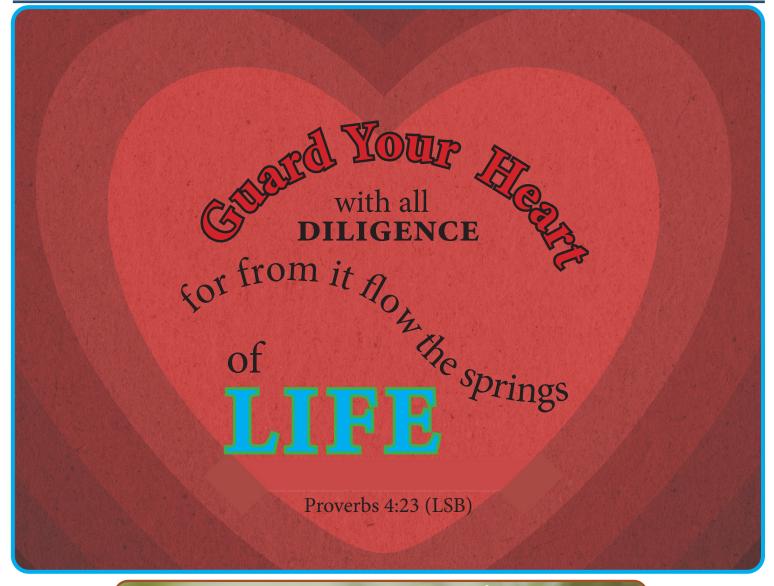
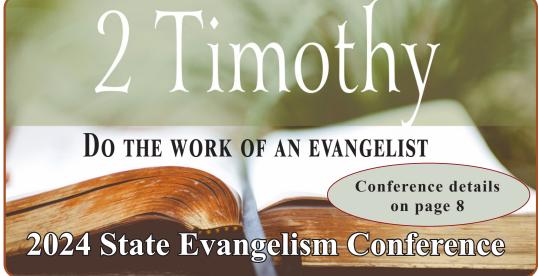


# MILEPOST

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#### All True Unity is Derived from Truth

by Nathaniel Buck

The unity of our cooperation is derived from the truth of God's Word and there's more to what God's Word says than the goal. The goal is that we have made disciples of all nations. But the current disagreement is over how we achieve that goal and what it means to make disciples. God's Word has told us both the "what" and the "how" of the Great Commission, and we must preserve unity in both areas if we are to have true unity.

What is the task of the Great Commission? What did the apostles do? They evangelized peoples, planted churches, and raised up pastors. The Great Commission is the call to form churches according to the whole counsel of God's Word. And the New Testament explicitly includes in this the requirements for pastors, including that the office is reserved for only qualified men. Of all the things in the scripture that are vague, this one isn't. The Great Commission is the call to form churches according to God's standards. Brothers, to be united in the Great Commission we must be united in forming churches according to the New Testament teaching.

How are we to pursue the Commission? Brothers, we pursue the Commission faithfully only when we rely on God's revelation not man's wisdom and good intentions. We must not care what the socio-cultural considerations of the day are. Compromise with the culture will not win the culture, it will only beget further compromise. The world can only be reached through faithful preaching of the gospel. We pursue the Great Commission by being reliant on His Word to accomplish it because only His

Word can accomplish it. My brothers may we unite in the Great Commission by being faithful to the written word.

Why is the "what" and "how" of the Great Commission important? Because how can we have unity if we compromise on clear biblical teaching? We must pursue unity by embracing biblical truth and one way we must do so is by having a specific doctrinal statement. To reject the BFM2000 as the standard for our cooperation is to move away from truth not towards it. Further, rejecting it leaves the network unable to doctrinally articulate a clear vision of what the Great Commission is. What do we believe is a church? What is a pastor? What is the gospel? Without a doctrinal standard how can we as a – cooperative collective – answer these questions? You may be able to answer it individually, but how can we answer collectively? Where are the boundaries? Right now, there aren't any because we don't have a doctrinal standard. What of the issues of gender roles, maybe we can just agree that's a secondary issue we can afford to be loose on? No, we cannot afford to be so loose. The hermeneutical principles used to reverse the clear teaching of 1 Timothy 2-3 are severe enough to be divided

My brothers, we are Baptists. From my childhood I have learned that Baptists are people of the book and people who love the Great Commission. To this my heart says, "yes and amen!" And I know that so many of my fellow Alaska Baptists are the same. Therefore, it is imperative we adopt the BFM2000 as Alaska Baptists.

