

CAPITAL BAPTIST NEWSBRIEFS

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Positions Available

- St John BC, Columbia MD, is currently seeking a part time Minister of Music. Visit www.stjohnbaptistchurch.org to learn more about the church. Interested candidates submit resumes to hrdept@stjohnbaptistchurch.org. No phone calls please.
- FBC Rota, Spain, near Seville, is in need of a pastor. The congregation is primarily English speaking, US military and families along with a few Spanish residents. The church is affiliated with the International Baptist Convention. Contact: Clint Pollock at PSC 819 Box 7, FPO-AE 09645 or email to info@firstbaptistrota.com. Please include your resumé.

Vignettes of DCBC People, Churches, etc.

Vacation Bible School Training

SAVE THE DATE! April 19, 2008, 9am to noon. *Why?* VBS training this year has been expanded. We've added two new instructors to our team—Anthony and Vanessa Hudson, members of West Hyattsville Baptist Church.

Our team traveled to Ridgecrest NC to the VBS Institute and they are excited about sharing what they learned with DCBC churches. LifeWay has included in their package this year not only the plan for salvation, but also discipleship. Their motto this year is "Know the truth. Speak the truth. Live the Truth."

VBS Training this year will be held at FBC Camp Springs, Maryland, 6936 Allentown Road, Camp Springs, MD. The Team will demonstrate Crafts, Music, Missions, Recreation and Snack rotations and Worship Rally. There will be classes for leaders of each age group: Preschool and Children (Debbie Cochran), Preteen (Vanessa Hudson), Youth (Robert Cochran), and Adults (Marion Criddle). Margarita Pinto will lead a session for Spanish speaking churches. Gloria Jenkins and Anthony Hudson will lead classes for Directors and Ministers respectively.

Remember, you do NOT have to use LifeWay materials to attend. We will have information about VBS curriculum from various publishers. You may register now by calling the Baptist Building at 202.265.1526.

Church Happenings

- **Clifton Park BC** has called Essentino A. Lewis as its new pastor. He began his pulpit responsibilities at CPBC on March 16; however, his full-time pastoral duties will begin Sunday, April 6, 2008. Paul Clark, Interim at **Clifton Park BC**, concluded his services in March 2008.
- Two new churches starts have begun work in the DCBC: **Salem Gospel Ministries** meets at Montgomery Hills BC, Pastor Adrien Ngudiankama; **Emmanuel Eritrean BC** meets at Mount Vernon BC, Pastor Daniel Tesfasselase.
- A third effort to start a new congregation is also underway: **Christ Our Shepherd Ministries** intends to reach out to the West African community. This congregation meets in Takoma Park MD.
- Jill McCrory is serving as an Intern at **Luther Rice Memorial BC**. She formerly served **Washington Plaza BC** as Minister of Outreach until December 2007.
- John E. Johnson Jr, pastor of **Purity BC**, concluded his service February 2008.
- Please update your directory: **Parker Memorial BC** — phone number is 301.924.0205 and fax number is 301.924.0294.
- After serving eight years as senior pastor of FBC of the City of Washington DC, Jim Somerville accepted the call as pastor of FBC Richmond VA effective May 1, 2008. He concludes his service in DC on Apr 1.

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