



**ALLENDALE-HAMPTON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**  
 IN GOD WE TRUST  
**GOD IS!! AND ALL IS WELL!!**

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Associational Mission Strategist

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION NEWS

Rev. Dr. Tommy Kelly

### The Interim Report

As 2025 begins, a heartfelt thank you needs to be extended to all AHBA churches for their continued support of associational missions. Without these selfless, sacrificial actions, associational mission efforts would be a distant dream or thought. While the geographical location of the AHBA maybe isolated from major population areas, the associational mission efforts have an eternal and lasting impact upon many people. Therefore, may the AHBA churches covenant to continue to engage in continuous mission endeavors through 2025.

In 2024, the AHBA began to implement specific activities on the associational calendar that would enhance associational participation. One example would be the Camp Jackson Day in the Fall. Although this event was well attended, it was the first attempt to involve the entire AHBA to utilize the camp. While Camp Jackson has been used for camps and retreats throughout the past three decades, events like Camp Jackson Day will showcase the potential for greater Christian fellowship and purpose. Please continue to pray for Camp Jackson and its leadership.

With many Christian researchers projecting a clergy shortage during the next ten years, it is imperative that these professionals feel supported. Since Pastor Appreciation Month is October, A Pastor Appreciation Meal was held at Varnville First Baptist Church in November. Ted Nugent from the South Carolina Baptist Convention brought encouraging and inspiring words for the pastors and wives in attendance. As each pastor continues to serve the AHBA, please pray and encourage them and their families as they carry out God’s calling.

On December 8, 2024, six associational churches convened at the Fairfax First Baptist Church to present an associational Christmas Cantata. Mrs. Sandra Daubard and the associational choir did an amazing job. It was truly a worshipful experience. As Interim Associational Missions Strategist, I would like to encourage all AHBA to participate in these associational events. These cooperative efforts show the surrounding communities how Christian efforts can positively affect individuals, churches, and neighborhoods.

For my family, we would like to wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

*In Christ,  
 Tommy Kelly  
 Hebrews 11:1;6a*

IMPACT 2025 - Climb Together-Thursday, February 20,2025  
 At Shandon Baptist Church, Columbia, SC  
 Jeff Iorg President & CEO of the SBC Executive Committee  
 Justin Putnam, Genesis Worship Leader, First Baptist Spartanburg  
 Register today at [scbaptist.org/impact](http://scbaptist.org/impact)  
 Individual attendees—\$50/person -Groups of 10+ -\$40/person  
 Prices increase after December 31, 2024



CHAPEL AT CAMP JACKSON

**CAMP JACKSON**

**For churches within**

**Allendale-Hampton Baptist Association**

**Outdoor USE ONLY - Free**

There is a small cost for overnight stays or if you want to use the dining hall or pool because of the cost of air-conditioning/heating and electricity. If you have up to 25 people, you can use the dining room and 1 dorm

Friday – Sunday for \$300

If you have more than 25 people the cost would increase.

**TO MAKE RESERVATIONS  
PLEASE CONTACT**

**LONNIE RUSSELL @803-842-1903**

**OR**

**THE AHBA OFFICE**

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**Is it time for your church to have a Prayer – Retreat?!**  
**Consider utilizing your own Camp Jackson. It is a beautiful, quiet, country setting where you can get close to God and the wonderful nature He has given us.**



**The ABC Ministry Report**

As I write this article, we are celebrating another successful Christmas outreach in Allendale. In spite of the unseasonably cold weather, approximately eighty (80) guests joined the volunteers for a festive evening. They played games, sang Christmas carols, heard the message of salvation, shared refreshments, and received gifts. I am grateful to the churches of the association for their generous support of this project. Many people gave gifts, while others provided refreshments. This event is an opportunity to bless the community and share with them the Good News of Christ. Over the years, I have observed that the fruits of large events are often not seen immediately. Please join us in praying for eternal fruit to come from this event. As always, thank you for your prayers and support of ABC Regional Hispanic Ministries.

Submitted by Tony Hancock, Director of Hispanic Missions  
 ABC Regional Hispanic Ministries  
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**NEW MAILING ADDRESS**

Mailing Address  
 ABC Regional Hispanic Ministries  
 c/o Barnwell Bamberg Baptist Assoc.  
 PO Box 281  
 Denmark, SC 29042

**ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT**

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." (Luke 19:10)  
 "Therefore go and make disciples." (Matthew 28:19)

**ASSOCIATION VISION STATEMENT**

The Allendale-Hampton Baptist Association exists to assist churches to evangelize the lost, disciple the Saints, and facilitate Mission Endeavors.

