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**Cyclone Nargis**

Dear CBF family:

Please [click [here](#) to read] an update on the situation in Myanmar. It is provided to you in order that you might be fully informed about our response and about ways in which your congregation or organization can assist. You might want to share some of this information with your churches on Sunday. Please be in prayer for all of those who have lost family members and homes. Also pray for those who are responding on the ground now to this calamity. I would like to say a special word of thanks to David Harding, CBF's International Coordinator for Emergency Response.

We will continue to update you as more information becomes available.

Blessings,  
Rob Nash  
*Global Missions Coordinator*  
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

**What Are You Reading?**

We want to know what you are reading! Send us four to five hundred-word reviews on the books that have been helpful in your life and ministry. We will feature your reviews on our website and in *Re-Visions*. Send your submission to [Nikki Hardeman](#).



**Taliaferro Alert**

What skills do you have? Hobbies? What is your job? You have skills you can share! Taliaferro Summer Camp leaders need the

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## Calendar

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2008

May 17-18

*Northside Drive Hymn Festival*

Northside Drive Baptist Church, Atlanta

May 22-24

*Baptist History and Heritage Society Annual Meeting*

Mercer University, Atlanta

June 15-20

*The Memphis Sessions*

Memphis, TN

June 19-20

*CBF General Assembly Embrace the World: Building Bridges*

Memphis, TN

August 2

*Hispanic Health Fair*  
Iglesia Bautista El Buen Pastor (Good Shepherd Baptist Church), Newman

September 9-11

help of others who can commit to as little as one hour or as much as two weeks. A current "big" need is for additional camp leaders who can visit Taliaferro for an afternoon or two to lead life skills seminars for middle and high school youth. Life skills seminars are conducted from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. each day. The seminars can be educational or entertaining.

Adults and older youth are invited to help lead camps for children and youth in one of the most economically depressed counties in Georgia: Taliaferro County. If you or a group from your church are interested in leading, please contact Scott Ford at [sford@cbfga.org](mailto:sford@cbfga.org) or visit [www.tcamps.org](http://www.tcamps.org) to download a [camp leader application form](#).

## Worship Resources

Check out our [resource page](#). We have added a new section called *Worship Resources*. Browse the contents to find resources for your worship services. If you want to add your own to the collection, please send the electronic file to [Nikki Hardeman](mailto:Nikki.Hardeman).



## Madness: Save-the-Date

Many thanks to the following two congregations who will host [March Mission Madness 2009](#):

Central Baptist Church, Newnan  
March 20-22, 2009

Milledge Avenue Baptist Church, Athens  
March 27-29, 2009

Also, please visit [www.marchmissionmadness.org](http://www.marchmissionmadness.org) to see the new and improved website.

## Web Resources

At the CBF/GA office, we are working to improve the resources we offer through our webpage. Please send me your favorite websites that you use as you minister. The websites can relate to any number of topics including Bible study, children and youth, grief, music, worship, and topical information, etc. This list could go on and on. Send your favorite web resources to [Nikki Hardeman](mailto:Nikki.Hardeman) so that we all can gain resources from each other.

Forum on Youth  
Ministry  
Simpsonwood Retreat  
Center, Duluth

September 13  
*Current: Simultaneous  
Mission Project*

October 17-19  
ReCharge  
Fall Youth Retreat  
The Swamp Retreat Center,  
Union Point

November 9-10  
*CBF/GA Fall  
Convocation*  
First Baptist Church,  
Augusta

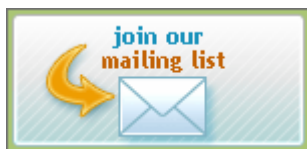
### Mission Opportunities



*Global Missions Offering  
Student.Go  
Taliaferro Summer Camps  
Touching Miami with Love*

### Newsletter Archives

Click *here* for past  
issues of *Visions* and  
*Re-Visions*.



### Madness Summit

Last week nineteen youth ministers gathered at the CBF/GA offices to improve March Mission Madness and enjoy fellowship with each other. March Mission Madness began in 1997, so 2009 will begin the thirteenth year of the event. That means when the madness began, some of next year's participants were not yet born. See the next issue of *Visions* to read more about the Madness Summit.

### Old Cell Phones for Missions

All are invited to send (or invite others to send) cell phones to the address below. The phones will be recycled here in the United States and payments will be sent to Liberia to support the Balama Project, coordinated by Jessy and Calandra Togbadoya. Send cell phones to:

Kathy DeWitt  
Wieuca Road Baptist Church  
3626 Peachtree Road NE  
Atlanta, GA 30326

Please send cell phones only; no adapters or chargers should be mailed. You may call Kathy DeWitt for more information at 404-814-4460. You may have received various "Recycling Fundraiser" spam emails, but Kathy has already mailed in one collection of cell phones and received payments per phone ranging from three dollars to forty dollars. This is the real deal!

