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**Hope to See You at
BWIM's Annual Gathering on June 22
by Pam Durso**



*Emily Hull McGee, pastor of First Baptist Church,
Winston-Salem, North Carolina.*

Make plans now to celebrate and worship with Baptist Women in Ministry on **Wednesday, June 22, 2016** at First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Our preacher for the morning will be **Emily Hull McGee**, pastor of First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, and our worship leader will be **Ossie McKinney**, minister of music at Faith Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

Our worship theme this year is **GATHERING THE FRAGMENTS**. We all know about fragmented living! As ministers and as followers of Christ, we often feel scattered or broken. Join us as we remember and celebrate the grace God extends to us, healing our brokenness and creating beautiful things of our fragmented



Ossie McKinney, minister of music at Faith Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

selves!

Worship will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will be followed by lunch at 11:15. First Baptist is located at 501 West Fifth Street in Winston-Salem.

Lunch tickets are now on sale. Buy yours early. Last year we sold out!

Tickets are \$22, and you can purchase your ticket on the [BWIM website](#).

Invite your friends and bring your church members! We hope to see many of you in Winston-Salem!

Support Baptist Women in Ministry

Be a supporter of our work. Help us as we seek to advocate for women ministers, provide resources for ministers and churches, and continue in promoting Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Preaching, our e-newsletter and blog, and placement assistance!

We welcome you to be one of our givers. Give a **one-time gift** or **become a montly giver!** A small monthly gift of \$10 or \$20 or a larger monthly gift of \$50 or \$75 makes a significant difference in this work that God has entrusted to us! Every contribution matters, and we are grateful for the faithfulness and generosity of all who support this ministry.

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Placement Resources

Searching for a ministry position can be a full-time job. Knowing where to start can even be challenging. To help reduce some of the anxiety of the search, Baptist Women in Ministry has compiled a new resource, written by Pam Durso, which offers advice for those in search mode and provides some tips on resume writing, networking, and interviewing.

BWIM also has on its website several lists of questions from churches that have recently been through the ministry search process that those searching might want to review before the big interview. You can find all these resources the the [BWIM website](#).

Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Preaching

Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Preaching was a beautiful success with churches across our

nation and even one in Canada participating!

We give God thanks for churches that affirm women's presence in the pulpit and in all ministry roles. And we give thanks for churches that publicly voice a commitment to women in ministry and are eager to be counted with other Baptist churches in celebrating the calling and gifts of women.

If you participated in MSM and have not yet send in your information, please send the name of your preacher, your church, and its location to Ashley Robinson at ashleyrobinson@bwim.info.

Also if you did not send a photo of your Martha preacher, email one to pamdurso@bwim.info, and we will share it with our BWIM social media networks. If you didn't follow us on Facebook or Instagram in February, check us out, and see the wonderful preachers who were in pulpits!

For more information about Martha Stearns Marshall Month, visit the [BWIM website](#).



Deborah Reeves was the 2016 MSM preacher at Smoke Rise Baptist Church, Stone Mountain, Georgia.

Monday Devotions in 2016

In 2016, Baptist Women in Ministry's Monday devotion features the writing of our friend, **Nikki Finkelstein-Blair**.

Nikki's devotions are based on lectionary texts and the church calendar! For those who are in lectionary-using churches, be sure to read Nikki's devotion each Monday as you prepare for the coming Sunday's worship.

In her most recent devotional Nikki writes:

"While the Passover tells a story to be remembered, the prophet told a story that had not yet happened: God would send a Servant, saving God's people and restoring them—restoring us—once again. And this time, for always.

God will send a Student, the prophet says. One who listens, who welcomes teaching, who is humble to receive instruction. A Disciple, who asks us to stand together with him as he lives out what he has learned: face forward. Don't hide. There is no shame in



Nikki Finkelstein-Blair blogs at [One Faithful Step](#).

Read more on the BWIM blog

obedience. You are not alone."

Ordinations

Rebecca Aikens was ordained on February 28, 2016 by The Memorial Baptist Church, Greenville, North Carolina.

Amanda A. Alexander was ordained on February 28, 2016 by Zion Hill Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

Denise Lynn Bell was ordained on March 5, 2016 by Immanuel Baptist Church, Rochester, New York.

Karen Burke will be ordained on April 24, 2016 by Antioch United Church of Christ, Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Keira Dandridge was ordained on February 21, 2016 by Zion Baptist Church, Marietta, Georgia.

