

News Briefs
September 2009

Latest News, Announcements & Vignettes

Interested in becoming an Intentional Interim Pastor? Certificate Training for Interim Pastors starts this month on **Tuesday, Sept. 8**. There is an upcoming training for clergy who are interested in becoming certified as an Intentional Interim Pastor. The instructor for the training is **Rev. Paul A. Clark**, M.Div., M.Ed., M.A., B.A., a Certified Intentional Interim Pastor, Clergy Coach, Church Consultant and former Pastor.

Requirements for the certificate training include: three (3) training sessions in interim leadership development and the completion of a supervised interim pastorate. The three training sessions will be held at the D.C. Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. and will follow the four stages of interim leadership development. There is a cost of \$125 per training stage (includes some materials and a group lunch). For more information, contact Rev. Paul Clark at revpaulclark@verizon.net, 202.321.1519 or click [here](#).

Orientation for New Teachers continues with training for new teachers of preschoolers & children on Thursday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Center for Congregational Health, Evangelism and Discipleship (CHED), this is an opportunity for D.C. Baptists to develop their teaching skills. The orientation will be held from 7-9 p.m. at the Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. Parking is available in the courtyard next to the building. To register, visit www.dcbaptist.org or call 202.265.1526.

Children's Choir to Perform. The African Children's Choir will perform on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. at Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. "Helping Africa's most vulnerable children today, so they can help Africa tomorrow" is the theme of the concert. The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church is located at 3000 Pennsylvania Avenue SE, Washington D.C. For information call 202.581.1500. Click [here](#) for flyer.

Prayer for the Poor. There will be a "Prayer for the Poor" worship service on Thursday, Sept. 17 from 7-8:30 p.m. at Twinbrook Baptist Church, 1001 Twinbrook Parkway, Rockville, MD. All are invited to participate in this service of worship, praise, and prayer. For information call 202-265-1526.

September Ministers Fellowship. Ministers Fellowship will return this month after the summer break with lunch at noon on Tuesday, Sept. 22 at the D.C. Baptist Building. For more information call DCBC at 202.265.1526.

Community Health Fair. On Saturday, Sept. 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. there will be a Community Health Fair at Trinity Baptist Church 1900 Beechwood Road, Hyattsville, Md. This is an event for the entire family! Highlights include:

- **Free Screenings:** hearing, vision, glaucoma, blood pressure, dental, bone density, grip strength, BMI, dermascan

- **Flu shot:** available for \$30 (Medicare accepted)
- **Cholesterol/Glucose screening:** available for \$20
- **Door Prizes:** Drawn every hour. Lots of Giveaways!

For more information call 30.422.1286. Click [here](#) for flyer.

Christian Movie Premier. “The Secrets of Jonathan Sperry” will open at Regal Manassas Stadium, 411380 Bulloch Drive, Manassas, Va. on Friday, Sept. 25. The movie premier is sponsored by Fairway Community Church and Omega Visions. Visit www.fairwaychurch.net or www.omegavisions.org for more information.

Ministry to Poor & Homeless. DCBC Presents, “Ministering to the Poor & Homeless,” a Learning Center Forum with Kathy Wise of Mission Waco on Tuesday, Sept. 29 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the D.C. Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth St., NW, Washington, D.C. Bring your lunch and your ideas as we discuss this much-needed ministry. Please rsvp by Friday, Sept. 25th.

Health Care Forum. AARP DC is hosting *Health Action Now!*, a targeted discussion about **lowering the cost of prescription drugs** moderated by WAMU host Kojo Nnamdi, at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at the AARP Brickfield Center, 601 E Street, NW, Washington, D.C. Participants will hear from District experts about local efforts to lower skyrocketing drug costs and learn where prescription affordability measures stand in health care reform. The event is free but seating is limited. RSVP required by Sept. 24 at 1.877.926.8300. For more information, visit www.aarp.org.

Driver Safety Class. AARP is hosting a Driver Safety Class through December. Locations for classes are throughout the District. Please contact Rev. Arlester Brown, D.C. State Coordinator, at 202.549.9393 for more information or click [here](#) for flyer.

Emerging Clergy Leadership Development Seminars will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the DC Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C., starting Tuesday, Oct. 20. Pastoral success, as with business leadership success, is directly related to the leadership skills and to the spiritual and mental health of the one expected to lead. A pastoral leader needs to be a healthy self who maintains a growing spiritual connection to the source of life and hope, God. What can the Christian church do to enhance the growth and development of its emerging clergy leaders? What can the church do to train, equip and empower its current and future leaders to be dynamic leaders for God?

The Emerging Clergy Leadership Development Seminars will address these questions and help clergy develop their leadership skills. Rev. Paul Clark will be the instructor for these seminars, which will take place on the following dates:

October 20, 2009
 November 17, 2009
 December 8, 2009
 January 5, 2010

The cost for training is P \$25 per training day. Free parking is available. For more information, contact Rev. Paul Clark at revpaulclark@verizon.net, 202.321.1519 or click [here](#).

Going Green. The D.C. Baptist Convention in partnership with the D.C. Downtown Cluster of Congregations, will host “Better Stewardship Through Saving Money and Going Green,” a workshop about making your church more environmentally sustainable and cost efficient on Wednesday, Sept. 30 at 10 a.m. at the DC Baptist Building. For more information, call 202.265.1526.

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.