Soli Deo Gloria



#### Randy Covington, Executive Director

While Dr Covington is on sabbatical, the four associational moderators will each submit an article. The February article is supplied by Nathan Buck, moderator of Hatcher Pass Baptist Association, and pastor of Agape Fellowship, Palmer.

#### Jimmy Stewart, State Director of Evangelism and Church Development



#### **Examine Yourself**

Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith. Examine yourselves. Or do you yourselves not recognize that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless you fail the test. 2 Corinthians 13:5 (HCSB)

Have you ever done a spiritual evaluation or examination? Going through seminary the leadership team of the revival at my church asked us to take a "spiritual physical." Similar to going to the doctor and getting an exam for physical health, this was an exam for spiritual health. Instead of hearing a preacher speak God's Word, we took the time at this revival to personally determine where we were in our spiritual walk. This was a first for me. I was moved and reminded that there was so much more I could be doing in my walk with the Lord. The exam was not given with the intention of making people feel bad, but to encourage people to think about ways to grow in their faith.

As a young pastor, I asked my church to take the "spiritual physical." I didn't build the context for this examination, and I was surprised when people were given the test. It didn't have the same effect as it did in the context of the revival. One church member came to me and said, "I don't come to church to be made to feel bad about myself." I had let down my church because I didn't help the members see the examination as encouragement. It was taken as a negative evaluation of their lives. I realized that I needed to build my relationship with the members before asking them something so personal. Although my intention was good, I invalidated the effect by not being wise in time and context.

It is hard to examine ourselves. We can be over critical. But in our faith, we must do some evaluation. We often do this before taking communion in our churches.

We ask people to examine themselves to see whether they should observe the Lord's supper or if they are out of fellowship with the Lord and should repair that relationship before practicing their faith in communion. Have you ever known someone not to take communion? Have you ever found upon examining yourself you thought it best not to take communion?

Where am I going with this? The new NAMB Evangelism Kit has at its aim to "guide you to ignite the flame of evangelism or make it burn brighter in your church as you consider how to build a culture of evangelism – one ingrained in the DNA of your church." The kit asks if you are personally engaged in evangelism and whether there are people in your church who have a passion for evangelism. To build a culture of evangelism the kit takes a four-phased approach: Examine, Embrace, Engage, Encourage. As you see, the kit starts off with Examine. They ask churches to examine past and present involvement in evangelism. It has a personal component to it. In our spiritual walk we ought to ask ourselves if we have a passion for the lost and the need for evangelism. Personally, I know if I am not concerned for those around me and their eternal destiny, I am less inclined to "engage" the lost with the gospel.

This kit will be given to each church attending the State Evangelism Conference. The conference is February 8-9 at Filipino Bible Church in Anchorage. We hope you can attend. If you plan to attend, please register for the meals. If you are unable to attend, please contact me for Evangelism Kit. Either way, this is an opportunity to help your church build a culture of evangelism. I look forward to seeing you at our conference.

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# SUMMER CAMP

Summer Camp ministry is a thing all its own. There is almost never a problem gathering "campers"; little kids and teens who either want to have the summer camp experience, or those same campers whose parents or other guardians really, really want them to have the summer camp experience. You know what I mean... imagine grandma looking at a young person and saying, "You're going to camp!" Either way or anywhere in between, once we open the registrations to the public, the entrants start flowing in and we who work in the staffing side of the whole thing begin to be filled with an-

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lives changed

ticipation and no small amount of anxiety. What is it that gives us anxiety, you might ask? Without a doubt, it is the perennial struggle to staff the camps with motivated volunteers who find it important to invest their valuable time in these young people. For LaVerne Griffin Camp, which once boasted a steady pipeline of returning church partners from the Lower 48, this struggle began to become more prominent in 2016 and the years following, which was then complicated by the COVID-19 pandemic. We are now in our third year of rebuilding those relationships and I am happy to say we are seeing some wonderful progress. We have several returning work teams this season and some returning camp volunteer teams, but it will take years to develop a deep bench of returning partners.

