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One Priority Briefing for Congregational Leaders from George Bullard

A Family of Congregations in the Midlands of South Carolina

One Priority

Starting and Strengthening Congregations to Serve as Vital and Vibrant Missional Communities.

Deep South Joint Statement on the Gospel, Racial Reconciliation, and Justice



During the CMBA Annual business session Thursday, November 19th, the "Deep South Joint Statement on the Gospel, Racial Reconciliation, and Justice" was endorsed. See this statement and other business items HERE.

The Charleston Baptist Association was one of three associations in the deep South who took the lead on this state as was reported in Baptist Press on October 27th. CMBA church leaders interested in personally endorsing this statement may go to Change.org and offer their endorsement.

Future Church Moment Three

"I believe that the COVID pandemic probably constitutes the greatest innovation opportunity that leaders will have in a lifetime. Yet there is a danger that the church will miss the moment."

George Bullard's Response: Absolutely. God is showing us great open doors of opportunity for innovating in areas where we have been hesitant, faced opposition, and had not seen. Will we walk through these open doors while they are still open?

- See the Future Church Moments at https://columbiametro.org/future-church-moments/ From the new book, Future Church: 7 Laws of Real Church Growth by Will Mancini and Cory Harman. Baker Books, 2020.

(CMBA now has multiple copies of this book available. Every pastor who requests one may have a "free" copy. If you want more copies at \$13 each (the retail price is \$25), send an email to CMBA@ColumbiaMetro.org with your request.)



Midlands Leaders Introduced to Mancini's Future Church

CMBA member and church connection leaders were introduced to former pastor, author, and consultant Will Mancini's latest book Future Church: 7 Laws of New Church Growth in a unique workshop held October 27 at Shandon Baptist in Columbia. See the report HERE on this event.



Mancini and Future Church Company contributing presenters challenged participants to evaluate their church against the effects of cultural trends leading up to the pandemic and the ministry shifts happening as a result, Mancini says every church is now a "church plant" and every member and leader an "innovator."

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