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# Re-Visions

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## CBF/GA News

### Senior Celebrations

First Baptist Church, Jasper and Haddock Baptist Church hosted excellent Senior Celebrations on May 18-19, with 90 in attendance in Jasper and 130 in attendance at Haddock. Our preachers, Joel Snider (Jasper) and Jerry Mahan (Haddock), challenged listeners to remain faithful and to grow during senior adult years. After delicious meals provided by each church, local entertainment was enjoyed by all. *Amazing Grace and Joy*, a ladies' trio, sang in Jasper, and Diane Reynolds and Amedeo Tritto provided musical entertainment in Haddock. Frank Broome, Executive Coordinator, answered questions from the audience with lively participation at both churches. CBF/GA is grateful to the Senior Celebration Committee including Tom Hill, chair, Carey Russell, Joy Huddlestun, Vallie Miller, Louis Barton, Henry Tyson, Sarah Holik Murray, Paul Baxley and Rachel Greco. We owe great appreciation to both First Baptist Church, Jasper and Haddock Baptist Church and their volunteers for all their work to make 2015 Senior Celebrations very successful.

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### Spring General Assembly

The first Spring General Assembly in quite a few years brought about 300 participants to Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church in Atlanta April 24-25 for a time of celebration and challenge. A special thank-you goes to Second-Ponce for the help and support their staff and members offered throughout the Spring General Assembly and the planning for the event. A highlight of the gathering was CBF/GA "neighborhood meetings," which are part of a new initiative designed to encourage people from churches in various areas of the state to connect and minister together in new ways. The hope is that each CBF/GA neighborhood will plan an event or gathering for this fall, and we look forward to coming together again as CBF of Georgia for next year's Spring General Assembly, set for Friday - Saturday, April 22-23, 2016, at Smoke Rise Baptist Church in Stone Mountain!

### Touching Taliaferro with Love

*Touching Taliaferro with Love (TTWL)* Day Camps are June 15-19 and June 22-26. Each summer, TTWL, Inc. Board, CBF/GA, local and CBF partner churches sponsor two weeks of summer day camps at the Taliaferro County School for grades kindergarten through fifth. The day camps consist of rotational centers such as arts, crafts, music, storytelling, and recreation. The focus of the camp is developing character through a Christian education experience. The Taliaferro County School System partners with the camp by providing the facilities. TTWL Scholars participate in the camp as well, volunteering as teachers or buddies. Churches and volunteers are welcome to partner with the camp and should contact Rhonda Harris at [rhondakharris@gmail.com](mailto:rhondakharris@gmail.com) for more

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## Smoke Rise Youth Team Travels to Japan

The Smoke Rise Baptist Church (Stone Mountain) Youth Music & Mission Team will travel to Japan this summer to work with CBF field personnel Carson and Laura Foushee, in partnership with the Japan Baptist Convention. Nine high school students and six adult leaders will lead and assist with concerts, chapel, a choir camp, and English classes in four cities over almost two weeks.

## Deacon Network Meeting Set

A Deacon Network fall gathering will take place Sunday, September 13, at Trinity Baptist Church in Moultrie, Georgia. Details will be announced soon.

## Save the Date for *ReCharge!*

*ReCharge*, the CBF/GA annual youth retreat, is set for Friday through Sunday, October 9-11, at Woodland Christian Camp in Temple, Georgia. More information will be available soon, but you may contact Martha Kate Hall at [mkhall@cbfga.org](mailto:mkhall@cbfga.org) or 478-742-1191, ext. 2, with questions.

## Please Send Address Changes

Keeping any database up-to-date is a challenge, and we at CBF/GA solicit your help with this! Please send information about physical and/or email address changes to Melissa Kremer at [mkremer@cbfga.org](mailto:mkremer@cbfga.org). If you are a pastor or church staff member, please also let us know of deaths or moves of members in your church who might be on our *Visions* or *Re-Visions* subscription lists. We thank you in advance for helping with this, as we strive to be good stewards of resources while keeping you informed.

## 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@cbfga.org](mailto:rbennett@cbfga.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. We will be glad to send you information on becoming an Ambassador.

# From CBF/National

## CBF General Assembly Set for Dallas

Join CBF for General Assembly in Dallas June 15-19, 2015! The entire event will take place under one roof, at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Dallas, Texas. Access from both airports is available via DART (Dallas Area Rapid Transit). Attendees will be able to choose from almost eighty workshops to attend over two days, as well as three differing worship models to experience. Separate Assemblies for preschoolers, children and youth are available for a fee by pre-registration, as well as special sessions for college and graduate students. **The CBF/GA state meeting will take place on Thursday afternoon. June 18, from 4:15-5:15 in the Pegasus B Room of the Hyatt Regency.** See the CBF website,

[www.cbf.net/assembly](http://www.cbf.net/assembly), for information and to register online.

## Selah Vie Student Retreat

**Selah Vie**, an end-of-summer retreat for college and graduate students, will take place Monday - Wednesday, August 3-5, in Nashville, TN, at the Joe C. Davis YMCA Outdoor Center. This retreat is designed to give students a chance to seek guidance, to reflect, and to discern God's direction in their lives. Specialized tracks will give attention to the different life stages in which students may find themselves. Cost of the retreat is \$75 for two nights' lodging and five meals. The Rev. Meredith Stone of Logsdon School of Theology of Hardin-Simmons University will lead in worship, and Josh Beeler of Knoxville, TN, will provide music. For more information, please contact Devita Parnell, Young Baptist Ecosystem Manager for CBF, at [dparnell@cbf.net](mailto:dparnell@cbf.net).

