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Clark Named New Interim Regional Minister, Search Re-Opened

By Leslie Copeland-Tune, Managing Editor

The D.C. Baptist Convention has named Rev. Paul Clark to be the new Interim Regional Minister effective October 1. Rev. Clark becomes the Interim Regional Minister following the departure of Dr. Joseph Smith, who resigned due to illness. Rev. Clark is no stranger to DCBC having directed the Christian Education and Church Support program from 1983-1997. He also served as a consultant in the role of Minister for Stewardship in 2006. A seasoned clergy coach, pastoral leadership development specialist, church consultant and intentional interim pastor, Rev. Clark will serve on a half-time basis, providing overall staff support and leadership to two of the Convention's

"[Rev. Clark] is an ideal person to step in during this time of transition." ~Dr. Ella Redfield, Chair of the Search Committee

ministry center teams, the Center for Ministerial Leadership (CML) and the Center for Representative Process, Administration and Governance (CRAG).

Rev. Clark holds a bachelor's degree from Mars Hill College in Mars Hill, N.C., a master's from the University of Richmond, a master of divinity degree from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and a master's from the Presbyterian School of Christian

Education. He has extensive post-graduate training, including advanced study with the Alban Institute, the Center for Congregational Health, the Lombard Mennonite Peace Center, L.E.A.D. with John Savage, and Church Family Systems with Edwin Friedman. Additionally, he has completed a comprehensive Executive Coaching Program with the College of Executive Coaching in Pismo Beach, Calif.

"We believe Rev. Clark is an excellent choice as Interim Regional Minister. His background and experience as a clergy coach, interim pastor and former DCBC staff, make him an ideal person to step in during this time of transition for the Convention," said Dr. Ella Redfield, chair of the Search Committee.

The Search Committee also announced that it will re-open the search for the next DCBC Executive Director/Minister. According to a report submitted to the Executive Board, "After extensively interviewing our top four candidates, we have decided to continue our search," said the report, which was submitted by Dr. Connie Stinson, a member of the Search Committee and pastor of Luther Rice Memorial Baptist Church in Silver Spring, Md.

Applications for this position will be accepted until Tuesday, November 30.



District of Columbia Baptist Convention

One Faith. Many Cultures. Endless Possibilities.



The D.C. Baptist Convention's 134th Annual Meeting was held October 25-26 at Israel Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. More than 200 people attended this year's Annual Meeting, which brought D.C. Baptists together for worship, fellowship, classes and the business of the Convention. Full coverage of the Annual Meeting will be in the December/January issue of the Capital Baptist.

Pictured above (from left): Rev. Glynis LaBarre, church transformation strategist, American Baptist Churches USA in Valley Forge, PA; Melvin Doxie, DCBC Past President and a member of First Baptist Church of the City of Washington; Yvonne Shinhoster Lamb, newly elected DCBC President and a member of Dayspring Community Church in Lanham, MD; and, Rev. Paul Clark, DCBC Interim Regional Minister.

Baptist Connections

Finding a Church in Beijing

By Yvonne Shinhoster Lamb, DCBC President

We spent Sunday morning (Sept. 5) in Beijing surrounded by people who shared with us a common faith and common language. The message in hands raised in praise and words uttered in song was refreshingly familiar.

"I will worship with all of my heart," the praise team began singing at the start of the service. "I will give you all of my worship. I will give you all my praise." The service at the Beijing International Christian Fellowship (BICF) wasn't like the rousing morning worship at home at Dayspring Community Church. As my daughter said: "It wasn't Baptist, but it was something." It was quite something – a gathering of believers in a country where church life is controlled by the government. It was evidence of the continued growth of Christianity in China, amid Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism and Islam.

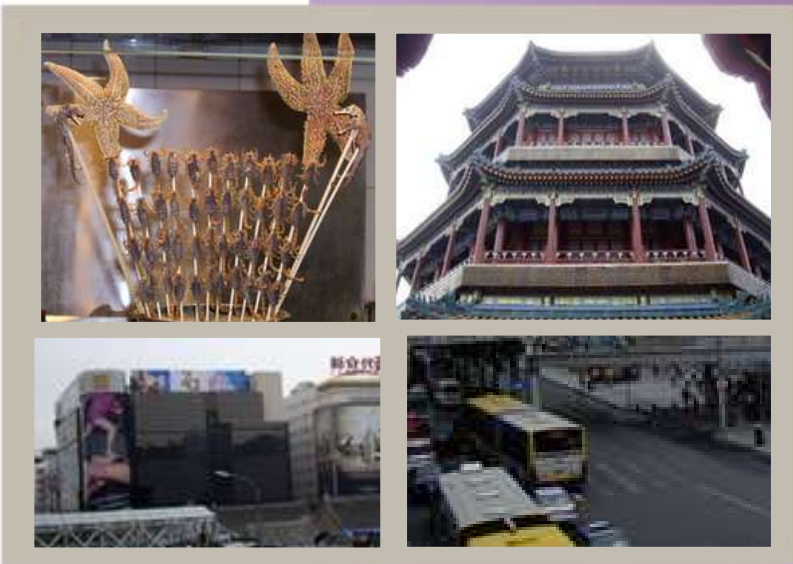
Hundreds of people from many nations filled the large auditorium at the 21st Century Hotel, which serves as home to many of BICF's 18 congregations. People from more than 70 nations attend the international, non-denominational church, which began in 1981 and now holds services in nine languages in three different locations.

