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## BSC messengers to weigh budget, officers, other decisions

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**M**essengers to the 183rd Baptist State Convention Annual Meeting Nov. 11-12 face decisions on leadership, strategy and another increase to Cooperative Program giving.

For the first time since 2005 there is a contested presidential race with two candidates expected to be nominated. Currently there is only one candidate for first vice president and two candidates for second vice president.

This year's meeting draws messengers from across the state to Greensboro at the Joseph S. Koury Convention Center.

The theme for the meeting is "Arise," based on Isaiah 60:1-3. N.C. Baptists are invited to "arise" and combat a spiritually dark world with the truth of Christ's gospel.

With a focus on multicultural ministries, the worship sessions this year will include the worship ministry of First Baptist Church in Charlotte, the Spanish worship band from First Baptist Church in Garner and a combined multiethnic choir.

Fred Luter Jr., Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) president, will deliver the convention sermon Nov. 12 during the evening session.

### Budget

BSC leadership is expected to share its new strategy and structure along with a \$30 million budget for 2014.

Once again the convention is asking messengers to approve a one-half percent increase in the percentage of Cooperative Program receipts that are sent to the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC). If approved, this will be the tenth year of increased CP giving.

The proposed budget offers BSC institutions and agencies approximately the same percentage of the budget as in 2013, but with an overall reduced budget there will be fewer ministry dollars going to support these causes. The 2013 budget was \$33.5 million.

A listening session about the budget is scheduled Nov. 12 at 7:30 a.m. in Sandpiper.

### Impacting Lostness

In April the BSC Executive Committee voted for a plan to "tear down silos," streamline the organization and better assist churches in making disciples, evangelism and church planting among people

groups of every ethnicity and cultural context. The plan, which is called "Impacting Lostness Through Disciple-Making," was passed by the Board of Directors in May and will be presented to the messengers during this meeting.

Part of the restructuring has involved campus ministry. The convention is working towards partnerships throughout the state with the convention, associations and churches to best reach a growing and diversified student population. At the time of the proposal there were only nine full-time campus ministry positions on nine campuses. North Carolina has numerous campuses so the convention is working with state and local Baptist leaders to form partnerships.

A study revealed that 97 percent of the areas of lostness in North Carolina are concentrated around eight population centers: Charlotte, the Triangle, the Triad, Fayetteville, Wilmington, Hickory, Asheville and Greenville. These eight population centers are home to nearly 75 percent of N.C.'s total population.

### Officers

For the office of president, Bobby Blanton and C.J. Bordeaux will face one another. Marc Sanders is running against Cameron McGill for the second vice president.

Timmy D. Blair Sr. currently is the only candidate for first vice president. Nominations for all the offices can be made from the floor during the election times.

Blanton is pastor of Lake Norman Baptist Church in Huntersville. Bordeaux is pastor of Gorman Baptist Church in Durham.



Blair leads Piney Grove Chapel Baptist Church in Angier. Sanders serves as senior pastor of Sandy Branch Baptist Church in Bear Creek and McGill pastors First Baptist Church in Dublin. All of the pastors have served in some form at the state leadership level as well as with their church and local association.

### Changes with Bylaws, Fruitland

The Board of Directors is planning 10 motions for the messengers related to changes in the Bylaws of the convention. (See page 4.)

Proposed amendments seek to address three needs: an amendment regarding the change of purpose at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, amendments to bring clarification and/or correction to the Bylaws, and amendments necessary to revise the structure of the committees of the Board based upon the new five-year convention strategy approved by the Board during its May meeting.

Fruitland's changes involve its name, purpose, curriculum and accreditation. (See page 22.)

A listening session on the proposed changes is scheduled Nov. 12 at 7:30 a.m. in Tanglewood.

Turn to page 3 for an index of where to find information about the annual meeting in this special convention issue.

## A GLIMPSE AT THE CANDIDATES



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



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# Annual Meeting theme builds on 'Awake' from 2012

It is with great joy that I welcome you to the annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. I cannot remember when I have been more excited about an annual meeting. The Committee on Conventions has truly sought the face of God in establishing a meeting that will encourage you, challenge you and hopefully inspire you.



**MARK HARRIS**  
BSC president

The theme of this meeting is a perfect follow-up to our theme last year. If you were in Greensboro in 2012, you will remember our theme of "Awake" left all of us truly hungering and seeking God's presence to awaken the Body of Christ in our generation.

We prayed together, we wept together, we were inspired together. This year's theme will build upon that experience: it is "Arise," and it is taken from Isaiah 60:1. It is one thing for the Body of Christ to be awakened from our slumber, and it must happen soon.

Yet, it is another thing entirely to be awakened from our slumber and get up, mobilize and move forward to truly impact our generation for Christ. If ever there was a need for the believers who make up the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina churches to arise and engage our state's population with the truth of the gospel, that time is now!

As I have had the privilege of traveling across North Carolina and serving as your convention President, I have been blessed by so many things. Perhaps the greatest encouragement, though, has been to see and hear in many of our Awaken Prayer Conferences just how desperate many of us are becoming for a true spiritual awakening in our nation. Many of you are praying for it. I ask you to join me, as we gather together, that these days may be looked upon by future generations as a time that impacted that spiritual awakening!

May God richly bless you and keep you as we serve Him together!

**Dr. Mark. E Harris,**  
President, BSC

# 'Arise' and live for His glory

**W**elcome to the 183rd Annual Meeting of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. Thank you for joining us these next two days for what I pray will be a special time of worship and fellowship. I appreciate the program committee and Convention staff members who worked diligently all year to make this meeting possible.

The Annual Meeting theme this year is "Arise." The intent is to challenge North Carolina Baptists to step up, or "Arise," to advance the gospel and make disciples as we reflect His glory to a spiritually dark world.

During this Annual Meeting you will be challenged to invest yourself in the work of God's Kingdom. The Monday evening session is devoted to the "Arise" worship service with great music and a powerful sermon preached by our Convention president, Mark Harris. In the Tuesday morning session, I will share about the Convention's new five-year strategy entitled "Impacting lostness through disciple-making." Pray that God will manifest His presence during this Annual Meeting and convict us to begin living in the challenge of this new strategy.



**MILTON A. HOLLIFIELD JR.**  
BSC executive  
director-treasurer

During the special presentation Tuesday morning you will learn not only more about the strategy, but you will also hear testimonies from North Carolina Baptists about how they are taking the "Next Step" to impact lostness where they live. If you have a "Next Step" story to share – a testimony of how you are intentionally seeking to build relationships and share the gospel – please come by the exhibit hall and share this story with our staff.

You will notice that the exhibit hall looks a little different this year, as our Convention staff exhibits are organized according to our new Convention staff structure. This structure will help our staff more effectively implement the new strategy. I hope you will take some time to visit Convention staff in the exhibit hall and learn more about their ministry areas. Take advantage of the break out sessions Tuesday afternoon that will provide excellent opportunities for ministry training, as well as more specific components of the new strategy.

We are blessed, honored and fortunate to have our Southern Baptist Convention president Fred Luter, an outstanding preacher and a wonderful pastor, to bring the Convention sermon Tuesday evening. You will not want to miss what God will do during this time of worship, which will also feature a very talented multicultural choir. Together, let's experience God's presence as we worship Him and exalt our Savior.

**Milton A. Hollifield Jr.**  
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# 2013 proposed amendments to BSC Bylaws

BSC Communications

**D**uring its meeting on Sept. 24-25, 2013, the Board of Directors (Board) of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina (Convention) approved numerous proposals to amend the Bylaws of the Convention. The Board will bring ten motions at the upcoming Annual Meeting of the Convention for consideration by the messengers. The Board recommends no amendments to the Articles of Incorporation this year, only amendments to the Bylaws. The current reading and the proposed amendments of the affected Bylaws are found beginning below in this edition of the *Biblical Recorder*.

In summary, the proposed amendments seek to address three needs: an amendment regarding the change of purpose at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, amendments to bring clarification and/or correction to the Bylaws, and amendments necessary to revise the structure of the committees of the Board based upon the new five year Convention strategy approved by the Board during its May meeting.

Motion one amends the purpose of Fruitland, including a change in name. See the article titled “Proposal to Change the Purpose of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute” found on page 22 of this edition of the *Biblical Recorder* for an explanation of this motion.

Motions two and three address matters related to voting/quorum by messengers at the Annual Meeting, the Convention Board, and the Convention committees. This is a matter identified by the Articles and Bylaws Special Committee requiring clarification but unrelated to any other proposed amendments.

Motion four proposes changes to the structure of

the Executive Committee based on the new committee structure, approved by the Board during its May meeting. Two committees, the Congregational Services Committee and the Evangelization Committee, are eliminated. There is a single new committee to be known as the Evangelism and Discipleship Committee. In addition, the name of the Church Planting and Mission Development Committee changes to Church Planting and Mission Partnerships Committee. The structure of the Executive Committee is changed by the deletion of the chairpersons for the committees being eliminated and the addition of the chairperson for the new committee for a net reduction of one in the size of the Executive Committee.

