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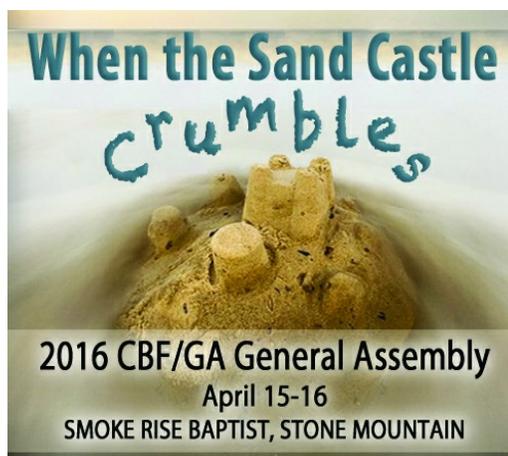
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CBF/GA News

Spring General Assembly Registration Is Open!



Go to www.cbfga.org/10106/CBF-GA-Spring-General-Assembly today for information and to register!

Visions Available Online

The First Quarter 2016 edition of *Visions* is now available online at the CBF/GA website, www.cbfga.org. The next edition will be produced in May, 2016.

March Mission Madness Approaching

Registration is closed, but please be in prayer for the 400+ youth and adults who will be participating in March Mission Madness, March 11-13 in Newnan and March 18-20 in Forsyth.

"Catch the Spirit of Pentecost" Workday Set for May 14

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Join CBF/GA and New Era Missionary Baptists at the New Era Missionary Baptist Center near Griffin on Saturday, May 14, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., for a day of work, worship, and fellowship!

All are invited to lend a hand as together we begin to update and clean up this camp located in our West neighborhood. For details, click [here](#). Email Renee Bennett at rbennett@cbfga.org, Henry Tyson at hdbgt@att.net, or Sarah Murray at Sarah.Murray@fbcgriffin.org with questions. There will be a sign-up form on the CBF/GA website soon. Click [here](#) for more information.

CBF/GA Scholarships Available

CBF/GA is now accepting scholarship applications for the 2016/2017 academic year. Scholarships are available to students currently enrolled in a master's level degree program at an accredited institution. Students must demonstrate a connection to CBF/GA. The application is online at the CBF/GA website, <http://www.cbfga.org/51/Scholarships>. The application deadline is Friday, April 1.

Senior Adult Retreat Set for May

Join CBF/GA at St. Simons Island Monday, May 16 - Tuesday, May 17, for the first ever CBF/GA Senior Adult Retreat! Tony Lankford, pastor of FBC St. Simons Island, will lead the retreat. Mission project and sightseeing opportunities will be offered on Monday

afternoon. Reserved rooms at the Inn at the Lighthouse have been filled, but accommodations are available elsewhere in the area. A retreat registration fee of \$10 is required and is payable upon arrival at FBC St. Simons. To register or for more information, call Renee Bennett at 478-742-1191, ext. 3, or email Renee at rbennett@cbfga.org. Click [here](#) for more information.



CBF/GA News Updates

Love Your Neighbor: How is your church loving your neighbors? We want to know and to celebrate how your church is involved in missions. Please send stories and pictures to mkremer@cbfga.org and join us in celebrating how God is working across Georgia through CBF/GA congregations to



love our neighbors. Many churches are already doing local missions and building relationships and collaboration. Let us know!

Address Changes?

Please send information about physical and/or email address changes to Melissa Kremer at mkremer@cblga.org.

Be a CBF/GA Ambassador

If you have an interest in becoming a CBF/GA Ambassador for your congregation, please contact Renée Bennett at rbennett@cblga.org or 478-742-1191, ext. 3. A CBF/GA Ambassador is one who actively promotes CBF/GA and encourages connections between his/her local church and CBF/GA.

From CBF National

CBF New Church Start Discernment Cohort Organizes

CBF 's New Church Starts Initiative continues to support fresh and innovative expressions of church. CBF seeks to be intentional in its church starting efforts through a process of discerning, selecting, training, commissioning and resourcing church starters for their particular calling. *The next free online 8-week New Church Start Discernment Cohort will begin April 24 and end June 18, and another is scheduled for July 10-September 2 of 2016.* For more information, please contact Andy Hale at ahale@cbf.net or by calling 919-971-4412. Register [here](#) for the next cohort.

2016 CBF General Assembly Set for Greensboro

Celebrate!

25 YEARS

The 2016 CBF General Assembly will be hosted and held at the Sheraton Greensboro Hotel and Joseph S. Koury Convention Center in downtown Greensboro, N.C., June 20-24, 2016.

Registration opens October 1.

