

Program

Northern Virginia Baptist Association, Inc.

Rev. Nelson Sneed
Moderator

Deaconess Karin Henderson
Executive Administrator



The One Hundred and Forty-Eighth Annual Session

One Hundred and Tenth Annual Session: Women's Ministry

Seventy-Eighth Annual Session: Young People's Ministry

Sixty-Third Annual Session: Men's Ministry

August 18, 2025 — August 21, 2025

Theme:

“Encouraging, Equipping and Empowering the Body of Christ for Kingdom Purposes”

Sub-Theme:

“We are Stronger, Bolder, and Better Together”

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(Ephesians 4:32, NASB)

1st Vice Moderator: Rev. James McCray, Jr. ~ 2nd Vice Moderator: Rev. Dr. Janice Jenkins
3rd Vice Moderator: Rev. Dr. Paul Sheppard

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3rd Vice Moderator



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PARENT BODY
Monday, August 18, 2025
~OPENING SESSION~

REV. NELSON SNEED, MODERATOR, PRESIDING
Pastor, Little Forest Baptist Church, Stafford, VA (Region 3)

9:00 AM....."Praise and Worship"NVBA Commission on Music and Worship Arts
Sis. Joyce Williams, Chair
Chantilly Baptist Church, Chantilly, VA
Rev. Terri Reeves, Co-Chair
Mount Olive Baptist Church, Centreville, VA

9:15 AM.....Call to Order of the 148th Annual Session

Theme Song "What a Fellowship" Congregation
Litany..... (page 11) Rev. Dr. Charles A. Lundy
Pastor, Ebenezer Baptist Church, Woodbridge, VA (Region 3)

Moderator's Greetings and Welcome.....Moderator Nelson Sneed
Introduction of Presenter Moderator Nelson Sneed
Presentation Councilmember Stacey D. Hardy-Chandler
City of Fairfax, VA

Giving and Prayer Rev. Bryan Paige
Pastor, Victory Temple Missionary Baptist Church, Alexandria, VA (Region 1)
NVBA Commission on Technology and Media, Chair

Introduction of Preacher..... Rev. Dr. Sandra K. James
Acting Pastor, First Mount Zion Baptist Church, Dumfries, VA (Region 3)
NVBA Member-at-Large

Sermonic Selection.....Sis. Joyce Williams

THE WORD Rev. Dr. Danielle L. Brown
Senior Pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church, Plainfield, NJ

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Dr. Danielle L. Brown

Prayer and Grace

12:00 Noon American Kidney Fund Sponsored Lunch and Learn
Chronic Kidney Disease
Commission on Health and Wellness
Sis. Coyan Lewis, Chair

"Prayer: Don't give God instructions—just report for duty!"

~AFTERNOON SESSION~

2:00 PM..... "Praise and Worship"NVBA Commission on Music and Worship Arts

2:15 PMPresentation of Reports and Appointment of Standing Committees

Nominating Committee Sister Cassandra Baltimore, Chair
International Community Baptist Church, Alexandria, VA

Commission on Budget and Finance.....Min. LiKisha Garner, Budget Director
Harvest Assembly Baptist Church, Alexandria, VA

Executive Board–Recommendation for NVBA Membership

Appointment of Standing Committees.....Deaconess Karin Henderson
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Alexandria, VA
NVBA Executive Administrator

Committee on the Moderator's Address

Dr. Emma Valentine, Chair

Committee on Miscellaneous Business

Min. Ann Hill, Chair

Committee on Resolution

Bishop Carroll A. Baltimore, Chair

Closing Prayer & Benediction.....Moderator Nelson Sneed

Please continue to support your NVBA. Thank you!

Tuesday, August 19, 2025
~MORNING SESSION~

Rev. Dr. Paul Sheppard, THIRD VICE MODERATOR, PRESIDING
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Merrifield, Falls Church, VA (Region 2)

9:00 AM "Praise and Worship" Ebenezer Baptist Church Male Chorus
Woodbridge, VA

9:15 AM "Call Session to Order" 3rd Vice Moderator Paul Sheppard

Opening Selection Ebenezer Baptist Church Male Chorus
Woodbridge, VA

Litany..... (page 11) 3rd Vice Moderator Paul Sheppard

Moderator's Greetings and Welcome 3rd Vice Moderator Paul Sheppard

Presentations..... Men's Ministry
Deacon Albert K. Stewart, President

Young People's Ministry
Rev. Shomari Hargrove, Director

Northern Virginia Baptist Center Appeal
Rev. Jesse Jones, Chairman, Baptist Center Board

Giving and Prayer Northern Virginia Baptist Center

Introduction of Preacher 3rd Vice Moderator Paul Sheppard

Sermonic Selection Ebenezer Baptist Church Male Chorus
Woodbridge, VA

THE WORD..... Rev. Matthew J. Pearson
Pastor, Warner Baptist Church, Falls Church, VA (Region 2)
NVBA Former Moderator (1977-1981)

Prayer and Grace

12:00 Noon..... Recess for Lunch

"Hope says God can, Faith says God will!"

~AFTERNOON SESSION~

1:00 PM..... "Praise and Worship" NVBA Commission on Music and Worship Arts

1:15 PM.....PLENARY SESSION

2:00 PM.....110th Annual Session: Women's Ministry

Women's Ministry Presentation
(Program under separate cover)

Please continue to support your NVBA. Thank you!

