



# The Cullom Lantern



*We are all fellow workers for the kingdom of God!*

Dr. Allen Kelley, Moderator

Randolph Wilson, CCM Director  
Mary Lillian White, Associational Secretary

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*Old Year Out and the New Year In  
2014 is History  
Looking forward to 2015  
May God Bless CBA in a special way.*

## January

**Call to Prayer**  
January 1-31

**Associational Council Meeting**  
January 12...7:00 PM  
Cullom Baptist Association Office

## Associational Executive Meeting

**January 19...7:00 PM**  
Warrenton Baptist Church  
226 N Main St, Warrenton

## General Board Meeting

**January 19...7:30 PM**  
Warrenton Baptist Church  
226 N Main St, Warrenton

## Baptist Men's Day January 26

The fourth Sunday in January is the designated day in North Carolina each year for Baptist Men's Day. Churches use this day to remind their entire congregation of the importance of Baptist Men's ministry within the church, community, and the world. The 80th observance of Baptist Men's Day this year falls on **January 26**. But if January 26 is not a convenient date for Baptist Men's Day in your church, please feel free to plan it for any another Sunday.

## February

### SOS February 1

Deadline for **SOS Early Bird Special**: Registration with \$50 Deposit by this date locks in \$125 registration fee. Registration fee after this date will be \$140.

### Focus on WMU February 9-15

Theme: All For You

"Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me' "  
(Mark 8: 34 NIV).

**The Cullom Baptist Association would like to express our sympathy to the Burgess family.**

## The Cullom Lantern Newsletter

### Purpose

The purpose of the Cullom Lantern Newsletter is to promote and communicate news and events pertaining and relating to the Cullom Baptist Association.

### Our Mission

"Exploring New Horizons for Kingdom advancement through Christ in Vance, Warren and Halifax Counties and beyond."

## THINKING ABOUT THE WORD “BETWEEN”

What comes to your mind when you think of or use the word “**between?**” It is obvious that the present moment is **between** the past and the future; also, today fits **between** yesterday and tomorrow. In jest we speak of a difficult situation as being “between a rock and a hard place.” As I write this piece, it is **between** Thanksgiving and Christmas.

In the more spiritual context, Christians who are alive today are living **between** the first and the second comings of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Savior’s first coming began in the humble setting to a couple that was willing to cooperate with God. We are and have been for two millennia, in an age of the Church, an era for evangelism and the proclamation of the “good news” of the Gospel. At some point, and perhaps very soon, Jesus shall return and establish his Kingdom.

In a practical sense for Cullom Baptist Association, we are presently **between** our previous Director and our next Director. What is significant about where we are just now? We are on the verge of a new year having had a positive, uplifting, and well-attended Fall Session last October 21.

This should be a time for prayer. I believe we should lift our association’s staff in prayer. Both

Randolph Wilson and Mary Lillian White continue to serve our association faithfully at a critical time between Directors. We should also be in prayer for Pastor Rob Evans and the other members of the Personnel Committee. They face in the coming year the major responsibility for seeking out and recommending that new Director. We should also pray for the various officers, trustees and committee members of Cullom Baptist Association; and yes, your moderator would appreciate your prayers as well.

I am hopeful for our future. I believe that if we are faithful to what binds us together, God will bless us. A verse of Scripture comes to mind just now. It comes from the pen of the great Apostle Paul when he wrote to Timothy: *“For there is one God and one mediator **between** God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men... the testimony given in its proper time”* (1 Timothy 2:5 -6 NIV). A mediator is by definition someone who seeks to reconcile parties at variance. Our Savior is the one and only mediator who can bring a Holy God and a sinful humanity together. If we keep our focus and mission on the person and mission of Christ, 2015 will be a great year for Cullom Baptist Association.

Allen Kelley, Moderator



### Baptist Men’s Report

Randolph Wilson ♦ 252.425.5593 ♦ [rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org](mailto:rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org)

Cullom Brotherhood hosted the NCBM **Region 4 Men’s Worship Rally** at North Henderson Baptist Church on November 17. About 75 men attended. Mark Abernathy did a great job of presenting the ministries and mission opportunities of NCBM. Thanks to all the men who attended and to the cooking team from Central Baptist Church who prepared the meal.

Cullom Brotherhood will support Central Baptist in hosting the Medical Dental Bus on Friday, July 31 and Saturday, August 1. Now is the time to reserve dates for 2016. There may still be some 2015 dates available. Contact me for more information or to schedule the Medical Dental Bus for your church.