Since we arrived in Beijing to settle my daughter in for a semester abroad, Pastor Cynthia had talked about finding a church to attend. We talked briefly about what it would be like to walk into a Chinese church, if there were one close by.

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Pictured above (from left): DCBC President Yvonne Shinhoster Lamb stands with her sister Margaret S. Carthon and her pastor Rev. Dr. Cynthia T. Turner, Dayspring Community Church



Baptist World Congress Meets in Honolulu, Deepens Ties to DC Baptists

By Robert Cochran
DCBC Associate Executive Director

The Baptist World Alliance (BWA), a global movement of Baptists, on July 28 deepened its historic partnership with the D.C. Baptist Convention receiving it into full membership of the BWA. This action came in the opening hours of the 20th Baptist World Congress held from July 28 to August 1 in Honolulu. More than 4,000 Baptists gathered from 105 countries for the celebration, one which occurs every five years. Regrettably, circumstances prevented more than 1,000 Baptists from attending. Next summer's Annual Gathering will be in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from July 4-9. The Baptists of South Africa intend to host the next Congress in 2015.

"Hear the Spirit" was the theme of the Congress. Seven speakers, diverse in nationality and gender, encouraged attendees to listen to the Holy Spirit. These ministers brought the crowd gathered at the "Hawaii Convention Center" messages, having received them from God's Spirit delivered across the world. Outgoing President David Coffey of the United Kingdom challenged Baptists to listen to God's Spirit, receiving direction for both their future life and ministry together. Musicians from across the globe joined to make the worship experiences meaningful as well as memorable. Attendees studied the Bible together, choosing for themselves one study group among those taught in seven different languages. Baptists were listening to the Spirit in Hawaii and can continue doing so.

Baptists from the Mid-Atlantic led at various levels of the Congress. Dr. John Upton, of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, was elected President of the BWA, beginning his five-year term. Dr. Daniel Carro, professor at the John Leland Center for Theological Studies, was elected First Vice-President. Dr. Denton Lotz, once of Falls Church when General Secretary of the BWA, was the 2010 recipient of the Human Rights Award. Ms. Ellen Teague (the Executive Director of the D.C. Baptist Convention Foundation and a leader of Baptist Women's Ministries of the DCBC) received recognition, having retired from the role of Director of Finance and Administration of the BWA after serving

Upcoming Events

Saturday, November 20

JBCC Thanksgiving Baskets Distributed
4025 Ninth Street, SE
Washington, D.C.
Call the church for times of distribution at
202.378.4302

Thursday, Nov. 25-Friday, Nov. 26

Thanksgiving Holiday
DCBC Office Closed

November 28-December 5
Week of Prayer & Offering
ABCUSA International Missions
Visit www.abc-usa.org or call
800.ABC.3USA for more information

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 4- 5, 2011

Grant Proposal Writing Conference
Baptist Building
1628 Sixteenth Street, NW
Washington, D.C.

CORRECTION: A corrected version of the article, "Executive Board Holds Special Meeting," which appeared in the August/September 2010 issue of the Capital Baptist has been posted on DCBC's website at http://www.dcbaptist.org/capital_baptist. The corrected version of the article clarifies several points about the motions brought forth in the special meeting. Namely, the corrected version clarified the intent of the motions: "The first motion sought to rescind that portion of the Executive Board's resolution that approved the creation of a fund making up to \$500,000 available to the Preservation Trust. The second motion sought to establish procedures for the transfer of money to the Preservation Trust."

We apologize for any confusion the article may have caused. Feel free to contact us if you have questions at 202.265.1526 or via email at communications@dcbaptist.org.

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Would our presence disrupt the service? Would government officials watch us after the service because we are foreign Christians?

On Saturday night, Pastor Cynthia searched the Internet for Christian churches in Beijing and found several that catered to English speakers and persons holding foreign passports.

We took a taxi Sunday from our hotel to the BICF for the 11:30 a.m. service. We showed our passports to enter and found seats in the auditorium. It was like being in a large multiethnic church at home.

Communion was served early in the service, followed by announcements and an offering. The minister, an American who used to live in Oregon, sat on a tall stool and talked about the importance of using your gifts and abilities as ministers of God to help in the work of the church.

It was a message that I had heard many times before more than 6,000 miles away. And like before, it challenged me once again to examine myself to see if I have fully surrendered my gifts to God. It was good to hear the same Word of God preached here that is preached at home, and to sing with believers from around the world, "Jesus, Jesus, I love you."

(Yvonne Shinboster Lamb visited Beijing China from Aug. 31-Sept. 10. Her blog is being reprinted with her permission.)

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BLESSINGS

By Ellen S. Teague

Executive Director, D.C. Baptist Convention Foundation

The DCBC Foundation is pleased to announce new scholarship awards for fall, 2010. Leah Gilbert is a graduate of Bluefield College and is attending the John Leland Center for Theological Studies. She is currently serving as Director of Youth and Children's Ministries at First Baptist Church, Gaithersburg in Maryland.