Motion five establishes the composition, powers and duties of the newly established Evangelism and Discipleship Committee. This new committee relates to the new Evangelism and Discipleship Group formed as part of the new strategy and structure.

Motion six identifies the new name, increases the size, and updates the powers and duties of the Church Planting and Mission Partnerships Committee.

Motion seven proposes changes to the Business Services Committee. Specifically, the motion includes an increase in the size of the Committee, an update to its powers and duties, and a revision of its sub-committees and their duties. These changes are not related to the new strategy and structure but are designed to help this Committee operate more efficiently.

Motion eight proposes changes to the Communications Committee. The size of the Committee is increased and titles of staff assigned to support the Committee are updated based upon the new staff structure.

Motion nine proposes changes to the Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee. The size of the Committee decreases, and the title of the staff assigned to support the Committee is updated.

Motion ten addresses several items. First, it brings references to representatives of North Carolina Baptist Hospital (Hospital) into agreement with its structure. Currently, the Bylaws make references to the School of Pastoral Care, which no longer exists at the Hospital. Second, it addresses the sizes of the Christian Higher Education Special Committee and the Christian Social Services Special Committee. These changes are brought in a single motion as they address committees that are related to institutions of, or affiliated with, the Convention.

Please note that motions five, nine, and ten bring into agreement the election of committee chairs for the committees and special committees of the Board. Currently some of the committees expressly indicate that chairpersons are to be elected in January each year, while other committees omit this expectation. These motions bring consistency to each of the committees that have been duly constituted in January that the chairperson will be elected during the January meeting. The exceptions to this rule are the Budget Special Committee and Articles and Bylaws Special Committee as their respective chairs are appointed by the Board President.

If you have questions concerning these proposed amendments, please do not hesitate to contact Bartley Wooten, chair of the Articles and Bylaws Special Committee at [bartleywooten@gmail.com](mailto:bartleywooten@gmail.com), or Brian Davis, associate executive director-treasurer at [bdavis@ncbaptist.org](mailto:bdavis@ncbaptist.org).

## Proposed amendments to Bylaws of Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Inc.

### I. Amendments Related to Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute:

Motion 1: *The Board of Directors moves that Article II.G.1. be deleted in its entirety with the following language substituted in its place.*

#### Current Reading:

1. Purpose. The Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute (“Fruitland”) is a ministry of the Convention and shall be responsible to the Board. Fruitland exists to prepare persons for whom study in a college or seminary is not presently appropriate for the Christian ministries into which they are called. It further serves to encourage further training in college and/or seminary.

#### Proposed Reading:

1. Purpose. Fruitland Baptist Bible College (“Fruitland”) is a ministry of the Convention and shall be responsible to the Board. In Fruitland’s associate degree and certificate programs, it seeks to glorify God, serve the local church, and fulfill the Great Commission, by developing Christian leaders who think biblically, communicate the Gospel effectively, and serve in Christ’s kingdom with godly character, competence and commitment. Fruitland accepts students with various academic preparation, including those for whom study in a college or seminary is not presently appropriate, and encourages further education in college and/or seminary.

### II. Amendments Related to Voting at Annual Meeting and Board Meeting:

Motion 2: *The Board of Directors moves that Article I.A.4. be deleted in its entirety, the last sentence of Article I.B.3.c. be deleted, and the second sentence of Article II.E.3. be deleted with the following language substituted in their respective places.*

#### A. Article I.A.4. Meetings of the Convention

##### Current Reading:

4. Voting. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Articles or in these Bylaws, an act of the majority of the registered messengers present at a session at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the members of the Convention.

##### Proposed Reading:

4. Voting. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Articles or in these Bylaws, an act of the majority of the registered messengers voting at a session at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the members of the Convention.

#### B. Article I.B.3.c. Officers of the Convention

##### Current Reading:

##### 3. Parliamentarians

c. Duties. . . . The Rules of Order for the Convention shall be those set forth in the most recent edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, but in cases where the meaning may not be clear the President shall exercise discretion, subject to override by a vote of the majority of the registered messengers present at the Convention.

##### Proposed Reading:

##### 3. Parliamentarians

c. Duties. . . . The Rules of Order for the Convention shall be those set forth in the most recent edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, but in cases where the meaning may not be clear the President shall exercise discretion, subject to override by a vote of the majority of the registered messengers voting at a session at which a quorum is present.



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## Annual Meeting schedule

**M**essengers to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina (BSC) gather Nov. 11-12 in Greensboro at the Koury Convention Center. Below is a schedule of the meeting.

### Monday evening, Nov. 11

- 2:00 p.m.** Exhibits and registration open
- 6:00** Call to Worship – Mark Christian, Worship Ministry of First Baptist Church, Charlotte
- 6:30** Call to Order – Mark Harris  
Pledges (American and Christian flags, Bible)  
Committee on Convention Meetings – Joel Stephens  
Prayer – Lee Pigg
- 6:55/7:00** Greetings/Introductions
- 7:05** Arise Worship Service (Mark Christian; Worship Ministry of First Baptist Church, Charlotte; Mark Harris; Timmy D. Blair Sr.)  
President's Address – Mark Harris

### Tuesday morning, Nov. 12

- 7:30 a.m.** Listening Sessions  
2014 Budget Proposal (Sandpiper)  
Convention Bylaws Amendments & Fruitland (Tanglewood)
- 8:00** Exhibits and registration open
- 8:30** Call to Worship – Alex Rodriguez  
Spanish Worship Band, First Baptist Church, Garner
- 8:45** Call to Order – Mark Harris; Prayer – K'Them Nfn
- 8:50** Theme Interpretation – Steve Corts
- 9:00** Worship through Prayer – Steve Corts
- 9:10** Worship through Music – Alex Rodriguez
- 9:20** Board of Directors Report – Michael Barrett  
Impacting Lostness – Milton A. Hollifield Jr.
- 10:00** Music – Alex Rodriguez
- 10:05** Miscellaneous Business
- 10:20** Board of Directors Report – Michael Barrett
- 10:45** N.C. Baptist Hospital – Gary Gunderson
- 11:00** Institution & Agency Reports  
N.C. Baptist Foundation – Clay Warf  
*Biblical Recorder* – K. Allan Blume  
Baptist Children's Homes of N.C. – Michael Blackwell  
Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina – Tana Hartsell
- 11:15** Election of Officers (Fixed Order of Business) – President
- 11:30** Closing Prayer – J.D. Tew

### Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 12

- 1:15 p.m.** Call to Order – Mark Harris; Prayer – Sydney Stikeleather
- 1:20** Greeting; LifeWay Christian Resources
- 1:25** Election of Officers (first, second vice president)
- 1:35** Theme Interpretation – Larry Doyle
- 1:40** Worship through Prayer – Larry Doyle
- 1:45** Worship through Music – Kenny Lamm
- 1:50** N.C. Baptist Men – Richard Brunson
- 2:05** Convention Committee Reports  
Committee on Nominations – Charles Martin  
Committee on Resolutions and Memorials – Bob Weathers  
Historical Committee – Albie Brice
- 2:20** Music – Kenny Lamm
- 2:25** Board of Directors Report; Budget (Fixed Order of Business) – Michael Barrett
- 2:55** Breakout sessions promotion – Lynn Sasser
- 3:00** Closing Prayer – Davis Hooper
- 3:15** Breakout sessions begin (options, page 14)

### Tuesday evening, Nov. 12

- 6:45** Call to Worship – Simon Touprong  
Combined Multiethnic Choir
- 7:15** Call to Order – Mark Harris  
Prayer – William Ortega
- 7:20** Greetings  
Executive Committee, SBC  
International Mission Board  
North American Mission Board
- 7:25** Special Recognition – M.O. Owens Jr.
- (7:30)** Exhibits close
- 7:40** Evaluation
- 7:45** Presentation of Officers
- 7:50** Worship through Prayer – James Fisher
- 8:00** Worship through Music – Simon Touprong  
Combined Multiethnic Choir
- 8:20** Convention Sermon – Fred Luter Jr.
- 8:50** Closing Prayer – James Horton

# Bylaws

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C. Article II.E.3. Meetings of the Board

Current Reading:

3. Quorum; Voting. . . . Except as otherwise provided by law, the Articles or in these Bylaws, an act of the majority of the Board members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board. . . .

Proposed Reading:

3. Quorum; Voting. . . . Except as otherwise provided by law, the Articles or in these Bylaws, an act of the majority of the Board members voting at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board. . . .

III. Amendments Related to Convention Committees:

Motion 3:           *The Board of Directors moves that the following new section be added as Article I.C.5., and the current Article I.C.5. shall be renumbered as Article I.C.6.:*

5. Quorum; Voting. A majority of any committee in office immediately before the meeting begins shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of such committee. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Articles or in these Bylaws, an act of the majority of the committee members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of such committee. The *ex officio* committee members described in Article I.B.1.c. of these Bylaws shall not be counted in determining a quorum.

