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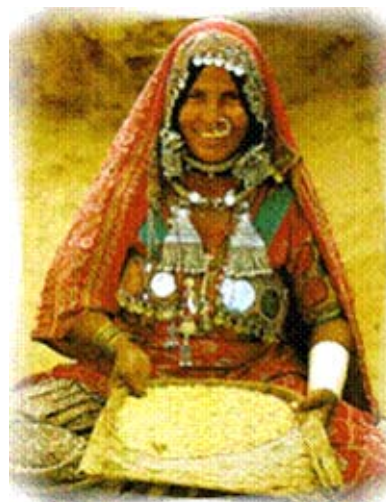
Correction

**CBF National General Assembly
June 27-29
Washington, D.C.**

In the last Re-Visions the dates for CBF National General Assembly 2007, to be held in Washington, D.C., were incorrect. The correct dates are June 27-29. Be sure to make the correction on your calendar.

New Upcoming Events

**Mission's Musings
with James and Robbie Francovich**



To learn more about the ministry to the Banjara Gypsies or to view more pictures visit <http://www.banjara.gypsyministries.com/>.

James and Robbie Francovich have given over a decade of their lives to missions. Strategically placed in Hyderabad, India, James and Robbie have developed an ongoing ministry with the Banjara Gypsies. Banjara Gypsy villages salt and pepper the countryside around Hyderabad and are a people ripe unto

Calendar

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

For more information, visit
[Center for Congregational Health](#).

Aug. 15
Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA office, Macon
10:00 a.m.

Aug. 18
McAfee School of Theology
Orientation Lunch
Sheffield Gym, Mercer Atlanta
12:15 p.m.

For more information, email
dparnell@cbfga.org or call
478-742-1191 (ext. 28).

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.

Aug. 22
McAfee School of Theology
Founder's Day Convocation
Cecil B. Day Hall, Mercer Atlanta
Campus

Speaker: Dr. R. Kirby Godsey,
former Mercer University President.

Aug. 29
Northwest Georgia
Ministers' Conference
Heritage Church, Cartersville
11:00 a.m.

For more information contact
froebuck@mfire.com, 706-232-
3229.

Sept. 7
Candler School of Theology BBQ
5:00 p.m.

Annual event for those enrolled in

the harvest.

Do you ever wonder how you and your church can become more intimately involved in this and/or many other fruitful CBF mission endeavors? On **Saturday, September 23**, First Baptist Church of Forsyth and the CBF/GA are partnering together to provide an opportunity for you to meet, hear a word of testimony, and ask questions to James and Robbie Francovich. There will be a meal (free of charge) from 6:00 to 6:30, a moment of praise led by the Youth Choir of First Baptist from 6:40 – 7:00, and then a program provided by James and Robbie Francovich from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. To make reservation for the meal, please call FBC Forsyth at (478) 994-5240 or email us at pastorfb@bellsouth.net. Childcare available upon request.

We hope that you will come as we celebrate and grow in our understanding of missions together.

In the News

Wieuca Road Baptist Church team aids field personnel



Photo by Jake Meyers.

Recently, Alan Keel, Jake Myers, and Danny Youngblood from Wieuca Road Baptist Church in Atlanta traveled to Sri Lanka to aid Hunter with projects funded by the Fellowship's Asian Response funds, to which Wieuca has contributed.

"While in Sri Lanka, we experienced the collaborative fruit of CBF partnerships," said Jake Myers, Wieuca Road Baptist Church coordinator for missional community and CBF church planter. "By finding niches to fill rather than working in competition with other nongovernmental organizations and faith-based groups, CBF Global Missions personnel, like Scott, are able to accomplish far more than would be thought possible otherwise. By focusing on the less flashy and often neglected areas of ministry, our Wieuca team observed first-hand the degree to which the Fellowship's missional presence in Sri Lanka is being felt."

the Baptist Studies Program.
For more information, email
dparnell@cbfga.org or call
478-742-1191, (ext. 28).

**Sept. 7
Conference on
"Church and State in the
2006 Elections"**

Mercer University, Macon

A morning with
J. Brent Walker of the
Baptist Joint Committee on
Religious Liberty

For more information, visit
[Center for Baptist Studies](#).