Michelle Thompson is a graduate of Temple University in Philadelphia and is attending Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey. She has led her Praise and Worship Team at Hillendale Baptist Church in Adelphi, Md.

Chan Thui, from the Lai Baptist Church in Gaithersburg, is a graduate of the University of Texas and will be attending Perkins School of Theology in Dallas. He has been active in the youth and music ministries of his church.

Also approved for a scholarship beginning Spring 2011 is Kendra Eastman, from Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church where she is a leader in their dance ministry. Kendra is a graduate of the University of San Francisco and is attending the John Leland Center for Theological Studies in Arlington, Va.

In addition to these, four other students are currently receiving grants from the Foundation: Orlando Bego, from Centerpoint Baptist Church, attending Samuel D. Proctor Seminary at Virginia Union University in Richmond; Amelia Din from Calvary Baptist Church, attending Wesley Theological Seminary in the District; Paula Moutsos from First Baptist Church, Wheaton in Maryland, attending Bethel Seminary of the East in St. Paul, Minn.; and Michelle Yoshimura from Nations United Baptist Church, attending Washington Baptist University School of Theology in Annandale, Va. All of these seminarians are expecting to graduate at the conclusion of the 2011 spring semester.

It is a blessing to read the applications submitted by these students and to hear about their call to ministry and their plans for the future. Along with their application and statement of faith, they have also provided references from their pastors and others testifying to their commitment to ministry and their outstanding leadership abilities. DCBC churches can be proud of the impact they have made in the lives of their church members!

Foundation scholarships are available to full time students pursuing their first graduate degree in an accredited institution, who are members of DCBC churches and who are preparing for full time ministry. Students must maintain a high grade point average and preference is given to students attending Baptist seminaries.

The Foundation is grateful to the donors who have made this ministry possible. To learn how you can contribute to this ministry or for additional information about scholarships, please call the DCBC Foundation office at 202-234-7194 or send an email to ellen.teague@dcbaptist.org.

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the BWA for 16 years. Her husband, Dr. Clayton Teague, a member of First Baptist Church of Gaithersburg, and Dr. Robert Cochran of the DCBC staff led focus group sessions covering their respective fields of ministry. Numerous leaders and members of churches affiliated with the DCBC attended the Congress and its sessions.

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ABOUT THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE

The Baptist World Alliance is a fellowship of Baptist conventions and unions around the world.

MISSION STATEMENT

Networking the Baptist family to impact the world for Christ.

VISION STATEMENT

The Baptist World Alliance is a global movement of Baptists sharing a common confession of faith in Jesus Christ, bonded together by God's love to support, encourage and strengthen one another, while proclaiming and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit to a lost world.

Conference Focuses on Building Great Groups for Great Growth

By Gloria Jenkins, DCBC Consultant

The "4G: Build Great Groups for Great Growth" Conference at Lifeway's Ridgecrest, N.C. conference center in July was by far one of the best conferences I have ever attended. Six ministry areas were addressed including: Childhood Ministry led by Kim Harris; Discipleship Ministry led by Claude King and Jim Putman; Missional Groups led by Mike Smith, Dennis Pethers and Art Groomes; Small Groups led by Rick Howerton; Sunday School led by Alan Raughton; and, Women's Ministry led by Deb Douglas. There were three tracks for each group and ministry.

I took the classes on discipleship. The definition of a disciple was from Matthew 4:19 (NIV) "Come, follow me," Jesus said "and I will make you fishers of men." Classes were informative, innovative and full of new ideas. One idea I especially liked was that ministry leaders train coaches who in turn train small group leaders. The small group leaders would then train the church membership on discipleship, as well as accountability, and transparency. Jim Putman was an awesome speaker who shared his story of drifting away from Christianity. His father, a Baptist minister, led him back to Christ through tracts and telephone conversations, which proved to him that there is a true and living God. Putman is now the Senior Pastor of Real Life Ministries in Post Falls, Idaho. His church has 9,000 members and ministries that address almost every human problem such as alcoholism, drug addiction, divorce, domestic violence and pornography, to name a few.

Claude King's workshop "Growing Disciples" was full of information to help guide beginning Christians to be transformed into Christ's likeness. King recommended a new book called, *Transformational Church* by Ed Stetzer and Thom S. Rainer. In the book a transformational church is defined as a church where the people become more like Jesus, the church acts more like His Body and communities reflect more of God's Kingdom. I truly learned a lot during this conference. And, the ideas can work in a church of any size.

Word Around Town...

Mr. Evangelism

By Philip Hurst, Pastor
Trinity Baptist Church
Hyattsville, MD



Mention evangelism at Trinity Baptist Church and Bob Sery instantly comes to mind, for his name has been synonymous with that ministry for as long as anyone can remember. His burning desire to reach souls for Christ through gospel tracts actually began in 1969. As a bold witness for Jesus Christ, over the years Bob has carried the Good News of the gospel to countless people in the surrounding church community. If a gospel recipient would pose a query about Christianity, Bob eagerly engaged in open and gracious dialogue about the meaning of faith and salvation. If he has slowed down any it hasn't been much, for slightly more than four decades later he plans on handing out close to 10,000 tracts during the course of 2010. Not bad for a man who celebrated his 90th birthday on March 30th! In fact, estimates are that that should bring the total tracts he has given over the years to somewhere around 350,000!