IV. Amendments Related to Committee Meetings and Executive Committee:

Motion 4:           *The Board of Directors moves that the first sentence of Article II.F.2. be deleted, and Article II.F.6.a. be deleted in its entirety with the following language substituted in their respective places.*

A. Article II.F.2. Committee Meetings

Current Reading:

2. Committee Meetings. The Business Services Special Committee, Christian Higher Education Special Committee, Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee, Christian Social Services Special Committee, Church Planting and Missions Development Committee, Communications Committee, Congregational Services Committee, and Evangelization Committee shall meet for organizational purposes at the January meeting of the Board, at which time they shall elect a Chairperson ... .

Proposed Reading:

2. Committee Meetings. The Business Services Special Committee, Christian Higher Education Special Committee, Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee, Christian Social Services Special Committee, Church Planting and Missions Partnerships Committee, Communications Committee, and Evangelism and Discipleship Committee shall meet for organizational purposes at the January meeting of the Board, at which time they shall elect a Chairperson. . . .

B. Article II.F.6.a. Executive Committee

Current Reading:

6. Executive Committee.
- a. Composition. The membership of the Executive Committee is comprised of four (4) persons of the Board, elected at-large plus the following individuals serving on an ex-officio basis:
- (i) President of the Board;
  - (ii) Vice-President of the Board;
  - (iii) Chairperson, Articles and Bylaws Special Committee;
  - (iv) Chairperson, Budget Special Committee;
  - (v) Chairperson, Business Services Special Committee;
  - (vi) Chairperson, Christian Higher Education Special Committee;
  - (vii) Chairperson, Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee;
  - (viii) Chairperson, Christian Social Services Special Committee;
  - (ix) Chairperson, Church Planting and Missions Development Committee;
  - (x) Chairperson, Communications Committee;
  - (xi) Chairperson, Congregational Services Committee;
  - (xii) Chairperson, Evangelization Committee;
  - (xiii) President of the Convention;

- (xiv) First Vice-President of the Convention;
- (xv) Second Vice-President of the Convention;
- (xvi) President, Baptist Associational Missions Conference; and
- (xvii) President, North Carolina Baptist Men.

The committee as constituted the previous year shall remain intact until the January meeting of the Board with the exception of the newly elected Convention officers. The committee shall be reconstituted during the January Board meeting.

Proposed Reading:

6. Executive Committee.
- a. Composition. The membership of the Executive Committee is comprised of four (4) persons of the Board, elected at-large plus the following individuals serving on an ex-officio basis:
- (i) President of the Board;
  - (ii) Vice-President of the Board;
  - (iii) Chairperson, Articles and Bylaws Special Committee;
  - (iv) Chairperson, Budget Special Committee;
  - (v) Chairperson, Business Services Special Committee;
  - (vi) Chairperson, Christian Higher Education Special Committee;
  - (vii) Chairperson, Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee;
  - (viii) Chairperson, Christian Social Services Special Committee;
  - (ix) Chairperson, Church Planting and Missions Partnerships Committee;
  - (x) Chairperson, Communications Committee;
  - (xi) Chairperson, Evangelism and Discipleship Committee;
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  - (xvi) President, North Carolina Baptist Men.

The committee as constituted the previous year shall remain intact until the January meeting of the Board with the exception of the newly elected Convention officers. The committee shall be reconstituted during the January Board meeting.

V. Amendments Related to New Evangelism and Discipleship Committee:

Motion 5:           *The Board of Directors moves that Article II.F.15. and Article II.F.16. be deleted and that the following new Article II.F.15. be substituted in their place.*

Current Reading:

15. Congregational Services Committee
- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of at least ten (10) members of the Board. The Executive Leader of the Congregational Services Group shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the committee from its committee members at its January meeting.
- c. Powers and Duties. The Congregational Services Committee shall be responsible for working with the Executive Leader and staff to provide resources for congregational maturation, health, and growth.
16. Evangelization Committee
- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of at least ten (10) members of the Board. The Executive Leader of the Evangelization Group shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the committee from its committee members at its January meeting.
- c. Powers and Duties. The Evangelization Committee shall be responsible for working with the Executive Leader to provide resources which will enable churches and associations to be most proficient in ministering to and communicating the Gospel to all people while helping them establish a spiritual relationship with Jesus the Christ.



# Pastors' Conf. seeks to build 'A Lasting Legacy'

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**W**ith the theme "A Lasting Legacy," this year's Pastors' Conference aims to encourage pastors to influence others in ways that will endure past their own lifetimes.

In a world where people seek immediate success, pastors are called to keep an eternal mindset.

The conference is Nov. 10-11 at Lawndale Baptist Church in Greensboro. It begins at 6 p.m. Sunday and ends the following day at 3 p.m., leading up to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's (BSC) annual meeting.

This year's theme is based on 1 Corinthians 3:6; "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow."

"What we're doing in the churches in which we pastor, we're trying to build up something ... for the coming generation that will come behind us," said Scott Faw, conference president. Faw is pastor of Moon's Chapel Baptist Church in Siler City.

Faw said he hopes the next generation will remember today's pastors for having "preached the word of God" and having left "a legacy of truth and righteousness behind us."



"My expectation is to encourage pastors to leave a legacy, to preach, to really make a difference for the Kingdom in their respective areas of ministry, and for younger and older pastors and preachers to build something lasting," he said.

This year's speakers include:

- Lee Pigg, senior pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church, Monroe
- Jeff LaBorg, east campus pastor of First Baptist Church, Indian Trail
- Junior Hill, Southern Baptist evangelist
- Mike Whitson, pastor of First Baptist Church, Indian Trail
- Ken Trivette, president and direc-

tor of Native American Baptist Missions

- Herb Reavis, pastor of North Jacksonville Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla.

- David Gallamore, pastor of Rock Springs Baptist Church, Easley, S.C.
- Mark Walker, associate pastor of

music and worship at Lawndale Baptist Church, will lead the worship time.

There will also be an election for officers for the Pastor's Conference.

The conference is free to attend, and no registration is required.

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## Minister's wives gather for meeting, lunch

**T**he North Carolina Minister's Wives Annual Meeting takes place during the Pastors' Conference Nov. 11.

With the theme "The Master's Hands, My Man's Heart" based on Isaiah 52:7, women will gather from 9

a.m. for a light breakfast and program at Lawndale Baptist Church in Greensboro. Janice Drum, a pastor's wife from Conway, S.C., is the main speaker. There will also be an election for officers. The conference is free to attend, and no registration is required.

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Proposed Reading:

15. Evangelism and Discipleship Committee
- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of at least sixteen (16) members of the Board. The Executive Leader of the Evangelism and Discipleship Group shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member.
  - b. Chair. The chairperson shall be selected by the committee from its committee members at its January meeting.
  - c. Powers and Duties. The Evangelism and Discipleship Committee shall be responsible for working with the Executive Leader to strengthen churches, by creating a disciple-making culture within churches. The goal of the disciple-making culture shall be seeing churches accomplish their divinely-appointed mission to fulfill the Great Commission by creating disciples who become mature disciples and, in turn, share their faith with others and lead them to become mature disciples.

**VI. Amendment Related to Church Planting and Missions Partnerships Committee:**

Motion 6:           *The Board of Directors moves that Article II.F.13. be deleted in its entirety with the following language substituted in its place.*

Current Reading:

13. Church Planting and Missions Development Committee
- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of at least ten (10) members of the Board. The Executive Leader of the Church Planting and Missions Development Group shall serve as an ex officio non-voting member.
  - b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the Committee from its members at its January meeting.
  - c. Powers and Duties. The Church Planting and Missions Development Committee shall be responsible for working with the Executive Leader to provide resources to the associations and churches of the Convention related to church planting and missions development. These resources shall include promotion of missions’ offerings for the Convention as well as the Southern Baptist Convention. The Committee shall give special attention to distributing materials and resources and working cooperatively with associations and churches to plant churches across North Carolina and with local churches for missions’ development.

Proposed Reading:

13. Church Planting and Missions Partnerships Committee
- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of at least sixteen (16) members of the Board. The Executive Leader of the Church Planting and Missions Partnerships Group shall serve as an ex officio non-voting member.
  - b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the Committee from its members at its January meeting.
  - c. Powers and Duties. The Church Planting and Missions Partnerships Committee shall be responsible for working with the Executive Leader to challenge, encourage and resource churches and associations of the Convention and networks partnering with the Convention related to church planting, associational ministry, collegiate ministry and Great Commission focused partnerships. The Committee shall give special attention to resourcing churches and associations of the Convention and networks partnering with the Convention with regards to engaging unreached and unengaged people groups with the Gospel and planting new multiplication churches.

