

From the Desk of the Executive Director/Minister

By Rev. Dr. Robert D. Cochran

The Columbia Association of Baptist Churches began in 1877. That group changed its form in 1937 and took on the name of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention. The intents of 1877 give us the basics of our life together. From the very beginning, the founders of the Columbia Baptist Association treasured the life of the local church. One sees that value in the very name of the association. Even though the local congregation was a treasured instrument in the hand of God, the founders also recognized that the mission of God was even older than the expression of the church. The greatest value was God's mission as expressed through churches.

There were five different ministries which the Columbia Association took up. These included:

The establishment of new churches,

The care of neighborhoods that existed without Baptist churches,

The strengthening of churches in decline (fallow fields).

The establishment and strengthening of Sunday Schools, and Temperance.

The D.C. Baptist Convention still focuses on all of these ministries and on some of the ministries that has grown out of them. D.C. Baptists continue to start new congregations. We continue to find ways to care for neighborhoods that have no Baptist witness, although these seem to be now more institutions and communities rather than

actual physical neighborhoods. D.C. Baptists still care for congregation, those open to receiving such assistance, which are in decline. Each congregation still is valued for the life God gives it, for the autonomy which we treasure. Within each church we still support Discipleship through the Sunday Schools and Christian Education. Those early Sunday Schools led to Discipleship but also were used as the means to reach the newly arrived, African Americans, immigrants and college students. Temperance was seen as the means to address myriad social challenges in 1877, including poverty, family abandonment, abuse of workers and many others. This interest opened D.C. Baptists to the important social ministries in which D.C. Baptists excel today.

D.C. Baptists do not have to go "back to basics." We continue to work out the ministries to which the Baptists of 1877 felt called, ministries still needed today.



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SEPTEMBER

CALENDAR

New Testament Greek

September 14, 21, 28

AB Women's Ministries

Grant Writing Class

September 19 & 26

DC & VA Pastor Meeting

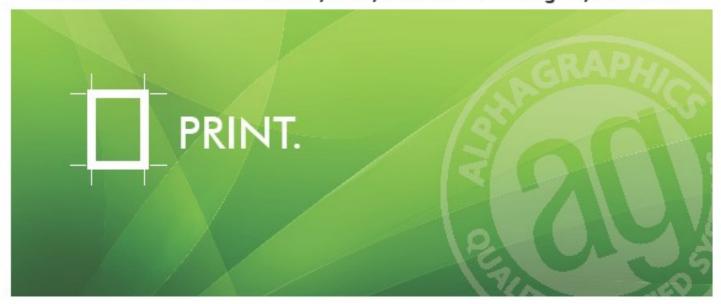
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OAM Team Meeting 10:00AM

