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*To the Member Churches, Associations
and Individuals of the
Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.*

Greetings in the All Powerful Name of Our Christ. WOW! According to the record, never in the history of our Convention have we had to cancel our annual May session. And I must say it has been a long time since we have been able to fellowship in person and the fact that you are reading this is a testimony that God has kept us. It's still hard to grasp that we are in the midst of a global pandemic. Not only has society been affected, but churches and church leaders are experiencing some of the greatest pains and challenges ever. This is why I was adamant about having a Mid-Year Session this fall!

Our faithful followers need assistance, and our 2020 MYS will focus on helping us navigate through this ever changing and unsettling process as we strive to be relevant while incorporating best practices into our worship and ministry contexts.

While none of us have ever served ministry through a pandemic, I do feel that we are accountable to those we serve to do our best to create opportunities for growth, development and change. We believe that this virtual session will give you practical yet spirited engagement, that will push you to your next place. Please know, the utilization of technology, social media and these type outlets are not going away, so we must reposition our church models to place new wine in new wine skins (Matthew 9:17). JOIN US as we help you to preserve, protect and reposition the church of Christ!

ALL of our sessions are free, so invite you church families to share in these powerful sessions. I only ask that if you have not already, please send in your annual church registration to remain a registered church and in order to further support our work. I truly look forward to interacting virtually with you!

Charles R. Whitfield

President of The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.

SOULS TO THE POLLS



your VOTE is your VOICE

- ✓ ANNOUNCE IN YOUR CHURCH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE BEGINNING OF VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE
 - ✓ 20 PEOPLE IN YOUR LOCAL CHURCH WILL AIM TO GET 20 PEOPLE REGISTERED TO VOTE BY OCTOBER 13TH
 - ✓ YOUR CHURCH SHOULD HAVE EVENTS OR RALLIES OBSERVING SOCIAL DISTANCING ON GROUNDS OF THE CHURCH OR OTHER VENUES
 - ✓ A PERSON CAN REGISTER TO VOTE ONLINE, AT LOCAL REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, OR BY MAIL
- VOTER PARTICIPATION BY NOVEMBER 3RD**
- ✓ ANNOUNCE IN YOUR CHURCH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE BEGINNING OF YOUR **SOULS TO THE POLLS** VOTER PARTICIPATION DRIVE
 - ✓ ALL REGISTERED VOTERS CAN VOTE EARLY BY MAIL WITH NO EXCUSE REQUIRED.
 - ✓ ALL REGISTERED VOTERS CAN VOTE ON ELECTION DAY AT YOUR REGULAR POLLING PLACE
 - ✓ YOUR LOCAL CHURCH SHOULD HAVE ORGANIZED '**GET OUT THE VOTE (GOTV)**' EFFORTS ON NOVEMBER 3RD AND BEFORE.

VOTER IDENTIFICATION

- ✓ BRING IDENTIFICATION (ID) WITH YOU WHEN YOU GO TO VOTE IN PERSON.

Visit www.thevbsc.org for detailed information on 'Souls to the Polls.'

Statement of Gratitude *The Children's Home Of Virginia Baptist, Inc.*

We give praise to God for His continued blessings and protection of the Children's Home of Virginia, Inc. in the midst of these troubling times. He has truly been our deliver and we are grateful for being a part of His Kingdom work.

God demonstrated His awesome power and love for the Children's Home on July 11, 2020 at the virtual Founder's Day Celebration of Prayer. He touched the hearts of His people throughout the state of Virginia to donate approximately \$76,000.00 to the Home. These funds will be used to continue the process of fulfilling the vision of our founders to meet the needs of vulnerable children within the state of Virginia.

As we commemorate our 73rd year since Dr. Dodd was inspired to start an orphanage on these hallowed grounds, it is our desire to continue to develop and implement ways to improve the lives of children in our community and state. To that end, we continue to invite you to join us on this God-given assignment by committing to help support the work of the Home financially.