**VII. Amendments Related to Business Services Special Committee:**

Motion 7:           *The Board of Directors moves that Article II.F.9. be deleted in its entirety with the following language substituted in its place.*

Current Reading:

Article II.F.9. Business Services Special Committee.

- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of eighteen (18) members, eight (8) of whom shall be at-large members elected by the Board for four (4) year terms and ten (10) of whom shall be members of the Board. The members shall include

people with expertise in law, accounting, finance, insurance, management, and the ministry. The Executive Leader of the Business Services Group shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Business Services Special Committee.

- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the committee from its Board members at its January meeting.
- c. Powers and Duties. The Business Services Special Committee shall be responsible for counseling the Executive Leader of the Business Services Group regarding business matters, and including without limitation, procedures of bookkeeping and accounting; financial reporting; the annual audit; the Convention equipment maintenance and replacement; the purchasing procedure by staff; the insurance coverage on Convention’s property; and acquiring or disposing of Convention real and personal property. The Business Services Special Committee shall make such recommendations to the Executive Committee and the Board as shall be necessary.
- d. Subcommittees of the Business Services Special Committee.
  - (i) General. The Chairperson of the Business Services Committee, in consultation with the Executive Leader of the Business Services Group, shall appoint all subcommittees and their Chairpersons. The Chairperson of the Business Services Committee shall serve as an ex-officio voting member of all subcommittees. The Executive Leader shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of all subcommittees.
  - (ii) Contingency Fund/Audit Subcommittee. This subcommittee shall have duties to the Business Services Special Committee for matters pertaining to contingency funding and the audit, including without limitation the following:
    - (1) Shall report, following the audit, to the Business Services Committee for its recommendation of transfer to the Contingency Fund of no less than ten percent (10%) and not more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the income received in excess of expenditures during the previous year;
    - (2) Shall continue approved appropriations until the fund reaches twenty percent (20%) of the Cooperative Program budget;
    - (3) Shall adhere to the following guidelines for use of these funds: to assist any institution or agency where a real emergency exists; to cover any unfunded programs due to shortfall in Cooperative Program funds where the need is urgent and cannot be met within other budget adjustments; and to fund any new programs that are deemed to be of primary importance by the Executive Committee, the Board and Executive Director-Treasurer; and
    - (4) Shall work with the Executive Leader of the Business Services Group concerning financial and business related policies and procedures and make recommendations to the Business Services Special Committee, Executive Committee and the Board.
  - (iii) Assemblies Subcommittee. This subcommittee shall have duties to the Business Services Special Committee for matters pertaining to the administrative functions of camps and assemblies owned and operated by the Convention or with which the Convention has some type of working relationship.
  - (iv) Investment Subcommittee. This subcommittee shall have duties to the Business Services Special Committee for matters pertaining to the policies and guidelines for the investment of available funds as well as monitoring the risk factor and return of all investments with security as the prominent guideline.
  - (v) Constructing and Financing Facilities Review Subcommittee. This subcommittee shall have duties to the Business Services Special Committee for matters pertaining to establishing and maintaining a comprehensive review process for seeking approval for constructing and financing facilities on property owned by the Convention; establishing guidelines for the use of monies from the unrestricted General Reserve of the Convention; and establishing the criteria for borrowing and repaying available unrestricted General Reserve monies.

Proposed Reading:

Article II.F.9. Business Services Special Committee.

- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of twenty (20) members, eight (8) of whom shall be at-large members elected by the Board for four (4) year terms and twelve (12) of whom shall be members of the Board. The members shall include



# Committee on Nominations Report

**T**he Committee on Nominations is charged with the task of receiving and reviewing the numerous recommendations provided by North Carolina Baptists for service on the Board of Directors and committees of the Convention as well as the boards of the institutions and agencies of the Convention. The committee begins its work with the recommendations sent by North Carolina Baptists and only when exhausted, or in the event too few recommendations have been received for a specific place of service, the committee seeks to find candidates who meet the qualifications for service as outlined in the Convention bylaws.

The full report from the Committee on Nominations can be found on the BSCNC's Annual Meeting website, in the edition of the *Biblical Recorder* dated September 28, 2013, on the *Biblical Recorder* website, and in the Book of Reports provided to each messenger who completes their registration at the Annual Meeting.

On behalf of the committee members listed below, I want to thank each North Carolina Baptist who completed and submitted a recommendation. It is not too early to begin thinking about those individuals whom you wish to recommend for consideration by the 2014 Committee on Nominations. Please continue to submit your recommendations, as your input is essential to the committee's work and the ongoing effectiveness of the missions and ministries of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

**Charles Martin, Chair**

## 2013 Committee on Nominations Members

David Blackburn, Jefferson; Joe Cappar, Jacksonville; Shelton Daniel, Rocky Mount; Ellen Day, Greensboro; Shawn Dobbs, Winston-Salem; Faye Edwards, Beulaville; Elizabeth Faw, Staley; Duane Kuykendall, Hickory; Brian Langley, Kure Beach; Charles Martin, Winston-Salem; Ricky Mason, Maggie Valley; Cameron McGill, Dublin; Boyce Porter, Camden; Marc Sanders, Bear Creek; Bill Saylor, Charlotte; Shannon Scott, Raleigh; Sharon Smith, Fayetteville; Aaron Wallace, Wendell.

The Committee on Nominations report follows the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's (BSCNC) bylaws directive to "nominate persons for election by the Convention to the committees listed in Article I.C.1 (b) - (d) of these Bylaws, such other committees as may be assigned to it, the chair of such Convention committees, the boards of

trustees and directors of all institutions and agencies of the Convention, the Board, and such other nominations as may be delegated to the committee by the Convention."

Among other considerations for nominees, the bylaws state "It is desirable that at least twenty-five percent (25%) of members nominated to all committees of the Convention, the Board, the boards of trustees and directors of the Convention's institutions and agencies shall come from churches with a membership under four hundred (400)." This is indicated in the Committee's report by (O) for 400 and over and by (U) for under 400 in church membership.

The bylaws further direct that, "The Committee on Nominations shall include in its report at a minimum the name, church, home town, association, occupation, and sex of each nominee, the name of the committee or board on which the nominee is to serve together with such summary information as will make clear to this Convention the diversity and breadth of representation provided by the slates of nominees."

## Board of Directors, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

**Region 1** - No vacancies.

**Region 2** - No vacancies.

**Region 3** - LeRoy Burke, Zion Hill (U), Lumberton, Robeson, minister, male; Chris Carroll, Elizabethtown (O), Elizabethtown, Bladen, minister, male; Tiffany McGill, Dublin First (O), White Lake, Bladen, lay person, female; Michael K. Moore, Kure Beach First (U), Kure Beach, Wilmington, minister, male; Ruth D. Murray, Southside (U), Wilmington, Wilmington, lay person, female.

**Region 4** - Donald Cashwell, Creedmoor Road (U), Raleigh, Raleigh, minister, male; Edward Rose, Central, Wendell (O), Wendell, Raleigh, minister, male.

**Region 5** - David Duarte, Iglesia Internacional (U), Greensboro, Piedmont, minister, male.

**Region 6** - Herman W. (Buddy) Pigg Jr., (2016 unexpired term of Terry Casino), Mount Harmony (O), Monroe, Union, minister, male.

**Region 7** - Vernon Eller, (2014 unexpired term of Matthew Grindstaff), Union (U), Ferguson, Three Forks, minister, male; Toby Oliver, Brushy Fork (U), Boone, Three Forks, minister, male; Debra Smith, (2014 unexpired term of Delores Greer), Dudley Shoals (O), Hickory, Caldwell, lay person, female.

**Region 8** - Donald Cline, Mount

Anderson (O), Lincolnton, South Fork, minister, male; John Compton, (2014 unexpired term of Kevin Purcell), Mountain View (O), Newton, Catawba Valley, minister, male; Danny Emory, (2015 unexpired term of Billy Shaw), Hopewell (O), Morganton, Catawba River, minister, male; Garry Morrison, Iglesia Bautista Betel (U), Hildebran, Catawba Valley, minister, male; Philip Oakley, Calvary, Morganton (U), Morganton, Catawba River, minister, male; Donald Warren, (2015 unexpired term of Scott Hardin), Parkwood (O), Gastonia, Greater Gaston, lay person, male.

**Region 9** - David Spray, Pisgah Forest (O), Etowah, Transylvania, minister, male; Howard (Cloyes) Starnes, (2014 unexpired term of Danny Hedgepeth), Encouraging Word (U), Waynesville, Haywood, minister, male.

