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CBF/GA 2007 Fall Convocation



Click on the banner for more information.
Register for Fall Convocation [here](#).

CBF/GA Host Hotel:

DeSoto Hilton

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.

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

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, 9. Dr. Humphreys will speak at a dinner on Saturday night, September 8, at a gathering of adult Sunday school classes on Sunday morning, September 9, and at morning worship.

A special invitation is extended to area pastors, church staff, and members of the congregations to attend the dinner on Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. Reservations are to be made by calling the FBC church office at (478) 742-6485, or emailing fbcm@fbcmacon.org. The cost is \$6 payable at the door.

Calendar

Aug. 11

**Leadership Training Event
First Baptist Church, Eatonton**

For adult, youth, and children's
Sunday school teachers.

Contact Tim DeBorde at
tdeborde@firstbaptisteatonton.org
for more information.

Aug. 14

Missions Committee Meeting

**CBF/GA office, Macon
9:00 a.m.**

Aug. 14

Coordinating Council Meeting

**CBF/GA office, Macon
10:30 a.m.**

Aug. 26

**Youth Parent and Youth Worker
Roundtable Discussion**

**First Baptist Church of Christ,
Macon**

4:00 p.m.

For more information click [here](#).

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**

Fisher Humphreys has served as pastor of churches in Alabama, Illinois, and Mississippi. He has academic degrees from Mississippi College, Loyola University, Oxford University, and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. In addition to being a seminary professor, he is a religious journal editor and prolific writer - author of numerous books, articles, and Sunday school lessons. A native of Columbus, Mississippi, he and his wife, Caroline, have two children and two granddaughters.

Missions Opportunities

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.

11 on 11

Young Baptist leaders interested in coordinating 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. The projects will be sponsored by "current: connecting young baptists," a group of young Baptist leaders of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship.

Youth Choir Opportunity

Georgia Youth Choir Festival
Friday, January 18, 2008 – Sunday, January 20, 2008



The Calvin Center, Hampton
Open to all youth choirs large and small. Cost is \$95 per participant. To reserve space, a \$200 deposit per choir is due by August 24. Contact Nancy Copeland at ncopeland@cbfga.org for more information.
To download a brochure, click [here](#).

Inter-Faith Dialogue

"Special Invitation to Clergy"
Inter-Faith Dialogue Luncheon
Thursday, September 06, 12:00 noon
Istanbul Center for Culture and Dialogue
6760 Jimmy Carter Blvd., Suite 110, Norcross, GA 30071

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

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**
Open to all youth choirs large and
small. More information to come.

Contact ncopeland@cbfga.org
with questions.

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

An opportunity for Georgia CBF clergy to meet
with Muslim leaders for dialogue and relationship building.

Given our world's tensions and the demands of the gospel to
engage others in love, we are compelled to reach out in
understanding—to seek the truth. Some churches have already
begun this work by having dialogue dinners or building habitat
houses together with mosques. The interfaith task force of CBF
of Georgia hopes to spread this phenomenon and assist
churches in seeking the truth and building meaningful bridges
across religious lines. One of the first events that will mark this
initiative is a clergy luncheon on Sept. 7th. Beyond that, this
emphasis has far-reaching goals.

What is the face of Islam today?

We seek to help your church become connected to the Muslim
community in your area so that you'll have a personal picture of
what real Muslim faith and practice is all about. We hope to
accomplish this by providing resources and strategies not only
for learning the nuts and bolts of Islam, but also on how to build
meaningful relationships with Muslims.

Won't you be my neighbor?

Let's go back to that classic line from Mr. Rogers—what better
way to manifest the Gospel in today's diverse and changing
world than to be a good neighbor, full of grace, full of love,
extending a hand of friendship?

If you have questions or would like to register for the clergy
lunch please contact Matt Rich (mrich@wieuca.org) or Michael
McCuller (mmcculler@jcbc.org).

Tell your story!

Baptistnet (www.baptistnet.com) is looking for your church's
summer stories. Stories of mission trips, children's or youth
camps, special projects... anything your church is doing that
might be of interest to other Baptists.

You can write your story or stories as short or as long
as you wish (but we especially like the shorter stories).
Feel free to also send us photos or videos that help
illustrate your story.

We'll post the best ones to Baptistnet's homepage so
everyone can enjoy hearing how God is working
within your church this summer.

All submissions must be through email, to this address:
info@baptistnet.com.

Go ahead, write it up and send it in!

Lectures
McAfee School of Theology,
Atlanta

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

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

April 4-5
CBF/GA General Assembly

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

Resources

The Agenda: 8 Lessons from Luke

This free Bible study curriculum from Baptist Center for Ethics is designed to help Baptists thoroughly engage Luke 4—the focal chapter for the New Baptist Covenant and its 2008 gathering in Atlanta. Click [here](#) for more information.

To learn more about the New Baptist Covenant click [here](#).

Why Be a Christian?

The Sermons of Howard P. Giddens.

Edited by Michael Ruffin, this book from Mercer University Press contains the work of Howard Giddens, a pastor and a scholar.

For more information on this book click [here](#).

Upcoming Events

Leadership Training Event

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8:30a.m.-1:45p.m.

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

Monday, October 15, 2007

8:30a.m.-5:15p.m.

Samford University, Birmingham, AL

For more information click [here](#).

Cooperative Student Fellowship at MERCER

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CSF of Mercer would like to be able to contact students from CBF churches who are coming to or are already at Mercer.

If you know of any students please send CBF/GA their names and contact information to ncopeland@cbfga.org or call 1-877-336-6426.

Candler BBQ

Who: Candler students and representatives from Atlanta area churches

What: BBQ dinner

Where: Brooks Common in Cannon Chapel

When: September 6, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Why: To acquaint new theology students with area churches

Contact: David Key (404)727-6350 or dkey@emory.edu

Wanted: Director of Children's Ministries

First Baptist Church of Athens, Georgia, is seeking a part-time **Director of Children's Ministries**. Job provides leadership for children's ministry from birth through fifth grade and their families. Seminary background is preferred. However, someone with a degree in child development or related field with a passion for Christ, education, and children is welcomed to apply. Detailed job description is available upon request. Please forward resumes with references to: Search Committee, Director of Children's Ministries, 355 Pulaski Street, Athens, Georgia 30601. Applications accepted until position filled

Changes?

Have you changed your email or mailing address? Have you changed your phone number? Please let us know by sending an email to ecopeland@cbfga.org.

Financial Update

Budget Receipts as of 7/31/07

Year to Date: \$97,372.30

Requirement: \$110,866.66

Over/Under: <\$13,494.36>

Month to Date: \$45,091.32

Monthly Req.:	\$55,433.33
Over/Under:	<\$10,342.01>