Rachel Sloan Erickson will be ordained on March 20, 2016 by Milledge Avenue Baptist Church, Athens, Georgia.

Eveleaner Grant was ordained on February 21, 2016 by Zion Baptist Church, Marietta, Georgia.

Bettina Phagan was ordained on December 20, 2015 by North Stuart Baptist Church, Stuart, Florida.

Kara Jackson Pringle was ordained on February 21, 2016 by Zion Baptist Church, Marietta, Georgia.

Crystal Shepherd will be ordained on March 20, 2016 by Central Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky.

On the Move

Kim Hardy is the director of music at Green Valley Baptist Church, Lebanon, Virginia.

Amanda O'Quinn is the director of family outreach at Community Heights Baptist Church, Lebanon, Virginia.

Kadleigh Seibert is the children's minister at Central Baptist Church, Livingston, Texas.

Julie Sugg is the preschool director at Ardmore Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

State and Regional BWIM News

Kansas Women in Ministry

Central Baptist Theological Seminary will host its first event in a new series on leadership--"The Creative Promise of Women's Leadership"--on

BWIM of South Carolina

Baptist Women in Ministry of South Carolina gather on **April 8, 2016** and lead a worship service at 11:00 a.m. at Timberlake Baptist Church in Myrtle Beach. At 8:30 p.m., BWIM of SC

Tuesday, **April 12, 2016.**

The event will begin with a meal at 5:00 p.m. with a presentation by **Pat Hernandez**. At 6:15, a lecture will be given **Eileen-Campbell-Reed**.

The event will be held at Harvest Ridge Covenant Church on Midland Drive in Shawnee, Kansas.

Tennessee Women in Ministry

The Women's Leadership Initiative at Central Baptist Theological Seminary regularly hosts Friday lunches for women ministers in Middle Tennessee. The lunches are held at the Scarritt-Bennett Center in Nashville, Tennessee from 11:45 to 1:15 and cost \$11 per person.

Lunches are planned for the spring:

Friday, April 1, 2016 – report from Thailand student pilgrimage

Friday, April 29, 2016 – special guest **Pam Durso**

For more information, contact Eileen Campbell-Reed at ecampbellreed@cbts.edu.

will sponsor an ice cream social and book signing. These events will be held on the same day as the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of South Carolina's General Assembly.

BWIM of Georgia

Baptist Women in Ministry of Georgia will host its annual celebration on **April 15-16, 2016**. They will sponsor a workshop on Friday, April 15, during Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Georgia's Spring Gathering and will lead worship and host a lunch on Saturday, April 16. **Pam Durso**, executive director of Baptist Women in Ministry, will be the preacher.

These events will be held at Smoke Rise Baptist Church, Stone Mountain, Georgia.

VIRGINIA BWIM

VBWIM's annual Feast will be held May 6, 2016 at Ginter Park Baptist Church in Richmond, Virginia.

The Feast is a time for nurturing creativity and faith. Participants gather at table to enjoy a beautifully prepared meal, feast through sermons and worship, and delight in using the senses through a diverse musical experience.

More details to come soon.

Anatomy of a Schism: New Book by Eileen Campbell-Reed

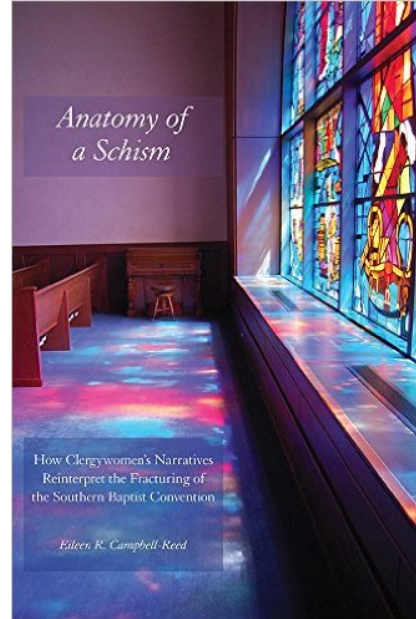
Anatomy of a Schism: How Clergywomen's Narratives Reinterpret the Fracturing of the Southern Baptist Convention by Eileen R. Campbell-Reed will soon be released!

Anatomy of a Schism is the first book on the Southern Baptist controversy to place ordained women's narratives at the center of interpretation. Eileen brings her unique perspective as a pastoral theologian in conducting qualitative interviews with five Baptist clergywomen and allowing their narratives to focus attention on both psychological and theological issues of the controversy.

