



THE BAPTIST GENERAL CONVENTION OF VIRGINIA PRESENTS

YOUTH RETREAT

JULY 12TH - 14TH

BE THE LIGHT

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VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY

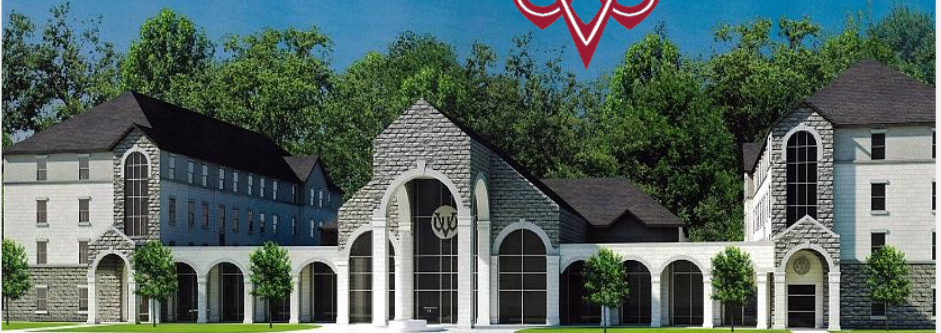
FOR MORE INFORMATION

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REGISTRATION FEE :

\$145 **BEFORE** JULY 6TH

\$160 **AFTER** JULY 6TH



Greetings

Dear Youth Group Leader,

We, at Baptist General Convention of Virginia (BGCVA) are excited that you are considering joining us at this year's Youth Retreat. The BGCVA's Youth Retreat is intentionally designed for young people to encounter God in such a way that will spark their interest in developing a deeper relationship with Christ. As a youth leader this retreat is an opportune time to shepherd and guide your youth on their spiritual journey.

This packet will help you get a better picture of what you and your group can expect to experience at the retreat. **Please** be sure to read through all of the information carefully, so you can give your group clear directions before and during the event. If you have any questions about the registration process or the retreat itself, feel free to contact us at the Baptist General Convention of Virginia State Office.

In God's Service,

Minister Kaiya Jennings, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Baptist General Convention of Virginia

Retreat Schedule

Thursday

3—5 pm Check-in
5:30—6:30 Dinner
7—8 Opening Worship
- Speaker: TBA
8—until "BGC's Got Talent"

Friday

9—10 am Breakfast
10:15—11:15 Morning Session
- Youth (Males and Females Separate): Service, Scholarship and Salvation
- Adults: How to Engaging Youth and Millennials in the Church
11:45—12:45 Lunch
1—2 pm Afternoon Session
- Youth (Youth combined): Being Young in America
- Adults: When the Blessing Burns You Out

2:15—2:45 "We Shine Bright"
Mid-Day Worship
- Speaker: TBA
- Carrying for Communities Moment
3—5 Quality Time
5—6:30 Dinner
6:45—until "The Remix Experience"
- Speaker: TBA
- Presentation of BGC Youth Officers 2018-2019

Saturday

9—10 am Breakfast
10:20—10:40 Closing Gathering
- Alter Call
11 am Dismissal and Depart for BGC Family Day @ Kings Dominion

Important Reminders

Payment Collection and the Registration Process

All completed registrations should be done online at the BGCVA's secure website, www.bgcva.org/events, or sent to the Baptist General Convention of Virginia State Office via US mail service or personally delivered. Please make sure that you have included in your registration any late fees that your church might have incurred if you registered after the deadline. ****You will receive a confirmation upon receipt of full payment. All payments MUST be received before the date of the retreat. There is no onsite registration.****

Cancellation/Refund Policy

Cancellations prior to the early registration deadline will receive a full refund. Groups who cancel after the early registration deadline will receive 50% of their money back unless the cancellation happens with seven business days of the actual retreat, whereby the group forfeits all monies paid. ****There are No credits and No rain checks for late registrations.****

Substitution Policy

Substitutions (changing one attendee for another) prior to the registration deadline can be made. Substitutions past the registration deadline **MUST** be within the same gender and grade range (i.e.: male youth for male youth/female adult for female adult). **Please inform the BGCVA State Office at least one (1) week prior to the retreat date of any substitutions. No substitutions after one week prior. *Churches are strongly encouraged to have 1 male & female adult leader alternate in case a primary adult group leader is unable to attend.***

Provide Leadership

This event is designed to help you as well as your youth deepen your relationship with God. Adult volunteers will be responsible for making sure your youth are following guidelines that have been outlined. The BGCVA Retreat Staff is not responsible for monitoring and disciplining your youth. **Any major discipline infraction reported to the BGCVA Retreat Staff will result in the church group being sent home without refund, immediately.**

Transportation

Groups must provide their own transportation to the retreat site. At the retreat site there is an area for Charter buses to pick up and departure. The Convention does not offer transportation.

