



# RE-VISIONS



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## CBF/GA 2007 Fall Convocation



Photo by Alan Mitchell

### **First Baptist Church, Savannah**

Click on the church photo for more information about Fall Convocation

[Register for Fall Convocation here.](#)

CBF/GA Host Hotel:

[Savannah Hilton DeSoto](#)

15 East Liberty St., Savannah, GA 31401

Rate: \$109.00

Local: 1-912-232-9000

Toll Free: 1-800-426-8483

*In-House Reservations office hours are Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.*



## Calendar

**2007**

**Sept. 6**

### **Candler BBQ**

**Brooks Commons at Cannon  
Chapel, Emory, Atlanta  
5:00 p.m.**

For students and faculty  
Contact David Key at 404-727-  
6350 or [dkey@emory.edu](mailto:dkey@emory.edu).

**Sept 8-9**

### **Fisher Humphreys**

**First Baptist Church, Macon  
8<sup>th</sup> – Dinner 6:00 p.m.**

For more information, contact First  
Baptist church office at 478-742-  
6458 or email [fbc@fbcmacon.org](mailto:fbc@fbcmacon.org).

**Sept. 18-19**

### **Tony Campolo Lectures Mercer University**

Email Craig McMahan at  
[mcmahan\\_ct@mercer.edu](mailto:mcmahan_ct@mercer.edu) or call  
478-301-2992 for additional  
information.

**Sept. 23-25**

### **Mercer Preaching Consultation St. Simons Island**

For more information, click [here](#).

**Sept. 24-26**

### **Spiritual Formation Retreat for Senior Pastors**

**Life Enrichment Center  
Fruitland Park, FL**

Sponsored by CBF/National  
and CBF/FL.

For more information, click [here](#).

**Oct. 5-6**

### **BWIM of Georgia Fall Retreat The Calvin Center, Hampton**

More information to come.

**Oct. 15**

**Worship in Your World: Enabling  
and Encouraging Those Who  
Plan and Lead Worship in Small  
Congregations**

**Samford University,  
Birmingham, AL**

Mark your calendars now for a special lunch on  
November 5th with Mercer University  
and CBF/GA. Along with a program  
by Mercer, we will celebrate  
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship  
of Georgia's 15th anniversary!  
The lunch will be at 12:30 p.m.  
at the Savannah Hilton DeSoto  
and cost \$15.00 per plate.

**Purchase your tickets [online](#) or call Suzanne  
Powell at 1-877-336-6426 ext. 21.**



WANTING TO SHARE WITH SOMEONE  
ABOUT FALL CONVOCATION?  
WE HAVE FLYERS AND BULLETIN INSERTS  
READY TO BE DOWNLOADED.  
[CLICK HERE TO GET STARTED.](#)

### **Childcare**

If you need childcare for Fall Convocation, please email Janis  
Lewis at First Baptist Church, Savannah at [janis@fbc-sav.org](mailto:janis@fbc-sav.org).  
Childcare Deadline: Monday Oct. 29. Please include in your  
email to Janis the following information:

- -parent's name
- -cell phone number
- -child's name
- -age
- -any allergies
- -diet constraints
- -medical information
- -if your child is potty-trained or not (parents  
will need to supply disposable diapers if they  
are not)
- -the date & times you will need childcare  
(click [here](#) for a schedule of events).

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## **Are You Looking to SERVE?**

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The CBF/GA Nominating Committee will begin work early this

**8:30 a.m.**

For more information, click [here](#).

**Nov. 4**

**Coordinating Council Meeting  
CBF/GA Fall Convocation  
First Baptist Church, Savannah  
4:00 p.m.**

**Nov. 4-5**

**CBF/GA Fall Convocation  
First Baptist Church, Savannah**  
Theme: Standing Up on the Inside  
Speaker: Charles Bugg  
Click [here](#) for more information.

**2008**

**Jan. 14-16**

**Spiritual Formation Retreat  
For Associate  
Ministers and Staff  
Ferncliffe Camp and  
Conference Center  
Little Rock, AK**  
Sponsored by CBF/National  
and CBF/AK  
For more information, click [here](#).

**Jan. 18-20**

**Georgia Youth Choir Festival  
The Calvin Center, Hampton**

**Jan. 29-30**

**Current Retreat  
FBC Decatur**

This will be held in cooperation with  
the New Baptist Covenant meeting.

