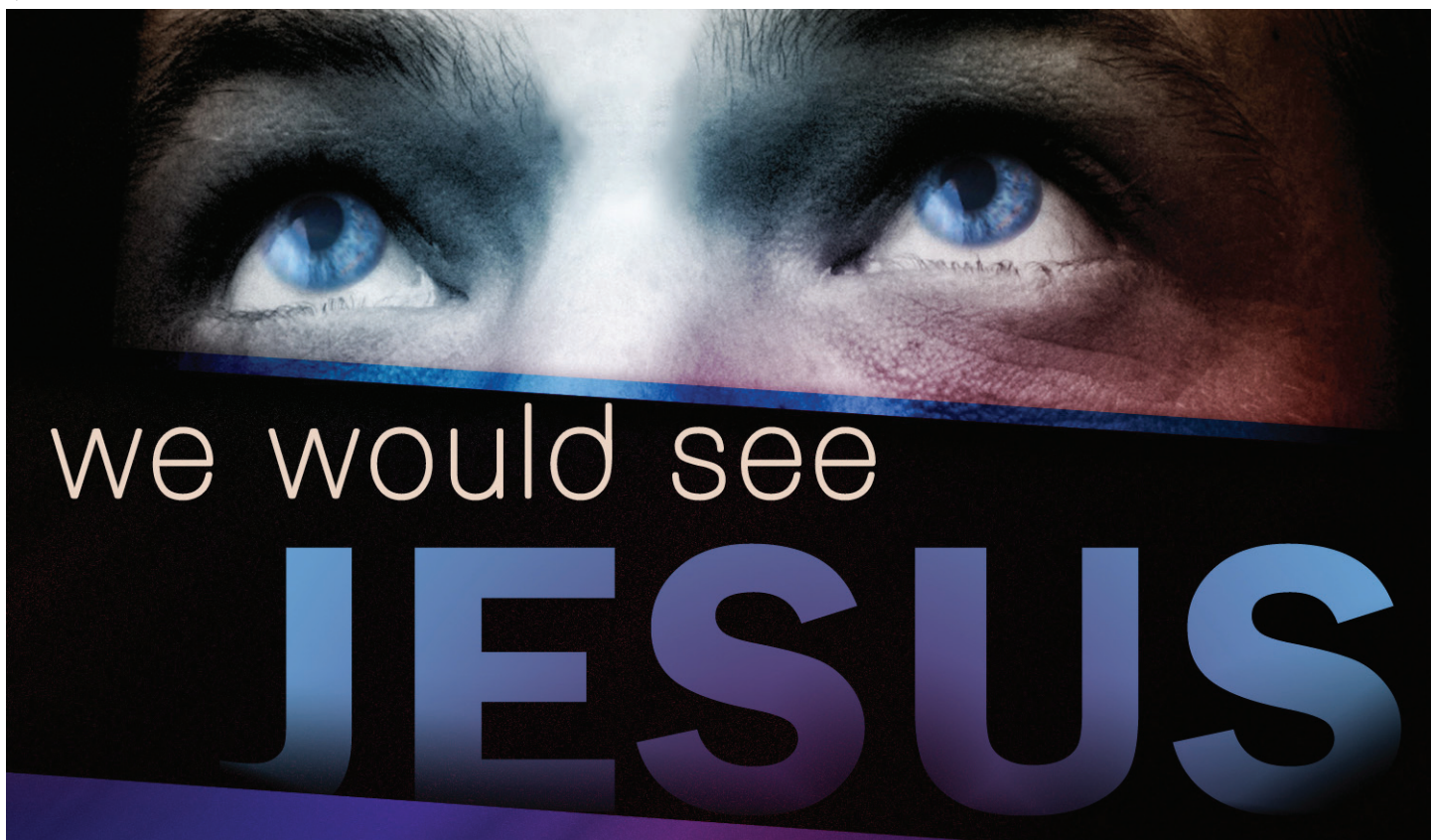




Alaska Baptist Messenger



The Alaska Baptist Convention exists to assist congregations to **SEEK** Christ, **SHARE** Christ, **STRENGTHEN** congregations, **START** congregations and **SEND** Christians.



Attention Messengers to the Annual Meeting!

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| Event | Alaska Baptist Convention 67th Annual Meeting | | |
| Date+Time | Tuesday, September 25, 2012, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 26, 2012, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. | | Name |
| Type | Messenger | Payment Status | Free Order |
| Location | Rabbit Creek Community Church 3401 Rabbit Creek Road Anchorage, Alaska 99516 | | |
| Order Info | | | |

You must print out and bring your ticket!

Monday, September 24
Mission Rally
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 25
Pastor's Conference
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
WMU Annual Meeting
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
ABC Annual Meeting
5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

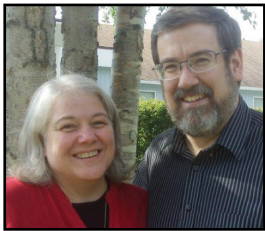
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ABC Annual Meeting
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Rabbit Creek Community Church • Anchorage

**Your Cooperative Program giving
impacts Alaska churches....**



I was raised in a Christian home and attended church regularly as a child, but it was not a Southern Baptist church. We supported a handful of missionaries with meager monthly gifts. I remember some of those missionaries visiting our church periodically and even sharing a meal in our home. They used big words to



*Pastor Stephen and Dana
Shrimplin*

describe their time with us – words like “furlough,” “deputation work” and “raising support.” I realize now these hard-working, committed folks had to leave their posts on a regular basis to return home and raise the funds necessary to support themselves and the work to

which God had called them. To me, that was how missions worked.

For the first five years of my ministry, I served with a para-church youth ministry. I was a missionary, directly supported by the people I contacted and recruited to fund my work on a monthly basis. I was responsible for raising money not only for my own expenses, but also for the general operating expenses of the ministry. I found myself spending nearly half my time raising support and I can remember praying “there’s got to be a better way.”

God granted me a change of venue. When I began my career as a youth/music pastor in a small church, I remember the relief I felt in receiving a regular paycheck, so I could focus on my real calling -- ministry. It was at this small Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) church where I was introduced to the Cooperative Program (CP). Wow! Our small church could voluntarily participate in giving to the CP and thus link arms with churches around the globe in a worldwide effort to fulfill the Great Commission. Together, we could support thousands of missionaries with regular paychecks so they could focus exclusively on the work at hand! I was convinced.

Today, I consider myself a Christian by conviction, a pastor by calling, and a Southern Baptist by choice. I choose to be Southern Baptist because SBC doctrine lines up with my personal beliefs, and because the CP method of supporting missionaries makes good sense.