This warrior for Christ was born in Bronx, New York, and graduated from Boys High School in Brooklyn, New York. From 1942 to 1946 Bob served in the U.S. Army, in 1948 he married Anna Navrozides and in 1950 received a Bachelor of Science degree from Columbia University. In 1951 this young couple moved to Washington, D.C. where they were blessed with three children, John, Barbara and Diane. For 37 years Bob was a Research Physicist at the Naval Surface Warfare Center. Since retiring in 1987 he has retained his love for math, especially prime number theory. Other hobbies include amateur astronomy and reading. In 2008 he lost his beloved Anna shortly before their 60th wedding anniversary.

Although Bob first began attending Trinity in 1955, he made his

decision to trust Christ as his Savior on March 19, 1967. Several weeks later he manifested his public profession of faith when baptized by Rev. Leslie E. Gould on April 2nd. Within two years Bob began his legendary evangelism ministry. In earlier years he headed an enthusiastic evangelistic group of men and women who would go out every Saturday to neighboring shopping centers to hand out tracts. Among those diligent and dedicated workers was his wife, Anna. Another favorite place to greet people with the Good News was at various University of Maryland sporting events, where he continues to go along with his son, John. It also wasn't long after his 1967 life-changing decision to put his trust in Jesus Christ as Savior that Bob became a deacon. He has served in that position ever since, including that of Chairman of Deacons for 12 years. Although evangelism has always been Bob's principle ministry, through his many years at Trinity he has long served as an usher and as a member of the Communion Committee.

Bob Sery's years of dedicated service in the name of Jesus Christ cannot be measured this side of eternity, but will forever be a part of the history of Trinity Baptist Church. It has truly been a real labor of love for the Lord.

In addition to serving as pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Hyattsville, Md., Rev. Philip Hurst is the Team Leader for DCBC's Center for Ministerial Leadership.

DCBC Churches Address Domestic Violence

By Leslie Copeland-Tune
Managing Editor

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The month-long observance evolved from the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence's (NCADV) "Day of Unity" in October 1981. Several D.C. Baptist Convention member churches have ministry initiatives to address this problem, which is pervasive in the D.C. metropolitan area as well as in the nation as a whole. According to NCADV, one in every four women will experience domestic violence during her lifetime. In the first six months of 2007 more than 12,800 domestic violence-related calls were received by the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C. Other parts of the area have similar statistics.

The People's Community Baptist Church in Silver Spring, Md., Ft. Foote Baptist Church in Ft. Washington, Md. and The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. are among DCBC churches that have active ministries and outreach programs to address this important issue. In observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, The People's Community Baptist's Domestic Violence ministry spent a day serving lunch and fellowshiping with survivors of domestic violence at a local shelter. In the past year, Ft. Foote Baptist has conducted several special programs to confront domestic violence.

The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church in Washington, D.C., hosted a daylong summit on domestic violence in July. The theme of the Summit was "Moving Forward! Living and Loving Without Abuse." Workshops, plenary sessions and a panel discussion coupled with poetry, liturgical dance and art; provided a forum for attendees to address this difficult topic. There was also a Prayer Room with opportunities for intercessory prayer throughout the day.

Approximately 100 people attended the summit, which included representatives from local and national law enforcement agencies, community service organizations, authors and information from domestic violence ministries. Classes included: "STOP in the name of Love: Moving forward from Denial to Recognition of Warning Signs," "But it's always been this way: Moving Forward During the Senior Years" and "The 411 on 911: Moving Forward through the Legal System."

According to Rev. Karen Curry, who chaired the event, "We see domestic violence as not just an attack on individuals but as an attack on families due to the destruction it causes and the negative generational influences it has."

PABC plans to hold another Domestic Violence Summit on Saturday, July 9, 2011 as well as other events to address this important issue in the coming year.

Thanksgiving Baskets, Coats To Be Distributed

The Center for Church and Community Ministries, in partnership with Balm in Gilead Ministries, Holy Comforter Baptist Church and Metropolitan Outreach Ministries, will distribute Thanksgiving baskets on Saturday, November 20. Nonperishable food donations are being collected and should be taken to Johnenning no later than November 19. The items needed include vegetables and fruit (canned), macaroni and cheese (boxed), rice or noodles, rolls and bread (fresh), flour (2 lbs.), sugar (2 lbs.), tea, instant coffee, Kool-Aid and grocery gift certificates. Call 202.378.4302 to arrange a time to drop off donated items. The Johnenning Baptist Community Center is located at 4025 Ninth Street, SE, Washington, D.C. 20032.

