**Monday, June 15, 2020**

***Our One Priority* Briefing for Congregational Leaders from George Bullard**

A Family of Baptist Congregations in the Midlands of South Carolina

***Our One Priority***

*Starting and Strengthening Churches to Serve as Vital and Vibrant Missional Communities.*

**Thriving Congregations Soar with Faith**

**WHEN:** Tuesday, June 16th at 2:00 p.m.

**WHAT? What Does it Mean to *Soar with Faith***?

**WHERE? Our One Priority Briefing Live!**  As an extra security and for us to connect with you, please register for this dialogue at [***https://forms.gle/LVsK9JH4xbZW5K6U7***](https://forms.gle/LVsK9JH4xbZW5K6U7). You will be sent the Zoom connection link by Tuesday morning. ***(If you are already on the permanent list for the Live! briefings, you do not need to re-register.*** This Live! briefing will also be recorded and posted on our Facebook page at [***https://www.facebook.com/CMBAssociation/***](https://www.facebook.com/CMBAssociation/) and our website at [***www.ColumbiaMetro.org***](http://www.ColumbiaMetro.org).)

**DETAILS?** A new emphasis has been created for congregations in three of the five stages of development in the congregational life cycle. *Thriving Congregations Soar with Faith* is the name of this emphasis and it will be introduced during this video conference on Tuesday. Already a Facebook group has been developed for dialogue on this approach and you can connect with it at [***https://www.facebook.com/groups/thrivingcongregationssoar/***](https://www.facebook.com/groups/thrivingcongregationssoar/). Soon we will be updating our website at [***www.ColumbiaMetro.org***](http://www.ColumbiaMetro.org) to have a clear section that focuses on this emphasis.

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**Racial Redemption and Reconciliation**

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Check out this panel dialogue moderated by Andre Rogers and George Bullard on Thursday, June 11, 2020. The panelists were Andre Melvin, Ant Frederick, John Roberts, Jamie Rogers, Wes Church, Brian Thomas, and Freddy Johnson. This is just a beginning!

**Deadline to Apply for Church Technology Grant is June 30th**

In April the CMBA Visionary Leadership Community approved a technology grant for smaller membership churches with less than 100 in attendance. The grants are to provide up to $500 for CMBA member churches who did not have the technology capacity to become a virtual or online church as of March 14th, and had to spend money they were not budgeted for or could not afford to develop this capacity. Or, if they borrowed the technology to allow them to purchase needed technology for their ongoing use.

To apply, contact George Bullard at ***GeorgeBullard@ColumbiaMetro.org*** or 803.622.0923.

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