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CBF/GA News

Disaster Relief Opportunities after Hurricane Matthew

As this newsletter is being written, Hurricane Matthew is bearing down on the Southeastern U.S. coastline. There will likely be needs in its aftermath - in Georgia, in neighboring states, and in Haiti, the Bahamas, and other island nations. We at CBF/GA want to link needs with resources, and we need church leaders to help us with this. At present, we are in conversation with CBF/GA pastors in St. Simons Island and Savannah and will await their requests for any assistance needed in their communities. CBF/GA has established a fund to assist if the coast is damaged and our leadership identifies needs. You may give through the CBF/GA website or by sending a check to the CBF/GA office at P.O. Box 4343, Macon, GA, 31208. **Please contact Renee Bennett at the CBF/GA office in Macon at 478-742-1191, ext. 3, with questions or with information about needs in your church and community.** Likewise, churches with resources to share may contact our office so that we may connect you with the need.

Register NOW for Senior Celebrations!

Plan to attend one of the CBF/GA Senior Celebrations for 2016. Dates are Thursday, October 27, at Heritage Baptist Church in Cartersville, and Thursday, November 10, at First Baptist Church, Eatonton. Each event begins at 10 a.m. and concludes by 2 p.m. The theme is "Reminiscing about the Future," and a registration fee of \$15.00 includes lunch. Clarissa Strickland will be the featured speaker on October 27, and Charles Smith will speak on November 10. A luncheon and musical entertainment round out each day. Online registration is now open at www.cbfga.org, or you may register by contacting Renee Bennett at rbennett@cbfga.org or call 478-742-1191, ext. 3.

Middle Neighborhood STOP HUNGER NOW Event

Six Middle Neighborhood CBF/GA churches participated as a large group of volunteers packed meals on Sunday, September 18 at Highland Hills Baptist Church in Macon. Thank you to the Missions Committee of HHBC and Amanda Wilson Harper, co-pastor of Community Baptist in Milledgeville and Missions chair for CBF/GA, for organizing and promoting this effort.



Ready to STOP HUNGER NOW

Peer Learning Group Funding Deadline Oct. 14

CBF/GA is now accepting funding requests for Peer Learning Groups within the state of Georgia. For more information please contact Martha Kate Hall at mkhall@cbfga.org. Requests must be submitted no later than October 14, 2016.

Save the Dates for Senior Adult Retreat

We will return to St. Simons Island April 30-May 2, 2017! Next year's theme will be "Honor the Past, Imagine the Future," and Matt Marston, pastor of Trinity Baptist in Moultrie, will be the speaker. Registration will open November 1. Contact Renee Bennett at rbennett@cbfga.org for information.

Support Flood Relief through CBF/GA

CBF/GA continues to collect disaster relief funds to help CBF of Louisiana with costs related to the recent flooding there. To donate through CBF/GA, please give online at www.cbfga.org or send a check to CBF/GA marked

"disaster relief." Teams are also needed to work in the Baton Rouge area. Please contact Bobby Rayborn (225-927-5454) at Broadmoor Baptist Church, Rick Wright (225-776-9474) at University Baptist Church, or Mike Massar (903-520-9002) at CBF of Louisiana for assistance planning a trip. You may also contact CBF U.S. Disaster Response Director Alan Williams at alan.williams@cbf.net or 404-270-0772 for assistance.

MMM Registration Now Open!

Save the dates for March Mission Madness!

March 3-5, 2017 --First Baptist Church, Roswell

March 10-12, 2017 -- First Baptist Church of Christ, Macon

Registration is now open online at www.cbfga.org!

Now Serving: Atlanta Dates Set for February

Churches are invited to bring or send college students to Now Serving: Atlanta February 3-4, 2017, at the Atlanta campus of Mercer University. CBF/GA and



McAfee School of Theology partner to host this 24-hour mission and worship event for college students. Cost is only \$20 per student. Contact Martha Kate Hall at mkhall@cbfga.org for more information. Registration will open in late fall.

CBF/GA's 25th Birthday Planned for Macon, March 24-25



Mark your calendars and save March 24-25, 2017, for the 25th Anniversary Celebration of CBF/GA! We will return to Macon, where CBF/GA was formally begun, meeting at Vineville Baptist Church, at the intersection of Pierce, Pio Nono and Vineville Avenues. Registration opens in early November.