Burma Work Group



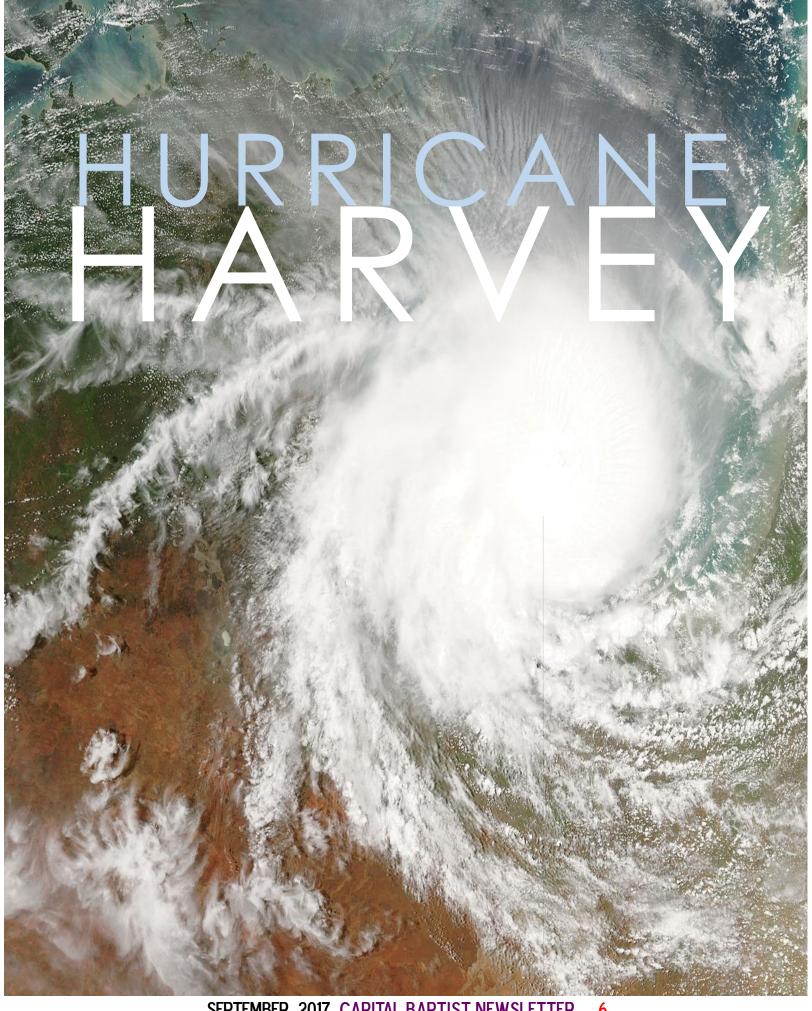
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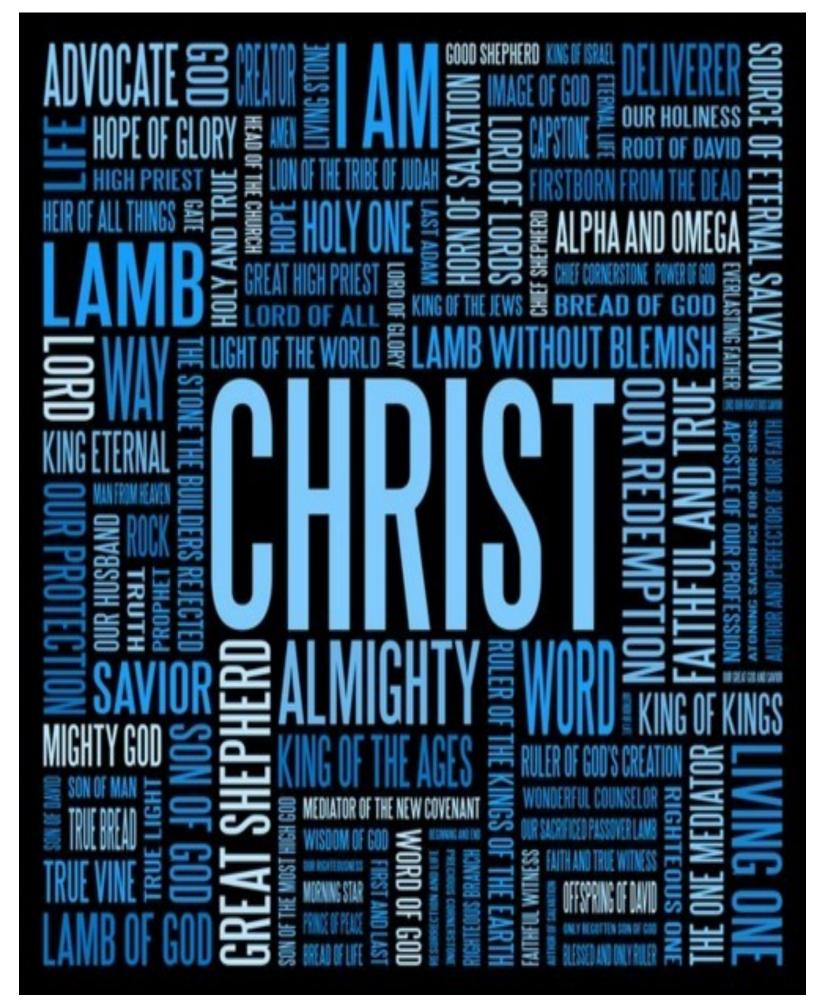


