Cooperative Baptist Fellowship West

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You Are Invited to the 2016 Annual CBF West Meeting April 6-8, Davis, CA, @ Pole Line Road Baptist Church



Conference Schedule, April 6-8

All events will be at the church unless otherwise noted The address is: 770 Pole Line Road, Davis, CA

Wednesday April 6

5:30 p.m. CBF West Coordinating Council (CC) Dinner 7:30 p.m. CBF West CC meeting: Pole Line Road Baptist Ch.

Thursday, April 7

9:30 a.m. Optional Tours:

- 1) Woodland Museum of Biblical Archaelogy wufmuseum.org (free). Lunch at Ludy's BBQ.
- 2) Old Sacramento Tour free and lunch on your own

1:30 p.m. Introduction to Dawnings

3:30 p.m. Session 1: The Way of Discernment

5:30 p.m. Dinner: provided by PLRBC [BBQ ribs & fixins]

6:30 p.m. Fellowship & Evening Vespers

7:00 p.m. CBF West business meeting and worship time

Friday, April 8

7:30 a.m. Breakfast at hotel 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayers

9:00 a.m. Session 2: Exploring Vision

11:30 a.m. Mid-day Prayers & Lunch- provided by Dawnings

12:30 p.m. Session 3: Exploring Formation 3:30 p.m. Session 4: Exploring Engagement Session 5: Embracing the Dawn

5:30 p.m. Dinner - provided by Dawnings

6:30 p.m. Evening Vespers

Saturday, April 9

7:30 a.m. Breakfast at hotel

9:00 a.m. Opening session and networking

10:00 a.m. Disaster Chaplaincy in our Perilous World*

led by Chaplain Cal McIver (* see page 2)

11:00 a.m. snack break

11:15 a.m. Identifying suicidal idealization and depression in

youth and how to intervene before destructive behavior – led by Pat Coley & Dana Durham

12:15 p.m. Lunch provided by Chaplaincy program

1:30 p.m. Optional local tours



Macau Mission Trip

by Mary Nell McCoy

How did God bring seven people from five different churches and three different states to serve on a missions team together in Macau, China? Exter Hardy from Pole Line Baptist Church in Davis, CA, sent out an e-mail seeking people interested in a CBF West-sponsored missions team to Macau. Glen Foster from AZ, Benny McCracken from MT, Deanna Laguna, Rosalia Castillo, and Rosalinda Rabago from Woodland, CA, and Mary Nell McCoy from Petaluma, CA responded. They flew to Macau to serve together, April 13-24, in the English language ministry of Macau Baptist Church under the leadership of missionaries, Larry & Sarah Ballew and Cecilia Dell'Immagine. The purpose was to interface with the English classes held in the afternoons and evenings and share our faith with those attending. classes consisted of housewives, service industry people, and students attending the universities who came from Iran, Portugal, and mainland China--most non-Christians.

One of the most interesting experiences with the classes was going on a scavenger hunt to find 25 various points of interest throughout Macau. The mission team was divided among the students to practice English and share their lives together. Questions were asked and discussions

(Macau cont.)

God also used individuals on the team to preach, lead music, teach classes on children's music leadership and working with children having special needs.

In looking back on this particular missions trip, one thing really stood out. God took seven very different people and molded them into a well oiled functioning team together. The team did not know each other until arriving and yet there was not a complaint or a cross word said among them the whole eleven days! This is the work of the Holy Spirit using ordinary people to the glory of God!

* Disaster Chaplaincy in our Perilous World

Saturday, April 9, 2016 (see page 1). Presentation by Rev. H. Calvin McIver, MDiv, BCC. McIver, for 12 years a full-time staff chaplain at Mercy General Hospital, Sacramento, CA.

Whether it is trains, planes, floods, hurricanes, school shootings or terrorist attacks in our cities, all are disasters that bring destruction either personally, locally or nationally. In their wake comes death, sorrow, emotional and spiritual anxiety.

Such events also provide vital opportunities and unique challenges for Chaplains, Clergy and spiritual care providers to play a role and make a difference in people's lives. This session will provide a brief overview of the field of Disaster Spiritual Care and how Chaplains/Clergy can be "First-Responders and ongoing Sojourners" to offer practical support and grace-filled ministry in times of peril. The session will consist of interactive discussion and practical applications with the most recent resources available.



CBF West Grant @ Work in India

Grants are available to assist churches in mission projects. Contact Exter Hardy for more information

Summer Interns 2015: Boise, Idaho

Margaret Harvey, a Baylor student, was one of eight CBF West 2015 summer interns. Margaret served at Mountain View Community Fellowship in Boise, Idaho, under the mentorship of the pastor, Dr. Mamie Oliver. During the summer she preached, was involved in pastoral care, participated in community ministry projects, and attended a Deacon's meeting. Margaret reports that she had a wonderful summer working with Dr. Oliver.

Passport Camps Update

CBF Global Missions Field Personnel Diann Whisnand, who serves on the CBF West Council, was recently awarded a ministry grant for \$10,000 from Passport Camps, Inc. The funds are designated for educational ministries and refugee support on the Texas/Mexico border.

Diann, who previously served in the western U.S. for 6 years, now works in the Rio Grande Valley area of Texas, which sits adjacent to the Mexico border. Her primary focus is in adult education for the poor, such as low-cost ESL and GED classes. But because of the geographic area in which she works, large influxes of refugees and immigrants from Central and South America often present another ongoing challenge.



National CBF
General Assembly

Greensboro, NC June 20-24, 2016

General Assembly in 2016 will be a celebration of the

CBF West Officers:

Coordinator: Glen Foster (Tucson, AZ)
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How to Apply for a Summer Intern in 2016

If your church is interested in applying for a CBF West summer intern for 2016, you may contact Exter Hardy for more information. To submit a request for an intern, go online at http://www.cbf.net/studentdotchurch/#Church. In addition, if you know of a college or seminary student who may be interested in serving as a summer intern, the link above includes student applications.