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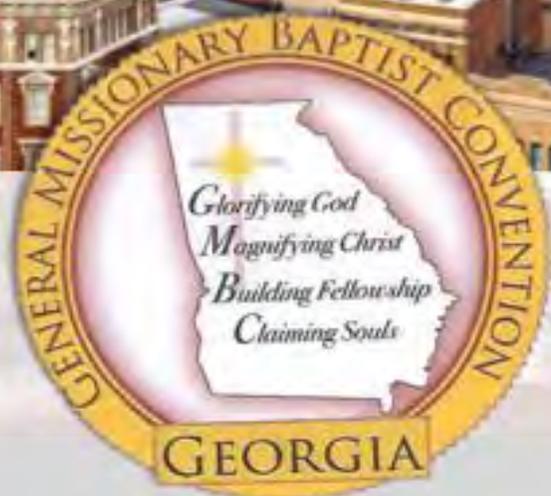
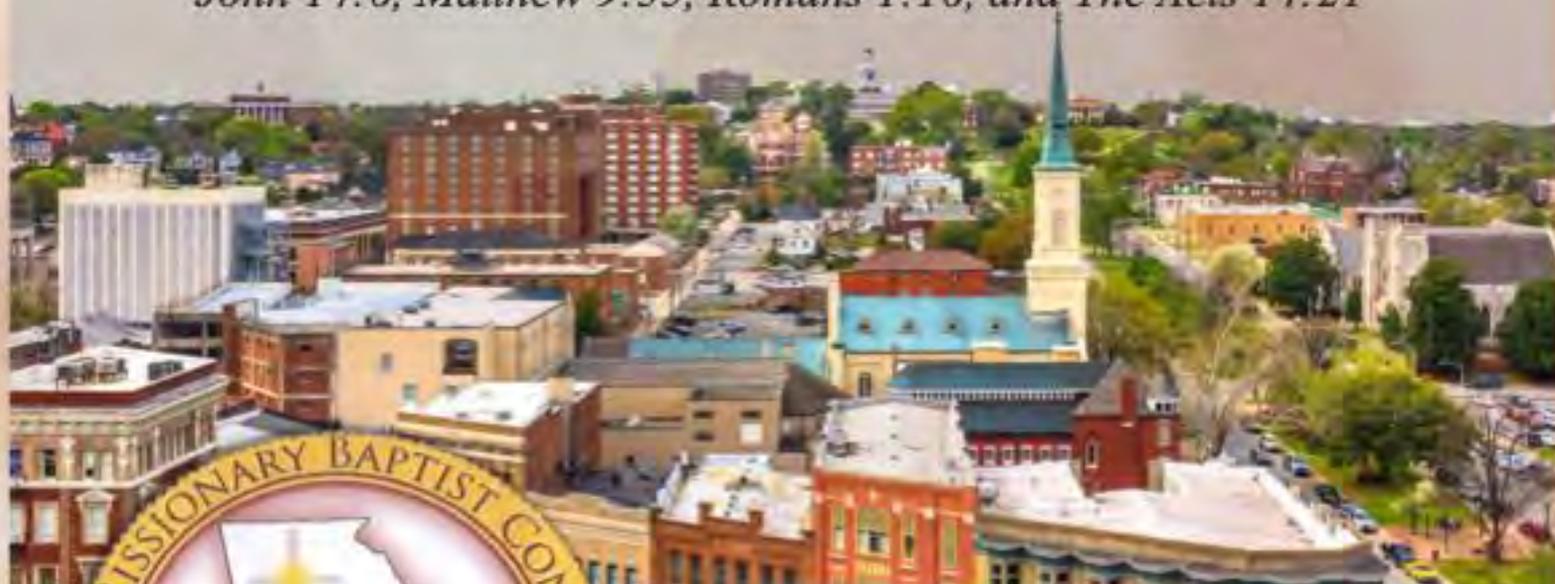
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General Missionary Baptist
Convention of Georgia, Inc.

***“We Are Glorifying God Through Our Commitment to
Christ-Centered Evangelism”***

John 14:6, Matthew 9:35, Romans 1:16, and The Acts 14:21



JULY 19-21, 2022

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ONLINE & IN-PERSON AT

The Macon Centreplex & New Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church

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Beloved Pastors, Faculty, Staff and Delegates to the 60th Annual Session of the Congress of Christian Education of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc.:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father, Our Lord Jesus and The Holy Ghost.

It is with great honor, humility, joy and excitement that I welcome you to this Annual Session of our Congress of Christian Education and the convening of the GMBC Youth Convention. A tremendous amount of prayer, planning, preparation and work has already gone into making this session a God glorifying and saint edifying time of worship, learning and fellowship. We are thankful that, by the grace of God, we have overcome many obstacles as we prepared for this session, and we are trusting that God will continue to enable us to execute a program that will honor our Lord Jesus and His Kingdom.



I extend a heartfelt thanks to President Anthony Q. Corbett, Sr., the Congress Staff, Dean Mitchell and faculty, Rev. Paul Little and the staff of the Youth Auxiliary, the GMBC Headquarters Staff, Pastor James Bumpus, the New Fellowship Baptist Church family and Convention Officers for your work, support and prayers. We have communicated with pastors and churches across the state, and we hear the challenges and successes.

The great commission compels us to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ and intentionally make disciples of all. When Jesus told his disciples, “You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and Judea,” He placed a priority on self and community godly development. We gather in Macon to prepare our house for our present calling and future challenges as soldiers in the Army of the Lord. We are here to prepare our youth and adults for the present and the days to come, and to give ourselves time to show love, support and comfort to each other. We are here and we are with others who join us virtually to impact lives and prepare us to further the cause of Christ as we preach and teach. We are here as witnesses to the amazing love and grace of God.

Continue to pray for the work of the GMBC, its Youth Convention and the Congress of Christian Education.

In HIS Joy,

Rev. Benjamin E.V. Lett



Congress of Christian Education

Dean's Office



Greetings Delegates of the 60th Annual Congress of Christian Education,

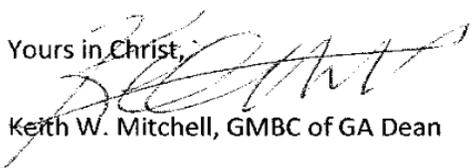
I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As we gather in the great City of Macon, GA, to continue our legacy of Christian Education, I am truly excited what this moment in time has for us. On behalf of the entire Dean's Office team, we are humbled by the opportunity to provide for you an educational program we feel is needed for today's time.

We have worked over the past ten months to develop a comprehensive Christian Education Program that offers a challenging curriculum. You will see an opportunity to enter a Leadership Tract program where delegates take five classes within any of the ten developed tracts to earn a leadership certificate from GMBC of GA, seminars that address challenges we currently face as a denomination, COPP classes for students seeking to earn a Christian Education Diploma or becoming a certified dean or certifiable to teach, and Specialization Education Studies Program (SESP) for students who have completed COPP and are seeking a more advanced course of study.

2 Timothy 3:16,17 reminds us that all scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. It is more critical now than ever before that as Christian Educators we are extremely active in the teaching of God's Word to God's people to guide them toward a clearer understanding as to what is required of God's people. After over 18 months of adjusting to Covid and its many strains that impacted our communities, one thing should have been clear—God is still God and He is still in control.

So, as we come together to experience a sense of normalcy during this year's Congress, let us not forget the main reason we assemble under the GMBC of GA Congress of Christian Education banner. We do so to become equipped to carry out the mandate of Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,


Keith W. Mitchell, GMBC of GA Dean

Location Information

All In-person Registration: Macon CentrePlex

In-person Attendance

Marriott Macon City Center Hotel and CentrePlex
200 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA

Youth Convention - In-person
New Fellowship Baptist Church
475 Church Road, Macon, GA

Congress Hotel
Marriott Macon City Center Hotel
200 Coliseum Drive. Macon, GA

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Congress of Christian Education

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

MONDAY, JULY 18, 2022

- 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Registration
- 4:00 p.m. Class Secretary Virtual Meeting
- 5:00 p.m. Chaperones Meeting

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022

- 8:30– 10:30 a.m. Class Period
- 11:00 a.m. Congress Dean – Worship and Keynote Address
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Class Period
- 7:00 p.m. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Night
- 9:00 p.m. Late Night Evangelistic Service

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2022

- 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. Class Period
- 11:00 a.m. Youth Worship
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Class Period
- 7:00 p.m. Oratorical Contest, Scholarship and Education Recognition
- 9:00 p.m. Late Night Evangelistic Service

THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2022

- 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. Class Period
- 11:00 a.m. Congress President – Worship and Message
- 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Lunch on the Grounds
- 1:00 p.m. Faculty Wrap-Up Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Rally
- Congress Closing

REGISTRATION*

On-Site Registration

Note: The registration and classification processes have been combined into a single step process. All persons who register must also select a class.