From Our Friends

BWIM of Georgia Sets Meeting in Partnership with CBF/GA Spring General Assembly



Baptist Women in Ministry of Georgia will hold its annual gathering in conjunction with the CBF/GA Spring General Assembly April 15-16 at Smoke Rise Baptist Church in Stone Mountain. Join BWIM of Georgia for Saturday worship at 11:30 a.m. and stay for lunch (*reservations required*) and BWIM of Georgia annual awards presentations. BWIM of Georgia is also sponsoring a breakout session led by Dr. Chanequa Walker-Barnes on Friday afternoon of the Spring General Assembly. To register for Spring General Assembly and make lunch reservations, click [here](#), or go to www.cbfga.org/10106/CBF-GA-Spring-General-Assembly.

Faith in 4D Curriculum Launched

The Center for Teaching Studies, McAfee School of Theology of Mercer University, has launched a six-session study of faith questions gathered from churches around the Southeast. DVDs may be ordered from Dr. Ron Grizzle at McAfee by calling 678-547-6479. A \$40 donation by check, for the scholarship funds for McAfee, is requested with each DVD ordered.

Essay Contest from Baptist Joint Committee -

Scholarship Opportunity for High School Students

High school juniors and seniors can win up to \$2,000 for college in the 2016 Religious Liberty Essay Scholarship Contest, sponsored by the Religious Liberty Council of the Baptist Joint Committee. The grand prize includes a trip for two to Washington, D.C. Entries must be postmarked by **March 4, 2016**. For more information, visit www.BJConline.org/contest.

William L. Self Preaching Lectures

The William L. Self Preaching Lectures, "Blue Note Preaching in a Post-Soul World," featuring Otis Moss III, Pastor of the Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago, will take place March 14-16, 2016, at the Atlanta Campus of Mercer University. The lectures are sponsored by McAfee School of Theology. For more information, contact Diane Frazier at 678-547-6470 or 888-471-9922. Click [here](#) for schedule and cost information.

Reference and Referral

Heritage Baptist Church, a CBF and Alliance of Baptists church in Cartersville, Ga., seeks candidates for the role of **Youth/Associate Pastor**. Primary responsibilities involve leading ministries for middle and high school youth, with additional responsibilities for leading some specific seasonal Spiritual Formation and Community Outreach ministries. Candidates should have 1-2 years of ministry experience; seminary degree preferred or in process. Send resumes by March 15 to Michael Tutterow, Lead Pastor (michael@hbccartersville.org); HBC, 1070 Douthit Ferry Road, Cartersville, GA 30120.

Harlem Baptist is seeking a **full-time minister of youth** to lead students in grades 6 - 12. Harlem, Georgia is a quaint, small community located in fast-growing Columbia County and within 20 minutes of Augusta, Georgia. We seek a leader who will work with the students of our church and community. The church of 150-200 active members worships in a blended style of traditional and contemporary instrumentation. We hold to Baptist traditions through a dual support of SBC and CBF. Must have a vibrant walk with the Lord and have prior experience working with youth in a Christian setting. Please send resumes to searchcommittee@harlembaptist.org.

Heritage Baptist Fellowship in Canton, GA is looking for a **part-time minister of music** to oversee planning and direction of music in all worship services. Heritage is a CBF congregation that aims for energetic, modern traditional worship each Sunday, and is looking for someone with experience as a choral director and who enjoys creating meaningful worship experiences. A CBF

background is preferred but not required. Resumes may be submitted to Matt Sapp at msapp@heritagebaptistfellowship.com and will be accepted until the position is filled.

Memorial Baptist Church, Columbia, MO, is seeking a **full-time senior pastor**. We are a mission-minded church, seeking common ground in a diverse community. We desire a pastor with strong preaching skills who loves people and has a passion for connecting with the congregation as well as the community. We affirm both men and women to serve as deacons. The candidate will hold a degree from an accredited seminary and have experience as a senior pastor. Applications should be sent to pastorsearch@memorialbaptist.org or to Memorial Baptist Church, 1634 Paris Rd, Columbia, MO 65201, and should be received prior to April 4, 2016, to ensure full consideration. More info: www.memorialbaptist.org.

The Oaks Baptist Church, Lyons, Georgia founded in 2002, is seeking a **full-time pastor**. Located in middle/south Georgia, we are a progressive Baptist Church affiliated with CBF and strongly involved in missions, especially within our community. We strive to be all inclusive, and we affirm both men and women in leadership positions. We worship in an exciting yet reverent style that is traditional/liturgical. We value this style of worship as a means of teaching, serving, and connecting with God, ourselves, and our community. The ideal candidate is a seminary graduate who possesses strong preaching skills and is committed to CBF and Baptist distinctives. This candidate should have leadership skills that build relationships and be one who continues to lead our congregation spiritually as we respond to the grace, love, and mercy of Jesus. Please find us on Facebook or visit our website, www.theoaksbaptist.com to know us better. Please mail resumes to: The Oaks Baptist Church (attn: Pastor Search Team), PO Box 388, Lyons, GA 30436, or electronically to pete2028@yahoo.com.