**Region 10** - Mitchell Shields, Little Brasstown (O), Murphy, Truett, minister, male.

## Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

William Lewis Boddie, Rocky Mount First (O), Rocky Mount, North Roanoke, lay person, male; Michael D. Bowers, (2014 unexpired term of Tannis Nelson), Rich Fork (O), Lexington, Liberty, minister, male; Bobby Boyd, Woodlawn (O), Conover, Catawba Valley, lay person, male; Betty Greene, Mt. Vernon (O), Boone, Three Forks, lay person, female; John F. Lee, Wilson First (O), Nashville, South Roanoke, lay person, male; Lyndell Pate, Rockwell First (O), Rockwell, Rowan, lay person, male; Marian Phillips, Oakley (U), Siler City, Sandy Creek, lay person, female; Eric Vernon, Sanford First (O), Sanford, Sandy Creek, lay person, male; Sterling Wall, Lexington First (O), Lexington, Liberty, lay person, male; Jay Westmoreland, Charlotte First (O), Fort Mill, Metrolina, lay person, male.

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Kelli Benfield, Calvary, Winston-Salem (O), Winston-Salem, Pilot Mountain, lay person, female; Chester Jones, (2016 unexpired term of Ed Trull), Peachtree Memorial (O), Murphy, Truett, minister, male; Charles Love III, (2014 unexpired term of James "J.C." Bradley), Pine Valley (O), Wilmington, Wilmington, minister, male; Lee Pigg, Hopewell (O), Monroe, Union, minister, male; Michael Smith, Fruitland (O), Hendersonville, Carolina, minister, male; Ed Yount, Woodlawn (O), Conover, Catawba Valley, minister, male.

## North Carolina Baptist Foundation

Jack Cooper, Corinth (O), Elizabeth City, Chowan, lay person, male; Dale Fisher, Mt. Zion (O), Hudson, Caldwell, minister, male; Mary Lucille (Molly) Foy, Carmel (O), Charlotte, Metrolina, lay person, female; Harvey Montague, Macedonia (O), Raleigh, Raleigh, lay person, male; Jerome W. (Jerry) Rodgers Jr., Hickory First (O), Denver, Catawba Valley, minister, male.

## North Carolina Baptist Hospital

Carol Polk, Ardmore (O), Winston-Salem, Pilot Mountain, lay person, female\*; William C. Warden Jr., Wilkesboro (O), Wilkesboro, Brushy Mountain, lay person, male; Sheree Watson, First Hickory (O), Hickory, Catawba Valley, lay person, female.

\*Elected to three-year term as part of the realignment of the Board of Trustees for North Carolina Baptist Hospital

## Committee on Convention Meetings

Paul Arnold, Olive Chapel (O), Apex, Raleigh, minister, male; David Ethridge, Fairview (O), Raleigh, Raleigh, lay person, male; Scott Faw, Moon's Chapel (U), Staley, Sandy Creek, minister, male; Josh Greene, Green Meadows (U), Mocksville, Pilot Mountain, minister, male; Gloria Ann South, New Friendship (O), Lexington, Liberty, lay person, female; Luis Tejera, Hickory Grove Baptist Church Latin Campus (O), Charlotte, Metrolina, minister, male; Joel Stephens, Chair, Westfield (O), Westfield, Surry, minister, male.

## Committee on Resolutions and Memorials

Robert O. Lyster Jr., Charlotte First (O), Indian Trail, Metrolina, lay person, male; Phillips L. McRae, Troy First (U), Troy, Montgomery, minister, male; Allen Williams, Salem, Whitakers (U), Whitakers, North Roanoke, minister, male; Jeffery Broadwell, Chair, Long Branch (O), Lumberton, Robeson, minister, male.

## Historical Committee

Robbie Gibson, East Sanford (U), Sanford, Sandy Creek, minister, male; Weeks Parker, Snyder Memorial (O), Fayetteville, New South River, lay person, male; Richard Price, Elm Grove (U), Rocky Mount, North Roanoke, minister, male; Rick Rogers, Roanoke (U), Roanoke Rapids, North Roanoke, minister, male; Todd Parker, Chair, Edgewood (U), Winston-Salem, Pilot Mountain, lay person, male.



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people with expertise in law, accounting, finance, insurance, management, and the ministry. The Executive Leader of the Business Services Group shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Business Services Special Committee.

- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the committee from its Board members at its January meeting.
- c. Powers and Duties. The Business Services Special Committee shall be responsible for counseling the Executive Leader of the Business Services Group regarding business matters, and including without limitation, procedures of bookkeeping and accounting; financial reporting; the annual audit; the Convention equipment maintenance and replacement; the purchasing procedure by staff; the insurance coverage on Convention's property; acquiring or disposing of Convention real and personal property; establishing guidelines for the use of monies from the unrestricted General Reserve of the Convention; and establishing the criteria for borrowing and repaying available unrestricted General Reserve monies. The Business Services Special Committee shall make such recommendations to the Executive Committee and the Board as shall be necessary.
- d. Subcommittees.
- (i) General. The Chairperson of the Business Services Committee, in consultation with the Executive Leader of the Business Services Group, shall appoint all subcommittees and their Chairpersons. The Chairperson of the Business Services Committee shall serve as an ex-officio voting member of all subcommittees. The Executive Leader shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting member of all subcommittees.
- (ii) Audit/Investment Subcommittee. This subcommittee shall have duties to the Business Services Special Committee for matters pertaining to contingency funding, the annual audit, and the Convention's investments, including without limitation the following:
- (1) Shall report, following the audit, to the Business Services Committee for its recommendation of transfer to the Contingency Fund of no less than ten percent (10%) and not more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the income received in excess of expenditures during the previous year;
- (2) Shall continue approved appropriations until the fund reaches twenty percent (20%) of the Cooperative Program budget;
- (3) Shall make recommendations to the Business Services Committee regarding the use of Contingency Funds including, but not limited to the following purposes: to meet reserve requirements for future retiree benefits; to assist any institution or agency where a real emergency exists; to cover any unfunded programs due to shortfall in Cooperative Program funds where the need is urgent and cannot be met within other budget adjustments; and to fund any new programs that are deemed to be of primary importance by the Executive Committee, the Board and Executive Director-Treasurer;
- (4) Shall work with the Executive Leader of the Business Services Group concerning investment, financial and business related policies and procedures and make recommendations to the Business Services Special Committee, Executive Committee and the Board; and
- (5) Shall oversee implementation of the policies and guidelines for the investment of available funds as well as monitoring the risk factor and return of all investments with security as the prominent guideline.
- (iii) Assemblies Subcommittee. This subcommittee shall have duties to the Business Services Special Committee for matters pertaining to the administrative functions and property management of the conference centers, camps, and assemblies owned and operated by the Convention or with which the Convention has some type of working relationship. This shall include reviewing all requests for the construction and financing of facilities on said properties and making recommendations to the Business Services Special Committee.
- (iv) Property Management Subcommittee. This subcommittee shall have duties to the Business Services Special Committee for matters pertaining to all properties owned by the Convention which are not managed by the Assemblies Subcommittee. This property management function shall include reviewing all requests for the construction and financing of facilities on said properties, decisions regarding the disposition of such properties, and making recommendations to the Business Services Special Committee regarding such actions.

## VIII. Amendments Related to Communications Committee:

Motion 8: *The Board of Directors moves that Article II.F.14. be deleted in its entirety with the following language substituted in its place.*

### Current Reading:

#### 14. Communications Committee

- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of at least ten (10) members of the Board. The Team Leaders of the Creative Team and the Information Technology/Information Services Team shall serve as ex-officio non-voting members of the Communications Committee.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the committee from its committee members at its January meeting.
- c. Powers and Duties. The Communications Committee shall be responsible for working with the Team Leaders of the Creative Team and the Information Technology/Information Services Team providing input related to the overall ministry and work of these Teams; advising the Board to utilize multiple methods in communicating information from the Convention and promoting the ministries of the Convention; promoting the effective use of technology; and serving as part of the Creative Team and the Information Technology/Information Services Team that seeks to help churches and associations fulfill their mission in their own setting.

### Proposed Reading:

#### 14. Communications Committee

- a. Composition. The membership shall consist of at least twelve (12) members of the Board. The Team Leaders of the Communications Team and the Information Technology/Information Services Team shall serve as an ex-officio non-voting members of the Communications Committee.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be selected by the committee from its committee members at its January meeting.
- c. Powers and Duties. The Communications Committee shall be responsible for working with the Team Leaders of the Communications Team and the Information Technology/Information Services Team to provide input related to the overall ministry and work of these Teams; advising the Board to utilize multiple methods in communicating information from the Convention and promoting the ministries of the Convention; promoting the Convention's effective use of technology; and seeking to help churches and associations fulfill their mission through effective use of technology and communications.