1. Proceed to the station titled “Registration.” Only one person per group, church, or district will be allowed in the registration area.
2. One person representing your church or organization should obtain a registration packet that will include the registration form and class selection guide.
3. Make sure all persons in your delegation have selected a class from the class list.
4. Complete all Church/District/Local Congress/BTU-Sunday School information for your organization or church before entering the registration area.
5. Please observe all registration fees that are to be presented with your registration. See page 9 for registration fees.
6. Once the payment process has been completed, place the delegates’ class selections and your organization’s information together to be presented to the registration officials.
7. Your registration information and amount will be confirmed.
8. You will be given your packages containing all Congress information for each delegate along with the respective badges.
9. Go to each department that you have paid to participate with, show your receipt and Registration/Classification Form. You will be signed in and given needed information. **Please check all items before leaving the registration area.**
10. Registration complete!

On-Site Registration for Mail-In Registrants

1. At the area designated as “Pre-Registration,” present your registration confirmation.
2. Present your confirmation to the person working in this area, and you should receive the name badges and packages for your group based on the number of persons who were pre-registered.
3. Confirm that all badges and the correct number of packages are in your packet.
4. Registration complete!

** Youth registration is located in the Youth Convention section on page 22.*

Online Registration

1. Go to the [State Convention website](#) and click on Congress of Christian Education/Registration.
2. Registration for the Congress and Youth and Young Adult Convention is separate. Therefore, you will need to complete two different registrations. You may also register as an individual or group.
3. Whether you register as an individual or group, complete the required information for the individual and/or organization, and the system will automatically calculate your registration fees.
4. Begin your registration by entering all required information, selecting group or individual registration and be prepared to provide a username and password. (This should include a properly formatted email address, i.e. johndoe@yahoo.com.)
5. Proceed to the class registration by entering the name of each person and class selection. Repeat the registration for all individuals who will be attending.
6. After all class selections have been made, proceed to the final checkout by carefully reading and following the instructions to complete the online registration process.
7. You have the opportunity to choose to pay online with PayPal (Note: A PayPal Account is not needed to complete the online payment.) Other payment choices are:
 - b. Mail your check or money order to:
GMBC Headquarters
P.O. Box 92340
Atlanta, GA 30314
 - c. **Mailed payments must be postmarked by June 30, 2022.** Keep your receipt so that you may track your mailed registration, if necessary.
8. Questions? E-mail GMBC Support at headquarters@gmbcofgeorgia.org or call 404-688-4212.
9. **Register and pay online deadline is July 7 by 5:00 p.m.**

On-Site Registration for Online Registrants

1. At the area designated "Pre-Registration," present your registration confirmation.
2. You should receive the name badges and packages for your group based on the number of persons who were pre-registered.
3. Confirm that you have all badges and a package for each registrant.
4. Registration complete!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What if . . .

I need to add to the number of persons registered?

If there are persons who you need to add to your registration, please make every effort to do so prior to the beginning of Congress by emailing the Baptist Headquarters at headquarters@gmbcofgeorgia.org with the name of the person and the class he/she will take. Do this for every person who needs to be added, and submit the additional registration fee.



I need to remove persons from my registration?

In this case, let the person handling your registration know which names need to be removed. If you are requesting reimbursement, it will be mailed from the Baptist Headquarters within five working days after July 23.

What if a delegate wants to change a class?

The person who registered your church will have to complete a class registration form. Church registration verification must be provided. Submit the completed form to the registrar for same-day service. To get in the required number of hours (8), a delegate must change after the morning session on the first day. No changes after that. *Do not ask the teacher/instructor to change a class.* It is not permitted per the President and Dean of the Congress.

FEES

Church Registration (covers 3 delegates) *	\$ 200.00
Adult Personal Registration	\$35.00
Minister's Division	\$50.00
Youth Personal Registration	\$50.00
Oratorical Fee	\$20.00
The J.H. Flakes Jr. Scholarship Contribution	

** Any church registering more than three delegates must pay personal registration for each additional delegate. This allows delegates to attend class and have Congress and program privileges.*

Other Registrations	
Non-Delegates	\$100.00
Association, Sunday School and BTU – District	\$200.00 plus \$35.00 personal registration

Monthly Contributors	
\$500.00 Level	
Congress	Church Registration included
	30 delegates waived
Youth Convention	20 delegates waived
\$250.00 Level	
Congress	Church Registration waived
	15 delegates waived
Youth Convention	10 delegates waived
100.00 Level	
Congress	Church Registration waived
	3 delegates waived
Youth Convention	3 delegates waived

Fees for each ADDITIONAL delegate(s) over the number waived

\$35.00 for each delegate to the Congress

\$50.00 for each delegate to the Youth Convention

All State Congress workers should be delegates of churches that are members of GMBC.

REGISTRATION WORKSHEETS

Registration is [online](#). All registration will be electronic.
Below are worksheets to prepare you for the online process.

Church Information			
Church			
Street / Route			
City			
State		ZIP Code	
Email			
Website	www.		
Pastor			
Congress or Convention Information			
President			
Address		State	
City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()
B.T.U. Information			
Director			
Address		State	
City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()
Local or District or Association Information			
District #			
President			
Address		State	
City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()
Dean			
Address		State	
City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration is [online](#). All registration will be electronic.
Below are worksheets to prepare you for the online process. Make as many copies as you need.

All information must be provided in order to complete the registration process.

Personal Information			
Name		Faculty	Staff
Email	Cell		
Address			
City	State	ZIP Code	
Church Information			
Name			
Address		Phone	
City	State	ZIP Code	
Pastor			
Class Information			
Number	Title		
Division			
Purpose for taking the Course. (Check all that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Biblical Knowledge Only	<input type="checkbox"/>	COPP Phase Certificate 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	COPP Diploma	<input type="checkbox"/>	COPP Phase Certificate 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Become a Certified Dean	<input type="checkbox"/>	COPP Phase Certificate 3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Become a Certified Instructor	<input type="checkbox"/>	COPP Phase Certificate 4

Individual Registration Information

Personal Information			
Name		Faculty	Staff
Email	Cell		
Address			
City	State	ZIP Code	
Church Information			
Name			
Address		Phone	
City	State	ZIP Code	
Pastor			
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Division			
Purpose for taking the Course. (Check all that apply.)			
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LEADERSHIP TRACT – CERTIFICATE PROGRAM COURSES

This program is designed to offer a series of five (5) leadership level courses in distinct areas of ministry for Ministry Leaders. At the completion of the tract, Leaders will be awarded a GMBC of Georgia Congress Leadership Certificate. **PLEASE NOTE** that students enrolling in a Leadership Tract course must attend and take three of the five (3 of 5) courses at the Congress in order to receive the Leadership Certificate.

1004* – **Effective Bible Reading** – General Studies Tract **(COPP) Phase 1**

This course identifies the appropriate methods and approaches to Bible study that lead to spiritual growth and Christian maturity. Areas that will be covered include structure of the Bible and resources for personal study that will add meaning to reading the Bible.

TEXTBOOK: Scuggs, Julius R. *How to Study and Teach the Bible* ([paperback](#) or [digital](#)). ISBN: 978-0910683227, Sunday School Publishing Board.

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Eichenberger, Jim. *Training for Service*. ISBN: 978-0784733011

Sis. Gerthlene Quzack

Enrollment Capacity: 25

2019* – **Guide to Curriculum Development, Evaluation & Selection** – Christian Education Director Tract

The course will familiarize the students with resources such as needs assessments, curriculum, National Baptist literature and strategies of the local church and their implementations.

