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## CBF/GA News

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### Search Committee Accepting Résumés through Sept. 1

The CBF/GA Executive Coordinator Search Committee is now accepting résumés and will continue to do so through September 1, 2017. Please send résumés to [cbfgasearch@gmail.com](mailto:cbfgasearch@gmail.com). For a full job description, visit [www.cbfga.org/news/](http://www.cbfga.org/news/).

### The following people make up the Search Committee:

**Henry Tyson**, Chair and Past Moderator, First Baptist, Carrollton

**Don Brewer**, First Baptist, Gainesville

**John Paul Harris**, Horizon Baptist Fellowship, Summerville

**LeAnn Gunter Johns**, First Baptist Church of Christ, Macon

**Joyce McCartney**, First Baptist, Griffin

**Julie Long**, Moderator, First Baptist Church of Christ, Macon

**Keithen Tucker**, Moderator-Elect, First Baptist, Eatonton

### CBF/GA West Neighborhood News

Join FBC Griffin and Mount Zion Baptist Church for ***Sing and Celebrate!*** **150 YEARS** this Sunday, July 30, at 6 pm in the Mount Zion Baptist Church sanctuary, 321 E. Taylor Street in Griffin! Mount Zion Baptist Church, a New Era Missionary Baptist Convention church in Griffin, is celebrating its sesquicentennial. This Worship Concert presented by the two church choirs will feature four combined anthems along with several worship pieces by each choir. Your presence will be an important witness to God's presence in these two united congregations who share in ministry in Griffin.

### Senior Adult Retreat Will Return to St. Simons in 2018!

Plan now to attend next year's Senior Adult Retreat, Sunday, April 29 - Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at Saint Simon's Island. We look forward to another great experience hosted by First Baptist Church, Saint Simons. More details will be shared as they become available.

### Senior Celebrations Planned for October and November

This fall's first Senior Celebration will take place Tuesday, October 24, at First Baptist, Griffin, with Edward Bolen of Milledge Avenue Baptist Church, Athens, preaching. The second Senior Celebration will be Thursday, November 9, at First Baptist, Commerce, with Bill Ross of First Baptist Church, Marietta, as preacher. Registration each day will open at 9:30 am, with worship beginning at 10:30. Lunch and entertainment follow, and the program will end by 2 pm. Mark your calendars and plan to join CBF/GA friends for a fine day of worship and fellowship!

### New CBF/GA Website Is Here!

CBF/GA's website has a new look! Please be patient as we continue to transition to the new website, learn to use its features, and update information from the old website.

### Love Your Neighbor

How is your church loving your neighbors through missions? Please send stories and pictures to [mkremer@cbfga.org](mailto:mkremer@cbfga.org) and join in celebrating how God is working across Georgia through CBF/GA congregations.

### Address Changes?

Please send information about physical and/or email address changes or phone number changes to Melissa Kremer at [mkremer@cbfga.org](mailto:mkremer@cbfga.org).

### Be a CBF/GA Ambassador

If you are interested 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 actively promotes CBF/GA and encourages connections between his/her local church and CBF/GA.

From CBF Global

## CBF Church Start Information Available

The CBF Church Start Discernment Cohort, a free 8-week online experience for persons interested in discerning and living out a call to start new churches, takes place four times a year. This is a creative space for people who are already in the process of starting a church to explore and work through their vision and mission. The final Church Start Discernment Cohort for 2017 will be October 8-December 1. Contact Andy Hale at [ahale@cbf.net](mailto:ahale@cbf.net) or at 919-971-4412 for more information and to register for the cohort.

## From Our Friends

### Growing Generous Givers Conference at FBC, Decatur

Ruben Swint will be leading a conference entitled "Growing Generous Givers" Saturday, August 19, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm, at First Baptist, Decatur, 308 Clairemont Avenue, Decatur. This workshop is offered by the Center for Congregational Health, and CEUs are available for participants. For registration information, go to [www.growinggenerousgivers.com](http://www.growinggenerousgivers.com).

## Reference and Referral

Madison Baptist Church in Madison, GA, has an immediate opening to call a Minister/Director of Youth and Children's Ministries. Our church is seeking a committed Christian who is enthusiastic, personable, motivated, and compassionate. Madison is located 60 miles east of Atlanta and 25 miles south of Athens. MBC is a multi-staffed church that values ministry to youth and children. We are a dually-aligned CBF/SBC church with average weekly worship attendance of 200. Minimum requirements for the position include a Bachelor's degree; church youth/children leadership experience is preferred. Résumé and cover letter should be submitted to [mbcyouthpastorsearchcom@gmail.com](mailto:mbcyouthpastorsearchcom@gmail.com) or MBC Search Committee, 328 South Main Street, Madison, GA 30650. If you need further information, please contact us at the above email address.

