

2007 Annual

Baptist Convention
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Proceedings of the Twelfth Annual Convention
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And Dates

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BCI STANDING COMMITTEES

Committee on Committees Report

Mike Roberts, Chair

The following persons are recommended by the Committee on Committees to fill vacancies for the indicated terms:

Credentials Committee

Marion Livingston, Chair	(Expires 2008)
Max Carmichael	(Expires 2008)
Ken Polsley	(Expires 2009)
Gene Stockton	(Expires 2009)
Ross Harmonson	(Expires 2010)

Program Committee (2008 Annual Meeting)

Terry Wilkinson, Chair
Pastors' Conference President
Pastors' Conference Vice President
Joan Barrentine
Jonette Appleton

Guest Members:

Representative, North American Mission Board
Kim Margrave, Tennessee Baptist Convention

Executive Board Nominating Committee

David Miller, Chair	(Expires 2008)
Max Carmichael	(Expires 2008)
Steve Nolting	(Expires 2009)
Ed Bard	(Expires 2009)
Eric Schumacher	(Expires 2010)
Claude McFerron	(Expires 2010)
Marcia Rodger	(Expires 2011)

Constitution Review Committee

Bob Luebbert, Chair	(Expires 2008)
Ron Kallem	(Expires 2008)
Paul Porter	(Expires 2009)
Stan Rankins	(Expires 2009)
Mitch Green	(Expires 2010)
Dennis Bradley	(Expires 2010)

Resolutions Committee (2008 Annual Meeting)

Chuck Spindler, Chair
Ken Livingston
Robert Taylor
Ross Harmonson
Richard Lamborn

History Committee

David Brown, Chair	(Expires 2009)
Willard Smith	(Expires 2008)
Joe Needham	(Expires 2010)

Iowa Baptist Committee

Paul Porter, Chair	(Expires 2010)
Ed Bard	(Expires 2008)
Todd Stiles	(Expires 2009)

Baptist Foundation Committee

David Church, Chair-2008	(Expires 2008)
Ken Smith	(Expires 2008)
Patsy Noble	(Expires 2009)
Johnny Burns	(Expires 2009)
Bob Scott	(Expires 2010)
Sandy Guthrie	(Expires 2010)

Baptist Convention of Iowa
CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I, NAME

The name of this body is Baptist Convention of Iowa.

ARTICLE II, PURPOSE

It shall be the purpose of this Convention to offer an Agency of Cooperation for the churches and missions, to promote the preaching of the gospel in Iowa and throughout the world, to support ministerial and Christian education, to organize and promote all phases of work fostered by this Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, and to aid any benevolent or moral movements it may deem promotive of God's Kingdom.

ARTICLE III, AUTHORITY

1. The Convention shall have ultimate control of any institutions that have been, or may be, acquired by or originated in this body.
2. The Convention shall choose for each institution a board of trustees, in number according to the charter of each institution, and fix their terms of service, reserving the right to change the terms of service of such trustees and to remove from office any and all of them at will. Boards of trustees and other agencies shall in everything be subject to the control of this Convention.
3. The Convention reserves the right, as plainly implied in the first section of this article, to effect a change in the charter of any of its institutions. Any institution which desires to amend its charter shall submit the proposed amendment in writing to the Convention for its approval, provided that the proposed changes be submitted in writing to the Convention on the first day of its meeting and be voted on the second day.
4. Trustees shall make such annual and special reports of their expenditures and of the state of their respective institutions as this Convention may require.
5. No trustee shall be paid a salary, fee, or commission by the institution he serves as trustee.
6. While independent and sovereign in its own affairs, this Convention recognizes the autonomy of churches and associations and disclaims all right of exercising authority over any church, association or any other Baptist institution not under the management of this Convention.

ARTICLE IV, MEMBERSHIP

The Convention shall consist of messengers who are members of Baptist Churches and Missions cooperating with the Convention selected on either a numerical or financial basis. A cooperating church shall be defined as one participating in and contributing to the causes of the Baptist Convention of Iowa, i.e., cooperative program and missions giving. Each messenger shall be a member of the church which elects him/her.

1. On a numerical basis: two messengers shall be allowed from each cooperating church or mission of fifty members or less and one other messenger for every additional fifty members.
2. On a financial basis: one messenger shall be allowed from each cooperating church or mission for any part of the first two hundred dollars contributed to the work of the Convention, one additional messenger for the next five hundred dollars above the first two hundred dollars contributed to the work of the Convention, and one additional messenger for each two hundred dollars contributed to the work of the Convention above the first seven hundred dollars.
3. The messengers shall be elected and certified by the churches to the Convention with no church having more than ten (10) messengers.
4. The records as shown in the last published annual of the Baptist Convention of Iowa shall be used to determine the number of messengers from any one church.

ARTICLE V, OFFICERS

1. The officers of the Convention shall be president, a first vice president, a second vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer.
2. All officers except the treasurer shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Convention, the president on the evening of the first day and the vice presidents in the same session or the morning session of the second day. Their term of office shall begin at the close of that annual convention.
3. The executive director-treasurer elected by the Executive Board of the Convention shall serve as the treasurer of the Convention.
4. The term of the office for the president is limited to two years, and he shall not be eligible for re-election until as much as one year has elapsed from the time his successor is named.

5. No employee of the Convention, its several institutions, agencies, or programs of work receiving compensation from the convention's budget shall be eligible to serve as president, 1st vice president, or 2nd vice president.
6. Officers of the Convention, officers and members of boards of trustees, and members of committees of the Convention shall hold membership in a church affiliated with and in cooperation with the Baptist Convention of Iowa.

ARTICLE VI, DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. President: The duties of the president shall be to preside at all meetings of the Convention and serve as chairman of the Executive Board; while presiding at meetings, maintain order, decide all points of order except those appealed to the body, and to appoint the committee on committees. It shall be the president's privilege to speak as any other person, provided one of the vice presidents has been called to the chair. The president shall serve as ex-officio member of all committees, except when he chooses to ask one of the vice presidents to serve.
2. First Vice-President shall act in full capacity of president when the president is unable to fulfill the responsibilities or the office is vacant, or when the president chooses to invite the vice president to serve. The first vice president shall serve as ex-officio to the executive board.
3. Second Vice-President shall be available to preside when called upon by the President. The Second Vice-President shall act in full capacity of the First Vice-President when the First Vice-President is unable to fulfill the responsibilities or the office is vacant.
4. The Secretary shall record all proceedings of the Convention in session and the executive board in its meetings. The secretary shall keep a file of the minutes in a fireproof protection. This file constitutes the authentic record of the convention.
5. The Executive Director-Treasurer, elected by the executive board of the Convention, shall serve as treasurer of the Convention.
 - a) The treasurer shall receive and disburse the general and designated funds of the Convention as authorized by the Convention in session.
 - b) He shall have charge of invested and trust funds, invest and disburse the same, collect and disburse interest thereon, subject in both cases to instructions of the convention or of its administrative committee and the executive board.

- c) He shall make an annual report to the executive board for its approval and to the Convention for its approval of all receipts, disbursements, expenses, and investments.
 - d) His books shall be audited/reviewed by a certified public accountant. A statement by the auditor/accountant concerning the audit/review and the Convention's business will be published in the minutes.
6. The President, First Vice-President, and Secretary shall constitute the Executive Officers of the Executive Board and shall have all the powers formerly entrusted to Trustees. However, nothing in this Constitution shall be deemed to require said Executive Officers to be held to the same legal standard as a Trustee to the extent that such legal standards exceed those that would be applicable to a corporate officer.

ARTICLE VII, THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

At the annual meeting the Convention shall nominate and elect an executive board of the Baptist Convention of Iowa.

1. The executive board of the Baptist Convention of Iowa shall consist of 21 regular members plus the president, first vice president, and secretary. One third shall be elected each year to serve a three-year term.
2. Two members shall be chosen from each association.
3. There shall be seven members chosen as at-large members which will properly represent more heavily populated areas of the state.
4. An effort shall be made to ensure balance between pastors and laity, and between male and female; however, the primary consideration for selection of executive board members shall be their expertise to serve effectively.
5. When vacancies occur between annual meetings of the convention, these may be filled upon recommendation of the executive board nominating committee and a two-thirds vote of the executive board present and voting.
6. All members of the board shall be members in good standing of Baptist churches which cooperate with the Convention in its programs of work and the Cooperative Program.
7. A member shall be elected for a term of three years and may be re-elected for a second three-year term. After a lapse of one year he may serve again if elected.

8. Nominees shall hold membership in a BCI affiliated church within the ministry area of an association at least one year before being eligible to serve on the Convention's executive board. Persons moving from an association or at large area to another shall vacate their position on the Board.
9. Members of the Executive Board may be removed in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation, Article IX.

ARTICLE VIII, DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

1. The executive board shall be the executive, administrative, and promotional agency of the Convention and shall act under the instructions of the Convention, acting in its own capacity as a body through its administrative committee.
2. The executive board shall recommend to the Convention both a proposed goal or objective for raising funds, and a proposed distribution. The board shall promote all missionary, educational and benevolent causes of the Convention, and receive and disburse all funds according to the annual budget adopted by the Convention.
3. The executive board shall have authority to act, as a body or through its administrative committee, in all matters committed to it by the Convention and in matters which may arise between Convention sessions.
4. With the exception of the state office building, the executive board shall have authority to purchase, sell or lease property and to incur indebtedness necessary for the operation of the Convention. The state office building shall not be sold or leased without the approval of the messengers in an annual or called meeting.
5. It shall be the specific duty of each member of the board to promote the Convention's program in his/her respective area of the state.
6. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum after every member has been notified sufficiently in advance.