## IX. Amendments Related to Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee:

Motion 9: *The Board of Directors moves that Article II.F.11. be deleted in its entirety with the following language substituted in its place.*

### Current Reading:

#### 11. Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee

- a. Composition. The committee shall consist of not more than eighteen (18) members, ten (10) of whom shall be members of the Board. Also, the committee shall consist of eight (8) at-large members serving four (4) year terms who are to be elected by the Board.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be elected from one (1) of the members of the Board.
- c. Purpose, Duties and Responsibilities. The Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee shall work to provide an effective program to help North Carolina Baptists become more aware of the ethical implications of the Christian gospel with regard to all aspects of daily living, including family life, human life, moral issues, economic life, citizenship, and public affairs. The committee:
- (i) Shall seek to develop a comprehensive program addressing Christian social ethics in the life of the Convention, its institutions and its agencies which may include leading seminars, developing literature, distributing information, conducting studies and research, and other means appropriate to accomplish this purpose;
- (ii) Shall work with all ministries of the Convention, its institutions, and its

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agencies and with Southern Baptist organizations and other non-Baptist organizations to promote the Christian social ethics in the life of North Carolina Baptists;

- (iii) Shall designate three of its members for nomination as trustees of the Christian Action League and shall cooperate with the Christian Action League in its efforts to combat addictive substances and other social evils;
- (iv) Shall work, in cooperation with the Convention staff person assigned to the Committee, to promote the Convention’s position on Christian social ethics with the applicable legislative and executive branches, including the General Assembly of North Carolina, for the benefit of North Carolina Baptists; and
- (v) Shall recommend to the Executive Leader for Administration and Convention Relations the budget for the work of the committee.

Proposed Reading:

II. Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee

- a. Composition. The committee shall consist of not more than sixteen (16) members, twelve (12) of whom shall be members of the Board. Also, the committee shall consist of four (4) at-large members serving four (4) year terms who are to be elected by the Board.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be elected from one (1) of the members of the Board at its January meeting.
- c. Purpose, Duties and Responsibilities. The Christian Life and Public Affairs Special Committee shall work to provide an effective program to help North Carolina Baptists become more aware of the ethical implications of the Christian gospel with regard to all aspects of daily living, including family life, human life, moral issues, economic life, citizenship, and public affairs. The committee:
  - (i) Shall seek to develop a comprehensive program addressing Christian social ethics in the life of the Convention, its institutions and its agencies which may include leading seminars, developing literature, distributing information, conducting studies and research, and other means appropriate to accomplish this purpose;
  - (ii) Shall work with all ministries of the Convention, its institutions, and its agencies and with Southern Baptist organizations and other non-Baptist organizations to promote the Christian social ethics in the life of North Carolina Baptists;
  - (iii) Shall designate three of its members for nomination as trustees of the Christian Action League and shall cooperate with the Christian Action League in its efforts to combat addictive substances and other social evils;
  - (iv) Shall work, in cooperation with the Convention staff person assigned to the Committee, to promote the Convention’s position on Christian social ethics with the applicable legislative and executive branches, including the General Assembly of North Carolina, for the benefit of North Carolina Baptists; and
  - (v) Shall recommend to the Associate Executive Director-Treasurer the budget for the work of the committee.

**X. Amendment Related to Christian Higher Education Special Committee and Christian Social Services Special Committee:**

Motion 10:           *The Board of Directors moves that Article II.F.10. a. and b. and Article II.F.12. be deleted in their entirety with the following language substituted in their respective places.*

A. Article II.F.10. a. and b. Christian Higher Education Special Committee

Current Reading:

- a. Composition. The committee shall consist of not more than ten (10) members of the Board. Also, the committee shall consist of the following ex-officio members: the President, dean, the President or Chairperson of the board of trustees, and the dean of the divinity school (if any) of each of the affiliated educational institutions. Each affiliated educational institution shall have one vote on matters brought before the committee (except as limited below) with the vote being exercised by the President (or designee) of each affiliated educational institution.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be elected from one (1) of the members of the Board.

Proposed Reading:

- a. Composition. The committee shall consist of not more than twelve (12) members of the Board. Also, the committee shall consist of the following ex-officio members: the President, dean, the President or Chairperson of the board of trustees, and the dean of the divinity school (if any) of each of the affiliated educational institutions. Each affiliated educational institution shall have one vote on matters brought before the committee (except as limited below) with the vote being exercised by the President (or designee) of each affiliated educational institution.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be elected from one (1) of the members of the Board at its January meeting.

B. Article II.F.12. Christian Social Services Special Committee

Current Reading:

12. Christian Social Services Special Committee

- a. Composition. The committee shall consist of not more than ten (10) members of the Board. Also, the committee shall consist of the following five (5) ex-officio members: President of the Baptist Children’s Homes of North Carolina, Inc. (“Children’s Homes”); President of North Carolina Baptist Hospital (“Hospital”); Director of the School of Pastoral Care (“School”); and the President or Chairperson of the board of trustees of each institution.
- b. Chair. The Chairperson shall be elected from one (1) of the Board members.
- c. Voting. No ex-officio member of the committee shall have a vote on appropriations or allocation of funds that may be made to the Children’s Home, Hospital and School.
- d. Purpose, Duties and Responsibilities. The Christian Social Services Special Committee shall work to provide a well-integrated program for the Children’s Homes, Hospital and School without in any way hindering the trustee operation of any one of them. The committee:
  - (i) Shall consider problems common to all of the social service institutions, and keep the needs of these institutions before the Board and North Carolina Baptists;
  - (ii) Shall cooperate with all ministries of the Convention in order to create a better understanding of all the problems involved in the ministries of these social service institutions; and
  - (iii) Shall report to the Board about the Children’s Homes, Hospital and School.

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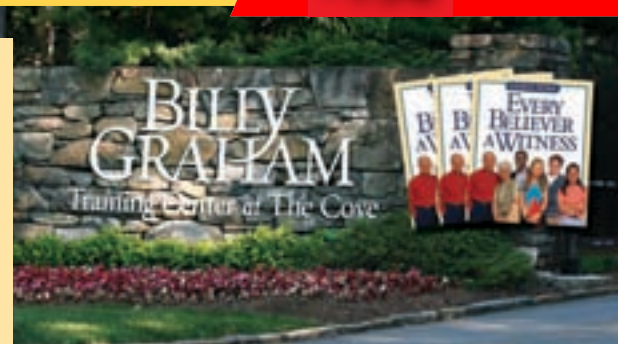
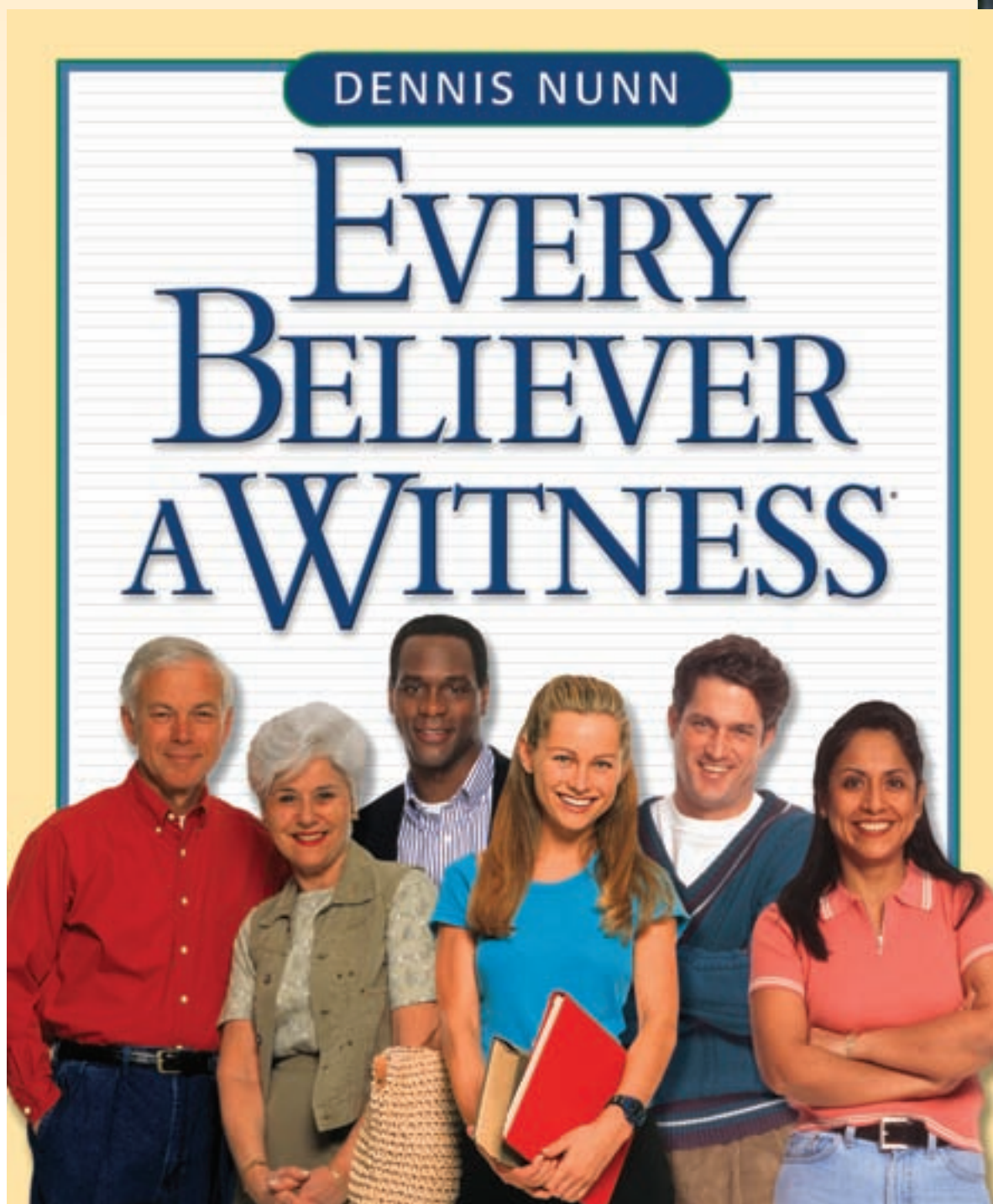
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# Breakouts cover BSC strategy, technology, My Hope

**B**reakout sessions will be held Nov. 12 at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro from 3:15-4 p.m. (Session 1) and 4:15-5 p.m. (Session 2), and are free to attend. Most tackle topics surrounding the new Baptist State Convention of North Carolina strategy but others cover technology, charitable giving and My Hope with Billy Graham.