First Baptist Church of Cornelia, GA, partnering with CBF and SBC to live out our vision to love the world as God loves us, seeks a **Minister of Children and Servant Ministries**. We are looking for a passionate, visionary, disciple-making male or female pastor who loves children and can generate excitement, build teams, and be a catalyst for God's kingdom in our whole church. 60% of this position will be dedicated to children's ministry and 40% will be determined working with the giftedness of the candidate and the needs of our congregation. Resumes and recommendations will be received beginning immediately. Please send resumes and recommendations to Children's Minister Search committee at administrator@fbccornelia.org. For a full job description, visit www.fbccornelia.org.

Edgewood Church of Atlanta is looking for a **worship leader** who is called to lead people towards God through worship and is also passionate about investing in the diverse group that makes up this church and community. Candidates must play a lead instrument (guitar or piano), be proficient at MS Office - particularly PowerPoint, and be comfortable leading other musicians and a congregation in worship. Our church is a racially and

economically mixed church just east of downtown Atlanta. We average about 45-55 people on an average Sunday and our songs are mostly a mix of contemporary Christian songs and updated hymns. Read more about our church at our website, www.EdgewoodChurchAtlanta.org. This position requires availability on Sunday mornings from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm; compensation is \$150 per Sunday. To apply, email Pastor Nathan Dean at Nathan@EdgewoodChurchAtlanta.org.

First Baptist Church of Forsyth, Georgia is accepting resumes for a **part-time position of Minister to Youth and their Families**. The candidate should be a Christian with theological training, committed to leading a vibrant youth ministry through biblical teaching. Interim and intern candidates are welcome to apply as well. The Minister to Youth and their Families will teach Sunday school on Sunday mornings and Bible study on Sunday evenings, along with leading youth activities on Wednesday evenings. This Minister is responsible for planning and leading extracurricular youth activities. The complete job description may be viewed at the church's website. Resumes and references should be emailed to fbcmain@bellsouth.net, Attention: Tim Heath, Youth Committee chairman, or mailed to: First Baptist Church, 95 West Morse St., Forsyth, GA 31029.

Augusta Road Baptist Church, a moderate, CBF-related congregation in Greenville, SC, is seeking a **full-time Minister to Families** to provide pastoral leadership to the congregation with emphasis on ministry among children and youth. Augusta Road Baptist Church is a loving, inclusive Christian community with traditional liturgical worship. The ideal candidate will be an ordained seminary graduate with ministry experience who is passionate about spiritual formation and can ensure consistency in curriculum and programming as the youngest members of our community of faith grow from one stage of life to the next. This person will need to be able to cultivate relationships with people of all generations, effectively balancing multiple ministry responsibilities and recruiting, equipping, and leading volunteers to assist in ministry activities for children and youth. Resumes may be sent to mking@arbc.com.

Trinity Baptist Church, Conyers, GA, is seeking a **part-time Children's Minister** for grades K/5 through 5th grade to oversee Wednesday and Sunday programming, as well as supervise nursery and Children's Church volunteers. Trinity Baptist Church, 301 Honey Creek Road, Conyers, GA 30094, is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Congregation committed to being the presence of Christ in the community, to pursuing a vision of social justice and mission, and to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus' inclusive Kingdom for the world today. Resumes may be sent to trinityassociate@bellsouth.net.

Briarcliff Baptist Church of Atlanta, Georgia is accepting resumes for a **part-time Music Director**. Our congregation averages 110 on Sunday morning and we have a blended music service on Sunday morning at 11 am. The Music Director will be responsible for directing and leading the adult choir, praise band, and children's choir, and for assisting in planning and leading the

Sunday morning worship service. Resumes and references should be sent to Amanda Miller at amiller@briarcliffbaptist.org, or to Briarcliff Baptist Church, 3039 Briarcliff Road, Atlanta, GA 30329.

For an updated listing of open positions, visit www.cbfga.org.

Financial Report

Budget Receipts as of 1/31/2016

(Budget year began July 1, 2015)

Year to date:	2015/2016	2014/2015
Requirement:	\$350,522.83	\$338,949.52
Receipts:	\$326,956.10	\$341,104.48
Expenses:	\$286,211.16	\$321,363.18
Over/(Under)Requirement	(\$23,566.73)	(\$2,154.96)

Monthly	January 2016:	January 2015:
Requirement:	\$50,074.69	\$48,421.36
Receipts:	\$61,202.16	\$41,680.11
Expenses:	\$46,058.39	\$41,306.88
Over/(Under) Expenses	(\$15,143.77)	(\$373.23)
Over/(Under)Requirement	(\$11,127.47)	(\$6,741.25)