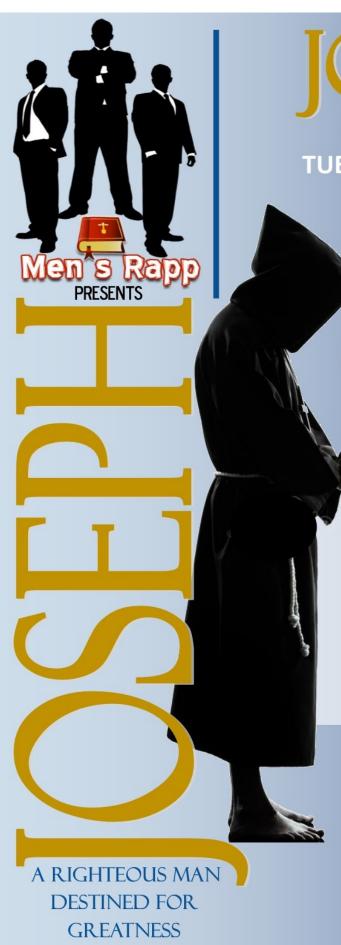
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Millions of our sisters and brothers in Texas and neighboring states continue to be threatened by Hurricane Harvey and its associated flooding. Our churches, pastors and lay members know many family members and friends in Texas and Louisiana who now suffer from the devastation. At times like this, the Church is called to be an example and active participant in the recovery and healing process. While the exact extent of the needs will not be known for weeks, we ask that you continue to pray for those who suffer from this historic hurricane. You can donate to the relief efforts through the D.C. Baptist Convention. We will forward all monies designated for the relief of those overwhelmed by Hurricane Harvey to our partner Baptist agencies providing relief efforts in the wake of the terrible destruction.

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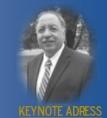
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OCTOBER 1, 2017

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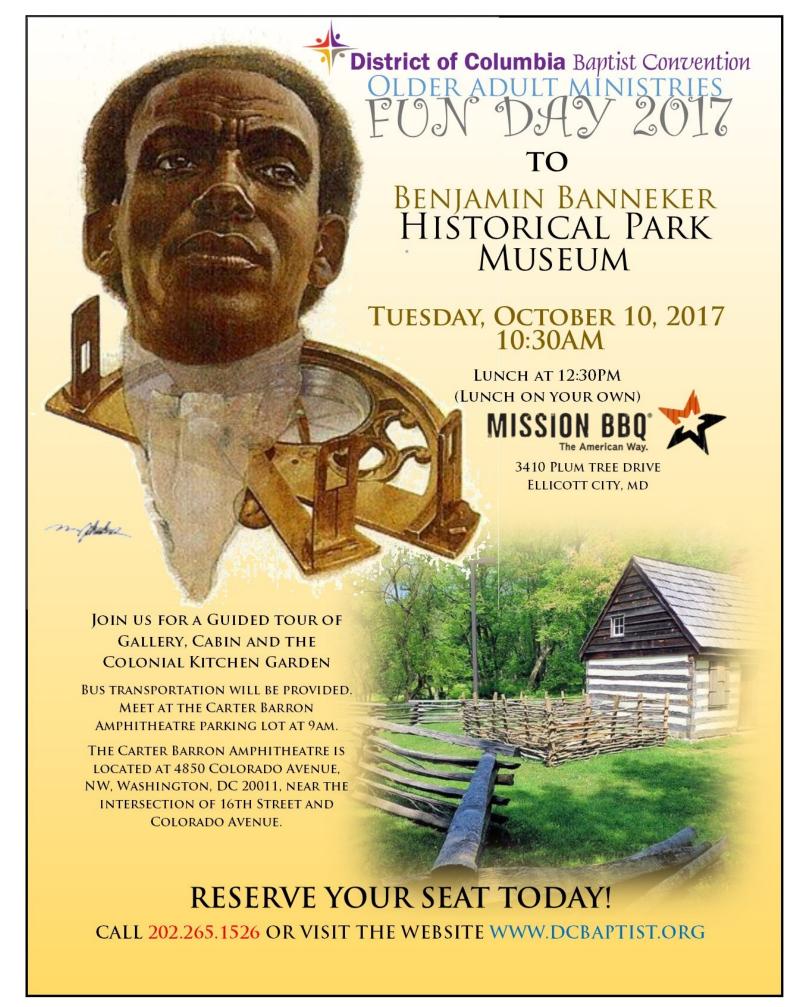
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One of my favorite TV personalities is talk show host <u>Conan O'Brien</u>.

