ Work* which includes valuable information for leading meetings with your Baptist Men On Mission group. You can still order the *On Mission Magazine* as well as Royal Ambassador materials. Look for other important publications and material on the order form. Call the North American Mission Board toll free at 1-866-407NAMB to order materials or to request an order form. Visit the web site at www.namb.net for a wealth of information about Baptist Men On Mission as well as order materials.

May God bless you, your Baptist Men On Mission group, and your church in the coming year.

BUDGET

Comparing our current financial situation with where we were at the same time last year, we see marked improvement. Even though expenditures through September this year are \$2,200 more than last, our receipts have increased by more than \$10,000. We appreciate the individuals and churches who saw the need and were willing to become part of the solution.

Response to the "One Dollar per Day" Associational Missions Week offering was great! Ideally, we would like to be able to meet budget needs through regular percentage giving by our churches and use Associational Missions Week offering receipts for special projects, but this year's offering gave a much needed boost to our budget receipts.

Though the financial picture has improved, this committee has increased the proposed budget for 2005 as printed on the next page by only \$100 and recommends its adoption.

<u>Department</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 2005 Budget</u>
Baptist Men on Mission	\$500.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Bible Teaching/Discipleship	500.00	0.00	0.00
Evangelism	500.00	585.00	585.00
Internet Evangelism	250.00	250.00	275.00
Missions Development	9,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
Missions Partnerships (Slovakia/Brazil)	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Stewardship Development	200.00	0.00	0.00
Vacation Bible School	200.00	100.00	100.00
Woman's Missionary Union	300.00	300.00	300.00
	\$15,450.00	\$13,535.00	\$13,560.00
<u>Committee</u>			
Christian Life	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Media Center	300.00	0.00	0.00
Music	325.00	325.00	200.00
Program	500.00	500.00	500.00
Property and Grounds	1,000.00	1,000.00	750.00
Singles	100.00	100.00	100.00
Youth	1,500.00	1,000.00	750.00
	\$3,825.00	\$2,925.00	\$2,300.00
<u>Personnel</u>			
Clerk's Expense Reimbursement	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Director of Missions': Salary	20,400.00	20,400.00	20,400.00
Housing Allowance	12,100.00	12,100.00	7,500.00
Retirement	4,100.00	4,100.00	8,700.00
Insurance	6,452.00	9,390.00	10,000.00
Ministry Related Expenses (Auto/Conv/etc)	5,200.00	5,200.00	5,200.00
Social Security Allowance	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Administrative Assistant's: Salary	18,100.00	18,100.00	18,100.00
Insurance	5,553.00	6,021.00	6,500.00
Retirement	4,375.00	4,375.00	4,375.00
Training Conferences/Conventions/etc.	300.00	200.00	200.00
Social Security on Admin. Asst's Salary	1,385.00	1,385.00	1,385.00
	\$82,565.00	\$85,871.00	\$86,910.00
<u>Associational Office</u>			
Office Supplies	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00
Mileage Reimbursement	300.00	250.00	250.00
Condominium Owners Association dues	480.00	480.00	480.00
Insurance	1,095.00	1,340.00	1,500.00
Utilities	2,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	\$9,875.00	\$9,570.00	\$9,730.00
<u>Other</u>			
Associational Annuals	\$500.00	\$350.00	\$350.00
Ministers Conference	200.00	100.00	100.00
Eagle Eyrie	1,600.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
	\$2,300.00	\$2,450.00	\$1,950.00
TOTAL	<u>\$114,015.00</u>	<u>\$114,351.00</u>	<u>\$114,450.00</u>

EVANGELISM

Mrs. Rita Calhoun, Director

Once again our churches in Strawberry Baptist Association participated in CenterFest on September 25. This event was held in Bedford City. There we provided a service with a "Baby Changing/Feeding Station." Visitors to our booth were refreshed with lemonade or water. Gospel seeds were planted in many hearts as we talked with them and passed out tracts, including our own *Strawberry Sensations Recipe Booklet*. Youth groups also walked the streets sharing, praying and witnessing. It was a time of training and participation in the Great Commission.

Our workers enjoyed the fellowship while being servants of Christ. The "Prayer Walking" teams prayed for many while enjoying the beautiful day the Lord had given us. The children were delighted to wear the balloon hats that were made by Matt and Patti Stafford and their helpers.

We have found it difficult to keep up with numbers. Our purchases of water and lemonade were increased by 20 percent this year and we still ran out. At least 14 churches were involved. God has blessed this endeavor in many ways, and the Evangelism Committee thanks you for your support. Mark your calendars for next year and plan to send a team to our Jerusalem.