## From Our Friends

### Fall Preaching Consultation

The Preaching Consultation takes place October 4-6, 2015, at the Chattanooga Hotel in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Dr. Thomas Long, Bandy Professor of Preaching at Candler School of Theology at Emory University, will be the keynote speaker. For more information, call Diane Frazier at 678-547-6470. The 2015 Preaching Consultation is sponsored by McAfee School of Theology of Mercer University, CBF National, and the state CBFs of Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee.

## Reference and Referral

First Baptist Church of Fitzgerald is prayerfully searching for a **Senior Pastor** who wants to grow with our church family towards a stronger faith in Christ through prayer and Bible study, community service and missions, both locally and abroad. First Baptist Church is a loving and caring Christian community seeking to extend the open hand of God's grace to meet the physical and spiritual needs of others through worship, education, ministry, fellowship and spiritual nurturing. The church of 250+ active members worships in a traditional style including organ, orchestra, handbells and choir. It holds to Baptist traditions through a dual alignment with the SBC and CBF. It is committed to reaching beyond its walls through community service and missions. Please submit resumes to [fbcf@fbcfitz.com](mailto:fbcf@fbcfitz.com) or First Baptist Church, PO Box 367, Fitzgerald, GA 31750.

Haven Fellowship Church, a moderate interdenominational church located in Conyers, Georgia, with an active membership of approximately 200, is seeking a **full-time Senior Pastor** to succeed our retiring pastor of 18 years. Our church is best characterized as a lay-driven congregation of caring people who are passionate about reaching and serving others. We are uniquely positioned both financially and through our existing facilities to meet the spiritual and physical needs of our growing community. It is our desire to call a person to this position

that shares our core values and beliefs, possesses and exhibits the traits of strong leadership through humility, and genuinely desires to be a part of a relationship-based family of believers. The compensation package offered ranges from \$60,000-\$90,000, commensurate with experience and qualifications. Interested persons should send their resumes and references to [havensearch@gmail.com](mailto:havensearch@gmail.com), or mail to Haven Search Team, 2240 Smyrna Road, Conyers, GA 30094, no later than July 15, 2015. To see a full ministry description and an in-depth profile of HFC, please visit [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/g45ruwxm2dzio63/AAB56zVIFncseSqh\\_nuKOTJsa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/g45ruwxm2dzio63/AAB56zVIFncseSqh_nuKOTJsa?dl=0).

Wieuca Road Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA, is seeking a **Minister of Children and Families** who will work in cooperation with the Minister of Congregational Life to oversee and direct Wieuca Road's ministry to infants, preschoolers, and elementary school students and their families. The candidate for this position will have either a master's level degree from an accredited seminary or a degree in a field related to childhood education. He or she will have the necessary temperament and talents to work effectively with children and their families. In addition, the candidate should be able to articulate a God-given call to local church ministry and a desire to minister to children and their families. He or she will have at least 3 years' experience in children's ministry or a related field. Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter by email to Pam Jernigan at [pjernigan@wieuca.org](mailto:pjernigan@wieuca.org). This position is available immediately. Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled. Wieuca Road is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship congregation.

**Metanoia Fellows**, Charleston, SC: the Metanoia Fellows Initiative is an opportunity to learn the theory and practice behind Asset Based Community Development in a supportive and rigorous learning environment. This is a two-year commitment; Fellows will be paid \$21,000 in year one of the Fellows opportunity and \$23,000 in year two of the opportunity. Individuals interested in applying should thoroughly review the information contained on the Metanoia Fellows Website, [www.metanoiafellows.org](http://www.metanoiafellows.org). The website contains links to the formal application. Completed application packages must be received by June 15, 2015.

First Baptist Church of Asheville is a caring and compassionate church which, like Jesus, accepts everyone and is committed to serving our neighbors, community, and world. We are currently seeking an individual to fill the full-time position of **Minister with Children and Families**. The ideal candidate will be a seminary graduate, have experience in local church ministry, a primary calling to work with children and their families, an awareness of and sensitivity to stages of development in children, express creativity in ministry, emphasize developing and deepening spiritual formation in children and their families, and be able to affirm our church's mission, vision and values. Interested persons should send a resume and cover letter to: First Baptist Church of Asheville, 5 Oak Street, Asheville, NC 28801, Attn: Minister with Children Search Committee; or email it to [tbratton@fbca.net](mailto:tbratton@fbca.net). To see a full description, please visit [www.fbca.net](http://www.fbca.net).

First Baptist Church, Commerce, Ga., is seeking a full time **Minister to Youth, Children and Families**. FBC is dually aligned with the CBF and SBC and adheres



Year to Date Budget Requirement:	\$193,685.44
Over/(Under)	(32,917.30)
March Budget Receipts:	\$50,489.74
March Budget Requirement:	\$48,421.36
Over/(Under)	\$2,068.38

**NOTE FOR 2015 CONTRIBUTORS**

All 2015 contributions to CBF/GA must be received in the office, or be postmarked, by Thursday, December 31, 2015. If you have questions or concerns, please call or contact Dawn Williams, Assistant to the Coordinator for Finance, at 478-742-1191, ext. 5, or at [dwilliams@cbfga.org](mailto:dwilliams@cbfga.org).

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