



Dear CBF/GA friends and family,

As we enter a new season in the CBFGA State Mission Offering, ponder these words from Isaiah 43:19: *“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.”* In another challenging year of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, we are especially mindful of need around us and indeed around the world, and we seek new paths and new ways of meeting those needs.

**This year, the CBFGA State Mission Offering will continue to fund our CBFGA Congregational Ministry Grant program and our newly rekindled college student ministry.**

First, the Congregational Ministry Grant program continues with good results, despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Two congregations have already received \$2,000 each this year to explore new ministry opportunities. The congregations will be sharing their stories with us and we, in turn, will be sharing them with you in hopes of inspiring you and your congregations to live out God’s call in your community. This year, we are again offering matching grants of \$1,000 to \$2,000 in hopes that congregational recipients will use the grants to further good, innovative ministry ideas and projects.

Second, funds from this year’s State Mission Offering will be used to enhance the collegiate ministry that Megan Doud, our new Associate Coordinator for Young Baptist Ministries, is working to restart, at Mercer University in Macon, and also in partnership with CBFGA churches which already have college student ministries. A spring break mission immersion trip to New York City is planned for March of 2022, and monies from the offering will help fund this experience for students.

This year, our CBFGA State Missions Offering materials (an 8.5x11 printable poster, a bulletin insert, an FAQ sheet, and this letter) are available on our website, [www.cbfga.org/state-mission-offering/](http://www.cbfga.org/state-mission-offering/), for you to download and use as your congregation desires. Please contact Melissa Kremer at [mkremer@cbfga.org](mailto:mkremer@cbfga.org) with any questions.

Let us recognize the new things God is doing in our midst and support them through our generous giving!

Blessings,

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