Eileen is associate professor of practical theology

at Central Baptist Theological Seminary, in Nashville, Tennessee, and co-director of the Learning Pastoral Imagination Project, a longitudinal study of ministry.

Preorder your copy today.



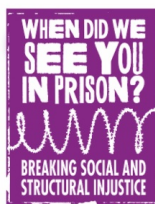
Festival of Young (Women) Preachers

On **April 7, 2016**, the Alliance of Baptists will host a Festival of Young (Women) Preachers at Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri.

Young men and women alike (up to age 35) are invited to participate. For more information about the cost, accommodations, the schedule, and preaching texts, [click here](#).



Baptist Peace Fellowship



BPFNA ✦ **BAUTISTAS POR LA PAZ**
SUMMER CONFERENCE
JUNE 27 ✦ **JULY 2, 2016**
CHEYNEY UNIVERSITY ✦ **CHEYNEY, PA**

Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America Summer Conference, "*When Did We See You in Prison: Breaking Social and Structural Injustice*" will be held **June 27-July 2, 2016** at Cheyney University in Cheyney, PA.

For more information and to register, visit the [BPFNP website](#).

Open Ministry Positions

Positions are listed by state, city, open position, church name.

BWIM collects these openings from a wide variety of sources, and the degree of openness to women ministers among the listed churches varies. In its effort to advocate, network, and connect, BWIM provides this list as a resource to those searching for ministry positions.

ALABAMA

Birmingham-Associate Pastor-Brookwood Baptist Church

Huntsville-Minister to Children-Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Jacksonville-Minister of Music, Families and Children-First Baptist Church of Williams

ARKANSAS

Texarkana-Bivocational Pastor-Highland Hills Baptist Church

FLORIDA

Tallahassee-Children's Pastor-First Baptist Church

Tallahassee-Interim Minister of Youth-First Baptist Church

Tampa-Youth Minister-Bayshore Baptist Church

West Homestead-Social Worker-Touching Miami with Love

GEORGIA

Athens-Minister to Children, Families, and Outreach-First Baptist Church

Atlanta-Chaplain-Bristol Hospice

Atlanta-Bereavement Coordinator-Journey Hospice

Atlanta-Manager of Pastoral Education-Emory St. Joseph's Hospital

Atlanta-Director of Worship and Arts-Providence Missionary Baptist Church

Augusta-Ministerial Resident-First Baptist Church

Cartersville-Associate Pastor of Youth-Heritage Baptist Church

Cornelia-Minister of Children and Servant Ministries-First Baptist Church

Forsyth-Minister to Youth (part-time)-First Baptist Church

Forsyth-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Harlem-Minister of Youth-Harlem Baptist Church

Harlem-Pastor-Harlem Baptist Church

Lyons-Pastor-Oaks Baptist Church

Macon-Marketing and Sales Associate-Smyth and Helwys

Milton-Minister of Youth (part-time)-Providence Baptist Church

Suches-Pastor-Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church

ILLINOIS

Bolingbrook-Pastor-New Hope Baptist Church

KENTUCKY

Frankfort-Minister of Missions-First Baptist Church

Louisville-Pastor-Buechel Park Baptist Church

Louisville-Minister to Youth-Highland Baptist Church

Shepherdsville-Pastor-First Baptist Church

LOUISIANA

Pineville-Children's Minister-First Baptist Church

Ruston-College Minister-First Baptist Church

MISSOURI

Columbia-Music/Worship Leader-Parkade Baptist Church

Columbia-Pastor-Memorial Baptist Church

Farmington-Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Administration-First Baptist Church

Foley-Bivocational Pastor-Foley Baptist Church

Kansas City-Bi-Vocational Pastor-Grace Baptist Church

Savannah-Minister of Students-First Baptist Church

St. Joseph-Minister of Youth and Education-Wyatt Park Baptist Church

NEW MEXICO

Las Cruces-Family Connections Minister-First Baptist Church

NEW YORK

Syracuse-Pastor (part-time)-Sovreign Grace Baptist Church

NORTH CAROLINA

Buies Creek-Director for Fides: Exploring Faith and Vocation/Associate Campus Minister, Campbell University

Butner-Associate Pastor-First Baptist Church

Cary-Associate Chaplain-Glenaire Retirement Community

Clayton-Minister to Children-First Baptist Church

Drexel-Associate Pastor of Youth and Families-First Baptist Church

Elizabethtown-Pastor-Elizabethtown Baptist Church

Fayetteville-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Gastonia-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Greensboro--Pastoral Residency with Community Ministry Focus-First Baptist Church