TEXTBOOK: Powers, Bruce. *Christian Education Handbook: A Revised and Completely Updated Edition*, ISBN: 978-0805410600.

Min. Joice Tinsley

Enrollment Capacity: 25

2092♥ – **A Christian View toward Racial Understanding** – Mission Tract

Students will become familiar with the meaning of prejudices from a spiritual perspective and the responsibilities of Christians as they relate to judging persons based on various life categories in addition to race—such as age, religious beliefs, sexual preferences, economic status and the like.

TEXTBOOK: Ayers, Danielle L. and Williams Jr., Reginald W. *To Serve This Present Age: Social Justice Ministries in the Black Church*. ISBN: 978-0817017286. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#).

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Worthen, Carlton. *To Serve the Present Age: A Practical Guide to Church Growth and Development*.

Dr. Alvin Bunch

Enrollment Capacity: 15 in person, 20 Zoom

*Zoom courses.

♥Hybrid courses will be a combination of both, in-person and Zoom delegates.

•Students enrolling in the Specialization Education Studies Program must pay an additional \$25 program application fee. This fee goes to the Sunday School Publishing Board.

Courses without a notation are in person.

2096♥ – The Role of the Christian Education Director – Christian Education Director Tract

This course is designed to examine the role and responsibility of the director of Christian education. Students will become acquainted with how the director is to work with the pastor in planning, evaluating and coordinating a comprehensive ministry of Christian education in the local church.

TEXTBOOK: Gangel, Kenneth O. and Wilhoit, James C. [*The Christian Educator's Handbook on Adult Education*](#). ISBN: 978-08011021688. Reed, James E. and Prevost, Ronnie. [*A History of Christian Education*](#).

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Worthen, Carlton. [*The Teaching Church at Work*](#).

Dr. Albertine Marshall

Enrollment Capacity: 15 in person, 20 Zoom

5018* – Strategic Planning: Analysis, Needs Assessment, Goals, Objectives and Action Plan – Christian Administrative Tract

This course applies principles of strategic planning and assessment in organizational structure. Students will apply principles to given case studies to assess needs, design objectives and develop a plan of action.

TEXTBOOK: Malphurs, Aubrey. *Advanced Strategic Planning: A 21st Century Model for Church and Ministry Leaders*. ISBN: 978-0801014550. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#) (paperback or eBook).

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Blazer, Kenneth and Isham, Linda R, *The Teaching Church at Work*. ISBN: 978-0817011918.

Rev. Kelda Cubit

Enrollment Capacity: 25

6005* – Financing and Budgeting the Work of the Church – Christian Administrative Tract

This course will provide information critical to the development and operation of a total church budget that integrates the mission, money and message of the church. The course will emphasize tithing, corporate management responsibility, planning strategies and a strong emphasis on immediate needs and long-range goals.

TEXTBOOK: Guns, Geoffrey. *Church Financial Management: A Practical Guide for Today's Church Leaders*. Powers, Bruce P. [*Church Administration Handbook*](#). ISBN: 978-0805444902.

Rev. Calvin Thomas

Enrollment Capacity: 25

6025♥ – Teaching Adults Transformational Teaching I – Instructor/Teacher Tract

This course is designed to explore methods and materials for an effective adult education program. Leaders of adult work will become acquainted with the needs of adults and the methods of instruction that are appropriate for adult Christian education programs.

TEXTBOOK: Gangel, Kenneth O. and Hendricks, Howard G. [*The Christian Educator's Handbook on Teaching*](#). ISBN: 978-0801021685.

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Simon, W. Bradley. [*Teaching to Transform Not Inform 1*](#). ISBN: 978-1939257116

Sis. Cynthia Hillery-Jackson

Enrollment Capacity: 15 in person, 20 Zoom

7005 – Christian Evangelism – Christian Evangelism Tract

COPP 3

This course is designed to teach the basic steps in developing a program of evangelism. Students will discover the appropriate Scriptures to use, and the methods, techniques and media best suited for witnessing to nonbelievers.

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Courses without a notation are in person.

TEXTBOOKS: Collier, Jarvis. [*Whatever Happened to Christian Evangelism?*](#) ISBN: 978-1939225238. Sanders, Oswald. [*Spiritual Discipleship*](#). ISBN: 978-0802482518.

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Sanders, Oswald. [*Spiritual Discipleship*](#). ISBN: 978-0802482518.

Rev. Al Robinson

Enrollment Capacity: 25

8015* – The Work of the Youth Director – Youth Director Tract

This course is designed to acquaint the youth director with the work of the Youth Department of the National Baptist Convention. The organizational structure, goals and objectives of youth work will be the focus of the course. Students will be introduced to resources that are appropriate and available for Youth Ministry leadership.

TEXTBOOKS: Hutchcraft, Ron. [*The Battle for a Generation*](#). ISBN 978-0802471314. Fields, Doug. [*Purpose Driven Youth Ministry: 9 Essential Foundations for Healthy Growth*](#). ISBN: 978-0310694854

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Generation X

Rev. Bobby and Sis. Peggy Berryman

Enrollment Capacity: 25

9025 – Computers in the Life of the Church for Advanced Students – Technology Tract

This course will teach on equipping today's church to effectively develop a technology ministry and social media ministry and to address the security and ethical challenges that must be considered with policies and procedures.

TEXTBOOK: Spiegel, Aaron, [*40 Days and 40 Bytes: Making Computers Work for Your Congregation*](#). ISBN: 978-1566992985 SSPB

Rev. Keith H. McIntosh

Enrollment Capacity: 25

9902♥ – The Spiritual Life of the Minister – PATP Phase 3

This course will explore the dimension of spirituality that should characterize the life of the faithful ministers. It also will deal with their devotional life, their family relationships and their time of study and meditation. The course instructor will share with ministers those activities that keep them in touch with God and keep them ready to serve people effectively.

TEXTBOOK: Foster, Richard, [*Celebrating Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth*](#). ISBN: 978-0764230790. [Amazon](#) and [Alibris](#).

Rev. Mark Seals

Enrollment Capacity: 15 in person, 20 Zoom

9914 – Connecting the Local Church to the Community – PATP Phase 3

This course examines the mission of the church to serve the community. It will consider the biblical mandate for the church to be missionaries to the community and serve the spiritual, social and physical needs of the people. The course will help students to better understand the spiritual nature of the church, thus creating an incentive to reach out as servants to the community.

TEXTBOOK: George, Rusty. [*Better Together: Discover the Power of Community*](#). ISBN: 978-0764230790. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook ebook](#).

Dr. Joseph McKenzie

Enrollment Capacity: 25

*Zoom courses.

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COPP DIPLOMA – TEACHER CERTIFICATION COURSES

1075* – Synoptic Gospels

(COPP) Phase 2

This course focuses on the synoptic gospels—Matthew, Mark and Luke. Students will study the life and ministry of Jesus Christ as portrayed by these three writers. Through this comparative study, students will gain a more comprehensive understanding of Jesus’ ministry.

TEXTBOOK: Nickle, Keith F. *The Synoptic Gospels, Revised and Expanded: An Introduction*.

ISBN: 978-0664223496. [Alibris](#), [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#) and [ebook](#).

Min. Lizzie Baker

Enrollment Capacity: 25

1079 – Survey of John

(COPP) Phase 3

This course focuses on the fourth gospel and its uniqueness. It will identify the specific features that characterize John’s gospel and distinguish it from the synoptic gospels, with emphasis on John’s writings and the ministry of Jesus Christ.

TEXTBOOK: Barclay, William. *The Gospel of John*. ISBN: 978-0664224899.

Rev. Anthony Shealy

Enrollment Capacity: 25

1112 – Survey of Revelation

(COPP) Phase 4

This course will explore the book of Revelation, with emphasis on authorship, date, theme and recipients. The instructor will also discuss the prophetic themes, symbols and interpretation of various revelations.

TEXTBOOK: Ryrie, Charles C. *Revelation (Everyday Bible Commentary Series)*. ISBN: 978-0802418258.

