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Registration Update

It seems that many of you are very excited about the conference being at Ft. Caswell this year. For several of you, it will be your first time coming and for many, you will be returning for the first time in a very long time.

The officers have worked hard to make it a conference that you will truly be uplifted spiritually, enhanced professionally and grow personally. You will meet new friends and be reunited with old friends. We all have the common interest of serving our Lord and our churches.

If you haven't paid your balance, please do so as soon as possible. Also, if you haven't sent your breakout session choices, it would be very helpful to send those as well. Thank you and I look forward to sailing with you in November.

Drema Hill



Wilmington's LifeWay Christian Store has agreed to bring some items to sale. Store hours and location will be listed in your books.



November 4-6, 2013
Ft. Caswell, NC

Soon our ship will "Set Sail for Serving" from Ft. Caswell. Just like it was when we were children I keep asking "Are we there yet?"

We are so blessed to have many wonderful breakout leaders for this cruise. In addition to the many breakout leaders, we have Renea Henderson as our keynote speaker. If you have not had the privilege to be in the presence of Renea you don't want to miss this opportunity. Renea has a heart for serving Christ and others. She will make you laugh until your sides hurt with her gift of comedy, bring tears to your eyes with her beautiful voice, along with a power packed challenge from God's Word. Renea has served in church ministry with her husband Johnny Henderson since 1975. They have three daughters, Adrienne, Danielle, and Elizabeth.

Your Executive Committee asks that you pray for Renea, our breakout leaders, and each person attending the conference.

We look forward to seeing each of you and see what God has planned for us as we "Set Sail for Serving". Registration begins at 12:00 noon on Monday, November 4th, and we set sail at 2:45 pm.

Don't be late, you might miss a door prize!

NC Baptist Aging Ministry

Our mission project this year will be promoting NCBAM. This division of the Baptist Children's Homes provides help for the journey for adults age 65 and over in several important ways: By responding to individual senior needs. By providing spiritual encouragement (referred to as Christ the Cornerstone projects). By encouraging Priority One Prevention efforts. Through Servant Care (special services for aging Baptist ministers and/or their spouses) NCBAM attempts to aid aging adults by utilizing existing community resources. When the needed assistance is not available within existing community services, NCBAM invites the faith community to help aging adults within its' community. NCBAM then assists and trains (when needed) the faith community to meet senior needs. NCBAM is much more than building handicap ramps for disabled seniors. Wendy Minton Edwards, Eastern Regional Director plans to be with us for the opening session of our conference on Monday, November 4th.

Conference Itinerary

General and Business Session will held in the chapel. All meals will be served in the Queens Dining Room.

Room numbers for breakout sessions can be found on the Breakout Schedule page located in the notebooks.

Monday, November 4

- 12:00 pm Registration Begins
- 2:00 pm First Timers Orientation
 - Cabin 2
- 2:45 pm General Session One
 - Chapel
- 4:30 pm Breakout Session I
- 5:30 pm Dinner
 - Queens Dining Room
- 6:45 pm Breakout Sessions II
- 8:00 pm Evening on the High Seas
 - Queens Dining Room

Tuesday, November 5

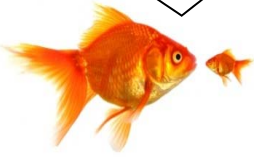
- 7:30 am Breakfast – Queens Dining Room
- 8:30 am General Session Two
 - Chapel
- 10:00 am Breakout Sessions I
- 11:00 am Breakout Sessions II
- 12:00 pm Lunch - Queens Dining Room
- 1:00 pm Breakout Session III
- 2:00 pm Free Time
- 5:30 pm Banquet
 - Queens Dining Room
- 7:00 pm Worship Time - Chapel

Wednesday, November 6

- 7:30 am Breakfast
 - Queens Dining Room
- 9:00 am Business Session
 - /Officer Installation
 - Chapel
- 9:45 am Checkout of Rooms
- 10:15 am General Session Three
 - Chapel
- 12:00 pm Lunch
 - Queens Dining Room

SEE YOU AT CASWELL!