**"I AM ANDREW"**

**Training @ Varnville First Baptist Church Life Center**

**Saturday, January 11, 2025**

**From 10:00 AM - Noon**

**IGNITE 2025**

**Mega Revival Event**

**Two Nights, One Mission, One Kingdom**

**With Greg Laurie**

**And**

**Jeremy Camp**

**Savannah Convention Center**

**Savannah, Georgia**

**March 28 & 29, 2025**

**Event Program**

**Mega Ministry Exposition**

**4:00 PM—6:00 PM**

**Jeremy Camp Worship**

**6:00 PM—7:00 PM**

**Greg Laurie**

**Message & Invitation**

**7:00 PM—8:00 PM**

**Jeremy Camp**

**Worship Conclusion**

**8:00 PM—8:30 PM**

**Church Contributions Received to Support the Association Budget -Budget Year 24-25**

Allendale FBC	\$2,000.00
Beech Branch	434.07
Bethel	925.00
Brunson	640.00
Deep Branch	300.00
Fairfax FBC	984.24
Furman	
Great Salkehatchie	1,000.00
Hampton FBC	
Harmony	359.00
Hickory Grove	424.38
Hopewell	
Lawtonville	1,000.00
Lower Three Runs	210.00
Mt. Arnon	180.30
Mt. Olive	157.37
Nixville	3,466.00
Open Arms Fellowship	300.00
Robertville	300.00
Sand Hill	
Sandy Run	794.16
Stafford	1,000.00
Steep Bottom	450.00
Sycamore	300.00
Varnville	4,753.00
West End	767.82
Donation— Disaster Relief	2,705.00
Baptist Foundation	
Children's Camp 2025	
Pastoral Ministries	
Camp Jackson Fun Day	896.07
WWDOP	142.00
Samaritans Purse	1,200.00
ABC Christmas Outreach	200.00

**Budget Receipts 2024-2025**

**Church Contributions Received To Date -  
 December 2024 - \$25,888.41  
 Needed to date \$22,450.80  
 \$67,352.38 - \$5,612.70(mth.)**

**Church Contributions Received to Support Camp Jackson's Budget September 2024 - August 2025**

Nixville	440.85
Stafford	
Brunson	120.00
Mount Olive	45.00
Hickory Grove	94.75
Sand Hill	
Varnville	
Fairfax First	360.00
Steep Bottom	341.00
Donation	160.00

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Allendale-Hampton Baptist Association

January 2025

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**OFFICE HOURS - TUESDAY 1/2 day: Hours Vary**  
**Wednesday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Thursday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

To receive your newsletter electronically, send email to

[ahba58@gmail.com](mailto:ahba58@gmail.com)**CALENDAR OF EVENTS****January 2025**

- 1-6 **Office Closed**
- 7 **Office Reopens**
- 9 **Pastor's Luncheon**
- 16 **Newsletter Articles Deadline**
- 22 **Advisory Board Mtg.-10:00AM - AHBA Office**

**February 2025**

- 3 **Executive Board Meeting @ AHBA Office 7PM**
- 13 **Pastor's Luncheon**
- 14 **Valentines Day**
- 16 **Focus on WMU Sunday**
- 17 **Newsletter Articles Deadline**
- 17 **Presidents' Day**
- 26 **Advisory Board - 10AM - AHBA**

**March 2025**

- Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 1 **Camp La Vida work day**
- 2-9 **Season of North American Missions Study**
- 9 **Daylight Savings Time Begins**
- 13 **Pastor's Luncheon**
- 17 **Newsletter Articles Deadline**
- 20 **Spring Begins**
- 22 **Men's Wild Game Banquet**
- 26 **Advisory Board Meeting—10AM**
- 28-29 **WMU State Mtg. @Sweetwater Baptist .Augusta**

**April 2025**

- 10 **Pastor's Luncheon**
- 13 **Palm Sunday**
- 16 **Newsletter Articles Deadline**
- 18 **Good Friday**
- 20 **EASTER SUNDAY**
- 23 **Advisory Board Meeting—10AM**
- 26 **Camp La Vida Work Day**

**Prisoner Packets for 2024**

Just wanted to thank all of the churches that helped us reach and go over our goal of 300 packets. The final total was 327 and they were delivered to Bush River Road in Columbia, SC on Tuesday, December 10th by Mr. Ernie Avant and Mr. Wayne DeLoach of Steep Bottom Baptist Church and Mr. Gilbert Heape of Mount Olive and Pastor Jim Brown of Great Salkehatchie. Thank you gentlemen, we could not have done this without your help. Over 300 prisoners will hear about our Lord and hopefully make the decision to follow Jesus.

**Camp Jackson Information**

We have two (2) weeks open in July for campers. July 7th - 12th and July 14th - 19th  
 If any of the churches in the Allendale Hampton Baptist Association would like to schedule some time at Camp Jackson, now is the time to do that. Remember, it is "FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED"  
 Please call the association office at  
 803-632-1882  
 Or Call Mr. Lonnie  
 At 803-842-1903