What to Bring

Bible (never leave home without)
Ink pen & notebook
Comfortable walking shoes
Disinfectant & Toiletries
Lamp or Night Light
\$15– 20 spending money

What Not to Bring

Illegal Substances
Weapons
Flashlights
Inappropriate Clothing
includes tee shirts with offensive words or pictures or items that are revealing

Linens, pillows, blankets will not be provided, please bring these items from home.

Group Registration

Church Name & Location _____

Contact Person _____

Confirmation Mailing Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Contact Email Address _____

Contact Number _____

Retreat: Middle & High School (6th-12th Grades Only): July 12—14

Early Registration Deadline: July 6

Late Registration Begins- July 7 (Deadline: July 11)

	# of Persons	Subtotal
Early Registration: \$145.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Late Registration \$160.00 per person	_____	\$ _____
Total Amount Enclosed:	_____	\$ _____

Make all checks payable to: BGCVA:

Church Check

Money Order

Online Registration

RETREAT ACTIVITY

of Groups Mime, Dance, Step, Song, Poetry or Prose

BGC's Got Talent _____

Make Sure to Register Today!

Mail: BGCVA

1214 West Graham Road

Richmond, VA 23220

Online: www.bgcva.org/events.html

804-228-2421 (O) 804-228-1998 (F)

youth@bgcva.org or kjennings@bgcva.org

Attention: Youth Retreat 2018

You will receive a confirmation upon receipt of payment.

All Event Registration Fees are Non Refundable.

Online Registrations will incur an additional service fee

****No credits and no rain checks.****

Group Registration

LIST ALL YOUTH ATTENDING BELOW

FULL NAME

GENDER

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LIST ALL ADULT LEADERS ATTENDING BELOW

FULL NAME, GENDER AND PHONE



Waiver & Release Form

Note: Each Person Attending Must Complete This Form And Return
(Anyone one under the age of 18 must have a parent/guardian sign)

Full Name: _____

Church Name: _____ Location: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: (____) _____ (____) _____
Daytime Evening

Name of Insurance Company Provider _____

Policy Number _____

*****Please make certain all registrants bring an insurance card and meds to the retreat. Each registrant must keep their meds with them at all times.*****

Please list of any other medical restrictions from activities the registrant might have:

Please list any MEDICATIONS or FOODS the registrant is allergic to:

“Having been made aware of the activities the registrant will be doing, I hereby consent to the registrant’s participation at the Baptist General Convention of Virginia’s (BGCVA) Youth Retreat. I voluntarily release and forever discharge BGCVA from any and all liability, claims, actions, or rights of action that is in any way related to the registrant’s participation in the retreat activities. I agree to indemnify and hold BGCVA harmless from any and all costs or damages, including attorney fees, incurred in connection with the registrant’s participation in retreat activities. I further agree not to sue, assert or otherwise maintain any claim or cause of action against BGCVA arising from the registrant’s participation in retreat activities. In addition I hereby consent to the registrant being filmed during the Youth Retreats and give the BGCVA permission to use that film for any type of publication.

In case of emergency, I understand every effort will be made to contact parents or guardians of minor registrants. However, if parents or guardians cannot be reached, or if I, the below signed registrant is 18 years of age or older, I hereby give BGCVA permission to act on my behalf in seeking and administering medical treatment. I agree to release BGCVA from any liability in acting on my behalf in this regard and rendering such medical treatment. I assume the risk and financial responsibility for any injury resulting from the registrant’s participation in conference activities.”

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please print your name here: _____

Emergency Contact’s Name: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Frequently Asked Questions

How many Youth Retreats does the Convention host a year and where: BGCVA this year will sponsor one (1) retreat, for Middle and High School students, 6th - 12th Grades Only. The retreat is held at the **VUU (Virginia Union University), 1500 North Lombardy Street, Richmond, Virginia 23220.**

How long is the retreat: The retreat is a three day—two night event. Beginning on a Thursday afternoon and concluding Saturday morning.

