

Additionally, we can help in the following ways:

Community engagement – we can provide you with contact information for neighbors in your community through MissionInsite software to assist in outreach. There is a small fee, HOWEVER, we have helped struggling churches without cost when needed.

Background investigations – we are now credentialed to provide background investigations for volunteers when needed as a service to our churches. There is a \$12 fee per search.

Children’s Camp – July 16-19, 2018 at Coastal Empire Christian Camp in Hiltonia, GA for boys and girls who have completed first through sixth grade (on website).

Mission Trip:—June 24-29 to Cleveland, TN...approx. \$300

Help for churches in transition – we assist churches by being a resource to them in conducting their pastor search by providing training, teaching them how to secure resumes, helping them locate an interim in some situations, and by answering the questions churches encounter when dealing with the varieties of crises that surface during leadership transitions.

And others as needed – our goal is to assist churches. If you contact us and ask for help we will do our best to answer your question or direct you to the best resource for what you need. The above list is not intended to be exhaustive. We are committed to learning and growing as we try and bless the churches in our network, and we want our network to grow.



EVENT TRAILER UPKEEP

In 2015, the churches of the MBA banded together to purchase an event trailer. It has proven to be a huge, helpful resource for our churches in planning outwardly focused evangelistic events. It is stocked with items that wear out across time and need replacing. Being able to fund these improvements is vital to the Event Trailer’s continued availability.



Did you know?

The MBA DOES NOT receive Cooperative Program funding. We are totally funded through the gifts of partnering churches. We operate on a very small budget that mainly pays for the staff who serves the churches.

Our goal is to establish the MBA Ministry Foundation with the Georgia Baptist Foundation to fund mission priorities that are above our normal operating budget. In this way we can do MORE to effectively partner with member churches by providing resources to help strengthen and serve churches and equip Biblical leaders. Gifts to this offering by churches and individuals, will help the Middle Baptist Association have a bright, robust future serving your church and blessing the Kingdom.

Please pray & give generously.



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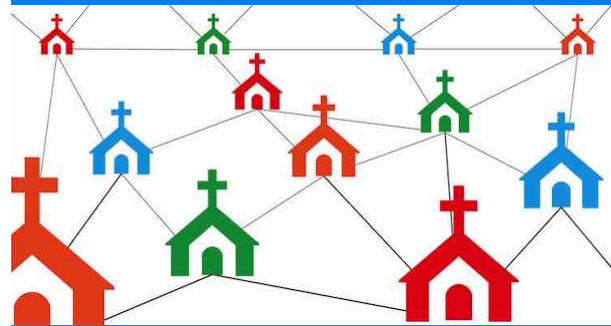
Churches all over North America are facing challenges that are unique to this period in history. Whether or not we agree, some have labeled our culture "post-Christian." Many existing churches are facing the challenge of much leaner attendance and budgets. Much of our ministry energy goes into planning meaningful training, mentoring, and resourcing opportunities and events to help churches make the turnaround journey.

Church strengthening/revitalization:

through pastor peer learning, facilitated roundtable discussions, strategic leadership mentoring, periodic conferences, and consultation we are helping our churches learn how to recover vitality.

What does the MBA do?

The Middle Baptist Association is a network of Southern Baptist Congregations in friendly, willing, voluntary cooperation in Effingham, Jenkins and Screven Counties.



Mission statement: The Middle Baptist Association exists to strengthen and serve churches and to equip leaders.

Philosophy: The MBA will serve local churches and assist them in being effective in what God has called them to do.

- We will strive to be "friendly, focused, fast and flexible" in meeting needs.
- We will not reproduce or replace the ministries of local churches.
- We will "stay in our lane" by only providing resources and services to churches that are most easily done by their Baptist Association.
- We will not make busy people busier by planning meetings that are not essential.
- We will factor in our geographical distance from one another in the planning of events.
- We will constantly evaluate our work with a view to improve our ministry.
- We are an autonomous servant to our churches and a partner with our Baptist state convention.

On Mission Demographics: Knowing the Community (and Knowing What to do About It)



On Mission Demographics

is a service that the MBA provides using MissionInsite software and ACR data to provide real time missional community information customized for your church.

We want to continue to provide useful technology to our churches so that you can understand and relate to your communities at a time, in the words of Lyle Schaller, of "seismic, discontinuous change."

