



Middle District Baptist Association

Starting and Strengthening Churches...

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IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES TO REMEMBER

August

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

September

2 Labor Day, Closed
24 CVBM Conference
26 Leadership Luncheon

COMMUNICATOR

August 2024

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:**



- The MDBA is blessed to count among its ranks an array of incredibly gifted pastors, leaders, and churches. These dedicated individuals and congregations bring diverse talents, unwavering commitment, and a shared passion for serving God, one another and the community.
- 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**

MISSIONS CELEBRATION

Sunday, October 13
3:00 PM
Passion Community Church

50 Old Otterdale Rd,
Midlothian, VA 23113



SAVE THE DATE for our next leadership luncheon!

Thursday, September 26

Noon- 1:30 pm @ Chesterfield Baptist



CENTRAL VIRGINIA BAPTIST MINISTRIES

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 24 * WINFREE BAPTIST 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.



SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION



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



Consider this: Partner with another community church that is already connected in that way. Also, check out www.cisofchesterfield.org/mission for specific 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.



Church Staff Birthdays

(Includes church staff current, retired and spouses)



- 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

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