**This is
Important**



1. There are **NO hair dryers or coffee makers** in the rooms; however, for those who are “Early Risers” we are providing coffee and hot chocolate. Everything will be provided at the Purser’s Desk in the lobby downstairs (where you checked in).
2. Tuesday Banquet buffet will be ‘Seafood’. If you do not want seafood, chicken will be available upon request. You **MUST** inform us **before** the conference. Please let Diane Rowell know by calling her 704-933-8006 or by email office@centralbaptistkannapolis.com.
3. **Check-in:** Go **straight** to **The Smith Conference Center** **do not** stop by the Caswell’s office. We will have your room keys.

Monday Evening Entertainment

“Pastor, I think everything is squared away till I get back. Call me if you need to.” “Goodbye, Sweetie! I’ll be home in a couple of days. You’ll be OK.” “I hope I haven’t forgotten anything. It’s nice not to have so much traffic today.” “Look! There’s the ocean! There’s the lighthouse! There’s Caswell!” “Where’s my key? Is this my room? Look at all the freebies in this bag!” “Come on! It’s almost time for the first Session – let’s don’t be late!”

Do these snippets of conversation sound a little like you on Monday of the Conference? It’s always a little hectic getting away from home but then by the time we greet old friends and meet some new ones, relax a little, enjoy a time of worship and then a delicious dinner, we are ready for some FUN!!!

You are invited to “An Evening On The High Seas”. The fun will begin with a live auction in the Queen’s Dining Room led by Auctioneer Teresa Almond. (If you have brought auction items with you, just put them in the Dining Room when you arrive). “Come on! Make a bid!” And there are delicious cookies and drinks being served for everyone.

You will probably notice several secretaries you don’t know, so to help you get acquainted with them, three exciting “off the ship tours” are planned. Does digging for treasure sound exciting to you? You will have an opportunity to dig for “Treasures In The Sand”, led by amateur archeologist Krissy Harvell. Darlene Lambert, volleyball enthusiast, will excite you with a “Beach Ball Blast”. And to help you keep track of your keys as you share the Gospel, Linda Lunsford will show you how to make a “Salvation Key Ring”.

Does this sound like a good way to end a busy first Conference day? A comfortable bed will be waiting for you until those “ship’s bells” waken you in the morning for another twelve hours of inspiration, job enhancement and happy fellowship. See you at Caswell!!

We **STILL NEED** people to donate items to be auctioned off. ALL proceeds will go to NCBSA to help with expenses at our next conference. If you want to donate, please call Diane Rowell at 704-933-8006 or email at office@centralbaptistkannapolis.com and let her know what item(s) you will bring.

Patsy Mills

Volunteers Are Welcome

Would you like to ‘serve others’?

We welcome anyone who can lend a helping hand. Give Drema Hill a shout at (336) 625-4175 or drop her a note dremahill@triad.rr.com.

TUESDAY NIGHT BANQUET

We **STILL NEED** your association or group to decorate a table or tables at our Tuesday Night Parade of Tables (table decorations only-no need to bring plates etc.) . Keep with the theme “Set Sail for Serving” or a beach theme. **Contact Brenda Boyles** at 704-786-9171 or bboyles@cabarrusbaptist.com and let her know how many tables you want to decorate.

Door Prizes

Door Prizes are so much fun to give and receive. We all love to hear our name called! We encourage everyone to bring one or more gifts, if you are able. Thank you in advance.

Betty Walker Endowment Fund

An envelope will be available for you at the conference. You may of course donate any time.

First Timer’s Orientation

If this is your first time to attend a Secretaries’ Conference, you will find you don’t need to worry about anything—someone will be on hand to make sure of that.