Dr. Robert Dickerson

Enrollment Capacity: 25

2011* – Baptist Doctrine

(COPP) Phase 1

This course examines, with simplicity and clarity, the basic teachings of the Baptist faith. Students will explore each doctrinal position and biblical basis for principles taught in the class.

TEXTBOOK: Mullins, Judson. *Baptist Beliefs*. ISBN: 978-0343131517.

Sis. Helen B. Thompson

Enrollment Capacity: 25

3007 – History of Baptists

(COPP) Phase 3

This course will examine the roots of the Baptist faith. Students will study the historical development of the Baptist denomination.

TEXTBOOK: Freeman, Curtis. *Baptist Roots: A Reader in the Theology of Christian People*.

ISBN: 978-0817012816. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#).

Dr. James Logan

Enrollment Capacity: 25

3008 – Theology and History of Christianity

(COPP) Phase 2

This course will outline the development of the Christian movement from the beginning of Jesus’ ministry on earth to present times. It will focus on the history, theology, culture and times that enable Christianity to develop and grow. Prominent persons who influence the Christian movement will be identified.

TEXTBOOK: Hurlbut, Jessie Lyman. *The Story of the Christian Church*. 978-0310265108.

[Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#).

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Kelly, Matthew. *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*. ISBN: 978-1635820508

Rev. Johnnie M. Perkins

Enrollment Capacity: 25

*Zoom courses.

♥Hybrid courses will be a combination of both, in-person and Zoom delegates.

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Courses without a notation are in person.

6021* – Spiritual Formation

(COPP) Phase 1

This course is designed to enable people to mature in their Christian walk. It will focus on a creative and dynamic approach to nurturing people—from children to spiritually mature adults—to become better disciples for Jesus Christ.

TEXTBOOK: Wilhoit, Baker. *Spiritual Formations as If the Church Mattered*. ISBN: 978-0801027765. [Amazon.com](#), [Christianbook](#) and [ebook](#).

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Muholland Jr., M. Robert. *Invitation to a Journey: a Road Map for Spiritual Formation*. ISBN: 978-0830846177. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#).

Min. Brenda Allen

Enrollment Capacity: 25

8035 – The African American Church and Social Justice

(COPP) Phase 4

This course will investigate the lives, theology and methods of the great servants of God who dedicated their lives in the struggle for liberation of people. Students will discuss the role of the African American church in the struggle for the liberation of people.

TEXTBOOK: Ayers and Williams. *To Serve This Present Age: Social Justice Ministries in the Black Church*. ISBN: 978-0817017286. [Amazon](#).

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOKS: Muholland Jr., M. Robert. *Invitation to a Journey: a Road Map for Spiritual Formation*. ISBN: 978-0830846177. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#). Loritts, Bryan. *Letters to a Birmingham Jail: A Response to the Words and Dreams of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.* ISBN: 978-0802411969. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#), [ebook](#).

Dr. Henry Baptiste

Enrollment Capacity: 25

SEMINAR SERIES

SS1 2050/2061* – Helping Young People Develop Christian Beliefs and Millennials in Ministry

This seminar series will tackle the development of effective ministry for Children, Youth and Millennials. It will develop methods for teaching young people basic Christian beliefs. It also will engage students in the practices of the principle of Christianity.

This seminar will also help students determine the learning styles of young adult pupils.

Students will learn how to set goals for these age groups and identify materials that are best suited for their learning styles. The course will focus on the betrayal of ways and methods that will help young adult pupils grow spirituality. It will foster their involvement in the life of the local church and will place emphasis on discovering the reason why the older youth often leave the church and what might be done to retain them.

TEXTBOOKS: Moore, June Hines. *Social Skills Survival Guide: A Handbook for Interpersonal and Business Etiquette*. ISBN: 978-0805426335. Gangel, Kenneth O. and Hendricks, Howard G. *The Christian Educator's Handbook on Teaching*. ISBN: 978-0801021685.

Sis. Sonya Lacey

Enrollment Capacity: 25

SS2 5003/5012* – The Leadership Style of Christ and Becoming an Effective Deacon

This seminar will address deacons serving as Spirit-led leaders and Christlike disciples.

This seminar will reveal the shepherd-spirit of Jesus Christ. Students will learn from His example how to engage in His form of leadership.

This seminar will also assist deacons in becoming aware of their biblical base. Ideas are given that will enable them to more effectively perform their duties and work harmoniously with the pastor and other church leaders.

*Zoom courses.

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Courses without a notation are in person.

TEXTBOOKS: Briner, Bob and Pritchard, Ray. [*The Leadership Lessons of Jesus: A Timeless Model for Today's Leaders*](#). ISBN: 978-0805445306. McMickle, Marvin. *Deacon in Today's Black Baptist Church*. ISBN: 978-081701640. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#). Naylor, Robert E. *The Baptist Deacon*. ISBN 978-0805419863. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#). Chappell, Paul. *The Ministry of a Baptist Deacon*. ISBN: 978-1598941142. [Amazon](#) and [Christianbook](#).

ALTERNATE TEXTBOOK: Morgan, Dr. William C. *Deacon's Guide*.
Bro. William C. Morgan

Enrollment Capacity: 25

SS3 6015/6017* – Administering Christian Education in the Small Church and Developing a Christian Education Program for a Rural Church

This seminar will seek to provide strategies to Christian Education leaders for developing an effective Christian Education Ministry for their local church.

This seminar will explore the basic principles and procedure of Christian education pursuant to the uniqueness of the membership, particularly in small congregations.

This seminar also will assist rural church leaders to assess the needs of the community.

Emphasis will be placed on the uniqueness of the rural community, resources available to the church community and strategies for rural church development. Students will compare and contrast the programmatic elements of both rural and urban church ministries.

TEXTBOOK: Powers, Bruce P. [*Church Administration Handbook: A Revised and Updated Edition*](#). ISBN: 978-0805444902

Rev. Dr. Brandon Isome

Enrollment Capacity: 25

SPECIALIZATION EDUCATION STUDIES •

SP0009* • – Planning a Christian Education Year – Christian Education Certificate

This course will keep the directors of Christian education how to prepare for an annual work of Christian education. Students will be involved in developing plans, as well as learning how to execute them.

TEXTBOOK: Powers, Bruce P. [*Church Administration Handbook: A Revised and Updated Edition*](#). ISBN: 978-0805444902

Rev. Roderick Green

Enrollment Capacity: 25

SP0022 • – Holy Spirit-Led Evangelism – Evangelism Certificate

This course is designed to examine the content and context of the book of Acts. Students will consider the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as a motivational factor for the implementation of evangelistic activities.

TEXTBOOKS: Kennedy, D. James. [*Evangelism Explosion*](#). ISBN 978-0842307648. Collier, Jarvis. [*Whatever Happened to Christian Evangelism?*](#) ISBN: 978-2939225238.

Rev. James Davis

Enrollment Capacity: 25

SP0024 • – Christian Service and Outreach Ministry – Evangelism Certificate

This course will look at Christian service as an instrument of evangelism and ministry. Students will look at practical ways of reaching people within the church and community with Spirit-led service to God's people.

TEXTBOOKS: Woods, Dianne E. [*Soul Winning*](#). ISBN: 978-1480055186. DiGiacomo, James. [*So You Want to do Ministry?*](#) ISBN: 978-0883444914.

Rev. Dr. David Stallion

Enrollment Capacity: 25

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Courses without a notation are in person.