God's Plan for Sharing in Alaska

| Organization | CP | SMO | AA | LM | WH | Total |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Chugach Baptist Association | | | | | | |
| Alaska Iu-Mienh First Bapt Church | \$119.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$119.00 |
| Anch Hope Comm Baptist Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Aquillaq Baptist Mission | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Calvary Baptist Church | \$2,502.00 | \$871.00 | \$1,027.50 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$4,400.50 |
| Christ Community Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Chugach Resort Ministries | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Cliffside Community Chapel | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Cold Bay Chapel | \$1,100.20 | \$0.00 | \$400.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,500.20 |
| Comm Baptist Church, Nome | \$704.00 | \$30.00 | \$633.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,367.00 |
| Cowboy Church of Anchorage | \$1,283.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,283.00 |
| Eagle River Korean BaptChurch | \$400.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$400.00 |
| Filipino Bible Church | \$1,750.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,750.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Anchorage | \$32,581.80 | \$6,227.55 | \$8,674.44 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$47,483.79 |
| First Baptist Church, Eagle River | \$19,447.88 | \$915.15 | \$7,003.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$27,366.03 |
| First Baptist Church, Kotzebue | \$1,000.00 | \$250.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,250.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Soldotna | \$5,347.00 | \$1,142.00 | \$875.00 | \$0.00 | \$84.27 | \$7,448.27 |
| First Hmong Baptist Church | \$50.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$50.00 |
| First Korean Baptist Church | \$600.00 | \$442.00 | \$306.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,348.00 |
| First Native Baptist Church | \$2,818.00 | \$1,022.00 | \$541.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$4,381.00 |
| Frontier Baptist Church | \$2,232.12 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,232.12 |
| Grandview Baptist Church | \$20,884.19 | \$1,800.00 | \$7,377.00 | \$200.00 | \$20.00 | \$30,281.19 |
| Greater Friendship Bapt Church | \$5,176.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,176.00 |
| Hillside Baptist Church | \$9,251.57 | \$796.25 | \$690.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$10,737.82 |
| Immanuel Baptist Church | \$784.21 | \$0.00 | \$200.00 | \$250.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,234.21 |
| Kiana Baptist Mission | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Kobuk Baptist Mission | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Korean New Central Bapt Church | \$700.00 | \$0.00 | \$300.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Mt Zion Missionary Bapt Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Mountain View Comm Church | \$175.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$175.00 |
| Muldoon Road Baptist Church | \$6,250.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$6,250.00 |
| New Grace Christian Church | \$2,100.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,100.00 |
| New Hope Baptist Church | \$6,076.00 | \$300.00 | \$500.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$6,876.00 |
| Rabbit Creek Community Church | \$2,333.59 | \$1,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,333.59 |
| River In The Desert Comm Church | \$1,517.00 | \$0.00 | \$72.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,589.00 |
| Samoa Alaska Baptist Church | \$150.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$150.00 |
| Sand Point Baptist Chapel | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Shungnak Baptist Mission | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Solid Rock Baptist Church | \$300.00 | \$200.00 | \$350.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$850.00 |
| Sunset Hills Baptist Church | \$12,686.45 | \$4,148.83 | \$3,658.00 | \$0.00 | \$500.50 | \$20,993.78 |
| The Church of New Beginnings | \$151.80 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$151.80 |
| The Crossing @ Birchwood | \$2,450.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,450.00 |
| True North Church | \$3,750.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$6,750.00 |
| University Baptist Church | \$6,049.50 | \$2,081.00 | \$1,861.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$9,991.50 |
| Valley View Baptist Church | \$3,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| Whittier Christian Community | \$175.00 | \$98.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$273.00 |
| Total | \$155,895.31 | \$21,323.78 | \$37,467.94 | \$450.00 | \$604.77 | \$215,741.80 |
| Hatcher Pass Baptist Association | | | | | | |
| Big Lake Baptist Church | \$6,780.27 | \$1,651.00 | \$1,741.00 | \$125.00 | \$0.00 | \$10,297.27 |
| Bodenberg Butte Baptist Church | \$3,663.18 | \$350.00 | \$350.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$4,363.18 |
| CrossCountry Church | \$1,050.00 | \$400.00 | \$250.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,700.00 |
| Dillingham Bible Fellowship | \$3,826.92 | \$0.00 | \$2,650.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$6,476.92 |
| Ekwo Christian Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Fairview Loop Baptist Church | \$11,981.91 | \$2,586.94 | \$2,940.90 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$17,509.75 |
| First Baptist Church, Palmer | \$9,999.96 | \$1,934.00 | \$1,890.67 | \$231.00 | \$0.00 | \$14,055.63 |
| First Baptist Church, Valdez | \$11,455.68 | \$3,262.00 | \$2,944.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$17,661.68 |
| First Baptist Church, Wasilla | \$18,236.71 | \$1,823.25 | \$2,355.50 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$22,415.46 |
| First Baptist Church, Willow | \$2,403.21 | \$1,080.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,483.21 |
| King Salmon Comm Chapel | \$300.00 | \$0.00 | \$65.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$365.00 |
| Montana Creek Baptist Church | \$2,943.92 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,943.92 |
| North Bear St Comm Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Pioneer Baptist Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$340.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$340.00 |
| Schrock Road Community Church | \$2,849.88 | \$2,255.40 | \$711.60 | \$288.80 | \$0.00 | \$6,105.68 |
| Settler's Bay Community Church | \$4,702.11 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$4,702.11 |
| Wasilla Korean Baptist Church | \$350.00 | \$0.00 | \$500.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$850.00 |
| Total | \$80,543.75 | \$15,342.59 | \$16,738.67 | \$644.80 | \$0.00 | \$113,269.81 |
| Kenai Peninsula | | | | | | |
| College Heights Baptist Church | \$25,852.34 | \$2,863.89 | \$3,669.00 | \$5,499.80 | \$0.00 | \$37,885.03 |
| First Baptist Church, Kenai | \$3,205.31 | \$405.00 | \$289.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,899.31 |
| Lighthouse Community Church | \$7,981.67 | \$0.00 | \$2,500.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$10,481.67 |
| Moose Pass Community Church | \$266.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$266.00 |
| Mount Redoubt Baptist Church | \$300.00 | \$500.00 | \$500.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,300.00 |
| Total | \$37,605.32 | \$3,768.89 | \$6,958.00 | \$5,499.80 | \$0.00 | \$53,832.01 |