Since you have sent in your registration, a mentor has been assigned to you. She will meet you at the orientation. She will also be ready to answer any questions you might have. In other words, your mentor will do everything she can to make sure your conference experience is a happy and productive one.

The orientation will be taught by Teresa Almond. Teresa will make sure that you are perfectly situated from the very beginning.

Also, it’s not too late to invite another first-timer to come with you! She needs to register ASAP so a mentor can be assigned to her before the conference in November.

See You At Caswell

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Please Circle The Sessions You Plan To Attend (one per time slot)
Please mail it to Drema Hill

***** First Timer Orientation Monday, 2:00 p.m.– Led by Teresa Almond**

Breakout 1 Monday 4:30 - 5:20 pm	Breakout 2 Monday 6:45 – 7:40 pm	Breakout 3 Tuesday 10:00 – 10:50 am	Breakout 4 Tuesday 11:00 – 11:50 am	Breakout 5 Tuesday 1:00 – 1:50 pm
Spiritual Enrichment				
Raise Your Anchor for JOY! Patsy Mills	Raise Your Anchor for JOY! Patsy Mills	The 10 Commandments of Contentment Phyllis Elvington	Treasures by the Sea Phyllis Elvington	Your Heart's Desire Phyllis Elvington
Staying In Step Martha McDowell	Staying In Step Martha McDowell	“Help My Boat is Sinking” Marsha King	“How to Witness With- out Having a Nervous Breakdown” Marsha King	“Help My Boat is Sinking” Marsha King
Personal Development				
Are You Breaking The Law Jonathan Turner	Are You Breaking The Law Jonathan Turner	Learn To Love Windows 7 Kay Tatum	Microsoft Publisher 2010 Advanced Kay Tatum	Microsoft Word 2010 Advanced Kay Tatum
Pinterest Amy Southerland	Pinterest Amy Southerland	Principles in Receiving Contributions and the Disbursement of Church Funds Johnny Ross	Minister's Taxes and Compensation Issues Johnny Ross	Question/Answer Church Financial Johnny Ross
		Anchors Away Scarlett Rhumburg	Anchors Away Scarlett Rhumburg	Anchors Away Scarlett Rhumburg
Personal Effectiveness				
Smooth Sailing into Retirement Susan May	Smooth Sailing into Retirement Susan May	What in the world is happening to me now? Tonya Kelly	Breast Cancer Awareness Tonya Kelly	Women and Heart Disease Tonya Kelly
Get Connected Laura Turner	From Hectic To Healthy Laura Turner			
Bonus Time - Tuesday				
	2:00 – 4:00 pm	2:00 – 4:00 pm	2:00 – 4:00 pm	
	One on One Guidestone Susan May	Christmas Craft Kim Smith	Bracelet Craft Ceci Hughett	

Preview of Breakout Sessions

After reviewing the following listings, indicate the sessions you want to attend by completing the Breakout Schedule found on page 3 and mail it to Drema Hill or email her at dremahill@triad.rr.com. Thank you!

Spiritual Enrichment

Patsy Mills, Rehoboth Baptist Church

- *“Raise Your Anchor for JOY!”*

What sort of woman do you see when you look in a mirror? Busy? Lonely? Content? Frustrated? Unappreciated? Let’s take a look at ourselves and see God’s masterpiece, designed especially by Him for everything we need to guarantee JOY - JOY in Jesus.

Martha McDowell, Professional Speaker

- *“Staying in Step”*

As Ministry Assistants we are called to serve. However, from Jesus’ perfect example, we know there is a cadence to service. Without this cadence we will get out of step, be less effective and eventually burn out. Let’s look at Mark’s gospel and discuss together a healthy cadence as we march to our unique steps of service!

Phyllis Elliott Elvington, speaker and author

- *“The 10 Commandments of Contentment”*

“...For I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances” (Philippians 4:11). Serving the Lord is one of the greatest joys we have here on earth. But that does not mean we will always have smooth sailing. Join us as we look at 10 Biblical truths to help us sail around the rough spots in our ministry/mission endeavors.