I look forward to that happening, but I am also convinced that we, as Alaskan Baptists, could do more to invest in these five weeks of Summer Camp at LGC. One thing we do not see, and have not for as long as I can remember, is the willingness of some of our home churches to field a team of adult volunteers who would come to one of the summer camps and lead our children in worship, Biblical teaching, creative play, and the sharing of the Good News

of Jesus Christ.

It is my sincere desire that we change this paradigm. I am asking you and your church to prayerfully consider making in-state, Summer Camp mission, a priority in 2024 and beyond. In so doing, you will be investing in the neighbor just down the road and the children or youth of our churches. We would welcome full-size teams of 24, who could staff a packed out camp, and teams of smaller numbers who could supplement teams from other Alaska churches and from out of state.

We currently have room and need in as many as four of our five pro-

grammed camps for varying sizes of teams and volunteers. If you or your church are interested in exploring it further, please email me right away and I will get the detailed information to you. Please, pray for the staffing of this year's summer camps. Many around the country have expressed interest, and God always makes a way. Wouldn't it be fantastic for Alaskans to make significant investments in the experience of hundreds of Alaska youth, who are all in need of love, compassion, and the Good News of Jesus Christ?

May 26<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>: Alaska Native Youth Camp

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Send inquiries to Tracy Simmons at PastorTracy@c3ak.com

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February 8 - Thursday

3:00 Registration

4:00 Session 1 - Examine

6:00 Dinner

7:00 Session 2 - Embrace

8:30 Dismiss

February 9 – Friday

8:00 Breakfast

9:00 Session 3 – Engage

11:00 Breakouts

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Breakouts

2:00 Session 4 – Encourage

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#### Gym church members work out their faith

Tessa Sanchez

Towels mop up sweat from foreheads after another successful workout. Several gym members finish stretching, while others arrange the benches and Plyo workout boxes in a church-pew formation in preparation for that evening's church service.



Net, back left, and Nathan Crandall, back right, share during a service at the gym. After working out on Wednesdays, gym members gather to fellowship and worship.

IMB photo

It's an unorthodox location for a church—a CrossFit-style gym—but that's what it is—a growing body of believers and seekers who gather to worship and hear the Word of God preached each week.

The men and women who attend the gym in the northern Thai city of Chiang Rai are each other's community—family, even—going on annual camping trips, white water rafting together and taking vacations to the beach. They've traveled to Bangkok to cheer on members as they compete in a CrossFit tournament. Baby showers, weddings, funerals, baptisms and holiday celebrations have all taken place in the gym.

Nathan and Stephanie Crandall serve as IMB missionaries in Chiang

Rai. Nathan joined the gym to relieve compounding stress and lower elevated blood pressure caused by his intensive language study.

After his first workout, he told Stephanie, "It's horrible. I go, and I die, and I sweat. It's horrible. You should come too."

The Crandalls got involved in the gym and quickly saw how gym members were not just workout buddies. They were a tight-knit community who loved spending time with one another both inside and outside the gym. It was a perfect place to share the gospel, the Crandalls realized, and plant a church.

Nathan said they'd invited some of their friends to a house church, but their Buddhist friends felt uncomfortable, and the Christian vocabulary was difficult to comprehend.

"We saw that as they came through the doors of the gym ... their heart, their ears, their mind was just more open," Nathan said.

The owner of the gym is a Christian and opened the gym with the hopes of starting a church. He realized they needed



IMB missionary Nathan Crandall talks with Nett, a new Christian, after a workout. Nett committed his life to Christ after attending a church service in the gym. IMB photo

someone devoted to the church-planting side of the gym. The Crandalls stepped into the role of church planters.

They decided to have church on Wednesday evenings after people finish their exercises.

"They're going to be sweaty. They're going to be in their workout clothes. They're going to smell. But that's how they like to hang out," Nathan said.

Before the service, they eat dinner and fellowship. Stephanie and others are involved in Sunday School for the children. Nathan and several believers rotate who preaches, and someone shares a testimony in each service.