Does my church need to send adults leaders: Yes! A church may bring as many adult leaders as they wish. However, we require that churches have a ratio of 1 male leader for every 4-5 male youth and 1 female leader for every 4-5 female youth.

Is there a registration cost: Yes, the early registration cost is \$145.00 per person; this cost includes lodging, five (5) meals, all activities, and retreat materials for the retreat. There is a late registration cost of \$160.00 per person. ***There are only 500 youth and 100 adult spots available.***

When is check-in: Check-in begins at 3:00 pm on Thursday (and will continue until all churches have arrived). Check-in will be at **the Living & Learning Center on VUU's campus (#31 on campus map; see back cover of this registration packet).** There is a mandatory adult leaders orientation at 6:30 pm. Only one adult leader per church is required to come.

What about the accommodations: The retreat provides lodging for 600 persons. All rooms have electricity, full bathrooms, bunk beds, chairs. Each church will be assigned single-sex lodging accommodations for the retreat. The size of each church will determine their lodging assignment. Some churches may be assigned a room with another church. **There is NO CO-ED visitation permitted during the retreat.**

What should I wear during the retreat: Dress is casual (no revealing clothing) for the retreat. Bring comfortable clothing and shoes. The weather is usually warmer during the day, but may be cooler at night.

Do adult leaders have to fill out the medical waiver also: Yes, all persons (youth & adults) in order to attend the retreat must completely fill out the medical waiver. The medical waiver should be turned in along with the retreat registration.

What do churches do about youth taking medication: Adult leaders should be aware of any medical condition that may affect their students. Youth should carry and administer their medication at all times. In case of emergency a medical professional will be contacted.

BGC's Got Talent is a ministry showcase/talent show where church ministry groups (mime/step/dance/song/poetry/prose) are given an opportunity to display their gifts/talents in front of the entire retreat family. 7

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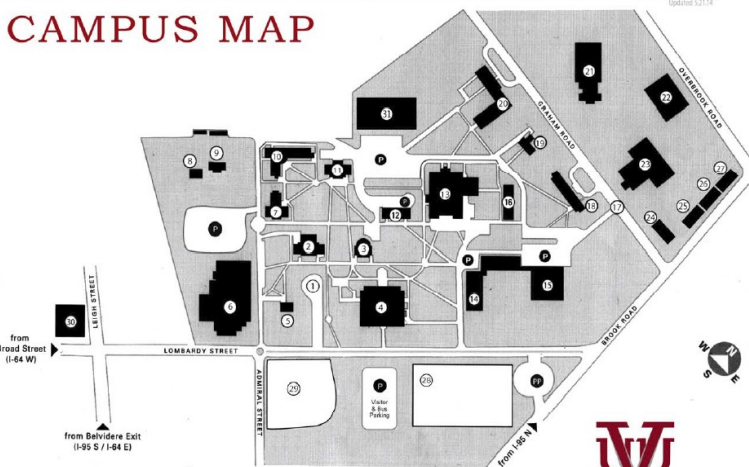
The Reverend Dr. Gregory M. Howard, Convention President
The Reverend Dr. Leo Whitaker, Executive Minister
Minister Kaiya Jennings, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries



Virginia Union University

CAMPUS MAP

1. Pickford Circle
2. Pickford Hall
President's Office
Campus Police
Academic Aftairs
3. Coburn Hall
4. Ellison Hall
Financial Aid
Registrar
5. Baptist Memorial Building
6. L. Douglas Wilder Library
7. Kingsley Hall
School of Theology
8. Power Plant
9. Maintenance Building
10. Stoner Hall
11. Martin E. Gray Hall
12. Huntley Hall
13. Henderson Center
Admissions Office
Student Affairs Office
14. Belgian Friendship Building
15. Barco-Stevens Hall
16. Harbshorn Hall
17. Main Entrance
18. Newman Hall
19. White Hall
20. MacVicar Hall
21. Baptist General Convention of VA
Community Annex
22. Community Annex
23. Richmond Police Training Academy
24. President's House
25. University House #2
26. University House #3
27. University House #4
28. Hovey Field
29. Softball Field
30. C.D. King Hall
Human Resources
Institutional Advancement
Student Accounts
University Relations
31. Living and Learning Center



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