If I told you I was friends with Conan O'Brien, you'd ask, "How often do you get to see him?"

If I answered, "I haven't met him yet, but I've watched his show every day and I've read a lot of articles about him," you'd say I was nuts. We can't know someone or have a real relationship without spending time together.

God wants a relationship with us. It's why He sent Jesus to die for our sins — so we can have a relationship again.

Why do Christians pray? We grow our relationship with God through reading the Bible and prayer. Reading the Bible is how we hear from God, and prayer is how we speak to Him in return. This process of talking to God, listening for His voice and reading His Word is how we spend quality time with our Heavenly Father.

Prayer turns one-way research into two-way communication.

Only reading the Bible doesn't give me a relationship with God. People who don't believe in God have read the Bible. Some atheists can quote the Bible better than some Christians, but they don't have a relationship with God. Prayer is an integral part of gaining a relationship with God, because prayer turns one-way research into two-way communication.

4 Things That Happen When We Pray

1. Closeness (Jeremiah 33:2-3)

Prayer is intimate and personal. When Christians pray to Jesus, sharing with Him on a personal level helps us to trust Him more.

2. Peace of Mind (Philippians 4:7)

We can get bogged down by the negative thoughts in our heads. When we take our worry and doubt to God in prayer, we gain insight to overcome our negative thoughts. When we pray, with thanksgiving and petition, God gives us peace unlike anything we can imagine.

3. Guidance (Romans 8:26)

We don't always know what to pray for when we pray, but God does. Romans 8:26 says, "...the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us..." When we humbly seek God, the Holy Spirit expresses in prayer what we can't articulate in words.

4. Healing (<u>James 5:16</u>)

God heals us as we pray for ourselves and each other. Trying to fix our problems ourselves is a fruitless effort, so we take them to the One who can. God created the universe and everything in it. Help is waiting for us if we'll humble ourselves and ask for it.

District of Columbia Baptist Convention PRESENTS

GRANT WRITING



September 12th through October 31st

Tuesday Evenings 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

September 12

September 19

September 26

October 3

October 10

October 17

October 24

October 31

Classes being held at:

D.C. Baptist Convention

Baptist Building

1628 16th Street, NW Washington, DC 20009 202.265.1526



The DC Baptist Convention (DCBC) is offering a **free** Intensive 8-week Grant Proposal Writing Course to members of DCBC congregations and partner organizations. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

Compose a grant or contract proposal that has a high probability of being funded.

Demonstrate knowledge of the funding landscape within public and private domains

Demonstrate the ability to utilize knowledge of program development, including use of logic modeling, forecasting, asset mapping and environmental scans

Priority given to first time attendees and DCBC churches in good standing.