Baptist Men’s Day in the churches will be observed January 25. This is an opportunity to tell your church about the ministries and mission opportunities of NCBM. If I can assist you in any way, please contact me.



As we start the year I'd like to make you aware of the dates for some of the ministries of Rebuilding Hope that will be coming up this year.

- ♦ February 1 Deadline for **SOS Early Bird Special**: Registration with \$50 Deposit by this date locks in \$125 registration fee. Registration fee after this date will be \$140.
- ♦ Early Spring **DNow** weekend  
Rebuilding Hope partners with DNow to provide hands on mission opportunities on Saturday morning.  
Contact John Marks Sanders at North Henderson Baptist Church for more information and to get the youth of your church involved.
- ♦ April 24 Spring **FundRaiser**
- ♦ May 1 **SOS Registration Deadline**
- ♦ June 8-10 **Kids Construction Camp I**
- ♦ June 20-27 **SOS**
- ♦ August 3-5 **Kids Construction Camp II**
- ♦ September 25 Fall **FundRaiser**
- ♦ October 16-17 **Men's Ministry Weekend**



We always have a need for teams to build wheelchair ramps. Please contact me if I can help your church or group become involved.

Each Thursday morning, a **Men's Prayer Group** meets at the Rebuilding Hope warehouse from 7-8:30 AM for a brief devotion and time of prayer. All men are invited to come.

The Rebuilding Hope warehouse is located on North Oliver Drive in Henderson. Stop by; I welcome the chance to tell you how God is working in our communities.

Every Thursday morning  
**Men's Prayer Group**  
**7:00 AM—8:30 AM**  
A brief devotion and time of prayer.  
*All men are invited to come.*  
**Rebuilding Hope Warehouse**  
249 North Oliver Drive ♦ Henderson

Every Monday morning  
**Women's Bible Study**  
**9:30 AM**  
*All ladies are welcome.*  
249 North Oliver Dr ♦ Henderson  
For more information call Gail at 432-1782.





# 2015 Missions Extravaganza

and the  
124<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
of Woman's Missionary Union  
of North Carolina

**April 17 – April 18, 2015**



*“Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: ‘Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.’”  
(Mark 8:34 NIV)*

## Tentative Schedule

### Friday, April 17

1:00 – 6:00 Registration  
2:00 – 4:00 Ministry Projects  
2:00 – 3:00 Conference 1  
3:15 – 4:15 Conference 2  
6:30 – Pre-Session/Mini Concert  
7:00 – Evening Session

### Saturday, April 18

8:30 – Pre-Session Music  
9:00 – Annual Meeting  
11:00 – 12:00 Conference 3/ Lunch 1  
12:15 – 1:15 Conference 4/ Lunch 2  
1:30 – 2:30 Conference 5  
2:45 – 4:00 – Closing Session

*Join us in Winston-Salem  
on the beautiful campus of Ardmore Baptist Church!*

Women planning to attend the 2015 Missions Extravaganza, April 17-18, in Winston-Salem need to make hotel reservations now. There are several high attendance events in the area the same weekend (Furniture Market, soccer leagues, etc.) and affordable rooms will go quickly. A list of hotels with "WMU rates" can be found at [www.wmunc.org](http://www.wmunc.org) under events and Missions Extravaganza.

## Red Box Ministry Thank You



On behalf of WMU NC, I want to thank the churches and WMU groups who donated items for the Red Box ministry this year. Your gifts make a difference! This ministry could not happen without your faithful contributions as we prepare over 2000 red boxes that go to the eligible women's prisons in our state. Over and over I receive thank you notes from the facilities and the incarcerated women telling me how grateful they are for the red boxes. For many, it's the only gift they will receive at Christmas. Others will say, I love all the items in my red box but I especially needed the gloves. Every item in the red box, including the scriptures, is greatly appreciated by the recipients. For your generosity, we thank you. This ministry continues to grow and this is one way we can share the love of Jesus "behind bars." As Phil. 1:3 states, "I thank my God for you...."

Wishing you a joyous New Year!  
Margaret Harding  
Adult Specialist, WMU NC

## Focus on WMU Emphasis

**February 9-15, 2015**

Theme:

### All For You

**Emphasis Watchword for 2014-2015:**

"Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said:  
'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me' "  
(Mark 8: 34 NIV).

