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CBF/GA ReVisions

March 19, 2019



Read the latest blog post from Jody Long, Executive Coordinator: "Nine Days"

"There are nine days until Major League Baseball's Opening Day on March 28, 2019. It's the earliest opening in MLB history, save for some overseas/international games that occasionally are played, including this year's two-game series in Tokyo, Japan, between the Oakland A's and the Seattle Mariners on March 20 and 21. Still, though, it's nine days away..."

To read more, [click here](#).

Register Now for Senior Adult Retreat April 28-30!

Register NOW at for the Senior Adult Retreat at FBC, Saint Simons Island! [Click here](#) for full schedule information and to register.

The retreat begins with a cake fellowship on Sunday evening, April 28, and continues through noon on Tuesday, April 30. Chris George, Pastor of Smoke Rise Baptist Church in Stone Mountain, and Michael Jennings, Minister of Music at FBC Saint Simons, will lead the retreat worship. Interesting and fun breakout sessions are planned as well, plus

time for sightseeing, shopping, enjoying the beach, or just resting. Hotel rooms are blocked for our use at the Saint Simons Inn by the Lighthouse for \$139/room/night. You may book rooms by calling 912-638-1101 or online at www.stsimonsinn.com/ using the group code CBF19. Other suggested hotels (without blocked rooms) include:

Best Western Plus 912-638-7805
Hampton Inn 912-634-2204
Holiday Inn and Suites 912-634-2175
Home2Suites by Hilton 912-638-0333
Ocean Inn and Suites 912-634-2122
Queens Court Inn 912-268-4966



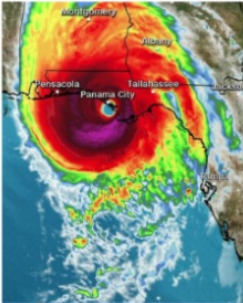
[Check Out Pictures from March Mission Madness in Alpharetta!](#)

[Click here](#) to see photos from last weekend's March Mission Madness, hosted by Johns Creek Baptist Church in Alpharetta.



Announcing Panhandle Mission Madness

MISSION MADNESS IN THE PANHANDLE



JUNE 2-5, 2019

Join CBF congregations and youth groups from Alabama, Florida, and Georgia for a short term disaster response trip to the Florida panhandle. We'll be clearing debris and doing some small repair work. Each night, we'll have a time of reflective worship as well as church group debriefing times. You'll have the opportunity to work alongside your group as well as make new relationships with others.



Cost: **\$50 per person** (includes lunches on Mon and Tues., supply fees, and a T-shirt)

Also, each group is responsible for:

Lodging. We have blocked hotel rooms at the Comfort Inn & Suites in Marianna for \$100 per night, with 2 Queen Beds per room.

Dinner each night. There are a variety of fast food and more casual restaurants in Marianna.



To reserve your spaces, a \$25 per person deposit is due by April 1 to Jody Long, CBF/GA.

For more information, contact Jody Long, CBF/GA, jlong@cbfga.org or 478-731-9858

Church groups and individuals are welcome, as are families. Please contact Jody Long directly at jlong@cbfga.org with questions. A second Panhandle Mission Madness event is being planned for Columbus Day weekend in October.

Save the Date for CBF/GA General Assembly!



Set aside November 3-4, 2019, for the CBF/GA General Assembly at First Baptist Church, Columbus. The gathering will begin with dinner on Sunday evening, followed by worship led by BWIM of Georgia. Monday will include breakout sessions and mission

opportunities.

A special Ministers' Gathering will follow from Monday evening, November 4, through Tuesday, November 5.

Look for more details very soon as we prepare for this fine event. We thank First Baptist, Columbus, for agreeing to host both the General Assembly and Ministers' Gathering.

Scholarship Applications Accepted through April 18

CBF/GA will accept theological education scholarship applications for the 2019-2020 academic years through Thursday, April 18. [Click here](#) for more information. Contact Martha Kate Hall at mkhall@cbfga.org with questions.

Apply through April 18 for Congregational Ministry Grants

CBF/GA will accept applications for the Congregational Ministry Grant program through Thursday, April 18. To learn more, [click here](#). contact Martha Kate Hall at mkhall@cbfga.org with questions.

Save the Date for Winter Youth Summit 2020!



Sunday School Teacher Training for Preschool and Children's Leaders



Detailed information for this training event will be available sometime in May. Please contact Martha Kate Hall at mkhall@cbfga.org with questions.

State Mission Offering Materials Still Available



We continue to offer State Mission Offering promotional materials for use by your congregation. Go to www.cbfga.org/state-mission-

offering/ to download.

Address Changes?

Physical and/or email address changes, name changes, or phone number changes are welcomed at mkremer@cbfga.org.

From CBF Global

Student.Church and Student.Go Application Period Still Open - Apply Soon!

Great summer internship and mission opportunities are available to college and seminary students through CBF Global, with a supplemental stipend available for Georgia participants in each through CBF/GA.

[Click here](#) to learn more.



Student.Church offers college and seminary students the opportunity to work alongside ministers in CBF churches for the summer. An orientation retreat and the Selah Vie follow-up retreat are part of the program.