ARTICLE IX, THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Convention shall elect the executive board annually. The president, first vice president, secretary and the chairpersons of the board's standing committees shall serve as the Convention's administrative committee. The standing committees are: Evangelism and Ministries Committee, Missions Committee and Church Health

Committee. Standing committees may be changed, added or deleted at the discretion of the executive board. The past president shall serve as ex-officio for one year following his term as president.

2. The president of the Convention shall serve as president of the administrative committee and the recording secretary shall serve as secretary.
3. Members of the administrative committee shall not receive compensation from the Convention budget, nor may members of their immediate families.

ARTICLE X, DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

1. The administrative committee shall act under the authority of the executive board and/or the Convention in any matter committed to it by the board or by the Convention.
2. The committee shall act on any emergency administrative matter and its action shall carry the authority of the Convention, subject to review by the executive board.
3. The committee shall not involve the Board or Convention in financial obligations or project any major plans or work not authorized by the Board or the Convention.
4. A majority of the committee shall constitute a quorum after every member has been notified sufficiently in advance.
5. The administrative committee shall serve as the budget and audit committee for the Convention and shall meet with the executive director-treasurer to prepare the budget which is to be presented to the executive board in its September meeting and then the Board shall present the budget to the Convention in its annual session.

ARTICLE XI, ALTERATIONS

Any alterations may be made in these articles by a vote of two-thirds of the members present when the vote is taken without regard to the total enrollment at any annual meeting of the convention, provided that:

1. Any proposed amendment shall be presented in the book of reports and read on the first day of the Convention.
2. An amendment shall become effective upon approval by two successive Conventions.
3. The Bylaws may be changed by a simple majority vote in Annual Meeting.

Bylaws Bylaw I – Disbursements

1. All Cooperative Program receipts to the Convention shall be disbursed according to percentages or amounts approved by the Convention in its annual budget.
2. Special gifts - shall be applied according to the instructions of the donors in keeping with charitable contribution laws and the guidelines of the executive board and agency trustees.
3. Undesignated gifts - may be applied as the Convention wills.
4. The treasurer(s) of the Convention funds and institutions shall be bonded for faithful performance of duty, said bond(s) to be approved by the administrative committee of the executive board.

Bylaw II – MEETINGS

1. The Convention shall choose its meeting times and place.
2. The administrative committee of the executive board, when sufficient emergency arises as to time or place, may change the annual meeting either as to time or place or both.
3. Special meetings of the Convention shall be called by the president upon approval of the administrative committee. Those present, after at least a thirty-day notice has been presented by the president, shall constitute a quorum.
4. The Convention shall use the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order to guide its parliamentary procedures. A parliamentarian may be appointed by the president of the Convention.

Bylaw III - CONVENTION COMMITTEES

1. Committee on Committees:
 - a) Purpose: This committee shall serve to nominate members of those committees specifically related to the Convention. These committees shall include a Credentials Committee, Program Committee, Executive Board Nominating Committee, Constitution Review Committee, Resolutions Committee, History Committee and other continuing committees created by the Convention.

- b) Functions: Nominations for members on these committees, including a stipulation of which member shall be chair, shall be presented at the last session of the annual meeting of the Convention. After opportunity for nominations from the floor, these committees shall be elected by the Convention and shall serve from the conclusion of that Convention meeting.
- c) Composition and Selection: This committee of five (5) members shall be appointed by the president at the last session of the Convention and shall begin serving at the close of that session. Members shall be appointed for one year. The president shall stipulate which person shall serve as chair.

2. Credentials Committee:

- a) Purpose: This committee shall serve as the registration committee for the Convention's annual meeting.
- b) Function: As the Convention's registration committee during the annual meeting of the convention, this committee shall organize necessary procedures to affect the orderly certifying and seating of messengers. All questions of registration of messengers shall be referred to this committee. This committee shall make reports to the Convention as to numbers of messengers and guests registered.
- c) Composition and Selection: There shall be five (5) members of this committee on a rotating basis with members elected annually for three years.

3. Program Committee:

- a) Purpose: This committee shall plan and recommend the program for the annual meeting of the Convention.
- b) Function: This committee shall plan the next annual program sufficiently far in advance that provisional programs can be publicized to the constituency not less than one month before the scheduled meeting of that Convention. This committee shall recommend to the Convention the date and place of meeting for the next two (2) years. Previously published dates and places shall be used except when special reasons for changing are noted and approved by the Convention or the Executive Board.
- c) Composition and Selection: This committee shall be composed of five (5) members elected to serve one (1) year.

4. Executive Board Nominating Committee:

- a) Purpose: It shall be the purpose of this committee to nominate members of the executive board, stipulating upon which of the three (3) committees they shall serve. It shall also be the responsibility of this committee to nominate the members of the Baptist Foundation Committee.
- b) Function: Annually, seven (7) members shall be nominated for three (3) years for each of the three (3) committees of the executive board, in addition to the filling of vacancies. The committee shall nominate two (2) members each year for a three (3) year term for the Baptist Foundation Committee. The primary consideration of this committee shall be that those persons being nominated shall have special abilities or expertise that equips them to serve effectively in the area of their specified committee. An effort shall be made to see there is geographical representation as well as a balance between ministers and lay persons, and between male and female. Such concern for balance; however, shall not override concern for electing persons with skills to serve on the various committees. (Article VII, Executive Board)
- c) Composition and Selection: This committee shall be composed of six (6) members serving on a rotating basis, with two (2) elected annually for three (3) years.

5. Baptist Foundation Committee:

- a) Purpose: It shall be the purpose of this committee to serve the Baptist Convention of Iowa by receiving assets to be held and invested for the purpose for which they are received, i.e. scholarships, loan funds, mission funds. (Article II Section 2)
- b) Function: This committee shall receive and invest assets with the Executive Director-Treasurer serving as Chief Executive Officer working with the committee to serve Baptists in Iowa and the causes of Christ.
- c) Composition and Selection: This committee shall be composed of six (6) members serving on a rotating basis with two (2) being elected annually for a three year term. A member shall serve no more than two (2) three year terms until the lapse of at least one year. The members shall be nominated to the Convention by the Executive Board Nominating Committee.

6. Constitution Review Committee:

- a) Purpose: This committee shall review the constitution and by-laws for needed updating and revising, and shall receive referrals from the Convention.
- b) Function: This committee shall review the constitution and by-laws to be certain it is in harmony with the corporation charter and is consistent with all procedures and practices adopted by the Convention. This committee shall review and report to the executive board all motions for revision presented during the annual meeting of the Convention and/or to the executive board, with evaluations and recommendations ultimately being made to the Convention. This committee shall assist any messenger in presenting motions for revision to assure he shall be acquainted with proper procedures for amending the constitution and by-laws.
- c) Composition and Selection: This committee shall be composed of six (6) members serving on a rotating basis, with two (2) elected annually for three (3) years.

7. Resolutions Committee:

- a) Purpose: This committee shall receive all resolutions presented to the Convention.
- b) Function: All resolutions shall be referred to the Resolutions Committee no later than the first session of the annual meeting of the Convention, although the committee shall not be bound to include resolutions which in the committee's evaluation will not contribute to the unity and advancement of the Convention in their final report unless instructed to do so by two-thirds vote of the Convention.
- c) Composition and Selection: This committee shall be composed of five (5) members elected for one (1) year.

8. History Committee:

- a) Purpose: This committee shall be responsible for accumulating, indexing, and communicating to our constituency information about our history.
- b) Function: This committee shall bring to the attention of the Convention occasions when anniversaries or special events need to be commemorated. It shall print in the annual publication brief, updated digests of the history of the Baptist Convention of Iowa.

- c) Composition and Selection: This committee shall be composed of three (3) members serving on a rotating basis with one (1) elected annually for three (3) years.

9. Baptist State Paper Committee:

- a) Purpose: This committee shall relate to matters pertaining to the Iowa Baptist.
- b) Function: This committee shall meet with the editor and serve as advisory council in matters of the publication of the state paper.
- c) Composition and Selection: This committee shall be composed of three (3) members serving on a rotating basis with one (1) elected annually for three (3) years. The members of this committee shall be nominated by the Committee on Committees.



Empowering Kingdom Growth

Strategy Plan

2006 - 2010

Nothing without prayer

Strategic Objectives

Hold to One Another
Galatians 6: 1 -10

Abide in Christ
John 15:4

Reach Out to Others
Acts 1: 8

We promise to help churches to ...

Strategic Priorities

Make and mature disciples

Stay healthy

Start new churches

Strengthen associations

Implementation Strategies

1- Servant Leaders

2- Information and Training

3- Strategic Resources

Empowering Kingdom Growth

The Mission

The Baptist Convention of Iowa shall exist, under the lordship of Jesus Christ, to assist and encourage local congregations in the fulfillment of their biblical mission, and to promote fellowship and cooperation among them.