DATE CHANGE: Serve DC—The Mayor’s Office on Volunteerism, is hosting the “Prevent, Prepare, Protect: Preventative Strategies for Faith-based Communities,” conference on **Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 8 a.m.** at the Marriott at Metro Center (it was originally scheduled for Sept. 30). The conference will help clergy, lay leaders and staff prepare themselves and those they serve before an emergency occurs. There is no cost for the conference and it includes a continental breakfast and lunch. Register by going to www.regonline.com/PPP2009.

Baptist Men Gather for Breakfast, Fellowship and Focus. Southern Baptist Men in the United States and Canada will be joining Baptist Men in Great Britain and Nigeria on October 10, 2009, for a “somewhat” simultaneous men’s breakfast. For Southern Baptists, The Bigger Breakfast theme is about mission action both in the community and beyond. The following day is World Hunger Day in Southern Baptist churches, and The Bigger Breakfast will emphasize that at the men’s Saturday gatherings. Southern Baptist churches planning to participate in The Bigger Breakfast are asked to register at www.bmen.net/breakfast. Church men’s leaders will also find a recommended program plan for their breakfast meeting at this site. For more information, contact Joe Conway at 770.410.6497 or visit www.bmen.net/breakfast.

Ministry/Employment Opportunities

Pastor. Mt. Vernon Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon, Virginia is looking for a full-time senior pastor. God is calling us to seek a pastor with compassion who is filled with the Holy Spirit, creative, dynamic, and is able to help the congregants bridge the several generations among its members; inspire all ministries, with particular emphasis on those for children, youth, young adults, and young at heart; and work with the elected leadership to forge a shared vision. Those interested should send their application **no later than September 1, 2009**.

The Lead Pastor must exhibit the Godly character qualities as outlined in 1 Timothy 3:1-7, Titus 1:5-9, and 1 Peter 5:1-4; can rightly divide the Word of God; has a strong leadership gift and demonstrated administrative skills. The pastor will have charge of the spiritual welfare of Mount Vernon; preach the gospel and administer the sacraments; have under his care, all regular worship of Mount Vernon; administer the activities of Mount Vernon; and provide annual

program goals and objectives. The Lead Pastor will have primary oversight of all pastoral and support staff and will provide annual evaluation reports. In cooperation with the Board of Deacons, the Lead Pastor will shepherd and guide the spiritual needs of the church and shall serve as an ex-officio advisory member of all boards, committees, and departments of the church. For more information visit www.mvbccc.org or click [here](#).

Pastor. The Westfield Baptist Church in Swansea, Illinois is seeking an experienced, full time pastor. Westview Baptist Church is seeking an ordained minister, Biblically-centered, Spirit-led and in agreement with the Baptist Faith and Message. The candidate should be gifted in the areas of Preaching, Leadership, and Pastoral Care and have strong financial management skills. The candidate should also have compassion and experience in healing and in church recovery, as well as be willing to enter into a long-term commitment with the church. Qualified candidates mail or e-mail resume to:

Westview Baptist Church
Attn: Pastor Search Committee
2500 Sullivan Drive
Swansea, Illinois 62226

E-Mail: barksdalefam@sbcglobal.net
Telephone: 618.233.7474
Fax: 618.233.7482

Pastor. East Friendship Baptist Church (EFBC) of Washington D.C. is seeking a spirit-led Senior Pastor who has demonstrated the capacity to meet the scriptural standards for pastoral leadership as recorded in I Timothy 3.1-7 and Titus 1.6-9. Interested candidates must submit a Candidate Package **no later than September 8, 2009** comprised of a cover letter, along with a confidential copy of their resume and copies of all educational and pastoral degrees/certifications. Additionally, each candidate must submit three (3) audio or video copies (CD/DVD) of a recent sermon or theological address (within the last three (3) months) as part of their Candidate Package. Please note that three (3) written recommendations will be required if the interview process progresses beyond the initial review.

Your Candidate Package should be sent to the following address:

East Friendship Baptist Church
Attn: Chairperson, Pastoral Search Committee
4401 Brooks Street NE
Washington, DC 20019

Any Candidate Package submissions received after the position close date will not be considered. Any questions may be submitted by email at efbcpastoralsearch@yahoo.com. To read the full job description, click [here](#).

Intentional Interim/Transitional Pastor. First Baptist Church in Williston, North Dakota for an Intentional Interim/Transitional Pastor to serve for a year. They are looking for someone who

has been the pastor of healthy, growing churches--one of which had an attendance of at least 200. SBC background and Intentional Interim Pastor's training experience as well as successful "Building Program" experience. If you have questions, contact the Chair of the Deacon Board, Leland Tong, at 701.580.2021. Visit www.fbcwilliston.com. Click [here](#) for a full description.

Senior Pastor. Great Hills Baptist Church (www.ghbc.org) is actively seeking a full-time senior pastor. Great Hills is located in Austin, Texas, has two Sunday morning worship services weekly, with a combined attendance of 1500-1600. Great Hills is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptists of Texas. Resumes may be sent to P.O. Box 200340, Austin, TX 78720-0340 or via email to ghbcpsc@gmail.com. For more information, click [here](#).

Part-time Church Secretary

Forest Heights Baptist Church is seeking a dependable self motivated part-time church secretary to answer phones, prepare bulletins and newsletter. 20 hours (4 days) a week. Basic Microsoft office experience needed. Interested applicants should e-mail resume to fjprather@verizon.net or fax resume to (301) 839-1721.