## Making Life for Older Adults

# The Best of Times:

*Caring For Those Who Cared For Us*

*Every dollar contributed is used to financially assist  
Older Adults who cannot pay the total cost of their care.*

**North Carolina Offering  
for Older Adults**

**February 1-8, 2015  
Goal: \$600,000**



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OF NORTH CAROLINA, INCORPORATED**  
PROUDLY SERVING OLDER ADULTS SINCE 1951  
[www.brh.org](http://www.brh.org)



## 2015 Calendar



### January

- 1 ..... New Year's Day, CBA Office Closed
- 1-31 .... Call to Prayer
- 12 ..... Associational Council Meeting..... 7:00 PM, Monday  
Cullom Baptist Association office
- 19 ..... Associational Executive Meeting.. 7:00 PM, Monday  
Warrenton Baptist Church, Warrenton
- 19 ..... General Board Meeting ..... 7:30 PM, Monday  
Warrenton Baptist Church, Warrenton
- 25 ..... Baptist Men's Day

### February

- 1 ..... SOS Early Bird Special\* *see page 3 for details*
- 9-15 .... Focus on WMU
- 14 ..... Valentine's Day
- 16 ..... Presidents' Day
- 18 ..... Ash Wednesday
- 23 ..... State Evangelism Conference...Raleigh

### March

- 1-8 ..... Week of Prayer for North American Missions Emphasis  
and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
- 6 ..... World Day of Prayer
- 8 ..... Daylight Savings Time Begins 2 AM  
..... Order of Business ..... 7:00 PM ...CBA office
- 13-14.. East Coast Men's Conference  
for more info go to englewoodbaptist.com
- 14-15.. NC Prayer Conference..... Garner, NC
- 16 ..... Associational Executive Meeting.. 7:00 PM LTBA
- 16 ..... General Board Meeting ..... 7:30 PM LTBA
- 17 ..... St. Patrick's Day
- 19-21.. Region 3 Disaster Relief Training, Orange County  
Registration 2:30-4:00 PM...Training begins at 4:30  
concludes Saturday at 3:00 PM
- 21-22.. Baptist Missions Conference  
Hickory Grove Baptist, Charlotte, NC  
Registration begins Friday 4:00 PM  
Program 7:00 PM; Concludes Sat. 4:15 PM
- 25-29.. Cullom DNow...25th Kickoff at Central Baptist Church

### April

- 2 ..... Maundy Thursday
- 3 ..... Good Friday
- 5 ..... Easter Sunday
- 6 ..... Easter Monday, CBA Office Closed
- 10-11.. State Missions Conference ..... Winston Salem Baptist
- 21 ..... Associational Annual Spring Session 7:00 PM  
Carey Baptist, Henderson
- 24 ..... Rebuilding Hope Spring Fund Raiser 11:00 AM-7:00 PM
- 25 .... Statewide Operation Inasmuch
- TBA .... Cullom WMU Annual Meeting

### May

- 3 ..... SOS Registration Deadline
- 3 ..... Statewide Operation Inasmuch
- 7 ..... National Day of Prayer
- TBA .... WMU Prayer Breakfast..... 9-11 PM
- 10 ..... Mother's Day
- 15-16.. Men's Out Door Weekend..... Camp Caraway
- 16 ..... Armed Forces Day
- 18-25.. Associational Missions Emphasis Week
- 25 ..... Memorial Day, CBA Office Closed

### June

- ..... Nominating Committee..... 7:00 PM...CBA Office
- 8-10 .... Kids' Construction Camp 1 ..... 9:00 AM-12:00 noon
- 10-11.. Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting...Huston, TX

*June continued*

- 16-17 ..SBC Annual Meeting .....Columbus, Ohio
- 14 ..... Flag Day
- 15 ..... Associational Executive Meeting...7:00 PM LTBA
- 15 ..... General Board Meeting.....730 PM LTBA
- 21 ..... Father's Day
- 20-27 ..SOS

### July

- 3 ..... Independence Day observed
- 4 ..... Independence Day (Office Closed July 6)  
..... Finance Committee Meeting .....7:00 PM...CBA Office
- 31 ..... Medical Dental Bus.....Central Baptist Church

### August

- 1 ..... Medical Dental Bus.....Central Baptist Church
- 3-5 ..... Kids' Construction Camp .....9:00 AM-12:00 noon
- 19 .... Regions 3 & 4 NC Mission Conference...LTBA  
Supper (no charge) begins 6:00 PM  
with program to follow, concluding at 8:30 PM  
..... Missions Celebration

### September

- 1-30 .... North Carolina Missions Offering Emphasis
- 7 ..... Labor Day, CBA Office Closed
- 14 ..... Association Council Meeting.....7:00 PM LTBA
- 21 ..... Associational Executive Meeting...7:00 PM LTBA
- 21 ..... General Board Meeting.....7:30 PM LTBA
- 24 .... "See You at the Pole"
- 25 ..... Rebuilding Hope Fall Fund Raiser...11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

