

### Middle District Baptist Association

Starting and Strengthening Churches...

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#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**













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Ministry Assistants

# IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES TO REMEMBER

#### August

8-9 GLS Summit, PCC 10-11 Raceway Ministry 19-23 Back to School Week

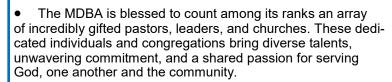
#### September

Labor Day, ClosedCVBM ConferenceLeadership Luncheon

### **COMMUNICATOR**

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MDBA

Having spent the last 18 months walking alongside and listening to the pastors, leaders and congregations in the Middle District, I want to share a few of my takeaways and some thoughts about our future:





- For over 240 years, God has blessed the work of the MDBA, guiding and empowering our collaborative efforts. The strength and vitality of the MDBA today are a testament to the faithfulness and hard work of its members over several centuries.
- The Great Commission is too large a task for any single church to accomplish. As a network of local churches working together in a cooperative and unified spirit, we present a powerful testimony to the community, reflect the nature of God, and enhance the Church's ability to fulfill the Great Commission.
- As we look forward, we have an opportunity to make a few changes within our association that will help improve our processes and create new opportunities for collaboration and engagement.
- By welcoming new ideas, innovative practices, and diverse perspectives, we honor our heritage while adapting to the evolving needs of our members and community.

As we prepare for our upcoming **Fall Meeting**, our Leadership Team believes this is a time for renewal and recommitment to our shared mission. We are confident that the **changes we will propose** at this meeting will lead to greater success in our communication strategies and collective effort to live out the Great Commission going forward.

### We also want to be clear about the following:

- Embracing change does not mean discarding our storied past; rather, it involves building upon our legacy to ensure a vibrant and sustainable future for the MDBA.
- Your input and feedback is important and will play a crucial role in shaping our future.
- Rev. John Sawyer





SAVE THE DATE for our next leadership luncheon!

Thursday, September 26

Noon- 1:30 pm @ Chesterfield Baptist



**CENTRAL VIRGINIG BAPTIST MINISTRIES** 

### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 24 \* WINFREE BAPTST CHURCH \* 5:15 DINNER - 8:45 PM



Goal: \$7000 Received: \$3172

Donate online at mdba.org or send a check to PO Box 73023





# 2024 Global Leadership Summit – August 8 & 9

### Host Site: Passion Community Church, Midlothian

You will experience two days of rich, high-impact, inspiring sessions, and learn from a diverse faculty who will share their wisdom and practical perspective to support you in your leadership growth.

### Registration available at

pccwired.net/event/2024-global-leadership-summit

Or

globalleadership.org/summit

#### **RACEWAY MINISTRY**

AUGUST 10-11



You can ZOOM right in and help by providing homemade cookies as well as set up the site, greet guests, give away cookies and water, act as a chaplain, and then help us engage a multitude of people one by one.

# <u>Church Staff</u> <u>Birthdays</u>

(Includes <u>church staff</u> current, retired and <u>spouses</u>)

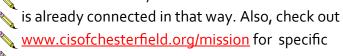


- 8 Susan Meredith, Chester
- 11 Angie Frame, PCC
- 12 Tony Stoddard, PCC
- 16 Josh Roberts, Winfree
- 19 David Turner, Central
- 21 Todd Bradbury, Bethel
- 21 Tracey Young, Bellwood
- 22 Joyce Royer, Retired
- 29 Connie Moore, Graceland
- 30 Jimmy Doan, Winfree

# SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

A lot of churches collect supplies for a school in their community which is GREAT!





schools in Chesterfield that need help.

Contact us and we would be glad to connect you to OR help you with the school leadership connection.

## **Staff Updates**

Rev. Mike Clingenpeel, Interim Pastor, Winfree.

Rev. Bill Tuck, Interim Pastor, Central

Information on job opportunities are available on our website:

www.mdba.org/job-openings