

CBFNC General Assembly Follow-Up

Prayer delivered by David Ramsaur, Deacon at CBFNC General Assembly host church First Baptist Lumberton, during Sunday worship after the Assembly:

Gracious God, as we come into this sacred place on this day after the 2013 General Assembly of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina, we have felt your presence among us. You strengthened our leaders in the days and weeks and months preceding the assembly so that the planning and preparation might be done and done well. And so it was. You called out our people to come and work the days of the assembly, with cooperation in their hearts and smiles on their faces. And so they did. You abided among us as we met together, finding old acquaintances and making new friends, expanding our network of Cooperative Baptists both in our state and beyond. And so you did. You were there as important decisions were made this weekend, as you received our worship in spirit and in truth, and you will continue to be with all who gathered here together as we go forth in the spirit of your love in the sacred rhythms of Jesus followers. And so we will. Two things we ask especially this morning. Bless our own Lisa Rust as she entered into your service as moderator-elect of our State CBF. Bless her and use her for your glory and the good of your people as she goes about her duties this coming year. And make us cheerful givers, not only to support our work here at home, which we have long done faithfully and well, but for the broader purpose of your Kingdom through our cooperative efforts with like-minded believers through organizations like the North Carolina CBF. May we come. May we abide. May we go. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.