2008 Proposed Budget

<i>Anticipated Income</i>	2008	2007	Variance
Cooperative Program	\$ 517,846	\$ 460,000	\$ 57,846
Hyde State Missions Offering	\$ 55,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 10,000
NAMB Support	\$ 930,744	\$ 902,400	\$ 28,344
Lifeway Support	\$ 70,000	\$ 103,243	\$ (33,243)
GuideStone Support	\$ 13,460	\$ 13,960	\$ (500)
WMU Support	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,540	\$ (540)
Partnership Contributions	\$ 50,700	\$ 48,896	\$ 1,804
Temporarily Restricted Accounts (TRAs)	\$ 42,348	\$ 28,249	\$ 14,099
General Fund	\$ 23,500	\$ 23,500	\$ 0
Total-Income	\$ 1,709,598	\$ 1,631,788	\$ 77,810

Anticipated Disbursements

World Missions Support			
Executive Committee SBC - CP	\$ 103,569	\$ 91,000	\$ 12,569
Total World Missions Support	\$ 103,569	\$ 91,000	\$ 12,569

Personnel

Includes – Salaries, Housing Allowances, Retirement Taxes, Insurance, Development and Associational Missionaries

	\$ 888,401	\$ 842,629	
Total-Personnel	\$ 888,401	\$ 842,629	\$ 45,772

Ministry Coordination and Support

	\$ 135,257	\$ 130,869	
Total-Ministry Coordination and Support	\$ 135,257	\$ 130,869	\$ 4,388

CCM-Includes-Promotion, Conferences, FBC

Operations, CCM Projects & MRM

	\$ 44,016	\$ 42,509	
Total-CCM	\$ 44,016	\$ 42,509	\$ 1,507

Missions-Includes-Prayer, Communication, Re-

Resourcing, Outreach-Evangelism & Leadership Development

	\$ 344,800	\$ 343,925	
Total-Missions	\$ 344,800	\$ 343,925	\$ 875

Church Health-Includes Prayer, Communication,

Resourcing, Outreach-Evangelism & Leadership Development

	\$ 32,350	\$ 40,050	
Total-Church Health	\$ 32,350	\$ 40,050	\$ (7,700)

Evangelism-Includes Prayer, Communication,

Resourcing, Outreach-Evangelism & Leadership Development

	\$ 58,396	\$ 47,433	
Total-Evangelism	\$ 58,396	\$ 47,433	\$ 10,963

Associational Missions-Includes Ministry Conferences, Ministry Projects, Leadership

Development & Ministry Assistance

	\$ 97,442	\$ 88,468	
Total-Associational Missions	\$ 97,442	\$ 88,468	\$ 8,974

Total Anticipated Disbursements	\$ 1,704,231	\$ 1,626,883	\$ 77,348
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January

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 New Year's Day BCI Staff Holiday	2	3 Supervision Training for Summer & Semester Missionaries	4	5
6	7	8 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	9	10 National WMU Orientation Committee Meetings		11
12	13 National WMU Board Meeting for Promotion		14	15 National WMU Board Meeting Shocco Springs, AL	16	17
18	19	20 National WMU Board Meeting for Promotion		21 VBS Institute for State Teams - Glorieta		
22	23	24	25	26	27 Men's Retreat-YMCA Camp Boone	
28	29 10:00AM Administrative Committee Meeting	30	31	2008		

February

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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					WMU Council Meeting	
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		10:00AM General Staff Meeting				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
					BCI Executive Board Meeting	
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				Team West – Sunday School Training Albuquerque, NM		
24	25	26	27	28	29	
			Church Planter Missionary Forum Atlanta, GA			
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March

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
						1 Church Planter Missionary Forum- Atlanta
2	3	4 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	5	6	7	8 VBS Training Association Teams & Metro
Week of Prayer for Home Missions – Annie Armstrong Easter Offering						
9 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Emphasis Daylight Saving Begins	10	11	12	13 10:00 AM Disaster Relief Council	14	15 Ignite Conference Grace Church, DM
16 Palm Sunday	17	18	19	20	21 Good Friday BCI Staff Holiday	22
23 Easter	24	25	26	27	28 Kingdom Growth Prayer Conference Evangelism Conference Cornerstone, Ankeny	29
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April

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	2	3 VBS Association Training	4 North Central VBS Association Training	5 VBS Association Training
6	7	8 New Pastor & Staff Orientation	9	10	11	12
					Statewide Disaster Relief Round Table - Ames	
13	14	15	16	17 10:00AM Administrative Committee Meeting	18	19
	Northwest/Southwest Regional VBS Training				“Just Give Me Jesus” Anne Graham Lotz Wells Fargo Arena - DM	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
					Missions Celebration Muscatine	
27	28	29	30			
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May

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 South Central VBS Association Training	2 VBS Association Training	3 10:00AM BCI Executive Board Meeting
4	5	6 10:00AM General Staff Meeting	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15	16	17
Campers on Mission Rally First Baptist Church, Fairbank						
18	19	20	21	22 State Collegiate Ministreis Meeting - BCI	23	24
25	26 Memorial Day BCI Staff Holiday	27	28	29	30 African-American Sunday School Conference	31
Summer Missions Orientation						
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June

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1	2	3 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	4	5	6	7 World Changers Sioux City
					Crossover, SBC, Indianapolis, IN	
8 Crossover, SBC	9	10	11	12	13	14
WMU Missions Celebration Indianapolis, IN		Southern Baptist Convention Indianapolis, IN				
World Changers – Sioux City						
15 Father's Day	16	17	18	19	20	21 Hispanic Fellowship Meeting Cornerstone, Ankeny
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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July

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	2	3	4 Independence Day BCI Staff Holiday	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
					Korean Churches Retreat	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	IMPACT University – Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, Iowa					
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		
NAMB Summer Meetings						

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August

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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					WMU Council Meeting	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting		North Central States Planning Meeting – Iowa		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
				10:00AM Administrative Committee Meeting		
	Church Growth Assistance Reviews and Updates					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Church Growth Assistance Reviews & Updates					
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September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1 Labor Day BCI Staff Holiday	2 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	3	4	5	6 Annual Meeting Metro
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Annual Meetings South Central Great Rivers Northwest Campers on Mission Rally
Campers on Mission Rally - TBD						
William & Garlinda Hyde State Missions Offering Emphasis						
14 Annual Meetings Southwest Northeast William & Garlinda Hyde State Missions Offering Emphasis	15	16	17	18	19	20 Annual Meeting North Central
21	22	23 Campus Prayer Journey	24 See You At The Pole	25	26	27
					BCI Executive Board Meeting	
28	29	30				
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October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	2	3	4
				Church Health Training Tour		
				Metro Church Health Training Tour		Senior Adult Rally Crestwood, DM
5 Witness Commitment Day	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Church Health Training Tour			Church Health Training Tour		
		Great Rivers Church Health Training Tour				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Annual Staff Planning Retreat					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
					Church Planter Training Retreat Valley West Inn WDM	
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November

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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2 Daylight Saving Ends	3	4 9:00AM Coordination Team Meeting	5	6	7	8
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				Pasrners in Ministry Retreat		
					BCI Annual Convention	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
				Thanksgiving BCI Staff Holiday		
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December

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Lifeway & NAMB Updates						
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Week of Prayer for International Missions – Lottie Moon Offering						
14 Lottie Moon Offering Emphasis	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26	27
BCI Staff Holiday						
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve			
BCI Staff Holiday						
						2008

**Baptist Convention of Iowa
Annual Meeting**

Holiday Inn and Suites, 4800 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines, Iowa

Friday Evening - - November 2	
Host Churches: CrossPointe Church and Korean Baptist Church, West Des Moines	
Empowering Kingdom Growth <u>Hold to One Another</u>	
Parliamentarian: Jeff Wheeler	
Time	Agenda Item and Comments
3:30	Registration Begins
4:40 – 5:00	Musical Reflections – Sarah Keys
5:00 - 5:01	Call to Order – Bob Stout, President
5:01 – 5:05	Welcome, Scripture and Prayer by Host Pastors – Joo Yi, Terry Wilkinson
5:05 - 5:15	Worship through Music – Rob Hewell
5:15 – 5:25	Credentials Committee - Marion Livingston
5:25 - 5:35	Program Committee - Eugene Guthrie
5:35 – 5:45	Executive Board – Bob Stout -- Annual Report -- Presentation of the Strategy Plan and Annual Ministry Plan
5:45 – 5:55	Elect President and Secretary
5:55 – 7:30	Ministry Forum, SBC and TBC – Led by Jon Jamison and Dan Wiersema Iowa ministry partners will form a panel to hear and respond to Iowa ministry needs and dreams. SBC Executive Board – Roger (Sing) Oldham – (CP & Stewardship) NAMB – Eduardo Docampo (Evangelism, Church Planting, Volunteers) LifeWay – Bret Robbe - (Church Health) IMB – John & Barbara Randolph – (Missionary Support & Engagement) Tennessee Baptist Convention – Kim Margrave (Projects) GuideStone Financial Resources – Mike Harris – (Insurance & Annuity) SBC Seminaries Representative – Thomas Strong (Dean of Leavell College)
7:30 – 7:55	Presidential Address – Bob Stout
7:55 – 8:00	Closing Prayer – Jonette Appleton

Saturday Morning, November 3	
<u>Empowering Kingdom Growth</u>	
Hold to One Another	
Time	Agenda Items and Comments
7:45 – 8:00	Musical Reflections – Ken Barlow
8:00 - 8:01	Call to Order - Bob Stout
8:01 - 8:05	Scripture and Prayer – Tom Nesbitt
8:05 – 8:15	Worship through Music - Rob Hewell
8:15 – 8:25	Introduction of New Pastors and Staff – Dan Wiersema
8:25 – 8:35	Election of Two Vice Presidents
8:35 – 8:45	Committee on Committees Report – Dan Wiersema
8:45 – 8:55	Executive Board Nominating Committee Report – David Miller
8:55 – 9:05	Resolutions Committee Report – Ken Livingston
9:05 – 9:15	Committee on Committees Appointments - Bob Stout
9:15 – 9:25	Executive Board - Adoption of Strategy and Annual Ministry Plan
9:25 – 9:30	Worship through Music – Rob Hewell
9:30 – 9:40	Miscellaneous Business
9:40 – 10:40	Iowa Ministry Forum, BCI: Led by Jon Jamison and Dan Wiersema. Panel to consist of John Shaul, Mindy Jamison, Richard Nations, Steve Murdock and Ty Berry.
10:40 – 10:45	Worship through Music – Rob Hewell
10:45 – 11:15	Executive Director-Treasurer – Report and Convention Sermon – Jimmy Barrentine
11:15	Closing Prayer – Steve Noble

Proceedings Baptist Convention of Iowa Annual Meeting

Preceding the meeting, an ensemble of instrumentalists (Dave Blake, Sandy Guthrie, and Joni and Terry Wilkinson) greeted everyone. And Sarah Keys blessed us as she sang, “When I’ve Gone the Last Mile of the Way.”

