



AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES OF THE SOUTH

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42nd Annual Session Highlights

April 24-27, 2012

Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel
Norfolk, VA

Theme: "One Body: United In Christ"

Scripture: *I Corinthians 12:12-14*

Theme Song: *We are the One In The Spirit*

Tuesday, April 24, 2012

7:15 – 7:30 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

Free Shuttle to the Church

PRE-CONVENTION MUSICAL - Mr. Doc Christian

New Calvary Baptist Church

800 E. Virginia Beach Boulevard

Norfolk, VA

Ushers: New Calvary Baptist Church, Norfolk, VA

Wednesday, April 25, 2012

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION & OFFICE

9:30 a.m.-12 Noon

AUXILIARIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Men & Women

9:30 a.m.-12 Noon

**Ministers Council Executive Committee
and Interviews of ORDINATES**

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

**American Baptist Personnel System Interviews with
Executive Minister by Appointment.**

1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

ABCOTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

ABCOTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

FAMILY REUNION DINNER-

The Rev. Dr. Gwendolyn E. Boyd - Speaker

8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

OPENING WORSHIP

Dr. James M. Harrison –Preaching

Music: Main Street Baptist Church

Smithfield, VA

The Gospel Choir of First Calvary Baptist Church

Norfolk, VA

Mr. T. L. Joyner, Director

Ushers: First Calvary & Mt. Pleasant

Norfolk, VA

Thursday April 26, 2012

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Worship/Bible Study

Rev. Jeffrey L. Reaves - Bible Study Teacher

Thursday April 26, 2012 – (Cont'd)

9:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
12 Noon -2:30 p.m.

**Business Session
Evangelism & Mission Luncheon
Congressman Elijah E. Cummings -Invited Speaker**

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Auxiliary Meetings
Ministers Council
AB Men
AB Women**

8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

**Evening Worship-
Dr. Leonard N. Smith -Preaching
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Arlington, VA
Music: First Baptist Church &
Queen Street Baptist Church
Norfolk, VA
Ushers: Ebenezer & Fourth Baptist Church
Portsmouth, VA**

Friday April 27, 2012

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

**Worship/Bible Study -
Rev. Jeffrey L. Reaves - Bible Study Teacher**

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration & ABCOTS Office

10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m..

**Empowering Classes -Part A
(Continues with Afternoon Session)**

- 1. Christian Education from a Teaching Perspective (Part II) Rev. Brenda B. Summerset**
- 2. Great Hymns of the Church: Their Origin and Meaning (Part II) Minister Carlos Younger**
- 3. Who Helps the Helper When the Helper Needs Help.....Dr. Linda Kirkland-Harris**
- 4. The Mentoring Heart of Christian Women (Part II)Dr. Jocelyn H. Whitehead**
- 5. Why Planned Gifts? We Need Money Now! ...Rev. Perkin Simpson**

12:00 Noon- 2:30 p.m.

**Awards Luncheon/ Church Clerk of the Year Award
Rev. Debra L. Haggins - Speaker**

3:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Empowering Classes -Part B

- 1. Christian Education from a Teaching Perspective (Part II) Rev. Brenda B. Summerset**
- 2. Great Hymns of the Church: Their Origin and Meaning (Part II).....Minister Carlos Younger**
- 3. Who Helps the Helper When the Helper Needs Help.....Dr. Linda Kirkland-Harris**
- 4. The Mentoring Heart of Christian Women (Part II)Dr. Jocelyn H. Whitehead**
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5:00 p.m.

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

7:15 – 7:30 p.m.

Free Shuttle to Church

8:00– 10:30 p.m.

CLOSING WORSHIP

First Baptist - Bute Street

Dr. Todd Davidson - Preaching

**Music: Piney Grove Baptist Church
Virginia Beach, VA**

Ushers: Mt. Zion & Shiloh Baptist Church, Norfolk, VA