

BIG 5 CHURCH SUMMIT
April 24, 2021
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, SC
8 AM – 12:15 PM

Schedule:

Registration/Refreshments	8 – 8:45 AM
Session 1	8:45-9:45 AM
Session 2	10 – 11 AM
Session 3	11:15 AM – 12:15 PM

Tracks 1/2/3 Age Graded Discipleship

Session 1: **Preschool – *More than Babysitting: Building Blocks for Faith* (Leader: Kathy Miles, Associate Director Generations Group – Preschool/Children’s Ministry, SCBC)**
Let’s think beyond babysitting when it comes to building a foundation on Jesus’ love in our preschool classes. Young children are ready and able to learn enduring, foundational Bible truths. Giving them the building blocks of faith at a young age will set them up for a lifetime of knowing and loving Christ.

Children – *Discipling Children in the Church and the Home* (Leader: Jenny Provin, Children’s Ministry Leader, Rock Hill, SC)
Matthew 28:19 tells us to go and make disciples, but what exactly does that mean when it comes to discipleship for kids? In this session we will discover practical ways to help you disciple kids in your local church setting and how to equip parents to continue disciple making at home.

Students – *Will They Stay or Leave? Learning the Common Predictors for Lifelong Faith in Teenagers* (Leader: Bryant Laird, Associate Director Generations Group – Student Ministry, SCBC)
Are church attendance and weekend retreats enough to set teenagers up for success in their faith walk with Christ after high school? What needs to be done now so teenagers are ready to follow Jesus when they are on their own? In this breakout, we will discuss simple, practical steps every church can put in place to help teens in their transition into adulthood.

Adults – *Prayer as the Foundation for All Healthy Bible Study Ministries* (Leader: Ed Stewart, Adult Discipleship Pastor, Shandon Baptist Church, Columbia, SC)
Learn ways to strengthen all areas of fulfilling the Great Commission through intentional prayer as a foundation. Participants will understand more about how prayer impacts the teacher, the people in attendance, as well as how it undergirds work in building strong community and missional living.

Session 2: **Preschool & Children’s Ministry Leaders – *VBS: Frame Your Follow-up* (Leader: Michell Witman, Children’s Ministry Director, Riverbluff Church, Charleston, SC)**
You got them through the door, now how do you get them to come back? Let’s talk about what to do and what not to do as you follow up with guests from VBS.

Students – *“I Can’t Get Them to Talk”: Leading & Facilitating Student Small Groups* (Leader: David Bennett, Student Pastor, Lake Murray Baptist Church)

We've all experienced the struggle. We prepare the lesson, we plan the discussion, we ask good questions, and all we get are crickets. Why won't students talk or engage in small groups or Sunday school classes? Is it me? Is it them? In this breakout we will discuss how to lead and facilitate small groups where students learn, engage, and apply the truth of God's Word to their everyday lives.

Adults – Key Ingredients for a Healthy Adult Bible Study Ministry (Leader: Bobby Howard, Director Generations Group – Adult Discipleship Ministry, SCBC)

In this session we'll focus on 3 key areas of a healthy Sunday School Class (or any Bible Study Group): Transformational Teaching, Biblical Community, and Missional Living.

Session 3:

All Preschool, Children, Student, and Adult Leaders – *Understanding Guidelines for Effective Child Protection in the Local Church Setting* (Leaders: Steve Rohrlack, Team Leader, Church Strengthening and Discipleship, SCBC; Bobby Howard, Director Generations Group – Adult Discipleship Ministry, SCBC; Bryant Laird, Associate Director Generations Group – Student Ministry, SCBC; Kathy Miles, Associate Director Generations Group – Preschool/Children's Ministry, SCBC)

This session will offer information about some key strategies that should be implemented in any church setting to enhance their efforts at protecting children/students from abuse situations. Participants will also learn about important resources available to help equip their local churches with ongoing training and background checks for volunteers.

Track 4

Financial Ministry in the Church

Leaders: Nathan McCarthy, President & CEO, Baptist Foundation of SC
Jacque Wenger, Director of Ministry Advancement, Baptist Foundation of SC

Session 1: *Teaching Generosity in the Church*

Throughout the non-profit world, traditional giving methods have changed and evolved. However, the church continues to focus on one stream of giving... the offering plate. God has abundantly blessed many in our pews in a variety of different ways. In this session, we will learn methods for utilizing God's blessings for His purposes and how generosity at its core is a matter of the heart.

Session 2: *Church Investments in Today's Market Environment*

Managing God's money given by God's people for God's purposes can seem like a daunting task. However, investment strategy is much simpler than one may think. Are your church funds invested to align with goals for each fund? Are you strategically managing funds for current and future projects? In this session, we will consider practical and wise ways to manage God's blessings for His purposes.

Session 3: *Legacy Ministry – Why Your Church Needs to Plan for the Future*

Today's generation of baby boomers will be passing more wealth to the next generation than any time in history. Why has God blessed this generation? Could it possibly be to provide for the challenges that the next generation will face? As believers, God has entrusted us with the task of sharing the Gospel

message... could it be that your church members can share the Gospel through leaving legacy gifts for the future church?

Track 5 10 Times Your Church Needs Help

Leader: George Bullard, Executive Director, Columbia Metro Baptist Association

Session 1: ***Help with Vision and Strategies***

1. Vision Issues – For All Seasons of a Church’s Life
2. Interim Issues – Soaring Between Pastors
3. Great Commission Issues -- Evangelism and Church Planting
4. Great Commandment Issues -- Community and People Ministry
5. Worship and Discipleship Issues – Discovering Best Practices

Session 2: ***Help with Resources and Management***

1. Staff Issues – Searching, Supervising, and Policies
2. Space Issues – New Buildings or Retrofitting Existing Buildings
3. Money Issues – Stewardship and Generosity Issues
4. Legal Issues – Constitution and Bylaws, Insurance, Security, and Abuse
5. Conflict Issues – Education and Intervention for Healthy to Unhealthy Situations

Session 3: ***How to Get the Help You Really Need***

1. Triage – Figuring Out the Help You Really Need
2. Engaging – Getting the Help You Really Need
3. Finances – Paying for the Help You Really Need
4. Change – Implementing the Help in Your Church
5. Capacity – Sustaining the Changes You Needed