### October

- 3 ..... Cullom Men and Women's Banquet 6:00 PM LTBA
- 11 ..... World Hunger Sunday
- 16-17 ..Rebuilding Hope Inc. Men's Ministry Weekend
- 20 ..... Associational Annual Fall Session  
New Sandy Creek Baptist, Henderson  
5:30 PM Meal ...7:00 PM Meeting  
Co-Host: New Bethel / Nueva Sandy Creek
- 23 ..... NC Women's Retreat...Caraway Conference Center  
4756 Caraway Mountain Re, Sophia, NC 27350  
Begins Fri. Oct 23, at 3:00 PM  
Concludes Sat, Oct 24, at 6:00 PM

### November

- 1 ..... Daylight Savings Time Ends...2:AM
- 2-3 ..... Baptist State Convention of NC Annual Conference
- 3 ..... Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer
- 3 ..... Election Day  
..... BSCNC Pastors Conference  
6:00 PM Sunday- 3:00 PM...Monday  
..... BSCNC Annual Conference  
starts Monday PM
- 11 ..... Veterans Day
- 17 ..... Baptist Men's Missions Rally, Region 4  
Supper (\$5.00) begins 6:00 PM,  
program to follow at 7:00 PM  
concluding at 8:30 PM, LTBA  
Call Baptist Missions Office to RSVP how many.
- 26 ..... Thanksgiving Day, CBA Office Closed
- 29— .... Week of Prayer and Mission Study  
for International Missions Emphasis  
and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

### December

- 6 ..... continued... Week of Prayer and Mission Study
- 21-31 ..CBA Office Closed for Christmas
- 25 ..... Christmas Day
- 31 New Year's Eve



## January - November 2014 Church Receipts

Mike Rounceville, Treasurer



Blessed Hope .....	1,200.00	New Sandy Creek .....	9,280.37
Brown's .....	383.57	Norlina .....	420.00
Carey .....	2,120.67	North Henderson .....	5,022.67
Central .....	1,256.57	North Warrenton .....	0.00
Clearview .....	330.00	Nueva Sandy Creek Mission .....	71.50
Enterprise .....	4,505.22	Raleigh Road .....	2,500.00
Faith .....	0.00	Reedy Creek .....	250.00
First, Henderson .....	0.00	Sulphur Springs .....	450.00
New Life - Norlina .....	0.00	Trinity .....	7,474.17
Gardner's .....	751.11	Unity .....	1,785.34
Greater Bethesda .....	0.00	Vaughan .....	100.00
Harriett .....	1,911.00	Warren Plains .....	779.13
Harris Chapel .....	1,400.00	Warrenton .....	3,000.00
Inez .....	150.00	West End .....	1,637.07
Kittrell .....	2,340.00	Wise .....	500.00
Lake Gaston .....	1,875.00		
Littleton .....	1,000.00	<b>Total Church Receipts .....</b>	<b>60,533.26</b>
Macon .....	4,968.75	Designated Receipts .....	8,027.83
Middleburg .....	2,271.12	Other Receipts .....	20,133.81
New Bethel .....	0.00	<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>88,694.90</b>
New Hope .....	0.00		
New Life - Henderson .....	800.00		

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\*Thank you for your prayers and support, they make a difference in Kingdom Building and Church Growth.



### Core Values:

Connect to **Christ**

Psalm 99:9, Colossians 1:28

Connect to **Churches**

Acts 2:42

Connect to **Communities**

Matthew 28:18-20, John 13:34-35

The **Cullom Baptist Association**

is a family of churches on mission for Kingdom-Impact with a focus on four main areas:

### \*Evangelism and Missions:

Sharing the Good News of the Gospel!

### \*Equipping/Helping churches:

The Cullom Baptist Association offers minister support and lots of training opportunities for churches.

### \*Meeting Human Needs:

The Cullom Baptist Association provides support and works "hand in hand" with "Rebuilding Hope."

### \*Church Growth/Church Planting:

The Cullom Baptist Association offers Church Growth Assistance and intentionally plants new churches.

### Cullom Baptist Association Office Hours

Monday & Tuesday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM ♦ Wednesday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM ♦ Thursday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM ♦ Closed Friday

### Important Notice

Due to bi-monthly publication of the Cullom Lantern Newsletter, all articles and information, for the March / April edition, is due by March 10th. Please email information to [cullombaptist@embarqmail.com](mailto:cullombaptist@embarqmail.com) Thank you.

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