

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Historical Committee is charged with the responsibility of collecting and preserving the history of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. It supports the work of the Baptist Collection at Wake Forest University and encourages churches, associations, institutions and agencies that are affiliated with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina to preserve their historical documents, artifacts, correspondence and records. The committee also sponsors an annual historical writing competition encouraging churches and associational historians to submit books and significant compilations for special recognition at the convention's Annual Meeting.

The winner of the 2018 historical writing competition is "Carpenters for Christ: A Personal Reflection of How God Has Worked Through the Wheelchair Ramp Ministry." The author, Bert Alabaster, will receive an award during the Monday evening session of the convention.

The Historical Committee is also pleased to offer a trip to tour the Wake Forest University Baptist Collection this year on Monday afternoon. The N.C. Baptist Historical Collection contains materials on Southern Baptist, Missionary Baptist, Primitive Baptist, African-American Baptist, Union Baptist, and Alliance of Baptist churches, including:

- More than 16,000 books, periodicals, association annuals and other printed materials.
- Church records.
- Association minutes.
- Church vertical files.
- More than 1,000 biographical folders containing information on and photographs of Baptist pastors and Wake Forest alumni.

The North Carolina Baptist Historical Collection's church records collection is comprised of original records (some dating back to the 1700s), photocopies of records and microfilmed records. They have digitized the paper finding aids and lists to assist researchers interested in Baptist church records. You can search by church name, association or county.

Dale Robertson, chair

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