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CBF/GA 2007 Fall Convocation



Photo by Alan Mitchell

First Baptist Church, Savannah

Click on the church photo for more information about Fall Convocation

[Register for Fall Convocation here.](#)

CBF/GA Host Hotel:

[Savannah Hilton DeSoto](#)

15 East Liberty St., Savannah, GA 31401

Rate: \$109.00

Local: 1-912-232-9000

Toll Free: 1-800-426-8483

In-House Reservations office hours are Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.



Calendar

2007

Sept. 6

Candler BBQ

Brooks Commons at Cannon Chapel, Emory, Atlanta
5:00 p.m.

For students and faculty
Contact David Key at 404-727-6350 or dkey@emory.edu.

Sept 8-9

Fisher Humphreys

First Baptist Church, Macon
8th – Dinner 6:00 p.m.

For more information, contact First Baptist church office at 478-742-6458 or email fbc@fbcmacon.org.

Sept. 18-19

Tony Campolo Lectures **Mercer University**

Email Craig McMahan at mcmahan_ct@mercer.edu or call 478-301-2992 for additional information.

Sept. 23-25

Mercer Preaching Consultation **St. Simons Island**

For more information, click [here](#).

Sept. 24-26

Spiritual Formation Retreat for **Senior Pastors** **Life Enrichment Center** **Fruitland Park, FL**

Sponsored by CBF/National and CBF/FL.

For more information, click [here](#).

Oct. 5-6

BWIM of Georgia Fall Retreat **The Calvin Center, Hampton**

More information to come.

Oct. 15

Worship in Your World: Enabling **and Encouraging Those Who** **Plan and Lead Worship in Small** **Congregations**

Samford University,
Birmingham, AL

Mark your calendars now for a special lunch on November 5th with Mercer University and CBF/GA. Along with a program by Mercer, we will celebrate Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Georgia's 15th anniversary! The lunch will be at 12:30 p.m. at the Savannah Hilton DeSoto and cost \$15.00 per plate.

Purchase your tickets [online](#) or call Suzanne Powell at 1-877-336-6426 ext. 21.



WANTING TO SHARE WITH SOMEONE
ABOUT FALL CONVOCATION?
WE HAVE FLYERS AND BULLETIN INSERTS
READY TO BE DOWNLOADED.
[CLICK HERE TO GET STARTED.](#)

Childcare

If you need childcare for Fall Convocation, please email Janis Lewis at First Baptist Church, Savannah at janis@fbc-sav.org. Childcare Deadline: Monday Oct. 29. Please include in your email to Janis the following information:

- -parent's name
- -cell phone number
- -child's name
- -age
- -any allergies
- -diet constraints
- -medical information
- -if your child is potty-trained or not (parents will need to supply disposable diapers if they are not)
- -the date & times you will need childcare (click [here](#) for a schedule of events).

Are You Looking to SERVE?

The CBF/GA Nominating Committee will begin work early this

8:30 a.m.

For more information, click [here](#).

Nov. 4

**Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA Fall Convocation
First Baptist Church, Savannah
4:00 p.m.**

Nov. 4-5

**CBF/GA Fall Convocation
First Baptist Church, Savannah**
Theme: Standing Up on the Inside
Speaker: Charles Bugg
Click [here](#) for more information.

2008

Jan. 14-16

**Spiritual Formation Retreat
For Associate
Ministers and Staff
Ferncliffe Camp and
Conference Center
Little Rock, AK**
Sponsored by CBF/National
and CBF/AK
For more information, click [here](#).

Jan. 18-20

**Georgia Youth Choir Festival
The Calvin Center, Hampton**

Jan. 29-30

**Current Retreat
FBC Decatur**

This will be held in cooperation with
the New Baptist Covenant meeting.

Jan. 30-Feb. 1

**Celebration of a
New Baptist Covenant,
Atlanta**

For more information, visit
<http://www.newbaptistcovenant.org>.

Feb. 15-16

Now Serving: Atlanta

For more information, visit
<http://www.now-serving.org>.

Feb. 18-19

**William L. Self
Preaching Lectures
McAfee School of Theology,**

fall. We will need to fill seven regular CBF/GA Coordinating Council positions and elect a moderator-elect. We also need to nominate one position for the National Council. If you have persons to nominate for any of these positions, please send us their name, church, and contact information.

Individuals who serve on the council must either contribute to CBF/GA or be a member of a church that does and be willing to serve for three years. We want individuals who are committed to Christ and who feel strongly about helping CBF/GA serve individuals and churches. It is important that the persons nominated be able to attend the five yearly council meetings. It is also helpful if they have access to email since a good bit of our committee work is done over the internet.

Please email Suzanne Powell at spowell@cbfga.org by September 30 with your nominees.

Kentucky Baptist Fellowship Position Opening

Kentucky Baptist Fellowship is looking for an Associate Coordinator of Missions. The person who fills this full-time position will: provide leadership for missions participation and education in Kentucky, engage individuals and churches in hands-on mission work, and network with individuals, groups, and churches to develop and expand ministry possibilities. Click [here](#) for a job description outlining the responsibilities of this position.

Resumes should be forwarded to John Lepper at jlepper@kybf.org. The committee has set November 2, 2007 as the deadline for receiving resumes.

Global Missions Offering

Churches who are planning ahead for Fall/Christmas and Spring/Easter offerings are invited to visit the following websites for information and resources to help prepare:

<http://www.thefellowship.info/ogm/>

<http://www.thefellowship.info/ogm/resources.icm>.

