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March 3-4  
[CBF/GA General Assembly](#)

## CORRECTION

In the last Re-Visions I provided a list of houses which needed to be repaired. I mistakenly left the impression that Kingdom Builders did not finish their job of renovation on houses in Taliaferro County. Kingdom Builders did finish their work with over 30 homes renovated. The houses I listed were added to the list after Kingdom Builders finished. CBFGA, TTWL, and the community are thankful for the work done in Taliaferro County last year.

*Jimmy Lewis*  
Missions Coordinator  
CBF/GA

## CBF/GA General Assembly Special Emphasis

**Saturday, March 4, 9:00 a.m.  
Ministerial Networks Gather.**

- **Chaplaincy Network** – chaplains will network and share resources.
- **Children's Ministry Network** – it's all about curriculum with discussion around alternatives in preschool/children's Sunday school curriculum, an introduction to the CBF missions curriculum re-design, and a sampler of the newest spiritual formation curriculum for children by Upper Room called *The Way of the Child*.
- **Education Network** – discussion around three topics: the personal renewal of the Christian educator, the general role of equipping laity and training them for ministry in the church, and the specific work of ministry with adults.
- **Music and Worship Network** – musicians will have the opportunity to join in rehearsing with the CBF/GA choir for worship leadership in the Saturday 11:00 a.m. service of the General Assembly.
- **Pastors' Network** – discussion around preaching during Lent, Easter, and the Summer; participants encouraged to bring resources for sharing.

First Baptist Church of Athens  
Guest preacher: Jim Dant

**March 6-8**  
**True Survivor VI, Daniel Island**  
(Charleston), SC

[www.thefellowship.info/](http://www.thefellowship.info/)

A training event for all Christian  
Educators and age group ministers.

Cost is \$50 per person.

Email [Toni Draper](mailto:Toni.Draper@thefellowship.info)  
([tdraper@thefellowship.info](mailto:tdraper@thefellowship.info))

or call

770-220-1654 for information.

**March 8**  
**Baptist Studies Celebration**  
**Candler School of Theology**  
Email [baptist@emory.edu](mailto:baptist@emory.edu) or call  
404-727-6350 for more information

**March 8-9**  
**Children's Ministries Network**  
**Retreat**  
Providence Baptist Church, Daniel Is.  
(Charleston), SC  
Cost is \$25 per participant.  
Email [Cathy Anderson](mailto:Cathy.Anderson@fbca.net)  
([canderson@fbca.net](mailto:canderson@fbca.net)) or  
[Tricia Hays](mailto:Tricia.Hays@wilshirebc.org) ([thays@wilshirebc.org](mailto:thays@wilshirebc.org))  
for information.  
To register visit [True Survivor](http://www.thefellowship.info/)  
([www.thefellowship.info/](http://www.thefellowship.info/)).

**March 15 DEADLINE**  
Baptist Women in  
Ministry of Georgia  
**DISTINGUISHED CHURCHWOMAN**  
**OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Visit the [CBF/GA](http://www.cbfga.org) ([www.cbfga.org](http://www.cbfga.org))  
website and scroll down to  
**Opportunities** for details.

Mail all nominations to:  
Nikki Hardeman,  
c/o First Baptist Church,  
P.O. Box 1189  
Rome, GA 30162-1189 .

**March 15 Deadline**  
**Sara Owen Etheridge**  
**Scholarship Award**  
Each year Georgia Baptist Women in  
Ministry awards \$500 to a Baptist

- **Student Ministry Network** – featuring  
presentation from Larry McSwain and Kay  
Shurden on their latest book *Call Waiting: God's  
Invitation to Youth*.

Visit the CBF/GA website

[www.cbfga.org/library/cbfGa\\_GA06\\_Poster\\_smpl.pdf](http://www.cbfga.org/library/cbfGa_GA06_Poster_smpl.pdf)  
for complete schedule and information.

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## Reference & Referral

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**Needed:** Resumes from *Ministers of Children and  
Youth* seeking this combination position.

