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Have you taken a trip to the zoo lately? Or, have you traveled to a country and encountered wild animals? If you're feeling like you're in a rut, doing the same things day after day, then make plans to attend our next conference. We are "Wild About Jesus."

"The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Matthew 21:9 NIV

Phyllis Elvington will lead our conference and challenge us not to be complacent in our work and daily routines. We should be excited about what Jesus has done for us and tell others! During this Easter season, what better reminder to us that our Lord gave His life for us that we may live with Him in Glory someday. This should excite and motivate us to tell others what Jesus has done for us!

Phyllis is a resident of Green Sea, SC, and an active member of Tabor City Baptist Church. She and her husband, Charles, have three children. Well known in Baptist circles for her energetic, uplifting and well-prepared style, she is also quite busy as a speaker/leader for Bible studies, mission studies and prayer retreats in North and South Carolina. She is an awesome woman of God who loves to laugh. Don't forget to bring your Bible—she has a Bible check!

- Pam Shoaf

Are you 'Wild About Jesus'?

We are looking for volunteers to assist with an opening event for the November Conference. If you would be willing to assist please contact Brenda Boyles 704-786-9171 or bboyles@cabarrusbaptist.com for more information.

- Brenda Boyles



Edited by Brenda Duke



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"And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"
Matthew 21:9

Do You Like to Receive Gifts?



Each year at the NCBSA Conference, we all like to receive door prizes. Without the thoughtfulness of ladies just like you this would not be possible. If you feel led to do so please bring one or more gifts to donate to our door prizes so that each lady may be blessed with a gift to take home.

Thank you for the awesome job you did last year contributing gifts! Keep up the good work again this year as we don't want anyone to leave empty handed.



How can I contribute to the
Betty F. Walker Endowment Fund?

Contributions can be made any time.
Make checks payable to
the Baptist State Convention and mail to:

Resource Development and Promotion Team
Baptist State Convention, P.O. Box 1107
Cary, NC 27512-1107

Please designate on check:
"Betty F. Walker Endowment Fund"

Thanks to your generosity,
this fund continues to offer financial
support to our organization.



We are planning to do some different things this year. If you do crafts, pottery, painting, or just have things you would like to sell we are planning a Craft Fair/Flea Market. The Craft Fair/Flea Market will be on Monday and Tuesday.

Table rental will be \$20.00 per day, and you may rent a table for one or both days. Tables will be rented on a first come first serve basis as we have 11 tables available. All monies from the table rental will go back to the NCBSA general fund to assist with the 2013 conference.

For more information or a table registration form please contact Brenda Boyles 704-786-9171, or e-mail bboyles@cabarrusbaptist.com.



Monday Night ~ Fellowship & Entertainment

Don't miss it! We'll gather on Monday night to reconnect with old friends, as well as make some new acquaintances. We will continue to do something different in this area as well. We have several fun activities planned to entertain you as well as help us to get to know each other better. Dress comfortably to enjoy your evening.

Tuesday Night ~ Talent Show/Testimonies

The officers decided rather than have an outside group come for entertainment on Tuesday night, we would again do something different. We would like to invite you to utilize your talents in service to our Lord and your fellow NCBSA members. Do you sing? Play a musical instrument? Recite poetry? Or have some other talent you would like to share?

Would you be willing to share your testimony during the Tuesday evening program?
Please call Brenda Duke at (828) 749-3231 (Tues, Wed, Thurs) to reserve your spot.

By joining together we can each have a part in making both evenings a memorable experience for all!

- Brenda Duke

**2012 Conference
November 5—7
Ridgecrest Conference Center**

Registration for 2012 Conference

We have begun receiving a few registrations for the 2012 conference at Ridgecrest. After meeting with the event coordinator and beginning preparations for the conference, your officers are very excited. We are trying very hard to make sure this conference meets your needs personally and professionally, but most especially spiritually. We have all been struggling recently with finances and other issues, and just feel we need a boost.

Remember that you may pay a deposit now and make payments on your registration if you would like. Please get your registrations in as soon as possible.

Make plans now to come and be “Wild About Jesus.”
(mail to Drema Hill—info on last page)

Volunteers Needed

We will need several volunteers before and during the conference. The Mentor volunteer program we initiated last year, pairing a veteran member with a first timer was a huge success. The first timers found this very beneficial and we would certainly like to offer this again. This includes attending the first timer’s conference with the first timer assigned to you if possible, showing her around Ridgecrest and basically helping her to get oriented.

We will also need volunteers at the sale tables. This will be both an NCBSA table, as well as a table for our speaker to sell her books and tapes.

If you would be willing to help in any of these capacities, please contact Drema Hill at 625-4175.

2012 Nominating Committee

Pam Wilkins
Maria Strub
Joyce Bell

Please be in much prayer for our nominating committee. Also pray about how the Lord would have you serve in this great organization to benefit other Baptist secretaries around the state. If you are asked to serve in some capacity this year give it prayerful consideration before you give your answer. It is such a blessing to serve as an officer and we would love for each of you to have the opportunity to be blessed as well.

**Mission Project: Benevolence Fund at
Wake Forest Baptist Hospital**

After much consideration of several worthy causes, we decided to make the NC Baptist Hospital the recipient of our mission funds this year. One big reason for this decision was the fact that this hospital serves those from all over our state, not just one local area.

As Baptists, you may be aware that there is a benevolence fund at Baptist Hospital to assist those in need with their hospital bills. This fund brings the compassion of Christ to those who suffer. You can make a life changing and eternal difference.

Every cent of every dollar you give to this benevolent ministry helps patients pay their hospital bills in the name of Jesus Christ and His love.

These individuals are conscientious, hard working people thrown into crisis by serious illness. They make too much to qualify for government help but not nearly enough to pay their hospital bills. Financial counselors carefully screen them.

I have personally served on the committee that distributes these funds. We were very careful; as I am sure the current committee is at determining who gets help and how much each recipient receives.

- Drema Hill

**First-timers’
Welcome & Orientation**

Is this your first time to attend a NCBSA annual conference? There will be a special time to get acquainted during your first day at the conference.

We are striving to again have volunteer Mentors that would be a help to newcomers. Their advice and support can go a long way in helping a newbie feel connected and welcomed to our group.

For more info please see
volunteers needed in adjacent column.

Thank you for your willingness to serve!



Don’t stand
alone . . .
Come join the
herd!

Tuesday ~ Banquet

This is always a special occasion after a day full of classes and activities. While this is not a formal dinner it is certainly a special occasion and more formal than our other meals at the conference. You have the option to wear your Sunday best or wear a dressier outfit if you so desire. Everyone is welcome to dress as you feel most comfortable.

Registration Form ~ Date: Nov. 5 - 7
Ridgecrest Conference Center

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: _____

Is this your first time attending a NCBSA Conference? _____

TOTAL COST: \$190.00 (includes membership and conference fee, room at conference center, and meals). Private room - additional \$70

COMMUTERS: \$135.00 (includes membership and conference fee, Monday dinner, Tuesday lunch and dinner, Wednesday lunch).

We encourage you to register-early!

A \$50.00 deposit, along with the completed registration form, reserves your spot. Remainder due by September 30. **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

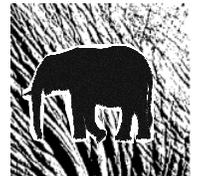
Cancellations: Before July 31: Full refund;

Aug. 1 –Sept. 30: 60% refund;

After Sept. 30: No refunds;

Membership Non-refundable.

Final Payment Due: September 30



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Many Thanks!
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