

*Ministries with, for
and by Older Adults*



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Older Adult Ministries Contact

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Greetings Fellow DC Baptists!

I am so grateful to God for the DCBC Older Adults Ministry of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention. DC Baptists value the many contributions of older adults to the church's mission in the Washington Region. I meet many older adults with priceless stories and accounts of remarkable lives lived out in service of others, in fellowship with the believers, in varied vocations, in journeys marked with countless challenges, opportunities, impediments, and victories. Through it all, older adults have learned to trust in God, and have a witness to share with the Convention.

As you continue to meet, ideas will be exchanged, ways to network resources, time and talents to encourage and empower one another in shared ministry, that benefits older adults and the entire Region will evolve. DCBC is your partner in developing strategic priorities for meeting the needs of older adults as both givers and receivers.

I commend the Older Adult Ministries Team whose talents and strengths make the Older Adult Ministries possible.

Blessings to you as you continue to grow in stature and wisdom.

Dr. Jeffrey Haggray
Executive Director/Minister

The Older Adult Ministries Team of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention is committed to helping congregations value, empower and encourage older adults. The Older Adult Ministries Team is dedicated to the task of helping all older adults:

Engage life fully
Live out of faith
Declare God's love to all generations
Embrace life in the Spirit
Render wisdom
Serve others joyfully

The goals of the of the Older Adult Ministries Team are as follows:

- Help congregations identify the physical, emotional, mental, social, developmental, and spiritual needs of older adults and address these needs through ministry activities in the congregation.
- Provide resources, ministry models and information to develop excitement for and understanding of how to utilize the spiritual gifts, skills, time and talents of older adults as resources within the church among pastors and congregational leaders.
- Assist congregations as they plan, implement, sustain, and build older adult ministry programs in their congregation.
- Provide quarterly opportunities for convention-wide fellowship and training.
- Promote a healthy understanding of the aging process as a blessing and gift by educating people of all ages to the value of intergenerational activity and helping them work at developing relationships and partnerships across generations.