MEDIA CENTER

Mrs. Helen Chambers, Chairman

During the past associational year, churches/individuals have checked out 9 videotapes, used the video projector 12 times, and the overhead projector 3 times. Thirteen other resources (VBS stand-up, books, kits, etc.) were checked out.

MISSION PARTNERSHIPS

Kathy Smith, Director

Partnership trips come about through partnering with the Virginia Baptist Mission Board and with the North American and International Mission Boards. Virginia is currently partnered with China, Czech Republic, Panama, Jamaica, Russia, Liberia, and Romania and during the next few years will include the Baptist Unions of Italy and the Caribbean. Virginia also works with Impact Northeast which includes mission work in Maine, New York, Massachusetts, and Washington, DC. As requests come in for volunteers, the call goes out to our Association churches to respond.

Several individuals who were involved in partnership mission opportunities have blessed our Association this year. Evelyn Giles and Pam Turpin

participated in a trip to Interlaken, Switzerland. This location is part of the Italian Baptist Union, European Baptist Convention's English language churches. Evelyn served as a nurse and Pam supervised youth teams working in the kitchen. Approximately 240 youth attended from all over Europe and they were mostly children of missionaries and military personnel. Per Pam, "Decisions were made for Christ and we all came away spiritually enriched by the experience. It was a wonderful experience for me to see youth who are proud to exhibit their Christian ideals in their daily walk."

Several folks in the Association responded to the need for assistance in Florida due to damage from the hurricanes. They partnered with the Virginia Baptist feeding unit and clean-up and recovery groups and some people worked along with Samaritan's Purse. We still need to be in prayer for the people in these southern states.

Seventeen ventured to Nicaragua where they were involved in evangelism and leadership training, construction, medical services, food relief, and even baseball. The gospel message was shared with hundreds everywhere the group visited.

Where is God calling you to serve? When the call goes out, will you say, "Here am I, send me."

MUSIC

Dr. Judy Edwards, Chairman

During the Associational year the following events were held for church musicians:

Workshop for Leaders of Children's Choirs led by Judy Edwards, November 10, 2003, Trinity Baptist Church.

Planning for Worship Workshop led by Judy Edwards, January 19, 2004, Trinity.

Adult Choir Workshop with Rev. Barry Green, Minister of Music, Bonsack Baptist Church, Roanoke Valley Association, as guest clinician; March 19-20, 2004, Trinity.

I would like to personally thank SBA for the opportunity to serve as associational Music Director for the past three years. It has been a joy to meet the SBA church musicians and to serve with you in training sessions, children's music day camp and in opportunities to praise God with His gift of music. May God continually bless your life and ministry.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION
Mrs. Rebekah Overstreet, Director

The WMU Executive Board met at Rebekah Overstreet's on May 22, 2004, with the following in attendance: Rebekah Overstreet, Bedford; Esther Woodford, Mentow; Phyllis McDaniel, Mount Hermon; Wanda Goodrich, Mount Olivet; Becky Harris, Morgans; Jeanette Southall, North Bedford; Thelma Divers and Alma Blankenship, Quaker; Rachel Hudson, Sedalia; Dolphine Swofford, Thaxton; and Director of Missions, Steve Manuel. The meeting opened with a devotional led by Wanda Goodrich which was followed by a covered dish brunch. The WMU theme for the next two years is "Christ Followers" and the focus will be on poverty.

WMU Annual Training was September 11, 2004, at Bedford Baptist. Breakout sessions were "Missions Nicaragua" with Steve and Barbara Manuel; "Healthy Cooking for Southern Comfort Foods" with registered dietitian Kathy Shaw; and "WMU for Beginning Directors" with Rebekah Overstreet. Represented were Beaverdam, Bedford, Diamond Hill, Hunting Creek, Mentow, Mount Olivet, Thaxton, and SBA.

Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer is November 1, 2004, at Thaxton Baptist Church. Barbara Manuel will lead a prayer seminar which will be followed by a covered dish meal.

Minutes of the 115th WMU Annual Meeting

The one hundred fifteenth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Strawberry Baptist Association was held on Saturday, March 27, 2004, at Sedalia Baptist Church, with the theme "Arise, shine; for your light has come." (Isaiah 60:1 NAS)

Mrs. Rebekah Overstreet, Director, called the meeting to order and welcomed all at 10:00 a.m.

