

**BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Fayetteville, NC 28314  
 MINUTES OF CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING  
 April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023



The meeting was opened in prayer by Josh Garcia.

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report** - prepared and presented by Executive Pastor Steven Wilson

- See attached
- All financial reports are available online in the BBC "Members site".

**First Quarter Members Report**

**Membership Information 1 Qtr -2023**

• Members (Adults & Children) <small>as of 01/01/2023</small>	720	• Deployed/ Inactive	1
• Members (Adults & Children) <small>as of 04/01/2023</small>	738	• Shut-ins	17
• Joined (Adults & Children)	31	• Potential Members	181
• Births	6	• Baptized (Adults & Children)	12
• Completed 1st Class	37		

**Departed**

• Gone to be with the Lord	0	• Moved	5
• Aged Out	4	• Transf/Resigned Membership	10
• PCS/ETS	0	• Removed from Membership	0
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19</b>

**Adult Losses - Aged Out**

• Kyden Campbell	1	• Cadyn Jacobson	1
• Samantha May	1	• Gabriel Messex	1
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>

**Adult Losses - Moved**

• Damian Juarez	1	• Byron and Beatrix Morales	2
• Herman and Pearlette Badger	2		
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>

**Adult Losses - Other Church**

• Brian and Erin Kiser	2	• Travis and Joanna Tuckey	8
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>

**Deployed Members**

- Lea Newman

**Members of Concern-Attendance**

- Misty Martin (21 weeks)
- Elizabeth Winn-McIntire (19 weeks)
- Olivia Starbird (13 weeks)
- Mike Martin (19 weeks)
- Sandy Scarboro (16 weeks)

**Members of Concern-Shut-Ins**

- Phyllis Arnold
- Geri Boone
- Trey Cecil
- Blanche Cropper
- Arlene Adel
- Margaret Gillespie
- Canieta Hargrove
- Pam Iverson
- Jason Massingale
- James Phelps
- Jennifer Rivas
- Denise Russell
- Linda Shockley
- Judy Denise Smith
- Agnes Turlington
- Linda Walters
- Sue Wise

**Members of Concern-Health Issues**

- James Beach
- Shannon Blue
- Arlene Edel
- Goldie Ellison
- Jeff Giddings
- Phil Heatwole
- Mike Martin
- Joyce Reband
- Judy Wixson

**Presentation of Candidates for BBC Membership**

The pastors of Berean Baptist Church presented the following people for membership:

• James Beach	1	• Gloria Maness	1
• Alana Cooper	1	• Josh and Cathy Mills	2
• Hutch and Regan Crawford	3	• Leighton and Emily Moncada	4
• Adele Davis	2	• Julian Newman	1
• Michael Gasparro	1	• Braiden Overly	1
• Tiara Hansen	1	• Neil Torres	1
		TOTAL	19

The members unanimously approved the recommendations for all new members

### Potential Recommendation by the Council of Elders

Discussion regarding Mission Partnership with NC Baptist through the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC). The membership was asked to prayerfully consider this potential opportunity and speak with any of the Elders about it. The opportunity will be brought before the membership for a vote during the next members' meeting.

- **What would this partnership change about Berean?**
  - Nothing!
  - This missionary partnership will be viewed and treated like the existing missionary partnerships we have.
  - SBC entities have no authority to direct or order us to do anything. (Each church is autonomous.)
  - This does not make us an SBC church, we are just cooperating with SBC churches to advance the Gospel in areas or to a scope that as one church we cannot.
- **Kingdom Opportunities through This Partnership**
  - Missionaries within the 10/40 Window.
  - Join disaster relief efforts.
  - Help plant churches within NC and the US.
  - Church membership for SBC endorsed military chaplains.
  - Our children and youth – mission work and camps.
  - Our pastors and lay leaders – networking and learning.
  - Additional pathways for Bereans pursuing vocational ministry.
  - SBC seminary education at a heavily discounted cost.
  - Potential interns currently enrolled in seminary.
- **Our Commitments through This Partnership**
  - Monthly financial support like our other missionary partners.
  - Cooperative Program General Fund
  - International Missionary Board (IMB)
  - Baptist On Mission.
  - Affirm that our beliefs and practices fall under the umbrella of the Baptist Faith and Message 2000.
  - We would complete an Annual Church Profile (ACP).

### Adjournment

Attending members unanimously approved motion to adjourn.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Darren Hawk.

6:42 pm

*Respectfully Submitted: Teresa Perry, Church Clerk*

*Teresa Perry* 4-24-23