



BAPTIST WOMEN IN MINISTRY
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March 2019

The 2019 BWIM Annual Gathering



Baptist Women in Ministry will host its Annual Gathering on **June 19, 2019**, at the historic Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama. Join us for coffee and conversation at 8:30 a.m. in the church's fellowship hall. Worship will begin at 10:00 a.m. Sixteenth Street Baptist Church is located at 1530 Sixth Avenue.

The preacher for our service is **Carolyn McKinstry**. A native of Birmingham,



Ossie X. McKinney will lead our worship. Ossie is a graduate of the University of Louisiana at Monroe. She earned her Master of Divinity degree from McAfee School of Theology in 2015 and her Doctor of Worship Studies degree from Liberty University in 2018.

Ossie is the owner of the Master's Hand Music Studio in Decatur, Georgia. She has been a frequent and much-loved

Carolyn is a graduate of Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee. She earned her Master of Divinity degree from Samford University's Beeson Divinity School and her Doctor of Ministry degree from New York Theological Seminary.

Carolyn was at Sixteenth Street Baptist Church on the morning of September 15, 1963, when white supremacists bombed the church. Four of friends were killed in the bombing. Her memoir, *While the World Watched*, details her life growing up in Birmingham and "lessons learned" from her experiences and involvement in the Birmingham Civil Rights Movement.

For ten years, Carolyn served as president of the Board of Directors of the Sixteenth Street Foundation, Inc. whose mission was the ongoing maintenance of the historic Sixteenth Street Baptist Church facility. In 2004, Carolyn co-chaired a \$3.8 million stabilization campaign for the church. In 2013 she chaired "The Four Spirits Foundation" and raised over \$350,000 to place permanent life size sculptures in Kelly Ingram Park honoring the four girls killed in the 1963 bombing.

worship leader at BWIM events and services.

Our theme for worship this year is "Find Your Voice and Use It." During the service, we will present our two Addie Davis Awards (Leadership and Preaching), the Church of Excellence Award, and the Frankie Huff Granger Distinguished Mentor Award.

Support Baptist Women in Ministry



Daniel Glaze, pastor of River Road Church, Baptist, Richmond, Virginia, shares, **"I give monthly to Baptist Women in Ministry, because they seek to educate churches on the number of wonderful women who stand ready to serve the church—women who are gifted, capable, and called by God"**

All the work Baptist Women in Ministry does and all the ways in which this organization contributes to the shift in Baptist culture are happening because of people like you who believe in and support our ministry and who share in our mission of affirming all those whom God has gifted for ministry. Please consider this an invitation to be part of all these good things that BWIM is doing. **Your support makes all of this possible.**

GIVE to BWIM

Discerning God's Call: A College Retreat for Women

Wondering if God is calling you? To church ministry?
To missions? To serve with the marginalized in our
society?

On **April 5-7, 2019**, Baptist Women in Ministry and Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina will co-host a Discernment Retreat for college women who are sensing a call to ministry. Hayes Barton Baptist Church in Raleigh, North Carolina, will host the retreat. The retreat will include time for worship, reflection, small groups, rest, and fellowship. If you want to know more or if you know college women who might be interested in attending, please email Julie Long at julielong@bwim.info or Ka'thy Gore Chappell at kchappell@bwimnc.org.



The three-day retreat is free. Students will need only to pay their transportation costs to Raleigh and bring bed linens or sleeping bags, an air mattress, and towels. Food, snacks, showers, and sleeping accommodations will be provided.

The retreat begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5 and will conclude with lunch on Sunday, April 7.

**Registration is now open for BWIM and BWIM of NC's
Call Discernment Retreat for college women.**

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Baptist Women in Ministry's Month of Preaching was a wonderful success in February! Hundreds of churches invited a woman into the pulpit. Check out the BWIM Facebook and Instagram pages for great photos of the preachers.

If you haven't yet registered your church's participation, please fill out the form below.

If your church has not participated yet, there's still time. We aren't legalistic about February! And if you haven't sent in a picture of your preacher, email it to pamdurso@bwim.info.

[ADD YOUR CHURCH'S INFORMATION TO THE LIST](#)

Monthly Conversations in 2019

In 2019, BWIM will host monthly conversations via the online meeting platform Zoom. Each month's conversation will feature either a topic of interest or be intended for a particular group of women ministers. Some conversations will be educational in nature; others will offer support and networking opportunities.

The conversations will include special guest speakers and will be limited to 10 participants. Advance registration is required, and instructions for connecting to the call will be sent out individually to those who register.