1. Call to Worship hymn was "We've a Story to Tell."
2. Invocation was given by Rev. Mike Jones, Pastor, Sedalia Church.
3. Mrs. Rebekah Overstreet introduced the speakers: Carol Fike (GA 1950s) Mt. Olivet, Barbara Woodford (GA 1950s) Mentow, Mary Elizabeth Woodford Pemberton (GA 1970s) River Rock, Sarah Woodford (GA 1990s) Mentow, Stephanie Harrison (GA 1970s) Bedford, and Kara Harrison (GA 2000s) Bedford.

The Light Shines through our Giving

4. Offertory hymn was "Send the Light," and prayer was offered by Miss Alma Hunt (GA 1920s) Roanoke.

5. The special music was “Shine Jesus Shine” sung by Thera Craun, Tracey Reichard, Pearl Gross, and Phronia Massie, all of Sedalia.

The Light Shines through our Witness

6. Mrs. Rebekah Overstreet gave the Director’s Report as well as the report for the Missions Involvement Consultant, Mrs. Winnie Agee, who was unable to attend the meeting.

7. Mrs. Jeanette C. Southall, Secretary-Treasurer, moved that:
- a. Those present and those coming in later, constitute the voting body of this annual meeting;
 - b. The printed program, with any necessary changes, be adopted as the order of business for this 115th Annual Meeting;
 - c. That \$300.00 be give to the Bedford Group Homes, Inc.

All motions carried.

8. The Financial Report for 2003-2004 as printed in the bulletin was accepted.

Beginning Balance 03/15/03.....	\$3,576.22
Annual Meeting Offering.....	170.00
Dues (24 churches).....	868.00
Total Receipts.....	1,038.00
Cross Roads Camp & Conference Center.....	300.00
CRCCC (2 round tables).....	400.00
Total Expenditures.....	700.00
Ending Balance 03/15/04 (Includes \$418.43-Acteen Activators)	<u>\$3,914.22</u>

9. The Proposed Budget for 2004-2005 as printed in the bulletin was approved.

Director’s expenses	\$150.00
Women on Mission	50.00
Acteens	100.00
Acteens Activators Team	275.00
Girls in Action.....	175.00
Mission Friends.....	50.00
Associational Leadership Team Training.....	275.00
Our Missionary Kid.....	125.00
Annual Meeting	125.00
Miscellaneous.....	<u>125.00</u>
TOTAL.....	\$1,450.00

The Light Shines through our Prayers

- 10. The prayer calendar was presented by Mrs. Lelia Yates (GA 1930s)
- 11. The Nominating Committee Report was given by Mrs. Lois Stevens.

DirectorMrs. Rebekah Overstreet (Bedford)
 1813 Oakwood St., Bedford 24523 540-586-2956
 Missions Involvement Consultant.....Mrs. Rosie Minter
 2663 Hales Ford Rd., Moneta 24121 540-297-7111
 Acteens ConsultantMrs. Alma Blankenship (Quaker)
 2730 Chestnut Fork Rd., Bedford 24523 540-297-7271
 Mission Friends ConsultantMrs. Wanda Goodrich (Mount Olivet)
 404 Juniper Dr., Lynchburg 24502..... 434-525-0315
 Secretary/Treasurer Mrs. Jeanette Southall (North Bedford)
 2306 Old Farm Rd., Lynchburg 24503..... 434-384-1030

12. Installation and Challenge to 2004-2005 WMU Leadership Team and prayer of dedication by Rev. Steve Manuel.

The Light Shines as We "Go Forward"

13. Former and current GAs from the 1920s, 1930s, 1940s, 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s, 1990s, and 2000s passed a candle flame from one generation to the next. The group then recited the GA Pledge followed by the GA Lifestyle Verse: As a GA, I will do my best to live a missions lifestyle that honors God by ❖Learning about missions ❖Praying for missions ❖Giving to missions ❖Doing missions ❖and Participating in the work of the church.

The Lord has shown you what is good. He has told you what he requires of you. You must treat people fairly. You must love others faithfully. And you must be very careful to live the way your God wants you to. (Micah 6:8 NirV)

14. The closing music was "This Little Light of Mine."

15. There were 87 present, including 5 pastors and 6 guests, with 18 churches represented.

16. Pianist was Mrs. Thera Craun.

17. Mrs. Mary Jane Salyer, Thaxton, offered the closing prayer and the blessing for the meal to follow. A covered dish luncheon was prepared by all of the WMU ladies and Sedalia Church and served in the Fellowship Hall so attractively decorated and enjoyed by all.

18. A special "Thank you" to Sedalia Church for their warm hospitality and the use of their facilities. Everyone did an outstanding job of providing for the needs of the group.