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SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2017 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Agape Baptist Church
(Wisconsin Ave Baptist building)
3920 Alton Place, NW
Washington, DC 20016

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DC Mayor's Office of Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs

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the ABC's of Praying for Students Attitude ... Psalm 19:14 Boldness ... Psalm 27:1 Courage ... John 1:9 Discernment ... Philippians 1:9-10 Enthusiasm ... Colossians 3:23 Friendliness ... Proverbs 18:24 Generosity ... 2 Corinthians 4:7 Humility ... Philippians 2:3-5 Initiative ... I John 3:18 Joyfulness ... Philippians 4:4 Knowledge ... Proverbs 18:15 Listening ... Proverbs 12:15 Maturity ... I Corinthians 14:20 Neighbors ... Mark 12:31 Overflow ... Romans 15:13 Perseverance ... Galatians 6:9 Quiet ... Proverbs 29:11 Respect ... Romans 12:10 Self-control ... 2 Peter 1:5-7 Thankfulness ... I Chronicles 16:34 Understanding ... Psalm 119:130 Victory ... Psalm 18:29 Wisdom ... James 3:17 excellence ... Proverbs 3:4 Youthfulness ... 1 Timothy 4:12 Zeal ... Romans 12:11 juliesanders.org



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT: Minister of Youth and Outreach

- Responsible for creating a long-term vision and its implementation for the overall youth ministry of the church, including grades six through twelve; promoting evangelism, discipleship training, and social ministries in the context of a multicultural church and community in the Baltimore-Washington DC corridor;
- Responsible for developing and implementing an outreach ministry
 of the church to the community while working alongside other
 full-time staff in the successful growth of the church;
- Responsible for all aspects of connecting the church to the community and helping new people to assimilate into the congregation from the first-time visit through baptism and initial and continuing involvement.

Email resumes: office@yourbethany.org

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT: Administrative Assistant

First Baptist Church of Silver Spring is seeking part time Administrative Assistant. Approximately 20 hours per week.

• Must be comfortable with the Christian faith

- Fluent in English (written and verbal) and Spanish (conversational level)
- Proficient with Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel) and other computer software programs to handle email and maintain databases

Must be a self-starter and able to work independently. Must have excellent interpersonal skills.

Duties include:

- Prepare, print, and distribute church publications, including but not limited to weekly bulletins, newsletter, special programs, and monthly activity calendar.
 - Prepare PowerPoint slides for weekly church service
 - Maintain Computer and Paper Files

Salary based on experience.

To apply, email cover letter and resume to Sharon Husic at FBCSSPersonnel@gmail.com

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT: Administrative Assistant

Part-time Administrative assistant at a Baptist seminary, daytime on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Strong Microsoft Office skills, database experience, administrative, organizational and customer service skills required. Duties include managing website, publicity and e-communications, assisting with fundraising campaigns, finance and academic tasks, and event planning. Strong Christian commitment, friendly attitude, and desire to be part of a growing seminary in Arlington.

Bachelor's degree and experience preferred. Pay range is \$15–18 per hour.

Send resume and 3 references to molson@leland.edu. Please include "Administrative Assistant" in the subject line.

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SEPTEMBER 2017 CAPITAL BAPTIST NEWSLETTER

How can I help my child SUCCEED in school?

Stay involved and feel free to contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.

Do not talk negatively about your child's teacher or school.

Ask your children about school and encourage them to talk about their day.

Read with your child every night.

Make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep and is ready for school each day.

Help your child with his/her homework every night.

Teach your children to be responsible for their actions and their schoolwork.

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THE PURPOSE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1) He convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and of judgment.

John 16:8-11 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they do not believe in Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged."

2) He transforms us in the sight of God.

1 Corinthians 6:11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

3) He helps us to remember the word of God.

John 14:26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you."

4) He helps us to lead a godly life.

Galatians 5:22-23 But the fruit (evidence) of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

5) He gives us spiritual gifts for the edification of believers.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:

1 Corinthians 14:12 Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual gifts, let it be for the edification of the church that you seek to excel.

6) He is our guarantee of eternal life with God.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Ephesians 1:13-14 In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.

