

## STRENGTHENING LEADERS PARTNERSHIP

We celebrate Northwood Baptist Church and the shared vision of Strengthening Leaders this past spring. The CBA was thankful to partner with Pastor Tommy Meador's vision of connecting with leaders and was blessed by the hospitality and gifting of the Northwood Baptist Leadership Team. Together, we conducted 4 Strengthening Leader's Meetings with approximately 120 leaders in attendance. Strategic speakers and topics included:

- Leading into Church Growth
- Setting & Achieving Goals
- Knowing & Reaching your Community
- Time Management



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## STRENGTHENING CHURCHES

SATURATE Workshops for CBA Church Leaders are being planned and scheduled in **all 7 Cluster Areas** to give opportunity for all CBA Church Leaders to come to a table (host church) that is within proximity. We believe that SATURATE will help Strengthen CBA Churches in every geographical area of Greater Charleston.

## STRENGTHENING CHURCHES

### Saturating every life with the Gospel

**SATURATE** is a strategic tool and process to help churches grow. There are two parts of how this tool can transform CBA Congregations as leaders and members learn Kingdom principles: 1) Participating in a Teaching Workshop and 2) Following up in a Coaching Group.

In May, two SATURATE Teaching Workshops were held in the North Central Cluster Area at Crowfield Baptist Church in Goose Creek and in the St. Paul Cluster Area at the First Baptist Church of Ravenel. Our CBA Strengthening Churches Associate, Neal McGlohon, presented 4 Kingdom principles and practices within two 4-hour sessions.

There were 5 churches represented at the Crowfield Workshop which was conducted over two half-day morning meetings. The Ravenel Workshop gathered 4 church leadership groups as key leaders spent a Friday evening and a Saturday morning learning how to move their



churches toward Kingdom growth. A follow-up Coaching Huddle is being planned in the fall for those who participated in the Workshops.

Additionally, our CBA Executive Director, Craig Tuck, led a group of 21 pastors in Costa Rica through a SATURATE training that was translated into Spanish. The Kingdom principles and practices of SATURATE ("SATURADOS" in Spanish) were well received and transcended the barriers of culture and language. We rejoice as both the Ravenel group and the Costa Rica group were conducting their Workshops at the same time and were able to offer prayers simultaneously for each other asking God to equip leaders to seek to find ways to mobilize their people into their communities.

FALL dates for SATURATE Teaching Workshops will be posted soon!  
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[www.charlestonbaptist.net/ethnic-ministry](http://www.charlestonbaptist.net/ethnic-ministry)

"I felt like you guys were able to put pieces of the puzzle together that made for many "aha" moments. It has really helped me prioritize ministry efforts, create a greater sense of purpose, and it was packaged in such a way that is works in many models"

- Mike Seaver, Risen Hope



**STRENGTHENING LEADERS:** Learning how to develop the leader within you and around you is strategic to the future of every church. Establishing a leadership pipeline is essential to moving members into their next level of growth and creating a pathway for others to follow. Last fall, a Leadership Pipeline pilot group was launched with 13 churches and 81 participants. Leadership Coach and Trainer, Mac Lake, led each church toward creating training modules and taking next level steps in the growth of leaders. A new pipeline training is scheduled to begin in September. If you and your leadership team are interested in transitioning members into leaders and mobilizing leaders into equipping other leaders please indicate on the CBA website: [www.charlestonbaptist.net/pipeline](http://www.charlestonbaptist.net/pipeline)

See the back of this newsletter for more information on Mac Lake and his new role as a CBA strengthening leaders equipping associate.

# CHARLESTON AREA MINISTRY

## ETHNIC MINISTRY UPDATE

- 2 circuits of Celebrate Recovery at Portside Baptist Church and College Park Baptist Church - starting soon
- 2 classes of Spanish as a Second Language at Northwood Baptist Church and College Park Baptist Church - starting soon
- 2 ESL classes in the North Charleston area
- 5 church planters in the evaluation process with the State Convention preparing to plant new churches
- Guatemalan Consulate at Portside Baptist on July 13-14th; expecting around 1500 people
- 4th of July celebration, connecting with the Ethnic Community representing different countries with 2000 in attendance.
- Prayer walking neighborhoods and leaving contact information with each home so they can connect with prayer team members - goal of 1200 homes prayed for by year end

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Life Groups as part of 2019 missions through Luz y Verdad

**2019 Mission Cities: Santa Elena, cerca de Beaufort, John Island y walmala. Luz y Verdad Church, Johns Island, Pastor Claudio Mordini**

## ETHNIC MINISTRY IMPACT

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### Ethnic Ministry Impact: Charleston Churches Collaborating to Reach their Neighbors

**Adrian & Lindsay Fernandez | CBA Associational Missionaries**  
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This has been an exciting and full season as God has been calling the hearts of churches to reach the nations that are living in their neighborhood and beyond.