## Why Eight Population Centers?

*Michael Sowers & Larry Phillips (during sessions 1 & 2 in Victoria A)* – Research conducted by the Intercultural Institute for Contextual Ministry identified the top 100 areas of lostness in North Carolina. The study revealed that 97 percent of the areas of lostness are located around eight population centers across our state: Charlotte, the Triangle, the Triad, Fayetteville, Wilmington, Hickory, Asheville and Greenville.

## Reaching People in Their Cultural & Ethnic Context

*Mark Gray & Antonio Santos (during sessions 1 & 2 in Victoria B)* – How do I reach “all the people” in my community for Christ? Come learn the keys of how to “fish” while honoring one’s language, culture and ethnic context. You will better understand the diversity of North Carolina and the various resources available to help you reach and disciple people for the Lord Jesus.

## Collegiate Partnerships: A New Model for Reaching the Academic Community

*Chuck Register & Rick Trexler (during sessions 1 & 2 in Victoria C)* – Learn about the new model being used by North Carolina Baptists to reach college students, faculty, staff and their families with the gospel. Explore new strategies God is using across the country to impact college/university campuses with the gospel for life transformation.

## Impacting Lostness Through Prayer

*J. Chris Schofield (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Grandover East room)* – This conference will examine the two major ways God is calling His people to pray for the church in North America. Special attention is given to biblical, historical and contemporary ways to respond to His call.

## Impacting Lostness Through Rural Strategy Development

*Lester Evans (during sessions 1 & 2 in Auditorium IV)* – Join us as we take a hard look at the depth of lostness in rural North Carolina. We will explore a grassroots approach to encourage, assist and resource the creation of local strategy teams who develop a contextualized framework for involving, equipping and engaging local churches in impacting lostness in rural areas through reproducing disciples.

We will also examine various models or examples of local strategy teams engaged in targeting specific unreached pockets of people.

## Best Practices in Creating a Disciple-making Culture

*Brian Upshaw (during sessions 1 & 2 in the August room)* – At the top of the Frequently Asked Questions list among church leaders is: “What is working?” In this session, we will explore what is working in making disciples.

We will look beyond the “why” of discipleship into the “how.” Special emphasis will be given to relational disciple-making models that highlight life-on-life discipleship and how to develop an environment where disciple-making is the norm and not the exception.

## Transformational Discipleship and Teenagers

*Merrie Johnson (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Tidewater room)* – Join us as we discover how our North Carolina Baptist churches are doing in discipling our students. We will look at the findings of a recent survey conducted during Youth Weeks camp at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly at Fort Caswell and investigate what we must do to equip our teenagers to live transformed lives with a Kingdom focus.

## Involving Your Church in Life Changing Mission Projects

*Richard Brunson & N.C. Baptist Men staff (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Oak room)* – We are called to be “on mission” in our Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the ends of the earth. This session will cover local, state, national and international mission opportunities and needs. If your church is interested in “doing” missions, this breakout session will be helpful.

## A Discipling Approach to Stewardship

*Neal Eller (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Tanglewood room)* – This session will help persuade participants to become generous disciples who influence their sphere of influence and then reproduce themselves.

## Ministry Without Regrets

*Eddie Thompson (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Sandpiper room)* – Ten powerful decisions pastors and their families should make and how they make a difference.

## Follow Me as I Follow Jesus

*Ashley Allen (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Heritage room)* – Have you ever been mentored or mentored someone else? Do you want to learn how to teach others to follow Christ? We are going to learn how to become disciple-making leaders who reach the world for Christ.

## Engaging North America

*Cameron McGill (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Grandover West room)* – The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina is partnering with three of North America’s most influential cities. Our partners from New York, Boston and Toronto will share what God is doing in their cities and how your church can partner to engage people with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## Using “The Story” to Share Jesus

*Marty Dupree & George Robinson (during session 1 in Cedar B and during session 2 in Cedar C)* – “The Story” focuses on four major themes of the Bible: Creation, Fall, Rescue and Restoration. It is designed to help people know God’s Story. When you know God’s Story you live it, and when you live God’s Story, you cannot help but share it. Join us as we walk through various ways you can incorporate “The Story” into your lifestyles, ministries and churches ([www.viewthestory.org](http://www.viewthestory.org)).

## 3D - A Church Strengthening Strategy for Making Disciples

*Rick Hughes (during session 2 in the Pebble Beach room)* – There is hope! This breakout will help you determine if your congregation is living the biblical mandate for the local church of creating a culture for making disciples.

It will provide tools to assist you in discovering answers and measurements for a Christ-centered congregation. This breakout session will provide you beginning steps to living the call that God has placed on your church.

## Day One Discipleship

*Cheryl Markland (during sessions 1 & 2 in Cedar A)* – From day one of a child’s life, parents can begin to disciple their child to be a Christ follower. Join us as we explore ways your church can equip parents for this important task.

People brought babies to Jesus, hoping He might touch them. When the disciples saw it, they shooed them off.

Jesus called them back. “Let these children alone. Don’t get between them and me. These children are the kingdom’s pride and joy” (Luke 18:15-17).

## “My Hope” Next Steps

*Chuck Campbell (during session 1 in the Pebble Beach room)* – Look after those who give their lives to Jesus Christ and help them grow in faith. This is the last step in the “My Hope America” strategy, and an essential step in the disciple-making process. Join us as we explore the next steps of equipping, enabling, empowering and energizing those who have come to Christ, as they move from friends to followers.

## Church Renewal Journey

*Bob & Phyllis Foy (during sessions 1 & 2 in the Turnberry room)* – Come rediscover the potential for the Holy Spirit to renew your church using this proven ministry.

## Your Church Website

*Lai Salmonson (during session 2 in the Pinehurst room)* – This session will provide an overview on choosing a domain name, a hosting company and the right website content management system to fit your church’s needs.

## The Ministry Grid

*Keith Feather (during session 1 in the Pinehurst room)* – Ministry Grid is a subscription-based, online leadership development platform for pastors, staff and volunteers featuring more than 1,000 video courses on a wide range of topics. The system allows pastors and leaders to customize training tracks to best fit their people’s unique needs.

## Making the IRS Your Generosity Partner

*Bill Price and Alan Cox, Impact Stewardship Resources (during sessions 1 & 2 in Imperial C)* – 21st Century Charitable Giving Strategies: Help your church members learn to support the ministries of your church in creative ways they have never considered by utilizing proven tax-wise methods.





Carolina Faith Riders is a motorcycle ministry of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. It is a ministry designed for motorcyclists to go into their community and build relationships with others who have the same interest, in order to share the love of Jesus. The main goal of Carolina Faith Riders is to be intentional about disciple-making.

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# Kivett's offers fine church furniture

(EDITOR'S NOTE – Kivett's has been advertising with the Biblical Recorder for more than 10 years. We're showcasing this company in gratitude for their support.)

**K**ivett's Fine Church Furniture Inc. is the largest family-owned and operated pew manufacturer and pew refinisher in the United States.

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Since then, Kivett's expanded their expertise and now produces not only pews but chairs, office furniture, pulpits, stained glass, steeples and more. They do complete church renovations with products manufactured in their own workshop, and they are one of the few companies that build and repair steeples.

"Our company is unique because of the employees working here for decades, some as long as 40 years," said Kivett.

"The people who work here really are like family."

