

# GO Georgia

August 18-19, 2017 // 774 Roswell Street, Marietta  
August 25-26, 2017 // 404 Love Avenue, Tifton

## LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Sponsored by the Georgia Baptist Mission Board, GO Georgia is a 2-day church leadership training event that includes 100+ topics, top national speakers, affinity and specialized training.

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Over 100 breakout sessions related to various church leadership roles will be offered. No matter your role, there will be something for YOU!

## NATIONAL SPEAKERS

GO Georgia features a phenomenal array of both nationally recognized speakers and leading practitioners from Georgia.

## Ministers Meeting

The Garden Patch  
100 Southland Drive  
Barnesville, GA 30204

August 14, 2017  
12-2PM

Special Guest: Evangelist  
**Jon Reed** from ENCOUNTER  
2016

Jon will be sharing with us about the discipline of **FASTING**. (Yes, I recognize the irony of discussing fasting at an all-you-can-eat buffet.) This special ministers meeting will last a little longer than usual. Feel free to invite **anyone** who may be interested in this topic.



Rev. Steve Laughman- Associational Missionary  
Rev. John Blackmon- Moderator  
Rev. Bill Barber- Vice Moderator

Mrs. Marni Laughman- Ministry Assistant/Clerk  
Mrs. Gail West- Treasurer

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## A Word from Your Missionary, Steve Laughman

Thanksgiving is more than a Thursday in November. Throughout Scripture we find God's people expressing gratitude for who God is and what He has done. And why shouldn't we be thankful? Our Father has blessed us in more ways than we can count. His attributes are beyond number and His grace has redeemed us from the path of destruction. Where would we be without the goodness of God?

Please, allow me a few moments to express thanksgiving for some specific blessings in my life and ministry. This is only a small part of what I believe God is doing, but I only have so much room and you only have so much time.

People of God demonstrating His missionary heart. You have been busy going on mission this summer. Whether you have gone yourself or you have supported members from your church, many of you have been actively involved in mission trips to places like Panama, Alaska, Kosovo, Nicaragua, Montana, Louisiana, Tennessee, and right here in the Centennial Association. I pray that we are known as an association of churches that loves missionaries and loves missions. Thank you for whatever role you have played in that effort.

Churches helping churches. It is my privilege to peek behind the curtain sometimes regarding partnerships and how they come to be. This summer I have observed believers who worship in different places on Sunday serve together to strengthen one another. Youth have spread the Gospel with face paint and kickballs at churches they have never attended. VBS was a combined effort in several places. Pastors have encouraged one another regarding how to effectively preach and minister to their individual flocks. Thank you for seeing God's work as Kingdom work.

Stewardship that honors God. Centennial Baptist Association can only do what we do because of the generous support from our member churches. We have been blessed to receive more than our budget requirements so far this year which has allowed us to continue the ministries that are so vitally important. As our committees meet to plan for 2018, we will have the freedom to see where God would have us increase our budget to do more. Thank you for supporting the work of the CBA. As you have been faithful stewards, we will also be diligent to do the same.

May the joy of the Lord be your strength as you seek to serve Him faithfully. May He meet your every need and give you eyes to see the needs of others you are to meet. And may He bring souls to salvation through the obedient life you live for Him.



Centennial will be partnering with the Bethel Baptist Association to help supply **BACKPACKS OF HOPE** to children in *Quitman County* which is one of the poorest counties in GA. If your church, civic/ small group, or family would like to pack a bag for a child in need, please contact our office for information and supplies. We will be *collecting* all filled and labeled packs at our Fall meeting on **October 24 at Antioch Baptist Church.**

In **preparation** for 2018 and the upcoming **Fall meeting**, **committees** will be meeting **this** month. Your input is needed and **encouraged**.

Please contact the CBA office:

- If you have **requests** for the 2018 **calendar**,
- If you are a CBA Officer, Ministry Director, or Committee Chairman, and you have **budget requests**, or
- If you would like to **serve** or have recommendations for others to serve as committee members, directors or officers.

