

Baptist General Convention of Virginia A Clergy Conversation on...

The Seasons of Clergy Life

August/2023 – January/2024

The “Call” to Ministry

Thursday, August 3, 2023

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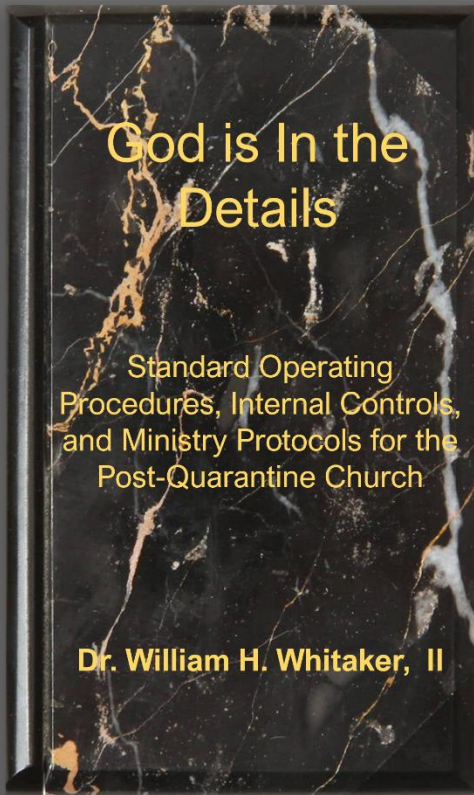
As the seasons change for 2023 and the summer begins to transition into the fall, we are reminded of the Seasons of Clergy Life from the Call to Preach the Gospel to the Call to Retire from doing the same. Farmers sometimes use an annual “Almanac”, a calendar of weather projections, agriculture tips, and best dates to plant and harvest their crops. However, what is the “Almanac” for Clergy Life and how can pastors and ministers recognize and prepare for the seasons in our ministries?

The *Clergy Conversations* for the fall & winter seasons of 2023 is your Almanac of for the various Seasons of Clergy Life. Join us to prepare for the next season God has planned and prepared for you in your ministry.

August 3, 2023	The Call to Preach/The Call to Associate Ministry
Sept. 7, 2023	The Calls to Preparation & Serve
October 5, 2023	The Call to Enrichment, Sabbatical, & Personal Advancement
Nov. 2, 2023	The Call to Denominational Accreditation
Dec. 7, 2023	Clergy Ministry Holiday Gathering

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Standards of Operation, Internal Controls, & Ministry Protocols as Good Stewardship to the Lord

What are the standards and procedures of church operations? Are corporate office procedures appropriate to incorporate in the church? Come learn “Best Practices” and standard operating policies needed for spiritual leadership in the post-quarantine church.

Money Requisition Process
The Building Usage Request Process
The Onboarding Process for New Staff Members
...and more.

Now that most churches have resumed their post-quarantine, in-person ministries, many are in need of “S.O.P.s” (Standard Operating Procedures) to help provide consistency in how ministry is done within the church. A biblical word for Standard Operating Procedures is “polity”, how your church has chosen to live out its doctrine and belief.

The *Ministry Training Tracks* for the remainder of 2023 will address this critical need as the BGC Clergy Ministry provides you with essential guidelines to help your ministry leaders plan and prepare for 2024. Come learn how to fulfill your ministry needs in a way that unifies the Body of Christ, remains within your budget, AND honors God.

Mon., Aug. 21, 2023	Church Finance Standards of Operations
Mon, Sept. 18, 2023	2024 Church Budgeting Protocols & Preparations
Mon., Oct. 16, 2023	2024 Church Calendaring & Event Planning
Mon., Nov. 13, 2023	Church Staff Leading & Volunteer Coordination

2 Sessions are held on each date at 6:00pm & 12:00noon.

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