



ReVisions - a monthly e-newsletter from CBF/GA

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<https://indd.adobe.com/view/696778e8-2afa-4b93-a8e4-435345c104ee>

CBF/GA Theological Education Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted

The deadline to apply for theological education scholarships is July 31, 2021. The application and required reference forms may be found at www.cbfga.org/theological-education-scholarships/.

Email Jody Long at jlong@cbfga.org or Megan Doud at mdoud@cbfga.org with any questions.

CBF/GA Congregational Ministry Grants Now Available

Matching grants of up to \$2000 will again be funded through the CBF/GA State Mission Offering. Proposed projects should fall under one of these categories:

- Community Partnerships
- Interfaith Initiatives
- Local Mission Engagement
- Young Leadership Development

For more information and to apply for a grant, please visit www.cbfga.org/congregational-ministry-grants/. Email Jody Long at jlong@cbfga.org with any questions.

Florida CBF Offers “How to be a Hybrid Church” Webinar Series

In the wake of the pandemic, churches today are facing a new challenge as they consider how to engage a split congregation – in person, at home and online. Florida CBF is offering a three-part webinar entitled “How to Be a Hybrid Church,” presented by Cristen Green Kinard. Cost to a church would be \$100 for all sessions and support “office hours” with Cristen Kinard; classes will be recorded so that they are available for anyone who cannot participate at the scheduled time. Group sessions will be offered at 10 a.m. ET on three consecutive Wednesdays – June 16, June 23, and June 30.

For more information or to register, go to floridacbf.org/events.

Meets June 30!

BWIM's Annual Gathering will take place Wednesday, June 30. A unique feature of this year's virtual Annual Gathering is that BWIM is organizing several Zoom watch parties from which you

can choose. When you register for the Annual Gathering, you can also select a watch party to join. If you prefer, you may also watch the Annual Gathering Worship Celebration on your own. Zoom watch parties will begin at 10:00 a.m. ET, and the Annual Gathering Worship Celebration begins streaming at 10:30 a.m. ET.

To register, go to bwim.info/2021-annual-gathering.



CBF Plans Retreats for Ministers

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, in collaboration with CBF state and regional organizations across the Fellowship, are inviting pastors and staff ministers to gather for a time of rest and renewal with a community of their peers this summer.

These spiritual retreats are scheduled from mid-June to early September and are designed to offer opportunities for worship, spiritual practices, holy conversation with colleagues and time for quiet and rest. They will **not** include intense educational programming, content about things happening in CBF life, or prognostications about post-pandemic church.

The Georgia retreat will take place at Callaway Gardens in Pine Mountain, Georgia, August 16-19. The retreat is open to all staff ministers, and spouses are welcome. Space is limited, so register soon!

The retreats are \$25 to attend, and the only other costs will be the cost of travel to the retreat center and for excursions with colleagues.

To register and for more information, go to cbf.net/retreats, or contact Jody Long at jlong@cbfga.org.

CBF/GA Partners with CBF for Regional Gathering August 26-27



**2021 CBF General Assembly
August 25-28, 2021**

2 Corinthians 4:16-5:1

**Experience it Virtually & In-Person at Regional Events
hosted by CBF State and Regional Organizations
& Local Congregations**

Being Renewed from the Inside Out

Amid a pandemic on a global scale and in our nation, in the midst of exhaustion and uncertainty, and preparing to face new seasons in our congregations and in our mission – there's hope found in Christ Jesus.

This August, you're invited to come and find hope and renewal at the 2021 CBF General

Assembly. The CBF Global General Assembly event is virtual, but new this year, in-person General Assembly experiences are being held in partnership with CBF state and regional organizations and local congregations.

Through meaningful worship experiences, compelling workshops, a virtual exhibit hall and opportunities to join with partner organizations and CBF ministry networks, we'll connect in new ways, open to service as vessels of transformation even as we have been transformed.

In-Person Regional Events

Join Cooperative Baptists from your area for regional in-person gatherings at the following locations. We invite all others to join us online for a virtual experience. Those who attend in-person gatherings will have full access to all virtual resources and workshops.