Wednesday, August 20, 2025
~MORNING SESSION~

REV. DR. JANICE JENKINS, SECOND VICE MODERATOR, PRESIDING
Free Union Baptist Church, Culpeper, VA (Region 7)

9:00 AM "Praise and Worship" Sister Victoria Baxter
Musician/Vocalist
Mount Zion Baptist Church, St. Louis, VA

9:15 AM "Call Session to Order" 2nd Vice Moderator Janice Jenkins

Opening Selection Sister Victoria Baxter

Litany (page 11) Bishop Denise S. Wilson
Senior Pastor, The Rock Christian Center, Falls Church, VA (Region 2)

Moderator's Greetings and Welcome 2nd Vice Moderator Janice Jenkins

Commissions 2025-2026 Forecasting Commission on Civic and Social Actions
Commission on Evangelism
Commission on Home and Global Missions
Commission on Technology and Media
Commission on Music and Worship Arts

10:30 AM Educational Hour: Commission on Christian Education

Progress Report Evangelist Jacqueline Thomas

Giving and Prayer 2nd Vice Moderator Janice Jenkins

Introduction of Preacher 2nd Vice Moderator Janice Jenkins

Sermonic Selection Sister Victoria Baxter

THE WORD Rev. Charles R. Whitfield
Pastor, First Baptist Church East Martinsville, Martinsville, VA

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Charles R. Whitfield

Prayer and Grace

12:00 Noon Recess for Lunch

"The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us."

~AFTERNOON SESSION~

1:00 PM "Praise and Worship" NVBA Commission on Music and Worship Arts

1:15 PM.....BUSINESS SESSION (only Parent Body delegates may vote)

[NOTE: The Business Session will be recorded for the sole purpose of ensuring the best possible minutes are taken.]

- Roll Call to receive Written Reports

During the Annual Session

Administrative Team

Committee on Credentials and Badges (preliminary report)

Statistician (preliminary report)

Committee on Finance (preliminary report)

Provide at least 2 weeks after the Annual Session (reports emailed to

the Executive Administrator) [if there are any findings, they will be submitted to the Executive Board for review/action and sent to the Annual Session delegates]

Committee on the Moderator's Address

Committee on Miscellaneous Business

Committee on Resolutions

- Budget FY 2025-2026
- Election of Officers FY 2025-2026
- Executive Board Recommendation for NVBA Membership
- Messenger Designations
- Installation of Officers Rev. Dr. Daniel L. Brown
Pastor, First Agape Community of Faith, Alexandria, VA (Region 1)
Former Vice Moderator

Closing of BUSINESS SESSION Moderator Nelson Sneed

Introduction of Preacher.....2nd Vice Moderator Janice Jenkins

Sermonic Selection NVBA Commission on Music and Worship Arts

THE WORD Rev. Dr. Taft Q. Heatley
Senior Pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church, Alexandria, VA (Region 1)

Invitation to Christian Discipleship Rev. Dr. Taft Q. Heatley

Closing Prayer & Benediction.....2nd Vice Moderator Janice Jenkins

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Thursday, August 21, 2025

~MORNING SESSION~

REV. JAMES MCCRAY, JR., PRESIDING

Pastor, Little Zion Baptist Church, Greenville, Nokesville, VA (Region 5)

9:00 AM "Praise and Worship" NVBA Volunteer Choir

9:15 AM "Call Session to Order" 1st Vice Moderator James McCray, Jr.

MODERATOR'S HOUR

Opening Selection NVBA Volunteer Choir

Litany (page 11) Rev. Dr. Henry P. During, Jr.
Pastor, Star Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, Triangle, VA (Region 3)
NVBA Registered Agent, Former Vice Moderator

Moderator's Greetings and Welcome 1st Vice Moderator James McCray, Jr.

Moderator's Giving Rev. Dr. Alfred Jones, Jr.
Pastor, Mount Zion Baptist Church, Triangle, VA (Region 3)
Former Vice Moderator

Greetings ... (3 Minutes) ... Baptist General Convention of VA
Baptist Minister Conference of NOVA & Vicinity
Ministers Wives and Widows of Northern VA
Leland
Northern VA Sunday School & BTU Convention
Potomac River Baptist Association
Progressive National Baptist Convention
Wayland Blue Ridge Baptist Association
Baptist Convention of District of Columbia and Vicinity
Racial Unity

Musical Selection NVBA Volunteer Choir

Presentations NVBA 2025 Honorees

Recognitions Retired and Newly Elected Pastors, Ordained Ministers

"God will meet you where you are in order to take you where He wants you to go."

Presentation of the Moderator Rev. Dr. Augustus Henderson
Pastor, Christian Way Baptist Church, Falls Church, VA (Region 2)
Former Moderator (2018-2022)

Sermonic Selection NVBA Volunteer Choir

Moderator's Address.....Moderator Nelson Sneed

Acceptance of Moderator's Address..... 2nd Vice Moderator Janice Jenkins

Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....3rd Vice Moderator Paul Sheppard

Holy Communionled by..... Rev. Robert M. Yancey, Sr.
Pastor, Saint Paul Baptist Church, Woodbridge, VA (Region 3)
NVBA Region 2 President

Moderator's Closing Remarks.....Moderator Nelson Sneed

Call for Adjournment of the 148th Annual Session

Closing Session Prayer & Benediction

Thank you and God Bless!

UNITY LITANY

“Encouraging, Equipping and Empowering the Body of Christ for Kingdom Purposes”
(Ephesians 4:1-3, 6-11, 32; Psalm 133:1; Acts 4:32; Romans 15:5-6)

Leader: Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, being diligent to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

People: We are stronger, bolder and better together!

Leader: *There is* one body and one Spirit, just as you also were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

People: We are stronger, bolder and better together!

Leader: And He gave some *as* apostles, some *as* prophets, some *as* evangelists, some *as* pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

People: We are stronger, bolder and better together!

Leader: Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to live together in unity!

People: We are stronger, bolder and better together!

Leader: And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

People: We are stronger, bolder and better together!

Leader: Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another, according to Christ Jesus,

***All:* Be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you. Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. That we may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.**



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