

# BAPTIST BULLETIN

## Roll Call of Associations for Central Children's Home Van Project



In 2012, the General Board approved a plan to purchase three vans for use at Central Children's Home over a three year period. The first van was bought in June 2012. The plan calls for the second van purchase to be made by June 2013.

Each Association in the state has been asked to budget a special gift of \$500.00 in 2012, 2013 and 2014 for the purchase of the vans. The 2013 gift will be collected during a special Roll Call of Associations on Tuesday night (May 7) at the Mid-Year Session in Fayetteville.

Churches who would like to give are asked to get their gift to the local Moderator before the Mid-Year Session on May 7.

## SANDERS TO KEYNOTE AT MID-YEAR SESSION

Dr. Jerry Michael Sanders will be the Keynote Preacher for the 2013 Mid-Year Session of the General Baptist State Convention on Tuesday night, May 7 when the Convention convenes in Fayetteville. The host Church is First Baptist Church (302 Moore Street) where Dr. Cureton L. Johnson is pastor.

Dr. Sanders is a native of Charlotte. In December, he will celebrate having served thirty years as pastor of Fountain Baptist Church in Summit, NJ. A graduate of Benedict College, Dr. Sanders also received the Master of Divinity degree from Duke Divinity School. He is the

recipient of two honorary doctorate degrees

Dr. Sanders is a life member of the NAACP and a life member of Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity. Denominationally, he holds memberships in the American Baptist Churches, National Baptist Convention USA, and Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missions Convention (of which he is a former president.)

Dr. Sanders has led Fountain to be a strong supporter of missions. The Church has given more than \$400,000.00 to the United Negro College Fund and gave one million dollars to help with relief ef-



Dr. J. Michael Sanders is Pastor of the Fountain Baptist Church in Summit, New Jersey and former President of Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missions.

orts in the Gulf Coast following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The Church gave \$300,000.00 to the Baptist Convention of South Africa to purchase a headquarters in Johannesburg.

## MID-YEAR SESSION COMES TO FAYETTEVILLE



Dr. Cureton L. Johnson (pictured at left) and the First Baptist Church (302 Moore Street, Fayetteville) will serve as hosts for the 2013 Mid-Year Session of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Inc. The Mid-Year Session will meet in Fayetteville on May 7 and 8. The Session will open at noon on Tuesday and will ad-

journal at noon on Wednesday.

"First Baptist has historically been a pillar congregation in the GBSC," says Executive Secretary-Treasurer Haywood T. Gray. "They have long been on the frontlines for missions and Christian education. Our Convention will be very much at home at First Baptist."

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For reservations at  
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Rate is **\$107.35 per night**  
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