Love Your Neighbor

How is your church loving your neighbors through missions? Please send stories and pictures to 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 to Melissa Kremer at mkremer@cbfga.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@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 Celebration Week: October 16-23

Many CBF churches, partners, and individuals across the Fellowship are celebrating CBF's 25th Anniversary during the week of October 16-23, 2016. Through special worship, mission projects, Bible studies, state and regional gatherings and other special events, the CBF Celebration Week will be an opportunity for Cooperative Baptists throughout the country to thank God for the past 25 years and look forward to our future as a Fellowship. For celebration ideas, view the video at www.cbf.net/cbf25.



Pivot Bahamas Experience Offered by CBF Global

Pivot Bahamas, February 16-20, 2017, is a learning experience for young adults ages 21-44. CBF leaders will use the book *Pivot: Turning Teams Toward God's Mission Near and Far* to examine our theology of mission. Participants will gain the tools to practice mission from a good theological perspective through a visit with CBF mission partners. Cost is \$350 per person plus travel, and space is limited to 50 participants. [Click here](#) or call 770-220-1600 for more information. *Pivot Bahamas* is jointly sponsored by CBF Global Missions, CBF's Young Baptist Ecosystem, CBF Florida, and CBF Bahamas.

ChurchWorks 2017 Set for Jacksonville, FL

ChurchWorks 2017 will take place February 20-22 at Hendricks Avenue Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Florida. More information will be available soon at www.cbf.net.

Come to CBF General Assembly in Atlanta next June!



From Our Friends

"Compassion Fatigue" Topic for Clergy Brunch

The Care and Counseling Center of Georgia offers "Dealing with Compassion Fatigue as Clergy," a Fall Clergy Bagel Brunch, October 26, 10 am - 11:30 am, at 1814 Clairmont Road, Decatur, GA 30033. Clergy face the stress of carrying the stories of those we serve and those we love. These stories and realities can be heavy when held alone in isolation. When the pain of personal and private lives becomes too much to carry, clergy can develop Compassion Fatigue. Contact Tom VanLaningham, tvlaningham@cccgeorgia.org to learn more and to register for the brunch.

Developmental Disabilities Ministries Newsletter Link

The Helping Hand Newsletter for September/October 2016 is now available online from DDM (Developmental Disabilities Ministries). To view the newsletter, [click here](#).

Exchange Student Hosting Opportunity

"If you ever want or need a mission opportunity that doesn't actually take you to another country, I have that mission opportunity for you. Hosting a student from another country is the perfect way to show compassion and love to another human," says Amy Ovalle, a Macon resident and a participant in the Women's Interfaith Alliance of Central Georgia. Amy is a Community Representative for Ayusa International, a group that promotes global learning and leadership through foreign exchange and study abroad for high school students from the U.S. and around the world. Find out more about hosting a student at www.ayusa.org.

Candler School of Theology Fall Events

For an extensive list of significant events scheduled at Emory's Candler School of Theology during the Fall 2016 semester, [click here](#).

Reference and Referral

First Baptist Church of Huntersville, NC is seeking a full-time Minister of Worship. We are a moderate congregation of 450 active members, located in Charlotte metro near Lake Norman. Our worship attendance averages 350 per week, currently divided between contemporary, traditional, and Spanish-language services. FBCH's strength is its unified diversity, and we are particularly seeking a candidate who will lead our English services toward unified worship. Applicants must be competent in both contemporary and traditional worship styles, as well as have a vision for "intergenerational" worship. A detailed church profile and job description can be found at www.fbc-h.org under the "Link 'n Learn" tab. Résumé and cover letter may be submitted by November 30 to worshipfbc@gmail.com.

Chestnut Grove Baptist Church in Earlysville, Virginia seeks a pastoral associate to develop and implement a comprehensive program of incarnational Christian ministry among middle and high school youth. S/he will collaboratively lead a multi-faceted program which nurtures spiritual growth and fosters healthy relationships with God, self, and others. Bachelor's degree, seminary education or congregational experience, and steady personal devotion required. Resumes may be sent to Anne Comarovschi, Search Committee Chair, at office@chestnutgrovebaptist.org.