7) He empowers us to be witnesses for our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 15:26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me."

Acts 1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Acts 4:33 And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all.

1 Corinthians 2:4-5 And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.



You are invited to a Livestream Sending Celebration on Wednesday, Sept. 13, at 7 p.m.

(EDT) broadcast live from Ridgecrest, N.C. Join in celebrating 51 new missionaries sent from Southern Baptist churches to the field. Register to watch the next Sending Celebration on your own, in a group or with your church family.

http://IMB.world/Sept2017Sending







THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017

10:00 AM -REGISTRATION OPENS

LIFEWAY BOOKSTORE OPENS

EXHIBITS OPEN

OLDER ADULT MINISTRIES CONVOCATION

AND LUNCHEON

"ARISE! YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A VICTIM! FRAUD, SCAMS AND FINANCIAL ABUSE

PROTECTION

NORWOOD CENTER

11:00 AM CAPTIAL OFFICE SOLUTIONS

> MEET AND GREET **OUTER SANCTUARY**

12:00 PM -MINISTER'S CONVOCATION

"EMERGING LEADERSHIP MODELS IN

CHURCH"

DR. ANDREY SHIRIN **ASSISTANT PROFESSOR**

LELAND CENTER FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

SANCTUARY

3:00 PM -**BUSINESS SESSION**

SANCTUARY

5:30 PM -DINNER

NORWOOD CENTER

WORSHIP EXPERIENCE 7:00 PM -

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2017

8:00 AM -CONTINENTIAL BREAKFAST

NORWOOD CENTER

WORSHIP EXPERIENCE 8:45 AM

> REV. DR. SAW LER HTOO, PASTOR BURMESE CHURCH, WASHINGTON, DC

SANCTUARY

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM - WORKSHOP SESSION 1

The Symbionic Relationships Between Leadership and Management (Jackson) Worship Across Cultures (Robinson and Moutsos)

W3 After the Benediction (Shinhoster-Lamb) W4 Shining A Light on Mental Illness (McMillian)

W5 W6 Faith in Protest (Bego Sound and AV (Reeder) Ministry in the Interim (Keydel) W7

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM - WORKSHOP SESSION 2

Protecting Sacred Space: When The Church Needs A Surgical Operation (Rhett)
Mentoring Emerging Leaders (Stratford)
Grow It Up And Out! Your Deaconess Ministry (Turner)

W1 W2

W3

W4 W5 Shining A Light on Addiction (Brown) Church and Police Relations (Feemster) International Missions Opportunities (Towner)

LUNCH 12:00 PM -

NORWOOD CENTER

1:00 PM -RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

OUTER SANCTUARY

1:30 PM - 2:20 PM - WORKSHOP SESSION 3

Protecting Religious Freedom (Hawks)

W2 W3 Pastoral Fellowship (Kelly) Deacons (Henry)

W4 Statement of Resolve (Cochran)

W5 Faith in Church Communications (Palmore-Ferguson)

W6 Active Shooter.. Are You Prepared? (Dockett)

W7 Shining A Light on Suicide (Price)

2:30 PM - 3:20 PM - WORKSHOP SESSION 4

Protecting The Sacred Veil: What Makes A Church a Church (Rhett) Emerging Leadership Models in Church (Shirin) W1

W2 W3 W4

Evangelism (Drewry)
The Role of A Missional Church In a Multi-Cultural Community (Weah)

Free Money, Zero Funding Project, No Debt ..REALLY! (McAfee) W5

W6 W7 Shining A Light on Racism (Girton-Mitchell)
Faith in Conflict (Greene)

4:00 PM -**EMERGING VOICES**

SANCTUARY

5:00 PM -EXHIBIT PERUSAL/FELLOWSHIP

6:00 PM -DINNER

NORWOOD CENTER

7:30 PM WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

> REV. DR. SUZAN JOHNSON-COOK FORMER AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE FOR

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

SANCTUARY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28.

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