Course Cross Reference Chart		
In-Person Enrollment Capacity 25	Zoom* Enrollment Capacity 25	Hybrid♥ Enrollment Capacity 15 – In Person 20 – Zoom
1079 – Survey of John	1004 – Effective Bible Reading	2092 – A Christian View toward Racial Understanding
1112 – Survey of Revelation	1075 – Synoptic Gospels	2096 – The Role of the Christian Education Director
3007 – History of Baptists	2011 – Baptist Doctrine	6025 – Teaching Adults Transformational Teaching I
3008 – Theology and History of Christianity	2019 – Guide to Curriculum Development, Evaluation & Selection	9902 – The Spiritual Life of the Minister
7005 – Christian Evangelism	6021 – Spiritual Formation	
8035 – The African American Church and Social Justice	5018 – Strategic Planning: Analysis, Needs Assessment, Goals, Objectives and Action Plan	
9025 – Computers in the Life of the Church for Advanced Students	6005 – Financing and Budgeting the Work of the Church	
9914– Connecting the Local Church to the Community	8015 – The Work of the Youth Director	
SP0022 • – Holy Spirit-Led Evangelism	Seminar Series 1, 2 and 3 2050/2021, 5003/5012, 6015/6017	
SP0024 • – Christian Service and Outreach Ministry	SP0009 • – Planning a Christian Education Year	

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EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN ZOOM CLASSES

1. **Always attend Zoom sessions prepared:** Students are required to prepare for every class session by reading and understanding assigned materials.
2. **Ensure hardware and software are functioning properly prior to a Zoom class session:** Test all technology (including camera/video, Wi-Fi, and screen sharing) *before* your Zoom meeting.
3. **Technical support:** Faculty do not provide technical support. Students are expected to seek out technical support needed prior to a Zoom class session.
4. **Dress appropriately for Zoom sessions:** Students should dress as they would for an in-person class and should have video on.
5. **Avoid distracting or inappropriate items in your Zoom background:** Ensure that your video background is clean, tidy and avoids personal or potentially offensive objects in view.
6. **Avoid having others in the room while a Zoom class is in session:** It is distracting for participants to have others (including animals) present/visible during your Zoom session.
7. **Turn on Video feature:** It is required that you enable your Zoom video feed. Many courses require students to participate via live video feeds.
8. **Mute your microphone:** Always mute your audio until you are ready to speak to avoid distractions.
9. **Be attentive/be present:** Please show respect to the instructor and other students by remaining attentive and engaged throughout the entire video session.
10. **Look into the camera when speaking:** This will allow others to make eye contact with you. Avoid looking down at the screen.
11. **Focus only on the Zoom class session:** Do not work on other tasks (like checking email, texting or surfing the Web) during the virtual class session.
12. **Mute cell phone alerts and ringtones:** Turn off notifications on all devices, including the computer, during class time and make sure your cell phone is on silent.
13. **Do not interrupt:** Allow the teacher and other students to finish speaking before making comments or asking questions.
14. **When you want to speak:** Raise your hand as you would in an in-person class or use “raise hand” emoji and wait until you are identified by the course instructor. Once identified, then unmute your microphone and speak. Return to mute when finished speaking.
15. **Use the chat feature:** Relevant information for the whole class or direct messages to specific class members or teacher can be expressed via chat. However, your instructor may ask for verbal participation or request that the *raise hand* feature is used. (Note: The chat feature can be disabled by the instructor.)
16. **Be mindful of backlighting:** If you sit in front of a window, you may be completely darkened by the light coming through the window. The same effect can happen when sitting in front of a white wall without adequate front lighting.
17. **Sign out from Zoom sessions:** When the session is over, remember to sign out or click on the lower right-hand screen area of Zoom to “leave the meeting.”



**An Evening Honoring
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP**

Wednesday, July 20, 2022 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Please indicate below which of the following accomplishment(s) you have completed and submit by Tuesday, July 19, 2022, by 4:00 p.m. at the designated table. **To be recognized, each honoree must be registered as a delegate and present during the Ceremony. Please do not complete a form for someone who is not in attendance.**

Any delegate who has completed one of the following since July 2021 will be recognized.

<input type="checkbox"/>	High School
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bible College or Bible University
<input type="checkbox"/>	Seminary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Post Graduate Seminary Studies
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate of Progress Program (COPP) all four phases
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dean Certification
<input type="checkbox"/>	Specialization Education Studies Program (SESP)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pastor's Alternative for Teacher Certification (PATC)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pastor's Advanced Training Program (PATP)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Author of Published Christian Book(s)*

Please check and complete any of the following you have attained.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name of Honoree	
<input type="checkbox"/>	High School	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bible College/University	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Seminary	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Degree Received	

Authors are invited to bring copies of their publications for sale and to come prepared for a book signing following the ceremony.

AWARDS COMMITTEE
*Rev. Mark Seals
Dr. B. Hodges-Tiller
Sis. Angereen Rainey*

General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc.
60TH CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Youth Convention

Ages: 13 – 18 years old

July 19-21, 2022

Macon Centreplex
Macon, Georgia

THEME:

“Growing through Pandemic Pressure”

1 Corinthians 15:58



CONVENTION PRESIDENT, Rev. Dr. Anthony Q. Corbett, Sr.
CONGRESS PRESIDENT, Rev. Benjamin E.V. Lett
CONGRESS DEAN, Dea. Keith W. Mitchell
YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT COORDINATOR, Rev. Paul A. Little, II

Youth Convention

CONGRESS STAFF

CONVENTION PRESIDENT	Rev. Dr. Anthony Q. Corbett, Sr.
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DIRECTOR OF REGISTRATION	Bro. Jonathan Fuller
STATE MUSIC DIRECTOR	Rev. Michael Sherman
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PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL ASSISTANT	Bro. Julius Thomas
ORATORICAL CONTEST DIRECTOR	Dea. Gregory Bailey
YOUTH RALLY DIRECTOR	Dr. Cheryl Byrd Davis
ASSISTANT YOUTH RALLY DIRECTOR	Bro. Robert Tucker
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. NIGHT DIRECTOR	Sis. Sheila Arkwright

PURPOSE

The purpose of the GMBC Youth Convention is to provide an opportunity for the youth of membership churches of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. for discipleship development, leadership training, fellowship and Christian worship as they explore what it means to be a follower of Christ in a world filled with challenges to their faith.

STRATEGY

Our strategy is to utilize biblical teaching, creative arts, interactive rap sessions and transformative worship experiences to empower young people for Christian living.

COVID PROTOCOLS

- Face masks are required while in the building.
- See page 34 for additional guidance.

REGISTRATION

On-Site Registration for Youth Convention

Note: The registration and classification processes have been combined into a single step process. All persons who register must also select a class.

1. Proceed to the station titled “Registration.” Only one person per group, church, or district will be allowed in the registration area.
2. One person representing your church or organization should obtain a registration packet that will include the registration form and class selection guide.
3. Make sure all persons in your delegation have selected a class from the class list.
4. Complete all Church/District/Local Congress/BTU-Sunday School information for your organization or church before entering the registration area.
5. Please observe all registration fees that are to be presented with your registration. See page 9 for registration fees.
6. Once the payment process has been completed, place the delegates’ class selections and your organization’s information together to be presented to the registration officials.
7. Your registration information and amount will be confirmed.
8. You will be given your packages containing all Congress information for each delegate along with the respective badges.
9. Go to each department that you have paid to participate with, show your receipt and Registration/Classification Form. You will be signed in and given needed information.
Please check all items before leaving the registration area.
10. Registration complete!

On-Site Registration for Mail-In Registrants

1. At the area designated as “Pre-Registration,” present your registration confirmation.
2. Present your confirmation to the person working in this area, and you should receive the name badges and packages for your group based on the number of persons who were pre-registered.
3. Confirm that all badges and the correct number of packages are in your packet.
4. Registration complete!

Online Registration

1. Go to the [State Convention website](#) and click on Congress of Christian Education /Registration.
2. Registration for the Congress and Youth Convention are separate. Therefore, you will need to complete two different registrations. You may also register as an individual or group.
3. Whether you register as an individual or group, complete the required information for the individual and/or organization, and the system will automatically calculate your registration fees.
4. ***It is important*** to list the correct age of each person youth attending. This will determine the class selection and your registration total.
5. Begin your registration by entering all required information, selecting group or individual registration and be prepared to provide a username and password. (This should also include a properly formatted email address, i.e. johndoe@yahoo.com.)
6. Proceed to the class registration by entering the name of each person, his/her age and class selection. Repeat the registration for all individuals who will be attending.
7. After all class selections have been made, proceed to the final checkout by carefully reading and following the online instructions to complete the online registration process.
8. You have the opportunity to choose to pay online with PayPal (Note: A PayPal Account is not needed to complete the online payment.) Other payment choices are:
 - a. Mail your check or money order to:
GMBC Headquarters
P.O. Box 92340
Atlanta, GA 30314
 - b. **Mailed payments must be postmarked by June 30, 2022.** Keep your receipt so that you may track your mailed registration, if necessary.
10. **Questions?** E-mail GMBC Support at headquarters@gmbcofgeorgia.org or call 404-688-4212.
11. **Register and pay online deadline is July 7 by 5:00 p.m.**

On-Site Registration for Online Registrants

1. At the area designated "Pre-Registration," present your registration confirmation.
2. You should receive the name badges and packages for your group based on the number of persons who were pre-registered.
3. Confirm that you have all badges and a package for each registrant.
4. Registration complete!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What if . . .

