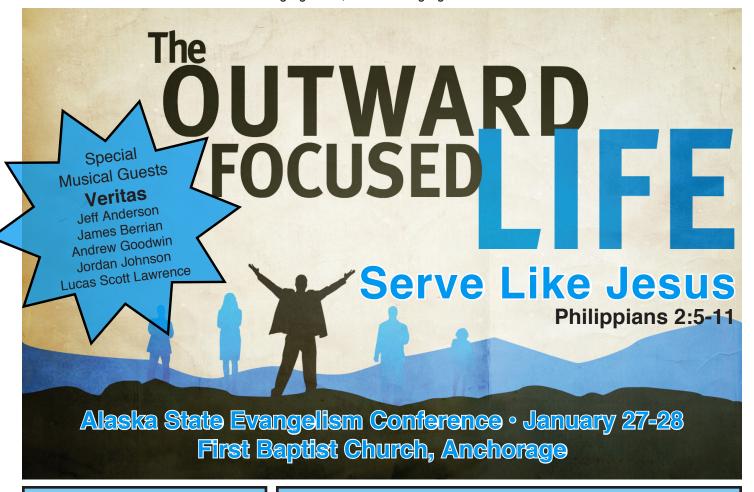


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Schedule

Monday, Jan. 27 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28

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9:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m (lunch and supper on Tuesday included with sign up) childcare available all sessions for

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www.alaskabaptistconvention.com

Conference Hotel

Clarion Suites Downtown 907.929.6460 (use code ABC-SEC. Deadline Jan. 9)

Featured guests:

Greg Goforth, Worship Pastor, The Crossing @ Birchwood, Chugiak

Keith Jefferson, Missional Church Strategist for African American Churches, International Mission Board

Michael Lewis, Executive Director of Revitalization and Pastor Relations, North American Mission Board

Nick Nye, Lead Pastor, Veritas Community Church, Columbus, Ohio

Brittany Nye, Veritas Community Church, Columbus, Ohio Mike Stewart, Executive Director of Missions, Central Coast Baptist Association, California

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One of the ways your congregation's mission giving through the Cooperative Program (CP) bears fruit in Alaska is in our Partnership Missions Development.

In 2013, we entered into a reciprocal partnership with the Central Coast Baptist Association (California) and are working on partnerships with the Orange County Southern Baptist Association (California) and the Oregon Trail Baptist Association (Nebraska). Partnership teams have already come to Alaska and worked alongside our congregations, pastors and missionaries. A team associated with Central Coast assisted with a basketball clinic in Sand Point; a Filipino congregation in Orange County has begun a "sister church" relationship with our Filipino congregation in Ketchikan. A vision team from Orange County will be coming to Alaska this spring and at least two partnership mission teams will be coming this summer from Nebraska. In 2013, we sent a team to Nebraska and will be taking a vision team there in April. If you would be interested in being a part of this vision team, please contact Mike Procter mike@alaskabaptistconvention.com or 907.344.9627 or 800.883.9627.