### Coordinators Available to Speak in Churches

One of the ministries that our coordinators gladly perform is preaching, teaching, and speaking in churches. Our coordinators are available to preach in worship services, speak for special occasions, or provide pulpit supply in the pastor's absence. They can lead sessions on CBF/National and CBF/GA in general or in a particular ministry area, as well as retreats for deacons, teachers, and other leadership groups. Call them for consultation with church leaders in their areas of expertise. Contact our office at 478-742-1191, or email [Frank](#), [Scott](#), or [Nikki](#).

### Reference and Referral

Have you seen the Position Openings page on our website? Click [here](#) to visit.

Are you in a church seeking a minister or a minister seeking a church? Please visit our website at <http://www.cbfga.org>, scroll over the Vocations link on the home page, and click the

appropriate tab for your situation. Fill out the form, hit Submit, and you are on your way!



### **Morningstar Golf Tournament**

Morningstar offers you an opportunity to show your passion for golf and give support to the children of Morningstar through the organization's annual golf tournament. The 2008 Golf Tournament, which is Morningstar's largest fundraising event, will be held on Saturday, May 10 at the Oak Grove Island Golf Club in Brunswick. With prizes like new cars, boats, and vacation get-aways, you can enjoy a great time with fellow golfers while providing support for the important work of Morningstar Treatment Services. For details about the Golf Tournament, call 912-267-7583 or send an email to [morningstargolf@hotmail.com](mailto:morningstargolf@hotmail.com). To learn about other ways you can support the ministries of Morningstar, please visit [www.everychilddeserves.com](http://www.everychilddeserves.com) or call toll-free 1-877-533-STAR.

### **New Baptist Heritage Book for Younger Youth/Older Children**

*Portraits of Courage: Stories of Baptist Heroes* by [Julie Whidden Long](#)

The Baptist History and Heritage Society is pleased to announce the May 2008 release of a new 128-page book, jointly published with Mercer University Press, that focuses on fourteen Baptist heroes. The heroes included are John Smyth, John Clarke, Ann Hasseltine, Jesse Mercer, Lottie Moon, William Knibb, Louise (Lulu) Fleming, Walter Rauschenbusch, Martin Luther King, Jr., Addie Davis, Jimmy Carter, Leena Lavanya, Theo Angelov, and Olu Menjay. Some of these names are familiar. Some are not. All are important. To find out how to order this new book, click [here](#).

### **New Baptist Heritage Booklet Available at Discounted Price**

*Baptists and the Lordship of Christ* by Charles W. Deweese  
The Baptist History and Heritage Society is pleased to announce the April 15 release of a new forty-page booklet titled *Baptists and the Lordship of Christ*. Click [here](#) to read more.

### **Call for Ordination Information**

Baptist Women in Ministry is collecting information about the ordination of Baptist women in 2007. If you know of any Baptist woman who was ordained for the ministry by a Baptist church in 2007, please email her name, the name and location of the ordaining church, the date of the ordination, her current ministry position with location information to [Pam Durso](#).



### **A New Resource for**

#### **Church Planning**

*Destinations: Mapping Your Congregation's Missional Journey* is a new resource that can guide your church as it discerns, plans, and maps its missional journey. To learn more about this resource, click [here](#).

#### **Church Consultant and Facilitator Training**

Have you ever considered serving as a guide and encourager for a congregation in a role other than pastor or staff member? Have you looked for a different way to utilize your previous education, training, and ministry experience to positively impact congregations? If you can answer "Yes" to these questions, then you should consider training to become a church consultant. Click [here](#) for more information.

#### **Northside Drive Baptist Church Hymn Festival**

Dr. Donald Paul Hustad, world-renowned teacher, author, composer and arranger, organist for Billy Graham Crusades, conductor, and hymnist, will be the guest of Northside Drive Baptist Church in Atlanta on May 17-18. He will lead a luncheon and discussion on Saturday. On Sunday morning, he will be the guest preacher, and on Sunday afternoon, he will lead a hymn festival. All events will focus on music and worship and are open to the public. Northside Drive Baptist Church invites anyone interested to come. Click [here](#) for more information.

#### **June is Torture Awareness Month**

The anti-torture coalition group that includes the National Religious Campaign Against Torture (NRCAT), Evangelicals for Human Rights, and the Center for Victims of Torture is spearheading a "Banners Across America" campaign in which they hope at least one congregation in every state will display an anti-torture banner outside the church during June, to mark Torture Awareness Month. To find out more about how you can participate in speaking out against torture, click [here](#).