I need to add to the number of persons registered?

If there are persons who you need to add to your registration, please make every effort to do so prior to Congress by emailing the Baptist Headquarters at headquarters@gmbcofgeorgia.org with the name of the person, his/her age and the class he/she will take. Do this for every person who needs to be added, and submit the additional registration fee.



I need to remove persons from my registration?

In this case, let the person handling your registration know which names need to be removed. If you are requesting reimbursement, it will be mailed from the Baptist Headquarters within five working days after July 23.

I need to add persons in place of someone who did not make the trip to the Youth and Young Adult Convention?

Return the badge of the person who is not attending. That badge will be replaced with one for the person attending in his/her place. The person at the check-in who is handling your registration will take care of this matter.

I need to change a class for a delegate?

The person who registered your church will have to complete a class registration form. Church registration verification must be provided. Submit the completed form to the registrar for same-day service. *Do not ask the teacher/instructor to change a class.* It is not permitted per the President and Dean of the Congress.

FEES

Church Registration (covers 3 delegates) *	\$ 200.00
Adult Personal Registration	\$35.00
Minister's Division	\$50.00
Youth Personal Registration	\$50.00
Oratorical Fee	\$20.00
The J.H. Flakes Jr. Scholarship Contribution	

** Any church registering more than three delegates must pay personal registration for each additional delegate. This allows delegates to attend class and have Congress and program privileges.*

Other Registrations	
Non-Delegates	\$100.00
Association, Sunday School and BTU – District	\$200.00 plus \$35.00 personal registration

Monthly Contributors	
\$500.00 Level	
Congress	Church Registration included
	30 delegates waived
Youth Convention	20 delegates waived
\$250.00 Level	
Congress	Church Registration waived
	15 delegates waived
Youth Convention	10 delegates waived
100.00 Level	
Congress	Church Registration waived
	3 delegates waived
Youth Convention	3 delegates waived

Fees for each ADDITIONAL delegate(s) over the number waived

\$35.00 for each delegate to the Congress

\$50.00 for each delegate to the Youth Convention

All State Congress workers should be delegates of churches that are members of GMBC.

YOUTH CONVENTION REGISTRATION WORKSHEET

Registration is [online](#). All registration will be electronic.
Below are worksheets to prepare you for the online process.

All information must be provided in order to complete the registration process.

Church Information			
Church			
Street / Route			
City			
State		ZIP Code	
Email			
Website	www.		
Pastor			
Congress or Convention Information			
President			
Address		State	
City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()
B.T.U. Information			
Director			
Address		State	
City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()
Local or District or Association Information			
District #			
President			
Address		State	
City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()
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City		ZIP Code	
Email		Phone	()

Youth Convention DELEGATE WORKSHEET

Name:		Age:
Address (Personal):		
Street	City	State Zip Code
Email (Personal):		
Division #:	Course #:	Course Name:

Name:		Age:
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DELEGATE GUIDELINES AND HEALTH PROTOCOLS

Revised May 2022

The following are guidelines that should assist the delegates who will attend the Youth and Young Adult Convention of the GMBC Congress of Christian Education.

Delegates: Your cooperation and obedience in following these guidelines will enhance the fellowship of the session and will be appreciated by the Chaperone Committee.

Badges will identify chaperones and staff, and they must be respected at all times.

I. Home

These guidelines shall be placed in the hands of Pastors, Churches, Chaperones, Parents, and Attendees in order that everyone involved with the children and youth may be informed on what is expected of the children, youth, chaperones and young adults as they attend the Convention sessions. The Congress office will mail a copy of these guidelines to all churches registered with the Convention.

- A. The guidelines will be printed on a different color sheet and mailed to all churches on the same roster.
- B. Parents should get as much information as possible about the location of the Youth and Young Adult Convention, including the street address and telephone number.

II. Church

Only youth who are members of and attend their local church should be selected as delegates. The conduct of such youth should be exemplary of their home church. Prior to departure for the Congress, the Youth Director or Lead Chaperone of each church should conduct a brief seminar or counseling period with the parents and youth to remind them of why and where they are going, the purpose of these guidelines and that **they will be representing their HOME and their CHURCH.**

III. Pastor

The Pastor should have a record of those attending the Youth and Young Adult Convention. The Pastor should remind the youth of how they should conduct themselves and stress to the chaperones the importance of being at the Convention and their obligations.

- A. Each Pastor is encouraged to hold prayer for the Convention, Congress and the delegates who will be attending. This should remind them of the religious nature of the Convention and Congress and the need for God to be with the members while they are away.
- B. Make sure your delegates are properly chaperoned.
- C. Delegates should be informed to wait at designated areas where classes are held. If necessary, the chaperone will attend classes with the delegates or the chaperones will notify their own instructors that they must leave their classes five minutes early in order to pick up their youth.
- D. The primary duty of the chaperones will be to provide supervision of the delegates **AT ALL TIMES.** The age of each chaperon must be 21 years and older. (Discretion is left to the Pastor when designating a younger chaperon.)
- E. Chaperones may register at no cost.
- F. No Chaperone can register for classes.
- G. Chaperones must be available to receive assignments from the Director of Chaperones each day.

IV. **Traveling**

Youth traveling to the Convention should be under the guidance of the Pastor and/or Chaperone(s) at all times. Stay together as a group. Youth should also be reminded of their conduct in and around fast-food restaurants as they stop to dine or refresh. Bus/Van Drivers should be informed of the number of children onboard and of the chaperone in charge. Please remember to wear your seatbelts.

V. **Delegate to Chaperone Ratio**

The number of youths in attendance at the Convention has increased each year; therefore, in order to provide adequate and proper supervision of the youth, churches are to send a minimum of one (1) chaperone for every five (5) delegates of the same gender. In the event a delegate becomes sick, a second chaperone needs to be available without jeopardizing the proper supervision for the remaining delegates. Please try to provide at least one chaperone per 1-5 girls and one chaperone per 1-5 boys. Age ranges for the delegates are as follows: Youth 13-18.

- A. **Medication/Medical Emergencies.** If any youth is on medication, the parent or guardian should send the medication, with directions for dosage, with the chaperone to the Convention and Congress. The church should also have a release form authorizing the chaperone to take the youth to an Emergency Room and the ER preference information in the event any youth becomes ill. The church should have reliable Emergency Contact(s) for each youth attending the Convention and Congress.
- B. **Curfew.** If youth delegates are not attending the Late-Night Service, they should be in their rooms by 10:00 p.m. Delegates attending the Late-Night Service must be accompanied by a chaperone. Chaperones should not attend Late Night Service unless they are certain assigned delegates are chaperoned.
 1. A Lead Chaperone and Assistant Chaperones will be selected at the chaperone meeting for each motel/hotel.
 2. Other Chaperones will be assigned for each motel/hotel (to report to Lead Chaperone).
 3. The Lead Chaperone reports any concerns or questions to either Co-Chair and/or Secretary of Chaperones.
- C. **Contents in Room.** Chaperones need to check and verify the condition of rooms upon check-in. Please do not misplace, break or misuse items in any room. Notify hotel/motel office if a bar is in the room and have it removed. Chaperones will be responsible for monitoring phone calls made on the hotel/motel phones.
- D. **Chaperones.** Make sure room doors are locked at all times, when in or out of the room. Keep your key with you at all times. Verify that all delegates are securely in their rooms before retiring to yours.
- E. **Electronic Devices.** All device use is under the discretion, direction and supervision of the chaperones, worship leaders and instructors with adherence to the following guidelines:
 1. Talking on cell phones will not be tolerated for any reason during classes or during any worship or assembly.
 2. No texting during classes—unless instructed to do so by the instructor—during any worship or assembly.
 3. No wearing headphones/earbuds or listening to iPods, iPads, cell phones, computers, MP3's or other devices during classes or during classes or service. Be aware of your surroundings and keep volume low while in common areas.
- F. **Cards.** Playing cards is not allowed at the Convention or Congress. UNO cards are acceptable.

