121st Annual Session and Congress of Christian Education

June 28 —July 1, 2020 REGISTRATION PACKET

VIRTUAL



Theme: Reviving Our Roots: Prophetic Preaching and Our Missional Mandate Luke 4:18-19



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> ~ Act 1:8 Matthew 9:35-38 ~ Mark 10:13-16

Week At A Glance

Saturday, June 27th

11:30 AM—12:30 PM Unknown Soldier Memorial Day, National Cemetery, Arlington Participants: Dr. James E. Victor, Reverend Eugene Pearson Family (Children) and Sister Pauline Young, Veteran & Area D – Vice President.

Sunday, June 28th

CHILDREN, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES DAY

5:00 PM Youth Explosion Featuring: Praise, Prayers, Scriptures, Songs, Mime, Dance, Spoken Word, & Instrumental Offerings by Children & Youth Ministries.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

7:00 PM Evening Worship Preacher: Evangelist Charity Fisher

Monday, June 29th

CLERGY MINISTRY & COMMUNITY DAY 7:00 AM BGCVA PRAYER CALL Facilitated by Clergy Ministry

9:00 – 10:30 AM CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

Select One (1) See: Page 6-8

11:00 AM MINISTRY SPECIAL SESSIONS Select One (1)

YOUTH MINISTRY: BGCVA & NVBA YMAT CLERGY MINISTRY: Dr. John W. Kinney MEN'S MINISTRY: Dr. James E. Coleman WOMEN'S MINISTRY: Dr. Allison Gise-Johnson

2:00 - 4:00 PM- PLENARY:

AFRICAN AMERICAN HEALTH: Before, During and After COVID-19 &

HEALTH MINISTRY ACROSS BGCVA: Blood Sugar Rising Movie & Panel Discussion with Q&A

7:00 PM Evening Worship Preacher: Dr. Howard-John Wesley

Tuesday, June 30th

PRESIDENT'S DAY & MEN'S MINISTRY DAY 7:00 AM BGCVA PRAYER CALL Facilitated by Men's Ministry

9:00 – 10:30 AM CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

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11:00 AM MINISTRY SPECIAL SESSIONS Select One (1) YOUTH MINISTRY: BGCVA & NVBA YMAT CLERGY MINISTRY: Dr. James H. Harris, Sr. MEN'S MINISTRY: Dr. James E. Coleman WOMEN'S MINISTRY: Dr. Allison Gise-Johnson

2:00 - 4:00 PM- PLENARY: MEN

PRESIDENT'S NIGHT

7:00 PM Evening Worship Preacher: Dr. Gregory M. Howard, President

Wednesday, July 1st

WOMEN'S MINISTRY DAY

7:00 AM BGCVA PRAYER CALL Facilitated by Women's Ministry

9:00 – 10:30 AM CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

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11:00 AM MINISTRY SPECIAL SESSIONS Select One (1)

YOUTH MINISTRY: BGCVA & NVBA YMAT CLERGY MINISTRY: Dr. Deborah M. Martin MEN'S MINISTRY: Dr. James E. Coleman WOMEN'S MINISTRY: Dr. Allison Gise-Johnson

2:00 - 4:00 PM- PLENARY: WOMEN

7:00 PM

Evening Worship

Preacher: Dr. Deborah M. Martin

- The Business Meeting
- Gala Celebration & Recognition of Givers
- Recognition of Outgoing Officers
- Installation of New Officers
- Ministry Announcements
- Religious, Civil, & Business Greetings

Guest Speakers



Evangelist Charity Fisher, Founder and Host of Weekly Devotional Ministry "Fresh Start"

SUNDAY NIGHT WORSHIP



Dr. John W. Kinney, Ph.D., Pastor, Ebenezer Baptist Church, Beaverdam; Director, Center for African American Pentecostalism and Leadership Development, School of Theology, Virginia Union University

CLERGY SESSION MONDAY





Dr. James H. Harris, Ph.D., Pastor, Second Baptist Church West End, Richmond; Distinguished Professor of Pastoral Theology & Homiletics, School of Theology, Virginia Union University



Dr. Howard-John Wesley, Pastor, Alfred Street Baptist Church, Alexandria

MONDAY NIGHT WORSHIP



Dr. James E. Coleman, Jr., Pastor, Providence Ministries International, Lynchburg

MEN'S SESSIONS



Dr. Deborah M. Martin, Assistant Dean, School of Theology, Virginia Union University

CLERGY SESSION WEDNESDAY & WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP



Dr. Alison Gise-Johnson, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Historical and Theological Studies, School of Theology, Virginia Union University

WOMEN'S SESSIONS



Dr. Mark A. Croston, Sr., National Director, Black Church Partnerships, LifeWay Christian Resources

MINISTRY CONSULTANT REV. 5/29/2020

Pre-Registration Deadline Post Marked by June 15

Register Online (www.bgcva.org/events.html) by <u>June 15</u> Late Registration begins <u>June 16, 2020</u>. Late registration deadline is <u>June 22, 2020</u>. There is a late fee. Registrations received after June 21 will be processed as space is available.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please complete one (1) registration form for each individual who will attend the session.