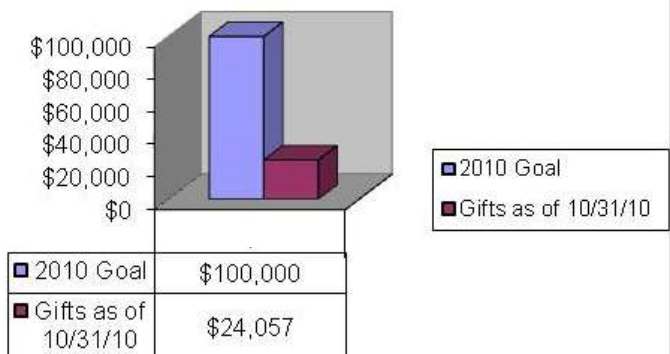
In addition, the Round Table Ministry of Holy Comforter Baptist Church is collecting coats for homeless men and women at the Johnenning Baptist Community Center, 4025 Ninth Street, SE, Washington, D.C. 20032, until Sunday, November 21. Coats can be dropped off Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m. or on Thursdays from 7-8:30 p.m. The coats that are collected will be given to the Community for Creative Non-Violence Shelter, which is located at 425 Second Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001. To find out more about the shelter, visit www.TheCCNV.org.



The Liturgical Dance Ministry from Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. performs during the church's Domestic Violence Summit this summer



National Capital Area Missions Offering (NCAMO) 2010 Contributions



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Churches	DCBC - 65%; Coop - 35%			100% Designated					YTD Total Gifts
	Unified Coop	SBC Coop	ABC Unified	PNBC	DCBC Designated	SBC Designated	ABC Designated	Misc.	
Agape Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	204	3,344	-	-	3,548
Agape Bible Christian Fellowship	-	-	-	-	800	-	100	-	900
Alafia Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	300	500	700	-	1,500
Antioch Baptist Church/DC	-	-	-	-	400	-	-	-	400
Broadneck Baptist Church	-	-	1,601	-	1,201	-	-	-	2,802
Broadview Baptist Church	-	-	1,200	-	500	-	-	-	1,700
Brookmont Baptist Church	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200
Calvary Baptist Church	-	-	2,500	-	5,000	-	2,700	3,000	13,200
Calvary Burmese Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	870	-	-	-	870
Carmody Hills Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	-	150	-	-	150
Chevy Chase Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	800	100	100	-	1,000
Christian Family Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	598	-	300	100	998
Clifton Park Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	1,383	-	2,883
Commonwealth Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	747	-	-	-	747
Dayspring Community Church	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	150
East Washington Heights Baptist	-	-	-	-	-	1,362	-	2,572	3,934
Emanuel, Iglesia Bautista	-	-	-	-	225	-	-	-	225
First Baptist Church Of the City of Washington	-	-	-	-	16,563	973	3,573	6,587	27,696
First Baptist Church/Camp Springs	-	-	-	-	10,000	1,368	3,017	1,185	15,571
First Baptist Church/Front Royal	-	-	2,412	-	-	-	1,295	-	3,707
First Baptist Church/Gaithersburg	-	-	-	-	3,509	-	9,851	4,063	17,423
First Baptist Church/Georgetown	-	-	-	-	600	-	-	400	1,000
First Baptist Church/Hyattsville	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
First Baptist Church/Silver Spring	-	-	1,212	-	17,642	-	9,411	535	28,799
First Baptist Church/Upper Marlboro	-	-	-	-	664	-	-	-	664
First Baptist Church/Wheaton	250	-	-	-	500	-	-	250	1,000
First New Horizon Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	100
First Temple Hills Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	193	-	-	266	460
Forest Heights Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	3,877	4,454	-	-	8,330
Fort Foote Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	52,250	7,405	-	462	60,117
Fort Washington Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	2,400	1,200	-	-	3,600
Georgetown Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,371	70	-	-	1,441
Greenbelt Baptist Church	2,400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,400
Heritage Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	3,528	-	-	-	3,528
Holy Comforter Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	350	-	-	-	350
Israel Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,800	-	-	-	1,800
Luther Rice Memorial Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	900	-	900	1,502	3,302
Montgomery Hills Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	12,375	-	15,135	-	27,510
Morning Star Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	500	-	-	-	500
Mt. Airy Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	450	-	-	-	450
Mt. Gilead Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Mt. Jezreel Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	500	-	-	-	500
Mt. Moriah Baptist Church	-	-	-	900	1,350	-	-	-	2,250
Nations United Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	3,683	19,551	-	-	23,234
New Creation Baptist Church	-	-	900	-	-	-	500	-	1,400
Nineteenth Street Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	500	-	-	-	500
Paramount Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	2,600	1,450	5,050
Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church, The	-	-	-	-	5,750	1,500	1,500	2,000	10,750
Purity Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	500	-	-	-	500
Ravensworth Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	3,492	-	1,140	2,850	7,482
Rivers Of Joy Bible Fellowship Church	-	-	-	-	200	-	-	-	200
Riverside Church	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Saint Mary's Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	1,000	1,000	3,500
Saint Matthews Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Takoma Park Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	8,580	-	3,960	-	12,540