Jimmy Barrentine turned the gavel over to President Bob Stout, and Bob called the meeting of the Twelfth Annual Convention to order.

Our hosts were CrossPointe Church and All Nations Baptist Church. Galatians 6:2-10 was the scripture Terry Wilkinson read as he welcomed everyone to this year’s convention. Pastor Joo Yi opened with a prayer in the Korean language, and then Pastor Jong Koo Lee followed with a prayer in English.

Rob Hewell, from Ouachita Baptist University, Arkansas, led us as we worshipped God by singing “All Creatures of Our God and King” and “I Will Praise You, Lord.”

Marion Livingston announced that the Credentials Committee had certified 115 messengers from 47 churches. He recommended that they be recognized and seated, and further recommended that the Convention approve the seating of any and all additional messengers who register and are certified by the Credentials Committee throughout the course of the annual meeting. The vote carried.

On behalf of the Program Committee, Eugene Guthrie recommended that we accept the program as presented and as it may be adjusted by the president throughout the course of the meeting, and, also, that our 2008 meeting be held at the Holiday Inn Suites with Crestwood Baptist Church as backup place, and that Ridgecrest Baptist Church of Council Bluffs, Crossroads Community Church of Grimes, and The Path of Salvation Church in Storm Lake host the 2008 meeting. There was no discussion; vote carried.

Bob Stout directed our attention to pages 5-14 in our Book of Reports. The President’s Report appears on page 5. He pointed out some of the things going on in Iowa, beginning with praise to God for the recovery of Jenifer Barrentine. Bob spoke about disaster relief work and mission projects, and church ministry teams, and called for a round of applause for those serving on those teams. He encouraged everyone to look through the reports so they know what our convention is doing.

Vice President Dan Wiersema gave a presentation of the Strategy Plan and the Annual Ministry Plan, printed on pages 15-28, and said it will be recommended for approval at Saturday’s business meeting. Dan pointed out an increase of \$77,810 in the 2008 budget, which he acknowledged was due to increased giving from our affiliated churches, and from our ministry partners at LifeWay and the Tennessee Convention. He encouraged us to look through the events on the 2008 calendar, look over the proposed budget, and review the Strategy Plan before Saturday’s meeting.

Bob Stout stepped down, and Dan Wiersema presided as we elected our next president. Ross Harmonson nominated Bob Stout; Dick Sciranko seconded his motion. Claude McFerron recommended that nominations cease, seconded by Ken Kraft. A vote was taken to close nominations and elect Bob Stout by acclamation. The vote carried unanimously.

The gavel was returned to Bob Stout, and he took a brief moment to say “thank you” for this past year and to express his appreciation to everyone. He said this year marked his 40th wedding anniversary, and told us he thanked God for bringing him to Iowa, and he was grateful for his wife’s support.

Bob accepted nominations for secretary. Bob Luebbert nominated Jean Johnson, with a second given by David Barton. Claude McFerron made a motion for nominations to cease, seconded by Eugene Guthrie. The vote passed.

A Ministry Forum was held, featuring representatives from the SBC and the Tennessee Baptist Convention. Each participant gave a bit of personal background, and then answered questions pertaining to their ministry.

- SBC Executive Board – Roger (Sing) Oldham defined the Cooperative Program as the “greatest voluntary support system for missions ever devised in the history of Christianity...” and talked about the relationship between our churches, the State Office, and the National Mission Board. Sing described *It’s a New Day*, a stewardship program that teaches people how to manage their income. He referred to *SBC Life* as a magazine that helps keep us informed of SBC programs, introduced *EKG* (Empowering Kingdom Growth) as an exciting emphasis that can be accessed on the internet; and spoke of *Global Evangelical Relations*, by Dr. Welch. He recommended *Forged by Faith*, a new four-part video series about the history of Southern Baptists. Sing concluded by stating our purpose is I Corinthians 1:18.
- North American Mission Board –Eduardo Docampo described NAMB’s purpose and vision, and the partnership between NAMB and Iowa churches. He emphasized the inter-relationship of our ministry, working together. When asked how NAMB impacts Iowa, he responded that it is just the opposite—Iowa impacts NAMB and people throughout America by our ministry.
- LifeWay Christian Resources—Bret Robbe recommended specific resources for small churches, one of which was *LifeWalk*, a new devotional program that goes through the whole Bible in a year. *LifeMatters* is new dated material for young

adults. And Max Lucado has a new book, *3:16*, written for those in the church and those outside the church—it's available in December.

- International Mission Board—John and Barbara Randolph have served as missionaries in the Dominican Republic for the past three years. John stated that the IMB's mission and purpose is to serve, enable, and facilitate all Southern Baptist churches to be obedient to God's Kingdom purpose and fulfill the Great Commission. He offered the following statistics: Languages today number 6,809, with 2,322 having portions of scripture written and 1,000 having the full Bible in their language. He informed us that there are 6 billion people in the world, and only 10% have been evangelized. John said that 1.3 billion people have never heard the name of Jesus. To learn about needs and ways to partner with IMB, he suggested www.imb.org as one resource.
- Tennessee Baptist Convention—Kim Margrave told us that in the past, Tennessee mission teams served in Iowa, and now Iowa Southern Baptists are partnering with them to serve in Tennessee. She informed us of several state ministries people could participate in, and then told about plans for future mission trips to Malta and possibly West Africa.
- GuideStone Financial Resources, SBC—Mike Harris talked about resources other than those for pastors that were available through GuideStone. He talked about literature written for several different language groups, offered some ideas for churches to pay people in a "tax smart" way, and recommended *Antology*, a book by Dr. Hawkins. Mike described *Adopt an Annuitant*, a program to assist people sixty-five and older who have been involved in ministry, and who don't have much money.
- SBC Seminaries—Thomas Strong, Dean of Leavell College in New Orleans, addressed us regarding the current state of the seminary in New Orleans. Damaged by Katrina, they have continued to operate, even teaching students online, when necessary. He expressed a message of thanks from Dr. Kelley and his administrative team to Southern Baptist relief teams for their work, and for providing a great ministry to the people in Louisiana. Thomas reported that all six of our seminaries are healthy, with plenty of educational opportunities for all levels of learning. He said that God wants "plateaued and declining" churches to grow, and they are training people to accomplish that work in our churches. He mentioned a church leadership certificate program in Singapore designed to train pastors, and then shared about an educational ministry being used in the Angola Prison system—132 men are now pursuing a BA in Christian ministry, and the turnover in prison violence has been remarkable.

Following the forum, Bob Stout and the Staff presented a plaque to Jimmy (and corsages to Joan and Jenifer) to express our appreciation and love for his extraordinary faithfulness...

Bob's presidential address focused on the idea that we have reached an "irrecoverable moment" in Iowa, and he compared our present situation to the one faced by Joshua when God told him to claim the land that He had promised them. He read from Joshua 1:1-11, 16-17. Then Bob described what was needed in order for us to take the land of Iowa. There must be: a Call, a Commencement, Concord, a Conviction, a Claiming, a Calculating, Confidence/Courage, Compliance, Commitment, and Communion. Then there will be Conquest. He told us that the victory is there—God has given it to us. The only thing separating us from the land is us. He finished by saying, once again, that he believes we are at an irrecoverable moment in Iowa.

After Bob's message, Dan Wiersema recognized Jonette Appleton for 22 years of service, and he called on her to dismiss us in prayer.

Saturday morning, we listened as Ken Barlow sang, "He Saw It All," and "Glorious Impossible."

Bob Stout reconvened the meeting. Tom Nesbitt quoted Matthew 5:1-16, and led us in prayer.

Rob Hewell led us in singing "Shout to the North" and "I Will Praise You, Lord."

Marion Livingston reported that 124 Messengers and 26 guests signed in, with 48 churches represented.

New Pastors and Staff were introduced by Dan Wiersema. They included: Josh Miller, Calvary Baptist Church, Marshalltown; Ryan and Tammy Carpenter, Calvary Baptist Church, Clinton; Jason Friesen, Crossroads Community Church, Grimes; Alan and Valerie Hayden, Albia Road Baptist Church, Ottumwa; Roger and Rhonda Vester, New Life, Davenport; Tommy and Kay Rucker, First Baptist Church, Dunkerton; John and Amy Jakes, Calvary Baptist Church, Indianola; and Dennis and LeAnne Bradley, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Ankeny. Claude McFerron led us in prayer for these new pastors.

Two new vice presidents were elected. Dan Wiersema was nominated for 1st Vice President by Lloyd Eaken, seconded by Cathy Leuters. Ross Harmonson moved for nominations to cease, seconded by Roger Pokorny. The vote was unanimous in favor of Dan.

Dennis Bradley was nominated for 2nd Vice President by Ken Thornton, seconded by Alan Boring. Claude McFerron moved that nominations cease, seconded by Debby Boring. Motion carried.

Dan Wiersema directed us to pages 29 and 30 for recommendations from the Committee on Committees to fill vacancies. He added Eric Schumacher's name as Pastors' Conference President, and Ken Livingston as Pastors' Conference Vice President. He recommended that we

accept the names offered for Credentials Committee, Program Committee, Executive Board Nominating Committee, Constitution Review Committee, Resolutions Committee, History Committee, and Iowa Baptist Committee as presented. The vote passed.

David Miller presented the Executive Board Nominating Committee Report listing nominees for the Executive Board Nominating Committee and the Baptist Foundation Committee (pgs. 30-31.) He asked that they be adopted. The vote passed.

The Resolutions Committee Report, presented by Tracy Thies and Robert Taylor, was as follows:

- We, as the Baptist Convention of Iowa, would like to express our appreciation to this Holiday Inn & Suites for their hospitality and accommodations for this year's annual meeting.
- We, as the Baptist Convention of Iowa, express our appreciation to our president, Bob Stout, and to Dan Wiersema, our Vice President, for the manner in which they have conducted this annual meeting.