We thank you for your financial support and your prayers as we continue to establish the Children's Home Legacy and its vital role in making a difference in the lives of families throughout the State of Virginia.

Thank you for your support and prayers.

May God continue to bless you.



The Children's Home of Virginia Baptist, Inc.



THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, INC.



Mid-Year Session VIRTUAL

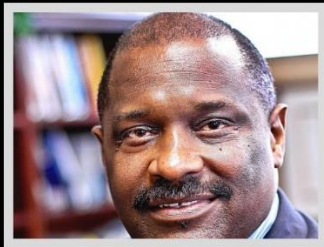
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November 9-10, 2020

Special Guests



Dr. Mark Croston
Nashville, TN
Monday



Dr. Angel White
Petersburg, VA
Monday



Dr. Dwight O. Steele, Sr.
Roanoke, VA
Monday



Dr. Emory Berry, Jr.
Decatur, GA
Tuesday



Dr. John Faison, Sr.
Nashville, TN
Tuesday



Dr. John W. Kinney
Beaverdam, VA
Tuesday



Rashonda Bentley
Chattanooga, TN
Guest Psalmist

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The Baptist Sunday School and
Baptist Training Union
Congress of Virginia

2020 "Virtual" Annual Session



God truly blessed The Baptist Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress of VA this year as we hosted our **first** virtual session!

We offered 4 CLS certified classes, 2 daily seminars on faith and discipleship, daily lectures about doing ministry in our current context, as well as a 3 day youth conference that addressed the youth holistically, all on the ZOOM platform! We had 13 youth registrations and 76 adult class registrations! Our students were able to access their classes easily and gave incredible feedback on their instructors and class content! Though we miss our time of fellowship and worship together in person, we are grateful that God granted us the grace to continue to offer quality Christian Education to the constituents of The Virginia Baptist State Convention.

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Facebook.

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This is one of the streaming
outlets we will use for our
Virtual  Mid-Year Session.

Virginia Baptist State Convention

Deacon and Deaconess Auxiliary

Deacon Danny Miller, President

Annual Fall Session - VIRTUAL

Saturday, October 10, 2020

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

(8:30 a.m. * Meet in the Waiting Room)

(Enjoy Music and visuals)

FELLOWSHIP * WORD OF GOD * WORKSHOPS



zoom

(This is a free AP you can download on your computer, iPad or phone)

By Way of **ZOOM!**

The Link will be sent by October 1st
to all who register and provide an email!

Theme:

**"Rediscovering the Kingdom of God"-
Through Transformational Discipleship**

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness: and all these things shall be added unto you." - Matthew 6:33 (KJV)

Thematic Message: Rev. Luther Allen, Pastor

First Lynnhaven Baptist Church - Virginia Beach, VA

REGISTRATION: \$10.00 per person

Make checks payable to: VBSC - DDA

Registration Deadline: September 20, 2020 / Must include EMAIL Address

Mail to: Deacon Walter Robinson / Contact # (276) 806-3389

600 Parkway Drive * Martinsville, VA 24112

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SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 – JUNE 30, 2021

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*Memorial Scholarship
Congratulations*
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Pulaski Baptist Church, Carrsville

REMINDER

**ELECTION
INFORMATION
PARENT BODY**



Anyone who wishes to declare
candidacy for upcoming
offices for the Virginia Baptist
State Convention, Inc. should
submit their names by the
February 9, 2021
Executive Board Meeting.

Note: All previous declarations
must be resubmitted.



Virginia University of Lynchburg

**THE LEONARD N. SMITH
SCHOOL OF RELIGION**

On behalf of the Virginia Baptist State Convention,
Inc., we would like to congratulate our former
President Dr. Leonard N. Smith as he becomes part of
instructional history of our beloved school on the hill,
Virginia University of Lynchburg. Our convention
deeply cherishes the rich history between VBSC and
VUL. Many blessings upon Dr. Smith as countless lives
will be transformed for years to come because of your
genuine Christian witness!



Dr. Leonard N. Smith

The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.



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