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**2006  
Calendar of Events**

'06-'07 Institute for Preaching and  
Pastoral Renewal

[Candler School of Theology](#)

A year-long program of continuing  
education for clergy that involves three  
phases.

Email [ocme@emory.edu](mailto:ocme@emory.edu) or call 404-  
727-0714 for additional information.

Cooperative Baptist  
Fellowship of Georgia  
2006 General  
Assembly

*featuring*

**Jim Dant**

Pastor, Highland Hills Baptist Church, Macon, Georgia.  
Author of *Background Music: Notes to my Daughter*,  
and *1&2 Samuel: Surviving the Tensions of Life*

*assembly theme*

**"All Cracked Up"**

"Promised Land – Not All It's Cracked Up to Be"

"Grace – More Than It's Cracked Up to Be"

**March 3-4**

Beginning 12:00 noon, March 3  
Concluding 12:00 noon, March 4

**First Baptist Church of Athens**  
355 Pulaski St. · Athens, GA 30601-2860

**Child care provided**

**Housing**

Holiday Inn Express, 513 W. Broad Street, Athens, GA 30603,  
(706) 546-8122/(800) 465-4329

CBF/GA room rate: \$79.00\*

Holiday Inn, 197 E. Broad Street, Athens, GA 30603,  
(706) 549-4433/(800) 465-4329

CBF/GA room rate: \$89.00\*

\* Mention CBF/GA to receive special rates. Deadline for reservations:  
Feb. 22

**Information:**

CBF of Georgia Office  
(478) 742-1191, ext. 21  
Toll-free (877) 336-6426  
[fbroome@cbfga.org](mailto:fbroome@cbfga.org)

**[Click here to view the Feb./March 2006  
Visions](#)**

**Feb. 4**  
**Now Serving: Atlanta 2006**  
9:00 am – 7:30 pm  
Mercer University, Atlanta  
Sponsored by McAfee School of  
Theology and CBF of Georgia.  
Registration closed on Jan. 18.

**Feb. 6**  
**Conference on the Missional  
Church**  
**10:00 AM to 4:00 PM**  
**(Lunch Provided)**  
**CBF/GA Macon Office**  
Email [Jimmy Lewis](mailto:Jimmy.Lewis@cbf.org) for reservations or  
additional information.

**February 6-7**  
**William L. Self Preaching Lectures**  
**McAfee School of Theology**  
For information and reservations  
please call Diane Frazier at 678-547-  
6470.

**Feb. 8-9**  
**“Christianity in Africa Today:  
Presentations by Dr. Henry Mugabe**  
Sponsored by CBF/GA, The  
Christianity Department (Mercer), The  
office of the Minister to the University  
(Mercer), The Center for Baptist  
Studies (Mercer), Vineville Baptist  
Church (Macon), and First Baptist  
Church of Christ of Macon. Dr.  
Mugabe is the president of the Baptist  
Theological Seminary in Zimbabwe.  
For information email [Bruce T. Gourley](mailto:Bruce.T.Gourley@cbf.org)  
or call 478-301-5467.

**Feb. 8-11**  
**streams**  
**Current Retreat**  
FBC Decatur  
For more information, visit [Current](http://www.current.org).

**Feb. 20-23**  
**'06 Youth Ministers**  
**Retreat for Rest & Renewal**  
Sponsored by CBF/NC  
Beach Cove Resort  
North Myrtle Beach, SC  
John Hendrix, worship leader  
Email [CBF/NC](mailto:CBF/NC) or call

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## Missions Opportunities & Updates

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**Conference on the Missional Church**  
**Feb. 6**  
**10:00 AM to 4:00 PM**  
**(Lunch Provided)**  
**CBF/GA Macon Office**

Bo Prosser (photo below), Coordinator for Congregational  
Life, CBF National, will conduct the conference for  
pastors, staff members, and laity. If you plan to attend,  
please make a reservation. Email [Jimmy Lewis](mailto:Jimmy.Lewis@cbf.org) for  
reservations or additional information. Click on this link if  
you would like additional information on the [CBF National  
Missional Church Initiative](http://www.cbf.org).



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Visit [CBF/National](http://www.cbf.org) for additional missions opportunities.

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### [Offering for Global Missions 2005-06](#)

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## Important Deadlines Approaching

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**March Mission Madness**  
**Deadline to register - January 31**  
Visit [www.marchmissionmadness.org](http://www.marchmissionmadness.org) for  
details.

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## Opportunities

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**CBF/GA Scholarships**  
CBF/GA is accepting applications for:  
• **Seminary** Scholarships (students enrolled in any Master's  
level degree program).  
• **Undergraduate** Scholarships (rising seniors in college).