God's Plan for Sharing in Alaska

Organization	CP	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
-	0.461.00	#0.00		40.00	00.00	
Alaska Iu-Mienh First Bapt Church	\$461.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$461.80
Anchor Baptist Church	\$2,840.61	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,950.61
Anchorage Hope Comm Bapt Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Anderson Church Plant	\$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
Big Lake Baptist Church	\$11,586.18	\$1,446.10	\$2,359.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,391.30
Bodenburg Butte Baptist Church	\$5,266.14	\$0.00	\$427.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,693.14
Calvary Baptist Church	\$4,027.33	\$863.00	\$1,030.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,920.33
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
City on a Hill Church	\$211.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$211.00
Clearwater Baptist Church	\$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	\$804.34	\$150.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,004.34
College Heights Baptist Church	\$40,038.19	\$3,174.80	\$6,692.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49,905.57
Comm Baptist Church, Coffman Cove	\$5,410.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,410.20
Comm Baptist Church, Nome	\$962.00	\$0.00	\$366.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,328.00
Community Christian Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cowboy Church of Anchorage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cross Roads Baptist Church	\$14,325.00	\$10.00	\$3,500.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,835.80
CrossCountry Church	\$1,500.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,700.00
Dillingham Bible Fellowship	\$8,038.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,038.41
Eagle River Korean Bapt Church	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$950.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church	\$3,261.03	\$0.00	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,621.03
Fairview Loop Baptist Church				\$4,655.35		\$3,021.03
Fairview Loop Baptist Church Faith Baptist Church	\$23,706.50	\$0.00	\$3,025.43		\$0.00 \$0.00	
*	\$5,386.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$5,386.72
False Pass Christian Fellowship	\$222.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$222.45
Filipino Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$270.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$270.00
Filipino Bible Church	\$3,500.00	\$427.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,927.00
First Baptist Church, Anchorage	\$46,247.86	\$4,207.50	\$5,674.75	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$56,630.11
First Baptist Church, Eagle River	\$28,782.65	\$2,776.50	\$4,253.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,813.10
First Baptist Church, Fairbanks	\$7,333.02	\$1,096.00	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,729.02
First Baptist Church, North Pole	\$22,250.28	\$650.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$23,500.28
First Baptist Church, Delta Junction	\$45,210.00	\$4,070.00	\$4,180.00	\$625.00	\$0.00	\$54,085.00
First Baptist Church, Juneau	\$9,788.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$9,888.87
First Baptist Church, Kenai	\$4,664.49	\$701.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,025.49
First Baptist Church, Ketchikan	\$7,586.94	\$0.00	\$3,029.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,615.94
First Baptist Church, Kotzebue	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
First Baptist Church, Palmer	\$17,499.93	\$1,127.00	\$2,849.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,475.93
First Baptist Church, Petersburg	\$4,678.36	\$1,298.00	\$909.12	\$435.00	\$0.00	\$7,320.48
First Baptist Church, Sitka	\$6,708.54	\$620.00	\$1,263.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,591.54
First Baptist Church, Soldotna	\$11,730.00	\$1,204.00	\$1,363.09	\$231.00	\$0.00	\$14,528.09
First Baptist Church, Valdez	\$17,797.22	\$1,473.00	\$4,035.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$23,305.62
First Baptist Church, Wasilla	\$11,338.78	\$1,128.84	\$2,327.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,794.67
First Baptist Church, Willow	\$5,004.25	\$630.00	\$756.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,390.25
First Hmong Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0,390.23
			\$0.00			
First Korean Baptist Church	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$487.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,587.00
First Native Baptist Church	\$3,830.00	\$0.00	\$1,065.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,895.00
Friendship Baptist Mission	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Frontier Baptist Church	\$3,495.65	\$160.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,655.65
Gilead Ministries	\$1,631.25	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,736.25
Glacier Valley Baptist Church	\$26,029.63	\$3,171.85	\$3,630.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$32,831.48
Grandview Baptist Church	\$35,469.56	\$3,145.00	\$1,862.00	\$540.00	\$136.36	\$41,152.92
Greater Friendship Bapt Church	\$8,552.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,552.10
Hillside Baptist Church	\$10,178.89	\$150.00	\$746.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,075.22
Hoonah Baptist Mission	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Hydaburg Baptist Mission	\$72.00	\$45.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$117.00
Immanuel Baptist Church	\$983.13	\$1,375.00	\$1,440.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$3,823.13
Journey Church	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Juneau Korean Church	\$330.00	\$0.00	\$310.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$640.00
Kasaan Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Kiana Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Kobuk Baptist Mission	\$739.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$739.63
Korean Baptist Mission	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$170.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$470.00
Korean New Central Bapt Church	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Lighthouse Community Church	\$8,461.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,461.00
Misc. Contributors-Cash	\$500.00	\$636.25	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$1,486.25
Montana Creek Baptist Church	\$6,986.19	\$435.00	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,661.19
Moose Creek Baptist Church	\$7,183.95	\$1,102.84	\$398.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,685.19
Moose Pass Comm Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Moriah Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Morning Star Baptist Church	\$3,004.76	\$0.00	\$2,160.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,164.76
Mt Pleasant Baptist Church	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Mt Redoubt Baptist Church	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,200.00
Mtn View Community Church	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00