Greenville-Associate Pastor/Minister to Families-Memorial Baptist Church

Hickory-Church Administrator-First Baptist Church

High Point-Minister of Students and Missions-Emerywood Baptist Church

Hillsborough-Prison Chaplain-Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry

Lexington-Pastor-Jersey Baptist Church

Morehead City-Children and Family Outreach Minister-First Baptist Church

Raleigh-Executive Director-Women's Missionary Union

Smithfield-Pastor-Sharon Baptist Church

Wilmington-Minister to Children-First Baptist Church

Wilmington-Minister of Contemporary Worship and Young Adults-First Baptist Church

Winston-Salem-Minister of Youth and Recreation-Knollwood Baptist Church

OKLAHOMA

Lindsey--Youth/Worship Pastor-Calvary Baptist Church

Norman-Pastor-Bethel Baptist Church

Shawnee-Minister of Youth and Families-First Baptist Church

SOUTH CAROLINA

Aiken-Student Minister-First Baptist Church

Cheraw-Pastor-Pee Dee Union Baptist Church

Columbia-Pastor-Eau Claire Baptist Church

Greenville-Chaplaincy Residency Program-Greenville Health System

Greenville-Minister to Families-August Road Baptist Church

North Myrtle Beach-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Pendleton-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Spartanburg-Minister with Families-Fernwood Baptist Church

Spartanburg-Pastor-Morningside Baptist Church

York-Pastor-First Baptist Church

TENNESSEE

Cordova-Associate Pastor-Trinity Baptist Church

Cordova-Minister to Students-Trinity Baptist Church

Knoxville-Minister of Children and Youth-Ball Camp Baptist Church

Nashville-University Minister-Belmont University

Oak Ridge-Pastor-First Baptist Church

TEXAS

Argyle-Associate Pastor of Worship-First Baptist Church

Austin-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Borger-Pastor to Families with Children-First Baptist Church
Coleman-Youth Pastor-First Baptist Church
College Station-College Minister-First Baptist Church
Denton-Pastor-Southmont Baptist Church
Fort Worth-Pastor-University Baptist Church
Friendswood-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Giddings-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Henrietta-Minister of Music/Senior Adults-First Baptist Church
Henrietta-Youth Pastor-First Baptist Church
Kerrville-Minister of Adult Discipleship-Trinity Baptist Church
Lamesa-Minister of Music and Worship-First Baptist Church
Levelland-Associate Pastor of Family Enrichment-Second Baptist Church
Lubbock-Minister of Youth-Indiana Ave Baptist Church
Marble Falls-Pastor-Fellowship Baptist Church
Munday-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Nacogdoches-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Onalaska-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Plainview-Minister to Children and Preschool-First Baptist Church
Plano-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Ralls-Full-time Minister of Music/Associate Pastor-First Baptist Church
San Antonio-Pastor-Northeast Baptist Church
San Antonio-Pastor-Covenant Baptist Church
San Antonio-Minister of Music-Shearer Hills Baptist Church
Shallowater-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Sherman-Minister of Music-First Baptist Church
Stephenville-Minister for Children-First Baptist Church
Victoria-Pastor-Northside Baptist Church

VIRGINIA

Alexandria-Senior Pastor-Groveton Baptist Church
Buchanan-Pastor (part-time)-Cedar Bluff Baptist Church
Chase City-Pastor-Bethel Baptist Church
Crozet-Pastor-Hillsboro Baptist Church
Franklin-Youth, Children, and Music Minister-Sycamore Baptist Church
New Kent-Associate Minister of Education and Worship-Corinth Baptist Church
Richmond-Associate Pastor for Global Missions-Bon Air Baptist Church
Richmond-Pastor-Chamberlayne Baptist Church
Richmond-Pastor-River Run Baptist Church
Roanoke-Minister of Youth-Bonsack Baptist Church
Rockville-Pastor-Berea Baptist Church
Ruckersville-Pastor-Spring Hill Baptist Church
Suffolk-Pastor-Holland Baptist Church
Vinton-Minister of Children and Family Life-Vinton Baptist Church
Williamsburg-Pastor-Walnut Hills Baptist Church

WEST VIRGINIA

Charleston-Pastor-Charleston Baptist Temple
Huntington-Pastor-Fifth Avenue Baptist Church

WASHINGTON, DC

Pastor-Calvary Baptist Church
Pastor-Nineteenth Street Baptist Church

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