#### WORKING OUT HIS FAITH

When Net's life started to go downhill, his older brother suggested he go to the gym.

Nathan worked out with Net one day, and the twosome

sweated and slogged through the workout. Even though he doesn't usually like to open up to people, Net said he was drawn to Nathan because of his sense of humor.

Net's cross earring led to a gospel conversation and an invitation to church. The first time Net attended, he prayed silently, "Is that you God, who was taking care of me since I was young?"



A Thai Christian baptizes Net in the river. Net committed his life to Christ because of the witness of IMB missionary Nathan Crandall.

IMB photo

The sermon that evening was on the prodigal son. Pausing, as tears welled in his eyes and emotion caused his voice to wa-

ver, he said it was like God was sitting next to him.

Net said God didn't bring up the things he'd done or his sinful ways. God invited him in like a son. "He said He loved me so much. He just was waiting there for so long," Net said. "I know this is God. God is real. I just want to come back for Him."

Net accepted Christ that night.

#### STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY TIES

Ministry doesn't only take place amidst the dumbbells and pull-up bars. The church celebrates all holidays and hosts gospel-centered events for the community. Their fall festival drew around 250 children. Gym members handed out bags of treats with the story of Jesus in comic-book form.

The story of Jesus resonated with Hannah, a nine-year-old girl who attended. She asked her mother, Aoy, whether she'd heard the story before. Hannah felt the message was true. Hannah asked her mom if she was free to make her own decision of faith. Her Buddhist family might have forbidden such a decision, but Aoy said yes, she'd support Hannah in whatever she decided.

Aoy, who is friends with Stephanie, asked to learn more so she could be supportive of her daughter. She began attending a Bible study and church in the gym. Hannah and her younger brother, Keith, committed their lives to Christ during one of the services.

The gym helped Nathan with his blood pressure and stress and helped him reach the language level he needed. More than that, it opened the door for Nathan and Stephanie to do what they came to Thailand to do—share the gospel and help plant healthy churches.

Your generous gifts help missionaries like Nathan and Stephanie Crandall invest their lives in a community as they share the gospel in a spiritually lost world. Every penny — 100% — goes to support missionaries.

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#### **Condolences**

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Anchor of Hope	\$4,177.65	\$159.62	\$479.08	\$479.08	\$0.00	\$5,295.43
Aquillaq Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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FRF-Saturday Night	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Friendship Baptist Mission	\$5,190.97	\$1,250.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,150.00	\$0.00	\$10,090.97
Frontier Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Frontier Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Frontier Southern Baptist Church	\$13,563.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,563.87
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Malamalama Fou (New Light) Church		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Misc. Contributors-Cash	\$0.00	\$14,943.26	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$355.00	\$15,598.26
Montana Creek Baptist Church	\$13,037.42	\$3,036.15	\$0.00	\$3,150.00	\$0.00	\$19,223.57
Moose Creek Baptist Church	\$1,375.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,375.00
Moose Pass Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$220.00	\$170.00	\$0.00	\$390.00
Morning Star Baptist Church	\$8,883.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$355.00	\$0.00	\$9,238.49
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mount Redoubt Baptist Church	\$4,707.30	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,857.30
Mountain View Community Church	\$3,164.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,164.25
New Birth Christian Church New Grace Christian Church	\$2,500.00 \$1,750.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$300.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$2,800.00 \$1,750.00
New Hope Baptist Church	\$1,750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$616.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$1,750.00
New Hope Fellowship	\$520.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,020.00
North Tongass Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northern Lights Missions	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$975.00
Pathway Discipleship Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pioneer Baptist Church of Wasilla	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rabbit Creek Church	\$7,776.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,776.85
Rescate Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Restoration Church	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$550.00

