

## News Briefs

July 2010

### Latest News, Announcements & Vignettes

**Special Executive Board Meeting.** A special meeting has been called for the DCBC Executive Board to vote on the following [motion](#) on **Monday, July 12 at 7 p.m.** at the Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. All members of the Executive Board are urged to attend this important meeting as it will determine how the Convention moves forward with its involvement in the Preservation Trust.

**Clue Camp at National Baptist Memorial.** Spaces are still available for National Baptist Memorial Church's "Clue Camp" for children ages 5-12. The camp, whose mission is to "show Christ's love and teachings to children and youth by providing a safe, stable, encouraging and fun environment," will run through August 6. The registration fee is \$175 (all late fees are being waived). Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included in the registration fee. For more information, contact Minister Yolanda Norton at [NBMCKids@msn.com](mailto:NBMCKids@msn.com) or call 202.265.1410. A flyer and registration form can be found on the church's website at [www.nbmchurchdc.org](http://www.nbmchurchdc.org).

**LEAP Summer Camp Accepting Applications.** The First Baptist Church of the City of Washington is having a summer camp during the month of July. The Learning through Experience, Application, and Participation (LEAP) Summer Program gives DC, VA and MD area youth, ages 8-12, an opportunity to learn about DC through experiencing it first hand, applying their learned knowledge and participating in cultural exchanges. This program will be offered on a weekly basis, each week having a different theme. Youth may register for all weeks or just one week, making it more flexible for families with summer travel plans. There is still space in weeks 1 and 2, but applications for all weeks are welcome so that youth can LEAP into a world of possibilities. Registration is \$75 per child per week (lunch is not included). For more information please visit First Baptist's website at [www.firstbaptistdc.org](http://www.firstbaptistdc.org) and click the LEAP Summer Enrichment Program link. Feel free to contact Lakisha Lockhart, Program Director, at [LEAP@firstbaptistdc.org](mailto:LEAP@firstbaptistdc.org) or 202.387.2206, ext. 239.

**'Keeping It Real' Youth Event.** SAVE THE DATES—September 17-18—for a "Keeping it Real" youth event for young people nine to young adults. As a precursor to our Annual Meeting, this event seeks to minister to the youth in all DCBC churches and beyond through the Word, music, dance, drama and workshops. Stay tuned to receive more information and to see how your church youth ministry can be a part of this event. In addition, all Youth Ministers of DCBC member churches are invited to participate in a planning meeting for this event at **6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 8** at the Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. A light meal will be served. For more information or to find out how your church can be involved in this event, contact Yvonne Lamb, DCBC Vice President, at [shinlamb@aim.com](mailto:shinlamb@aim.com).

**New Year Begins for White Cross.** A new year of collections has begun for the White Cross offerings. The White Cross is a mission effort of American Baptist Churches USA mission effort that DCBC churches, through the Baptist Women's Ministries, participate in throughout the year for support to overseas disaster survivors. Designated churches help with financial donations as well as with collection of requested items, such as either rolled bandages for hospitals and clinics or assembled baby/school/health kits. If your church would like to get involved or to donate items, please contact the new White Cross coordinator, Carmen A. Gray at [202.437.5343](tel:202.437.5343) or [carmenagray1@sprint.blackberry.net](mailto:carmenagray1@sprint.blackberry.net).

**DCBC Churches Respond to Ministry on the National Mall.** The DCBC wants to both thank and celebrate our member churches that have responded so enthusiastically to the request for volunteers for our Ministry on the National Mall efforts this summer. We look forward to the work these ambassadors for Christ will do in building God's kingdom! DCBC churches will be on the National Mall the following dates: July 10, July 24, Aug. 7 and Aug. 21. Please keep this ministry in your prayers.

**Volunteers Needed.** The D.C. Baptist Convention is looking for volunteers to serve as our receptionist on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays each week. Please contact Lashanor Doolittle, Business Manager, at [202.265.1526](tel:202.265.1526) or [info@dcbaptist.org](mailto:info@dcbaptist.org) if you are interested.

**Save the Date: DCBC Annual Meeting.** Mark your calendar for the D.C. Baptist Convention's 134th Annual Meeting, which will be held Oct. 25-26 at Israel Baptist Church, 1251 Saratoga Ave., NE, Washington, D.C., where Rev. Morris Shearin is the pastor. This year's theme is "*Churches United in Advancing the Emerging Work of God.*" Workshops and plenary sessions will be focused on this theme. You do NOT have to be a delegate to attend. More information and a registration form will be in the August/September issue of the *Capital Baptist*. If you have questions or would like further information, please contact DCBC at 202.265.1526.