**Sept. 7-9
Growing in the Spiritual Life
Peachtree Road United Methodist
Church, Atlanta**

Growing in the Spiritual Life is a 3-
day conference for people from all
churches, denominations, or with no
church affiliation. For more
information, visit
www.growfaith.com.

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

To register visit [the fellowship](#).
For information, email
rbennett@thefellowship.info
or call 770- 220-1605.

**Sept. 16
North Macon/Forsyth
Teacher Training Event
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Macon**

A Sunday School teacher training
event for teachers of Adults only.

For more information, email
ncopeland@cbfga.org or call
478-742-1191 (ext. 27).

**Sept. 16
11-on-11
Macon**
Sponsored by [Current](#)
An exciting opportunity for groups of
seminary students, college and
single's ministries, and church-wide

Click [here](#) for the full story.

**Children at Roswell First Baptist raise money,
awareness of missions**

By collecting more than \$7,300 to build a water well for a school
in Zambia, South Africa, children who attended Vacation Bible
School at Roswell First Baptist Church in June learned about
the impact a few pennies could make.

Click [here](#) for the full story.

**Two chaplains endorsed to CBF/GA while
CBF chaplains and pastoral counselors
increases to 526 after endorsing 18**

The 18 endorsed chaplains include one corrections chaplain,
three hospice chaplains, 13 hospital chaplains and one military
chaplain. Two of these chaplains are from Georgia, Carol
Fletcher and William H. Hemphill II. Carol will serve as chaplain
at VistaCare Hospice in Bogart, Ga. William H. Hemphill II,
Association of Professional Chaplains board certified chaplain
will serve as chaplain at DeKalb Medical Center in Decatur, Ga.

Click [here](#) for the full story and complete list of recently
endorsed chaplains and pastoral counselors.

Reference and Referral

Please let Reference and Referral hear from you. Churches, we
have "beaucoup" résumés and would like to assist you in your
search. If you go to our website and fill out the Church
Information Form, we can do a much better job assisting you in
your search. Ministers, the same is true for you. Please fill out
that Ministers Information Form and help us help you. Now, it's
even easier because CBF of Georgia has a new "face" on its
web page, www.cbfga.org. This "face" may not be familiar to
you, but the name, CBF/GA, certainly is.

The same is true for Churches Seeking Ministers and Ministers
Seeking Churches. You know to go to the familiar website, but
you may not recognize what to do then because the process is
now simpler.

At the top of our CBF home page, you will see the word
"Vocations." Simply move your cursor over the word
"Vocations," and a menu will appear. You may then click on the
appropriate category for your needs and fill out the appropriate
form.

fellowships to engage in missions in a very intentional way. The Macon 11-on-11 site is only one of many.

For more information, email dparnell@cbfga.org or call 478-742-1191, (ext. 28).

Sept. 23

**Mission's Musings with James and Robbie Francovich
First Baptist Church of Forsyth**

Come hear about their developed ongoing ministry with the Banjara Gypsies in Hyderabad, India.

For more information email pastorfb@bellsouth.net or call 478-994-5240.

Sept. 24-26

2006 Mercer Preaching Consultation

**King & Prince Resort
St. Simons Island**

Visit The Center for Baptist Studies Mercer University for details.

Oct. 2-3

**A Theological Discussion
"A Theology of Ministerial Leadership"**

**William E. Hull and David W. Hull
Knoxville, TN**

For more information, visit The Center for Congregational Health.

Registration deadline is Sept. 1.

Oct. 8-10

**Candler School of Theology
Fall Conference**

"Faith, Politics, and Policy"

For more information, visit Candler Fall Conference.

Oct. 12-13

**Conference on Ethics in Ministry
McAfee School of Theology,
Atlanta**

Speaker: Tony Campolo

For more information, email frazier_d@mercer.edu.

Oct. 16-18

**Session 2
Young Leader's Program**

Alan Mitchell
Reference and Referral

Reminders

**"Church and State in the 2006 Elections"
September 7**

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Religious Life Center, Mercer University,
Macon**

A morning with J. Brent Walker of the Baptist Joint Committee on Religious Liberty.

Co-sponsored by The Center For Baptist Studies, Mercer University and CBF/GA.

For more information visit, The Center For Baptist Studies.

**2006 Mercer Preaching Consultation
September 24-26**

**King & Prince Resort
St. Simons Island**

Co-sponsored by The James and Carolyn McAfee School of Theology and the Center for Baptist Studies, Mercer University.