First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Kentucky, is seeking a minister who will creatively visualize and incorporate the mission of the church and the love of Jesus Christ in ministry with children, youth, and their families. We are a dynamic and growing body of Christ seeking to be faithful witnesses together. Our mission is to be the presence of Christ in the world by celebrating worship of God, connecting people to people, and caring for others. Please send resumes to fbcwoffice@gmail.com.

North Broad Baptist Church (NBBC) in Rome, Georgia, is a vibrant, loving, family of faith which worships in a traditional style with liturgical components. NBBC seeks a part-time church organist to aid in our worship experience. The organist is expected to play for Wednesday choir rehearsals, Sunday services, and a few special occasions. Pay is commensurate with experience. Interested persons should submit a resumé to North Broad Baptist Church, 1309 North Broad Street, Rome, GA 30161, Attention Reverend Micah Pritchett.

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; 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.

Emmanuel Baptist Fellowship, a small and inclusive community of faith in Lexington, SC, is seeking a **bi-vocational pastor**. Primary duties include worship leadership, congregational leadership, administration, pastoral care and outreach. Please submit resume and cover letter to Melanie Ragland, EBF Pastor Search Committee, 117 Summerfield Drive, Lexington, SC 29071 or email them to melaniecoker@aol.com. Applicant review will begin October 9, 2016.

CBF Global seeks a **full-time Graphic Design Specialist** to design and produce publications and artwork for CBF projects, to collaborate with CBF staff to produce logos, exhibits and displays, and to compile and organize digital files and manage online subscriptions. A bachelor's degree in a related field and three years of experience in graphic design with publications is required. Please send resumes and work portfolios to jobs@cbf.net.

First Baptist Church of Pendleton (FBCP), SC, a diverse, moderate Baptist congregation, seeks a **full-time pastor**. Average attendance for our blended worship service is 100-125. FBCP ordains men and women as deacons and ministers and employs women in ministerial positions. Minimum requirements are a Master of Divinity degree from an accredited seminary or divinity school and a minimum of five years of ministerial experience, preferably including at least two years in a pastoral role. Our Church Profile and Pastor Profile, as well as contact information for inquiries and submission of resumes and cover letters, are available at www.fbcpendleton.org/pastorsearch.html. Resumes and cover letters will be accepted until October 15, 2016.

First Baptist Clemson, SC, a CBF congregation, is seeking a **full-time Minister of Youth and College Students**. This position requires a Bachelor's degree and the pursuit of a seminary degree. Preferred qualifications are a completed seminary degree and two years of ministry experience with youth or college. Please submit resume and cover letter in PDF form to boneil@clemson.edu or rustypreach@icloud.com. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Brookwood Baptist Church in Mountain Brook, Alabama seeks a **full-time Minister to Children and Their Families**. Primary duties include leading and directing the ministry of the church for children 1st to 6th grade. This minister develops ministry programs for these children as well as for their families. The minister equips the church to provide a ministry for families that encourages faith to be awakened, supported, and challenged in the lives of participants. Bachelor's degree in education or master's degree from seminary preferred. Minimum total of five years of teaching and/or children's ministry-whether professional or volunteer-strongly preferred. The minister should exhibit a strong commitment to the spiritual nurture of children as a vocational ministry.

Brookwood is a family-oriented "tribe" with a strong sense of community. The church is also extremely missions-minded, with the vast majority of the church participating regularly in missions activities. Brookwood is affiliated with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, the Alabama Baptist Convention, and the Birmingham Baptist Association. Currently the church has 300-400 in Sunday School and worship. E-mail resume and recommendations to Tasha Davis, Search Team Chair, at tashad@brookwood.org.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Troutville, VA, seeks a **full-time pastor**. A diverse, moderate Baptist congregation with average worship attendance of 90-100, the church is located 20 minutes north of Roanoke, VA, at the foot of the Appalachian Mountains. Our church affirms the 1963 Baptist Faith and Message and ordains men and women as deacons. We have a new vision focusing on blended worship, small group ministry, and ministry service teams. Church, community and pastor profiles, job description, compensation and benefits info is available at www.phbcweb.com. Send inquiries and resumes to geo686@aol.com.