19. The next annual meeting will be March 19, 2005, at Shady Grove Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Jeanette C. Southall, Secretary/Treasurer

Note: A CD and a DVD of the GA 90th Birthday Celebration are available as well as pictures taken at the Annual Meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rev. Rick Mallory, Chairman

The following are submitted for election, to begin serving at the close of this annual meeting:

ModeratorRev. Dennis E. Moore
Clerk Mrs. Lois S. Stevens
Treasurer Mrs. Esther O. Woodford
Missions Eldridge Cullum
Youth Judy Ward
Audit Janet Miller
Budget Doug McDaniel
Property & Grounds John Goodrich

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

The following were elected by churches to serve as representatives on the Executive Board of the Association as well as on associational committees. Committee assignments have been made based on the individual's preferences if expressed. Those with question marks need to contact the association office to indicate where they want to serve. Also, churches who have not done so are encouraged to elect their representatives.

Beaverdam	Clarence Hash, Prop/Grnds	Louise Hash, Prop/Grnds
Bedford	Lora Padgett, Christian Life	Barbara Peterson, Missions
Bethel		
Bethlehem	Gary Nichols, ???	
Big Island		
Diamond Hill	Rosie Minter, ???	Ray Minter, Prop/Grounds
Flint Hill	Billy L. Bryant, Baptist Men	Ron Smith, Baptist Men
Glade Creek		
Hunting Creek	Joe Flowers, Christian Life	Shirley Radford, Evangelism
Mentow	Phyllis Dowdy, Christian Life	Haywood Crouch, Bap Men
Morgans	Harry Saunders, ???	
Mount Hermon	Phyllis McDaniel, Child/Youth	
Mount Olivet	Wanda Goodrich, Evangelism	
Mount Zion	Randy Board, Evangelism	Rodney Franklin, Media Ctr.
Mountain View		

North Bedford	Carolyn Dixon, ???	
Norwood	Leon Myers, Baptist Men	Steve Everett, Music
Palestine		
Pecks		
Quaker	Richard Goode, ???	
Radford		
Rainbow Forest	Jonathan Grooms, Missions	Steve Dollar, Christian Life
Sedalia	Nelson Smith, ???	
Shady Grove	Howard Hendrick, Prop/Grn.	Bobby Pollard, Audit
Staunton		
Suck Spring	Rev. Bruce Barrett, ???	Trish Childress, ???
Terrace View	John Tyler, ???	
Thaxton	Ouida Witt, Partnerships	Mary Jane Salyer, Partnerships
Timber Ridge	James Wilkerson, Christian Life	David Stanley, Christian Life
Trinity	Doug Kennedy, Music	Eva Smith, Missions
Walnut Grove	Matt Stafford, Evangelism	Patty Stafford, Evangelism

Calendar of Events for 2005

JANUARY

01	New Year's Day
02	Collegiate Ministries Emphasis Day
04	SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.
10	WMU Planning Meeting, SBA office, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
11	Executive Committee, Richmond
11	Managing Conflict in the Local Church: Level I, Peacemaker Seminar, VBRC
15	Virginia Baptist All-State Children's Choir Rehearsal, location TBA
16	Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
17-18	Male Chorale Rehearsal/Retreat, EE
18	Baptist Extension Board, VBRC
27-29	21-C Conference, Saint Paul's Baptist Church, Richmond
31-Feb.2	Interim Ministry in Today's Church, EE

FEBRUARY

01	SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.
04-05	SBCV Staff Wives Affecting Tomorrow (SWAT) Retreat, Hotel Roanoke
06	Baptist World Alliance Day
10-11	Virginia Missions Forum, Roslyn Conference Center
11-12	Virginia Baptist Handbell Festival, EE
14-18	Church & Clergy Tax and Compensation Seminars Newport News, Richmond, Manassas, Roanoke, Abingdon
14-20	WMU Focus
18-19	Virginia Baptist Handbell Festival, Richmond
20	Virginia Baptist Colleges and Schools Day
21-22	Evangelism Conference Southwest
24	Conquering the Crisis of Termination, VBRC
25-26	Mission InnoVAtors Training, VBRC
25-27	Virginia Baptist All-State Children's Choir Rehearsal/Concerts, location TBA
26	Church Building Conference, Chapel, VBRC