Various churches have felt the pull to join in on what God is doing in the North Charleston area. Multiple churches have joined in on the efforts to pour into the neighborhood where Adrian and Lindsay live in order to build relationships and strengthen community for the sake of the Gospel going forth to all of the nations.



### Culture and Language Training Update:

Our pilot 6-week Culture and Language class is completed. King's Cross' trip to Panama was a success and the members of the team have come back different than they left. Their hearts and eyes have felt and seen more things in a week than they most likely have for years. And these moments are opportune for reevaluating how our short lives can have a lasting impact. As we met with this team, we constantly reminded them that their mission isn't over as soon as they step off the plane on US soil. On the contrary, it has just begun. This team gets it, and it is our prayer and desire they are inspired to live as missionary leaders in their church and in their neighborhood, seeing with fresh eyes the individuals that have been intentionally placed all around them.

Despite their differences, churches from various denominations see that on their own they cannot reach everyone, but through the strengths they each bring to the table, people can be reached and Jesus can be shared.

Creating events such as Vacation Bible School, Kids & Youth Summer Clubs, Yard Sales, and Carnivals creates an opportunity to bring people together. Bringing people together allows for trust to be built and friendships to form. Friendships that acknowledge Christ as Savior lead to discipleship and discipleship leads to missionary leaders. And missionary leaders disciple others and this cycle changes the world.

Without collaboration, one man's efforts are futile. But when the Holy Spirit works in the hearts and members of local churches calling them to love their neighbor, we can experience radical transformation.

Our missionaries have a heart to reach the divided and almost hidden Latino community that is blossoming in the Charleston Farms Neighborhood. This area happens to have a diverse mix of race, age, language and social economic status. These differences easily divide a community, but when the Holy Spirit is working, there are no barriers.

## Bonnie Doone Update

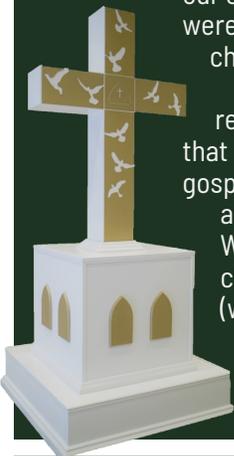
We give thanks for the way the Kingdom of God was advanced over decades through churches as Bonnie Doone served as a ministry tool in bringing the Gospel to hundreds of children & adults. We believe that this ministry tool investment will continue to impact generations as we seek to strengthen churches, strengthen leaders and plant new churches for new kingdom growth in Greater Charleston. As Bonnie Doone is under contract with a tentative closing scheduled in August, we ask for prayer as the CBA Administrative Team meets for a strategic planning session to discuss and present recommendations for future strategic funding for furthering Gospel impact. Recommendations from this meeting will be presented at the Fall Executive Committee Meeting.

# REGIONAL UPDATE

# PARTNER MINISTRIES

The CBA was privileged to take a leading role in organizing a dynamic event that served nearly 2000 people. The Emanuel Documentary is the untold story of the survivors and family members of the Emanuel 9 victims. The Gospel of Christ is portrayed through the grace, forgiveness and hope in their radical response to Dylan Roof. The amazing grace they put on display continues to make the Gospel of Jesus un-ignorable to the world. The premiere took place on Saturday, June 15 at the Gaillard Auditorium. Family members, first responders, city and state leaders came together for a reception in honor and remembrance followed by a documentary viewing before the public release in theaters.

The Director and producers wanted this premiere to be God glorifying and grace giving to all in attendance. They asked our Executive Director, Craig Tuck and Resource Associate, Leila Carlson to serve in directing and coordinating all the details. With the blessing of our Administrative Team, we were able to engage our churches as well as other congregations to support this event through giving, praying and serving. Our own State Convention participated with the CBA in giving financially. CBA also led the way with 18 of our churches participating and we were instrumental in bringing churches and people together in the name of Christ. We rejoice in the many relationships that have been formed and the gospel message that was shared and put on display! We also thank the Lord for the churches of Mission Charleston ([www.missionchs.org](http://www.missionchs.org)) who served as the logistical and strategic group that pulled this all together.



## WMU PARTNER MINISTRY REPORT

Linda Iler - WMU Director

- The Easter season found us busy in our churches promoting North American Missions with weeks of prayer and giving through the Annie Armstrong offering. Our annual spring gathering held at Northbridge Baptist included awarding of the coveted "silver spoon award" to churches that participated in the Church Chili Challenge. Together we celebrated "Missions for Life."
- The annual Adult **Prayer Retreat** was held at Portside Baptist with guest speaker missionary Alice Crocker, challenging us to be totally dependent on God, who is totally dependable!
- In May, over 643 ministry kits were collected for use in migrant ministry and other ministries of Iglesia Luz Y Verdad.

**BCM...** While Charleston Baptist Collegiate Ministry may be taking a breath now that summer is here, we're also gearing up for a busy fall season.

We're planning the teaching series for next semester, small groups, welcome week events, and much more! It's also a great time for us to connect with local churches and do some support raising. There are also summer orientation events where we are meeting new students!



