

## News Briefs

July 2009

### Latest News, Announcements & Vignettes

#### **SAVE THE DATE: DCBC Annual Meeting in October**

The DCBC Annual Meeting will be held **Oct. 26-27** at Ft. Foote Baptist Church in Ft. Washington, Md. Rev. Neville Callam, General Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, and Rev. D. Edward Williams, pastor of FBC Wheaton, are two of the key speakers. All DCBC churches are encouraged to participate. For more information, call 202.265.1526.

#### **Johenning Hosts Community Day Celebration**

On Saturday, July 18, 2009, the Johenning Advisory Council of the D.C. Baptist Convention will host its annual "Community Day" event, which will include an Open House and Health Fair. "Community Day" will be held from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. at the Johenning Baptist Community Center, **4025 9th Street S.E.**, Washington, D.C. Volunteers are needed to help with games, food and other activities. Contact Denise Sadler at 202.577.9406.

#### **DCBC Celebrates Life of Rev. Charles Fleet**

Rev. Charles S. Fleet, pastor of Mount Hebron Baptist Church of Washington D.C., died on June 11. Services were held on June 17 at First Baptist Church, New Hampshire and Randolph Street NW, Washington D.C.

#### **Church Pews Available**

New Creation Baptist Church has 17 used wooden pews to donate to a new church that can use them. The pews seat approximately 70 persons in total. Contact Dr. Ella Redfield, 301-649-6000 or [newcreat1@aol.com](mailto:newcreat1@aol.com).

#### **Church Alive! Ministry Leadership Conference**

Mt. Jezreel Baptist Church, where The Rev. Eldridge Spearman is pastor, will host its 7th Annual Church Alive Conference, July 14-16 at the church, which is located at 420 University Blvd. East, Silver Spring, Md. Church Alive! is a ministry leadership conference that will include the Pastor's Alternative Program (PAP), a Christian Education Certification training that is approved and conducted by the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. Guest speakers include nationally renowned speakers. There will also be a Benefit Gospel Concert on July, 16 at 6 p.m. featuring Dorothy Norwood. Registration is \$150 with group discounts available. For more information click [here](#) or call 301.431.3474.

#### **Hunt Re-Elected SBC President**

Johnny Hunt, pastor of First Baptist Church of Woodstock in the Atlanta area, was re-elected to serve as president of the Southern Baptist Convention for a second term.

#### **Cancer Society Seeks Intern**

The American Cancer Society Faith-Based Programs is looking for an intern to help with fundraising, meetings, outreach to faith communities and promoting its health education and health promotion programs. Contact the American Cancer Society at 301.933.9350.

**Gospel and Basketball!** The Washington Mystics will celebrate Gospel Night on Saturday, July 18 at 7 p.m. at the Verizon Center. Dietric Haddon will perform a special post-game concert and local choirs will perform during the game. Group discounts are available. For more information click [here](#) or contact, Erin Mitchell at 202.527.7510 or [emitchell@washmystics.com](mailto:emitchell@washmystics.com).

#### **Maryland/Delaware Women's Retreat in September**

The Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware (BCMD) Woman's Missionary Union will hold its annual Women's retreat, "Breathless: A Gathering for Women," Sept. 25-26 at Faith Baptist Church, 7378 Furnace Branch Rd., Glen Burnie, Md. Carrie McDonnell, a former missionary to Iraq is the keynote speaker. Group discounts are available. For more contact BCMD at 800.466.5290 or visit [www.bcemd.org](http://www.bcemd.org).

#### **FBC, Hyattsville Calls Thomason to be Pastor**

The First Baptist Church of Hyattsville (FBCH) is delighted to announce that the congregation has called Rev. Todd Thomason to be its new Pastor. Rev. Thomason will begin serving at FBCH in July, 2009. A native of Winston-Salem, N.C., Rev. Thomason graduated summa cum laude from the University of North Carolina/Greensboro in 1997 with a Bachelor of Arts in classical civilization and history. He earned a Master of

Arts in Latin from the University of Georgia and a Master of Divinity degree from McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University in Atlanta. He was awarded the Outstanding Scholar Award for the Class of 2004. Rev. Thomason comes to FBCH from Virginia Beach, Va., where he has been serving as an Interim Pastor. He has a wife, Kristen, and eight-month-old twin daughters, Mary and Emma.

#### **Condolences from DCBC**

Our condolences go out to the Wiley family (Revs. H. Wesley Wiley, Dennis and Christine Wiley and Howard Wiley) in the loss of Mrs. Doris Wiley, wife to Rev. H. Wesley Wiley and mother to Dennis, Christine and Howard Wiley. Our deepest sympathy is also extended to Rev. Terrell Sheppard, Minister of Youth at Ft. Foote Baptist Church, in the loss of his wife, Monica Sheppard. Please keep these families in prayer.

#### **LifeWay National Youth Worker's Conference Scheduled**

LifeWay will hold its National Youth Worker's Conference in Nashville, Sept. 14-16. This year's conference will focus on one of the most important aspects of student ministry--partnering with their parents. Registration is \$145. For more information or to register, call 800.254.2022 or visit [www.lifeway.com/LNYWC](http://www.lifeway.com/LNYWC).

#### **Employment Opportunities**

##### **DCBC Bookkeeper**

The DC Baptist Convention is seeking a part-time Bookkeeper for up to 24 hours per week. The bookkeeper reports to the Business Manager/Treasurer and must have experience with general ledger, accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, monthly reconciliations and monthly reports. Other responsibilities will include, but are not limited to, making bank deposits, monthly invoicing, monitoring of delinquent accounts, and assisting with quarterly federal reporting.

##### **Requirements:**

The ideal candidate must have at least two (2) years experience in a bookkeeping capacity, must be proficient with a financial software program (Automated Church Systems (ACS) a plus), and have an in-depth knowledge of Microsoft Office products: Word and Excel. The candidate must be detail-oriented, highly organized, work well in both independent and dependent environments, and have excellent interpersonal skills. A background check will be conducted prior to hire. Professional and character references will be required prior to final selection.

The DCBC is a Christian organization, and is an EOE, offering a competitive hourly rate. Please send resume and cover letter by **July 17** to [lashanor.doolittle@dcbaptist.org](mailto:lashanor.doolittle@dcbaptist.org) or fax (202) 667-8258.

##### **Director of Finance/Bookkeeper for Leland Seminary**

Small but growing Baptist seminary is seeking a full-time Director of Finance/Bookkeeper or two people to serve as part-time Director of Finance and part-time Bookkeeper. We seek someone who is passionate about helping our fully-accredited seminary raise up a new generation of Christian leaders. Full-time position will pay \$35-44,000, depending on the candidate's qualifications. Part-time positions will pay a comparable hourly rate for each position. The successful candidate will have 5+ years in accounting and a college degree preferred for the Director of Finance position; 4+ years as a full-charge bookkeeper. For both positions proven expertise in QuickBooks and Excel is a must; strong financial analysis experience in an accounting environment; proficiency with MS Excel, Word and Outlook; team player, positive attitude, and strong communication skills required; and, knowledge of non-profit accounting and billing is helpful. Inquiries and resumes should be sent to [registrar@leland.edu](mailto:registrar@leland.edu).