January-July 2012 Gifts from ABC Churches

| Organization | CP | SMO | AA | LM | WH | Total |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Other | | | | | | |
| Misc. Contributors-Cash | \$347.00 | \$2,676.25 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$80.00 | \$3,103.25 |
| Total | \$347.00 | \$2,676.25 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$80.00 | \$3,103.25 |
| Tanana Valley Baptist Association | | | | | | |
| Chinese Fellowship | \$383.50 | \$332.00 | \$245.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$960.50 |
| Clearwater Baptist Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Cross Roads Baptist Church | \$7,709.00 | \$1,620.00 | \$1,387.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$10,716.00 |
| Faith Baptist Church | \$3,325.00 | \$1,253.00 | \$1,144.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,722.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Fairbanks | \$3,781.20 | \$1,273.00 | \$1,863.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$6,917.20 |
| First Baptist Church, North Pole | \$16,029.34 | \$100.00 | \$1,246.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$17,375.34 |
| First Baptist Church, Delta Jet | \$24,738.00 | \$2,565.00 | \$2,593.00 | \$250.00 | \$0.00 | \$30,146.00 |
| Friendship Baptist Church | \$350.00 | \$0.00 | \$514.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$864.00 |
| Hispanic Mission | \$211.00 | \$0.00 | \$200.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$411.00 |
| Korean Baptist Mission | \$450.00 | \$0.00 | \$190.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$640.00 |
| Moose Creek Baptist Church | \$5,506.37 | \$260.43 | \$270.07 | \$0.00 | \$20.46 | \$6,057.33 |
| Morning Star Baptist Church | \$4,950.15 | \$0.00 | \$955.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,905.15 |
| Mt Pleasant Baptist Church | \$250.00 | \$150.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$400.00 |
| North Star Baptist Church | \$42.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$42.00 |
| Salcha Baptist Church | \$2,674.11 | \$320.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,994.11 |
| Shannon Park Baptist Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$860.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$860.00 |
| St. John Baptist Church | \$6,350.65 | \$463.00 | \$671.81 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$7,485.46 |
| Togiak Baptist Mission | \$0.00 | \$25.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$25.00 |
| University Baptist Church | \$10,907.00 | \$1,767.00 | \$5,387.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$18,061.00 |
| Total | \$87,657.32 | \$10,128.43 | \$17,525.88 | \$250.00 | \$20.46 | \$115,582.09 |
| Tongass Baptist Association | | | | | | |
| Anchor Baptist Church | \$2,549.25 | \$379.00 | \$100.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,028.25 |
| Comm Bapt Church, Coffman Cove | \$1,084.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,084.00 |
| Emmanuel Baptist Church | \$1,918.85 | \$200.00 | \$500.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,618.85 |
| Filipino Baptist Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Juneau | \$5,454.26 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,454.26 |
| First Baptist Church, Ketchikan | \$5,009.91 | \$0.00 | \$2,545.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$7,554.91 |
| First Baptist Church, Petersburg | \$1,773.00 | \$852.00 | \$875.63 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,500.63 |
| First Baptist Church, Sitka | \$4,162.16 | \$975.00 | \$52.57 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$5,189.73 |
| Glacier Valley Bapt Church | \$0.00 | \$2,434.00 | \$3,662.00 | \$3,586.85 | \$0.00 | \$9,682.85 |
| Hoonah Baptist Mission | \$200.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$200.00 |
| Juneau Korean Church | \$210.00 | \$0.00 | \$335.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$545.00 |
| Kasaan Fellowship | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| New Hope Fellowship | \$700.00 | \$0.00 | \$151.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$851.00 |
| North Tongass Baptist Church | \$227.50 | \$695.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$922.50 |
| Tenakee Community Church | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Thorne Bay Baptist Church | \$267.72 | \$31.50 | \$12.50 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$311.72 |
| Total | \$23,556.65 | \$5,566.50 | \$8,233.70 | \$3,586.85 | \$0.00 | \$40,943.70 |
| Grand Total | \$385,605.35 | \$58,806.44 | \$86,924.19 | \$10,431.45 | \$705.23 | \$542,472.66 |
| Goals | \$720,322.00 | \$75,000.00 | \$90,000.00 | \$150,000.00 | | |
| Over/Under Goal | \$(334,716.65) | \$(16,193.56) | \$(3,075.81) | \$(139,568.55) | | |

Legend:

| | |
|------|---|
| CP: | Cooperative Program, January - December |
| SMO: | State Mission Offering, August - July |
| AA: | Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, January - December |
| LM: | Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, June - May |
| WH: | World Hunger, January - December |

Quarterly Goal is \$20,000 • 2,000 ppl x \$10



Received as of July 31, 2012:

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| First Quarter 2012 | \$6074 |
| Second Quarter 2012 | \$6604 |
| Third Quarter 2012 | \$4824 |
| Fourth Quarter 2012 | \$1154 |

It takes just 2,000 gifts of \$10 each quarter to accomplish the quarterly goal of \$20,000. Won't you join us and be part of expanding God's Kingdom in Alaska?

There are currently 207 regular contributors...imagine how much more we could do with an additional 1793 contributors?

Alaska Baptist Convention

Please Pray for our Pastorless Churches

Chugach Baptist Association

- Aquillaq Baptist Church
- Chugach Resort Ministries
- Kiana Baptist Mission
- Mountain View Community Church
- New Hope Baptist Church
- Sand Point Chapel
- Shungnak Baptist Mission
- University Baptist Church

Hatcher Pass Baptist Association

- Ekwok Christian Church
- King Salmon Comm Baptist Chapel

Kenai Peninsula

- First Baptist Church, Kenai

Tanana Valley Baptist Association

- Chinese Fellowship
- Friendship Baptist Church
- Moose Creek Baptist Church
- North Star Baptist Church
- Shannon Park Baptist Church

Tongass Baptist Association

- Hoonah Baptist Mission
- North Tongass Baptist Church



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Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering Emphasis



September 2-9, 2012
Goal: \$90,000

Anchor Baptist Church, Craig

The youth at ABC assembled "welcome bags" for the international workers at the cannery. Young people from all over the



world, many from Russia, work in Craig during the summer months. The bags were filled with water, packages of hot chocolate and apple cider, cookies, candy, popcorn, a welcome card, invitation to church and a voucher for transportation. The church ministered to more than 100 young people. Dean Blankenship is pastor

World Eskimo Indian Olympics.

Fairbanks

What do "Drop the Bomb", "Greenland", "Four Man Carry", "Canada", "Ear Pull", Alaska Native Baptist Fellowship (ANBF), "One Foot High Kick", "Arizona", "Bench Reach", Alaska Baptist Convention (ABC) and muktuk eating have in common? They are all identified with the World Eskimo Indian Olympics that took place in Fairbanks,



July 18-21. For a second year, the ANBF and ABC had a prayer booth ministry during the games where evangelistic materials, the "Jesus" video and New Testament Bibles were distributed, and where people could come to request prayer.