MARCH

01	SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.
03-04	Pastors & Friends Conf., Missionary Learning Center, Rockville
06	Day of Prayer for Virginia Baptist Churches
6-13	Week of Prayer for North American Missions, North American Mission Study 2005, and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
07	SBCV Evangelism Conference
08	Executive Committee, Richmond
11-12	Co-Missioners Celebration, First Baptist Church, Newport News
11-13	Emerging Leaders Track at Sr. High Weekend, EE
11-13	Senior High Weekend, EE
17-19	Children, Family, & Church Conference, VBRC
18-19	RA/Challenger/Acteen Basketball Tournament, Northern Virginia
18-19	CBF of Virginia's General Assembly, Huguenot Road Baptist Church, Richmond
19	SBA WMU Annual Meeting, Shady Grove
20	Special Education Day
27	Easter

APRIL

01-03	Acteens Weekender, EE
01-03	Leadership Track at Acteens Weekender, EE
04	Budget Committee, Richmond
04	VBS Tour, Thomas Village Baptist Church, Duffield
04-08	Intentional Interim Ministry I, Eagle Eyrie
05	SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.
05	VBS Tour, Green Valley Baptist Church, Lebanon
05-06	Virginia Baptist Mission Board, Richmond
08	SBCV VBS Clinic, Roanoke, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
10	Cooperative Program Day
11	Spiritual Growth Seminar: "Helping Your Members Grow in Their Faith," VBRC
15-16	SBCV Revive Our Hearts Weekend with Nancy Leigh DeMoss, Thomas Road Baptist, Lynchburg
15-17	Emerging Leaders Summit, Location TBA
15-17	Collegiate Spring Conference, EE
18-20	Minister's Personal/Professional Development Workshop, VBRC
19	SBA Executive Board, 7:00 p.m.
22	Retreat for Ministers: Appalachian Trail Hike
23	SBCV VBS Clinic, Lynchburg, 1:00-3:30 p.m.
29-30	GA Mom & Me I, EE
30-May 1	GA Mom & Me II, EE
30	Christmas in April, Bedford area

MAY

- 01 Virginia Baptist Homes Day
- 03 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.**
- 06-07 Empowering Leaders for Kingdom Advance
(for pastors, deacons, key church leaders, and their spouses), EE
- 08 Mother's Day Benevolent Sunday
- 09-10 Senior Adult Festival of Praise, Location TBA
- 10 Executive Committee, Richmond
- 10 Budget Committee, Richmond
- 12-13 Managing Conflict in the Local Church:
Level 2, Strategies for Managing Church Conflict
Level 3, Mediation Skills Training, VBRC
- 13-15 Media Library Workshop, EE
- 16-17 Summer Youth Ministry Conference, TBA
- 16-19 SBCV FAITH Clinic, Danville
- 16-19 "Gathering of Silence" retreat combined with
"Meeting God in Your Transitions" retreat, CRCCC
- 16-20 Pre-Retirement Choices Seminars—Newport News, Richmond,
Manassas, Roanoke, Abingdon
- 21 SBCV State Bible Drill
- 21 Bible Drills/Speakers' Tournament,
Monument Heights Baptist Church, Richmond
- 22-29 Associational Missions Emphasis/Week of Prayer**
- 23-25 Senior Adult Chautauqua, EE
- 27 Stewardship Leaders Conference, VBRC

JUNE

- 07 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.**
- 10-12 Virginia Baptist Conference for the Deaf, EE
- 19 Virginia Baptist Children's Home & Family Services Day
- 19-20 SBC Pastors Conference
- 19-25 Impact Virginia, South Boston
- 21-22 Southern Baptist Convention, Nashville, TN
- 26-July 1/2 Impact Virginia, Galax
- 26-July 2 Virginia Baptist Heritage Week
- 27-July 1 Virginia Centrifuge I, EE
- 30-July 2 Cooperative Baptist Fellowship-National, Grapevine, TX

JULY

03 Religious Liberty Sunday
05 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.
04-08 Virginia Centrifuge II, EE
11-15 SBCV Studentz Camp
11-15 Family Missions Week, EE
17-23 Impact Virginia, Culpeper
18-19 Virginia Ministers' Golf Tournament, EE
18-22 Summer Music Camp, EE
19 Baptist Extension Board, Virginia Baptist Resource Center
21-22 Appalachian Ministers and Staff Retreat, Holiday Inn, Wytheville
25-29 Ministers' Family Retreat, Oak Hill Academy
25-29 Centri-Kid I, EE
27-31 Baptist World Alliance Centenary Congress, Birmingham, England
29-30 Retreat for Ministers, Staunton River Canoe Trip
31-Aug 4 Impact Virginia, Richmond