- *“Treasures by the Sea”*

“For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also” (Matthew 6:21). What we value most is where we find our heart. Our greatest treasure is Jesus, and He should be at the heart of all we do. Join us as we look at 6 treasures of the sea to find ways to keep Jesus as the #1 priority in every area of our lives.

- *“Your Heart’s Desire”*

“Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart” (Psalm 37:4). What is your heart’s desire for your life, your ministry, your family, and your church? Join us for this interactive guided prayer session where we will focus on surrendering our desires and our lives to the Lord.

Marsha King, author, speaker, and recording artist

- *“Help! My Boat Is Sinking! Finding Peace in the Midst of the Storm”*

Practical advice thru anecdotes, true stories, songs and the Word of God...how to find Peace during trials. Marsha’s books and CD’s from the same title will be available for purchase.

- *“How to Witness Without Having A Nervous Breakdown. The Bad News/Good News”*

Fear in evangelism has nothing to do with the presence or lack of spirituality, but everything to do with being human. For most people, sharing one’s faith can be challenging. Learn how to use a simple tool that is designed to make the gospel clear, and give you confidence in sharing the Good News.

Professional Development

Jonathan Turner, Minister of Music and Outreach at Pitts Baptist Church

- *“Are You Breaking The Law?”*

We will look at what you can and cannot do based on copyright laws and do a general overview of principles for good presentation design.

Amy Southerland

- *“Pinterest”*

We will be looking at ways to use Pinterest in our everyday lives and how to use it as a part of our own ministries. We will share and collaborate on ideas to help each other be the kind of Christian mothers, sisters, and friends we would like to be. I hope to inspire you in your walk with the Lord by bringing you new ideas that you can use and that you will leave this session excited and ready to get started pinning.

Kay Tatum, Co-owner of Performance Dimensions

- *“Learn To Love Windows 7”*

In this class you will learn tips and tricks on how to navigate around in Windows using the keyboard and the mouse; how to use built-in programs that allow you to do a snapshot of a specific area on your screen and paste it into another program (i.e., Word or Outlook); how to add sticky notes to your screen so you will never lose them or forget the things you are supposed to do; how to customize the Windows 7 environment; and how to use Windows Explorer.

- *“Microsoft Word 2010 Advanced”*

In this class you will learn advanced formatting tips, including lists and styles; section breaks. You will also learn how to create and save tables using Word’s Quick Tables gallery. Bring questions that you may have and we’ll answer those as well.

- *“MS Publisher 2010 Advanced”*

In this class you will learn how to use features built into Publisher to save you time. See how you can add build-

ing blocks to create content such as headings, calendars, borders, etc. that you can access and reuse any time. Learn five tips for printing cards, labels, or name tags. Learn a few tips and tricks that will save you time in creating your Publisher documents.

Johnny Ross, GuideStone Financial Resources

- *“Principles in Receiving Contributions and the Disbursement of Church Funds”*

This breakout will provide an overview of basic principles to follow in the receipt of contributions to the church and the disbursement of those funds

- *“Minister’s Taxes and Compensation Issues”*

Ministers have a unique tax status! We will explore this uniqueness and discuss the most appropriate way to structure and administer compensation, with special attention to the reimbursement of business expenses, that is both tax efficient and legal.

- *“Question/Answer Church Financial”*

This breakout will provide an opportunity for questions/answers/dialogue concerning issues which church financial secretaries and treasurers face.

Scarlett Rhumburg, Office Administrator-Friendship Baptist Church

- *“Anchors Away”*

Are you feeling tied down with the world around you? Does it seem like you have an anchor keeping you from freedom to enjoy Christ and the abundant life He has promised his children?

Let’s take some time to see how we can release those anchors that tie us to our desk. We will do a few exercises to release stress and help us regain liberty to live.

