

Welcome!

We're glad you are interested in jumping in and living your life "on mission" at Wilkesboro Baptist Church. The fact that you picked up this catalog is a sign that God is moving in your heart and calling you to reach out to others with the good news of Jesus Christ.

God has given you a heart full of compassion and He wants you to use it to become more like His son, Jesus.

We want to:

- Show you the extensive variety of opportunities to participate in Missions at Wilkesboro Baptist

Take a look at all the opportunities that are listed in this booklet, and be in prayer about how God would use you to fulfill His purpose. We will be praying that God will give you a sense of clarity of purpose and a genuine calling to jump in and live your life on mission.

WHY GET INVOLVED?

We are called to live a balanced Christian lifestyle – living all five biblical purposes in our life (belong, develop, serve, reach, worship).

A Mission also gives your life fulfillment and significance. When we go to reach others, we initially do it to help others. But in God's system, we get blessed way beyond what we give to others. Have you ever experienced this unspeakable joy of serving God? It is an incredible feeling!

God commands us to “go and make disciples of all nations” in Matthew 29:19. This is called “The Great Commission”. Jesus said reaching others for Him was the mission of the Church after He went back to Heaven. He commanded us. It is not an option. But don't worry! Reaching others can be as simple as showing the love of Jesus that is in your heart. We call that simply being a “witness”. That's not so difficult.

All you need to do is jump in. Start small if you need to. God wants you to experience that unspeakable joy of serving Him.

Blue Ridge Opportunity Commission, Inc. (BROC) Community Missions

Mission Statement

Blue Ridge Opportunity Commission, Inc. (BROC), a Community Action Agency and a partner agency with the United Way of Wilkes County, is a crisis intervention agency assisting low-income clients with the following:

- Electric (to prevent disconnection)
- Rent (to prevent eviction)
- Emergency food
- Prescription assistance
- Heating Fuel

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist.

- Restock food pantry
- Sort and stock Yard Sale room
- Assist at agency booth at the Brushy Mountain Apple Festival
- “Make a Difference Day” (Building/repair projects, housecleaning, windows, yard work, visiting)

Contact Information

Blue Ridge Opportunity Commission, Inc. (BROC)
Dare Stromer, Executive Director
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North Wilkesboro, NC 28659
336-667-7174
brocds@charter.net



Brushy Mountain Baptist Association

Mission Statement

We provide information and other resources to 38 Baptist churches in Wilkes County. Our aim is to encourage the churches to work together in building up the Kingdom of God through evangelism, discipleship, missions and ministries.

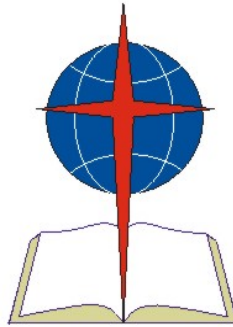
Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

Assist at the h.o.p.e. ministry.

- Volunteer helper with food.
- Split wood.
- Counseling clients.
- Sorting food.
- Financial assistance.

Assist at the Association office.

- Preparing mailouts.
- Do research for office.
- Volunteer as receptionist.
- Filing.
- Make phone calls as needed.
- Contributions to building fund to reduce debt on new building.
- Provide financial assistance for Hispanic ministry.
- Help set up media center.
- Assist with auditing our financial records.
- Help set up a reference file on gifted and passionate volunteers in various service areas.
- Set up phone tree system to contact people for special meetings.
- Establish an email/address list of Pastors, churches, association officers, messengers, etc.



Contact Information

Website: Brushymountain.org.

Phone: 336-838-4407

Address: PO Box 1375, 1915 River St.
Wilkesboro, NC 28697

Contact: Lois Woodie, Admin. Asst.

Ebenezer House

Mission Statement

Ebenezer is a long-term group home facility for children ages 2-21 years old who have been removed from their homes for various reasons including abuse and neglect. Ebenezer strives to help these children overcome the hurtful circumstances of their past and have successful reunification with family or placement with adoptive families.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

- Ebenezer volunteer opportunities include helping children with homework
- Assist houseparents with daily operations of the home such as cleaning, cooking, etc.
- volunteer to help with fundraising events throughout the year including the annual Singing in the Foothills, Share-a-Thons, Golf Tournament and other events that may arise.