January-November 2013 Gifts from ABC Churches

\$7,187.66 \$1,166.27 \$300.00 \$3,000.00 \$9,954.24 \$1,305.00	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	\$646.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$7,833.66 \$1,166.27
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\$9,954.24		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
\$1,305,00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,954.24
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,305.00
\$700.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$820.00
\$49.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49.18
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
\$2,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$110.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$350.00
\$8,210.59	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,610.59
\$637.92	\$0.00	\$136.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$774.28
\$146.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$146.60
\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
\$3,490.24	\$680.00	\$804.80	\$525.00	\$0.00	\$5,500.04
\$6,363.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,363.63
\$908.48	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,258.48
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$10,047.21	\$282.00	\$519.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,848.21
\$23,378.44	\$3,565.00	\$9,588.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$36,531.94
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$202.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$202.26
\$3,850.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,850.00
\$563.66	\$0.00	\$87.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$650.66
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$6,250.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,250.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
\$733.14	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,103.14
\$9,990.53	\$1,775.00	\$1,943.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,708.53
\$15,442.00	\$1,268.00	\$3,788.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$20,573.00
\$4,250.00	\$0.00	\$558.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,808.00
\$750.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00
\$950.00	\$0.00	\$115.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$1,115.00
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Legend:

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

Alaska Baptist Convention Cooperative Program Support

	2013		2012	
November				
Receipts	\$51,137.64		\$56,471.72	
CP Goal	56,973.25		60,026.83	
Variance	(5,835.61)	-10%	(3,555.11)	-6%
Year-to-Date	е			
Receipts	\$625,283.88		\$705,566.94	
CP Goal	626,705.75		660,295.13	
Variance	(1,421.87)	-0.23%	45,271.81	7%

Welcome!

Richard (Tracy) Eunice Kiana Baptist Mission George (Anne) Nytes University Baptist Church, Anc

Please Pray for our Pastorless Churches

Big Lake Baptist Church, Wasilla
Chinese Fellowship, Fairbanks
Chugach Resort Ministries, Girdwood
Cowboy Church of Anchorage
First Baptist Church, Valdez
Greater Friendship Baptist Church, Anc
Lighthouse Community Church, Nikiski
Moose Pass Community Church
New Beginnings Baptist Church, Seward
New Hope Baptist Church, Anc
North Tongass Baptist Church
Shungnak Baptist Mission

Scholarships are available!

Information and application for the Fuhr and Parker scholarships are available online at the Alaska Baptist Foundation website, <u>www.alaskabaptistfoundation.com</u> (Services/ Foundation Scholarship Programs). The deadline for application is April 30, 2014. If you have questions, please contact Adam Long, adam@alaskabaptistfoundation. com.

Save the Dates!

Disaster Relief Chaplain Training March 18-19

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Suicide Prevention Training

March 20-21



June 25 and November 11-12, 2013 Summary of Board Actions

June 25, 2013 ABC Executive Board Action

1. Approved \$12,000 from Disaster Relief Fund to aid in restoration of the parsonage in Kobuk caused by Interior Alaska flood.

November 11-12, 2013 ABC Executive Board Actions

- Approved the new organization of the Executive Board
- 2. Approved the minutes of May 6-7, 2013, ABC Executive Board meeting.
- 3. Approved the minutes of September 24-25, 2013, 68th Annual Meeting of ABC.
- 4. Approved David Becker to serve as alternate preacher for the 69th Annual Meeting that will be hosted by College Heights Baptist Church, Soldotna September 30-October 1, 2014.
- Approved transferring the balance in Account 8950
 Radio Evangelism to Account 8196 State-wide Mission
- 6. Approved beginning January 1, 2014, to remove non-pastoral staff from the GuideStone survivor's life insurance supplement plan.
- 7. Approved the October 31, 2013, Financial Reports.
- 8. Approved to have the ABC Executive Director/Treasurer review, initial, and date bank reconciliations statements and include this added duty to his job description found in Part II Section XVI of the Policies and Procedure Manual; to create a detailed listing of fixed assets and examine annually to ascertain if all assets are still in possession of the Convention. Appropriate adjustments should be made to the accounting records; and to have the Alaska Native Church Planter Catalyst position be considered an employee of the Alaska Baptist Convention and given the same benefits as the other jointly-funded missionaries employed by the Alaska Baptist Convention.
- 9. Approved the revised 2014 ABC Budget to include salary adjustments and an increase in Account 5244 Utilities.
- Approved to remove Alan Dial as a check signer for the Alaska Baptist Convention and add Don Shannon as a check signer.
- 11. Approved to move the balance of Designated Account 8970 Alaska DVD Project to Designated Account 8320 Church Development and close Account 8970.
- 12. Approved to delete Policies and Procedures Manual, Part III, Article X., Section E, 2g. 1-3 and replace it with the following: "If the situation were to arise that the funds cannot be used for the purpose for which they were approved and received, the church or mission may submit a request to apply the funds to another necessary capital project, but must receive

