

INFORMER

August 16, 2026

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, August 18

5:30 pm NCBOM Dinner & Rally at
Lincoln Ave. Baptist

Wednesday, August 19

6:30 pm Global Missions Night/Prayer
Meeting

Friday, August 21

6:00 pm Youth/Family Night to Ball Game

Monday, August 31

Upward Registration Opens
6:00 pm Evangelism Meeting (Conf. room)

Thursday, September 3

2:00 pm Chrismon Class

Monday, September 7

Church Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 8

10:30 am TopAgers

Bringing Good News Amidst War

By Scott Hagaman, Pastor

We are privileged to have Gennady and Mina Podgaisky as guest speakers at Prayer Meeting on Wednesday, August 19th. The Podgaiskys have been close friends of mine for around 25 years. Not long after they were commissioned in 2002 to serve as Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Field Personnel in Kyiv, Ukraine, we met through their deep connections in North Carolina Baptist life. Mina, a native of Mexico, and Gennady, a native of Russia, met while studying for ministry at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. They fell in love and married, and have been partners in life and ministry ever since. The Podgaiskys helped establish the Village of Hope in the City of Bucha, Ukraine. The Village of Hope responded to the homeless children crisis in Kyiv by providing foster facilities and families as well as camp facilities for local churches. The Podgaiskys relocated to Kraków, Poland in May of 2024, where they continue to aid Ukrainian refugees who live under distress from the ongoing war. The Podgaisky's ministry is especially needed and relevant, bringing Good News to those crushed by war and violence. Come and get to know the Podgaiskys as they share about the Lord's ministry in Eastern Europe. We will meet in the Dining Hall at 6:30 p.m. Various desserts along with coffee and ice water will be served.

Congratulations to our Newly Elected Deacons!

Rodney Ballard
Jerry Barton
Josh Beam
Diana Carpenter

Jeff Emory
Gary Hoffman
Jennifer Sinclair

Thank you all for your willingness to serve!

Ministry Moment

This week we're shining the spotlight on Shirley Alexander and Doris Coulter, two faithful servants with hearts for our community!

Alongside our incredible Missions Team, Shirley and Doris have spent countless hours collecting, sorting, organizing, and counting school supplies donated by our church family for S. Ray Lowder Elementary.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Early Worship	Sunday	8:30 am
Sunday School	Sunday	9:30 am
Worship	Sunday	10:30 am
Prayer Meeting	Wednesday	6:30 pm

Contact us at:

704-732-1101 Email: fbclincolnton.org

Website: fbclincolnton.org

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 AM-5:00 PM

Weekly Attendance 8/9

8:30 am	96
10:30 am	154
Total	250
Sunday School	197
Nursing Home	17
Total	214

Contribution Information 8/9**Special Missions Focus - Wednesday Prayer Meeting**

August 19, 6:30 p.m., Dining Hall

Guest Speakers: Gennady and Mina Podgaisky

CBF Field Personnel: Ukraine/Poland.

The Podgaiskys have served in Kyiv, Ukraine since 2002. They currently work primarily in Krakow, Poland with Ukrainian refugees due to the ongoing war. Come and hear how God is working through the Podgaiskys to share the Good News with the Ukrainian people. Various Desserts, Coffee and Ice Water Served.

NCBOM AREA 8 MISSION RALLY

Will be at Lincoln Avenue Baptist Church on Aug 18th at 5:30. The program begins at 6:50 pm. Reservations are required. Contact Andrea Greene or Jeff Grigsby.

Empty Nester Group

On August 29, we will go to Hang Time Golf in Gastonia. Contact Melanie Emory at 704-472-5977.

**COLLEGE INFORMATION**

It is time to update our records for those away at college. Please call the church office at 704-732-1101 or email us at fbc@fbclinton.org and provide your (or your child's) name, the school name, the year of graduation, school/mailling address, phone number, and email.

Women's Bible Study

Bible study with writer Cindi Wood on Saturday, September 12 at 10:00 AM in the FLC Dining Hall. RSVP to Michelle at 704-591-3290 by 8/30. A donation of \$15 is encouraged.

**Youth Yard-Sale Donation Nights**

Save your household items to be donated to the yard sale on our drop-off nights September 17 & 18. Yard-Sale will follow on September 19 from 7am-2pm. Thank you!

**FBC & 2026 Apple Festival, Saturday, October 17th**

This year, our Church will be helping with the Apple Festival in the Kid's Orchard section. Sign-up sheets are available, contact Denise at 434-242-5564 or denisegirvin@yahoo.com for more info.

Bavaria Christmas Markets Tour

11/30-12/9

\$350 deposit due by August 17th. Detailed information available through the church office.

Contact Scott Hagaman, or Rose Mary and James Ball.

**Budget Process**

8/12 - Preliminary Draft to Church Conference
8/19 & 8/26 - Listening Sessions (by appointment only)
9/13 - Present Budget to Deacons

9/16 - Present Budget to Church Conference with discussion
9/27 - Present Budget to Church(both services) in business meeting for a vote