#### **Church Census Workshop**

Congregational leaders interested in the Church Census, a new, standardized survey instrument developed by Baylor University that provides an in-depth profile of congregational family life, will

have the opportunity to get detailed information during a workshop offered at the Fellowship's General Assembly in Memphis, Tennessee, on Friday, June 20, from 3:15 p.m. to 4:25 p.m. Through a recently secured grant, CBF churches can now participate in the Church Census for free. For more information, contact Rick Bennett at (800) 352-8741 or [rbennett@thefellowship.info](mailto:rbennett@thefellowship.info).

### **2008 Baptist History and Heritage Society Meeting**

Hosted by The Center for Baptist Studies of Mercer University and cosponsored by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Georgia, the 2008 Baptist History and Heritage Society annual meeting will be held May 22-24 on Mercer University's Atlanta campus. The theme is *Baptists and First Amendment Issues*. The keynote speaker is President Bill Underwood, Mercer University. For more information, download this [brochure](#) or contact Pam Durso at 770-457-5540.

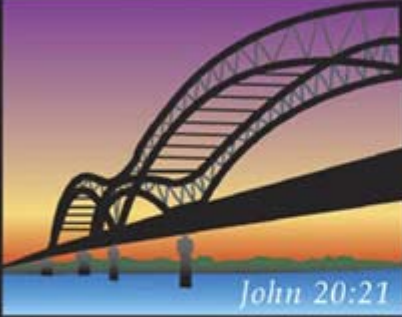
### **Missional Stories**

CBF is developing a resource called *Glimpses of Missional Faithfulness* that will debut at the General Assembly in 2008. The resource will tell the stories of churches that are engaging the missional journey and exhibiting glimpses of missional faithfulness. Contact [Rick Bennett](#) at 770-220-1605 to share your stories and ministries. Click [here](#) for more information.

### **Memphis Sessions: A Collegiate Missional Experience**

June 15-20 are the dates of the first missional experience created just for college and graduate students in conjunction with the CBF/National General Assembly. The cost of \$195 covers housing, most food, cost of mission projects, and programming. Included in the experience are participation in the HIV breakfast and Poverty Summit in conjunction with the General Assembly, a trip to the Civil Rights Museum, and entrance to musical events throughout the week. Read more [here](#).

### **Mass Choir Opportunity**

<p>CBF GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEMPHIS, TN JUNE 19-20, 2008</p>  <p>EMBRACE THE WORLD <i>Building Bridges</i></p>	<p><b>SIGN UP TODAY</b> to participate in the <b>CBF MASS CHOIR</b></p> <p>that will lead out in the Thursday and Friday night general sessions, June 19th &amp; 20th.</p> <p>Upon signing up you will receive music and rehearsal information.</p> <p>Please contact Donna Gosser, <a href="mailto:dgosser@2bclr.com">dgosser@2bclr.com</a> <a href="http://www.thefellowship.info/">www.thefellowship.info/</a></p>
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### **Faith in 3D**

Dare. Discover. Dream. *Faith in 3D* is open to grades six through twelve. The event will be held on January 16-19, 2009, at the Walt Disney World Resort. Registration opens April 1, 2008. Click [here](#) for more information.

### **Wanted**

First Baptist Church in Griffin, GA, is seeking a Senior Pastor. Basic responsibilities include proclamation, pastoral care, and administration. The successful candidate will have at least a master's degree and ten years or more experience. Resumes may be sent to [fbccgriffinsearch@bellsouth.net](mailto:fbccgriffinsearch@bellsouth.net) or PO Box 77, Griffin, GA 30223. FBC is a downtown county seat congregation with a serious commitment to local and global missions.

### **Wanted**

A seven-year-old Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina church start is looking for an energetic minister, female or male. This healthy congregation with an average Sunday attendance of approximately fifty works at worship, digs deeply into study, engages in local and away missions, and encourages each other. We own two buildings located near the center of this family-oriented community. We are active in CBF/NC regional meetings, ecumenical work, and in the United Baptist Association in Charlotte.

Candidates should send resumes to the Pastor Search Committee, 1201 Oakland Street, Hendersonville, NC 28792.

### **Wanted**

Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, KY, seeks a full time Associate Pastor to Children who will plan, coordinate, and implement a full-fledged ministry to children and their families.

This person will also direct the church's after-school and summer childcare programs. This position requires excellent leadership, as well as organizational and communication skills. Applicants must have at least two years experience working with children and meet Kentucky state requirements for childcare director, M.Div. preferred.

Resumes should be submitted to CHBC Children's Minister Search Team, 2800 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, KY 40206, faxed to 502-896-9855, or emailed to [crescenthillbapt@bellsouth.net](mailto:crescenthillbapt@bellsouth.net).

## Financial Update

### Budget Receipts as of 4/30/08

Year to Date:	\$547,792.67
Requirement:	\$609,766.63
Over/Under:	(\$61,973.96)
Month to Date:	\$45,327.86
Monthly Req.:	\$55,433.33
Over/Under:	(\$10,105.47)

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