**Jan. 30-Feb. 1**

**Celebration of a  
New Baptist Covenant,  
Atlanta**

For more information, visit  
<http://www.newbaptistcovenant.org>.

**Feb. 15-16**

**Now Serving: Atlanta**

For more information, visit  
<http://www.now-serving.org>.

**Feb. 18-19**

**William L. Self  
Preaching Lectures  
McAfee School of Theology,**

fall. We will need to fill seven regular CBF/GA Coordinating Council positions and elect a moderator-elect. We also need to nominate one position for the National Council. If you have persons to nominate for any of these positions, please send us their name, church, and contact information.

Individuals who serve on the council must either contribute to CBF/GA or be a member of a church that does and be willing to serve for three years. We want individuals who are committed to Christ and who feel strongly about helping CBF/GA serve individuals and churches. It is important that the persons nominated be able to attend the five yearly council meetings. It is also helpful if they have access to email since a good bit of our committee work is done over the internet.

Please email Suzanne Powell at [spowell@cbfga.org](mailto:spowell@cbfga.org) by September 30 with your nominees.

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## Kentucky Baptist Fellowship Position Opening

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Kentucky Baptist Fellowship is looking for an Associate Coordinator of Missions. The person who fills this full-time position will: provide leadership for missions participation and education in Kentucky, engage individuals and churches in hands-on mission work, and network with individuals, groups, and churches to develop and expand ministry possibilities. Click [here](#) for a job description outlining the responsibilities of this position.

Resumes should be forwarded to John Lepper at [jlepper@kybf.org](mailto:jlepper@kybf.org). The committee has set November 2, 2007 as the deadline for receiving resumes.

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## Global Missions Offering

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Churches who are planning ahead for Fall/Christmas and Spring/Easter offerings are invited to visit the following websites for information and resources to help prepare:

<http://www.thefellowship.info/ogm/>

<http://www.thefellowship.info/ogm/resources.icm>

At the above link, you will find bulletin inserts, children's sermons, litanies, PowerPoint presentations, music ideas, and more!

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## Missions Opportunities

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## Atlanta

**Feb. 29-March 2**  
**March Mission Madness**  
**Highland Hills Baptist Church,**  
**Macon**

For more information, click [here](#).

**March 3-5**  
**True Survivor VIII,**  
**First Baptist Church,**  
**Asheville, NC**

For all Christian Educators  
Sponsored by CBF/National,  
Congregational Life  
Contact Toni Draper at  
[tdraper@thefellowship.info](mailto:tdraper@thefellowship.info).

**March 7-9**  
**March Mission Madness**  
**First Baptist Church, Augusta**  
For more information, click [here](#).

**April 4**  
**Coordinating Council Meeting**  
**CBF/GA General Assembly**  
**First Baptist Church, Decatur**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**April 4-5**  
**CBF/GA General Assembly**  
**First Baptist Church, Decatur**

**April 21-23**  
**Spiritual Formation Retreat**  
**For Associate Ministers**  
**and Staff**  
**Ignatius House Retreat**  
**Center Atlanta**  
For more information, click [here](#).

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Please send any changes in  
personal information such as  
phone numbers, mailing, or  
emailing addresses to  
[ecopeland@cbfga.org](mailto:ecopeland@cbfga.org).

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Churches or individuals interested in learning about other CBF/GA mission opportunities are invited to contact Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at [sford@cbfga.org](mailto:sford@cbfga.org) or 478-742-1911 ext. 28. The opportunities below are this edition's highlights and are by no means exhaustive. Thank you!

## Cooperating Churches

Is your church participating in a missions initiative that is just too good to keep a secret? Would you like another church to join your church in a particular ministry effort? If so, please contact Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at [sford@cbfga.org](mailto:sford@cbfga.org) or 478-742-1191 ext. 28. As the **Cooperative** Baptist Fellowship of Georgia, maybe our churches can **cooperate** with one another in some new ways!

## 11 on 11

Young Baptist leaders interested in coordinating or participating in a mission service project on Saturday, September 15, please contact Ryan Clark at [clark\\_ra@mercer.edu](mailto:clark_ra@mercer.edu). You and your group can join others across the nation on this day of simultaneous mission projects. Projects across the nation are coordinated by CBF/National's "Current: connecting young Baptists" and sponsored by various groups including CBF/GA. For more information, click [here](#).

