

**STATE TALENTS FOR CHRIST – Our state Talents for Christ will be held on Saturday, April 17, 2010 at Calvary Baptist Church in Wisconsin Rapids.** We want to make sure your teens are **registering** and **ready** for this opportunity. Talents for Christ is a program to challenge students who are actively involved in GARBC churches to develop their God-given talents for ministry within their local churches and to honor those who demonstrate exceptional preparation and skill.

**This state competition for freshman – seniors** and enables them to win scholarships of \$1,000 for first place and \$500 for second place in an approved category (Bible Knowledge, Brass, Visualized Bible Teaching, Female Voice, Preaching (*Male Public Speaking*), Male Voice, Strings, Piano, Woodwinds, Writing, Oral Interpretation of Scripture and Female Public Speaking) for participating colleges. First-place national winners are awarded scholarships of \$5,000 and Second-place national winners \$2,500 at one of the participating colleges. **IF you need help in locating a coach for your teen(s) please contact me ASAP and I will do my best to find a suitable coach.** **Non-scholarship Competitions include:** Small Vocal Ensemble, Large Vocal Ensemble, Puppet Team and Drama Team.

**Cost for Scholarship Competition: \$65 - Registration will be available on January 4, 2010**

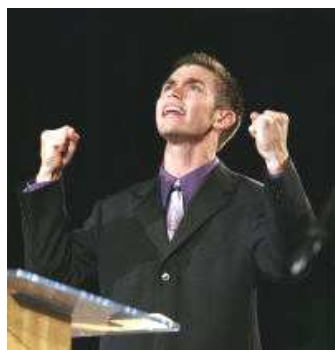
Information for the 2010 TFC competition is now available. Go online at [www.garbc.org/TFC](http://www.garbc.org/TFC)

**All registrations must be made through the National Office.**

We encourage you to recruit and coach teens for this wonderful opportunity for them to use their talents in your church and other churches. We would be happy to send flyers for you to distribute to your teens. Contact Calvary at 715.423.7190 and we will mail those to you or email them to you. Talents For Christ helps teens develop their God-given talents for ministry within the local church. It encourages students to prepare and to gain skill for serving the Lord. Students may choose to compete in either the Open category or the Scholarship category. The Open category is for students just developing their skills or students who are not planning on attending one of the participating colleges. If students choose to compete in a Scholarship category, they have the potential of qualifying for college scholarships on the state and national level.

### **Why Enter?**

Talents For Christ provides great benefits to your students and church, including opportunities to



- **Develop skills**—TFC provides an intentional opportunity to train and equip students for particular ministry roles such as vocal and instrumental performance, preaching and speaking, and Bible teaching.
- **Build confidence**—TFC helps students gain confidence as they practice and improve their skills for serving the Lord.
- **Gain direction**—TFC gives students a high view of ministry and prompts students to consider roles God might desire them to fill in their future.
- **Make friends**—TFC brings students from many churches together for competition. These events contribute to a growing network of friends.
- **Establish identity**—TFC cultivates in students a sense of heritage and connection with likeminded Baptists from across the country.
- **Receive recognition**—TFC rewards students with state and national recognition for participation and achievement in performance with the potential of earning college scholarships.

### **Who May Enter?**

- Students in grades 9-12 with at least a *C* average. (Seventh- eighth graders may participate in the TFC Open group competitions.)
- Members in good standing of a church or mission church/church plant in fellowship with the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches.

### **Participating Colleges:**

- Baptist Bible College of Pennsylvania, Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania
- Faith Baptist Bible College, Ankeny, Iowa
- Piedmont Baptist College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
- Shasta Bible College, Redding, California