

# Virginia Baptist Youth Ministers Association



## What is VBYMA?

In November of 1988, sixty-eight Virginia Baptist youth ministers met to begin the process of establishing a fellowship of peers to be called the Virginia Baptist Youth Ministers Association (VBVMA). The VBYMA is an organization of full-time, part-time, and volunteer youth ministers from across the state.

## Our Mission

"To promote effective youth ministry in Virginia by providing opportunities for professional development, personal enrichment, and mutual support to youth ministers and their families."

## Our Goal

To strengthen the work of youth ministry by equipping our professional leaders & volunteer workers across the state.

## How does the VBYMA work?

The Executive Council, Regional Representatives, and the Virginia Baptist Mission Board's liaison meet annually to cast vision, discuss, and plan ways that statewide efforts can accomplish our purposes. The VBYMA is a resource, a sounding board, and an advocate to support youth ministry on a statewide level.

## Why should you become a member?

Because we need each other! What better way to increase effectiveness for our common tasks than to join together to sharpen and encourage one another? The VBYMA wants to assist you in ministry. Each member is vital to the accomplishment of our purpose. Never has the challenge to impact lives for Jesus Christ through youth ministry been so great. Together, we can accomplish even greater things.

## What are the membership benefits?

- Being part of a dynamic network of youth ministers
- Annual VBYMA meeting, providing an opportunity for fellowship and ministry training
- Opportunities (and discounted rates) for state-wide and regional conferences to strengthen skills and knowledge in youth ministry
- Periodic Newsletter, with event information and ministry ideas
- Free Resource Pack (only at November Meeting)

## How do I become a member?

- For more information about the VBYMA check out our website: [www.vbmb.org/vbyma](http://www.vbmb.org/vbyma)
- To join, complete the membership form and send it to:

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