## International

Churches and individuals interested in participating in or already planning an international mission trip, please contact Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at [sford@cbfga.org](mailto:sford@cbfga.org) or 478-742-1191 ext.28. Scott is interested in hearing about ministries you and your churches are already leading around the world.

## South Dakota

Pastors, staff, and lay missions leaders interested in an introduction to CBF ministry with Native Americans in impoverished counties of South Dakota should contact Gene Wilder at [genewilder@charter.net](mailto:genewilder@charter.net). Two openings recently became available for a trip on October 13-18. The cost is \$500-\$700 plus round-trip airfare to Rapid City, South Dakota.

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## Missions and Disaster Response

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Two years after Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast, many families still need help putting their homes and lives back together. Here are some opportunities for you and/or your church to serve others in the name of Christ.

## Response Team

Are you or is someone in your church sometimes able to leave

town at a moment's or a few weeks' notice? Could you spend 4-7 days coordinating the efforts of others who want to help and serve disaster victims? The CBF/GA Missions Committee is putting together a team of people with organizational, construction, and/or administrative skills to respond in the event of a disaster. If you would like to serve as a responder, please email your contact and personal information to Scott Ford, Associate Coordinator for Missions, at [sford@cbfga.org](mailto:sford@cbfga.org).

### **Biloxi, Mississippi**

Your church is invited to cooperate with other CBF/GA churches in sending mission teams to Biloxi, Mississippi. All who are interested may join groups of 40-70 people on the following 2007 dates: October 4-7 (or 3-6), November 1-4, or December 6-9. Each trip involves two days of travel and two days of mission service. For \$75-\$100, food, transportation, and lodging will be provided. The only "skills" necessary are a caring heart and helping hands. Construction experience is helpful but not required. For more information, click [here](#).

### **St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana Pearlington, Mississippi**

Your church is also invited to cooperate with CBF of Louisiana in ministering to Hurricane Katrina victims. For more information, click [here](#) or contact CBF of Louisiana Disaster Relief Coordinator: Reid Doster at 985-222-6900 or [reid\\_doster@hotmail.com](mailto:reid_doster@hotmail.com). Reid will be glad to help a group from your church get involved in Disaster Response efforts in Louisiana, and he is also helping with response efforts in Pearlington, Mississippi.

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## **Upcoming Events**

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### **Baptist Theologian Fisher Humphreys At First Baptist Macon On September 8 and 9**

Fisher Humphreys, a widely recognized Baptist theologian and professor of divinity at the Beeson School of Divinity at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama, will be guest theologian, teacher, and preacher at First Baptist Church, Macon, Georgia, on the weekend of September 8 and 9. Dr. Humphreys will speak at a dinner on Saturday night and Sunday morning during the Sunday School and worship times. Area congregations are invited to attend the dinner at 6:00 p.m. Reservations are to be made by calling the FBC church office at 478-742-6485, or emailing [fbc@fbcmacon.org](mailto:fbc@fbcmacon.org). The cost is \$6 payable at the door.

**Candler School of Theology Fall Evening Open House,**

**Thursday, September 13, 2007, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

This evening open house will give prospective students the opportunity to meet Candler faculty, hear about theological education at Candler, ask questions about financial aid and admissions, and hear from a panel of students. This event is open to those who are thinking about seminary for a Master of Divinity or Master of Theological Studies degree.

Register online:

[http://www.candler.emory.edu/admissions/visits\\_fallevening.cfm](http://www.candler.emory.edu/admissions/visits_fallevening.cfm).

**Tony Campolo to visit Mercer**

September 18 – 7:00 p.m.

September 19 – 10:00 a.m.

Newton Chapel

“Our Place in God’s World”

Email Craig McMahan at [mcmahan\\_ct@mercer.edu](mailto:mcmahan_ct@mercer.edu) or call 478-301-2992 for more information.

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**Financial Update**

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Budget Receipts as of 08/30/07

Year to Date:	\$140,267.63
Requirement:	\$166,300.02
Over/Under:	<\$26,032.39>
Month to Date:	\$42,895.33
Monthly Req.:	\$55,433.33
Over/Under:	<\$12,538.00>

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