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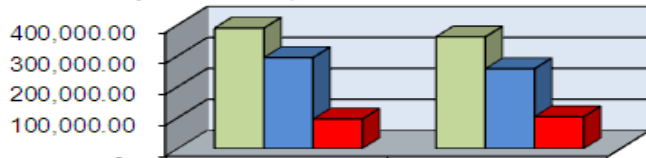
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Temple Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	900	-	-	1,350	2,250
Third Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	200	-	50	-	250
Trinity Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	7,254	11,198	-	1,891	20,343
Twinbrook Baptist Church	-	2,123	176	-	745	3,357	597	311	7,309
University Baptist Church/College Park	-	-	-	-	13,974	53	13,837	5,516	33,381
Upper Room Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,088	-	-	-	1,088
Vienna Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	8,420	-	8,617	-	17,037
Village Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	-	1,500
West Hyattsville Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	500
Wisconsin Avenue Baptist Church	3,016	-	-	-	-	5	463	214	3,698
Zion Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	250	-	-	-	250
Sub-Total	5,866	2,123	10,001	900	207,102	56,589	82,729	39,156	404,465

Missions & New Church Starts	DCBC - 65%; Coop - 35%				100% Designated				YTD Total Gifts
	Unified Coop	SBC Coop	ABC Unified	PNBC	DCBC Designated	SBC Designated	ABC Designated	Misc.	
Balm in Gilead Ministry	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	100
Clinton Korean Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	450	230	-	-	680
Falam Baptist Church, Maryland	-	-	-	-	1,100	-	-	-	1,100
Glory Baptist Church (Korean)	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	100
Greenbelt Vietnamese Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	-	1,160	-	963	2,123
Lai Baptist Church	-	-	4,000	-	-	-	-	-	4,000
Lighthouse Christian Church	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	100
Olive Branch Community Church, Inc.	-	-	-	-	500	-	-	-	500
Power House Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	300	-	-	50	350
Salem Gospel Ministries (Baltimore)	-	-	-	-	450	-	100	50	600
Word and Spirit Baptist Church	-	-	-	-	500	-	-	-	500
Word for Life Church Ministries	-	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	665	1,665
Sub-Total	-	-	4,000	-	4,600	1,390	100	1,728	11,818

TOTAL 5,866 2,123 14,001 900 211,702 57,979 82,829 40,884 416,283

Misc Column: Gifts for NCA MO, JBCC, BWA, BJCPA, CBF, Bapt Sr Adults, & National Ctr Children & Family

Budget vs. Actual
as of September 30, 2009 and 2010



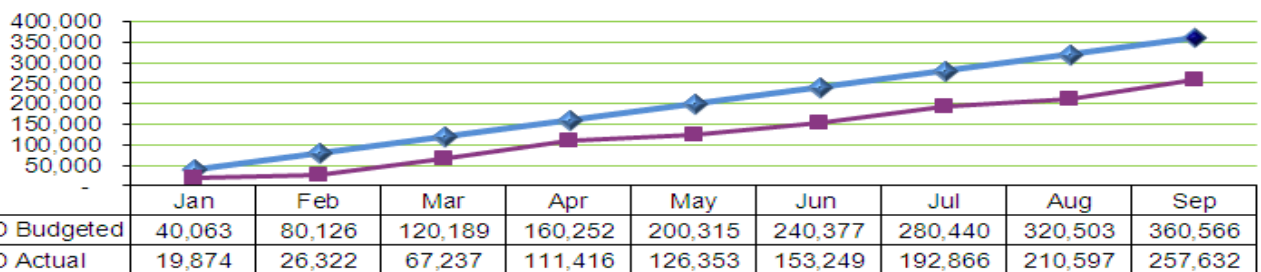
	2009	2010
Budgeted DCBC Church Mission Support	389,223.00	360,566.19
Actual DCBC Church Mission Support	293,829.18	257,631.64
Shortfall	95,393.82	102,934.55

Comparative Analysis

The 2010 actual DCBC church mission support is **28.55%** or **\$102,935 below** the budgeted amount.

Total Contributing Churches/Missions & New Starts: 78
 Total Non-Contributing Churches: 44
 Total Non-Contributing Missions/New Start: 29

YTD Church Support Trend



News Briefs



Pictured left: Ms. Elizabeth Culpepper, a member of Shiloh Baptist Church in Washington, D.C., who recently celebrated her 100th birthday at the church.

Church & Staff News

Centenarian in Our Midst. Ms. Elizabeth Culpepper was recently honored at Shiloh Baptist Church in Washington, D.C. during the 42nd Anniversary celebration of their Senior Citizens Club, which is affectionately called The Sensational Seniors. Ms. Culpepper is 100 years young!

Installation Service. Rev. Jevon C. Billups will be officially installed as the third Senior Pastor of Holy Comforter Baptist Church at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 27 at the New Image Community Baptist Church located at 1839 Alabama Avenue, SE, Washington, D.C. A reception will immediately follow the service at the Johenning Baptist Community Center, 4025 Ninth Street, SE, Washington, D.C., where their services are currently held.

Minister of Music. Olive Branch Community Church in Sandy Spring, Md. is looking for a Minister of Music. For more information, please contact the church at obcchurch@comcast.net or 240.389.1037.

