

THE AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES OF VERMONT AND NEW HAMPSHIRE

**“The Mission at our Doorstep:
Renewal, Restoration, and New Beginnings”**

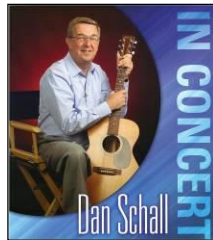


Calendars of Upcoming Events – September 2015

ABC/VNH Regional Events Calendar

Dan Schall Gospel Concert

August 30, at 6:30 p.m.
Union Church Community in Christ, Westmoreland, NH
Love offering. Refreshments.
For more information, call 603-352-8090.



Bill and Ann Clemmer to Speak
September 16, at 7p.m.

Bow Lake Free Will Baptist Church, Strafford, NH

Details on p. 2 of the newsletter

Dwelling in Concert
September 18, at 7p.m.
First Baptist Church, Chester, VT

Love offering. Refreshments. For more info, call 802-875-2638.



John Waller in Concert
September 25 at 7 p.m.
1st Baptist Church, Chester, VT
Love offering. Refreshments.
For more info, call 802-875-2638.



Legal Seminar for Churches: “Protecting the Flock (& the Shepherds)”

September 25, from 8:30 to 1:00
Holiday Inn, Concord, NH

Seminars on Mandatory Reporting Compliance and Hiring and Reference Risk Mitigation.
Speakers: Roy McCandless & Neil Nicholson, Attorneys at Law.
See details on page 2.

Workshop: Help Your Church and You Face Conflict (for pastors)

October 8, from 9:00 to 4:30
Singing Hills Christian Fellowship, Plainfield

Workshop Leader: Rev. Margaret Marcuson
See the Ministers Council section in the newsletter for details.

VT Christian Rock-toberfest

October 10, at 7:00 p.m.
North Avenue Alliance Church, Burlington VT
For details, go to www.vtchristianmusic.com.

Concerts: Calvary Road and Jennings & McComber

Calvary Road – October 16 at 7 p.m.
Jennings & McComber – October 23 at 7 p.m.
1st Baptist Church, Chester, VT
Love offering. For more info, call 802-875-2638.



Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking Community Awareness Training

October 17 (time to be announced)
Grace & Hope Community Church, Andover, NH
Topics covered: identification factors, recruitment tactics, reporting, aftercare and prevention options. An overview of regional concerns and efforts and a Q&A will be included.
Featuring: Real Life Giving, an organization dedicated to empowering and equipping young women in NH.
For more information: info@reallifegiving.org

Workshop: Maintaining Ethical Boundaries in Professional Ministry (for pastors)

October 31, from 9:00 to 4:00
Singing Hills Christian Fellowship, Plainfield
Workshop Leader: Rev. Linda Lea Snyder
See the Ministers Council section in the newsletter for details.

Protecting the Flock (& the Shepherds) Legal Seminar

Friday, September 25 from 8:30 to 1:00 at the Holiday Inn, Concord, NH.

Who should attend? Pastors, administrators, preschool teachers in child-care centers, children's ministry workers, Sunday school teachers, and counselors.

This seminar will cover mandatory reporting laws in New Hampshire (for child abuse, duty to warn, elder abuse, sexual misconduct, and criminal acts) and personnel risk mitigation (background checks and screening, supervision, retention, references for prior employees, and negligence). There will be a time for discussion of hot topics and questions. The seminar will end with lunch.

Participants will receive a comprehensive guide of all the mandatory reporting laws in the State of New Hampshire, written materials from the presenters on each topic covered with practical tips and considerations, and examples of proper and improper action based on real court cases.

Speakers: Roy McCandless and Neil Nicholson, Attorneys at Law. Both are trial attorneys & legal advisors. They work along churches, religious youth camps, and nonprofits to help them fulfill their missions, navigate risks, deal with local authorities and the IRS, and avoid problems.

Registration: Early bird (rec'd by Sept. 1): \$30; Regular: \$40; group (3 or more): \$20 each.

For a copy of the brochure with registration form, go to abcvnh.org and click on Events/Event Registration or contact McCandless & Nicholson PLLC at gloria@mcnich.com.

Regional Calendar – Meeting Dates for Boards/Committees/Departments

Date	Time	Committee/Department	Location
Sept. 18	10:00	Annual Gathering Committee	Trinity Baptist Church, Hanover
Sept. 26	10:00	Executive Committee	Region Office
Oct. 15	10:00	Finance Committee	Trinity Baptist Church, Hanover
Oct. 24	9:00	Board of Trustees	Trinity Baptist Church, Hanover

Clergy & Ministerial Leaders Monthly Association Meetings

Association	Date	Time	Location	Contact
Central	Fri., Sept. 18	8:15 a.m.	McKenna's Restaurant, New London	Dale Nicholas
Green & White	Wed., Sept. 16	8:15 a.m.	Littleton Diner, Littleton	David Abbott
Lakes	Thurs., Sept. 10	8:00 a.m.	Camp Sentinel, Ctr. Tuftonboro	Linda Bolton
Monadnock	Thurs., Sept. 10	8:30 a.m.	1 st Baptist Church, Keene	Charlie Boucher
Northwest	Mon., Sept. 7	9:30 a.m.	1 st Baptist Church, Burlington	Larry Detweiler
Southeast	Tues., Sept. 8	7:45 a.m.	1 st Baptist Church, Brentwood	
Southern	Tues., Sept. 8	11:30 a.m.	Blake's Restaurant, Manchester	John Cerrato
Southwest	Thurs., Sept. 17	9:30 a.m.	First Baptist Church, Chester	Malcolm Hamblett
Women Ministerial Leaders	Tues., Sept. 15	10:00 a.m.	United Baptist Church, Concord	Linda Bolton