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## **Join Us for Georgia Youth Choir Festival Concerts**

You are invited to two performances by the Georgia Youth Choir Festival choir on Sunday, January 20. The morning concert will be held at Briarcliff Baptist Church in Atlanta and the evening concert at First Baptist Church in Columbus. Visit [www.cbfga.org](http://www.cbfga.org) for more information.

## **Save the Date for Senior Celebration**

CBF/GA's fourth annual Senior Celebration will be held Monday-Tuesday, May 6-7. Locations have not been confirmed but will possibly be in the Rome and middle Georgia areas. Keep watching for more details.

## **Now Serving: Atlanta Registration Ends January 25**

Church and campus college groups may now register for Now Serving: Atlanta, a collegiate missions weekend event co-sponsored by CBF/GA and McAfee School of Theology. Registration ends Friday, January 25. For more information, visit [www.nowserving.org](http://www.nowserving.org).

## **March Mission Madness 2013 Registration Ends January 11**

Online registration for the Macon March Mission Madness event closes on Friday, January 11. Late registration is available until Monday, January 28, but groups will incur a \$10/participant late fee. The Rome location is full, and the March Mission Immersion event is wait-list only. If you would like to be put on a waiting list, please contact Laura Foushee at [lfoushee@cbfga.org](mailto:lfoushee@cbfga.org). To register and for more information, visit [www.marchmissionmadness.org](http://www.marchmissionmadness.org).

## **Deacon Summit, Macon, April 5-6**

CBF/GA, the Center for Teaching Churches of McAfee School of Theology, and Eula Mae and John Baugh Center for Baptist Leadership of Mercer University invite deacons

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**Calendar**

Click on the titles for more information. For more calendar dates, please click [here](#).

2013

January 18-20

[Georgia Youth Choir Festival](#)

Calvin Center,  
Hampton

February 8-9

[Now Serving: Atlanta](#)  
Atlanta

March 1-3

[March Mission Madness](#)

Macon

March 8-10

[March Mission Madness](#)

Rome

March 22-24

[March Mission Immersion](#)

Calvin Center,  
Hampton

April 5-6

Deacon Summit  
Macon

April 19-20

[CBF/GA Handbell Festival](#)

First Baptist Church of  
Griffin

and pastors to a deacon summit on Friday-Saturday, April 5-6. Held at the new Football Field House on Mercer University's Macon campus, the purpose of this meeting is to give deacons and pastors opportunities for prayer, conversation, and fellowship, as they explore challenges facing Baptist laity and discover resources for education and enrichment. This meeting will also be the launch of a Baptist deacon network. Keep watching the CBF/GA website and newsletters for more information on plenary sessions, breakouts, and registration.

**Children's Ministry Retreat, FBC Athens, January 28**

All children's ministers are invited to attend a one-day retreat at First Baptist Church of Athens on Monday, January 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event will include coffee, light snacks, and lunch, as well as time to discuss issues regarding children's ministry and share resources. There is no cost to attend. RSVP to Laura Foushee at [lfoushee@cbfga.org](mailto:lfoushee@cbfga.org).

**CBF/GA Handbell Festival Registration Open Online**

The 2013 CBF/GA Handbell Festival will be Friday-Saturday, April 19-20. Handbell choirs will come together for a time of fellowship, mass rehearsal, technique workshops, and a final concert. The concert will be open to the public. Click [here](#) to for more information.

**Disaster Response Trailers News**

If you attended the General Assembly in Griffin, you would have had the opportunity to see CBF/GA's two community missions trailers. One is housed and hosted by Johns Creek Baptist Church, Alpharetta, and the other by First Baptist Church of Augusta. Forty percent of the funding for the purchase of the trailers came from a CBF/National grant, and sixty percent came from CBF/GA. One trailer is fully stocked and ready for use. Help is needed to stock the other trailer with supplies that can be used in response efforts, March Mission Madness, community projects, etc. There was a "Trailer Tool Tree" in the exhibit area of the Fall General Assembly. Ornaments with description of items needed were listed on each. Some attendees took several ornaments, signifying their intent to provide the items as gifts. For these we are grateful. More assistance is needed. If interested in learning what item(s) you or your church could give, contact Tommy Deal at [tdeal@cbfga.org](mailto:tdeal@cbfga.org) for a complete list of needed materials. These trailers are available for use by CBF/GA churches for community



## **How to Use *Re-Visions***

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mission projects and as part of their outreach. The procedures to request use of these trailers and their items will be made available soon.