### Upcoming Committee meetings:

<b>Steering</b>	<b>August 3, 2017</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Yatesville</b>
<b>Budget &amp; Finance</b>	<b>August 7, 2017</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>FBC Barnesville</b>
<b>Missions</b>	<b>August 10, 2017</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>East Thomaston</b>
<b>Strategy Planning</b>	<b>August 14, 2017</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>New Hope Thomaston</b>
<b>Applications</b>	<b>August 19, 2017</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Trinity</b>
<b>Nominating</b>	<b>August 21, 2017</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Valley Grove</b>





## Quarterly Fellowship Lunch

**August 10th  
12 Noon**

**Hendricks Baptist Church  
2233 Hendricks Church Rd  
Thomaston, GA 30286**

**Don't miss out on this great  
time of fellowship and fun!**

## King's Chapel Baptist Church

4126 Waymanville Road

Thomaston, GA 30286

Will be celebrating their 175th Homecoming

August 20th, 2017

## Guest Speaker: Dr. Robert White

Executive Director GBMB

## Special Music: Higher Hope

Covered dish lunch to follow.

No evening Service



# Righteous Manhood State Men's Conference

**Saturday, August 12, 2017**

**Mabel White Baptist Church, 1415 Bass Road, Macon**

## Featuring



**Kelvin Cochran**



**Chaplain Major  
Phil Kramer**



**Music:  
Chris McDaniel**

Time: 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (doors open at 7:30 a.m.)

Cost: \$20 until Aug 4; \$25 after Aug 4

Register at [gabaptist.org/mensministry](http://gabaptist.org/mensministry)  
or call 770-936-5257.



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in fulfilling the Great Commission.

## WHY ME? MENS CONFERENCE

**Friday, August 4, 2017  
&  
Saturday, August 5, 2017**

## DITCHES, FENCES & MOUNTAINS

**Hosted by Mountain View**

**Register at:**  
[www.whymemensconference.com](http://www.whymemensconference.com)

## Church Financial Compliance & Giving Seminar

*Keys to Best Practices in  
Church Compliance &  
Giving in the Church*

**September 7th, 6:00 - 9:00PM**  
**Mabel White Baptist**  
1415 Bass Rd., Macon, GA 31020  
Mid-State Association  
\$10.00 per person



Check website for other  
location options.

FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE CHURCH COMPLIANCE GIVING

**Registration and Info:** [gabaptist.org/churchadministration](http://gabaptist.org/churchadministration)

## TWO Tracks • THREE Sessions

Welcome/Intro: 6:00 - 6:15 PM

**Session 1: 6:15 - 7:00 PM**

- **Track A:** Financial Compliance: Collections, Counting & Culpability - *Tony Neal*
- **Track B:** High Giving Churches: Latest Research & New Insights & tools you can implement now! - *Dr. Scott Preissler - Cooperative Program, Giving & Stewardship*

Break 7:00 - 7:15 PM

**Session 2: 7:15 - 8:00 PM**

- **Track A:** Financial Compliance: Contribution; Credits & Statements - *Tony Neal*
- **Track B:** The Forgotten Formula for Funding Church Ministry - *Sam Warner, Georgia Baptist Foundation*

Break 8:00 - 8:15 PM

**Session 3: 8:15-9:00 PM**

- **Track A:** Financial Compliance: Designated Funds & Benevolence - *Tony Neal*
- **Track B:** Church Compliance: Constitution/By-Laws; Policies/Procedures - *D. Alan Folsom*