Contact Information:

Website: www.egcch.org

Contact: Jean Davis, Executive Director or Amanda Gregory, Program Director

Phone: 667-5683 or email at egcch@pcshome.net

Gideons

Mission Statement

The Gideons International is an interdenominational association of Christian business and professional men who are members of Protestant/evangelical churches. Our members are dedicated to saving the lost through personal witnessing and the distribution of God's Word in more than 180 countries around the world. The mission of the Gideons International is to win the lost to Christ.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

- Pray for the Gideon and Auxiliary Ministry, that men, women, boys and girls will accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior
- Use the GideonCards located in two different racks in the church
- Become a member of The Gideons International
- The Gideons International and churches are partners in purchasing copies of God's Word for distribution around the world. Financial support is always appreciated.

Contact Information

Web address: www.gideons.org

Gideons International: 615-564-5000

Gideons International: P.O. Box 140800, Nashville, Tennessee 37214-0800

Habitat for Humanity

Mission Statement

Habitat for Humanity builds affordable housing through volunteer labor.

Habitat for Humanity's ReStore is a retail and recycling center for Wilkes County. Through the sales at the ReStore, we are able to raise funds to build houses, provide low cost materials to the public and be faithful stewards of the environment.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

- Volunteers are needed to help construct Habitat homes. No experience is necessary.
- Volunteers to staff the ReStore
- Assist in donation pick-ups
- Prepare donated items to be placed onto the sales floor through cleaning and pricing
- Assist in marketing communications
- Clean and organize the sales floor
- Innovative thinkers to develop new ways to make the ReStore successful and beneficial to Habitat for Humanity's mission and to Wilkes County.

Contact Information

Website: www.wilkeshabitat.org

Phone: (336) 838-3044

Address: 320 Cothren Street, Wilkesboro, NC 28697

Contact person: Phillip Summers, ReStore Manager

(336) 838-3044 or info@wilkeshabitat.org

Katina Washington, Volunteer Coordinator (volunteer)

(919) 271-6817 or volunteer@wilkeshabitat.org

Wilkes Pastoral Care and Counseling Center

(Now known as Care Net Counseling)

Mission Statement

The Pastoral Care and Counseling Center of Wilkes provides faith based counseling and psychotherapy, education, consultation and coaching services to the Wilkes community.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

- Volunteers to provide reception services during the occasional absence of our Office Manager.
- Volunteers to help with fundraisers – MerleFest, MountainHome Music, etc.

Contact Information

www.pcccofwilkes.com

336-838-1644

110 Jefferson St, North Wilkesboro, NC

Tammie Brettschneider, Interim Director, or Becki Thompson, Office Manager

Wilkes Pregnancy Care Center

Mission Statement

Our goal is to provide men and women in our community with support as they face the crucial decisions surrounding an unplanned or unwanted pregnancy. Believing the best choice is an educated one, we inform and counsel regarding the harmful effects of abortion as well as the emotional, physical and spiritual effects of carrying to term, adoption, single parenting and abstinence. We work diligently to meet the physical needs of both mother and child as well as to share the love of Christ with each client.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

- Counselors (requires a 2 day training and usually 3 hours/week commitment)
- Prayer Partner
- Board of Directors member
- Fundraising support

Contact Information

Wilkes Pregnancy Care Center
1224 School Street, Wilkesboro, NC 28697
(336) 838-9272 FAX (336) 838-2427
e-mail: wilkespcc@embarqmail.com
Website: www.wilkespcc.com (currently under construction)



Wilkes Prison Ministry

Mission Statement

The Mission Statement of the Wilkes Prison ministry is to continuously research and verify new avenues to help inmates with their transition from incarceration back to freedom and give them hope as well as opportunity to succeed in society in order to praise and glorify God through their success.

Programs and Services of Wilkes Prison Ministry

Religious Services – Various religious services are conducted 7 nights per week. Sunday School and Sunday night services are provided as well as Wednesday night prayer meeting and Worship.

Discipleship – To provide ongoing discipleship, revivals, on site baptism, and communions are held in the prison chapel. Free bibles and religious materials are provided.

Music/Literature – Christian concerts are provided for the inmates. There is a chapel library and lending service of Christian literature and music. Greeting cards are available for inmate use.

Bible College Courses – Bible college courses are available.

Angel Tree – This is a program that allows children of inmates to receive gifts in honor of their fathers at Christmas. This event is provided by community volunteers.

Birthday Angel – A birthday card and gift are provided for children of inmates. This service is also provided by community volunteers.

Inmate Birthdays – At the end of each month, inmates are presented cake and ice cream to celebrate their birthdays. Volunteers are welcome to participate and assist with this.