Sunset Hills Baptist Church, Anchorage

SHBC hosted a "Singspiration" in July with folks from Grandview, Hillside, Immanuel and Samoa Alaska Baptist Churches joining them for an evening of praise and worship through song. Sunset Hills will be participating in the National Back-to-Church Sunday in September. Don Shannon is pastor.

First Baptist Church, Delta Junction



FBC continues with improvements to their building, completing their roofing project. Next on the agenda is to replace the ceiling, interior walls, threadbare carpeting and 20-year-old

pews! Thanks to God's plan and willing

volunteers, the church has been able to make these improvements without going into debt. Dave Becker is pastor.

Community Baptist Church, Nome

CBC had a busy summer of outreach in Nome and surrounding villages. A bluegrass music team visited White Mountain, Golovin, Shishmaref and Teller; a team went to Stebbins to assist with home building and discipling; two additional teams disciplined in Nuuk. Pastor Bruce Landry reported the largest regional outreach effort to date.

Winter Youth Celebration, Fairbanks

Friday-Saturday, October 26-27 at First Baptist Church, Fairbanks. Register online at www.akwyc.com. Call FBC Fairbanks for additional information, 907.456.4923.



University Baptist Church, Fairbanks

In August, the Chinese congregation at UBC baptized nine new believers as a direct result of their Chinese Family Camp held at Camp Baldwin in July. On September 2, UBC will introduce "Friends In Search of Him" (FISH), a new children's program that will replace the conventional Sunday School.

Frontier Baptist Church, Kodiak

FBC hosted a mission team from Texas who led their VBS. Kodiak Island Outreach sponsored another mission team who ministered in the village of Port Lions.

First Baptist Church, Petersburg

FBC celebrated the baptism of two young people who were saved during camp at Orton Ranch. The baptism was followed by a finger food fellowship.

Chugach Resort Ministries

Current director Scott Capshaw (Jennifer) has accepted a call to serve as pastor at First Baptist Church, Tahoe City, California, so they will be leaving Alaska September 1. Chelle Smith will continue as the interim director for CSM. Reach Chelle at 931.247.8426; chelle@chugachresortministries.org.

RA World magazine

Mohau Dial, son of Alan and Babs, is featured in the September/October issue of RA World.



Our condolences to the family of Martha Shield, who passed away on August 18. Martha and Harley were early, longtime missionaries in Alaska and served most of their lives above the Arctic Circle in Kotzebue and in villages along the Kobuk River. Condolences may be sent to Lou Ann Nunn at lnunn@hughes.net.

"Come and Go" Reception for

**Tom and Nancy Covington
Sunday**

**September 16, 2012
2:00-5:00 p.m.**

**1440 K Street
Anchorage
907.227.7548**

women's ministry

Connecting for a Christ-like Purpose

Wasilla • September 6 • 6:30-8:30 pm
"Growing Relationships"

2430 Parks Hwy (old Mat-Su Cinema, across from Lowe's)
For information and registration, contact Christine Greco
907.232.8119, cgteach@ak.net

Soldotna • September 7 • 6:30-9 pm
"The Frontier Woman"

Soldotna Sports Center
For information and registration, contact Kecia Burrows
907.690.1983, burrows330@yahoo.com

Fairbanks • September 8 • 6-9 pm
"Oh Taste and See"

Carlson Center
For information and registration, contact Karen Ellison
907.452.6532, preacherpilot@me.com

Join the Celebration!



Celebrate God's work in the world
Anticipate your role in God's mission
Participate in an on-mission lifestyle

**Prepare Now for the Upcoming
On Mission Celebrations
October 20-28, 2012**

FinisTerre

by Alan Dial, Alaska Native Church Planter Catalyst

On the rock-bound peninsula on the west coast of Galicia, Spain there is a promontory point known as the "Ends of the Earth" or "Lands End." In ancient times, this was the place where one stood to look out over the vastness of the Atlantic Ocean, and realize what lay beyond was unknown, dangerous and frightening. Nearly every isolated tip of a peninsula has a place known as "Lands End" so there must be some universal dread when we come to the place where the water meets the land, and we don't know what is on the other side. In my life, I have looked out into the ocean from that very spot and dreamt of the other side and of the cost and sacrifice of going there; even of the possibility that once in that foreign place, I might not be able to return. While my culture and world view is not one ruled by fear, I suspect each of us has a healthy concern for the unknown and an understated desire to remain cemented in the familiar and comfortable. Sadly, the desire for comfort and safety often becomes the controlling standard under which we camp. On a recent trip to the southeastern United States to attend an On Mission Celebration, I was sharing with the sponsoring Director of Missions the need for committed men and their families to fill the pastorless

pulpits in Alaska. I asked (seriously) if he knew of some young preachers or dedicated laymen who sensed the call of God to missions...even missions in Alaska. He sighed and said that for every church in his association, there were several qualified men, most waiting in an imagined queue for a pastor to quit or die, to then be able to step sprightly into a still-warm pulpit. He ended the conversation with the remark that most of them felt called to no more than 50 miles from where their mothers lived. Comfort is a great thing. I have my easy chair about which I am very protective, my memory foam pillow and the four-inch memory foam pad that sits atop our mattress. I have a very comfortable pair of boots and an old pair of Carhartt's that are as soft as butter. I embrace comfort, maybe too much. I know that lately I have made a conscience effort to avoid asking God for protection from the difficulties of life because I realize, like the indigenous people said of the missionaries of old, I may have become "too poor to trade, too stingy to marry, and too effeminate to hunt." I pray desperately for the strength to go where He would have me to go, do what He would have me do, and be all He wants me to be. You, too?



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Monday, September 24

Annual Mission Rally

7:00-8:00 p.m.

"We Would See Jesus"

Tuesday, September 25

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Pastors' Conference

"Urgency: Behold, Now is the Day of Salvation"

(Sunset Hills Baptist Church)

8:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.