You will leave with plenty of ideas of ways to incorporate small changes in your daily routine that can bring big changes to your mental attitude and stress level.

“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.” 2 Timothy 1:7

Personal Effectiveness

Susan May, Manager for GuideStone Financial Resources

- *“Smooth Sailing into Retirement”*

Let GuideStone help you navigate toward a secure future, improve your piloting skills or correct your course. Come and learn how Guidestone can help you reach your financial goals. Susan will be available on Tuesday for “one-on-one” between 2 and 4 p.m. She will also be hosting two breakout sessions on Monday at 4:30 and again at 6:45. You may contact Susan at Susan.May@GuideStone.org or call her cell phone (214) 701-2210 to set up a convenient time for your personal appointment. As you near retirement, you will have some decisions to make. Susan will be happy to help you understand your options. Susan and GuideStone are

dedicated to helping those who serve the Lord retire comfortably. Please don’t wait! Make your future your priority!

Laura Turner, Asst. Dir./Music Teacher STARS Preschool, Concord, NC

- *“Get Connected”*

Social media and the church

- *“From Hectic to Healthy”*

Quick, healthy meals your family will eat.

Tonya Kelly, RN

- *“What in the world is happening to me now?”*

Hormonal changes and how to take care of yourself emotionally.

- *“Breast Cancer Awareness”*

What should I be looking for? How can I be an encouragement to someone going through breast cancer?

- *“What are some ways that Women’s Heart disease is different from Men’s”*

Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women. Women’s hearts are similar to men’s in some ways but different in others. We will discuss these differences.

Bonus Time Tuesday

Susan May, Manager for GuideStone Financial Resources

- *“One On One”*

Learn more about your retirement options.

Kim Smith, Ministry Assistant Odell Baptist Church

- *“Snowman Christmas Craft~Make and Take Class”*

If you are looking for a budget friendly gift idea, you can find it here. This is an easy, inexpensive craft that you can use for Christmas gift giving. Whether it is for children, youth, ladies, men, or that unexpected guest, you can be sure that all ages will enjoy this gift. Join us for the fun. She will put together kits before hand, so we definitely **need you to pre-register**. The **cost will be \$2 per snowman** and needs to be sent to Drema. This will be very important so Kim will know how much materials to purchase.

Ceci Hughett,

- *“Bracelets”*

You may remember Ceci Hughett had beautiful jewelry on her flea market table at Ridgecrest last year. She will put together kits before hand, so we definitely **need you to pre-register**. The **cost will be \$10 per bracelet** and needs to be sent to Drema. This will be very important so Ceci will know how much materials to purchase.

Registration Form Date: Nov. 4 - 6

Name: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Mailing Address (work): _____

City, Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____

Position: _____

E-Mail Address: (Required): _____

Association: _____

Room mate(s): _____

NEED Private Room (Enclose additional \$70): _____

Special Needs: _____

This is my first time attending a NCBSA Conference: _____

*"You my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature, rather **serve one another in love.**" Galatians 5:13*

TOTAL COST: \$200.00 (includes membership and conference fee, room at conference center, and meals). Private room - additional \$70

COMMUTERS: \$145.00 (includes membership and conference fee, Monday dinner, Tuesday, breakfast, lunch and dinner, Wednesday breakfast and lunch).

A \$50.00 deposit, along with the completed registration form, reserves your spot.

Amount enclosed: _____

(Installments are acceptable)

Make checks payable to NCBSA. Mail to:

Drema Hill

c/o Randolph Baptist Association

P.O. Box 2167

Asheboro. NC 27204

Cancellations:

Aug. 1 – Sept. 30: 60% refund;

After Sept. 30: No refunds;

\$25 Membership - Nonrefundable.



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***office@centralbaptistkannapolis.com** with their name & email and they will be added to our mailings. Many Thanks!*

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Sometimes God
calms the storm...
sometimes He lets
the storm rage and
calms His child