The report was accepted as read.

Bob Stout made a recommendation from the Executive Board that we approve the Adoption of Strategy Plan and the Annual Ministry Plan, pages 15-28. He asked if there was any discussion—there was none. The vote carried.

Rob Hewell led us in worship through music as we sang “Be Thou My Vision.”

There was no miscellaneous business or new business to consider.

An Iowa Ministry Forum, conducted by Jon Jamison and Dan Wiersema was held. It featured our own Iowa partners in Ministry:

- John Shaul talked about new leadership from colleges, and spoke of future changes he'd like to see take place to strengthen associations and churches.
- Richard Nations reported on Bible Study/Sunday School status of Iowa churches. There were 81 professions of faith during VBS this year. He commented on the seminary extension classes, and said that in order to reach Iowans we need a system in place to train them.
- Steve Murdock explained why more churches are needed in Iowa and why missions education is important. He talked about partnerships with Missouri and Tennessee, but said we need more partnerships between churches in the state.
- Ty Berry was asked, “As churches plan events, what strategic questions should they ask?” He pointed out the need to think strategically, think intentionally, and ask, “How are we going to share Christ in this event?” VBS is the most effective local ministry right now—it is an intention-prepared program.

- Mindy Jamison presented ministry opportunities for churches and associations in Iowa. She brought up poverty needs and block parties, and offered assistance to help churches get started. She shared how the Lord has worked in their Des Moines ministry.

Rob Hewell directed us in singing “The Power of the Cross.”

Bob Stout introduced Jimmy Barrentine, and expressed appreciation for his encouragement. Jimmy commented on the wonderful time shared at the Partners in Ministry Retreat, and commended Jody and Bruce Ware and Mindy Jamison for the fantastic job they did. Then Jimmy

read from his report, sharing his experiences during Jenifer’s illness, and expressing his appreciation for the support of Christians in Iowa. He gave God credit for His work through everything.

Jimmy’s message was based on Galatians 6:2-5, which refers to carrying each other’s burdens. He highlighted two principles: cooperation and responsibility. Then he illustrated the importance of partnering by asking several people to share a testimony about events taking place in their own churches. Mitch Green, Bob Luebbert, Mike Carlson, Dennis Bradley, Woodie Ladnier, and Eugene Guthrie each talked about experiences in which they partnered with others to accomplish God’s ministry. At the conclusion of their sharing, Jimmy talked about the significance of praying for each other. To illustrate the power of prayer, he asked his daughter to come to him at the front of the room. A round of applause was given as Jenifer left her seat, and using a walker, she was able to walk to her father. Jenifer said her recovery is the result of all the prayers raised for her. Joan Barrentine thanked everyone for their prayers and encouragement. Jimmy summed everything up by saying, “You need a friend—that’s why we’re here!”

Bob Stout expressed his appreciation for all the speakers, to Eugene Guthrie for his work with the audio/visual system, to all the musicians, and most of all, to God.

Steve Noble called for spontaneous prayer as we closed, asking God to help us respond to the challenge presented by Bob Stout in his message Friday evening. Several prayed, and Steve offered a closing prayer.

Bob Stout closed the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Johnson, Secretary

REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

President's Report

Bob Stout

This year has truly been a year in which God has worked in the lives of his people. I continue to be humbly amazed and in awe of the Father's work.

In this State of the Convention address I want to review God's moving among the churches and then summarize where I believe God is challenging this Convention.

There are currently 12 churches out of 100 that are without pastors. I believe it is our responsibility to pray in behalf of these churches, that the men God has selected will be sensitive to the call. Of all our churches, both full-time and bi-vocational, 53% of these are bi-vocational. Many of our full time pastors work at some supplemental job. In fact, God has called 15 new pastors to Iowa. I want to express my sincere appreciation for your sensitivity to God's call. We love you and want you to feel welcome here in Iowa.

Our churches have reported, in the last full year of reporting, 591 baptisms. Church starts were at 4 in 2006 and so far 1 in 2007.

Mission projects are down from previous years. There have been 35 projects completed with approximately 275 volunteers from Tennessee Baptist Convention, compared with 125 projects and 1000 workers in previous years. This could be due in part from several changes that hindered the development of projects and requests. Prayerfully this can be corrected with Jenifer and Joan returning soon to support this endeavor. We have missed them greatly.

In the area of disaster relief there have been six trips to support existing disasters in Mississippi and New Orleans, and eight calls in Iowa, Nebraska, and Minnesota. This transcribes to over 25,000 miles of driving and hundreds of lives being touched for the Father's Kingdom.

Church ministry from our convention teams has been a true blessing this year. Our staff family has logged over 141,000 miles, 300 preaching assignments, over 100 consultations, over 100 planning and training events, and countless pastoral visits. What a committed, godly support team we have in this convention. They are truly the best. God is good.

Believing that the Father has purposed Iowa for reaching the lost, please allow me to share a few pinnacles of success woven throughout the tapestry of ministry.

Jenifer Barrentine's recovery has given all of us a renewed strength in the Father's awesome power to accomplish seemingly impossible tasks and bring glory upon Himself. This single event gives evidence that God listens to His people. With sacrificial praying, and unwavering faith, miracles will be forthcoming. Jenifer's smile, humor, and her winning attitude have inspired all of us to give more, pray more, share more, love more and laugh more in our own

personal lives. Jenifer continues to exemplify her faith, which supports her family and all of us during the difficult times we face. God has truly given us worthy servants, we can and should emulate, in the lives of Jenifer, Joan, and Jimmy Barrentine.

Training has improved, especially in the area of communication with all those involved with ministry. Vacation Bible School continues to be the cutting edge of ministry and is the strongest evangelistic ministry tool we have. VBS continues to produce over 100 professions of faith a year, which multiplies opportunities to reach families with the gospel of Jesus Christ. The creation of a new team headed by John Shaull will concentrate on strengthening collegiate, innovative, youth and associational ministries. God is so good.

Our new Financial Secretary, Bobbie Thies, has been a major support in achieving the financial structure this convention has been seeking. Jonette and Phyllis continue to be the standard that keeps us all together. Thank you. You are loved. The recent retirement of Mac and Irene was hard to accept, as they have been stalwarts in Baptist work for so many years. The McFerron's continue to be godly examples for all of us. Please remember them in your prayers as they seek to find God's plan for the days to come. The receiving of Mike Roberts as the Northeast Baptist Association Director of Missions will bring experience, strength and a godly spirit to the work in the northeast. Please continue to pray for Mike and his family as they begin to follow the Father's leading.

In the words of our SBC President Frank Page, we are at an "unrecoverable moment". I believe we have approached a period of time, for Iowans that will be unrecoverable. God has prepared for this time, and the time is upon us. I believe we have arrived at that time where God has placed in our midst competent staff, able leaders, and resources that will bring glory to His kingdom. I believe God has challenged us to embrace this moment. No other time in history has there been a greater need for the gospel than right now. No other time in history have so many turned away from God. Never in history has Satan had a firmer grip on the people than now. Never has there been a greater need for God's people to share the love of Jesus than right now.

This moment, I believe, is an unrecoverable moment. The tenacity at which we embrace this challenge will affect generations of Iowans to come. I encourage you to seize this moment or it could be forever lost. This convention is committed to Empowering Kingdom Growth through Holding on to One Another, Abiding in Christ, and Reaching Out to Others. It is my belief and conviction that God has not changed his mind in this plan for Iowa.

It is also my belief and conviction, that if we don't endeavor to pursue this plan with the tenacity of Paul, we will forever lose this moment. My challenge to this convention is to simply follow God's plan. We were never called to greatness or popularity, or grandeur, but rather to humility, obedience, and faithfulness. Let this convention be so remembered in the annals of history, that we seized this moment for the Father's Kingdom and Glory. Amen!

I could never express my appreciation enough for the opportunity you have afforded me to serve as your president. It is truly a humbling experience. I do not feel worthy of such a great responsibility. This humble servant continues to ask for your prayers and support for the task

ahead. The Father's work must be a priority for all of us in the days to come. What a joy this past year has been. God Bless.

2008 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

The president has named the members of the Executive Board Administrative Committee to serve as the Committee on Committees for 2008.

Constitution Review Committee Report

Mike Roberts, Chair

The Constitution Review Committee did not have to meet this year.

Credentials Committee Report

Marion Livingston, Chair

The purpose of the Credentials Committee is to confirm the election of the messengers from the Iowa SBC churches to the annual convention. We will strive to see that every messenger has been duly elected and properly certified and seated.

History Committee Report

David Brown, Chair

Ed Roustio ThD, distinguished missionary and teacher leaves example of dedication. He and his wife moved to Chicago.

Vince Appleton, former Iowa pastor, died. Orville Kool, ThD, was honored for 50 years ministry.

BCI Staff: Joni Wilkinson is now part time staff serving as WMU consultant. John Shaull is head of the new Associational Missions team implemented to oversee associational missions, college missions, and age-group related ministries. Jon and Mindy Jamison are now BCI Community Ministries Directors.

Several new pastors were called to the minister in Iowa this year as follows: New Korean Ministry, Ames, led by Young Chul, Central Church, Fairfield, calls Ray Ellerd, Cornerstone Church, Ankeny, calls Dennis Bradley, Cornerstone Community, Chariton, calls Eric Hann, Calvary Church, Clinton, calls Ryan Carpenter, First Baptist Church, Dunkerton, calls Tommy Rucker. Bethel Church, Independence, calls Mike Anderson, New Hispanic Ministry, Iglesia Bautista, Waukee, started by Steve Murdock, Calvary Baptist Church, Indianola, calls John Jakes, Crossroads Community, Grimes, calls Jason Friesen, Calvary Church, Marshalltown, calls

Josh Miller, New Life Church, Davenport, calls Roger Vester, Bethany Church, Keokuk, calls Ronnie McLain, Albia Road Church, Ottumwa, calls Alan Hayden.