First Baptist Church of Griffin, Georgia, is an avowedly moderate Baptist congregation affiliated with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. We are searching for an Associate Pastor with strong people skills as well as gifts in preaching and management of ministry areas. This pastor must work well as a team with other ministers and focus upon the entire congregation. However, he/she will also need to lead and preach weekly in the Connexion worship ministry, our contemporary worship service that meets at the same time as our traditional worship service. There will also be recurring moments throughout the church year where preaching in the traditional service will also be expected. Preference will be given to candidates with the equivalent of an M.Div. degree from an accredited seminary and a minimum of four years of preaching/church ministry experience. Deadline to receive resume and cover letter is September 15. Send resumes and cover letter to [searchcommittee@fbcgriffin.org](mailto:searchcommittee@fbcgriffin.org).

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Vineville Baptist Church, Macon, Georgia, seeks a part-time Minister to Children and Young Families. This person will provide leadership for comprehensive ministry among children ages birth through sixth grade, along with providing direction and guidance to parents and lay leaders. This person will participate fully with church staff, including staff and Children's Team planning, worship leadership, and support of the larger ministry of the church. A commitment of 15-20 hours per week is expected, including Sundays and Wednesdays. The ideal candidate will have a bachelor's degree and experience in ministry with children and/or teaching experience; some administrative experience is a plus, and seminary education is highly valued but not required. Résumés with cover letters may be submitted to Candace Fry, chair, at [vbchildrenresume@gmail.com](mailto:vbchildrenresume@gmail.com). Résumés will be accepted until the position is filled.

First Baptist Church of Decatur, Georgia, welcomes applicants for the position of Lead Pastor. A church with a 150-year history, FBC Decatur is a CBF partner congregation. Led by a staff of 4 ministers and 2 worship leaders, FBC Decatur has a traditional and a contemporary worship service each Sunday, welcoming a diverse congregation to worship and study the Bible together. We are seeking a pastor who is committed to strong preaching and pastoral care; who will partner with us to craft a vision for the next season of our ministry; who will continue to build and encourage a team of ministers, staff and members to lead and care for everyone in the church community; and who will lead us in reaching out to the larger communities of Decatur and metro Atlanta. The successful applicant will

bring passion, joy, and proven abilities in worship leadership and preaching, ministerial and administrative leadership, and congregational care. Applicants should be ordained and have an accredited seminary degree and prior pastoral experience. Candidates who are interested should submit a cover letter including a statement of faith and ministry, and resume including list of references, to [SearchCommittee@fbcdccatur.com](mailto:SearchCommittee@fbcdccatur.com), or by mail to Pastor Search Committee, First Baptist Church of Decatur, 308 Clairemont Avenue, Decatur, Georgia, 30030. Links to audio or video sermon content are also encouraged. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

First Baptist Church, Augusta, GA is seeking a qualified, spiritual, and relational candidate for the full-time comprehensive position of Youth/College Minister. The candidate should have a great love for student ministry and a passion for teaching students to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ. First Baptist is a large faith community who values and supports Youth/College Ministry and is excited to see it continue to grow and improve. The Minister is responsible for planning, coordinating, administering, supporting and evaluating the comprehensive ministry to students and their families. First Baptist is blessed to serve over a hundred students attending multiple middle/high schools and colleges in the greater Augusta area. It is our desire to equip our students with a solid Biblical foundation and to help students have an attitude of compassion for others and to have an authentic and undeniable love for God. A Seminary or education degree is preferred, as well as experience in Youth Ministry and partnering in church growth. Resumes will be accepted immediately and should be submitted to [youthsearch@fbcaugusta.org](mailto:youthsearch@fbcaugusta.org). A detailed job description can be found at [www.fbcaugusta.org](http://www.fbcaugusta.org).

Murfreesboro Baptist Church, located in Murfreesboro, NC seeks a full-time senior pastor. Murfreesboro Baptist Church, a 169-year-old church associated with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, offers a traditional service with liturgical elements and observes the liturgical calendar throughout the year. Murfreesboro is home to Chowan University and the church has strong ties with the University and the community. We are looking for an outstanding preacher, communicator, pastoral minister, and visionary. The senior pastor will be responsible for preaching, teaching, visitation, and working alongside the deacon board for church administration. The candidate should hold a degree from an accredited seminary or divinity school and have previous ministry experience. Doctoral degree or studies a plus. Salary is commensurate with education and experience and includes allowances and benefits package. Submit letter of application and resume to [office@murfbc.org](mailto:office@murfbc.org) or by mail to Murfreesboro Baptist Church, 200 W. Main Street, Murfreesboro, NC. 27855. ATTN: Pastoral Search Committee.