WMU Annual Meeting

67th Annual Meeting of the Alaska Baptist Convention

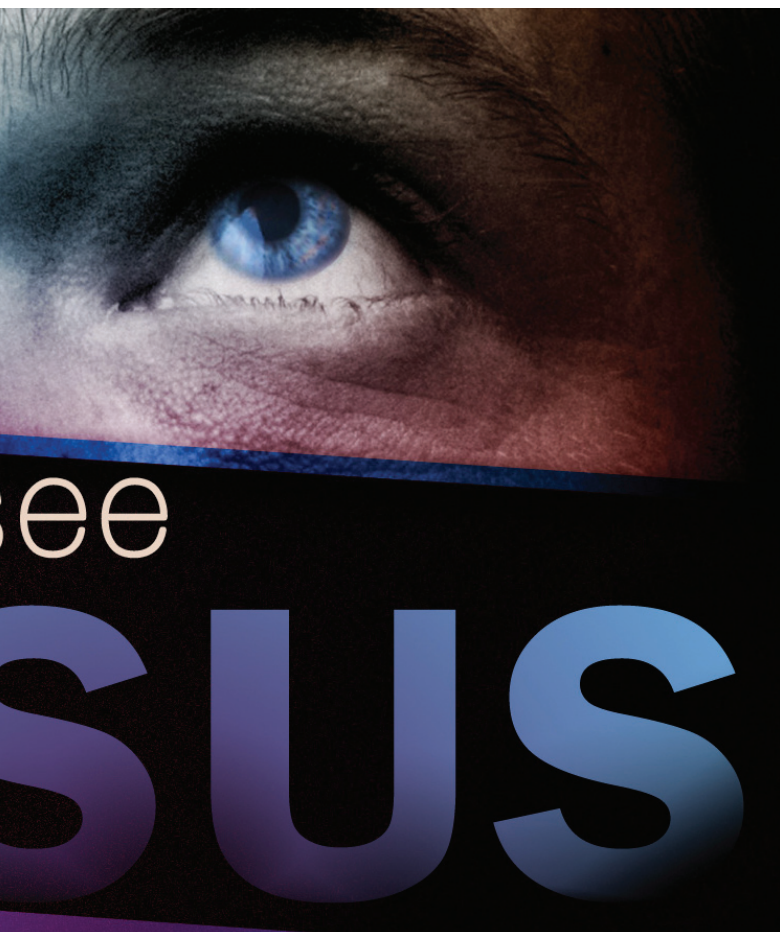
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| 5:00 | Registration |
| 5:50 | Call to Order |
| 5:55 | Worship through Music |
| 6:05 | Welcome from host church |
| 6:10 | Scripture and Prayer |
| 6:15 | Adoption of Program |
| 6:20 | Seating of Messengers |
| 6:25 | Worship through Music |
| 6:30 | IMB Report |
| 6:55 | Prayer for IMB |
| 7:00 | Worship through Music |
| 7:15 | NAMB Report and Message |
| 7:45 | Prayer for NAMB |
| 7:50 | Announcements |
| 7:55 | Prayer/Benediction |

Wednesday, September 26

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| 10:00 | Call to Order |
| 10:05 | Worship through Music |
| 10:10 | Scripture and Prayer |
| 10:15 | Introduction of New Personnel to State |
| 10:25 | Committee on Committees Report |
| 10:30 | Nomination for President and Recording Secretary |
| 10:40 | Worship through Music |
| 10:45 | Constitution and Bylaws Report |
| 10:50 | Evangelism and Church Development Report |
| 11:05 | Prayer for Evangelism |
| 11:10 | Miscellaneous Business |
| 11:15 | Alaska Baptist Foundation Report |
| 11:30 | Alaska Partnership Report |
| 11:45 | wMu Report |
| 12:00 | Worship through Music |
| 12:05 | President's Message |
| 12:30 | Benediction |
| 12:35 | Lunch |



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| 1:30 | Call to Order |
| 1:35 | Worship through Music |
| 1:40 | Scripture and Prayer |
| 1:45 | Election of President and Recording Secretary |
| 1:55 | Committee on Boards Report |
| 2:00 | State Mission Report |
| 2:15 | Nominations for Vice Presidents |
| 2:25 | Adoption of 2013 ABC Budget |
| 2:35 | LifeWay Christian Resources Report |
| 2:50 | Executive Board Actions |
| 2:55 | Worship through Music |
| 3:05 | Last Miscellaneous Business |
| 3:15 | Time, Place, and Preacher Committee Report |
| 3:20 | Wayland Baptist University, Anchorage |
| | Wayland Baptist University, Fairbanks |
| 3:35 | Alaska Baptist Family Services Report |
| 3:55 | Resolutions Committee |
| 4:00 | Worship through Music |
| 4:10 | Executive Director's Report |
| 4:25 | Prayer for ABC |
| 4:30 | Announcements |
| 4:35 | Benediction |
| 4:40 | Supper |
| 5:55 | Call to Order |
| 6:00 | Worship through Music |
| 6:10 | Scripture and Prayer |
| 6:15 | Election of Vice Presidents |



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| 6:25 | SBC Executive Committee Prayer for SBC |
| 7:10 | Recognitions; Vice President Results; Installation of Officers |
| 7:20 | Worship through Music |
| 7:35 | Annual Sermon |
| 8:00 | Adjournment, Announcements Benediction |

Program Personnel

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| J.B. and T.B. Bennett, Keith | IMB personnel with Alaska roots Associate Pastor, Pastor of Worship and Music First Baptist Church, Anchorage |
| A.C. Carter, Kay | IMB personnel with Alaska roots member, First Baptist Church, Palmer chair of Committee on Committees |
| Chadwick, Kerry | pastor, First Baptist Church, Sitka chair of Budget and Finance Committee chair of Resolutions Committee |
| Clayton, Ashley | Associate to the President for Cooperative Program and Stewardship of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee |
| Cummings, Becky | member, First Baptist Church, Palmer chair of Committee on Boards |
| Goodman, Mark, Dr. | pastor, Rabbit Creek Community Church Anchorage |