First Baptist Church, located in downtown Tallahassee, Florida, is seeking God's guidance for a **full-time Senior Pastor**. We are a Bible-focused congregation that desires a dynamic preacher/teacher who can preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, possesses a deep and personal prayer life, has a strong focus on evangelism and can pastor a diverse congregation. Candidates should have a minimum of a Masters of Divinity and a Doctorate is preferred. For more information on our church, please refer to www.fbctlh.org/pastorsearch. Interested candidates or referrals should submit a cover letter and resume to pastorsearch@fbctlh.org or to the Pastor Search Committee, First Baptist

Church, P.O. Box 710, Tallahassee, FL 32302. Review of resumes and cover letters will begin September 2, 2016.

First Baptist Church of New Bern, North Carolina seeks candidates for the position of **Associate Pastor of Youth and Family Life**. Our church has a rich heritage of faithful service and missions as well as strong leadership and ministry and is affiliated with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. This position will offer the opportunity to join a hardworking and collaborative staff and team to continue a vibrant youth ministry that has been successfully led for many years. Responsibilities will include ministry, activities and counseling for youth in grades 6-12, and planning/scheduling/coordination of Family Life activities and the Family Life Center. Requirements include a sincere calling to youth ministry and love of teens, along with an understanding of their developmental needs and the challenges they face in today's world. Also needed are strong communication skills, experience with social media, and the ability to plan, organize and execute events and activities. Educational and experiential requirements include a Master's of Divinity, counseling training for youth and families, and previous experience working in youth ministry. Interested candidates may submit a resume to fbcpsearch@gmail.com by September 30.

First Baptist Church of Augusta, Georgia is seeking a **full-time Interim Children's Director**. This position is responsible for Wednesday evening programs, Sunday morning Bible study, and retreats/camps for children. This position will work with other ministerial staff to develop family oriented and church-wide events, also. Weekday hours of work are negotiable, and Wednesday evening and Sunday morning presence is required. Superior interpersonal skills are required in order to build relationships with staff, committees, children and their parents. Ideal candidate will possess the following attributes and experience - Bachelor's degree preferably in education, with experience teaching or leading in an educational or church environment. The position reports to the Associate Pastor. Please submit resume to Jim Walls, First Baptist Church of Augusta, 3500 Walton Way Ext., Augusta, Georgia 30909 or e-mail your resume to jwalls@fbcaugusta.org.

First Baptist Church of Forsyth, Georgia, is seeking a **pastor**. We are a progressive church located in a county seat town near Macon and within an hour of Atlanta. We are affiliated with CBF and SBC and affirm both men and women in leadership roles. We have both traditional and blended worship styles. Send a cover letter with resume to Mrs. Carey Russell at fbcm1@bellsouth.net by September 15th.

The Forks of Elkhorn Baptist Church in Midway, KY, is seeking a **full-time student minister**. Candidate must be a graduate of a college, university, or postgraduate accredited seminary with an advanced degree in an area of Christian Ministry. Candidates must have at least two years experience working with students. Candidate should be a self-starter, exercising initiative and judgment and able to work with or without direct supervision. Candidate must be committed to a team ministry approach and to the doctrine, values and vision of FOEBC. Resumes with cover letter and at least three references should be sent to billadcock107@gmail.com or mailed to Bill Adcock, 495 Duckers Road, Midway, KY 40347.

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

Financial Report

Budget Receipts as of 8/31/2016

(Budget year began July 1, 2016)

Year to date:	2016/2017	2015/2016
Requirement:	\$ 95,566.06	\$96,842.72
Receipts:	\$80,842.90	\$75,078.88
Expenses:	\$76,074.46	\$87,867.96
Over/((Under)Expenses	\$4,768.44	(\$12,789.08)
Over/((Under) Requirement	(\$14,723.16)	(\$21,763.84)

Monthly	July 2016:	August 2015:
Requirement:	\$47,783.03	\$48,421.36
Receipts:	\$51,432.91	\$36,237.63
Expenses:	\$42,841.28	\$48,981.46
Over/((Under) Expenses	\$8,591.63	(\$12,743.83)
Over/((Under)Requirement	\$3,649.88	(\$12,183.73)

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