

CALENDAR 2024

January February March April

## WMU Calendar

You don't want to miss a thing in WMU this year!

<https://www.scwmu.org/calendar>

# The Missions Link

South Carolina WMU  
God's mission. Our passion.

"Empowering churches and believers to participate in fulfilling the Great Commission"

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## LEADERSHIP UPDATES

*We want to make sure that you and your leaders never miss any important news!*

Please make sure to provide our state office with updates anytime you have changes in your church or associational leadership!

Changes can be made by visiting [www.scwmu.org/update-leadership](http://www.scwmu.org/update-leadership), calling us at 803-227-6203, or emailing us at [melaniebecht@sbaptist.org](mailto:melaniebecht@sbaptist.org).

Thank you for helping us keep our information up-to-date!

## Triple A

We want to celebrate with you all the things God has been doing in and through your church's WMU this year!

Don't forget to submit your forms for 2023-2024 and to start working toward next year's requirements in August!



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## Mental Health

FIRST AID TRAINING

May 23, 2024  
SC Baptist Building- Columbia, SC  
This training is free & lunch will be provided.

## Missions Moment

with Hannah Smith, South Carolina WMU consultant

### 2024 Mother/Daughter Camps at Camp La Vida<sup>SM</sup>

### June 21-22 & July 12-13

Moms in attendance at these Mother/Daughter camp sessions will have the opportunity to...

- learn about missions
- receive encouragement in their walk with Christ
- fellowship with other moms


Contact [hannahsmithsbaptist.org](http://hannahsmithsbaptist.org) with any questions

## Stay Connected

Follow us on social media

South Carolina WMU @SCWMU

## THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT



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How would you explain missions to a person you are teaching about Christ?

One way to explain missions is by sharing that **missions is:**

- God's work
- Carried out through believers in Jesus
- Sharing the message of being forgiven of sin through Christ
- Sharing Scripture coupled with intentional actions to every person on earth

Our WMU mandate reminds us that as we go about our day, we should tell people about Jesus and share the gospel. Believers should look to share the gospel with all people, especially those seeking to know more. I have challenged our staff and myself to do the same.

Two exciting things we are beginning to see in South Carolina are:

- New leaders and churches want to get their people engaged in missions.
- We are seeing an increased partnership with the South Carolina Baptist Convention that allows WMU greater reach, meets more needs in our churches, and equips our leaders in new ways.

I recently read an article by Connie Dixon, president of national WMU, stating that most of us were nurtured and trained to be leaders. The question remains:

- Who is the person who trained or discipled you?
- Who poured into your life?
- Who are you training?

We must consistently pray about the people God puts in our path and train them just as we were trained. This type of relationship points us back to our missions mandate of **making disciples of Jesus who live on mission.**



## Join us in Indy!



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WMU MISSIONS CELEBRATION AND ANNUAL MEETING 2024  
JUNE 9, 2024 | INDIANAPOLIS, IN

## Pray for Summer Camp...

**Daily** Pray for a safe camping season, free from injury and illness. Pray for safety as campers travel to and from camp.

**Monday** Pray for cabin leaders, cabin leaders-in-training, and campers as they adjust to camp life.

**Tuesday** Pray for campers as they meet new friends. Pray for missionaries who are speaking to campers. Pray for our administrative, kitchen, and maintenance staff.

**Wednesday** Pray for junior staff, volunteers, specialists. Thank God for all of our summer staff.

**Thursday** Pray for the decision service. Pray for campers to hear from God and respond. Pray that they share their decision boldly and publicly when they return home.

**Friday** Pray that the friendships formed during camp will continue as campers return home.



Thank you for praying daily for the 2024 Summer Camp season.

## Associational & Church Leadership Training

August 23rd-24th, 2024

First Baptist Church

Camden, SC

More details coming soon!

## Baltimore Vision Trip

September 18-21, 2024

Is your church looking for ways to partner with the North American Mission Board?

Join us on a vision trip to Baltimore, Maryland to see, first hand, what partnership opportunities are available.

Email [hannahsmith@scbaptist.org](mailto:hannahsmith@scbaptist.org) for more information

**GA/CA OVERNIGHT CAMP**  
1ST-6TH GRADERS BOYS AND GIRLS  
SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2024  
803-227-6205  
[WWW.CAMPLAVIDA.ORG](http://WWW.CAMPLAVIDA.ORG)  
\$75 PER PERSON  
1 CHAPERONE UP TO 5 CHILDREN

## Janie Chapman

*Offering for State Missions*

2024 Season of Prayer  
September 8th-15th, 2024

Goal: \$2,190,000

## IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT 2025 SPRING MEETINGS

We request that Associations give us 2025 Spring Meeting dates by October 1, 2024. We want to serve you and prepare well.

When an association guarantees a 2025 Spring Meeting date by October 1, 2024, we will guarantee a field service staff/board member *and* a missionary. Any requests that arrive after October 1, 2024, will not have a missionary provided by our SC WMU team. Thank you for understanding as we are trying to plan for next year in adequate time.

## SAVE THE DATE



2025 SC WMU Missions Encounter & Annual Meeting

March 28-29, 2025  
Sweetwater Baptist Church,  
North Augusta