AUGUST

01-05 Centri-Kid II, EE
02 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.
04-05 Youth Evangelism Conference, Richmond, VA
06 Saturday Bonus Mission Service Project (in conjunction with YEC)
06 Church Weekday Education Conference
09-10 SBCV Youth Evangelism Conference
19-20 SBCV Church Leadership Conference

SEPTEMBER

09-10 WMUV Advisory Board Meeting, CRCCC
06 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.
10 Regional Church Leadership Conference, location TBA
11-18 SBCV Week of Prayer for State Missions
11-18 Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions Emphasis/
Week of Prayer
12 How to Get the Most from a Contemplative Retreat Workshop,
VBRC
13 Executive Committee, Richmond
13 Budget Committee, Richmond
15 Ministers New to Virginia Orientation, Richmond
17 Regional Church Leadership Conference, location TBA
23-24 SBCV Pastors/Staff and Wives Retreat
24 CenterFest
24 Learning to Lead: Change Your World Now! Locations TBA
25 *Religious Herald* Sunday
26-28 Forum on Ministry Education, EE
26-28 Conquering the Crisis of Termination, VBRC

OCTOBER

- 03-05 Intentional Interim Ministry II, EE
- 04 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.**
- 04-05 Virginia Baptist Mission Board, Richmond
- 07-08 African American Church Growth Conference, VBRC
- 07-08 Church Music Conference, Location TBA
- 07-09 Emerging Leaders Track at Junior High Weekend, EE
- 07-09 Junior High Weekend, EE
- 09 World Hunger Sunday
- 10-13 "A Gathering of Silence" retreat, and
"Meeting God in Your Transitions" retreat, CRCCC
- 14-15 SBCV Women's Retreat
- 14-16 Retreat for the Mentally Handicapped Youth & Adults, EE
- 17-19 Ministry Retirees and Spouses Retreat, EE
- 20 Annie Mae Broyles Group Meeting, Pecks, 10:00 a.m.**
- 21-22 "Real Kids, Real Faith" with Dr. Karen-Marie Yust, VBRC
- 21-23 Collegiate Fall Conference, EE
- 24 SBA Annual Meeting, Timber Ridge**
- 24-26 Growing Faith and Human Thought:
Implications and Reflections for Leaders—
A Professional Growth Retreat, Richmond area, TBA
(Sponsored by the Virginia Baptist Religious Education Association)
- 30 "Consider Your Call" Sunday

NOVEMBER

- 01 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.**
- 04 Deacon Trainers Network Meeting, VBRC
- 04-05 Women on Mission Get-Away I, EE
- 05 Women's Rally/WMUV Annual Meeting, EE
- 05-06 Women on Mission Get-Away II, EE
- 07 Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer
- 10-11 Baptist General Association of Virginia,
Hylton Memorial Chapel, Woodbridge
- 14-15 SBCV Annual Meeting
- 28 New Board member Orientation, Richmond
- 29-30 Virginia Baptist Mission Board, Richmond

DECEMBER

- 4-11 Week of Prayer for International Missions,
International Mission Study, and
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
- 06 SBA Ministers Conference, Trinity, 10:30 a.m.**
- 25 Christmas**

Year and Place of Future Annual Meetings

- 2005 Timber Ridge
- 2006 Hunting Creek

If your church would be willing to host the Annual Meeting in 2007 or 2008, please contact the associational office.