1-888-822-1944 for information.  
Registration closed on Jan. 18.

**March 3-4**

**CBF/GA General Assembly**  
First Baptist Church of Athens  
Guest preacher: Jim Dant

**March 6-8**

**True Survivor VI, Daniel Island**  
(Charleston), SC

A training event for all Christian  
Educators and age group ministers.

Cost is \$50 per person.

Email [Toni Draper](mailto:Toni.Draper@cbf.org) or call  
770-220-1654 for information.

To register visit [True Survivor](http://www.true-survivor.com).

**March 8-9**

**Children's Ministries Network**  
**Retreat**

Providence Baptist Church, Daniel Is.  
(Charleston), SC

Cost is \$25 per participant.

Email [Cathy Anderson](mailto:Cathy.Anderson@cbf.org) or [Tricia Hays](mailto:Tricia.Hays@cbf.org)  
for information.

To register visit [True Survivor](http://www.true-survivor.com).

**March 15 DEADLINE**

Baptist Women in Ministry of Georgia  
**DISTINGUISHED CHURCHWOMAN**  
**OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Visit the [CBF/GA](http://www.cbf-ga.org) website and scroll  
down to Opportunities for details.

Mail all nominations to:  
Nikki Hardeman, c/o First Baptist  
Church,  
P.O. Box 1189, Rome, GA 30162-  
1189.

**March 15 Deadline**

**Sara Owen Etheridge Scholarship**  
**Award**

Each year Georgia Baptist Women in  
Ministry awards \$500 to a Baptist  
woman who is currently studying at the  
Master's or Doctoral level. To receive  
the scholarship the student must be a  
current or past resident of Georgia and  
have completed at least 30 hours in a  
theological studies program.

Applicants may attend a Baptist or  
non-Baptist institution. The scholarship  
will be awarded at the Georgia BWIM  
Spring Meeting on Saturday, April 22.

Completed applications must include a form, three references,  
and an essay. To receive an application form, email [Devita  
Parnell](mailto:Devita.Parnell@cbf.org) or call 478-742-1191, ext. 28, or visit [the CBF Georgia  
Website](http://www.cbf-ga.org). Application deadline for 2006-07: April 1, 2006.  
(NOTE: there will be only ONE application deadline annually).

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**April 24, 2:00 pm through**  
**12:00 noon, April 25**

**"Spiritual Formation in**  
**Congregational Life":**

*A Theological Discussion*

Presented by The Initiative for Ministerial Excellence

Registration fee \$25.00/person  
(includes Monday evening meal)

Macon, GA (location to be announced)

Spiritual Formation is a critical concern for many people of faith  
in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. One of the challenges is to understand the  
theological and practical implications of congregation's working  
intentionally to be agents of spiritual formation. Such practices  
impact every aspect of the congregation's life from worship to  
governance. The minister's experience of authority and  
integrity is also impacted. CBF's Leadership Development  
Department invites you to be a part of a theological discussion  
and reflection time on this important subject and its  
implications. The format for the event will include large group  
presentations and small group discussion times with peers and  
the discussion leaders. The resource persons for the event are  
Dr. Molly Marshall and Dr. Craig McMahan. Molly Marshall is a  
theologian who has written on spiritual life and has reflected on  
the theological implications of these issues. She is the  
President of the Central Baptist Theological Seminary in  
Kansas City . Craig McMahan is a long-time pastor who has  
recently become the University Minister at Mercer University in  
Macon, Georgia. As a pastor, he brings a practical perspective  
to congregational life and theological reflection. For information  
or to register email [Dawn Hall](mailto:Dawn.Hall@cbf.org) or call 336-716-9722.

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## Vocational Opportunities

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**Youth Ministry Intern**  
**First Baptist Church**  
**P.O. Box 908**  
**Griffin, GA 30224**

For information contact [Hambric Brooks](mailto:Hambric.Brooks@cbf.org), Minister to  
Students, ph.: 770-227-5517, fax: 770-412-7873 or send  
resumes to the church address listed above.

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**Senior Pastor**  
**First Baptist Church**  
**St. Simons Island, GA**  
**Resumes should be submitted before January 31, 2006, to**

For more information or to receive an application, please email [Carrie Veal](mailto:Carrie_Veal) or call 770-534-7354.

**March 17-19**  
**March Mission Madness**

Deadline to register – Jan. 31  
First Baptist Church  
Warm Springs

**March 20-22**  
**Interim Ministry for**  
**Today's Church**  
**Mercer University Atlanta Campus**

Sponsored by CBF- Congregational  
Life

[To register click here](#). For information  
email [Robin Danner](mailto:Robin_Danner)  
Or call 336-716-9722  
Deadline: Feb. 20  
Cost for materials/tuition \$95.00.