Yokefellows – Yokefellow Prison Ministry yokes churches to Prison Ministry and to inmates who are currently incarcerated as well as after release. It is a small group Christian fellowship providing a ministry of listening and caring. Intentional spiritual growth is encouraged.

Special Programs

Re-Entry Program

Purpose: To assist inmates who are nearing release with issues and problems they will face upon re-entry into society. Job-hunting, goal setting, community resource and the importance of a spiritual base are taught. Classes meet for 18 weeks.

Father's Accountability Program

Purpose: To cultivate and support the attitudes and skills for male nurturing, hoping to benefit men, women, and children in family relationships. Classes meet for 12 weeks.

Transition House

The "Transition House" will assist in helping inmates locate employment and other social service agencies that will promote their transition back into society. At the same time, they will be provided housing, transportation, spiritual strength, food and security.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist.

- Volunteers
- Pastors/Evangelists
- Piano Players
- Singers
- Financial Assistance
- Prayer
- Other non-monetary needs for Transition House would include: transportation, both heavy (functioning van or pick-up) and light (bicycles or mo-peds), non-perishable food items, men's sundries, new bed linens for bunk beds, towels and wash cloths, laundry detergents, candy and snacks.

Contact Information

Chaplain Jerry Pinkerton
336-667-4533 – prison
336-667-8177 – home
jncpinkerton@aol.com

Samaritan Christian Ministry

Mission Statement

Samaritan Christian Ministry's mission is to feed the hungry in Wilkes County. This is accomplished through four food programs; the Client Choice Pantry, the Saturday Delivery program, the BackPack program and Project: JOY.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

We have volunteer opportunities 5 days a week. Monday and Wednesday from 9:00-1:00 p.m.; Thursday and Friday from 9:00-12:00 Noon and Saturdays from 6:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon.

Contact Information

www.scmofwilkes.org

336-838-5331 or 336-838-4331

Wilkesboro Baptist Church Handyman Ministry

Mission Statement

Our mission has been to help those that cannot financially and physically handle construction of handicapped ramps or repairs to their home.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church. Age appropriate volunteer, generally work on Saturday.

Contact Information

Dale Waddell
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336-838-3657 dwaddell3657@charter.net

Wilkesboro Baptist Church College Missions

Mission Statement

The college ministry at WBC seeks to lift high the name of Christ. We seek to walk, talk, work, and minister in ways that are pleasing and glorifying to God. And we seek to take the message of Jesus Christ to the nations.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

Adult leaders are needed for each trip. If you love college students; if you are passionate about the Great Commission; if you are willing to give 1-2 weeks of your life to this ministry to see how God might work through you and in you, please contact the church office. (667-1271)

Contact Information

Bill Bennett
336-667-5788

Carol Warden
336-467-0859

Wilkesboro Baptist Men

Mission Statement

The purpose of Wilkesboro Baptist Men is to encourage and train men to take an active part by service, prayer and giving to the work of the Church and community at home and abroad including particularly the work of the North Carolina Baptist Men. Wilkesboro Baptist Men share the love of Jesus by praying, giving, going and becoming actively involved in missions with their time and talents. Our approach is to show men how to draw themselves closer to God through Bible study, fellowship, mission action, prayer, witnessing, and renewal of spirit.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist.

Wilkesboro Baptist Men meet for breakfast, worship and programs the first Sunday of each month at 7:00 AM in the fellowship hall. In addition, there is a Baptist Men's Bible study each Thursday at 12 noon in the library. The Wilkesboro Baptist Handyman Ministry is active in the Church, community, state, and nation helping others by using our God-given abilities and talents.

Contact Information

Bob Berry – President of Wilkesboro Baptist Men

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Cell – (336) 984-0865

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This ministry also includes **RA's** for boy's grades 1-6 to learn the importance of missionaries both at home and abroad. They learn how to apply what they learn to their own lives and our community. Volunteer opportunities are available for those willing to work with these children on Wednesday nights. Contact Patricia Turner at 667-1271 or pturner@wilkesborobaptist.org.

Wilkesboro Baptist Church WMU

Mission Statement

Our groups include several women's groups as well as Mission Friends and Girls in Action. We pray for and support missions through projects and teaching our children the importance of missionaries both at home and abroad. They learn how to apply what they learn to their own lives and our community.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist.

- They may work with the children by volunteering their time on Wednesday nights as leaders or helpers.
- They may help the groups with mission projects by checking with the group leaders.