Conversation Topics and Dates:

Tuesday, April 2, 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST – "A Conversation about Living with Illness while Ministering," Special Guests: Courtney Allen, Dorisanne Cooper, and Molly Brummett Wudel

Tuesday, May 7, 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST – "A Conversation for Sexual Abuse Survivors," Special Guest: Nina Maples

Tuesday, June 4, 11:00-12:00 a.m. EST – "A Conversation for Candidates about the Ministry Search Process" with Pam Durso

[SIGN UP FOR A MONTHLY CONVERSATION](#)

Clergy Sexual Misconduct Task Force Releases New Resources

The Clergy Sexual Misconduct Task Force, a joint partnership between Baptist Women in Ministry and the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, have released two significant resources developed for use by churches, seminaries, and partnering organizations. **"Safe Churches and Ministers"** is an educational video that introduces this tough topic and provides much-needed definitions, statistics, and stories that are designed to help churches, students, and leaders take seriously their responsibility in preventing abuse. The video is accompanied by a leader guide and a discussion guide and is available in both English and Spanish.

"Clergy Sexual Abuse Prevention Recommendations for Churches" is a collection of prevention guidelines and documents intended to prompt congregations to create their own policies, procedures, processes and covenants. This resource will assist churches in holding clergy and lay leaders accountable and will prepare churches to respond appropriately if abuse is reported. (This resource will be available in Spanish soon.)

Both videos and written resources are available at www.cbf.net/safechurches.

The following organizations supported the production of this video: Garland School of Social Work at Baylor University, CBF of Arkansas, CBF of North Carolina, CBF of Florida, CBF of South Carolina, CBF of Georgia and Fellowship Southwest. Producing these resources has not been easy work, and there is yet more to do.

The release of these two resources marks an important milestone in the work of the Task Force and we are committed to continue forward in our efforts. We ask that you pray for the task force as we keep working to bring attention to and educate those in our Baptist circles about clergy sexual abuse.

Ministry Search Resources

Baptist Women in Ministry offers resources and assistance both to churches searching for a minister and ministers searching for a new position.

Numerous churches reach out to BWIM, asking for resumés, recommendations, and information about potential ministry candidates, and the BWIM staff responds to each request and provides assistance. The BWIM staff also provides search help to numerous candidates, both women and men, coaching them on resume preparation, interviewing and negotiating skills, and serving as a connecting point between many of the candidates and search committees. **Churches and candidates in need of assistance may now submit information, job descriptions, and resumes online via BWIM's Ministry Search Registration Forms.** BWIM's assistance is provided as a ministry, and there are no fees for these services.

[REGISTRATION FOR CANDIDATES](#)

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Ordination Resources



Baptist Women in Ministry has gathered ordination resources that can help with the planning of an ordination service. Those resources include litanies, poems, blessings, responses, and charges, all used in previous ordination services. We hope these resources will be helpful to you.

Liz Britt was ordained by New Hope Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina on February 24, 2019.

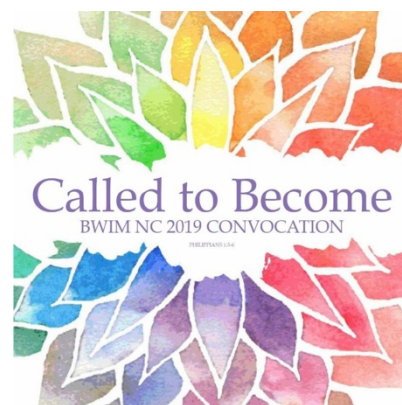
[ORDINATION RESOURCES](#)

Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina

The 2019 Baptist Women in Ministry of North Carolina Convocation will be held on **Friday, March 29, 2019** from 5:30 to 7:45 pm at First Baptist Church, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Come for "**supper on the lawn**," catered by Stamey's BBQ (vegetarian options included), and stay for worship in the church sanctuary. The convocation will include the presentation of the Anne Thomas Neil Award and the Church Award.

The worship proclaimer is **Ka'thy Gore Chappell**, executive director of BWIM North Carolina, and music will be led by **Christian McIvor**, minister of music and worship, College Park Baptist Church, Greensboro, North Carolina.



Baptist Women in Ministry of South Carolina



Monthly Lunch

Ministers in the upstate region of South Carolina will gather for lunch on **March 28, 2019** at 11:45 a.m. at Mary Beth's in Greenville.

Woman of the Year Nominations

Baptist Women in Ministry of South Carolina will honor an outstanding woman minister this year. Recognizing that every member is a minister, nominations of women serving as ministers and of lay women will be accepted. **Submit** your nominations by **March 29, 2019**.