**Needed:** Requests from churches seeking *Associate  
Pastors and Ministers of Education*.

Thank You,  
Alan Mitchell  
Reference & Referral  
P.O. Box 4343  
Macon, GA 31208  
[amitchell@cbfga.org](mailto:amitchell@cbfga.org)

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## Vocational Opportunities

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**Children's Intern**  
(eight weeks, summer 2006, probably June-July)  
**First Baptist Church**  
**601 E. Tugalo Street**  
**Toccoa, GA 30577**

Compensation: \$250 per week plus free housing and  
ministry mileage reimbursement. Work schedule:  
flexible, to be determined. Responsible to: Children's  
Council and Minister of Education. For more information  
contact Art Conway (minister of education) or Jim  
Nelson (pastor) at 706-886-6822 or email  
[fbctoccoa@alltel.net](mailto:fbctoccoa@alltel.net).

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**Youth Ministry Intern**  
**First Baptist Church**  
**P.O. Box 908**  
**Griffin, GA 30224**

For information email Hambric Brooks, Minister to  
Students, at [hambricbrooks@bellsouth.net](mailto:hambricbrooks@bellsouth.net), or call 770-  
227-5517, fax: 770-412-7873, or send resumes to the  
church address listed above.

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## Mission Opportunity

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**Hispanic Church Start**  
Approximately 150 Hispanic individuals need a place to  
worship in Gwinnett County. If you have any suggestions  
regarding a place where they can meet, please contact  
[Frank Broome](mailto:Frank.Broome@cbfga.org) at [fbroome@cbfga.org](mailto:fbroome@cbfga.org).

woman who is currently studying at the Master's or Doctor's level. To receive the scholarship the student must be a current or past resident of Georgia and have completed at least 30 hours in a theological studies program. Applicants may attend a Baptist or non-Baptist institution. The scholarship will be awarded at the Georgia BWIM Spring Meeting on Saturday, April 22. For more information or to receive an application, please email [Carrie Veal](mailto:Carrie.Veal@fbcgainesville.org) ([carrieveal@fbcgainesville.org](mailto:carrieveal@fbcgainesville.org)) or call 770-534-7354.

**March 17-19**

**March Mission Madness**

Deadline to register was Jan. 31  
First Baptist Church  
Warm Springs

Visit the new [MMM website](http://www.mmmwebsite.org/)

([www.marchmissionmadness.org/](http://www.marchmissionmadness.org/))

or email [Scott Ford](mailto:Scott.Ford@mac.com)

([robertscottford@mac.com](mailto:robertscottford@mac.com)) or call  
770-860-0473 for information.

**March 20, 2006**

9:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

**“Negotiating Conflict in the  
Congregation”**

**McAfee Institute for Healthy  
Congregations**

**McAfee School of Theology**

**March 20-22**

**Interim Ministry for  
Today's Church**

**Mercer University Atlanta Campus**

Sponsored by CBF-  
Congregational Life

[To register click here](http://www.healthychurch.org/)

([www.healthychurch.org/](http://www.healthychurch.org/)).

For information email

[Robin Danner](mailto:Robin.Danner@wfubmc.edu)

([congreg@wfubmc.edu](mailto:congreg@wfubmc.edu))

or call 336-716-9722

Deadline to register was Feb. 20

Cost for materials/tuition \$95.00.

**March 24-26**

**March Mission Madness**

Deadline to register was Jan. 31

First Baptist Church, Morrow

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## Opportunities

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On **Wednesday, March 8**, Emory University's Candler School of Theology will be celebrating the 15th Anniversary of its Baptist Studies Program. Two former directors of the program will be speaking that day. Nancy Ammerman, professor at Boston University, will speak in chapel at 11 a.m. on Ezekiel 37:1-14 with the sermon entitled "Can These Bones Live?" Scott Hudgins, Assistant Dean at UNC - Greensboro, will speak at lunch on "The Future of Baptist Life" with a panel responding to him. For lunch reservations email [baptist@emory.edu](mailto:baptist@emory.edu) or call 404-727-6350. The cost for lunch is \$15. We hope you can join us on that day for a joyous celebration and provocative presentations.

David W. Key  
Director of Baptist Studies  
Candler School of Theology  
Emory University

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## Register NOW!

For The

## CBF-National General Assembly

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The CBF/National General Assembly 2006 will be held June 21-24 at the Georgia World Congress Center, Atlanta, GA. Auxiliary events *only* will be held June 21 and June 24. The Main General Assembly meeting will be June 22-23.

