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Calendar



NOW!

**CBF/National
General Assembly
June 22-23
*Even if you do not need a room!***



**CBF/GA State Meeting in Room A 305 -
GWCC
Thursday June 22 at 3:45!**

*Please make plans now to attend your state meeting.
We need you.*

To view the General Assembly schedule click here:
www.thefellowship.info/documents/2006GASchedule.pdf.

Shiloh Network Breakfast

June 18-23
Touching Taliaferro With Love
(TTWL) Day Camp
Volunteers Needed

For information email Nancy Copeland
at ncopeland@cbfga.org.

June 22-23
CBF/National
General Assembly
Georgia World Congress Center
Atlanta, GA



Visit [the fellowship](http://www.thefellowship.info/)
(www.thefellowship.info/)
to pre-register.

June 24
Shiloh Network Breakfast
The Omni Hotel in Cottonwood A/B
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Registration cost \$10
E-mail Dawn Hall at
dmhall@wfubmc.edu to register.

June 25-28
Summer Retreat for Vocational
Formation
"Tapestry"
(www.healthychurch.org/)
Intricately Woven--Wonderfully Made
(Psalm 139)
A vocational formation retreat for high
school juniors and seniors. Contacts:
Beth Kennett
Ph.: 336-227-0287
OR
Dawn M. Hall
(dmhall@wfubmc.edu)
Ph.: 336-716-0459.

June 26-30
TTWL Baseball Camp
For information email Nancy Copeland
at ncopeland@cbfga.org.

June 28-July 01
PASSPORTkids!
Wesleyan College
Macon, GA

An Auxiliary Event at General Assembly

Make your reservations now for the Shiloh Network Breakfast. Shiloh is network of congregations interested in nurturing call, qualifying ministers, and connecting ministers and congregations in Baptist life.

Saturday, June 24
Shiloh Network Breakfast
8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Registration cost \$10

This will be a time to connect as Shiloh members and explore the work of nurturing the call together. Register today by contacting Dawn Hall at dmhall@wfubmc.edu.

Volunteers Needed for General Assembly 2006

National CBF is looking for volunteers to host workshops at the CBF General Assembly 2006. Volunteering would require about one hour and fifteen minutes. Volunteers are asked to keep the room straight, see to the needs of the speaker, pass out evaluation forms at the end, and collect them as participants leave. If you are willing to help contact Rick Bennett at rbennett@thefellowship.info.

CBF of Georgia is looking for volunteers to sit at the CBF/GA display booth for one hour shifts. If you are willing to help contact Frank Broome at fbroome@cbfga.org or Rachel Huston at rhuston@cbfga.org.

Balama Project



Balama Project is an international outreach initiative of Wieuca Road Baptist Church in Atlanta, GA. This initiative has as its purpose to meet the

needs of Liberia's most neglected and invisible poor in remote communities.

The goal of Balama Project is to address the physical,

Visit [PASSPORTkids!](http://passportkids.org)
(<http://passport-kids.org>).

July 16-20
SOULfeast 2006
Lake Junaluska, NC

Aug. 14-17
Session 1
Young Leader's Program
Durham, NC

www.healthychurch.org/program.asp?permanent_id=-1&id=12

Aug. 20-25
CBF Boot Camp for Church Starts
Baptist Theological Seminary
Richmond, VA (BTSR)

Arrangements for room and board should be made through Jim Peak at BTSR. Email jpeak@btsr.edu or call 804-204-1230.

Sept. 11-13
Spiritual Formation Regional Retreat,
Kavanaugh Life Enrichment Center,
Louisville, KY

To register visit [the fellowship](http://the.fellowship.org)
(www.the.fellowship.info/).

For information email [Rick Bennett](mailto:rbennett@the.fellowship.info)
(rbennett@the.fellowship.info)
or call 770- 220-1605.

Sept. 24-26
2006 Mercer Preaching Consultation
King & Prince Resort
St. Simons Island, GA
Visit the [The Center for Baptist Studies](http://www.centerforbaptiststudies.org/)
Mercer University
(www.centerforbaptiststudies.org/)
for details.

October 2-3
A Theological Discussion
"A Theology of Ministerial
Leadership"
William E. Hull
and David W. Hull
Knoxville, TN
www.healthychurch.org/program.asp?permanent_id=-1&id=25

Registration deadline is Sept. 1.

Oct. 8-10

emotional, educational, and spiritual needs of ex-child soldiers and those who bear the scars of war in remote communities of Liberia. The project will provide counseling for ex-child soldiers, attempt to reconcile them to their local villages, and offer them educational opportunities.

The highlight of the first phase of Balama Project will be to construct a school that will serve as educational and worship space for four villages of Suacoko District, Bong County: Balama, Barleborquellie, Gayea, and Mengbonta. Our goal is to give both boys and girls equal opportunities to learn, grow, and achieve their God-given potentials.

The Vision is to participate in the rebuilding of Liberia by transforming lives through community building, advocacy on social issues, Christian education, and discipleship. Together with the support and partnership of CBF, Wieuca Road Baptist Church hopes to help restore community in Liberia, where war has torn it apart.

For more information or to find out how you can partner in this endeavor click here: www.balamaproject.org.