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| Gourley, Troy | pastor, Cross Roads Baptist Church, North Pole chair of Time, Place, Preacher Committee |
| Hand, Mike | Missional Church Strategist International Mission Board |
| Hellams, Tom | Vice President of Executive Relations, LifeWay |
| Hixson, Doug | pastor, Connection Church Spearfish, South Dakota |
| Hoffman, Tom | pastor, Fairview Loop Baptist Church, Wasilla First Vice President, Alaska Baptist Convention |
| Jemar, John | Associate Dean, Wayland Baptist University at the Anchorage Campus |
| Lamont, Russell | associate pastor, First Native Baptist Church Anchorage |
| Lee, Hong Rae | pastor, Eagle River Korean Baptist Church Eagle River |
| Lee, Jae One | pastor, First Korean Baptist Church Anchorage |
| Lee, Priestly | pastor, First Hmong Baptist Church Anchorage |
| Loeffler, Garry | pastor, Hillside Baptist Church, Anchorage Second Vice President, Alaska Baptist Convention |
| Long, Adam | Foundation Coordination Director Alaska Baptist Foundation |
| May, Leon | pastor, River In The Desert Community Church Anchorage President, Alaska Baptist Foundation |
| McGee, Corey | pastor, Lighthouse Community Church, Nikiski Trustee, North American Mission Board |
| Milewski, William | member, First Baptist Church, Kenai Trustee, International Mission Board |
| Morris, Lorie | Executive Director Alaska Baptist Family Services |
| Myers, Rebecca | member, Faith Baptist Church, Fairbanks chair of Credentials Committee |
| Natcher, Val | pastor, Filipino Bible Church, Anchorage |
| Procter, Michael, Dr. | Executive Director Alaska Baptist Convention and Foundation |
| Rowell, Bruce, Dr. | pastor, First Baptist Church, Palmer chair of Constitution and Bylaws Committee Trustee, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee |
| Shannon, Don | pastor, Sunset Hills Baptist Church, Anchorage |
| Smith, John L. | pastor, Greater Friendship Baptist Church Anchorage |
| Smith, Wally | Academic Advisor, Wayland Baptist University Fairbanks campus member, University Baptist Church, Fairbanks |
| Stewart, Jimmy | Director of Evangelism and Church Development, Alaska Baptist Convention |
| Stogsdill, Ruby | member, First Baptist Church, Soldotna President, Alaska Woman's Missionary Union |
| Strickland, Butch | Director of Church Planting and Missions Alaska Baptist Convention |
| Strickland, Pam | member, Grandview Baptist Church Anchorage |
| Tauanuu, Willie | pastor, Samoa Alaska Baptist Church Anchorage |
| Weathersby, Kenneth, Dr. | Presidential Ambassador for Ethnic Church Relations, NAMB |
| Worthy, Charles | pastor, First Baptist Church, Willow President, Alaska Baptist Convention |



Mike Procter
Executive Director

The 67th Annual Meeting of the Alaska Baptist Convention (ABC) is September 24-26, 2012 at Rabbit Creek Community Church in Anchorage. It promises to be a great time of celebration as we reflect on our theme, “We Would See Jesus” (John 12:21) and hear how Jesus has been working in our congregations and ministries across the state.

All the events will take place at Rabbit Creek Community Church unless noted otherwise. Monday, September 24, 7:00-8:00 p.m. is the Mission Rally; Tuesday, September 25, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. is the Pastor’s Conference (Sunset Hills Baptist Church) and 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. is the WMU Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting of the ABC starts Tuesday evening at 5:50 p.m. and will continue Wednesday, September 26, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Guests include Dr. Ed Stetzer with Lifeway Christian Resources; Dr. Kenneth Weathersby, North American Mission Board; Dr. Glynn Stone, pastor of Mobberly Baptist Church in Texas; Dr. Mike Hand, Jerry, Tina and A.C. with the International Mission Board; Eric Thomas, pastor of First Baptist Church Norfolk, Virginia; C. Ashley Clayton with the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee; Doug Hixson, pastor of Connection Church in South Dakota; and Dr. Chris Morgan, Dean, School of Christian Ministries, California Baptist University. We are also happy to have Jan Watkins from Lifeway who will furnish the bookstore. A mission team from North Carolina, led by Larry Wilhelm, will provide our meals. Please plan on attending the annual meeting and come anticipating what the Lord will do in our midst. My heart’s desire is that across Alaska our people will see Jesus and that a God-sent revival will break out during our time together. Will you pray for that?

Remember, the Alaska Baptist Convention exists to assist congregations to Seek Christ, Share Christ, Strengthen congregations, Start congregations and Send Christians.

Thank you for allowing me to serve Him and you! Blessings!



Jimmy Stewart
*Director of Evangelism, Prayer
and Collegiate Ministries*

It’s September, so that means hunting season is upon us. What are you hunting? I know a lot of guys who will take their guns, mount four-wheelers and head to the woods for a delightful time of hunting. How much time, preparation and expense will go into the hunt, kill, dressing and packing the meat? No matter the answer, we will gladly engage in this yearly ritual strictly for the fun and experience.

Do we put the same amount of effort, energy and expense into “hunting” for the lost person who is wandering through the forest of life? They may be enjoying creation around them but be unaware they are missing out on eternal life. What if we spent the same amount of time, energy, enthusiasm and expense to seek and save the lost? You might plan activities and events to engage people and invite them to Christ—“Fall Festivals”, family nights, a Sunday School campaign or servant evangelism activities. In September, the Alaska Baptist Convention is hosting women’s ministry events in Wasilla, Soldotna and Fairbanks. My prayer is that women will come to a life-changing point of confession and surrender themselves at these events. Check our website and Facebook for registration and contact information.

It also isn’t too early to plan your Christmas activities. Last month I mentioned that some churches have taken advantage of the GPS funds available to plan evangelistic events. There are still funds available to help you plan a fall or Christmas event/activity. If you are interested, please give me a call.

Mark your calendars for some upcoming opportunities. On October 1, 2 and 4, we will provide training for those in Children’s Ministry (grades 1-5). Jerry Vogel, Kids Ministry Specialist at LifeWay will conduct the training focusing on ministry and discipleship with children and their families. Jerry will discuss children’s worship, Bible study and discipleship, parent/church partnerships and outreach to families and children as we seek to minister to this age group. Our target group for the training is pastors, parents and Bible study leaders. I hope you will encourage your Children’s Ministry workers to attend this conference. We will begin with a meal and spend the bulk of our time sharing ways to increase our effectiveness in reaching children for Christ. Sign up online (www.alaskabaptistconvention.com) for the session most convenient for you.

Bible Study Leadership Training will be November 10, 12, 13 and 15. A leadership team from Ohio will conduct our training this year. They specialize in working with smaller churches and it will be valuable to hear ways we can conduct our Bible studies. A meal will be provided at each training. Sign up online at www.alaskabaptistconvention.com.

I’m looking forward to a great fall with wonderful training opportunities, and our churches working together to reach their communities.