Central Baptist Church, Newnan, GA, seeks a part-time (20 hours per week, including personal practice time for weekly preparation of worship music) organist/music assistant. As organist, play for one Sunday service each week; play for any special services including weddings, funerals, and services for Advent and Lent; play for Wednesday children's choir and Chancel Choir rehearsals; accompany soloists, instrumentalists, and ensembles for worship; and, coordinate and prepare service music for worship. As music associate, candidate may be asked to direct a children's choir, handbell choir, or youth ensemble. Candidate may be asked to conduct the Chancel Choir on occasion. Candidate will be involved in creative planning and implementation for the music ministry. The sanctuary organ is a 24 rank, 2-manual Pilcher/Moller. The sanctuary piano is a Steinway grand and the rehearsal room piano is a Yamaha baby grand. Central Baptist Church is affiliated with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and is traditional/liturgical in worship style. An organ replacement fund has been established with the goal to replace our current organ with a new instrument and new façade in the sanctuary. The organist will be asked to provide input and leadership in this project. Resumes may be sent to [acronic@numail.org](mailto:acronic@numail.org).

First Baptist Church, Augusta, GA, seeks a qualified candidate for the full-time position of Preschool/Children's Minister. The Preschool/Children's Minister is responsible for coordinating, planning, scheduling, and leading all programs associated with the ministry of children (birth - 5th grade). A seminary or education degree is preferred, as well as experience in Children's Ministry and church growth. Resumes will be accepted immediately and should be submitted to [childresearch@fbcaugusta.org](mailto:childresearch@fbcaugusta.org).

Lake Nixon Outdoor Center, a ministry of Second Baptist Church Downtown Little Rock, AR, is looking for staff candidates who have a strong love for God and service to families, students and children. The Program Director/Educator is a new position created to help expand the services of the Lake Nixon Outdoor Center. The successful candidate is responsible for maintaining the Lake Nixon Outdoor Center's summer day camp programs, which have been in operation since 1969 and primarily serve kindergarteners through 5th graders. The day

camp operates for nine weeks in the summer. The successful candidate will also work alongside staff to develop a new Outdoor Preschool Program for children age 3 to 5, based on the Nature Preschool/Forest Kindergarten model, to begin in the Fall of 2017 or Winter of 2018. Please visit <http://www.2bcl.com/employment/> for details on how to apply.

First Baptist Church of Mount Airy, North Carolina, a 135-year-old church with 600+ resident members, is prayerfully seeking a full-time associate pastor. The search committee is seeking a compassionate, caring servant-leader, led by the Holy Spirit, exhibiting visionary leadership and committed to the spiritual formation of members. The Associate Minister's responsibilities will be focused on youth, children, and their families while giving attention and oversight to the educational ministry for all age groups. Applicants should be biblically grounded and mature in their faith. A Bachelor's Degree is required; seminary training is preferred and the applicant should be a candidate for ordination. The search committee prefers to receive resumes by email at [fbcapresumes@gmail.com](mailto:fbcapresumes@gmail.com); however, hard copies will be accepted. Please mail hard copies to: Associate Pastor Search Team, First Baptist Church, 714 N. Main Street, Mount Airy, NC 27030.

For an updated listing of open positions, visit [www.cbfga.org](http://www.cbfga.org).

## Financial Report

### Budget Receipts as of 6/30/2017

(Budget year began July 1, 2016)

Year to date:	2016/2017	2015/2016
Requirement:	\$573,396.36	\$600,896.28
Receipts:	\$489,435.96	\$527,019.80
Expenses:	\$501,379.53	\$528,315.42
Over/(Under)Expenses	(\$11,943.57)	(\$1,295.62)
Over/(Under) Requirement	(\$83,960.40)	(\$73,876.48)

Monthly	June 2017:	June 2016:
Requirement:	\$47,783.03	\$50,074.69
Receipts:	\$35,899.63	\$56,184.28
Expenses:	\$33,644.32	\$46,625.55
Over/(Under) Expenses	\$2,255.31	\$9,558.73
Over/(Under)Requirement	(\$11,883.40)	\$6,109.59

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