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Known for its furniture, Kivett's Fine Church Furniture Inc. also offers steeples, stained glass and more. It is family-owned and has been in business more than 50 years. (Kivett's photos)



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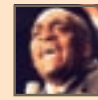
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# Proposal to change the purpose of Fruitland

BSC Communications

**M**essengers attending the annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention (Convention) this November will be considering a motion from the Convention's Board of Directors (Board) related to the purpose of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute (Fruitland). The proposal to change the purpose of Fruitland originated with the Fruitland Board of Directors and was presented to the Convention's Board of Directors at its meeting in May 2013.

The Convention's Board approved the proposed changes. The Convention's Bylaws require that any change to the purpose of Fruitland must be approved by the Convention's messengers during the annual meeting.

The Convention's Board will bring motions to amend Articles I and III of Fruitland's Constitution and to amend Article II.G.1. of the Convention's Bylaws to the messengers for consideration during the upcoming Annual Meeting of the Convention on Nov. 12.

The proposed amendments to Articles I and III of the Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute Constitution are found below. The proposed amendment to the Convention's Bylaws is included in

Motion I of the proposed changes to the Bylaws located beginning on page 4 in this edition of the *Biblical Recorder*. The current reading of Article I and Article III of the Fruitland Constitution, as well as the proposed reading of each, together with the proposed amendment to the Convention's Bylaws are also available on the Convention's Annual Meeting website. To access these documents, please visit <http://bit.ly/1aKP8tT>.

In 2012, the Fruitland Board of Directors began a study related to three changes related to the school. The first was for Fruitland to become a junior college offering associate degrees with a change of name from Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute to Fruitland Baptist Bible College.

The second change was related to an expansion of the curriculum. The third change was to seek accreditation for the school.

The change to a college as reflected by the change of the name impacts the stated purpose of the school. Currently, the stated purpose includes the following language: *The purpose of Fruitland is to provide a high quality Biblical education for persons called into Christian ministries for whom study in a college or seminary may not be presently appropriate.* Therefore, becoming a college with a change of

name of the school requires a change in the stated purpose of the school, which as stated previously, requires approval by the messengers during an annual meeting of the Convention.

The change of curriculum also impacts the stated purpose of the school. The change in curriculum will result in an expansion of the current associate degree program offered.

The current purpose statement does not recognize that the school has been offering both certificate and associate degree programs for many years. The new purpose articulates the programs that have been offered by Fruitland for many years.

The third change approved by the Fruitland Board does not directly impact the current stated purpose of the school. However, the proposed stated purpose has been developed with the intent of satisfying the requirements of potential accrediting agencies. Therefore, the proposed stated purpose seeks to position Fruitland for the next steps in seeking accreditation in the future.

The Convention Board supports and affirms the actions of the Fruitland Board. Therefore, the Convention Board brings this recommendation to the Convention messengers for consideration. If the motion to amend the

Fruitland Constitution is approved by the messengers, a subsequent motion will be presented to amend the Convention's Bylaws to bring agreement on Fruitland's new purpose as set forth in its Constitution with the Convention's Bylaws.

The proposed change in stated purpose does not impact the relationship between Fruitland and the Convention. The educational institution is, and remains, a ministry of the Convention. The Fruitland Board, while having specific duties and assignments, maintains its accountability to the Convention's Board of Directors. Fruitland continues to share in the distribution of Cooperative Program funds. The employees of Fruitland remain employees of the Convention; likewise, the property of Fruitland continues to be owned by the Convention.

Should you have questions about the proposed changes to Fruitland's purpose, please contact David Horton, Fruitland president at [president@fruitland.edu](mailto:president@fruitland.edu).

Questions related to the process needed to approve this change in purpose during the Annual Meeting of the Convention may be directed to Brian Davis, associate executive director-treasurer at [bdavis@ncbaptist.org](mailto:bdavis@ncbaptist.org).

## Proposed amendments to Constitution of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute

The Board of Directors moves that the messengers approve the following amendments to Articles I and III of the Constitution of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute to change its purpose as set forth in the amended Articles I and III:

### Article I - Name

#### Current Reading:

This ministry shall be named Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, hereinafter referred to as "Fruitland."

#### Proposed Reading:

This ministry shall be named Fruitland Baptist Bible College, hereinafter referred to as "Fruitland."

### Article III - Purpose

#### Current Reading:

The purpose of Fruitland is to provide a high quality Biblical education for persons called into Christian ministries for whom study in a college or seminary may not be presently appropriate. It further serves to encourage additional training in college and/or seminary. Recognizing the Biblical mandate for ministry preparation in II Timothy 2:15, Fruitland shall maintain an atmosphere which encourages development of the whole person for Christian ministry, life, and the practice of personal integrity in ministry.

In keeping with the mandate of the Convention, Fruitland shall foster a spirit of denominational cooperation and sacrificial service to the churches.

#### Proposed Reading:

The purpose of Fruitland Baptist Bible College in its associate degree and certificate programs is to glorify God, serve the local church, and fulfill the Great Commission, by developing Christian leaders who think biblically, communicate the gospel effectively, and serve in Christ's kingdom with godly character, competence, and commitment.

Fruitland accepts students with various and/or limited academic preparation. Recognizing the biblical mandate of ministry preparation in 2 Timothy 2:15, Fruitland shall maintain an atmosphere which encourages development of the whole person for Christian ministry, life, and the practice of personal integrity in ministry.

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### Resolutions

A resolution has traditionally been defined as an expression of opinions or concern, as compared to a motion, which calls for action. A resolution is not used to direct any entity of the BSC to specific action. The BSC By-laws provide that all resolutions are to be submitted to the Committee on Resolutions in writing no later than Sept. 10 prior to the annual meeting in which the proposed resolution is to be considered. If a resolution has not been previously submitted to the Committee on Resolutions, then the Convention may consider a resolution only upon a vote by two-thirds of the messengers to suspend the rules. It is suggested that any messenger desiring to present a resolution from the floor contact a parliamentarian or a Convention officer regarding the appropriate procedure.

### Making a Motion

A motion calls for a specific action by the BSC. A motion normally begins

with, "I move that." Write the motion legibly. If the motion is spontaneous and you do not have time to write it before presenting it to the Convention at a designated microphone, write the motion, as you stated it, before leaving the microphone area. Avoid any language in your motion that could be construed as mandating an action by a BSC entity. These are typically ruled out of order for legal reasons. Instead, word such motions as requests to the entity.

Go to a floor microphone at a time when motions are being considered. Notify the microphone monitor of your desire to make a motion. When recognized by the presiding officer, state your name, the name and location of your church and read your motion. DO NOT argue the merits of your motion. If your motion receives a second, you will be given the first opportunity to speak on behalf of your motion, after which discussion by others will follow, alternating between opponents and supporters. When you finish speaking, please bring your written motion to the platform.

### Point of Order

The purpose of a Point of Order is to call the attention of the chair to a violation of the Convention's rules. A Point of Order should be raised only when a member has good reason to believe that the chair has failed to notice and correct a breach of the rules that prevents the proper transaction of business. Because a Point of Order interrupts pending business, it should not be raised merely to point out minor irregularities or as a guise for debating an issue or as a method of obstructing business or harassing the chair. Improper Points of Order will be ruled out of order.

### Microphone System

To assist messengers wishing to bring items to the floor of the conven-

tion for consideration, as well as the debate of all appropriately presented business, a microphone system is employed during the Convention's business sessions. When messengers approach the microphones they will be asked by the microphone monitor to declare their intent: introducing a motion, speaking for/against a motion already under consideration, or other parliamentary procedures. A computerized sequencing system is employed to register messengers and provide the presiding officer information regarding the nature of a comment. Messengers will not be recognized by the chair unless they are properly registered at a microphone.

The presiding officer uses the information from the computerized system to guide him as he moderates the debate striving to alternate between messengers wishing to speak for and those wishing to speak against an issue brought before the convention for consideration.

In the event that deliberation of a motion must be interrupted to address a fixed order of business, the computerized sequencing system will retain the order in which messengers have registered to speak to that motion in order

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### Nominations

The Committee on Nominations will publish their full report in the *Biblical Recorder* in at least one issue with a publication date at least four (4) weeks prior to the annual meeting and on the Convention's website at least 35 days in advance of the annual meeting. The report will include the name, church, home town, association, occupation and gender of each nominee as well as the name of the agency, institution or board to which they are being nominated to serve.

The name of any person to be nominated from the floor of the Convention and the name or the nominee intended to be displaced shall appear on the Convention's website and may also be available on the *Biblical Recorder's* website beginning at least fourteen (14) days in advance of the meeting. In addition, biographical material relating to any person proposed to be nominated from the floor of the Convention shall be given to the institution or agency involved and to the Committee on Nominations at least one (1) week prior to the meeting.

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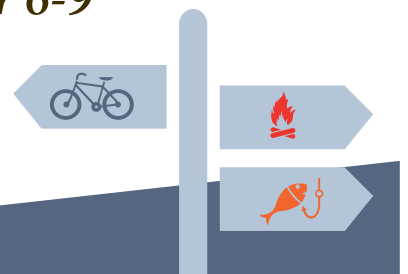
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