Contact Information

Deborah Sullivan
WMU Director
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Wilkesboro, NC 28697
838-0800 (home)
927-4701 (cell)

DeborahWSullivan@embarqmail

Patricia Turner
667-1271
pturner@wilkesborobaptist.org

Wilkesboro Baptist Church Youth Missions

Mission Statement

The Wilkesboro Baptist Youth go on a Mission Trip every summer. Through these trips, the youth are able to minister to children through backyard Bible clubs, festivals, and block parties. The youth are also able to minister to the communities they visit through improving the living conditions of many people in the poverty areas.

The WBC Youth also participate in Samaritan's Kitchen every quarter. They help deliver meals to many families.

Volunteer opportunities for members of Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

The overall church can pray for all members of the youth group. There will be many opportunities to become prayer partners for particular youth during mission trips.

Contact Information

The Rev. Tad Craig
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Wilkesboro, NC 28697
www.wilkesborobaptist.org
336-667-1271

Financial Gifts

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Every time you drop a dollar in the offering plate of a church that participates in the Cooperative Program, you help someone hear the story of Jesus. Southern Baptist churches voluntarily send a percentage or a specified amount of their regular offerings to the state convention. The state convention keeps approximately two-thirds of those funds and the balance is sent to the Southern Baptist Executive Committee in Nashville. The Executive Committee distributes those funds to Southern Baptist agencies. The international Mission board (IMB) currently receives half of the funds sent to the Executive Committee. Cooperative Program funds represents about 33 percent of the IMB's annual budget.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering makes up 50 percent of the International Mission Board's total income and the Cooperative Program 22 percent. Every penny given to Lottie Moon is used to support Southern Baptist missionaries as they share the Gospel overseas. This allows your church to join in a strategic global effort to reach the whole world. It also enables your missionaries to spend their time working to reach lost souls instead of raising their own support. The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in 2009 was \$175 million.

ANNIE ARMSTONG EASTER OFFERING

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering helps our missionary force reach for Christ an estimated 251 million lost people in the United States and Canada; that's three of four people. The national goal for 2010 is \$70 million of which one hundred percent is used to support missionaries and their work. The North American Mission Board has 5,271 missionaries serving in the United States and Canada. These missionaries start new churches, engage in student evangelism on college campuses, serve the physical and spiritual needs of people through inner-city Baptist centers, serve in local Baptist associations as associational missionary or other mission staff, provide training and ministry in apologetics (interfaith witness) evangelism, and minister in resort setting such as campgrounds and ski areas.

COOPERATIVE BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

Made up of individual and approximately 1,900 affiliated churches, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is an organization that serves a larger renewal movement among Baptists. Partnering with 15 theological schools, 19 autonomous state and regional organizations and more than 150 ministry organizations world wide, CBF has an annual budget of \$16 million.

CBF has four ministry focal areas, which are called strategic initiatives. They are Building Community and Networking and Faith Formation, which are implemented by the Congregational Life department that provides ministry-enhancing resources

and events to churches; Leadership Development, which aims to discover, develop and nurture ministry and church leaders, and Global Missions, which seeks to be the presence of Christ among the most neglected around the world.

WMU OFFERING – THE HECK-JONES OFFERING

Your support of this offering enables WMU NC’s missions and ministry endeavors. God continues to provide for WMU NC in remarkable ways. The theme for 2010 is “Faces and Places of WMUNC”, and the goal is \$1.3 million. The missions and ministries of WMU NC include Restorative Justice (prison) Ministry; Camp Angel Tree; NC Baptist Nursing Fellowship; Camp Mundo Vista; Ministers’ Spouses Support; Military Ministry; Multicultural ministries; Missions Training and Missions Leader Training; NC Christian Women’s Job Corps/Christian Men’s Job corps; Missions Partnerships; Missions Organization Start Up and Support; Promotion of Missions Awareness, Missionary Start Up; and Short-term Missions Volunteers.

NORTH CAROLINA MISSIONS OFFERING

North Carolina Baptists support missions and ministry year-round through their Cooperative Program. But each September they contribute to the North Carolina Missions Offering, which directly funds five major ministries: Baptist Men and their 14 ministries, from disaster relief to medical/dental ministry; Church Planting ministry – by more than 100 church planters who are started an estimated 100 or so new churches across the state during 2008; A new missions program to help churches learn about missions and do more missions projects; Funding for associations to pursue dozens of different missions projects; New mission camps which will be a series of centers for ministry projects throughout the surrounding areas. The first camp has already been established in Roberson County.

The North Carolina Mission Offering goal for 2009 was \$2.1 million.