Student.Go offers a similar opportunity to students and seminary students to work with CBF Field Personnel and ministry partners in a variety of settings, including two mission sites in Georgia: Koinonia Farm near Americus, and the Stewart Center in Atlanta.



Discernment Retreat for College Women Set for April

Wondering if God is calling you to church ministry or missions? On April 5-7, 2019, Baptist Women in Ministry and Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina will co-host a Discernment Retreat for college women who are sensing a call to ministry. Hayes Barton Baptist Church in Raleigh, NC, will host the retreat, which will include time for worship, reflection, small groups, and fellowship. If you want to know more, or if you know college women who might be interested in attending, please email Julie Long at julielong@bwim.info or Ka'thy Gore Chappell at kchappell@bwimnc.org.

The three-day retreat is free. Students will need only to pay their transportation costs to Raleigh and bring bed linens or sleeping bags, an air mattress, and towels. Food, snacks, showers, and sleeping accommodations will be provided. To register, [click here](#).

The retreat begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5, and will conclude with lunch on Sunday, April 7.

CBF Global Meets in Birmingham June 17-21, 2019

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JUNE 17-21, 2019 | **BIRMINGHAM-JEFFERSON**
 BIRMINGHAM ALA. | CONVENTION COMPLEX
 Registration NOW OPEN www.cbf.net/assembly

Make plans to join us in Birmingham. Hotel information is now available on the CBf website.

[Register here!](#)

From Our Friends

Bramlett/C.S. Lewis Collection Debuts March 21 - 22 at Mercer Macon's Tarver Library



Mercer's Tarver Library in Macon will host "More than the Wardrobe" March 21-22, to showcase an extensive private collection of C. S. Lewis books and materials procured by the late Rev. Perry C. Bramlett. The Bramlett Collection will be unveiled on March 21 at 5 p.m. on the library's second floor. Dr. Ron Higdon, retired minister and co-author of *Touring C. S. Lewis' Ireland and England: A Travel Guide to C. S. Lewis' Favorite Places to Eat and Walk*, will speak on the significance of the collection and share reflections on Rev. Bramlett as part of the opening reception.

The following day, March 22, at 10 a.m. in Penfield Hall, Dr. Higdon will lead a seminar on the impact of Lewis, followed by a panel discussion moderated by selected faculty, alumni and local clergy. Shane Gottwals, owner of Gottwals Books and a 2006 graduate of Mercer's College of Liberal Arts, will discuss "A Grief Observed from Oxford." Father Matt Harlow, rector of Christ the Redeemer Anglican Church in Warner Robins, will speak on "C. S. Lewis in the Family and the Church." Dr. Gary A. Richardson, professor of English at Mercer, will discuss "Fantastic Friendships: C. S. Lewis, Authorship, and the Oxford Inklings." All events are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Theresa Rhodes at (478) 301-2031

Baptist History & Heritage Society to Meet



Registration is now open for the Baptist History & Heritage Society's annual conference to be held May 20-22, 2019, at First Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC. The meeting this year is held in conjunction with the National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion and the Association of Ministry Guidance Professional. An

abundance of papers and presentations will be offered to participants. [Read more and register here.](#)

Meridian Herald Offers Concert at The Church at Ponce and Highland

The Atlanta-based choral group Meridian Herald offers a concert entitled "Southern Folk Passion," at The Church at Ponce and Highland (formerly Druid Hills Baptist Church), 1085 Ponce de Leon Ave NE, Atlanta, GA, 30306, on Sunday, April 14, 2019, at 4:00 pm. Free parking is available in the deck behind the church. Meridian Herald's Southern Folk Passion features music drawn from Georgia's famous tunebook, The Sacred Harp. For more information, [read here.](#)



Reference and Referral

CBF/GA is happy to post your church's job listings for staff positions on our website. Listed below are the positions currently posted. For full information, go to www.cbfga.org/job-listings.

[First Baptist Church, New Bern, NC](#) - Minister of Youth and Family Life

[Harlem Baptist Church, Harlem, GA](#) - Minister of Music (part-time)

[Yates Baptist Church, Durham, NC](#) - Minister of Music and Worship

[Maranatha Baptist Church, Plains, GA](#) - Pastor

[First Baptist Church, Manchester, GA](#) - Minister of Music (part-time)

[Vestavia Hills Baptist Church, Birmingham, AL](#) - Minister to Students

Call Jody Long or Martha Kate Hall at 478-742-1191 with any questions about reference and referral assistance. To advertise a position on the CBF/GA website, go to www.cbfga.org/church-seeking-minister. Ministers seeking opportunities to move may go to www.cbfga.org/minister-seeking-church.

Financial Report

Contribution/budget information is now being reported on a

quarterly basis.

BUDGET/OPERATING (2nd quarter, 2018/2019 Fiscal Year)	
Quarterly Budget Requirement: (October - December 2018)	\$126,937.50
Received:	\$102,014.13
Expenses:	\$ 111,213.28
Gain/(Loss):	(\$9,199.15)
DESIGNATED	
Received:	\$ 60,153.33
Expenses:	\$ 10,835.70
YEAR TO DATE	
Budget Requirement	\$253,875.00
Received	\$194,293.03
Expenses	\$210,618.43
Gain/(Loss)	(\$16,325.40)