Visit the website for details:

[www.thefellowship.info/CL/GeneralAssembly/2006.icm](http://www.thefellowship.info/CL/GeneralAssembly/2006.icm)

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## In the News

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Hello!

Well I finally made captain....YAY! My promotion was a total surprise and I have this kind of goofy look (more than usual) in the picture. Everything has been going great over the course of the last several weeks.

The Gospel services continue to exceed my expectations each and every Sunday. The Sunday

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([www.marchmissionmadness.org/](http://www.marchmissionmadness.org/))  
or email [Scott Ford](mailto:Scott Ford)  
([robertscottford@mac.com](mailto:robertscottford@mac.com)) or call  
770-860-0473 for information.

**April 1 (Deadline)  
CBF/GA Scholarship Application**

To receive an application form,  
email [Devita Parnell](mailto:Devita Parnell)  
([dparnell@cbfga.org](mailto:dparnell@cbfga.org)) or call  
478-742-1191, ext. 28, or visit [the](http://the CBF Georgia Website)  
[CBF Georgia Website](http://www.cbfga.org)  
([www.cbfga.org](http://www.cbfga.org)).

**April 3-5  
Spiritual Formation Regional  
Retreat  
Cenacle Retreat House, Houston,  
Texas**

To register visit [the fellowship](http://the fellowship)  
([www.thefellowship.info/](http://www.thefellowship.info/)). For  
information email [Rick Bennett](mailto:Rick Bennett)  
([rbennett@thefellowship.info](mailto:rbennett@thefellowship.info))  
or call 770- 220-1605.

**April 22  
Baptist Women in  
Ministry Spring Meeting  
New Heights Baptist Church,  
Macon, GA**

10:30 a.m. worship  
Luncheon, business meeting, and  
awards presentation after worship.  
Email [Karen Pennings](mailto:Karen Pennings)  
([kap1003@yahoo.com](mailto:kap1003@yahoo.com))  
or call 478-714-0380 or 478-633-  
1527 for additional information.

**April 24-25  
"Spiritual Formation in  
Congregational Life": A  
Theological Discussion**  
For information or to register email  
[Dawn Hall](mailto:Dawn Hall) ([dmhall@wfubmc.edu](mailto:dmhall@wfubmc.edu))  
or call 336-716-9722.

**May 4-5  
The University Campus:  
Tomorrow's Moderate Baptists**  
First Baptist Church of Decatur  
Begins 1:30 p.m. (May 4)  
Concludes 12 noon (May 5)  
Co-sponsored by the Center for

School classes have also exceeded expectations with terrific attendance for our relationship enhancement classes. We're trying to get people spun up on strengthening their relationships before we go home. The baby camel pictured is an orphan and still needs to be bottle fed occasionally. One of the guys at the local market let me get a few pics with him. The adult camel was really very gentle and did none of the obnoxious things that I've heard about. I'm still touched by the cards, letters, and packages that I continue to receive. Thank you all for your encouragement and prayers. It means so much to get an email, a letter, or a package. Of course, it doesn't take but a moment to pray, and I would certainly ask that you continue to do that for the men and women of the 148th Support Battalion.

God bless all of you!!!

In His Service,  
Chaplain (CPT) Paul N. Douglas  
148th Support Battalion  
Battalion Chaplain



Baptist Studies, CBF National,  
and CBF/GA. Email  
[Devita Parnell](mailto:dparnell@cbfga.org)  
([dparnell@cbfga.org](mailto:dparnell@cbfga.org)) or  
[Bruce T. Gourley](mailto:Gourley_BT@Mercer.edu)  
([Gourley\\_BT@Mercer.edu](mailto:Gourley_BT@Mercer.edu))  
for information.

**June 11-16**

**June 18-23**

**Touching Taliaferro With Love  
(TTWL) Day Camp**

For additional information email  
[Jimmy Lewis](mailto:jlewis@cbfga.org)  
([jlewis@cbfga.org](mailto:jlewis@cbfga.org)).