Annual Gathering

BWIM of South Carolina will host their fourth annual gathering at First Baptist Church, Aiken, South Carolina on **April 26, 2019** at 10:00 a.m. The service will provide an opportunity for worship together and reflection.

Virginia Baptist Women in Ministry

Virginia Baptist Women in Ministry will host its annual Feast on **May 3, 2019** from 1:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church in Richmond Virginia.

The Feast will include workshops, dinner, and worship. Registration is \$45 and includes dinner. Discounted registration rates for VBWIM Members (\$40) and students (\$25) are available. More details coming soon.

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Scholastica of Middle Tennessee

Women in ministry in Middle Tennessee are invited for lunch, learning, and conversation each month in the fall and spring. The lunch is held at Glendale Baptist Church, Nashville, and the cost is \$12.50 per person.

Upcoming dates spring 2019 are **Friday, April 12** and **Friday, May 10**. More information is available [here](#).

Baptist Women in Ministry of the Heartland

Baptist Women in Ministry of the Heartland (Kansas/Missouri) will host a lunch on **Thursday, May 23, 2019** from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at the Cheesecake Factory in the Plaza. The address is [4701 Wyandotte Street, Kansas City](#).

On the Move

Kaitlyn Bradley is children's director at Manly Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, Virginia.

Betty Clement is minister of music at Second Baptist Church, Petersburg, Virginia.

Autumn Culbreth is preschool director at First Baptist Church, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Shelby English is children's coordinator at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Macon, Georgia.

Melissa Fallen is pastor of Glen Allen Baptist Church, Glen Allen, Virginia.

Aracelis Vasquez Hays is acting director at the Youth Ministry Institute at Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Connecticut.

Mia Michelle McClain is associate minister at Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Elizabeth Nance-Coker is pastor at Lakeview Baptist Church, Camden, South Carolina.

Lane Riley is the associate coordinator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of South Carolina.

Ellen Sechrest is manager of mission engagement at the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, Decatur, Georgia.

Ashley Somers is children's minister at Macedonia Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Lori D. Spears is vice president at American Baptist Seminary of the West, Berkeley, California.

Julia DeSeno is worship leader at Zoar Baptist Church, Shelby, North Carolina.

Ordinations

Liz Britt was ordained by New Hope Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina on February 24, 2019.

Gayle Haywood was ordained by Brentwood Baptist Church, Brentwood, Tennessee on February 17, 2019.

Brittany McDonald-Null was ordained by First Baptist Church, Columbia, Missouri on February 17, 2019.

Tara Workman-Holmes was ordained by Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina on January 20, 2019.

Newly Endorsed CBF Chaplains

Tina Kay Boyles Bailey is a chaplain working with Prison Ministry in Bali.

Penny Hoey is chaplain at Vidant Medical Center, Greenville, South Carolina.

Yarelis Montex de Oca is chaplain with Hospice, Miami, Florida.

Abby Nicholls is chaplain at Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt, Nashville, Tennessee.

Lyndsay Williams is a chaplain in Missouri.

Cari Willis is a chaplain working with Prison Ministry in Virginia and North Carolina.

Three Minute Ministry Mentor

Eileen Campbell-Reed is an academic entrepreneur whose vocational joy comes through engaging in sacred, redeeming, and liberating work that includes teaching, mentoring, coaching, writing, and research.

Eileen offers resources such as consulting, coaching, and leadership for retreats and conferences. Visit Eileen's new website to learn more about her new project **Three Minute Ministry Mentor**, which offers weekly videos to support ministers in their work.



EILEEN CAMPBELL-REED
academic entrepreneur

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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.

ALASKA

Anchorage-Minister of Praise and Worship-Grandview Baptist Church

ALABAMA

Birmingham-Minister to Students-Vestavia Hills Baptist Church

Trussville-Minister to High School Students-First Baptist Church

COLORADO

Colorado Springs-Youth Pastor-First Baptist Church (part-time)

GEORGIA

Atlanta-University Chaplain and Dean of Spiritual and Religious Life-Emory University

Decatur-Manager of Reference and Referral-Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

Haddock-Minister of Youth-Haddock Baptist Church

Lyons-Pastor-The Oaks Baptist Church

INDIANA

Shelburn-Associate Pastor-First Baptist Church

KENTUCKY

Corbin-Associate Pastor to Youth-First Baptist Church

Georgetown-Pastor-Faith Baptist Church

Lexington-Minister to Children-Versailles Baptist Church

Louisville-Minister to Children-St. Matthews Baptist Church

MAINE

St. George-Pastor-Port Clyde Baptist Church

MICHIGAN

Limestone-Pastor-Limestone Baptist Church

MISSOURI

Elston-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Lawrence County- Associate Pastor- Round Grove Baptist Church