Visit The Center for Baptist Studies, Mercer University for details and to register.

2006 CBF/GA Fall Convocation

"A Gift Too Good To Keep!"

November 5 & 6

**First Baptist Church of Christ
Macon**

Guest Speakers:



Thomasville, NC
For more information, visit
[Center for Congregational Health](#).

Oct. 26
“Negotiating Conflict in the
Congregation”
**Religious Life Center,
Mercer University, Macon**
Workshop Leader:
Dennis Burton,
Certified Conflict Consultant,
Director of Missions, Union Baptist
Association, Monroe, NC
For more information, visit
[Mercer’s calendar of events](#).

Nov. 5
**Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA Fall Convocation
Chapel, First Baptist Church of
Christ, Macon**
3:30 p.m.

Nov. 5-6
**CBF/GA Fall Convocation
“A Gift Too Good to Keep!”
First Baptist Church of Christ
of Macon**
Speakers: Rob Nash, CBF
National Global
Mission Coordinator,
and Bill Underwood,
Mercer University President
For more information, visit
[www.cbfga.org](#).

Nov. 12-15
**Youth Worker Summit
Walt Disney World® Resort
Lake Buena Vista, FL**
For more information, visit
[www.youthworkersummit.org/](#).

Dec. 29 - Jan. 02
**Antiphony
“Call and Response”
Hyatt Regency, Atlanta**
For more information, visit
[www.antiphonyonline.org](#).

2007

Jan. 8-10
Spiritual Formation Regional

Rob Nash,
CBF National
Global Missions Coordinator

Bill Underwood,
Mercer University
President

Other Opportunities

**Northwest Georgia Ministers’ Conference
Tuesday, August 29
Heritage Church, Cartersville
11:00 a.m.**

Lunch following in the Fellowship Hall.
This affiliate of CBF/GA includes all ministers, not just pastors.
Reservations for lunch are necessary.
For more information email froebuck@mfire.com or call
706-232-3229.

**The Cooperative Student Fellowship
(CSF)
Mercer University**

CSF will help students mature in all aspects of their relationship with God. If you know any students who will be attending Mercer University this fall and may be interested in being involved with CSF, please pass their contact information on to us so that we can contact them this summer. You can email their information, including email and mailing addresses, to dparnell@cbfga.org.

An Invitation from the Advent Spirituality Center

Clothed with the Sun:
Writing Autobiography as Spiritual Journey
An Experiential Prayer Retreat
September 22–24
Whispering Winds Mountain Retreat
Ellijay

There are still openings for the Experiential Prayer Retreat, sponsored by the Advent Spirituality Center. Joyce Hollyday will be facilitating. The retreat will be held in the North Georgia mountains and will focus on writing one’s spiritual autobiography. For more information and to register, download the information and registration forms [here](#).

BTSR’s School of Christian Ministry

Pastors' Retreat
Ignatius House, Atlanta
To register visit [the fellowship](http://the.fellowship.org).
For information, email
rbennett@thefellowship.info
or call 770- 220-1605.

Jan. 16
Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA office, Macon
10:00 a.m.

Jan. 29-31
Session 3
Young Leader's Program
Thomasville, NC
For more information, visit
[Center for Congregational Health](http://CenterforCongregationalHealth.org).

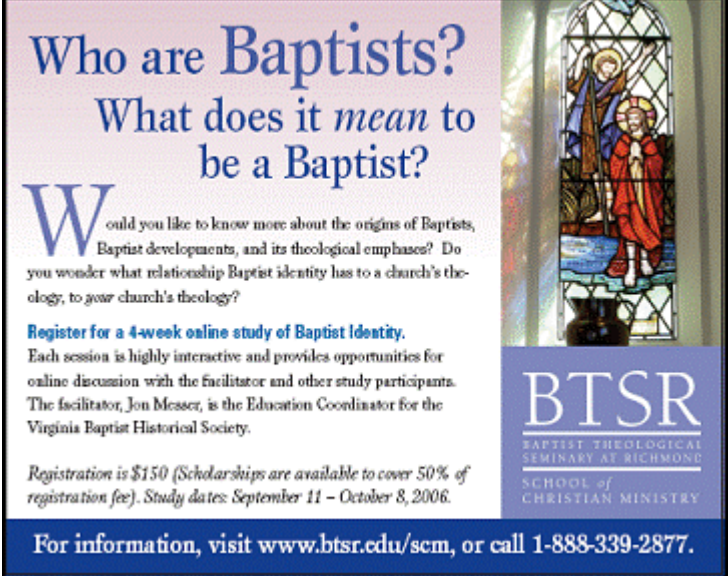
Feb. 2-3
Now Serving Atlanta
McAfee School of Theology,
Mercer University, Atlanta
A 2-day missions event for college
students. Visit www.now-serving.org
or email dparnell@cbfga.org for
more information.