Pastoral Intern. Have gifts for working with children? A part-time (weekend only) pastoral intern is needed to develop, plan and lead our growing children's/pre-teen ministry at Washington Plaza Baptist Church in Reston, Va. The person selected will be primarily responsible for coordinating and teaching children's Sunday School for a multi-age group during the worship service. This ministry is perfect for a seminary student or someone interested in practical training in ministry in a progressive Baptist setting. Contact Rev. Elizabeth Evans Hagan at pastorhagan@comcast.net or 240.418.5800 if you are interested. They are looking to fill this position immediately.

Ezell elected NAMB president

Kevin Ezell has been elected president of the North American Mission Board. NAMB's board of trustees approved the nomination in a special called meeting which took place September 14 in Atlanta.

PABC Brings 'Living' Christmas Tree to Washington, D.C.

The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church will present "The Majesty of Christmas" on December 3-5 at the church. Featuring a unique blend of vocal music, orchestra, drama, and dance, the highlight of this worship experience is a wooden replica of a Christmas tree that stands over six tiers tall! Among the "decorations," will be approximately 40 men and women who will sing the best of the season's music while standing within the structure of the tree, thus bringing the tree to "life!" More information about performances and how to get tickets is available by visiting www.pabc-dc.org or by calling the church at 202.584.1500.

VBS Reports Due

Directors of Vacation Bible School (VBS) at DCBC member churches are asked to submit a report to Rev. Gloria Jenkins, DCBC Consultant for Curriculum Resources/VBS. Regardless of which materials you used, we want to celebrate with you the results of your ministry to children this past summer. We share the information that you give us with our national denominational partners. Please fill out the VBS form and fax or mail it to: 202.667.8258 or 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009. For more information or to obtain a copy of the form to be completed, please contact Rev. Gloria Jenkins at revglo@verizon.net or Gail Lacy at 202.265.1526.

DCBC Seeks New Executive Director/Minister

The District of Columbia Baptist Convention is seeking an Executive Director/Minister to serve as the principal executive officer of the Convention, administering all funds, programs and ministries of the Convention under the direction of the Executive Board and the Executive Committee. Applicants must be ordained ministers with a degree from an accredited seminary; by education, skill and experience is capable of being an executive director/minister of an urban-suburban convention; able to be an effective pastor to pastors with listening and coaching skills, have proven administrative skills, knows how to bring creative persons together for ministry and mission, and able to work with all Convention affiliations and partners. For a more comprehensive list of the position qualifications and responsibilities, visit www.dcbaptist.org.

Please send inquiries and letters of application and resumes to: Dr. Ella Redfield, Chair, Search Committee, D.C. Baptist Convention, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C., 20009. Faxes can be sent to 202.667.8258 or email search_committee@dcbaptist.org. Please indicate "Executive Director/Minister Applicant" in the subject line. The deadline is **Tuesday, November 30, 2010**.

CNBC to Gather in Nation's Capital

The Conference for National Black Churches, an ecumenical body with nine member denominations including the Progressive National Baptist Convention, is having its Annual Consultation December 7-9 here in the District. An ecumenical service will be held on Wednesday, December 8 at Israel Baptist Church, and workshops will be held at the Omni Shoreham. For more information, contact CNBC at 404.614.6333 or visit www.thecnbc.org.

ABCUSA International Ministries Says Nurses Needed Immediately

The International Ministries of American Baptist Churches USA has issued a call for nurses to help medical missionaries Steve and Nancy James as they treat patients in North Haiti with cholera, according to an urgent email message sent from their office. "There is an immediate and urgent need for nurses to serve," said the email. The Ebenezer Health Center continues to admit severely ill cholera patients, all needing IV's and care. More staff is needed and nurses in particular have been requested. If you are a nurse and can quickly turn your schedule around to serve in Haiti, please call International Ministries at 800.222.3872, ext. 2304 or send an email to bimvolunteers@abc-usa.org.



Rev. James Martinez Agape Baptist Church Washington, D.C.

My Passion Is... To Live for the Lord

If there were a word or phrase to sum up the unique passion that God has given you, what would it be?

To live for the Lord and to serve Him the best I can.

How has that passion worked its way into the purpose of your ministry at your church?

I moved here from the Philippines in August of 1988. I was open to the Lord's leading but never thought I would pastor. I promised God, when I accepted my call to the ministry, that I would serve Him until I die. I have kept that promise.

Preaching and teaching are the main ministries that I have now. I also counsel people and help them grow in their walk with the Lord.

What group of people has the Lord laid heaviest on your heart?

I started the church with a handful of women from the Philippines. Most of their families were back in the Philippines. I prayed for them to be reunited with their families and that their families would be able to come here. The Lord answered those prayers. It has been a joy for them to be here with their families.

What are the unique challenges of ministering in the DC Metro area?

Time and people's schedule are a real challenge here. So many people are so busy, tied up with their jobs. This is an obligation for them. Once they learn more about God and put their priorities in order, they are able to be more involved at church.

Tell us about your tie.

The tie is in and of itself a witness. It's an opportunity to share with others about the Lord. The Word of God is the most important thing. There is joy in growing in your faith! God saves us for a purpose and that's what the tie reminds me. I often wear it during worship services.

What is your favorite scripture?

Romans 14:7-8, "For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's."