Deceased Members from October 1, 2003, through September 30, 2004

<p><u>Beaverdam</u> H. Vernon Burroughs Rowena Craig</p>	<p><u>Glade Creek</u> James Campbell Alfred Lawhorn Claudine Porter</p>	<p><u>North Bedford</u> None reported</p>
<p><u>Bedford</u> Mrs. Marie P. Adams Mrs. Richard Anderson Mrs. Dorothy Arthur Mr. Welford A. Franklin Mrs. Frances Goggin Mr. Albert Goodall Mrs. Lydia Griffin Mrs. Lorene Morgan Ms. Dorothy Thompson Mrs. Grace Turner Mrs. Margaret Witt Mrs. Ruth M. Wright Mr. William R. Wright</p>	<p><u>Hunting Creek</u> Jessie Burks Curtis Fainter Earl Hughes Audrey Johnson Ethel Manley Silas Markham Princess Wilson</p>	<p><u>Norwood</u> Bonnie Nichols Hull Kenny Padgett</p>
<p><u>Bethel</u> None reported</p>	<p><u>Mentow</u> Mr. Elbert H. Goad Mr. W. Orville Howell Mrs. Wilma T. Howell Mr. Ernest R. Johnson Mr. Edward H. Lane III Miss Shannon Murphy Mrs. Sandra W. Rowland</p>	<p><u>Palestine</u> Gusta K. Crouch Judy B. Dellis Letha O. Dellis Frances F. Overstreet</p>
<p><u>Bethlehem</u> Ruby Blankenship Lena Brown Travis Hensley</p>	<p><u>Morgans</u> Rosa Brown Eleanor W. Clement Bessie S. Roberts</p>	<p><u>Pecks</u> Margaret Livingston</p>
<p><u>Big Island</u> Cheryl Day Page Hall Sylvia Mason</p>	<p><u>Mount Hermon</u> Linda Ash</p>	<p><u>Quaker</u> Robert C. Holdren Rev. Gilbert Profit</p>
<p><u>Diamond Hill</u> Norma Cabiness Gale Catron Lowena Martin</p>	<p><u>Mount Olivet</u> Nancy Pillot</p>	<p><u>Rainbow Forest</u> Helen Austin Percy K. Bishop Ralph Booth, Sr. Charles Dooley Tommie Bruce Hall Robert Hickok Elizabeth V. Lantz Bill Pike Ruth Spinnato</p>
<p><u>Flint Hill</u> Mrs. Beatrice Huddleston Mrs. Willie Spradlin</p>	<p><u>Mount Zion</u> Ruby Dooley Margie Hawkins Abner Orange Maynard Thomas Sherman Waldron</p>	<p><u>Sedalia</u> Mrs. Maria W. Fenson Mr. Hugh R. Hughes Mr. Royston Reynolds Mr. Jack L. Vereen</p>
	<p><u>Mountain View</u> Rubin M. Gross</p>	<p><u>Shady Grove</u> Fleda Blankenship Genice A. Foster Christine F. Garner Carol White</p>

<p><u>Staunton</u> Jess Mitchell Alf Palmer Margaret Rodgers Billy Saunders</p> <p><u>Suck Spring</u> Peggy Croft Linda Karnes Vernon Toms</p> <p><u>Terrace View</u> None Reported</p>	<p><u>Thaxton</u> Lois C. Grant Ralph P. Overstreet R. Carlton Thomas</p> <p><u>Timber Ridge</u> Harold Blankenship Goldie Cadd Richard Craig James Dunnivan Sam Kendrick Erma Padgett J. B. Wilford</p>	<p><u>Trinity</u> None Reported</p> <p><u>Walnut Grove</u> Viola Gray</p>
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NEW MINISTERS



Dr. Eldridge V. Cullum, IV, became the pastor of Thaxton Baptist Church in February 2004. Eldridge is a native of Chatham, Virginia, where his father was the pastor of Chatham Baptist Church. Eldridge received his BA degree from Carson-Newman College, and his MDiv and DMin degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and his wife, Jennie, have been married for 23 years and have a daughter, Stefanie, who is 21; a son, Jared, who is 18; and a son, Justin, who is 17.



Rev. Vernon DeLong was called as Pastor of Trinity Baptist Church on November 1, 2003. Vernon is a native of Bedford County, graduating from Liberty High School in 1971. Vernon has a B.A. in Religion from Averett, and a Master's of Divinity from Southeastern Seminary. He has served Churches in North Carolina and Virginia, coming to us from Union Baptist Church in Ahoskie, NC. Vernon has previously served in our association, serving as Pastor of Radford Baptist Church from 1993 – 1997. Vernon and his wife, Wanda, have 2 grown children, a daughter, Crystal, and a son, Courtney.

Dr. Richard E. “Rick” Kallstrom became the pastor of Mount Hermon on January 18, 2004. Prior to accepting the call to Mount Hermon, Rick pastored Mountain View Union Church, Bedford, as well as the following churches in Tennessee: Calvary Baptist in Ten Mile; Victory Baptist in Decatur; and Living Waters Baptist in Knoxville.



Rev. Chris Smith was installed as pastor of Staunton on November 17, 2002. He is a graduate of Liberty Bible Institute and Liberty University, with concentrations in Bible and Business. He earned his Master of Divinity at Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary. Prior to coming to Staunton, he served for five years as pastor of Mayflower Hills Baptist Church in Roanoke. Chris and his wife, Susan, have two children, Michelle and Andrew.

HISTORICAL NOTES

Big Island: Five new deacons ordained for the year: Danny Mason, Tim Oliver, Curtis Goff, McWane Plott, and Kenny Cheatham.

Flint Hill: Kyle Dooley was ordained for the Gospel ministry on May 16, 2004.