Feb. 7-10
Current Retreat
"Let Justice Roll"
First Baptist Church of Austin, TX
Registration cost is \$110 for
ministers and lay leaders, \$55 for
seminary students.
For more information,
visit the Current website.

Feb. 19-20
Self Preaching Lectures
McAfee School of Theology,
Atlanta
Speaker: Tom Long
For more information, email
frazier_d@mercer.edu.

March 2-3
Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA General Assembly
Smoke Rise Baptist Church,
Stone Mountain
Date and time to be announced

March 2-3
CBF/GA General Assembly



Who are Baptists?
What does it mean to be a Baptist?

Would you like to know more about the origins of Baptists, Baptist developments, and its theological emphases? Do you wonder what relationship Baptist identity has to a church's theology, to your church's theology?

Register for a 4-week online study of Baptist Identity.
Each session is highly interactive and provides opportunities for online discussion with the facilitator and other study participants. The facilitator, Jon Messer, is the Education Coordinator for the Virginia Baptist Historical Society.

Registration is \$150 (Scholarships are available to cover 50% of registration fee). Study dates: September 11 - October 8, 2006.

BTSR
BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT RICHMOND
SCHOOL of CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

For information, visit www.btsr.edu/scm, or call 1-888-339-2877.

To view larger version of advertisement click [here](#).

Mission Opportunities

Help Rebuild New Orleans

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter was written to CBF/GA by Elmo Winters, Faith Bible Ministries, Inc., on Tuesday, July 12, 2006.

Dear Friends,

As most of you know our organization has been busy assisting the many victims of last year's hurricanes. Much has been done to help those who were displaced. We are now focusing on rebuilding New Orleans and believe the best way to do this is by rebuilding the churches. Starting this weekend several churches will be repaired along with the pastors' homes. We need your help in this endeavor. Maybe your church, company, or organization can come to New Orleans and work with us on this vital task. Pray and seek God's directions regarding this and let us know how you will assist us. Thank you in advance. See the attached flyer. You may wish to print it and post it where it can be viewed by others.

Click [here](#) to view and print the volunteer flyer.

[Elmo Winters](#)
Faith Bible Ministries, Inc.
P.O. Box 7320
Baton Rouge, LA 70874

**Smoke Rise Baptist Church,
Stone Mountain**

Speaker: Anna Carter Florence,
Assistant Professor of Preaching
and Worship at Columbia
Theological Seminary

March 16-18

**March Mission Madness
FBC Eatonton**

A mission weekend for youth.
Participants will stay at
Rock Eagle Retreat Center.
For more information, email
robertscottford@mac.com.

March 19-20

**Urban Mission Workshop
McAfee School of Theology,
Atlanta**

Workshop Leader: Ray Bakke
For more information, email
frazier_d@mercer.edu.

March 23-25

**March Mission Madness
FBC Columbus**

A mission weekend for youth.
For more information, email
robertscottford@mac.com.

April 30 - May 02

Session 4

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

For more information, visit
[Center for Congregational Health](#).

May 22

**Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA office, Macon
10:00 a.m.**

June 27-29

**National General Assembly
Washington, DC**

Aug. 14

**Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA office, Macon
10:00 a.m.**

Nov. 4-5

**Coordinating Council Meeting
CBF/GA Fall Convocation
First Baptist Church, Savannah**

**Argentina Women's Build
November 10-19**

Sponsored by CBF National

Women will do all of the construction on a house in Argentina.
For more information contact Valerie Burton at
valerie@alabamacbf.org.

Don't Forget

Coordinating Council Meeting

August 15

CBF/GA office, Macon
10:00 a.m.

Date and time to be announced

Nov. 4-5
CBF/GA Fall Convocation
First Baptist Church, Savannah