In the Next Issue

The December/January issue of the *Capital Baptist* will feature the following articles:

- Wrap-up of the DCBC Annual Meeting
- Looking Ahead to 2011
- "My Passion Is" with Dr. Kip Ingram, Twinbrook Baptist Church, Rockville, MD
- Update from the Executive Director/Minister Search Committee
- Tips on Good Financial Practices for Churches
- "Our Pastors...Our Cities" with Dr. Steven Hyde, Ravensworth Baptist Church, Annandale, VA
- Upcoming Events
- And more...

Do you have an article idea or something you would like published in the *Capital Baptist*? Do you have a photo from a church service or event that you would like to share? Email it to us at communications@dcbaptist.org.



Rev. Essentino Lewis Clifton Park Baptist Church Silver Spring, Maryland

If there were a word, or phrase to sum up the unique passion that God has given you, what would it be?

Disciple-making. My passion is helping people to know and experience a full relationship with God. By His admonition, "Abide in me, and I in you," Jesus expressed His desire that those who believe in Him would be united together with Him in close relationship. Maturity in Christ positions us not only for greatest use in the Kingdom, but it also prepares us for the many opportunities and challenges of life. Jesus has always been committed to the spiritual formation of those who follow Him, and so I am grateful to be entrusted with the privilege of equipping the saints for the work of ministry (Eph 4:12).

How has that passion worked its way into the purpose of your ministry at your church?

I believe that the purpose of my ministry is to challenge and stretch God's people beyond what they believe is possible; it is within this space that God does His best work! Disciple-making takes many forms. I absolutely love preaching and teaching God's Word, and I accept that as my primary ministry, but I also enjoy the opportunities that the Lord provides in small group and one-to-one settings.

What group of people has the Lord laid heaviest on your heart?

One great thing about disciple-making is that everyone needs it; even the most mature among us can experience a greater depth of relationship with Christ. Along

with the Commission of making disciples of all nations, the Lord has laid heavy on my heart the development of those who already have relationship with Him, especially those who acknowledge a particular calling in ministry and are looking for direction.

What are the unique challenges of ministering in the DC Metro area?

The D.C. Metro area is filled with people from every corner of the globe and all walks of life. The diversity that exists here, while not unique to this area, certainly sets it apart from most places in the world. Interestingly enough, much of this same diversity is seen within the congregation of Clifton Park Baptist Church. At last count there are over 25 countries and 19 languages represented among our people. While there can be challenges in supporting the varying needs that arise within a context like this, we believe that it is only through an appreciation of all of God's people—including our different cultures and backgrounds—that one can truly experience the fullness of God's Kingdom.

What is your favorite scripture?

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes... (Romans 1:16).

My Passion Is... Disciple-Making

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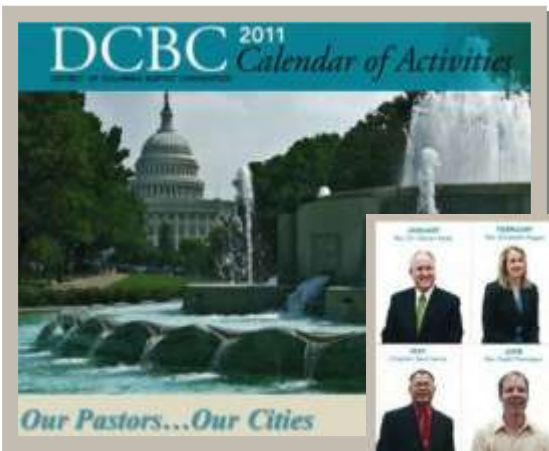
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Planning Ahead



Featured in this year's calendar: (First row): **Dr. Steven Hyde**, Ravensworth Baptist Church, Annandale, VA; **Rev. Elizabeth Hagan**, Washington Plaza Baptist Church, Reston, VA; **Rev. San No Thuan**, Falam Baptist Church, Frederick, MD ; **Dr. Henry Green**, Heritage Baptist Church, Annapolis, MD

(Second Row): **Chaplain Saul Garcia**, Buenas Nuevas de Salvacion, Washington, D.C.; **Rev. Todd Thomason**, First Baptist Church, Hyattsville, Hyattsville, MD; **Dr. Ed Williams**, First Baptist Church, Wheaton, Wheaton, MD; **Rev. Kasey Jones**, National Baptist Memorial Church, Washington, D.C.

(Third row): **Drs. Myrtle & Freddie Jones**, Word for Life Church, Ft. Washington, MD; **Rev. Darin Poullard**, Ft. Washington Baptist Church, Ft. Washington, MD; **Dr. Morris Shearin**, Israel Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.; **Dr. Wallace Charles Smith**, Shiloh Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.

Looking for gift ideas for Christmas? Give a gift that will last the entire year! The 2011 Calendar of Activities, "Our Pastors...Our Cities," is now available. In addition to featuring a few of our dedicated pastors, the calendar also features photos of landmarks and tourist attractions from our region that were taken by Chuck Lee, a member of Twinbrook Baptist Church in Rockville, Md. Calendars can be purchased for \$15 by sending a check or money order to DCBC, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009 or by visiting www.dcbaptist.org.