At the above link, you will find bulletin inserts, children's sermons, litanies, PowerPoint presentations, music ideas, and more!

Missions Opportunities

Atlanta

Feb. 29-March 2
March Mission Madness
Highland Hills Baptist Church,
Macon

For more information, click [here](#).

March 3-5
True Survivor VIII,
First Baptist Church,
Asheville, NC

For all Christian Educators
Sponsored by CBF/National,
Congregational Life
Contact Toni Draper at
tdraper@thefellowship.info.

March 7-9
March Mission Madness
First Baptist Church, Augusta
For more information, click [here](#).

April 4
Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA General Assembly
First Baptist Church, Decatur
10:00 a.m.

April 4-5
CBF/GA General Assembly
First Baptist Church, Decatur

April 21-23
Spiritual Formation Retreat
For Associate Ministers
and Staff
Ignatius House Retreat
Center Atlanta
For more information, click [here](#).

Please send any changes in
personal information such as
phone numbers, mailing, or
emailing addresses to
ecopeland@cbfga.org.

Churches or individuals interested in learning about other CBF/GA mission opportunities are invited to contact Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at sford@cbfga.org or 478-742-1911 ext. 28. The opportunities below are this edition's highlights and are by no means exhaustive. Thank you!

Cooperating Churches

Is your church participating in a missions initiative that is just too good to keep a secret? Would you like another church to join your church in a particular ministry effort? If so, please contact Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at sford@cbfga.org or 478-742-1191 ext. 28. As the **Cooperative** Baptist Fellowship of Georgia, maybe our churches can **cooperate** with one another in some new ways!

11 on 11

Young Baptist leaders interested in coordinating or participating in a mission service project on Saturday, September 15, please contact Ryan Clark at clark_ra@mercer.edu. You and your group can join others across the nation on this day of simultaneous mission projects. Projects across the nation are coordinated by CBF/National's "Current: connecting young Baptists" and sponsored by various groups including CBF/GA. For more information, click [here](#).

International

Churches and individuals interested in participating in or already planning an international mission trip, please contact Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at sford@cbfga.org or 478-742-1191 ext.28. Scott is interested in hearing about ministries you and your churches are already leading around the world.

South Dakota

Pastors, staff, and lay missions leaders interested in an introduction to CBF ministry with Native Americans in impoverished counties of South Dakota should contact Gene Wilder at genewilder@charter.net. Two openings recently became available for a trip on October 13-18. The cost is \$500-\$700 plus round-trip airfare to Rapid City, South Dakota.

Missions and Disaster Response

Two years after Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast, many families still need help putting their homes and lives back together. Here are some opportunities for you and/or your church to serve others in the name of Christ.

Response Team

Are you or is someone in your church sometimes able to leave

town at a moment's or a few weeks' notice? Could you spend 4-7 days coordinating the efforts of others who want to help and serve disaster victims? The CBF/GA Missions Committee is putting together a team of people with organizational, construction, and/or administrative skills to respond in the event of a disaster. If you would like to serve as a responder, please email your contact and personal information to Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at sford@cbfga.org.

Biloxi, Mississippi

Your church is invited to cooperate with other CBF/GA churches in sending mission teams to Biloxi, Mississippi. All who are interested may join groups of 40-70 people on the following 2007 dates: October 4-7 (or 3-6), November 1-4, or December 6-9. Each trip involves two days of travel and two days of mission service. For \$75-\$100, food, transportation, and lodging will be provided. The only "skills" necessary are a caring heart and helping hands. Construction experience is helpful but not required. For more information, click [here](#).

St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana Pearlington, Mississippi

Your church is also invited to cooperate with CBF of Louisiana in ministering to Hurricane Katrina victims. For more information, click [here](#) or contact CBF of Louisiana Disaster Relief Coordinator: Reid Doster at 985-222-6900 or reid_doster@hotmail.com. Reid will be glad to help a group from your church get involved in Disaster Response efforts in Louisiana, and he is also helping with response efforts in Pearlington, Mississippi.

Upcoming Events

Baptist Theologian Fisher Humphreys At First Baptist Macon On September 8 and 9

Fisher Humphreys, a widely recognized Baptist theologian and professor of divinity at the Beeson School of Divinity at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, will be guest theologian, teacher, and preacher at First Baptist Church, Macon, Georgia, on the weekend of September 8 and 9. Dr. Humphreys will speak at a dinner on Saturday night and Sunday morning during the Sunday School and worship times. Area congregations are invited to attend the dinner at 6:00 p.m. Reservations are to be made by calling the FBC church office at 478-742-6485, or emailing fbc@fbcmacon.org. The cost is \$6 payable at the door.

Candler School of Theology Fall Evening Open House,

Thursday, September 13, 2007, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

This evening open house will give prospective students the opportunity to meet Candler faculty, hear about theological education at Candler, ask questions about financial aid and admissions, and hear from a panel of students. This event is open to those who are thinking about seminary for a Master of Divinity or Master of Theological Studies degree.

Register online:

http://www.candler.emory.edu/admissions/visits_fallevening.cfm.

Tony Campolo to visit Mercer

September 18 – 7:00 p.m.

September 19 – 10:00 a.m.

Newton Chapel

“Our Place in God’s World”

Email Craig McMahan at mcmahan_ct@mercer.edu or call 478-301-2992 for more information.

Financial Update

Budget Receipts as of 08/30/07

Year to Date:	\$140,267.63
Requirement:	\$166,300.02
Over/Under:	<\$26,032.39>
Month to Date:	\$42,895.33
Monthly Req.:	\$55,433.33
Over/Under:	<\$12,538.00>
