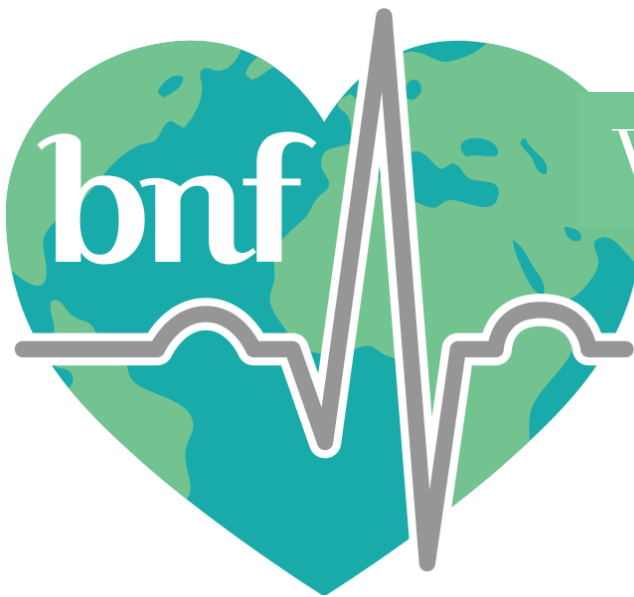


THE PULSE

APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER



WHAT IS THE PULSE?

The PULSE is the newsletter of North Carolina Baptist Nursing Fellowship. If you have news about what you or your fellow Christian nurses are doing we would love to share with all the Christian nurses in North Carolina. Please send your information to Donna Rodgers at drodgers54@gmail.com.

WHAT IS BNF?

Baptist Nursing Fellowship is a professional organization that seeks to minister to nurses and student nurses. BNF also ministers to Missionary Nurses. By being a part of this organization, you will have the opportunity be involved in different mission activities including mission trips, virtual prayer meetings, and special activities.

BNF MEMBERSHIP

To join go to: baptistnursingfellowship.com
By completing your membership you will *automatically* become a member of NCBNF!

You can also visit: wmu.com/bnf OR
wmunc.org/bnf

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING THE
BAPTIST NURSING FELLOWSHIP!

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Join
Us!

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This last year in Baptist Nursing Fellowship has been amazing. The recent NC annual meeting held at Camp Caraway was stellar! If you missed this event, please put on your calendars now to come next year on February 28-March 1, 2025.

We were able as a group to assist a very special need in Kigoma, Tanzania. Our group donated over \$900.00 to assist in Labor and Delivery needs in the Kigoma Hospital. God blesses as we sacrifice our time and talents. Our Hands and Feet are working to serve Him.

As we just celebrated our Risen Savior, it reminds me how we would not have Eternal Life without Jesus. The Holy Spirit would not and could not indwell in believers, breathing His glory into our empty souls except Jesus' sacrifice. This is the good news and as we give, sacrifice and serve with our hands and feet, the gospel will keep being told. The story never gets old and it's not just a story but Truth.

When you are in a situation with patients, families, coworkers, etc. Don't hesitate to share your story and the Truth of the Gospel.

Be a blessing and Honor God in all we do.
Colossians 3:17
Love in Christ.

Penny Jones, FNP-C
NC BNF President



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ANNUAL MEETING

The Baptist Nursing Fellowship (BNF) is no longer the WMU's best kept secret. We are growing and serving others. On March 1st and 2nd we met at Camp Caraway for a retreat and annual meeting. We were uplifted by praise music and led by our own "Mama Toots." Rachel White, RN touched us with mission stories on mothers and babies at Kimongo Baptist Hospital in Tanzania. NC BNF provided means for much needed medical equipment to enhance medical care and to ease the lives of many patients in the region.

Marsha Farrell taught us how to improve health by using purpose and social connection. This was a 1.5 contact hour presentation for licensed nurses. After a table-top exercise, each member was able to write a purpose draft for her calling. Marilyn Graves, BNF Executive Director, shared the theme: REST for 2024&2025. Many thanks to Cynthia Furr as she encouraged us in ways to enhance our personal prayer time.

Some of the responses written on the program evaluations were the following:

"I felt love, peace from everyone and challenged as a Christian and nurse."

"Loved the games"

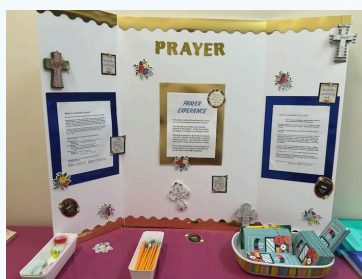
"Great event"

"Joyful, informative, inspirational"

"Food was great"

"Very informative, very well presented"

"Spreading God and His goodness through healing, education and prayer"



Join us next year as we grow, worship and serve.

Cindy Cook, MSN, RN

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NEW CHAPTER

MEET MELBA, MARY, & CLAUDIA



Melba McNeill, Mary Faltus, and Claudia Hayes from Little River Baptist Association attended the 41st NC BNF annual meeting at Caraway Conference Center March 1-2.

Marsha Ferrell inspired nurses to use purpose and social connection to improve health and well-being.

Rachel White, RN, enthralled all with stories from her month-long mission trip to Tanzania where she worked in the birthing center delivering multiple babies and caring for fragile infants. The need to form local BNF chapters was emphasized.

Melba, Mary, and Claudia agreed to form the Little River BNF chapter of Baptist Nursing Fellowship.

Little River Baptist Nursing Fellowship will have its first meeting at Hillmon Grove Baptist Church, on Thursday April 4th at 6pm. As their first project, they will prepare “survival kits” for graduating nursing students

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LETTER FROM SANDRA

My name is Sandra Smith and I am the nursing student you have been praying for.



I pray you are doing well. I wanted to share some great news I received this week. On April 28, I will be receiving the 2024 Dr. Nancy Duffy Leadership Award, which recognizes the senior BSN student who has demonstrated characteristics of a nurse leader that seeks the common good intelligence, creativity, openness, and problem-solving. I wanted to thank you and the NCBNF for all that you do for nursing students.



After graduation, I still have to go back in the summer to complete my preceptor class. God has been good to me in allowing me to walk and participate in graduation with my graduating class and finish in the summer. It has been very difficult, however I am so grateful to God for all He has done in my life. Thank you again for your prayers.



Sandra is the recipient of the Paula Tutherow Nursing Scholarship

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TREASURER – Jill Foster

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT – Cynthia Furr

COMMUNICATIONS TEAM LEADER – Evelyn Frost

MISSIONS TEAM LEADER – Rachel White

EDUCATION TEAM LEADER- Claudia Hayes

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RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT TEAM LEADER- Rowena Mante

LEADERSHIP RECRUITMENT TEAM LEADER – Argina Cortez

LEADERSHIP RECRUITMENT TEAM MEMBERS- Paula Tutherow and Geri Naylor