## **Opening for Advocates**

If you have an interest in serving as a CBF/GA advocate in your congregation, please let us know by contacting Kelley Dixon at [kdixson@cbfga.org](mailto:kdixson@cbfga.org) or 742-742-1191, ext. 26. At the present time, we have about fifty advocates. We will be glad to send you a list of responsibilities.

## **CBF/GA on the Road**

Frank Broome, coordinator, Laura Foushee, associate coordinator, and Renée Bennett, assistant to the coordinator for finance, are always available to preach or update your church on how God is working through our fellowship of Baptist churches. For a current list of engagements for Frank, Laura, and Renée, or to contact one of them about speaking in your church during worship or at other gatherings, click [here](#).

## **From CBF/National**

### **CBF Church Start Discernment Cohort**

A group of church starters was commissioned at last year's CBF General Assembly, and the hope is to commission a second group this year in Greensboro. If you or someone you know is interested in starting a church, the CBF church start discernment cohort may be the first step. This eight week online cohort explores issues relating to missiology, ecclesiology, and church starting, along with offering a confidential community with others asking these same types of questions. For more information about the cohort and registration, click [here](#).

## **Friends**

### **Super Bowl of Hymn Festivals Annual Event**

The Macon chapter of the American Guild of Organists will present The Super Bowl of Hymn Festivals on Sunday, February 3, at 3:00 p.m at Mulberry United Methodist Church in Macon. Leaders of the festival are David Keith, Jack Mitchener, The Midtown Brass Quintet, and the Mercer Singers. The event is free to all, but donations will be accepted.

### **BJC Essay Contest**

High school juniors and seniors have an opportunity to win as much as \$2,000 for college in the Baptist Joint Committee's Religious Liberty Essay Scholarship Contest. To enter, students must write an essay discussing religious diversity in America and evaluating the claim that the United States was founded as a "Christian nation." Prizes range from \$250 for third place to \$2,000 and a trip to Washington, D.C., for the grand prize. The full topic and entry details are available online [here](#).

### **CareForTheTroops Information**

If you are interested in becoming a Veteran Friendly or Lead Congregation through CareForTheTroops, or if you want to learn more about CFTT, please contact Renée Bennett at 478-742-1191, ext. 21, or [rbennett@cbfga.org](mailto:rbennett@cbfga.org).

### **Reference and Referral**

#### **Pianist Position Open**

First Baptist Church of Eatonton is looking for a pianist to play in Sunday morning worship and accompany special groups and events. For a PDF with details about this position, click [here](#).

#### **Children and Youth Minister Positions Open**

Haddock Baptist Church is looking to fill its positions of children's minister and minister of youth. The minister of youth is responsible for providing primary leadership for student ministry in grades six through twelve. The minister of children is responsible for providing primary leadership for children's ministry for preschool through fifth grade students. Both positions are expected to work for a minimum of fifteen hours per week. These hours include attending and actively participating in all church-wide activities, including but not limited to Sunday morning worship, Sunday School, Sunday evening activities (when planned), and Wednesday night services. For more information, click [here](#).

#### **Financial Records Deadline**

CBF/GA 2012 financial records closed on Tuesday, January 8, at 5:00 p.m. Please note that contributions for 2012 received after this date will be credited to 2013. Questions about contributions should be directed to Renée Bennett at [rbennett@cbfga.org](mailto:rbennett@cbfga.org) or 478-742-1191, ext. 21. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

## Financial Update

Year to Date Receipts for 2011:	412,421.04
Year to Date Receipts for 2012:	426,553.37
Year to Date Requirement:	552,710.51
Over/<Under>	(126,157.14)

November Contributions:	32,356.16
November Requirement:	50,246.41
Over/<Under>:	(17,890.25)

## Sharing Information through *Re-Visions*

If you would like to share events happening in your organization or church, email the information to ElizaBeth Copeland at [ecopeland@cbfga.org](mailto:ecopeland@cbfga.org).

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