Resolutions Committee Report

Resolutions may be submitted to the resolutions committee for review and coordination any time during the year, and not later than the end of the first session of the annual meeting. The committee shall present to the convention at the annual meeting such resolutions as shall be of interest to the convention.

Report of the Programs of Work

Jimmy Barrentine, Executive Director-Treasurer

I will set aside my program report for this year and speak to you from my heart of hearts. Praise and gratitude are the key words. How can Joan and I ever praise God enough for the fact that Jenifer can talk again and is expected to recover either completely or nearly so within the next two years? Obviously we will never be able to adequately express our gratitude to the Father.

It is also true that we will never be able to adequately express our gratitude to Iowa Baptists for the way you have stood by us during the nearly seven years of Jenifer's devastating illness. I have stated this to your staff family, to the administrative committee and to the executive board. Why not say it to all of you? Why you have not fired me is a mystery that can only be explained by your kindness and goodness. More times than I can count, I have done my work in a cloud of anxiety, depression, and confusion.

Jenifer's faith grew while mine waned. Jenifer's sense of humor prevailed when laughter abandoned me. Joan's strength increased when all I had to offer God was an honest confession of weakness.

Now that the Father is working to heal Jenifer I can more clearly see the wonder of what God has done in our family and in our Iowa Baptist fellowship. I may even, to some degree, have come to understand why the Father brought me to Iowa. At least in part he brought me here because Iowa Baptists needed a leader who needed them. Have I ever fit that bill! Call it my job description: Need Iowa Baptists. Prove yourself helpless without them. Give me an A+ on that. I have proven my need.

During these years, I have sought to do my work with diligence. I am confident that no honest person could accuse me of not staying true to my duties. Nevertheless, I would not have made it without all of you. Pastors and church members have prayed for us, sent us cards, called to encourage us, and even provided meals for us during times of special crisis. Thank you.

The members of the administrative committee and executive board have engaged themselves in the Father's work at an incredibly high level. The weaker I became, the stronger, more gracious, and more competent they became. They have held me up when I would have otherwise fallen flat on my face. They have prayed and they have participated in making decisions for the good of

God's work. As a result, an incredibly high level of fellowship and synergy exists between the elected leaders of your convention and the employed leaders of your convention.

As for the staff family, the word "family" is the word that says it best. To Joan, to Jenifer, and to me, they are family. As they have done their work and also cared for the three Barrentines, God has done what only he can do. He has taught us to love one another and to minister to one another even when the work load is heavy, even when tears come more easily than does laughter.

To Iowa Baptists and to the Father, Joan, Jenifer and I say thank you. Our prayer is that we might somehow and to some degree be able to express our gratitude through faithful and increasingly effective service.

**Foundation Committee Funds Activity
of Contributions & Ministry
Assistance for 2006**

Kier Memorial Fund (earnings designated to CP) 2006 = \$831.34

Irene McFerron Small Church Fund No disbursements in 2006

Lindberg-McFerronScholarship Fund Provided assistance to 5 seminary students in 2006

Non-Interest Loan Fund There are 2 outstanding loans in 2006

Hamilton Collegiate Missions Fund Provided \$250 to one student and \$750 to University Baptist Church in 2006

Barnes New Work Fund No disbursements in 2006

2007 Fund Activity Year To Date (TRA) Temporarily Restricted	Small Church Fund	Scholarship Fund	Hamilton Collegiate Missions Fund	Barnes New Work
Corpus (Permanently Restricted)	30,000	20,000	10,000	10,000
Interest Dividends +/- (TRA)	1,035	1,327	3,240	797
Amount Dispersed	0	300	2,000	0
Available for Disbursement (TRA)	3,046	4,805	15,764	1,022

Kier Memorial Fund (earnings designated to CP) as of September 2006 = \$605

Non-Interest Loan - There are currently 1 outstanding loan. As of September 2007 the fund balance is \$78,402

Summary of Ministry Assistance for the Year-To-Date 2007

Irene McFerron Small Church Fund No disbursements as of September 2007

Lindberg-McFerron Scholarship Fund Provided assistance to 1 seminary student as of September 2007

Hamilton Collegiate Missions Fund Provided \$500 each for four students for three different missionary Trips as of September 2007

Barnes New Work No disbursements as of September 2007

*Rounded to the nearest dollar Unaudited

Explanation of Funds:

Irene McFerron Small Church Fund: Provides maintenance and repair grants to small churches and missions.

Lindberg-McFerron Scholarship Fund: Provides scholarships for students preparing for ministry.

Non-Interest Bearing Loan Fund: Helps to meet critical needs by providing small non-interest bearing loans.

Kier Memorial Fund: Helps to under-gird the convention's on-going cooperative program budget.

New Work Fund: Provides funding for starting new churches and new ministries.

Collegiate Missions Fund: helps college students engage in North American Mission Board and International Mission Board projects.

The information presented represents current information available on September 30, 2007. Variations in the report would be due to outstanding accrued interest, reclassifying journal entries, and other such information that may arise during the year-end audit. The Baptist Convention of Iowa makes every effort to preserve donor intent for Kingdom purposes.

2007 Statement of Activity – Ending September 30, 2007

Income	YTD 2006 (Last Year)	YTD 2007 (This Year)
Cooperative Program	\$ 344,568	\$ 337,583
Hyde State Missions Offering	\$ 16,057	\$ 4,629
NAMB Support	\$ 607,041	\$ 558,909
Lifeway Support	\$ 93,459	\$ 50,000
GuideStone Support	\$ 9,818	\$ 13,607
WMU Support	\$ 6,540	\$ 6,000
Partnership Contributions	\$ 27,792	\$ 20,345
Temporarily Restricted Accounts (TRAs)	\$ 41,624	\$ 78,586
General Fund	\$ 22,399	\$ 27,163
Total Income	\$ 1,169,298	\$ 1,096,822
Disbursements		
World Missions Support	\$ 68,914	\$ 60,607
Executive Committee SBC-CP		
Personnel	\$ 609,799	\$ 590,572
Includes – Salaries, Housing Allowances, Retirement, Taxes, Insurance, Development and Associational Missionaries		
Ministry Coordination and Support	\$ 87,604	\$ 71,434
Missions	\$ 164,344	\$ 137,937
Includes - Prayer, Communication, Resourcing, Outreach-Evangelism and Leadership Development		
Church Health	\$ 14,108	\$ 11,152
Includes - Prayer, Communication, Resourcing, Outreach-Evangelism and Leadership Development		
Evangelism	\$ 64,415	\$ 26,449
Includes - Prayer, Communication, Resourcing, Outreach-Evangelism and Leadership Development		
Association Missions	\$ 46,293	\$ 84,143
Includes – Ministry Conferences, Ministry Projects, Leadership Development and Ministry Assistance		
CCM	\$ 17,871	\$ 13,099
Includes-Promotion, Conferences, FBC Operations and CCM Projects and MRM		
Total Disbursements	\$ 1,073,348	\$ 995,393
NET TOTAL	\$ 95,950	\$ 101,429
Annie Armstrong Offering	\$ 45,018	\$ 53,464
Lottie Moon Offering	\$ 58,255	\$ 65,036
World Hunger	\$ 5,074	\$ 5,483
Total	\$ 108,347	\$ 123,983

*Rounded to the nearest dollar unaudited

**Summary of Giving
Ending: September 30, 2007**

Cooperative Program Missions

Albia Road Baptist Church	\$	560.00
All Nations Baptist Church Iowa City	\$	6000.00
All Nations Baptist Church Waterloo	\$	852.02
Bel Air Baptist Church	\$	2,801.00
Bethany Baptist Church	\$	1,020.71
Bethel Baptist Chapel	\$	1,408.78
Burlington Baptist Church	\$	8,027.00
Calvary Baptist Church Clarinda	\$	225.00
Calvary Baptist Church Clinton	\$	9,075.69
Calvary Baptist Church Glenwood	\$	3,659.14
Calvary Baptist Church Indianola	\$	2,055.00
Calvary Baptist Church Leon	\$	3,346.14
Calvary Baptist Church Marshalltown	\$	695.30
Cedar Rapids Korean Baptist Church	\$	2,338.00
Centerville Baptist Church	\$	416.60
Community Baptist Church Burlington	\$	90.00
Community Baptist Church Waterloo	\$	
Copper Creek Church	\$	405.06
Corner Stone Baptist Church Altoona	\$	745.76
Cornerstone Baptist Church Ankeny	\$	9,701.82
Cornerstone Baptist Church Dubuque	\$	
Cornerstone Baptist Church Orange City	\$	
Cornerstone Church of Ames	\$	4,050.00
Cornerstone Community Church	\$	450.00
Crest Baptist Church	\$	13,981.57
Crestwood Baptist Church	\$	6,707.58
CrossPointe Church	\$	4822.57
Crossroads Community Church Grimes	\$	4,631.77
Des Moines Korean Baptist Church	\$	1,464.00
Fairview Baptist Church	\$	1,170.57
Faith Baptist Church Bedford	\$	1,949.92
First Baptist Church Albia	\$	1,268.76
First Baptist Church Bettendorf	\$	13,648.15
First Baptist Church Carter Lake	\$	811.29
First Baptist Church DeWitt	\$	150.24
First Baptist Church Dunkerton	\$	1,068.00
First Baptist Church Fairbank	\$	313.00
First Baptist Church Lamoni	\$	705.82
First Baptist Church Osceola	\$	215.52
First Baptist Church Winterset	\$	27,428.75
First Family Church Ankeny	\$	996.33
First Grace Baptist Church	\$	2,250.00
First Southern Baptist Church Adel	\$	104.29
First Southern Baptist Church Newton	\$	459.00
Friendship Baptist Church Ames	\$	600.00
God's Family Baptist Church	\$	2,521.00
Grace Baptist Church Sidney	\$	626.37
Grace Church	\$	4500.00
Grace West	\$	
Grand Avenue Baptist Church	\$	16,946.70
Grandview Heights Baptist Church	\$	2,225.44
Greater Faith Baptist Church	\$	400.00