The following locations will host in-person gatherings:

Alabama CBF, Florida CBF and CBF of Georgia

Thursday, August 26 - Friday, August, 27
Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA

Suggested Hotels for the Atlanta in-person gathering:

Embassy Suites by Hilton Atlanta Buckhead - Check out Saturday 3285 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30305 - (404) 261-7733

Room Block Name: CBF

Rate: King - \$94, Double Queen - \$114

Cancellation: 24 Hour

August 4: RSVP cutoff

Self-Parking: \$20/day

Reservation

Link: <https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/A/ATLLXES-CBF-20210825/index.jhtml>

SpringHill Suites by Marriott Atlanta Buckhead 3459 Buckhead Loop NE, Atlanta, GA 30326 - (404) 844-4800

Room Block Name: CBF

Rate: \$109/night +taxes/fees

Cancellation - 72 Hours before

Reservation Link: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1622044422550&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

NOTE: Guests may make their reservations, by calling central reservations at **888-287-9400**. Attendees must request the **GROUP** room block [Group Name: CBF] at the **SpringHill Suites Atlanta Buckhead**.

Courtyard by Marriott Atlanta Buckhead 3332 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30326 - (404) 869-0818

Wednesday through Saturday rate: \$89/night +taxes/fees

Last Day to Book: August 15, 2021

Reservation Link: <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1621457162814&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Atlanta Buckhead - August 24-29 3092 Piedmont Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30305 - (404) 846-0900

Rate: \$80

1st Week of August release date

Room Code: CBF

CBF of North Carolina and CBF of South Carolina

Thursday, August 26 - Friday, August, 27
Providence Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC

Details about the schedule will be announced soon. Registration will begin later in June at cbf.net/general-assembly.

Make Plans Now for the Senior Adult Retreat!

"Come to the Table: the Practice of Sacred Hospitality"

September 26-28, 2021

First Baptist Church, Saint Simons Island



Retreat Leader: Ruth DuCharme, of Macon, Georgia, has served for over thirty years as a minister in the area of faith formation. She is currently building a new ministry as a spiritual director and retreat leader.

To register, go to www.cbfga.org/adults-senior-adults. A registration fee of \$20, payable online when you register, covers lunch on Monday along with fellowships and snacks. Contact Melissa Kremer at mkremer@cbfga.org with questions.

Tentative Retreat Schedule

Sunday, September 26

- 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Check-in and Cake Fellowship at First Baptist Church, Saint Simons Island

Monday, September 27

- 9:00 am – Check-in for late arrivers
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Gathering Time in Sanctuary
- 10:45 a.m. – Breakout Session I
- 11:45 – Lunch and brief program in Fellowship Hall
- Monday afternoon – free time to relax and enjoy the beach and village of SSI
- 6:45 p.m. – Music and Retreat Worship in the sanctuary, followed by an Ice Cream Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall
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Tuesday, September 28

- 9:00 a.m. – Breakout Session II
- 10:15 a.m. – Closing Retreat Worship and Communion

Hotel Suggestion:

The Inn by the Lighthouse, 912-638-1101 (a block of rooms is reserved for CBF/GA for \$139 per night per room)

Other lodging options (no rooms blocked):

Hampton Inn SSI, 912-634-2204

Holiday Inn Express, 912-634-2175

Home2Suites by Hilton SSI, 912-638-0333

Queens Court Inn SSI, 912-268-4966

Best Western Plus SSI, 912-638-7805

Ocean Inn and Suites SSI, 912-634-2122

(Note: Epworth by the Sea is in use until at least September 1 to house workers dismantling the overturned ship in the harbor)



You are invited to attend **Breathe: A Retreat for Women** November 4-6, 2021 at The Lodge at Gulf Shores State Park in Gulf Shores, Alabama. Get away for a couple of days by yourself or with a friend to feel the sand beneath your feet and the ocean breeze on your face. **Breathe** is designed to nurture your soul, encourage renewal for your body and spirit, and allow you to spend time with God who knows you

and loves you. This event is co-hosted by Alabama CBF, CBF Florida, and CBF of Georgia for all women in our CBF churches.