Mount Hermon: Called Dr. Richard Kallstrom as pastor, effective January 18, 2004.

Mount Zion: William Abner Orange and Maynard Thomas, both who grew up in Mount Zion and were faithful servants in the church for many years, went to be with the Lord this year—Abner, on February 28 and Maynard, on April 3.

Trinity: Voted in October 2003 to uniquely align with the Southern Baptist Conservatives of Virginia; called Rev. H. Vernon DeLong as senior pastor in November 2003; Keith Layne resigned as youth pastor in March 2004; called Rock Chocklett as part-time youth pastor in July 2004; purchased a 15 passenger van in May 2004; installed a new sound system in May 2004; voted to purchase and LCD projector and electric screen in August 2004; and completed a new pictorial directory in August 2004.

HISTORICAL TABLES

Below is a record of meetings for the Strawberry Association and the Woman's Missionary Union for the past 10 years. The 2000 Annual Report contains complete Historical Tables.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>MODERATOR</u>	<u>CLERK</u>	<u>PREACHER</u>
1995 Oct 30.....	Timber Ridge.....	Michael B. Winters.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens..... (Clerk <i>pro tem</i>)	Donald E. Sewell
1996 Oct 28.....	Thaxton.....	Richard Akers.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Thom S. Rainer
1997 Oct 27.....	Bedford.....	Richard Akers.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Ed Stetzer
1998 Oct 26.....	North Bedford.....	William T. Vest.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Seaburn Daniel
1999 Oct 25.....	Trinity.....	Herbert B. Craft.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Keith Jefferson
2000 Feb 12.....	Bedford.....	Herbert B. Craft.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	No Sermon
July 16.....	Bedford.....	Herbert B. Craft.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	No Sermon
Oct 30.....	Rainbow Forest.....	Herbert B. Craft.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Rodney Duncan
2001 Oct 29.....	Mentow.....	Herbert B. Craft.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Steve Manuel
2002 Oct 28.....	Morgans.....	Jerry M. Parr.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Dr. Wayne Faison
2003 Oct 27.....	Beaverdam.....	Jerry M. Parr.....	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Re: Creations
2004 Oct 25.....	Trinity.....	Dennis Moore..... (Moderator <i>pro tem</i>)	Mrs. Lois S. Stevens.....	Timothy Mark

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DIRECTOR</u>
1995 Mar 25.....	Morgans.....	Mrs. William L. Stevens
1996 Mar 16.....	Mount Hermon.....	Mrs. John H. DeLong
1997 Mar 22.....	Mount Olivet.....	Mrs. John H. DeLong
1998 Mar 21.....	Mount Zion.....	Mrs. Wanda Goodrich
1999 Mar 27.....	North Bedford.....	Mrs. Wanda Goodrich
2000 Mar 18.....	Palestine.....	Mrs. Wanda Goodrich
2001 Mar 24.....	Pecks.....	Mrs. Wanda Goodrich
2002 Mar 23.....	Quaker.....	Mrs. Rebekah Overstreet
2003 Mar 29.....	Radford.....	Mrs. Rebekah Overstreet
2004 Mar 27.....	Sedalia.....	Mrs. Rebekah Overstreet



Trinity Baptist Church was constituted in June 1962, under the pastoral leadership of Rev. Wendell Sodergren, with 62 charter members. Originated as a mission of Bedford Baptist Church, this new self-supporting Southern Baptist Church met the need for establishing a new Church in Bedford. Trinity first met in the old Clarke building on Jackson Street. On October 28, 1964, Main Street Baptist Church combined with Trinity, with Rev. Charles Wilson as pastor.

On August 8, 1968, ten acres of land were purchased from Cecil Cheatham for \$27,000 at Lyle and Pinecrest Streets. The East Main Street property was sold for \$15,000, and a building program was started by selling \$75,000 in church bonds. A parsonage at 1008 Pinecrest Avenue was purchased from John Evans for \$22,500. Ground breaking for a new church building was held on March 29, 1970, and a dedication ceremony for the sanctuary, classrooms, and office was held on March 28, 1971.

On November 15, 1981, a note-burning ceremony was held to celebrate the final payment of consolidated loans from bonds, the bank, the Virginia Baptist Extension Board, and the Home Mission Board. A 25th year Silver Anniversary was celebrated on June 20–21, 1987. A \$352,000 addition to the church, consisting of a fellowship hall, more classrooms, and new offices was built during 1993 and dedicated on October 3, 1993. On September 11, 1999, a note-burning ceremony was held to celebrate paying off of the final debt of the church.