- H. **Personal Vehicles.** Anyone driving a personal vehicle should not park in any restricted or undesignated area. Violations of this rule will result in the vehicle being towed at the owner's expense. Vehicles should be registered with your room if staying in a hotel/motel.
- XIV. **Elevators.** When using elevators at various places, be careful at all times. An elevator can transport only a designated number of people. Check the weight capacity and other signs posted inside the elevator. Do not play on the elevators.
- XV. **Recreation.** The individual Churches, Pastors, Youth Directors and Chaperones should provide planned, properly supervised, recreational activities outside of the designated class periods, worship services and scheduled Convention and Congress activities.
- Swimming is prohibited during the week of the Convention and Congress. Delegates, including chaperones, are not to be in the pool area at any time.*
- XVI. **Shopping.** While shopping, remember shoplifters will be **PROSECUTED!** Know the people with whom you plan to shop. Each group must be accompanied by a chaperone at all times.
- XVII. **Classes.** Delegates who do not attend class will be reported to Convention/Congress officials. Delegates who are seen in the hallways during class/assembly time will be asked their destination and, if necessary, reported to the Convention/Congress officials.
- All Delegates should remain in Worship/General Assembly until the Benediction. No hanging out in bathrooms, hallways or outside.*
- XVIII. **Dress Code for All Delegates.** Casual dress will be observed by all Youth Convention and Congress.

Girls

Acceptable Attire

- Knee length or longer skirts/dresses/jumpers; pants, jeans or khakis
- Hosiery or socks (optional), appropriate shoes
- T-shirts with church name and/or religious messages
- Church Attire – Appropriate shirts, blouses, knee length or longer skirts/dresses, appropriate shoes.

Youth Rally Day: White tops, beige or tan khaki pants or skirts, appropriate shoes.



Unacceptable Attire

- Spaghetti straps, tube tops, midriffs, halter tops (Cleavage must be covered.)
- T-shirts with commercial ads (Name of church and religious messages are permitted.)
- Shorts, jeggings, jeans with holes, sagging pants or jeans and leggings without tops that extend to the knee
- Sleepwear
- Flip-flops, house shoes or slides
- Bikinis or almost bikinis (swim wear), visible underwear
- Hair should be groomed, no sleep bonnets

Boys

Acceptable Attire

- Well-fitting pants, jeans or khakis with belts worn on waist at all times
- Dress, polo and banded neck shirts
- Shirts must be tucked inside of pants
- Appropriate shoes
- Church Attire –dress shirts, ties, dark pants with belts worn on the waist, appropriate shoes

Youth Rally Day: White dress shirts (tucked in), beige, tan or khaki pants (with belt if belt loops are attached), appropriate shoes



Unacceptable Dress for Casual Days

- T-shirts with commercial ads (Name of church and religious messages are permitted.)
- Undershirts as outerwear and tank tops
- Shorts, jeans with holes, sagging pants or jeans
- Doo-rags, stocking caps, hats backward (no hats worn in buildings)
- Flip-flops, house shoes or slides
- Earrings
- Visible underwear or undershorts

Proper dress during classes and worship service is a must. This particular guideline is **very important** for many reasons; therefore, Pastors, Youth Directors and Chaperones must encourage delegates to be obedient. Be sure delegates are properly dressed and ready to attend sessions *before* leaving the hotel. This includes **BADGES AND MASKS**. All delegates are to wear badges and masks at all times during the Convention. If delegates do not have badges, please submit name(s) to Chaperone leadership upon arrival to the site each morning. Delegates are encouraged to return badge holders for recycling before departure to your respective destinations at the end of the Convention.

XIX. Prohibited Substances or Criminal Activity

Illegal drugs, smoking, vaping and alcoholic beverages are not allowed at the Convention site or in the motel/hotel rooms by anyone at any time.

Absolutely no criminal activity – vandalism, theft of any kind, underage drinking – will not be tolerated in any area of the Convention or Congress. Violators will be reprimanded and/or prosecuted.

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XXI. Covid and Health Protocols

- A. Physical distancing at Congress
 - 1. Maintain a distance of at least 6 feet for everyone present at Congress and ensure seats will be staggered.
 - 2. Establish a seating chart in the classroom
 - 3. Establish an order to be dismissed from the classroom
 - 4. Avoid crowding in the hallways
 - 5. Avoid gathering and socializing in big groups upon leaving the classroom
- B. Mask wearing at Congress – Masks are to be worn while in any building
- C. Health and hand hygiene
 - 1. Handwashing and sanitizing should always be done when leaving the rest room or before eating and drinking
 - 2. The Five steps for handwashing
 - 3. Wet hands with safe, running water
 - 4. Apply enough soap to cover wet hands
 - 5. Scrub all surfaces of the hands – including backs of hands, between fingers and under nails – for at least 20 seconds. You can encourage students to sing a quick song at this point to make it a fun habit
 - 6. Rinse thoroughly with running water
 - 7. Dry hands with a clean cloth or single-use towel.
 - 8. If there is limited access to a sink, running water or soap, then use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol.
- D. Congress preparations and what to do if one of your delegates displays any of the symptoms
 - 1. Provide the sick delegate with a medical mask if available
 - 2. Screen daily screening for body temperature
 - 3. Be ready and prepared to inquiries on a history of fever or feeling feverish in the previous 24 hours
 - 4. Separate sick individuals from other delegates and staff
 - 5. Refer to health facility or sent home, depending on the situation/context

All persons are encouraged to stay home and self-isolate should they feel ill.

XXII. Congress Officials and Chaperones

This list consists of the names of only a few of the Congress Officials, Christian Education Department Officials and Department Leaders. Delegates should be familiar with the officers.

Convention President	Rev. Anthony Q. Corbett, Sr.
Convention Vice President	Rev. Corey J. Neal
Congress President	Rev. Benjamin E.V. Lett
Congress First Vice President	Rev. Dr. Johnny H. Flakes, III
Congress Second Vice President	Rev. Mark Seals
Secretary	Sis. Ramona Edwards
Assistant Secretary	Sis. Valerie D. White
Dean	Dea. Keith W. Mitchell
Assistant Dean	Dr. Albertine Marshall
Director General	Rev. Frederick L. Small
Youth and Young Adult Director	Rev. Paul Little
Assistant Youth and Young Adult Director	Sis. Natalie Christina Lett
Co-Director of Chaperones	Rev. Benjamin Martin
State Director of Christian Education	Dr. Roberta Hatcher
Chairman of the Board of Christian Education	Rev. Dr. Ralph Huling
Convention Planner	Dr. Brenda L. Eason

The Youth Convention registration is [online](#).

**General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia
Youth Convention**

THEME: “Growing through Pandemic Pressure” – 1 Corinthians 15:58

MIDDLE SCHOOL SESSION

1 – Pushin’ P: Growing through Pandemic Pressure

This class is designed to guide middle school students how to overcome the prolonged effects of the pandemic.

Minister Kayla Smith

HIGH SCHOOL SESSION

2 – Pushin’ P: Growing through Pandemic Pressure

This class is designed to guide high school students how to overcome the prolonged effects of the pandemic.

Brother Nick Farley

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. NIGHT 2022

“Reaching Back to Move Forward”

Coordinator

Sis. Sheila G. Arkwright Savannah, Georgia

CATEGORIES

Mime – Praise Dance – Sign Language – Step Team – Spoken Word

1. Only one team/group/individual per category from a Church or District. Registration forms must be submitted to the coordinator of the MLK Night by 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, the day of the MLK Night.
2. Each routine must be 2 to 4 minutes in length. Teams will not be permitted to continue if their performance is over the time limit.
3. Each group must supply their own music with a copy in hand to Sis. Arkwright and the media tech by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the MLK Night. This must be in the form of a CD labeled with the name of the song and group.
4. Attire should reflect an atmosphere of worship and modesty. Low cut tops, midriiffs, shorts, tank tops, etc. will not be permitted. All participants are expected to be properly attired for their performance. (The MLK Coordinators will serve as the authority on the dress code.)
5. Music for all categories must be of the Christian/Inspirational nature.
6. Performers will need to be present one hour before the performance for sign in, line up and music check. A representative from each individual/group/team will be expected to be present to help with music.

