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Now Accepting Nominations

The Nominating Committee will start work soon on filling vacancies on the council. This will include approximately eight new council members plus the moderator elect. If you have names to suggest, send them to *spowell@cbfga.org*. Please send us names of individuals who are willing and able to serve. We try to keep a balance between lay and clergy, male and female. We also try to have geographical representation from across the state. The Nominating Committee will meet in September to begin considering names. A report will be given to the Coordinating Council in January and the final vote will be taken at the General Assembly on March 13-14, 2009.

Congregational Life

ReCharge

A Youth Fall Retreat Experience
Room Still Available!

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Georgia is pleased to be sponsoring *ReCharge: A Youth Fall Retreat Experience*. This new event developed out of a conversation among a few youth ministers who were looking for something to provide their youth in the fall. While this is the first event of this type sponsored by CBF/GA, we are hoping it will be an annual one. The theme for this year's retreat will be *Sabbath Keeping*. The students will experience a well-balanced schedule of worship, fellowship, and playtime.

When: October 17-19, 2008
Where: The Swamp in Union Point
Cost: $80.00

To learn more and register, visit *www.rechargecbf.org*. If you have questions, contact *Nikki Hardeman*.

Youth Ministers Retreat: September 8-10
Room Still Available

The Youth Ministers Retreat is quickly approaching. To get

underlined, click on it for more information. For more calendar dates, please click here.

2008

September 8-10
Youth Ministers Retreat
Balance at the Big Top
Simpsonwood Retreat Center, Duluth

September 13
Current: Simultaneous Mission Project

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

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

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

more information about the retreat and to download a registration form, click *here*. The cost is only $100! If you have any questions, contact *Nikki Hardeman*.

Missions

CBF Field Personnel Visit

Casey, a CBF Field Personnel member serving in Southeast Asia, will soon visit Georgia. You are invited to hear Casey share about her work and ministry:
- August 24, 11 a.m., FBC Fitzgerald
- August 27, 6:30 p.m., FBC Macon
- August 31, 11 a.m., Fellowship Baptist Church, Fitzgerald

Eleven-on-11 Missions

Churches and individuals are invited to coordinate a mission service project on Saturday, September 13, 2008. Eleven-on-11 is coordinated by Current, the CBF young leaders network, and sponsored by a number of organizations and networks including CBF/GA.

Read More.

Passport Liberia Guest Speaker

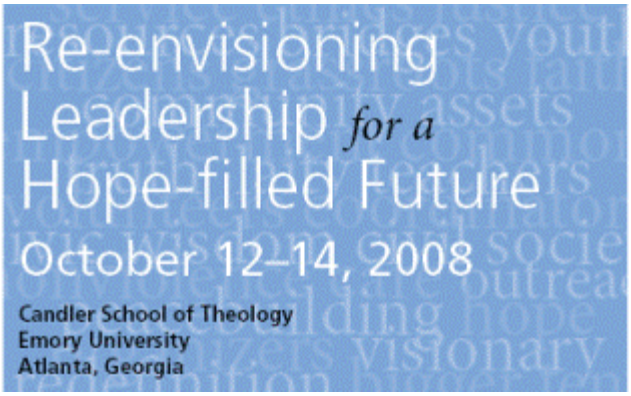
This summer several groups from Georgia and beyond attended Passport Youth Camps, where the mission offering benefited the students and ministry of Ricks Institute in Liberia. It just so happens that Associate Coordinator for Missions, Scott Ford, was one of six Americans who helped lead Passport Liberia last January. If you would like Scott to share Passport Liberia stories and photos with your congregation, missions group, youth group, and/or children, please call Scott at 478-742-1191, ext. 28 or email *sford@cbfga.org*.

Partners

Celebrating Baptist History

Baptists will celebrate their four hundredth birthday in 2009. Consider leading your church to adopt some of the suggested anniversary projects described in this article by Charles Deweese. Click *here* for the article.

Leadership Training



Our religious and civic communities stand in need of effective leaders with vision and character. Candler School of Theology is responding to this need by gathering scholars, activists, ministers, educators, and citizens of all ages to re-imagine leadership in our current context. Click *here* to read more. **If you would like to attend this conference as a part of a group at the discounted rate, contact Nikki Hardeman at 478-742-1191, ext. 26 or *nhardeman@cbfga.org*.**

Substance Abuse Training

The Andy Anderson Institute of Morningstar Children and Family Services presents *Healing the Brokenness of Addictions*. This is substance abuse and dependency training for clergy, other pastoral ministers, counselors, social workers, and therapists. Click *here* for a brochure

New from Smyth and Helwys

Using the same voice read in the *Formations* commentary series, Cecil Sherman writes an autobiography focusing on his work as husband, father, pastor, and administrator. Dr. Sherman writes of his struggles through the days of his pastorates, the kindnesses of his churches, and his role in the 1980s SBC political controversy.

An inward look at a man known for his discernment and intellectual expeditions, *By My Own Reckoning* is a book to be studied and incorporated into the reader's own life. Click *here* for more information.

Grant Opportunities from the Louisvlle Institute

The Louisville Institute is a Lilly Endowment-funded program based at Louisville Seminary supporting those who lead and study American religious institutions. The fundamental mission of the Louisville Institute is to enrich the religious life of American Christians and to encourage the revitalization of their institutions, by bringing together those who lead religious institutions with those who study them, so that the work of each might inform and strengthen the other. If you want to learn more about this opportunity, click *here*.

New BTSR Courses

The Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond's (BTSR) School of Christian Ministry announces upcoming continuing education opportunities. Click *here* for more information.

Reference and Referral

Ministers on the Move

Arthur Kirk is Pastor of Parisview Baptist Church in Greenville, SC.
Charlie Bryan is Pastor of a church in North Carolina.
Christian Byrd is Minister to Youth at FBC Dalton.
David Benjamin is Pastor of Winfree Memorial Baptist Church in Midlothian (Richmond) VA.
David Walker is Minister of Education at FBC Thomson.
Josh Hughes is Pastor of The Oaks Baptist Church in Lyons.
Mark Snipes is Minister to Youth & Youth Families at Central Baptist Church in Richmond, VA.
Matt DuVall is Pastor of FBC Middlesboro, KY.
Perry McCain is Minister of Music at FBC Lufkin, TX.
Rawdon L. (Sonny) Gallman is Pastor of Central Baptist Church in Daytona, FL.
Ron Higdon is Interim Pastor at FBC Athens.
Stan Braley is Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Macon.
Todd Lowe is Pastor at Cedar Spring Baptist Church in Spartanburg, SC.
Valarie Hardy is Minister to Children at FBC Athens.

If you know of other ministers recently "on the move," please let me know at *amitchell@cbfga.org*.

Staff Seeking Churches

An extremely gifted and qualified church organist is looking for a church position in Northwest Georgia (Cobb County and northward - Cherokee County, Gordon County, Cobb County, etc.).

A CPE graduate from Emory University School of Pastoral Care Services is looking for a Pastoral Care position in a local Baptist church.

Please contact Alan Mitchell at *amitchell@cbfga.org* if you know of a church looking for these types of candidates.

Financial Update

Budget Receipts as of 7/31/08

Year to Date:	$97,002.30
Requirement:	$102,933.34
Over/Under:	($5,931.04)
Month to Date:	$51,489.52
Monthly Req.:	$51,466.67
Over/Under:	$22.85

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