

News Briefs April 2009

Latest News, Announcements & Vignettes

Increase your church attendance! Christianity Today reports that in 2007, 80-85% of people searched for a church via the Internet. DCBC's innovative new Church Finder will help increase Sunday Morning and Key Event attendance at all DCBC Churches. Your basic information has been entered into the DCBC Church Finder. Go to the DCBC Church Finder to insure that your church information is accurate AND to add the additional criteria that church searchers are looking for to visit your church.

VBS Training and Summer Evangelism Ideas. On Saturday, April 18 at 9 a.m. there will be training for Directors and Teachers of Vacation Bible School at Wisconsin Avenue Baptist Church, 3920 Alton Place NW, Washington D.C. There will also be a session on summer evangelism that will start at 1 p.m. For more information contact Rev. Gloria Jenkins at revglo@verizon.net or call 202.265.1526.

Expanding Discipleship: Reaching the Masses. A workshop to help congregations strengthen spiritual formation and discipleship will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 25 at the Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. For more information or to register go to www.dcbaptist.org or contact Gail Lacy at gail.lacy@dcbaptist.org or 202.265.1526.

The 2009 Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, being held in Louisville, Kentucky, June 21-22 will seek to call us all back to a resurgence of commitment to the Great Commission. The theme of this year's conference comes from Philippians 2:2 and asks the question, "What If?" "What If" we had one mind, one love, one spirit and one purpose? For more information or to register go to www.sbc.net.

Baptist Women Get Ready to Renew. Mark Your Calendars for "Refresh Her 2009"! Sponsored by DCBC's Baptist Women's Ministries on Saturday, May 9 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 755 8th Street NW. A \$15 registration fee includes lunch. Make reservations at 202.265.1526 by May 4.

The Capital Baptist is available online. The latest issue of the *Capital Baptist* newsletter is available on DCBC's website at www.dcbaptist.org. Member churches and subscribers will also receive copies in the mail. For more information or to send information to be included in the *Capital Baptist*, please send information to communications@dcbaptist.org or contact Leslie Copeland-Tune at 202.265.1526.

College of Prayer Module Focuses on "Weapons of Warfare," May 14-16. The next module for the College of Prayer will be held at Fort Foote Baptist Church in Ft. Washington, Md. and will focus on the "Weapons of Warfare" available to Christians. The speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Bernadette Glover-Williams, executive pastor of the Cathedral International in Perth Amboy, N.J. and preacher-in-residence at New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TRAINING

PREACT: Leadership before a Crisis

FREE training Workshop for clergy, lay leaders and staff

Saturday May 2, 2009, 9am-noon

Washington DC location to be announced

Topics:

Risks & Vulnerabilities in DC Area

Congregational Continuity Planning

Being Connected

Spiritual Care Resources

PREPARE 2 CARE: Yourself, Your Neighbor

FREE Training Workshop for members and individuals of the DC area Faith Community

Saturday, April 18, 2009, 9am-noon

New Commandment Baptist Church, 625 Park Road, NW

Saturday, May 2, 2009, 1pm-4pm

Washington DC location to be announced

Topics:

Understanding Disasters

Make a Plan, Build a Kit for Household Preparedness

Serving Family, Friends, and Community

CHOOSE PROGRAM & DATE. REGISTER YOUR LEADERS VIA EMAIL:

hollandk@lssnca.org Include participant name(s), email and telephone contact information.

Ministers Fellowship Continues Road Trip. The Ministers Fellowship is on the road and our next stop is **The John Leland Center for Theological Studies** at noon on Tuesday, April 28. To register go to www.dcbaptist.org or contact Rev. Starlette McNeill at starlette.mcneill@dcbaptist.org or 202.265.1526.

Training for Adult Reading, Writing Tutors. Become a tutor and help enhance the lives of adults learning to read. An **Adult Reading & Writing Tutor Training** will be held Saturday, June 13, 8:30am to 4:30pm and June 20, 8:30am to 4:30pm at the DC Baptist Building, 1628 16th Street NW, Washington DC. You must attend both

days to be certified. Cost of materials is \$30. To register call Gail Lacy at 202.265.1526 or click [here](#).