#### January-November 2023 Gifts from ABRN Churches

Organization	CP	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
River In The Desert Community Church\$	2,669.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,669.0
Riverside Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.0
Roots Family Church, Soldotna	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.0
Sabbath Peace Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.0
Salcha Baptist Church \$	1,829.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,600.00	\$0.00	\$3,429.4
Sand Point Baptist Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.0
Set Free Church-Kenai	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Settler's Bay Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,522.00	\$0.00	\$2,522.00
Shannon Park Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,360.00	\$1,409.00	\$0.00	\$2,769.00
Shungnak Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Solid Rock Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
St. John Baptist Church \$	8,626.76	\$220.00	\$310.00	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$9,416.70
Sunset Hills Baptist Church \$2	5,674.92	\$2,905.99	\$50.00	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	\$35,630.9
Tanana Valley Baptist Association	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tenakee Springs Community Church	\$419.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$419.00
Tetlin Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
The Crossing @ Birchwood	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Thorne Bay Baptist Church \$	1,374.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,374.37
Togiak Baptist Mission	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Tongass Baptist Association	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transitional Ministries	\$105.00	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$140.0
True North Church \$4	3,734.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,913.91	\$0.00	\$52,648.39
True North Church Girdwood	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
JBC-Chinese Fellowship	\$308.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$428.00
Jnalaska Reformed Church \$:	2,666.84	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,666.84
University Baptist Church, Anchorage \$	5,206.43	\$2,550.60	\$1,700.30	\$1,153.37	\$0.00	\$10,610.70
Jniversity Baptist Church, Fairbanks \$	5,320.00	\$430.00	\$2,126.07	\$2,159.00	\$0.00	\$10,035.0
Valley View Baptist Church \$	6,981.00	\$0.00	\$490.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,471.00
Wasilla Korean Baptist Church \$	1,200.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$850.00	\$0.00	\$2,550.00
White Cliff Church \$1	7,328.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,328.9
Whittier Christian Community Church \$	1,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$1,550.0
Williwaw Church	\$594.00	\$318.00	\$322.00	\$299.00	\$100.00	\$1,633.0
\$59	4,925.06	\$57,052.27	\$63,422.28	\$92,606.35	\$4,928.00	\$812,933.90
	1Q 2023	2Q 2023	3Q 2023	4Q 2023	1Q 2024	
2000 Club Call receipts as of 12/31/2023\$	1,862.50	\$3,627.50	\$3,977.50	\$3,992.50	\$210.00	\$13,670.0

# Thankyou

Because of
your congregation's
Cooperative Program
giving through the
Alaska Baptist
Resource Network,
in December 2023
\$45,013.54

remained in Alaska for

missions and ministries.

#### Legend:

CP: Cooperative Program

SMO: Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering

AA: Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

LM: Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

WH: World Hunger

\$3,992.50
has been
received for
4th Q 2023\*
as of 12/31/23

\$826,603.96

# Alaska Baptist Resource Network Cooperative Program Support

	2023		2022	
December				
<b>CP Receipts</b>	\$56,266.92		\$43,235.10	
CP Goal	\$63,541.17		\$61,510.25	
Variance	\$(7,274.25)	-11.45%	\$(18,275.15)	-29.71%
Year-to-Date				
CP Receipts	\$594 925 06		\$612,287.98	
CP Goal	\$762,494.04		\$738,123.00	
	\$/02,454.04 \$/167 568 98)	-21 98%	\$(125.835.02)	-17 05%

#### — Upcoming Events —

February	
8-9	State Evangelism Conference
March	
3-10 Ann	ie Armstrong Easter Offering Emphasis
10	Daylight Savings Time begins
28	Maundy Thursday
29	Good Friday
31	Easter
April	
1 ABRN ar	nd ABF offices closed for Easter holiday
11-13	Women On Mission Celebration
18-20	Ministers and Spouse Retreat
22	VBS Training Clinic, HPBA
23	VBS Training Clinic, CBA
27	VBS Training Clinic, TVBA
May	
2	National Day of Prayer
6-7	ABRN Executive Board Meeting
9	ABF Trustee Meeting
12 Day of P	rayer for Birchwood Behavioral Health
27 ABRN ar	nd ABF offices closed for Memorial Day

# Please Pray for our Pastorless Churches

Aquillaq Baptist Mission, Ambler
Chinese Fellowship, Fairbanks
Cross Roads Baptist Church, North Pole
First Baptist Church, Juneau
First Native Baptist Church, Anchorage
Riverside Chapel, King Salmon
Shannon Park Baptist Church, Fairbanks
Shungnak Baptist Mission
True North Church, Girdwood
Valley View Baptist Church, Eagle River

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