Package-Messenger Fee: \$50.00— Includes Virtual session link via Zoom, Facebook, and/or Conference call, an electronic souvenir journal of the Annual Session.

DVDs/CDs available at \$30.00 plus postage.

CLASS & MINISTRY SELECTIONS:

Provide your church name, church city, name, email, home phone number, mobile phone number, mailing address, one (1) class from the BGCVA Congress Class Listings (P. 6—8) (9:00 AM—10:30 AM), AND one (1) ministry session (Children/ Youth, Clergy, Men, Women) (11:00 AM—12:30 PM). More than one registration form can be mailed in the same envelope from the same church. You can send one church check or money order for the total amount enclosed for each registration form.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHURCH CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO:

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Any questions contact us @ Phone: (804)228-2421 Email: info@bgcva.org Web site: www.bgcva.org

Once registered you will receive via email log in information to Virtual session and/or Conference call.

All Event Registration Fees are Non-Refundable. ***No Credits, Transfers, Refunds, or Rain Checks Allowed.***

121st Annual Session Individual Registration Form

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

Church Name and City:	
Full Name:	
Email Address:	
Your Telephone Numbers : Home ()	
Mobile ()	
Your Mailing Address:	
City, ST Zip:	

CHECK ONE	Code	Туре	Fee	Late Fee (After June 15)
	А	Package—Electronic	\$50.00	\$60.00
	В	DVDs/CDs	\$30.00	\$40.00

Total Registration Fee Enclosed: <u>\$_____</u>

Day		CLASS SELECTIONS Titles (Options—Descriptions on P. 6—8) PLEASE TYPE or PRINT LEGIBLY	
MTW	9:00 AM		

Day	Time	MINISTRY SESSION SELECTIONS Circle (1) One			
MTW	11:00 AM	CHILDREN/YOUTH	CLERGY	MEN	WOMEN

<u>Classes</u> Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday from 9:00 AM—10:30 AM

(All classes will be done in media/PPT format and shared with students who sign up for a particular class.) *Note: Class #1 has a different topic each day.

Creating Emergency Plans for your Church and Home

- Stewardship/Finances/Giving: The Effects Of A Coronavirus Age (And Beyond)* The world has changed and IS changing! What does this mean for the operation of the church? What does this mean for "being a good steward"? What does this mean for church finances and operations? How does the church remain faithful to its stewardship mandate? While truth does not change, and God does not change — our methods of ministry must change if we're to remain effective in reaching our communities with the hope of Jesus Christ. This class will explore answers to these questions and more!
 - A. Know Your Benefits (MONDAY ONLY)

Audience: Clergy, Spouses; Trustees, Deacons, Church/Ministry Leaders The church/ministry that provides comprehensive benefits for pastor, staff person, protects both the Body of Christ as well as the pastor, staff person & family. What basic components should be included in such a plan? How soon should these benefits be available for a pastor, staff person? Your church/ ministry may not choose to enroll you in one or more of the MMBB Financial Services Plans, however, it's good to know the basics when searching for a complete employer sponsored plan. You deserve income protection while you labor and income replacement in retirement!

B. Medicare Or Medicare Advantage: Which is Right for Federal/State Government Workers (TUESDAY ONLY) Audience: Federal/State Government Workers

Focus will be placed on the changes and differences between Medicare and Medicare Advantages programs and which is best for you. For person who will be retiring from federal/state government, commercial employment, or retired.

Federal/State Government Workers Insurance

C. Exploring Personal Financial Planning (WEDNESDAY ONLY) First Genesis of Virginia

2. A "New" Church for the NOW! (Ministry Training Track—M.T.T.)

Amidst the many changes and challenges in the world today, many churches and ministry leaders are asking questions such as: "How can we do church differently?"; or, "How can the church survive in the crisis we're in?" This class will assist leaders in identifying how the church moves forward from "what was" to "what is".

3. Dressing Up Your Ministry from the Inside Out and Outside In (Leading Major Change in Your Ministry)

Isn't it amazing how God uses us in our present situation to train us for future challenges? And, most of us don't realize it! This class will help leaders to become unstuck as they discover principles and processes necessary to be effective in the 21st Century.

4. Engaging <u>ALL</u> Ages Through Virtual Technologies

This class will explore methods for engaging and connecting all congregants through the use of several technological means. Some areas include worship, study, meetings, etc.

5. The Gathered and Scattered Church: Are You Walking Wounded?

The church does a great job of "staying in the building". So, what happens when the church is always gathered in the building but never scatters into the world to do the work Christ has called it to do? Showing the love of Christ by serving the community must include gathering for mutual encouragement and edification (prayer, worship, teaching and fellowship (Acts 2:42-47). Spiritual strengthening/ healing must take place before disciples are sent out to reflect Christlikeness.