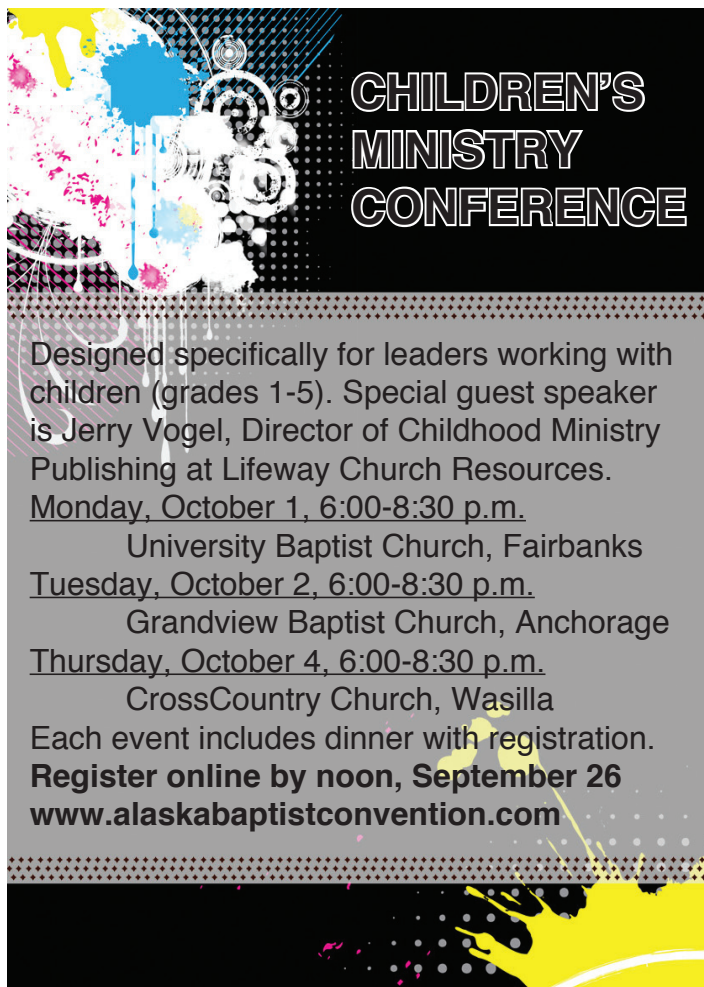
Butch Strickland

***Director of Church Planting
and Missions***

In 1919, the leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) proposed the “75 Million Campaign,” a five-year pledge campaign that, for the first time, included everything—the missions and ministries of all the state conventions as well as that of the SBC. Though falling short of its goals, a God-given partnership of missions support was conceived—the Cooperative Program (CP). Since its launch in 1925, the effectiveness of the CP has been dependent upon individuals, churches, state conventions, and SBC entities cooperating, working toward a common goal of sharing the gospel with every person on the planet.

As Southern Baptists we understand we are able to do more together than any of us can do by ourselves. The voluntary cooperation of churches enables us to be true to our heritage and true to the Biblical mandate to share the gospel with every person on the planet. Each Christian, each church, each denominational entity is commanded to reach to the ends of the earth with the gospel, and we do it best when we cooperate with effort, resources and personnel.

As Alaska Baptists we have chosen to participate in the task of reaching our world for Christ. We have been blessed to be the recipients of the resources provided by the cooperation of Southern Baptists. Now we have come to a critical point in the history of our Convention. Hundreds of thousands of people in Alaska don't know Jesus. We still need the help of the SBC to do what is necessary to remedy this situation. However, we can't just let others do what God has placed us in the beautiful state to do. We have an historic goal for our state missions offering this year and it will be a challenge to reach that goal. But just as Southern Baptists can look back on the year 1919 as a critical year in which they responded to a challenge that resulted in an historic change in our denomination, let us look at the \$90,000 Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering goal as the beginning of Alaska Baptists taking on the task of providing the means for reaching Alaskans to Christ.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CONFERENCE

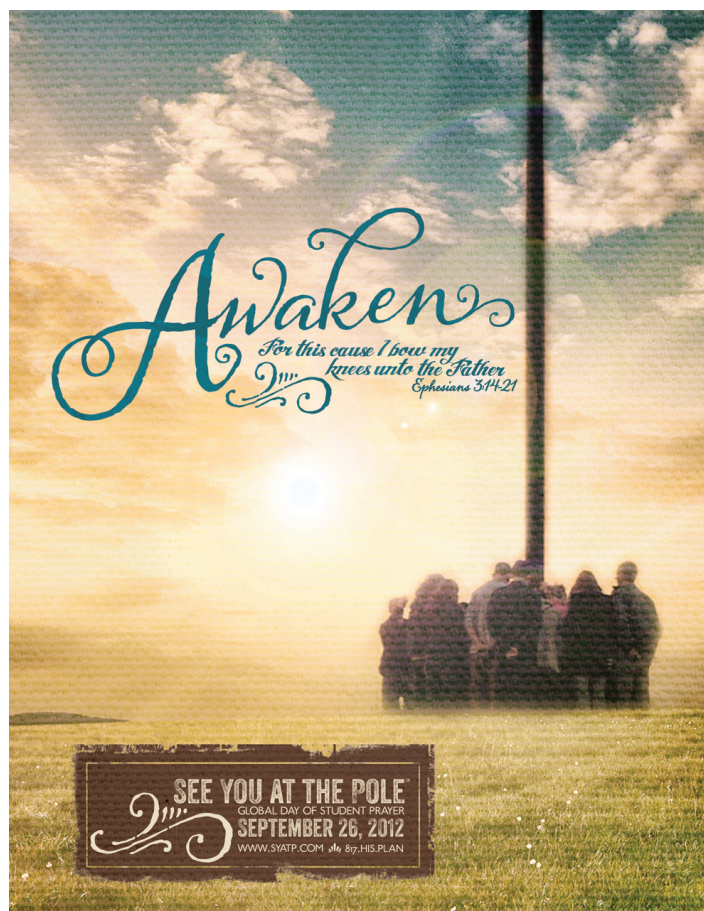
Designed specifically for leaders working with children (grades 1-5). Special guest speaker is Jerry Vogel, Director of Childhood Ministry Publishing at Lifeway Church Resources.

Monday, October 1, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
University Baptist Church, Fairbanks

Tuesday, October 2, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Grandview Baptist Church, Anchorage

Thursday, October 4, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
CrossCountry Church, Wasilla

Each event includes dinner with registration.
Register online by noon, September 26
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A \$25,000 Cup of Coffee?



Mike Procter
Executive Director/Treasurer

Little things can make a big difference in your personal finances. As reported online at newjerseynewsroom.com, if you spend \$3.50 a day for a cup of coffee, mocha or latte, over the course of a year that adds up to \$1,277.50 (not counting tips). Over ten years, that equals \$12,775; over 20 years, you will have spent \$25,550 for a daily cup of coffee. That is a lot of money for coffee! It is amazing to me how quickly we are willing and ready to spend \$3.50 a day on coffee but do not envision how that small amount adds up over the years. By making a cup of coffee at home, how much money could you save to be used in another way?

