

Media Advisory

Who: African American Fellowship of the Georgia Baptist Convention. The AA Fellowship was formed to unite black churches that were members of and affiliated with the Georgia Baptist Convention and to educate the black church and its leaders on the resources afforded to the GBC church regardless of color or nationality and encourage ministry and church presence and participation at GBC events. <http://www.aafogbc.org/>

Pastor Jéan Ward, current president of the African American Fellowship, is a Church Planter and Pastor of East Atlanta Church, and also serves as the Southwest Atlanta Baptist Associations Area Mission Director for DeKalb and Gwinnett counties.

What: A community ministry day to connect residents in East Savannah with the following churches: New Beginning Community Christian Church, Christ Community @ Morningside Baptist Church, and Calvary Baptist Temple (also the site of the Georgia Baptist Convention 2016 Annual Meeting, Nov. 13-15).

When: Saturday, November 12, 2016; 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Where: New Beginning Community Christian Church – 2310 Causton Bluff Road, Savannah, GA 31404

Why? With the Georgia Baptist Convention's annual meeting taking place in Savannah, the African American Fellowship wanted to reach out to the community. Following hurricane Matthew, the fellowship and participating churches recognized both the physical and spiritual needs of the community. Jean, located in Atlanta, has garnered participation of Atlanta-based churches to participate. The fellowship has collected clothes and food for distribution. The Mobile Health Ministry of the Georgia Baptist Convention will also be providing basic health screening through nurse volunteers.

Media Contacts:

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