Resources

Jessy and Calandra Togba-Doya, Guest Speakers



Jessy and Calandra Togba-Doya are Guest Speakers who will be commissioned at the CBF meeting later in June to serve with CBF as "As You Go" affiliates. They will serve as the Coordinators for the Balama Project in Liberia. They are seeking opportunities to speak until they leave around the end of July. He is a native of Liberia and she is a native of Macon. He received an MBA and his MDiv from Mercer. He was born into a tribal family of one father with nine wives and twenty-six siblings. He went to work as a domestic servant at the age of ten and lived on the streets for awhile. He has a powerful, moving testimony.

**Candler School of Theology
Fall Conference
"Faith, Politics, and Policy"**

For more information visit
[Candler Fall Conference](#)

(www.candler.emory.edu/ABOUT/fallconference06/).

Oct. 16 - 18

Session 2

**Young Leader's Program
Thomasville, NC**

www.healthychurch.org/program.asp?permanent_id=-1&id=12

Nov. 5 - 6, 2006

**CBF/GA Fall Convocation
First Baptist Church of Christ
of Macon**

November 12-15

**Youth Worker Summit
Walt Disney World® Resort
Lake Buena Vista, FL**

(www.youthworkersummit.org/)

Dec. 29, 2006-Jan. 02, 2007

Antiphony

(www.antiphonyonline.org)

2007

January 8-10, 2007

**Spiritual Formation Regional Retreat
Ignatius House
Atlanta, GA**

To register visit [the fellowship](http://the.fellowship.info)
(www.the.fellowship.info). For information
email [Rick Bennett](mailto:rbennett@thefellowship.info)
(rbennett@thefellowship.info)
or call 770- 220-1605.

Jan. 29 - 31, 2007

Session 3

**Young Leader's Program
Thomasville, NC**

[www.healthychurch.org/program.a
sp?permanent_id=-1&id=12](http://www.healthychurch.org/program.asp?permanent_id=-1&id=12)

April 30 - May 02, 2007

Session 4

**Young Leader's Program
Thomasville, NC**

[www.healthychurch.org/program.asp?perma](http://www.healthychurch.org/program.asp?permanent_id=-1&id=12)

***A Short History of the Cooperative Baptist
Fellowship Movement*
by Pamela R. Durso**

On Monday, June 12, the Baptist History and Heritage Society released the newest booklet in The Baptist Heritage Library. Titled *A Short History of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Movement*, this booklet summarizes the history of national CBF and of eighteen state and regional CBF programs. This 24-page educational tool can help you, your church members, and others learn critical facts about the CBF movement. To purchase your copy contact

Charles W. Deweese at cdeweese@TNBaptist.org.

**CBF Offers Online "DaVinci Code"
Resource for Churches**

(<http://www.thefellowship.info/News/060605davinci.icm>)

ATLANTA – The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship has developed a free online resource for churches seeking to engage in dialogue about "The DaVinci Code," a recently-released movie based on a best-selling book by Dan Brown.

The resource, "Responding to The DaVinci Code: An Outline Resource for Church Leaders," is designed to assist pastors and congregational leaders in discussing the movie with their church. The movie calls into question the foundations of widely-accepted Christian theology and history, providing churches an opportunity for discussion about early Christian history and the nature of Jesus.

The resource can be accessed from

www.thefellowship.info/CL/FF/CMResources/DaVinci.icm.

**CBF and the Wayne E. Oates Institute Join
to Make Online Seminars Available to CBF
Constituents**

This summer the CBF's Congregational Life Initiative will pay 50% of the registration cost for any CBF congregational leader to participate in any of the online seminars offered by the Wayne E. Oates Institute.

July seminars for congregational leaders include:
[Equipping the Laity for Pastoral Care](#),

[nent_id=-1&id=12](#)

[Issues in Congregational Health Ministries, Leading Congregations: Managing Change Toward a Common Vision.](#)

For more information visit
<http://oates.org/olc/0100/index.html>.

Missional Unit Featured in Summer Issue of Sunday School Series

A special unit titled, "Approaching a Missional Mindset" appears in the May-August 2006 edition of adult *Formations* Sunday school materials, which is published by Smyth and Helwys. Dr. Bo Processor, CBF's Coordinator for Congregational Life has written the study, which is to be used during the month of July. The study includes learner's materials, teaching materials, and commentary. Churches wishing to conduct the study can still order printed copies of *Formations*, while supplies last. For a limited time, Smyth & Helwys is also making "Approaching a Missional Mindset" available as a free download at www.helwys.com/missional. The study will also be available through NextSunday.com.

Other Opportunities

Argentina Women's Build

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is sponsoring a **Women's Build in Argentina** this November 10th-19th with Habitat for Humanity of Latin America. A Women's Build means women do all the work on the construction of a house!! For more information contact Valerie Burton at valerie@alabamacbf.org.

"Bags of Hope"

CBF of Louisiana gathers and delivers fully supplied book bags for distribution in East Carroll and Tensas Parishes as part of Together for Hope. Last year LA churches gathered and distributed around 400 bags to students in the two parishes and made a significant impact in the lives of struggling families. They could easily distribute twice that many this year and still not fully meet the need.

For additional information contact John Daugherty at cbfla@cox.net.

Deepest Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to Renée Bennett and family at the loss of her mother, Maurine Yearwood Wilcox.