### More News...

**Domestic Violence Summit.** The Baptist Women's Ministry of The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church will be hosting, "Moving Forward! Living and Loving Without Abuse," a day-long, domestic violence summit from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on **Saturday, July 24**. Speakers and facilitators include: Jewel Diamond Taylor, an internationally-renowned speaker; Maureen Umeh, Fox 5 News anchor/reporter; and, Janks Morton, Filmmaker of "What Black Men Think" and "Men to Boys." There are registration fees, \$25 for adults and \$15 for teens, if you register by **Thursday, July 15** (The cost increases to \$35 for adults and \$20 for teens after July 15). A limited number of scholarships are available. For more information or to download a registration form, click [here](#).

**"Life to Life" Conference to be held in July.** The Collegial Covenant Group of the Forum for Discipleship and Christian Education is sponsoring a Community Outreach, "Life to Life" Conference on **Saturday, July 24**. The Conference will be held at Walker Mill Baptist Church, 6801 Walker Mill Road, Capitol Heights, MD, from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. There is a \$20 fee to register for the conference (\$25 on site). Dr. Marion E. Criddle, pastor of Rivers of Joy Bible Fellowship, is the Founder/Coordinator of the Forum for DCE. For more information or to print the registration form, click [here](#). You may also contact Dr. Criddle at 301.499.3117.

**Day of Thanksgiving: Celebrating Clergy.** October is "Clergy Appreciation Month," but many of us will be in attendance at this year's Annual Meeting on October 25-26, the time we normally have our Ministers Fellowship. Consequently, the Center for Ministerial Leadership is planning its Clergy Day of Appreciation for all pastors and clergy, an event that will include a catered lunch at no cost to attendees, on **Tuesday, September 28 at 12 p.m.** at the Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. Please mark your calendars and afford us the opportunity to celebrate you.

**Share your good news: The Procession of Ministries.** Let others know what your church is doing! Each year at the Annual Meeting, the D.C. Baptist Convention highlights the important ministry work that our member churches have been involved in during the previous year. Again this year we will feature ministries of our member churches that are using creative and innovative approaches to fulfill their mission during a multimedia presentation. Please send us details about the work your ministry has been involved in over the past year for the Procession of Ministries, including a brief description (1-2 pages maximum), photos, PowerPoint slides and/or video. Forms for the Procession of Ministries can be printed by clicking [here](#). Completed forms should be sent to D.C. Baptist Convention, Attn: Rev. Leslie Copeland-Tune, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009, [communications@dcbaptist.org](mailto:communications@dcbaptist.org). If you have questions, please contact DCBC at 202.265.1526, ext. 208.

### **Employment Opportunities**

**Pastor.** The Promised Land Baptist Church in Washington, DC is seeking a pastor. The church is located in the Takoma Park area of Northwest DC directly across the street from Takoma Park Recreation Center and Coolidge Senior High School. PLBC has approximately 100 members. This announcement closes on **August 31, 2010**. For more information, please contact Minister Michael Dixon, Chair, Pastoral Search Committee, at 202.709.3733. If you would like to apply for the pastorate at PLBC, click [here](#) for the application, which should be completed and returned to:

Minister Dixon or Pastoral Search Committee  
401 Van Buren Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20012  
E-mail: [PLBC@ymail.com](mailto:PLBC@ymail.com)  
\*\*Email is preferred\*\*

**Minister of Music.** Dayspring Community Church is prayerfully seeking a Minister of Music (MOM), who loves the Lord and loves God's people, to lead worship and play for and to grow a 6-member praise team that sings primarily contemporary gospel music, along with some hymns. Services are lively, spirit-filled and interactive and are held Sundays at 10 a.m. The MOM will play three Sundays/month (and 5th Sundays) with a weekly rehearsal prior to each service. Participation in occasional special services is also expected. The MOM will have the opportunity to develop other choirs/praise teams and creatively to develop musical opportunities in the church. Pay is generous and negotiable. To view the complete job description, click [here](#).

If this sounds like you or you would like more information, please contact Pastor Turner at [\(301\) 580-6533](tel:3015806533) or [dayspringnet@aol.com](mailto:dayspringnet@aol.com). Applications may be emailed (preferable) or snail-mailed to our church office at the following address:

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