Only registered delegates are permitted to participate and attend.

GMBC Congress of Christian Education
ORATORICAL CONTEST



Speech Submission Deadline

June 30, 2022

Preliminary

July 19, 2022

Final Competition

July 20, 2022

Macon Centreplex

President

Rev. Benjamin E.V. Lett

Oratorical Contest Coordinator

Mr. Gregory L. Bailey
(770) 923-3936

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Oratorical Competition is designed to provide a public platform for youth to exhibit speaking, organizational and elocutionary skills. This year, youth grades 6 through 12 will be competing. We hope to resume the full competition (all ages) in the future. This year's competitors will be divided as follows; Grades 6 and 7; Grades 8 and 9; Grades 10 and 11 and Grade 12. Grades 6 through 11 will follow local guidelines. Grade 12 will follow the guidelines and rules of the National Baptist Congress Oratorical Contest and participants will speak on the official National Contest theme.

Grades 6, 7, 8 and 9 Guidelines and Rules

1. Each participant will recite the designated Article of Faith.
2. The specific Article of Faith will serve as the introduction to the speech.
3. The oration will be written by the speaker, with assistance from a speech coach.
4. Only one contestant per church/association per division will be accepted. All ties must be decided at the church/association level.
5. Preliminary competitions will be held Tuesday, July 19, 2022. You will receive an email with an assigned time slot.
6. Speech format:
 - a. The speech must be typewritten with one-inch margins, double-spaced, 12 point, Times-Roman (or equivalent) font.
 - b. The contestant's name should be typed as a header, flush right. The contestant's name, church, city and speech word count should be typed at the end of the speech, bottom left. If the contestant is representing an association, then the contestant's name and the association should be typed at the end of the speech.
7. Speech submission:
 - a. Email as an attachment to gbailey1906@gmail.com. Save document using the contestant's name.
 - b. Also mail three copies to the following address with return receipt:
Gregory L. Bailey
1944 Herbert Drive
Tucker, Georgia 30084
8. Entry fee:
 - a. \$20 (Twenty Dollars) per contestant
 - b. Mail check or money order to the following address:
GMBC Headquarters
P.O. Box 92340
Atlanta, GA 30314
 - c. Payment must be received by deadline or contestant will be disqualified.
9. Deadline: All speeches must be received by June 30, 2022. Please allow five days for postal delivery.

Grades 10, 11 and 12 Guidelines and Rules

1. The speech topic will be the official themes of the National Baptist Congress Oratorical Contest.
2. The speech must be original and prepared by the contestant.
3. Only one contestant per church/association per division will be accepted. All ties must be decided at the church/association level.
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9. The winner of the Senior Competition will represent the GMBC of Georgia Congress at the ensuing year's National Congress Contest.

Topics and Themes

Grades 6 and 7:

Article IX, 250 words minimum, 3-5 minutes

God's Purpose of Grace

We believe the Scriptures teach that election is the eternal purpose of God, according to which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is a most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely free, wise, holy and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting and promotes humility, love, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects in all who truly believe the Gospel; that it is the foundation of Christian assurance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence.

2 Tim. 1:8-9; Eph. 1:3-14; 1 Pet. 1:1-2; Rom. 11:5-6; John 15:15; 1 John 4:19; Hos. 12:9; 2 Thess. 2:13-14; Acts 13:48; John 10:16; Matt. 20:16; Acts 15:14 Exod. 33:18-19; Matt. 20:15; Eph. 1:11; Rom. 9:23-24; Jer. 31:3; Rom. 11:28-29; James 1:17-18; 2 Tim. 1:9; Rom. 11:32-36; 1 Cor. 4:7; 1:26-31; Rom. 3:27; 4:16; Col. 3:12; 1 Cor. 3:5-7; 15:10; 1 Pet. 5:10; Acts 1:24; 1 Thess. 2:13; 1 Pet. 2:9; Luke 18:7; John 15:16; Eph. 1:16; 1 Thess. 2:12; 2 Tim. 2:10; 1 Cor. 9:22; Rom. 8:28-30; John 6:37-40; 2 Pet. 1:10; 1 Thess. 1:4-10; Rom. 8:28-30; Isa. 42:16; Rom. 11:29 2 Pet. 1:10-11; Phil. 3:12; Heb. 6:11

Grades 8 and 9:

Article X, 250 words minimum, 3-5 minutes

Sanctification

We believe the Scriptures teach that Sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of his holiness; that it is a progressive work; that it is begun in regeneration; and that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Sealer and Comforter, in the continual use of the appointed means especially the word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, and prayer.

1 Thess. 4:3; 5:23; 2 Cor. 7:1; 13:9; Eph. 1:4; Prov. 4:18; 2 Cor. 3:18; Heb. 6:1; 2 Pet. 1:5-8; Phil. 3:12-16; John 2:29; Rom. 8:5; John 3:6; Phil. 1:9-11; Eph. 1:13-14 Phil. 2:12-13; Eph. 4:11-12; 1 Pet. 2:2; 2 Pet. 3:18; 2 Cor. 13:5; Luke 11:35; 9:23; Matt. 26:41; Eph. 6:18; 4:30

Grades 10 and 11:

"Envisioning the Future Exceptionally Through Christ-Centered Evangelism," 500 words minimum; 5-7 minutes

Jeremiah 29:11; Acts 1:8

Grade 12:

"How Have the Past Two Years of Social Justice, Racism and the Pandemic Impacted You? What Has the Church, in General, Done to Help Individuals in Your Generation Understand These Issues? What Do You Believe the Church Should Be Doing?"

minimum 600 words; 8-10 minutes

***Twelfth graders must be enrolled in their senior year of high school for the 2022-2023 school year and graduate before August.*

Speech Presentation/Oration

The contestant's presentation attire is Males: slacks, suit coats and shirts with ties and Females: business dresses or suits (preferably white). Please note the contestants may be on an elevated platform facing the audience.

The contestants are to stand, approach the lectern or designated space, state the theme, their contestant number, their first and last name and begin their memorized rendition of the written

oration, within the frame of the lectern/podium or designated space (without moving across the stage). **Contestants are not to state their church, association or pastor.**

The contestant's oratorical presentation must avoid speaking in sermonical tones, using testimonials and excessive gesturing.

The contestants are not allowed to use props, costumes, clothing or prompts.

While contestants are not required to recite their speech verbatim, the style, theme, structure and organization of the presentation should closely adhere to the written documentation presented.

Judges

The judges are selected prior to the GMBC of GA. Congress. Each judge receives the guidelines and the judges score sheet during the judges training sessions. Each judge is scheduled to attend a training teleconference prior to the congress session and will attend a final onsite review for participation and protocol. Each judge has attested to providing a fair and impartial scoring of each contestant.

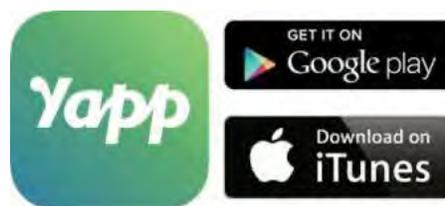
The judges will use the following criteria for each oration: composition, subject matter, content originality, delivery, vocal control, enunciation, pronunciation, presentation and mastery of material. The oration must be memorized.

The judges will give each contestant an intangible score (is most commonly used to describe things that are recognized but not easily quantified) and in the event of a tie the contestant that has the highest intangible score will be the winning contestant.

The judges overall decision is final.

CONGRESS AND CONVENTION APP

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Download the app on iOS or Android:

1. Visit <http://my.yapp.us/GMBC> on your device and follow the instructions.
2. You will be asked to install Yapp from the app store (if you don't already have it).
3. Open Yapp and tap "Download an existing Yapp" and the 2021 GMBC Congress of Christian Education Guide" will appear.

Don't have an iOS or Android device? You can view this app from your desktop browser by clicking the my.yapp.us link.

Take care, stay safe and be blessed.