6. How You Doing? Grief, Anxiety, Bereavement, and Stress During A Time of Uncertainty – New Models for a New Day (Continuing Education for Chaplains) Connecting with others is really important in this day of physical distancing. This class will present and discuss models and strategies for dealing with grief, anxiety, bereavement, stress, etc. in the work place, church, home, everyday life.

7. CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES ONLY (Ages 4 to 17)— BGCVA and NVBA Youth Ministry Advisory Team

Youth learn to stay rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ and cherish our rich history as African Americans. They will be introduced to skills such as entrepreneurship, scholarship and community activism. Each student will participate in daily experiential learning activities that will allow them to explore God's creation in a more in depth way while having fun.

8. Faith Beyond the Pews - Health and Social Justice Considerations (Continuing Education for Chaplains)

This three-part webinar is based on the book "Faith Beyond the Pews: An Experience in Social Action Ministry," by Dr. J. Elisha Burke. The sessions offer biblical grounding that many persons in congregations may need in order to launch or re-launch social action ministry in communities in need of 'good Samaritans' to pick them up, bandage their wounds and provide the hope that is often lacking.

9. The Thriving Church – Faith Formation in an Unthriving Day

Even in unfamiliar and challenging circumstances, your church can still Thrive! This class will explore several models for engaging your church to thrive in spite of a "new" normal for faith formation.

- 10. Preserving Sacred Spaces (Church History, Cemeteries & other Structures) (Continuing Education for Chaplains) These sessions- will provide training for new and current Church Historians, History Committee members and individuals. The attendees will learn the basics on how to research; document and archive all data related to developing church history and archives. This class introduces the Dominion Energy sponsored the Sacred Places: Church History, Cemeteries and Lands Project.
- CLERGY MINISTRY ONLY— Prophetic Preaching and Teaching Amidst a Pandemic (Continuing Education for Chaplains) This class will examine the relevant question: How are we to be the church in the midst of a scattered church?: Reframing Theology and Homiletics.
- 12. MEN'S MINISTRY ONLY— Transforming Men's Ministry for the 21st Century How do we attract current generations of men (younger and older) to all that the faith community offers? This class will explore models for men's ministry for ALL ages with the focus on meeting the needs of individuals in each generation. Participants will learn how to engage males in intentional outreach as well as increase participation in the church, association, BGCVA, affiliate organizations and, the community at large.

13. WOMEN MINISTRY ONLY— For Such A Time As This: The Call for Women's Wisdom, Courage and Spirit

We are living in a time when we are confronted with the deadly COVID pandemic causing pain, misery, death, loss and feelings of hopelessness. In times like these which mandate masks, social distancing and isolation, we must find new ways to reach out to one another, be present with one another, be community to one another and support one another. The call is for a spiritual model of sisterhood in a time of crisis. "For Such A Time As This: The Call for Women's Wisdom, Courage and Spirit" is an educational class that offers a Spiritual DNA Leadership Model rooted in the voices, values and visions of women. Their perspectives and insights are critical to the life and ministry of the local church, Baptist General Convention of Virginia and the broader community.

14. Keeping Your Church Safe: Navigating The Rough Waters of the COVID-19 Pandemic

From communication plans to social distance measures to deep cleaning tips, here's the latest information from our Ministry Partner – Brotherhood Church Insurance, the BGCVA Preferred Church Insurance carrier and our BGCVA personal agent. This class will focus on the need for churches to develop and execute realistic plans that protect and stabilize your church during and beyond this unprecedented time in history.

Ministry Special Sessions Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday from 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

- Children/Youth
- Clergy
- Men
- Women

Plenary Sessions Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday from 2:00 PM—4:00 PM

MONDAY—Clergy Day

African American Health: Before, During and After COVID-19

This live webinar will include presentations as well as Q & A addressing the following issues:

- Why are we dying at a much higher rate than others? What is behind it; and, what must we do to improve our health outcomes?
- An update on COVID-19 and its impact on persons with pre-existing conditions; and, Blood Sugar Rising – Video Presentation on diabetes (a major factor in African American health disparities.)

TUESDAY—Men's Day

- Men: Brothers for All Seasons (Panel Discussion)
- Men's Meeting

WEDNESDAY—Women's Day

- ◊ Women: Sisters for All Seasons (Panel Discussion)
- Women's Meeting

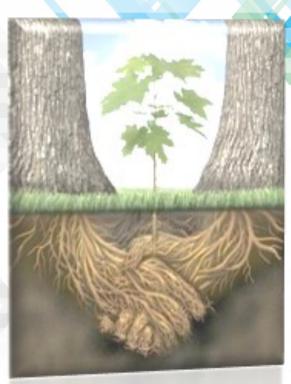




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