**March 24-26**  
**March Mission Madness**  
Deadline to register – Jan. 31  
First Baptist Church, Morrow  
MMM is an Annual Weekend Missions  
Retreat sponsored by the CBF/GA.  
Visit the new [MMM website](#)  
or email [Scott Ford](mailto:Scott_Ford) or call  
770-860-0473 for information.

**April 1 (Deadline)**  
**CBF/GA Scholarship Application**  
To receive an application form, email  
[Devita Parnell](mailto:Devita_Parnell) or call 478-742-1191,  
ext. 28, or visit [the CBF Georgia](#)  
[Website](#).

**April 3-5**  
**Spiritual Formation Regional**  
**Retreat**  
**Cenacle Retreat House, Houston,**  
**Texas**  
To register visit [the fellowship](#). For  
information email [Rick Bennett](mailto:Rick_Bennett) or call  
770- 220-1605.

**April 22**  
**Baptist Women in Ministry Spring**  
**Meeting**  
**New Heights Baptist Church,**  
**Macon, GA**  
10:30 a.m. worship  
Luncheon, business meeting, and  
awards presentation after worship.

**Pastor Search Team - FBCSSI, 729 Ocean Blvd., St.**  
**Simons Island, GA 31522 or email [dona@fbcssi.org](mailto:dona@fbcssi.org).**

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**REFERENCE AND REFERRAL WORKSHOP** at the CBF/GA  
2006 General Assembly in Athens, March 3-4. The purpose of  
this workshop will be to better equip both Ministers seeking  
Churches and Churches seeking Ministers. For more  
information email [Alan Mitchell](mailto:Alan_Mitchell).

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## Assistance Needed

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**CBF/GA** has accepted responsibility for maintaining two  
large tents for use during disaster relief. We need a storage  
location for them. The tents are housed in four large canvas  
bags. The poles are 16 feet long. Please email [Frank Broome](mailto:Frank_Broome) if  
you or your church can help with this.

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## Resources

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A NEW BOOKLET ON THE ROLE OF FREEDOM  
IN SHAPING BAPTIST HISTORY

Freedom themes rivet through Baptist history. Therefore, the  
Baptist History and Heritage Society is pleased to announce  
the forthcoming release on February 6, 2006, of a new 24-page  
booklet, *Freedom: The Key to the Baptist Genius*. This booklet  
focuses on the importance of the vast array of freedoms that  
have shaped Baptist history and ideals. It also comments on  
ways Baptists have, at times, violated their freedom values. It  
urges protection of these freedoms as a way to help guarantee  
Baptist integrity. Email [Charles Deweese](mailto:Charles_Deweese) for details.

Email [Karen Pennings](#) or call 478-714-0380 or 478-633-1527 for additional information.

**April 24-25**  
**“Spiritual Formation in Congregational Life”: A Theological Discussion**

For information or to register email [Dawn Hall](#) or call 336-716-9722.

**May 4-5**  
**The University Campus: Tomorrow’s Moderate Baptists**  
First Baptist Church of Decatur  
Begins 1:30 PM (May 4)  
Concludes 12 noon (May 5)  
Co-sponsored by the Center for Baptist Studies, CBF National, and CBF/GA. Email [Devita Parnell](#) or [Bruce T. Gourley](#) for information.

**June 11-16**  
**June 18-23**  
**Touching Taliaferro With Love (TTWL) Day Camp**  
For additional information email [Jimmy Lewis](#).

**June 22-23**  
**CBF-National General Assembly**  
Georgia World Congress Center  
Atlanta, GA  
Visit [the fellowship](#) website to pre-register.

**June 25-28**  
**Summer Retreat for Vocational Formation**  
**“Tapestry”**  
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](#)  
Ph.: 336-716-0459

**June 26-30**  
**TTWL Baseball Camp**  
For additional information email [Jimmy](#)

[Lewis.](#)

**June 28-July 01**  
**PASSPORTkids!**  
Wesleyan College  
Macon, GA  
Visit [PASSPORTkids!](#)

**September 11-13**  
**Spiritual Formation Regional**  
**Retreat Kavanaugh Life Enrichment**  
**Center, Louisville, KY**

To register visit [the fellowship](#). For  
information email [Rick Bennett](#) 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, Mercer University](#) for details.

## **2007**

**January 8-10, 2007**  
**Spiritual Formation Regional**  
**Retreat**  
**Simpsonwood**  
**Conference Center**  
**Atlanta, GA**

To register visit [the fellowship](#). For  
information email [Rick Bennett](#) or call  
770- 220-1605.