Heartland Baptist Church Ida Grove	\$	341.65
Heartland Baptist Church Stuart	\$	600.00
Heartland Community Baptist Sioux City	\$	14,663.02
Iglesia Bautista Waukee Church	\$	58.10
Immanuel Baptist Church Cedar Rapids	\$	25,812.06
Lacona Baptist Church	\$	1,013.27
Lincoln Street Baptist Church	\$	1,584.58
Living Hope Baptist Ossian	\$	1,000.55
Living Hope Community Church	\$	120.00
Madison Baptist Church	\$	7,899.69
Memorial Baptist Church	\$	3,578.68
Moulton Baptist Church	\$	716.50
Muscatine Baptist Church	\$	1,471.75
New Birth Baptist Church	\$	1,130.53
New Life Baptist Church Davenport	\$	13,179.31
New Life Baptist Church Kingsley	\$	1,577.33
New Life Church Dubuque	\$	4,091.58
New Life Church Knoxville	\$	249.00
Ninth Street Baptist Church	\$	1,454.00
Northbrook Baptist Church	\$	19,248.49
Northwood Baptist Church	\$	3,201.00
Ottumwa Hispanic Baptist Church	\$	-
Our Church	\$	559.00
Pioneer Southern Baptist Church	\$	95.06
Quimby Baptist Church	\$	997.56
Ridgecrest Baptist Church	\$	2,414.95
Rock of Ages	\$	
Rolling Hills Community Church	\$	5,720.42
Sendero de Salvacion	\$	1,390.93
Shiloh Church	\$	2,249.00
Sioux City Korean Baptist Church	\$	795.00
Sioux Rapids Baptist Church	\$	415.16
Solid Rock Church Wapello	\$	5,436.75
Southern Hills Baptist Church	\$	28,549.00
Temple Baptist Church	\$	2,315.32
University Baptist Church Ames	\$	8,555.52
Van Meter Baptist Church	\$	1,200.74
Waukee Baptist Church	\$	2,631.90
Wilton Baptist Church	\$	540.00

Total:

\$ 336,747.06

Cooperative Program gifts are recorded on the date received by BCI. Any discrepancies or errors should be reported immediately.

Missions Team

Steve Murdock, Missions Team Leader

Every annual report is a mere snapshot of the state of affairs of the organization in consideration at one particular time and place. It can look at the past and project toward the future, but in the end it is nothing more than a snapshot. Nothing more or less can be said about this report. The following bullet points summarize BCI's annual state of missions in Iowa.

- Four new church starts began in 2006 in Dubuque, Waukee, Le Mars and Newton, and one so far this year in Ames.
- Joni Wilkinson, member at CrossPointe Church, accepted the call to be the next Woman's Missionary Union consultant. National WMU refers to her position as state WMU executive director. Joni is already doing a great job leading Iowa Baptist women in missions' education and ministry projects.
- The associational missions component of the mission's team this year was reassigned to a new team known as the associational missions team. The team leader of the newly formed team is the director of missions of Metro Baptist Association John Shaull. The new team, comprised of the associational directors of missions, oversees associational missions, senior ministry and student ministry.
- The Iowa & Tennessee Baptist Connection is scheduled to be renewed in November, 2007. Several teams came up from Tennessee this year to participate in Vacation Bible Schools, construction, sports camps and more. Kim Margrave and Roger Stacey came up this year to listen to leaders around the state tell how the partnership is working.
- Church planter training this year was held in Marshalltown, and the topic was Breaking Through the Barriers: 0-35, 0-100, and 0-200. Tom Cheyney, of the North American Mission Board, lead this year's training event.
- Iowa Baptists broke a record in giving to the Hyde State Missions Offering this year. The goal was \$50,000. The amount given was \$45,495, which was more than had ever been given to the offering in history.
- The Baptist Convention of Iowa and the North American Mission Board assisted with funding for church planting grants given to each association. These grants were used to fund new church planters and buy church planting equipment such as movie projectors and sound equipment. This equipment is already being put to use in South Central Baptist Association. Movies have been shown in communities with no Baptist church in hopes that maybe one day a new church will be planted there.

Praise be to God, our Father, for the great work He does in our state in the area of missions.

Evangelism & Pastoral Care Team

Ty Berry, Team Leader

Team members: Associational Evangelism Directors, Men's Ministry Coordinators, Women Evangelism Coordinators, Associational Prayer coordinators, Disaster Relief Volunteer Leadership, and MSC Leadership.

We have entered our second year of Empowering Kingdom Growth emphasis that embraces (1) Abide in Christ, (2) Hold to One Another, (3) Reach Out to Others. Our churches across Iowa have been encouraged to always share Christ with intention. Every church is encouraged to continue seeking ways to develop a comprehensive plan for reaching their community for Christ. Making sure new believers are assimilated into the local body of believers.

Baptisms: Churches across Iowa experienced the first decline in Baptisms in five years. Though the decline is slight, it is a reminder to each of us to continue to share Christ even more than ever.

Summer and Semester Missionaries: We hosted 18 summer and semester missionaries this past year. The quality of these young missionaries continues to be of high standards. The states being represented as sending these fine young missionaries include: Iowa, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, and Kentucky.

Men's Ministry: Our annual Men's Retreat held at the Y-Training Conference saw 132 men gather under the theme: "Evangelizing Men in Today's World" with a team of Evangelism specialists from the North American Mission Board leading the retreat. More and more of our laymen are taking leadership roles in planning and implementing this retreat.

Disaster Relief Mobilization: It has been another extremely busy year for Disaster Relief volunteer mobilization. We saw 112 people respond to volunteer mobilization through Disaster Relief this year. We responded to the following areas: North Dakota, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Missouri, Louisiana, and Mississippi. Our BCI feeding unit fed and/or supplied food for over 4,000 people. We upgraded our unit, new burners, electrical boards, etc, and purchased a new 30K generator.

Chaplain Evangelism Ministry: We saw three new Chaplains endorsed by the North American Mission Board to the Baptist Convention of Iowa. We currently have 10 chaplains, endorsed through the North American Mission Board, Alpharetta, Georgia. We have 13 other chaplains serving across Iowa in law enforcement, fire department, hospitals, correctional facilities, corporate businesses.

Pastoral Care: Taking care of our pastors, staff and families is never ending. BCI is very sensitive to the care and support to our local church leadership. New avenues are being discovered that will embrace the strengthening of our ministry of pastoral care.

Church Health Team
Richard Nations, Team Leader

Someone looked at my business card the other day and said “So you help unhealthy churches that are in conflict or decline?” I replied, “Well, that is part of our team’s responsibility, but we really prefer to work on the front end of things and help churches become and continue to stay healthy.” That is so much more satisfying—preventing unhealthy conflict, helping churches get into a growth mode and working together in harmony to accomplish Kingdom objectives.

We consult with church leaders, we offer strategic resources and we offer training seminars in order to assist the churches in attaining church health. Our team members are growing in their skills each year as they visit with church leaders, helping to equip for effective ministry. We helped train a group of consultants from several state conventions and associations in the upper Midwest last February in Des Moines. This coming winter our group will be obtaining further training in their ministry areas and they are eager to work with you in planning, strengthening and evaluating your church ministry strategy.

The team evolves a little bit each year. A new member to our team is Roger Lee, pastor of University Baptist Church, Ames. He serves as our adult ministry and pastoral ministry consultant. We said goodbye to Dan Wiersema last fall, as he resigned as the pastoral and worship ministry consultant. Continuing to serve the team are: Chuck Spindler, Sunday school/discipleship consultant; Dianna Sparks, preschool/children consultant; Rachel Nations, special education consultant and Paul Dykstra, seminary education consultant. We are hoping to enlist a worship consultant and a youth consultant in the near future.

A dedicated group of VBS training group members assist us each spring. This year Ken Livingston, Valerie Gladwyn-Nash, Dianna Sparks and Terry Brent were our state VBS trainers. Associations were equipped and encouraged to lead VBS seminars in their areas. 82 kids and teens were saved in VBS in 2007 according to reports we received. 2,619 persons were enrolled in VBS in Iowa this summer. This is a decline from 2006.

Collegiate Ministries was a responsibility of our team for many years. This February the convention reassigned that ministry to the Associational Missions Team led by John Shaull. I would like to thank the college ministers with whom I enjoyed fellowship and mutual encouragement over the years.

Finally let me report that our churches are engaged in Bible study and discipleship ministries. Participation and attendance in these ministries is up slightly (5% or so), but we are not enrolling many new people in these ministries. Please continue to work hard to train your Sunday school and discipleship leaders in the essentials of ministry including an emphasis on enrolling new people and using these ministries to equip believers and train future leaders. When we assimilate new believers along a path of discipleship into maturity and ministry, we are doing what Jesus commanded us to do in Matthew 4:19, “Follow me and I will make you fishers of men...”

Associational Missions Team

John Shaull, Team Leader

This is my first report as the Associational Missions Team Leader for the Baptist Convention of Iowa. My responsibilities include intergenerational ministries for our convention (Senior Adults, Youth, etc.), oversight of Impact University (multi-associational youth camp), Collegiate Ministry and leader of the Associational Missions Team (comprised of the five state Directors of Missions). I am still getting my feet wet with regard to all of my varied responsibilities while also serving as the Director of Missions for the Metro Baptist Association.