Liberty-Pastoral Residency-Second Baptist Church

Miller-Associate Pastor of Children and Worship-Round Grove Baptist Church

St. Louis-Minister with Families-Third Baptist Church

Tiff City-Pastor-Buffalo Creek Baptist Church

NEW MEXICO

Hagerman-Pastor-First Baptist Church

NORTH CAROLINA

Apex-Youth Minister-Chinese Baptist Church of NC

Carthage-Summer Worship/Children's Intern-First Baptist Church

Charlotte-Associate Minister of Faith Formation and Outreach, Myers Park Baptist Church

Charlotte-Interim Executive Director-Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America/Bautistas por la Paz

Clayton-Pastor of Student Ministries-White Oak Baptist Church

Clayton-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Edenton-Youth and Children's Minister-Edenton Baptist Church

Franklinton-Minister to Children and Youth-Franklinton Baptist Church

Goldsboro-Minister to Students and Families-Rosewood First Baptist Church

Hamlet-Associate Pastor of Family Ministries-First Baptist Church

Hickory-Pastor-First Baptist Church

New Bern-Associate Pastor of Youth and Family Life-First Baptist Church

Plymouth-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Raleigh-Pastor-Swift Creek Baptist Church

Raleigh-Youth Minister-McCullers Community Baptist

Shelby-Pastor-First Baptist Church

Smithfield-Minister of Youth and Education-First Baptist Church

Statesville-Minister of Youth and Young Adults-First Baptist Church

West Jefferson-Music Ministry Director-First Baptist Church

Wilmington-Minister to Students-First Baptist Church

Winston-Salem-Pastor-Ardmore Baptist Church

Winston-Salem-Interim Minister for Missions-First Baptist Church on Fifth (part-time)

Winston-Salem-Interim Minister for Discipleship-First Baptist Church on Fifth (part-time)

Winston-Salem-Interim Minister for Youth-First Baptist Church on Fifth (part-time)
Whitaker-Pastor-Fishing Creek Baptist Church

OKLAHOMA

Altus-Pastor-Emmanuel Baptist Church
Norman-Associate Coordinator Residency-CBF Oklahoma

RHODE ISLAND

North Scituate-Pastor-North Scituate Baptist Church

SOUTH CAROLINA

Aiken-Associate Minister in Education and Administration-First Baptist Church
Anderson-Pastor-Boulevard Baptist Church
Anderson-Staff Minister-First Baptist Church
Charleston-Pastor-Providence Baptist Church
Orangeburg-Associate Pastor to Students and Families-First Baptist Church
Orangeburg-Associate Pastor to Children and Families-First Baptist Church

TENNESSEE

Memphis-Associate Minister-Second Baptist Church

TEXAS

Andrews-Worship Pastor-First Baptist Church
Bryan-Pastor-Trinity Baptist Church
Cameron-Minister of Worship/Children/Youth-First Baptist Church
Carlton-Pastor-Carlton Baptist Church
Dallas-Associate Director/Internship Program-Perkins School of Theology)
Dallas-Pastor-Garland Baptist Church
Gilmer-Minister to Students-First Baptist Church
Hallsville-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Irving-Pastor-Ben Washington Baptist Church
Levelland-Associate Pastor of Youth-Second Baptist Church
Lubbock-Student Pastor-Highland Baptist Church
O'Donnell-Minister of Youth/Discipleship-First Baptist Church
Perryton-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Victoria-Youth Pastor-Northside Baptist Church
Waco-Minister to Children, Youth, and Families-Lake Shore Baptist Church
Waco-Associate Pastor-Calvary Baptist Church
Winters-Pastor-First Baptist Church

VIRGINIA

Emporia-Youth Minister-Main Street Baptist Church
Franklin-Pastor-Sycamore Baptist Church
Fredericksburg-Worship Arts Pastor-Ferry Farm Baptist Church
Hampton-Youth Pastor-Hampton Baptist Church
Kenbridge-Pastor-Kenbridge Baptist Church
Mechanicsville-Family Ministries and Media Coordinator-Walnut Grove Baptist Church
Newport News-Pastor-Immanuel Baptist Church
North Chesterfield-Pastor of Students-Huguenot Road Baptist Church
Richmond-Minister of Youth and Missions-Derbyshire Baptist Church
South Boston-Pastor-First Baptist Church
Springfield-Pastor-Westwood Baptist Church

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