To reserve a room, use this link, citing ALABAMA CBF LADIES RETREAT:
<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?&cityhcn=PNSLGHH&groupCode=ACB&arrival=20211104&departure=20211106&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,en,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>



SAVE THE DATES: CBF/GA State Gathering November 7-8 First Baptist Church, Gainesville, Georgia

The CBF/GA State Gathering will be in person November 7-8 at First Baptist Church, Gainesville! Plans are being finalized and details will be shared later this summer. Dr. Teresa Fry Brown, Bandy Professor of Preaching at Candler School of Theology, will speak on the subject of "God's Next...!"



"Look! I'm doing a new thing; now it sprouts up; don't you recognize it? I'm making a way in the desert, paths in the wilderness." (Isaiah 43:19, Common English Bible)

Schedule and hotel information will be posted as it becomes available at www.cbfga.org/events/.

New Winter Youth Summit Info!

**Registration opens
June 15.**

Go to
www.alabamacbf.org/wys2022

JANUARY 14-16, 2022

WYS
WINTER YOUTH SUMMIT

DWELL
in ME. in US. in the WORLD.



SPEAKERS ▶

**Chelsea & Darien
Waite**



WORSHIP LEADER
▲ **Charley Lowry**

GET THE DETAILS: www.alabamacbf.org/wys2022

LOCATION: **Huntsville, AL**

REGISTRATION OPENS: **June 15**

EARLY BIRD RATE	REGISTRATION RATE	LATE RATE
\$79 <small>June 15-August 15</small>	\$89 <small>August 15-October 15</small>	\$99 <small>October 15-November 15</small>



cbf Student Ministry



OASIS

A SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR THOSE WHO MINISTER TO
CHILDREN, YOUTH, & COLLEGE STUDENTS

SAVE THE DATE

FEBRUARY 8-11, 2022

MONTREAT CONFERENCE AND RETREAT CENTER, NORTH CAROLINA

**Make plans now to attend OASIS,
February 8-11, 2022!**

The OASIS retreat, limited in the past to youth ministers, is expanding to include children's ministers and college ministers!

***i*VISIONS Subscription Information**

Please continue to let Melissa Kremer at mkremer@cbuga.org know if you would like to convert your print *Visions* subscription to the interactive *i-Visions* only. The link to the new *i-Visions* also will be sent to all *ReVisions* subscribers each quarter.

First Quarter Report, 2021

Year-to-date Budget Receipts: \$180,816.10

Year-to-date Budget Expenses: \$86,418.71

Frank & Susan Broome Endowment

Broome Endowment Fund Gifts, January 1 - March 31, 2021: \$500.00

Broome Endowment Fund Balance, as of March 31, 2021: \$1,337,862.80

Reference and Referral

CBF/GA is happy to post your church's job listings for staff positions on our website. Listed below are the positions currently posted. For full information, go to www.cbfga.org/ministerial-transitions/.

Trinity Baptist Church, Moultrie, GA - Children's Minister/Director (part-time)

Trinity Baptist Church, Moultrie, GA - Youth Minister

Trinity Baptist Church, Harker Heights, TX - Pastor

First Baptist Church, Memphis, TN - Pastor

First Baptist Church, Tucker, GA - Part-time Worship Leader

Tabernacle Baptist Church, Carrollton, GA - Minister to Students

First Baptist Church, Hawkinsville, GA - Associate Pastor to Families and Children

First Baptist Church, Manchester, GA - Associate Pastor

Johns Creek Baptist Church, Alpharetta - Mobilization Pastor

Johns Creek Baptist Church, Alpharetta - Preschool Ministry Associate (part-time paid internship)

Call Jody Long (jlong@cbfga.org) or Megan Doud (mdoud@cbfga.org) at 478-742-1191 with questions about reference and referral assistance. To advertise a position on the CBF/GA website, go to www.cbfga.org/ministerial-transitions/. Ministers seeking opportunities to move may go to www.cbfga.org/ministerial-transitions/.