## Income for June 2017

	June 17	Jan17- Dec17
Checking Interest	4.65	25.55
Antioch	582.12	3,297.97
Bethany	0.00	1,750.00
Beulah	0.00	1,428.00
Calvary	0.00	0.00
Clark's Chapel	0.00	600.00
Concord	0.00	1,200.00
Culloden	0.00	300.00
East Thomaston	283.72	1,893.26
Elkins Creek	0.00	0.00
Emory's Chapel	0.00	0.00
FBC Barnesville	1,056.71	7,624.07
FBC Forsyth	0.00	0.00
FBC Thomaston	638.79	5,560.72
Fellowship	932.00	2,670.00
Garden Hill	76.44	401.96
Hendricks	0.00	0.00
Jeff Davis	25.00	150.00
King's Chapel	0.00	100.00
Maynard	0.00	3,376.78
Meansville	0.00	1,449.96
Milner	445.20	2,963.88
Molena	0.00	0.00
Mount Olive	783.02	6,010.22
Mountain View	2,082.00	9,125.00
Mt. Pleasant	300.00	300.00
Mt. Zion	80.00	400.00
Neal	0.00	300.00
New Bethel	50.00	300.00
New Harmony	31.85	530.27
New Hope	0.00	1,250.00
Pine View	0.00	0.00
Pritchett Memorial	0.00	277.75
Russellville	0.00	0.00
Shiloh (Upson)	50.00	300.00
Shiloh Lamar	382.72	1,285.72
Silvertown	91.64	969.68
The Rock	28.30	167.58
Trinity	300.00	1,800.00
Valley Grove	222.63	1,763.77
Yatesville	100.00	600.00
<b>Total Church Receipts</b>	<b>8,542.14</b>	<b>60,146.59</b>

## Disbursements for June 2017

Administrative Expenses	765.19
Associational Programs	0.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00
Organizational Expenses	645.98
Pastorium Maintenance	0.00
Salaries and Allowances	6,775.06
<b>Total Budgeted Expenditures</b>	<b>8,186.23</b>
Designated Accounts Expenses	889.40
<b>Monthly Surplus/Shortfall</b>	<b>355.91</b>

## Opportunities & Church News

**New Hope** is seeking a *pianist*. If you are interested in applying, please email your resume to [newhopebaptist1@windstream.net](mailto:newhopebaptist1@windstream.net)

**Silvertown** is seeking a *pianist*. Anyone interested should contact Steve Shock at (706) 741-6762.

**Concord** seeks a full-time *Senior Pastor* as we seek His will for His church. Those interested may email their resume to: [searchcommittee2017@gmail.com](mailto:searchcommittee2017@gmail.com) or Pastor Search Committee, Concord Baptist Church, P.O. Box 181, Concord, GA 30206.

**FBC Gray** will be hosting Karen Peck and New River in concert August 11 at 7 PM. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at [firstbaptistgray.org/events](http://firstbaptistgray.org/events).

If your church would like to post a ministry opportunity or an event, please contact the CBA office by the third week of the month to get it into the next month's newsletter.

## Calendar of Events

### August 2017

3	Steering Committee Mtg.	Yatesville	6:30 PM
6	Back to School Prayer Ser.	UL Fine Arts Center	6:00 PM
7	Budget & Finance Mtg.	FBC Barnesville	6:30 PM
10	Quarterly Fellowship Lunch	Hendricks	12 Noon
10	Missions Team Meeting	East Thomaston	2:00 PM
14	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
14	Strategy Planning Meeting	New Hope, Thomaston	6:00 PM
21	Nominating Comm. Mtg.	Valley Grove	6:30 PM
22	Monroe Roundtable	New Providence	2:00 PM

### September 2017

7	Executive Committee Mtg.	Maynard	6:30 PM
11	Ministers Meeting	Garden Patch	12 Noon
11	Strategy Team	Meansville	6:00 PM
14	Upson/Pike Roundtable	Mount Olive	10:00 AM

Visit [www.markbishopmusic.com](http://www.markbishopmusic.com)

**IN Concert...**

Clarks Chapel Baptist Church Presents

**Mark Bishop**

Saturday October 14 2017

6:30 pm

176 Mathis Lake Road, Thomaston, GA

For Information call 706-647-6169