Think for a moment how little things in life add up. In the English alphabet there are only 26 letters but when these letters are placed in a sequence, they can make over 800,000 words. Every book, newspaper, letter or magazine contains just 26 different letters. There are only ten different numbers and our entire mathematical system consists of only ten numbers that have been computed to an innumerable and unending series of numbers. In the music world, there are 12 basic notes but when arranged, are used to compose every song that has ever been written. Artists tell me there are only three primary colors -- red, yellow and blue -- but when they are blended and mixed together, you can get all the colors of the rainbow.

Now think for a moment about how a small investment in God's work can add up. Let's say, over the course of the year, you gave \$10 a month beyond

your tithes and offerings to a trust or endowment you established for a kingdom cause for which you have a burden. Over one year, you will have contributed \$120. If that \$10 a month was invested at 3% interest over 30 years, the amount realized would be \$5,709. That is a significant gift to the Lord's work.

If you are interested in knowing more, contact Adam Long, Foundation Coordination Director, at adam@alaskabaptistfoundation.com, 907-770-0581 or 800-883-9627 and let him explain how just a little bit can be used to further the kingdom of God in Alaska. As an added bonus, you can contribute this amount to the Lord's work and pass it along as an inheritance to your children.

Be sure to congratulate Adam, as he just graduated with a master of science in personal financial planning. What a blessing to have him as a part of our Alaska Baptist Foundation team.

“ I am currently enrolled at the University of Mobile as a worship leadership major. My goal is to learn more about ministry in the body of Christ through the mode of worship. The Fuhr scholarship has been a tremendous help in achieving this goal throughout my college career. The money I receive from this scholarship goes directly to help paying for my education. I am so thankful for the wisdom of those who created this scholarship to ensure the education of those who desire a Christian education.”

Steven Stewart, Fuhr scholarship recipient

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Protect those church funds... 10 ways to prevent embezzlement

Almost every other week I receive a message that another church has had funds embezzled. The reasons for the thefts are always varied. Sometimes, a person steals because of a financial crisis in his own life or in the lives of immediate family members. On the other hand, the person might be stealing just for the fun of it.

The age of the person who is embezzling money does not seem to matter. I have had experience with both teenagers and senior adults being involved in this crime. One factor seems to be constant in all the cases: Church members were surprised that the person embezzled the funds because the church trusted the person.

There are several things every church needs to do to help prevent this terrible crime from happening to their church. The church must guard itself and help protect the church treasurer and other financial leaders from even a hint that embezzlement of church funds is possible.

The church treasurer should take the lead in recommending these suggestions to help protect his/her name and reputation, in addition to helping prevent embezzlement of church funds. Likewise, the church financial leadership need to listen and act upon the responsible suggestions made by the church treasurer. If a church thinks this serious crime could not happen to them, then they are sadly mistaken.

- 1.** An annual financial review of church records needs to be conducted by the church finance committee or appointed ad hoc committee. The internal review is necessary to ensure that all church funds are spent according to the wishes of the church. If the financial review committee discovers a problem with the financial records, then the committee should contact an outside auditor to complete the investigation. If the outside auditor discovers embezzlement has occurred, then local authorities should be contacted for proper action.
- 2.** Full disclosure of all church receipts and expenditures, including love offerings, should be reported to the congregation annually. The detailed financial report should comply with IRS record-keeping guidelines.
- 3.** The church should require two signatures on checks for all church expenditures. Online bill payments should be verified by two signatures on the paper printout. A check signer should never sign a blank check. Finally, the church financial secretary should not be one of the check signers. In many churches, the financial secretary receives and deposits part of the church's income. This would be a conflict of interest if he/she spent the money too.
- 4.** The church treasurer should not receive or count the church's income. However, if the church treasurer occasionally receives church income, then the treasurer should record the income in a ledger that is available for public inspection. The church treasurer should never take the church's offering home with him/her or deposit the church's offering. This is the responsibility of other financial leaders.
- 5.** The church should use sealed bank security bags for church offerings. Sunday morning worship service and Sunday school offerings should be taken to the bank immediately following the morning service.
- 6.** At least two unrelated individuals should receive the church offering during the worship services and Sunday school. If possible, these individuals should rotate with other individuals in their responsibilities.
- 7.** Likewise, church should rotate the money counters or tellers. As a general rule, the treasurer should not count the money, but should be available to assist the counters or tellers.
- 8.** Church offerings of currency should be counted and recorded on bank deposit receipts. The currency should be listed as dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies on the deposit slip. The deposit slips should be kept as part of the church's financial recordkeeping.
- 9.** A copy of the church financial records should be kept at the church. The church treasurer can process the recordkeeping at home, but the permanent records should be kept at the church. Also, contribution credit statements should be made available to everyone who has given to the church.
- 10.** The church should track giving patterns over time. Questions to ask include: Has the loose currency decreased or increased? Has income suddenly increased or decreased? Some churches even send marked currency through the system to make sure the offerings are received fully.

(Keith Hamilton, Church Financial Services Ministry of the Georgia Baptist Convention; originally published in the May/June 2008 issue of Facts & Trends magazine)

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| Aug 23-Sep 3 | Alaska State Fair | 16 |
| 2 | Single Adult Sunday | 16-18 |
| 2-9 | Valeria Sherard State Mission Emphasis | 18 |
| 3 | Labor Day | 20 |
| | ABC and ABF offices closed | |
| 6 | Wasilla Women's Ministry event | 20-28 |
| 7 | Soldotna Women's Ministry event | 26-27 |
| 8 | Fairbanks Women's Ministry event | |
| 9-15 | Church Music Emphasis Worship Music Week | 4 |
| 16 | Anti-Gambling Sunday | |
| 17 | Discipleship Rally | 4 |
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| 1-31 | Cooperative Program Emphasis Month | 13 |
| 1 | TVBA Children's Ministry conference | 13 |
| 2 | CBA Children's Ministry conference | 15 |
| 4 | HPBA Children's Ministry conference | 15 |
| 7 | Soul-Winning Commitment Day | 22 |
| 14 | World Hunger Sunday | |

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| National Boss Day |
| Critical Incident Stress Management |
| CBA Annual Meeting |
| HPBA Annual Meeting |
| and Missions Celebration |
| Statewide OMC Rallies |
| Winter Youth Celebration |

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| Living with Urgency: |
| Children's Missions Celebration Day |
| Daylight Savings Time ends |
| Baptist Women world Day of Prayer |
| Election Day |
| ABF Trustee meeting |
| TVBA Bible Study Leadership Training |
| ABC Executive Board meeting |
| HPBA Bible Study Leadership Training |
| ABC Executive Board meeting |
| CBA Bible Study Leadership Training |
| Soldotna Bible Study Leadership Training |
| Annual Church Profiles (ACP) due |
| Thanksgiving |
| ABC and ABF offices closed |