We finished our spring semester well with a great turnout for the final Citywide Worship event and missions banquet. It was a great time to congratulate seniors and pray for those going to do missions this summer. One new thing that we did at the end of the semester was a survey asking students about their involvement in BCM. We were very pleased with the number of students who responded (during exam week!), and just wanted to give you a tiny glimpse of their responses:

- 19 local churches are regularly attended by our BCM students
- 29 students recommitted their life to the Lord
- 40 students involved in small groups for discipleship & accountability
- 60 students attended Converge (statewide collegiate conference in February)

Joshua Austin | BCM Director  
Kelli Creswell | Assoc. Director  
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It's not too early to think about the fall! We would love to have some volunteers bring a meal (or part of a meal!) to Citywide Worship on Monday nights. This is our worship and teaching time with students from all the downtown campuses and dinner is provided. If this is something you, your small group, or church would be interested in helping us with, please contact us at: [info@charlestonbcm.org](mailto:info@charlestonbcm.org) for more information.



Seafarer's Ministry | Chaplain Christopher Dale  
[www.internationalseafarersministry.net](http://www.internationalseafarersministry.net)

"Back in February Allen and I visited the Star Harmonia which was crewed entirely by Filipinos. While I sold a bunch of sim cards, Allen had a conversation with the cook, Galiano. I then joined him in the conversation.

Galiano identified as Baptist, and he was leading a Bible study group of 7 of the crew. He had been working on the ships for over 20 years, and that was the first time he had tried to lead a group. He said he felt that God was telling him to do his part, so he decided to try. He asked for prayer for wisdom and energy to prepare the studies in addition to all the work he had to do. He also asked for prayer for new members as several of the current members were to sign off at their next port. I pointed out to him that he can have a much bigger impact than all the seafarers ministries they meet combined since he is there 24/7.

The ship came back into port a couple of weeks ago, and I talked with Galiano again. The 4 people in his Bible study group that signed off were in fact replaced by 4 new members among the on-signers. We talked for a while, or rather he talked and talked while I looked for opportunities to get a word in edge-wise. I showed him the Bible study materials I had brought, and he thanked me. I think he was just excited to have someone to talk to about the group."



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# DATES

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July 30th	SATURATE Interest Meeting - CBA Offices @ 11.30am
Aug. 10th	Church Security Conference - Trinity Baptist Church Cayce, SC (scbaptist.org)
Aug. 16-17th	WMU Leadership Development - Camp La Vida, Winnsboro, SC
Aug. 24th	WMU Leadership Development - Columbia, SC
Sept. 27-28th	Saturate Workshop - Journey Church, Ladson
Sept. TBD	Fall Executive Meeting - Destiny Worship Center / CBA
Oct. 21st	CBA Annual Meeting - Riverbluff Church

### CBA PARTNER MINISTRIES

- The HUB Charleston
- Two16 BCM
- NAMB - North American Mission Board
- South Carolina Baptist Convention
- South Carolina WMU
- IMB - International Mission Board
- International Seafarer's Ministry
- South Carolina Disaster Relief

Links to partner websites at:

<https://www.charlestonbaptist.net/ministry-partners/>

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**Epic Bible Teacher Training - Saturday, Aug. 10th, 2019 @ CSU - REGISTER:** <https://www.charlestonbaptist.net/events/epicbiblestudy>

This training will prepare area Bible teachers to teach Paul's letters to Ephesus. This training teaches the big picture of these pastoral letters and answers interpretive questions in a balanced manner so that these area Bible teachers can design their own individual lessons with a book's larger message in mind.

Who will teach? *Dr. Ed Gravely, Associate Professor of Christian Studies at Charleston Southern University and member of Crossroads Community Church, Summerville, SC.*

### Welcome new CBA Strengthening Leaders Associate: Mac Lake



Last year, Mac led a pilot group of teams from 12 CBA churches through leadership development training. Because he is a great resource in strengthening leaders, the CBA Administrative Team has asked him to equip more of our churches through leadership pipeline and coaching church leadership teams beginning in August 2019.

Mac began his ministry journey as a youth pastor at one of our CBA Churches, Northwood Baptist Church in North Charleston. Over the past 3 decades, he has served local churches in the Southeast as a church planter, lead pastor and associate pastor. Mac has a bachelor and master degree in theology and spiritual leadership. Developing leaders became a passion that turned into a calling where his skills have been impactful. In 2011, Mac created The Launch Network which is now The Multiply Group. In 2015, the North American Mission Board partnered with Mac and adopted The Multiply Group as their system for assessing and training church planters. Mac and his wife Cindy have been residents here in Greater Charleston for nearly 10 years. They enjoy spending time with their three adult children who live nearby.

### ***SAVE THE DATE!***

**ANNUAL MEETING**  
at  
**Riverbluff Church**  
on  
**October 21st, 2019**

Join us at the table as we share dinner and stories of what God has done in Greater Charleston over the past year!