FBC Gaithersburg Honors Interim & Welcomes New Pastor. Rev. Dr. Joseph Smith was honored by FBC Gaithersburg on Sunday, April 5 as he concluded his position as interim pastor there. A farewell fellowship dinner was given in his honor. FBC Gaithersburg also welcomed Rev. Gary Long as the new senior pastor. A reception is planned for Sunday, April 19. He will begin his ministry at FBC on Wednesday, April 15.

NewsBriefs goes online. DCBC's "Capital Baptist NewsBriefs," now "eNewsBriefs," will no longer be mailed. Each month an email will alert subscribers that a new edition is available from the DCBC website, www.dcbaptist.org. If you would like to continue receiving "News Briefs" in the mail, please call 202.265.1526 or and we will be happy to send you a copy.

Opportunities

Part-Time Pastoral Position

Pilgrim Baptist Church in Silver Spring, MD, has formed a Pastoral search committee and is now accepting applications for a new Pastor. This is a Part-time position. The following requirements have been set by the church: The candidate must be married, male or female, 40-60 years old, with at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution. The church is seeking an ordained clergy person with at least two years or four semesters of seminary training. If selected the candidate will be required to preach Sunday morning services, teach and/or oversee Sunday school and bible study, perform all weddings, baptisms and funerals, baby dedications and all other pastoral functions required by the church. The deadline for resumes is March 20, 2009. If interested, send your resume to:

Pilgrim Baptist Church
Attn: Deacon Edwin A. Pratt Sr.
8901 Pennsylvania Ave.
Silver Spring, MD 20910
301.588.2306

Pastoral Position

Hillandale Baptist Church is seeking a full time pastor. Please send resumes or inquiries to Attn: Pastor Search Committee at Hillandale Baptist Church, 2601 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi MD 20783. Telephone: 301.434.6033. Fax: 301.434.5430. Email: hbc1952@aol.com.

Minister or Director of Music

A DC church is seeking a full time Minister or Director of Worship, Music and the Arts. The incumbent shall possess a degree in choral music or music education or have a minimum of three (3) years experience directing and managing a music program in a comparable setting or a combination of the education and experience listed above. Send resumes to John Covington, PO Box 6822, Washington DC 20020. Salary commensurate with experience.

Part-time Music Director

Seeking part time choir director for Village Baptist Church, Bowie, Maryland. One rehearsal, one worship service per week, leading a 12-15 voice choir. Duties, salary and vacation negotiable based on experience. See <http://villagebaptistbowie.org/> for details, or contact church office at 301.249.6448

Mission Team

Montgomery Hills BC is sending a Habitat Mission Team to New Orleans, LA, April 19-25 to rebuild homes in the "Little Woods" neighborhood of the city. "Little Woods" is located in the 9th Ward of New Orleans and suffered severe destruction from Hurricane Katrina.

Disaster Relief Kits

White Cross Handwork and Disaster Relief Kits (Gifts of the Heart) are being collected. Please send donations to the Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C., by the end of this month. For more information contact Gail Lacy at 202.265.1526 or gail.lacy@dcbaptist.org.

Volunteers Needed

National Baptist Memorial Church is seeking volunteers to assist at The Well Food Pantry on Saturday, April 11 and April 25 from 8am until noon. Volunteers are also needed for The Well After school program, Monday-Friday, 3-6 p.m. Contact National Baptist Memorial Church at 202.332.7510.

Job Fair

People-4-People Job Fair Held at TPCBC. The People's Community Baptist Church is having a Job Fair Saturday, April 18. The Fair starts promptly at 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. The deadline for pre-registration is Friday, April 10. For more information, contact the church at 301.384.2601.

Ecumenical Work Week

Ecumenical Work Week Scheduled for August. National Ministries of the American Baptist Churches USA and the National Council of Churches' Special Commission for the Just Rebuilding of the Gulf Coast are sponsoring the third Ecumenical Work Week, August 2-8. Youth groups are especially encouraged to

participate. For more information contact Victoria Goff at vgoff@abc-usa.org or 800-ABC-3USA, ext. 2449.