**June 22-23**

**CBF-National**

**General Assembly**

Georgia World Congress Center  
Atlanta, GA

Visit [the fellowship](http://www.thefellowship.info/)  
([www.thefellowship.info/](http://www.thefellowship.info/))  
to pre-register.

**June 25-28**

**Summer Retreat for Vocational  
Formation  
"Tapestry"**

[www.healthychurch.org/](http://www.healthychurch.org/)  
Intricately Woven--Wonderfully Made  
(Psalm 139)

A vocational formation retreat for high  
school juniors and seniors. Contacts:

Beth Kennett  
Ph.: 336-227-0287

or

[Dawn M. Hall](mailto:dmhall@wfubmc.edu)  
([dmhall@wfubmc.edu](mailto:dmhall@wfubmc.edu))  
Ph.: 336-716-0459

**June 26-30**

**TTWL Baseball Camp**

For additional information email  
[Jimmy Lewis](mailto:jlewis@cbfga.org)  
([jlewis@cbfga.org](mailto:jlewis@cbfga.org)).

**June 28-July 01**

**PASSPORTkids!**

Wesleyan College  
Macon, GA

Visit [PASSPORTkids!](http://passport-kids.org)  
(<http://passport-kids.org>).



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**Handshake begins partnership between Brooklyn,  
Georgia churches**

By Alison Wingfield  
CBF Communications

NEW YORK – A handshake was all it took to begin a  
meaningful partnership between two diverse  
congregations.

"I remember that first morning. We got off the subway  
and walked to Greater Restoration (Baptist Church). We  
saw Ken (Bogan) in the doorway, and he greeted each  
of us with a handshake and a hug," recalled Philip  
Vestal, pastor of Harlem Baptist Church in Harlem, GA.  
"God moved in that initial moment, just that instant bond  
that we felt for one another." Visit  
<http://www.thefellowship.info/News/060215NYC3.icm>  
for complete story.



**Photo information:** Volunteer Taryn Birchfield of  
Harlem Baptist Church in Harlem, GA., does a special  
request painting during Vacation Bible School in a  
Brooklyn park.

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**Young Baptist leaders gather in Atlanta for seventh**

**September 11-13  
Spiritual Formation Regional  
Retreat Kavanaugh Life  
Enrichment Center, Louisville, KY**

To register visit [the fellowship  
\(www.thefellowship.info/\)](http://www.thefellowship.info/)  
For information email [Rick Bennett  
\(rbennett@thefellowship.info\)](mailto:rbennett@thefellowship.info)  
or call 770- 220-1605.

**Sept. 24-26  
2006 Mercer Preaching  
Consultation**  
King & Prince Resort  
St. Simons Island, GA  
Visit the [The Center for Baptist  
Studies, Mercer University  
\(www.centerforbaptiststudies.org/\)](http://www.centerforbaptiststudies.org/)  
for details.

**Dec. 29, 2006-Jan. 02, 2007  
Antiphony**  
[www.thesamuelproject.org/](http://www.thesamuelproject.org/)

**2007**

**January 8-10, 2007  
Spiritual Formation Regional  
Retreat  
Simpsonwood  
Conference Center  
Atlanta, GA**

To register visit [the fellowship  
\(www.thefellowship.info/\)](http://www.thefellowship.info/). For  
information email [Rick Bennett  
\(rbennett@thefellowship.info\)](mailto:rbennett@thefellowship.info)  
or call 770- 220-1605.

**annual Current retreat**

By Carla Wynn  
CBF Communications

ATLANTA – More than 125 young Baptist leaders from around the country pooled Feb. 8-11 to focus on the theme “Streams” during the seventh annual Current retreat at First Baptist Church of Decatur, GA. Visit <http://www.thefellowship.info/News/060214current1.icm> for complete story.

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**Vestal discusses Fellowship’s future with young  
CBF leaders during retreat**

By Courtney Hodges  
CBF Communications

ATLANTA – Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Coordinator Daniel Vestal painted a picture of the future of the Fellowship for young Baptists gathered for the seventh annual *Current* retreat Feb. 10 at First Baptist Church of Decatur, GA. Vestal's remarks indicated the Fellowship would continue its focus on serving the local church. Visit <http://www.thefellowship.info/News/060214current2.icm> for complete story.

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