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WILLING SERVANTS

When I became SACA Superintendent, I chose a passage of scripture as a descriptive guide of my view of the ministry of the Southern Region. It is found in Philippians 1:3-5, "³I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." To me, this beautifully describes the relationship we are to share as we all work together to make the message of the gospel of Christ known.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, and I consider your pastor a very real partner in our shared ministry. You should consider them your partner as well, especially as they are responsible for your pastoral care and discipleship. I pray that your congregation, as well as individuals, will find ways to especially honor and appreciate those who faithfully labor among you.

I am also grateful for those who directly serve this region with me, our SACA Executive Board. We are prayerfully guided by this wonderful group of Christ-followers, which includes: President John Gallagher; Secretary Penny Wrigley; Treasurer John Harper; ACGC Representative Shanda Snead; Florida Conference President Phillip Williamson; Georgia Conference President Clint Hutcheson; South Carolina Conference President Wayne Lucas; Eastern North Carolina Conference President

Ministry Happenings . . .

Unity AC Church, Four Oaks, NC, invites you to its Southern Gospel Concert and Revival on Sunday, October 25th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Musical guests include "Blackcreek" and "The Hickory Grove Quartet".

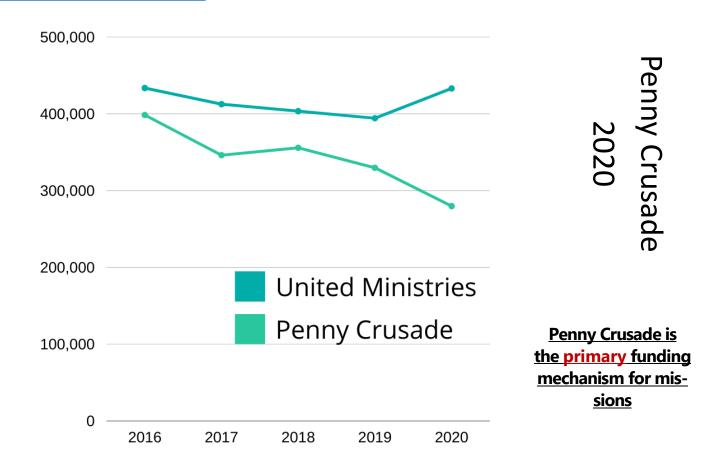
Blake's Chapel AC Church, Hampstead, NC, held a BBQ and Bake Sale on October

10th. The church will also host a Drive Thru Trick or Treat on October 31st and a Christmas in October Store for Missions on October 24 and 25. Items for sale in the store will be wrapping paper, bows, ornaments, candles, etc.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS to

join us at Garner Advent
Christian Church, 1120 Vandora Springs Rd., Garner, NC,
April 21-23 for the ACGC Triennial Convention. More information to come in the future.

RESCHEDULED APRIL 21-23, 2021 GARNER, N.C.



United Ministries giving has been strong, but Penny Crusade has <u>dropped off by over 50 percent</u>. Penny Crusade is the primary funding mechanism for our denominational missions work. Your support makes ministry possible in over 20 countries. 100% of Penny Crusade dollars goes to missions.

ACGC has opened up a new way to give to Penny Crusade online. Visit https://acgc.us/pennycrusade/ and scroll down until you see the button "Give now to Penny Crusade." A new page will open up for you to make your donation. There's even a place for you to let them know to give the credit to your local church.

Tom McMahon; and ACGC Executive Director Steve Lawson. We are also served by a board of ministries which is comprised of Directors: Student Ministries, Joe Brown; WH&FMS/Women's Ministries, Ethelene Hughes; and Discipleship, Chris Hall. Pictured here are most of these leaders, with David Buchanan, Calvin Leavitt, and David Bourhill serving as designated representatives of their conferences. Please pray for all who serve, that they may be strengthened and that they may serve our Lord faithfully. Rev. Joe Pritchett



October is Pastor Appreciation Month—Ways to Appreciate your Pastor

Pastor Appreciation Month is a special time that congregations set aside each year to honor their pastoral families for their sacrificial dedication.

- Give a gift card to their favorite restaurant
- Send a card of thanks to the family
- A date night planned for the couple
- Gift a mini-vacation
- Gear to support your pastors hobby
- Schedule special prayer sessions to pray specifically for your pastors and their families. Make this a yearlong commitment, and assign special cate-

gories to each month, such as good health for the pastor's family, financial stability, courage and freedom to dream, and the pastor's marriage.



Ministry Happenings . . .

The Refinery, Waycross, GA, applied for and received a \$2,000 grant from The Community Foundation of South Georgia. This grant money is being used to sup- pastor of First AC Church, Augusta, GA. Rev. Mike ply food for those in need during the pandemic. The Refinery has blessed the community with a Food Bank Church, Wilmington, NC. He formerly served at Holly for many years. They reached an all time high in Sep- Grove AC Church, Benson, NC. tember of food distribution to 104 families. May God

continue to bless this ministry.

Rev. Robert Osburn has been called as pastor to the Beachville AC Church, O'Brien, FL. He was formerly Bassett has been called as pastor to United AC

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Coming Events...

October Pastor Appreciation Month

October Christmas in October

October 25 Berkshire Institute for Christian Studies Sunday

November 22 World Hunger Offering

November 26 Thanksgiving

November 29 Advent Christian Village Sunday

Philippians 1:4-6

⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.