Impact University was held at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake again this year. Students from five of our seven associations attended the camp. We had 123 students and 43 staff for a total of 166. Three students professed faith in Christ; seventy-nine students rededicated their lives in obedience to Christ and twenty students committed to serving the Lord in vocational Christian ministry as God leads them.

Northeast Association called Mike and Ginny Roberts as their new Director of Missions and wife this year. We now have a full complement of Directors of Missions in Iowa. I look forward to working together with them as God expands his kingdom throughout our state. Next year, we plan to have our first Director of Missions' retreat to strengthen our relationships and to strategize for our future work.

On October 6 of this year, we held our first ever Senior Adult Rally at Crestwood Baptist Church in Des Moines. We had approximately 70 participants. The theme was "Finishing Well." The three major parts to the theme were: Finishing Well in our Faith, Finishing Well in our Families and Finishing Well in our Finances. Thanks to all of you who made this a great time of encouragement; especially Richard Nations for his assistance with planning and Phyllis Hoth for handling the registrations.

Collegiate ministries in our state are taking place on several college campuses. Our collegiate ministers serve as volunteers or receive a small stipend for their labors. Some of the campuses where work is happening are: Graceland in Lamoni, Drake, Iowa State, Iowa, UNI and Kyle Rains is starting a work at several campuses in the Dubuque area which he is calling "Epicenter." A networking and encouragement meeting was held in September with some of our Collegiate Ministers and four Directors of Missions, who now serve as our first point of contact for our collegiate ministers. Please let them (DOMs) know if you have students attending any of these colleges who would appreciate a contact from one of our collegiate ministers.

2007 Alphabetical List of Churches

Association Code: GR – Great Rivers; M – Metro; NC – North Central; NE – Northeast; NW – Northwest; SC – South Central; SW – Southwest

Albia Road Baptist (CH), Ottumwa – SC, 1601 Albia Road, Ottumwa, IA 52501; 641.682.4488; E-Mail: musicprchr@aol.com; Pastor Alan Hayden

All Nations Baptist (CH), Iowa City – NE, 1715 Mormon Trek Blvd., Iowa City, IA 52246; 319.354.7801; 319.354.4984 (Fax); oksoon@email.com; Pastor Jong Koo Lee

All Nations Baptist (M), Waterloo – NE, 3040 Hammond Avenue, Waterloo, IA 50702; No Phone; ycj3927@hanmail.net; Pastor Young Joung; (All Nations, Iowa City – Sponsor)

All Nations Baptist-English Speaking (M), Iowa City – NE, 1715 Mormon Trek Blvd., Iowa City, IA 52246; 319.354.7801; 319.354.4984 (Fax); Tony Shebek; (All Nations, Iowa City – Sponsor)

Avon Community (CH), Carlisle – GR – 5975 SE 46th Street, Carlisle, IA 50047; 515.266.7926; Pastor Doug Benda

Bel Air Baptist (CH), Keokuk – GR, 2101 Orleans Avenue, Keokuk, IA 52632; 319.524.2715; jmcmilln@mchsi.com; Pastor Mike McMillen

Bethany Baptist (CH), Keokuk – GR, 522 High, Keokuk, IA 52632; 319.524.6440; ronniemclain@q.com; Pastor Ronnie McLain

Bethel Baptist Chapel (CH), Independence – NE, 614 Third Street NE, Independence, IA 50644; 319.334.6617; Pastor Mike Anderson

Burlington Baptist (CH), Burlington – GR, 1225 Hagemann Street, Burlington, IA 52601, Burlington, IA 52601; 319.752.1832; kwadams@hotmail.com; Pastor Kendall Adams

Calvary Baptist (CH), Clarinda – SW, 1200 S 20th Street, Clarinda, IA 51632; 712.542.2367; 712.306.0615 (Fax); bsmith122003@heartland.net; Pastor Bob Smith

Calvary Baptist (CH), Clinton – GR, 1619 2nd Avenue S, Clinton, IA 52732; 563.243.2350; calvary-baptist@excite.com; Pastor Ryan Carpenter

Calvary Baptist (CH), Glenwood – SW, 56456 221st Street, Glenwood, IA 51534; 712.527.3951; aap518@cox.net; Pastor Arnold Peterson

Calvary Baptist (CH), Indianola – M, 2708 N Jefferson, Indianola, IA 50125; 515.961.5410; jajakes@hotmail.com; Pastor John Jakes

Calvary Baptist (CH), Leon – SC, 1302 NE Poplar, Leon, IA 50144; 641.446.6798; mdc2@grm.net; Pastor Max Carmichael

Calvary Baptist (CH), Marshalltown – NC, 1021 S 12th Avenue, Marshalltown, IA 50158; 641.752.2261; jmiller234@hotmail.com; Pastor Josh Miller

Centerville Baptist Fellowship (M), Centerville – SC, 1409 S Main, MAIL: PO Box 304, Centerville, IA 52544; 641.856.2600; Vacant; (South Central Association – Sponsor)

Central Baptist (CH), Fairfield – SC, 302 W Jefferson, Fairfield, IA 52556; 641.472.9633; ray@jeffersoncoiowa.com; Pastor Ray Ellerd

Community Baptist (CH), Burlington – GR, 1225 Hagemann Street, Burlington, IA 52601; 319.752.1832; eotskang@hotmail.com; Pastor Eric Kang

Community Baptist (CH), Waterloo – NE, 522 Anthony, Waterloo, IA 50702; Mailing: PO Box 1421, Waterloo, IA 50704; 319.233.8228; 319.233.3033 (Fax); csbc@cedarnet.org; Pastor Ted Keys

Copper Creek (M), Pleasant Hill – M, 550 S Hickory Blvd., Pleasant Hill, IA 50317; 515.285.7488; RZKalle@crosspaths.net; Pastor Ron Kallem

Corner Stone Baptist (CH), Altoona – M, 410 17th Avenue SW, Altoona, IA 50009, 515.967.2988; afjahn@msn.com; Pastor Alan Jahn

Cornerstone Baptist (CH), Ankeny – M, 701 E 1st Street, Ankeny, IA 50021; 515.964.3653; ankenycbc@msn.com; Pastor Dennis Bradley

Cornerstone Baptist (CH), Dubuque – NE, Eisenhauer Elementary, JFK Blvd., Dubuque, IA 52003; Mailing: 2747 Burden Avenue, Dubuque, IA 52001; 563.588.1362; jhedrick@logondubuque.net; Pastor Jim Hedrick

Cornerstone Baptist (M), Orange City – NW, 221 3rd Street SW, Orange City, IA 51041; 712.737.8444; cornerstonebc@frontiernet.net; Pastor Jay Anderson; (Southern Hills, Sioux City – Sponsor)

Cornerstone Church of Ames (CH) – NC, 56829 US HWY 30, Ames, IA 50010; 515.232.5488; 515.232.3291 (Fax); troy@cornerstone-church.com; Pastor Troy Nesbitt

Cornerstone Community (CH), Chariton – SC, 120 Northwestern Avenue, South Industrial Park, Chariton, IA 50049; 641.774.5683; eric@cornerstonecommunitychurch.net; Pastor Eric Hann

Crest Baptist (CH), Creston – SC, 1211 North Poplar; Creston, IA 50801; 641.782.2018;

cspindler@mchsi.com; Pastor Chuck Spindler

Crestwood Baptist (CH), Des Moines – M, 3717 Forest Avenue, PO Box 41023, Des Moines, IA 50311; 515.274.2420; 515.274.0524 (Fax); EugeneGuthrie222@msn.com; Pastor Eugene Guthrie

CrossPointe (CH), West Des Moines – M, PO Box 41577, Des Moines, IA 50311; 515.222.3185; 515.440.0556 (Fax); tjwilk@mchsi.com; Pastor Terry Wilkinson

Crossroads Community (M), Grimes – M, PO Box 157, Grimes, IA 50111; 515.986.5433; freezegang@yahoo.com; Pastor Jason Friesen; (Grace West, West Des Moines - Sponsor)

Des Moines Korean Baptist (CH), West Des Moines – M, 5300 Ashworth Road, West Des Moines, IA 50266; 515.224.0456; joo53@yahoo.com; Pastor Joo Yi

Fairview Baptist (CH), Anamosa – NE, 23194 County Road E34; Anamosa, IA 52205; 319.462.3810; lrseaken@juno.com; Pastor Lloyd Eaken

Faith Baptist (CH), Bedford – SC, PO Box 98, Bedford, IA 50833; 712.523.2400; faithinbedford@frontiernet.net; Pastor Mitch Green

First Baptist (CH), Albia – SC, 1615 Benton Avenue E, Albia, IA 52531; 641.932.2936; Vacant

First Baptist (CH), Bettendorf – GR, 3593 Middle Road, Bettendorf, IA 52722; 563.355.6200; 563.355.0598 (Fax); Vacant

First Baptist (CH), Carter Lake – SW, 3451 N 9th Street, Carter Lake, IA 51510; 712.347.6429; FirstBaptist.1@netzero.com; Pastor Larry Hayes

First Baptist (CH), DeWitt – GR, 320 2nd Street, DeWitt, IA 52742; 563.659.8404; huffy@gmtel.net; Pastor Bill Huff

First Baptist (CH), Dunkerton – NE, 101 W Sycamore, PO Box 40, Dunkerton, IA 50626; 319.822.4523; tkrucker@dunkerton.net; Pastor Tommy Rucker

First Baptist (CH), Fairbank – NE, 304 Grove Street, Mailing: PO Box 176, Fairbank, IA 50629; 319.638.6681; Vacant

First Baptist (CH), Lamoni – SC, 106 S Cedar Street, Lamoni, IA 50140; 641.784.6734; grace@grm.net; Pastor Woodie Ladnier

First Baptist (CH), Osceola – SC, 900 S Filmore, Osceola, IA 50213; 641.342.2681; Vacant

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