

News Briefs
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Join Us On Facebook! The D.C. Baptist Convention has created a Facebook page to provide another means to communicate with our constituents and to stay informed about what's going on in Baptist life in the D.C. metropolitan area and beyond. If you have a Facebook page, please feel free to "Friend" us and pass the word to others. If you do not have a Facebook page, consider starting one. It's a great way to keep in touch with old friends and find new ones.

Deadline for Applications. Today is the deadline to apply for the DCBC Executive Director/Minister position. The Executive Director/Minister will serve as the principal executive officer of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention administering all funds, programs, and ministries of the Convention under the direction of the Executive Board and the Executive Committee. Applicants must be an ordained minister 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, click [here](#) for a pdf file or [here](#) to view the job description in MS Word. Please send inquiries and letters of application and resumes to:

Dr. Ella Redfield
Chair, Search Committee
DC Baptist Convention
1628 16th Street NW
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(202) 265-1526

Fax to (202) 667-8258 or email to dcbc@dcbaptist.org. Please indicate "Executive Director/Minister Applicant" in the subject line.

Survey Responses Due Today. Today is the deadline to submit survey responses about the qualities the next Executive Director/Minister should have. For those who have not already done so, please complete the survey so that your feedback can be included in the Search Committee's decision-making process. You can complete the survey online by clicking [here](#) or you can print out a copy, (click [here](#)) and fax it back to DCBC at 202.667.8258.

Condolences to Rev. Tiefel and FBC, Camp Springs. DCBC staff and leaders extend their deepest sympathy to Rev. James Tiefel, pastor of First Baptist Church, Camp Springs, in the loss of his wife, Mary. Please keep the Tiefel family and FBC, Camp Springs in your prayers.

Prayer for the Poor Service. There will be a Prayer for the Poor Worship Service on **Thursday, March 4** at 7 p.m. at Riverside Church, 680 I Street, SW, Washington, D.C. All are invited to participate in this service of worship, praise, and prayer.

DCBC Executive Board Meeting. On **Monday, March 8**, the Executive Board will meet at the First Baptist Church of the City of Washington D.C., located at 1328 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. Please RSVP so that we can plan appropriately for the meal. Dinner will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m. The discussion will be led by Rev. Tony Brown from Metropolitan Outreach Ministries, on the topic, "Churches Working Together at Jochenning Baptist Community Center."

Mark Your Calendar for Daylight Saving Time. **Sunday, March 14** is the beginning of Daylight Saving Time. We "spring" forward into a new season. Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour the night before. It is also recommended that you change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

Forgiveness Seminar. "The Power of Forgiveness," which was originally scheduled for Feb. 13, will now be held on **Saturday, March 20 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon** at the Jochenning Baptist Community Center, 4025 Ninth Street, SE, Washington, D.C. Dr. Robert Cochran, DCBC Associate Executive Director,

will facilitate.

Prayer Service for Haiti. Trinity Baptist Church, located at 1900 Beechwood Road Hyattsville, Md. 20783, will host a prayer service for Haiti on March 16th at 7 p.m. Please join us as we pray for Haiti and its citizens.

Ministers Fellowship. The Ministers Fellowship is held the fourth Tuesday of each month for the support and edification of DCBC pastors, clergy, and lay leaders. Please plan to be in attendance on March 23 at the Baptist Building, 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington D.C. Lunch is provided; the cost is \$8.

Conflict Transformation Workshop. Dr. Blanche Hudson and Rev. Paul Clark will serve as co-facilitators of this much needed work on March 16 from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. The workshop will be held at the Baptist Building, located at 1628 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington D.C.

DCBC Looking for Volunteer Receptionist

The D.C. Baptist Convention is looking for a volunteer to serve as our receptionist on Wednesdays. Please contact Lashanor Doolittle, Business Manager, at 202.265.1526 or info@dcbaptist.org if you are interested.

No Emergency Preparedness Training. There will be no Emergency Preparedness Training on March 13 or March 20. We will post announcements when the next Emergency Preparedness Training is scheduled.

Usher Training. There will be Usher Training on **Saturday, March 27 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at Word for Life Church Ministries**, (housed in the Temple Hills Church of God), 4814 Saint Barnabas Road, Temple Hills MD 20748. All DCBC member churches are invited to send representatives from their Usher Boards to this important training. For more information, contact DCBC at 202.265.1526.

Hosanna! The Triumphal Entry. *"Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, say: Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"* ~ Matthew 21:9 (NKJV). **Sunday, March 28 is Palm Sunday.** Celebrate for that which was spoken by the prophet is fulfilled!

Mark Your Calendar: College of Prayer Module in May. Don't miss the **May 13-14, 2010 College of Prayer**-Washington, D.C. Richard Owen Roberts, one of the country's foremost teachers on revival, will be the presenter. The College will be held at Fort Foote Baptist Church, 8310 Fort Foote Road, Fort Washington, MD 20744-5527. For registration information email, College of Prayer registrar Patricia Bolinger at patricia.bolinger@yahoo.com

Volunteers Needed for Summer Mission Trip to New Orleans

American Baptist Churches USA, in conjunction with the National Council of Churches' Special Commission for the Just Rebuilding of the Gulf Coast, will be hosting "Ecumenical Work Week IV," **August 1-7, 2010** in New Orleans. Volunteers are needed to participate in hands-on efforts to help rebuild homes, communities and lives in New Orleans. Volunteers may come for part of or the entire week. Travel and housing arrangements must be made by the individual or group. Click [here](#) for registration form.

Employment Opportunities

Executive Director. The Baptist State Convention of Michigan is seeking resumes for the position of Executive Director. The qualified applicant will be a visionary leader with administrative skills, have a minimum of a Masters level degree, pastoral experience, and proven SBC denominational leadership. Please send all resumes to search@bscm.org by May 15. For more information or if you have questions, contact:

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Director of Preschool. Vienna Baptist Church is seeking an experienced director for its half day inclusive preschool. For further details of this full time position please go to www.vbc-va.org and click on children's center for position description and the search team email address.