- approval of the Executive Board or Executive Committee before proceeding. If the funds are unable to be applied to any capital project for that church or mission, they must be returned to the Alaska Baptist Convention within 180 days. Upon notification to the Alaska Baptist Convention that funds are returned, unused, these monies will be put into Account 8309 "2000 Club-Non Requested".
- 13. Approved to change the FSA renewal date specified in Policies and Procedures Manual, Part II, Article IX, Section C, 3. and Part III, Article VII, Section D, 5. from April 15 to May 1.
- 14. Approved to increase the dollar limit from \$1000 to \$1200 for spousal annual travel allowance as found in Policies and Procedures Manual, Part II, Article X, Section A, 3. The following sentence was also approved to be included to the paragraph: "Should the \$1200 allowance be exceeded, the employee will reimburse the Alaska Baptist Convention for any overage."
- 15. Approved to change the Policies and Procedures Manual Part I, Section IV. STANDING COMMITTEE TASK ASSIGNMENTS, A, 3. to read: "Organization: The Committee on Committees shall designate the chairperson of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee."; and B, 3. to read: "Organization: The Committee on Committees shall designate the chairperson of the Resolutions Committee."
- 16. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support the church plant in Anderson where Daryl Turley is pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) for one year beginning January 1, 2014. Morning Star Baptist Church, Healy is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 17. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support the church plant New Hope Community Church, Juneau where Pete Kuhn is the pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) for one year beginning January 1, 2014. Glacier Valley Baptist Church, Juneau is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 18. Approved using 2013 church plant funds to support the church plant True North Downtown, Anchorage where Will Cole is the pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) for one year beginning January 1, 2014. True North, Anchorage is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 19. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support the church plant City on the Hill Church where Andy Vaughn is the pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) for one year beginning January 1, 2014. Grandview Baptist Church, Anchorage is the sponsor for this church plant.

- 20. Approved using 2013 church plant funds to support the new church plant in Whittier to reach the Samoan community there. Funding of \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) will begin January 1, 2014, for one year. Alaska Samoan Baptist Church, Anchorage is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 21. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support the church plant among the Russian community in Anchorage \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) for one year beginning January 1, 2014. Hillside Baptist Church, Anchorage is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 22. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support the church plant Sand Lake Fellowship where David Gamble is pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) for one year beginning January 1, 2014. The Chugach Baptist Association is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 23. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support the church plant in Kanchee Park area of Anchorage \$30,600 (\$2,550 monthly) beginning January 1, 2014, for one year. Bryant Blakley is the church planter intern and Grandview Baptist Church is the sponsor.
- 24. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support the work of Hydaburg Baptist Mission where Willie Austin is the pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) beginning January 1, 2014, for one year. Community Baptist Church, Coffman Cove is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 25. Approved granting Montana Creek Baptist Church as the first quarter call recipient of the 2000 Club for 2014.
- 26. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support Journey Church where Bill Little is the pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) beginning January 1, 2014, for one year. First Baptist Church, Willow is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 27. Approved the 2013-2014 special mission goals to be as follows: \$90,000 Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering (VSSMO); \$95,000 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO); and \$150,000 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (LMCO).
- 28. Approved to distribute equally the receipts collected from the fourth quarter call of the 2000 Club for 2013 to provide heating assistance for Community Baptist Church (Nome); Dillingham Bible Fellowship (Dillingham); Kobuk Baptist Mission (Kobuk); Moose Pass Community Church (Moose Pass); Riverside Chapel (King Salmon); and Togiak Baptist Mission (Togiak).
- 29. Approved to fund up to \$6,000 from Account 8196 State Mission Offering as reimbursement for expenses to study/explore the possibility of a church plant in Elfin Cove and other sites, such as Gustavus, Pelican, and Angoon.

- 30. Approved to assist Moose Pass Community Church, Moose Pass \$1,000 from Account 8196 State-wide Missions to be used for moving expenses for their new pastor.
- 31. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support Community Christian Fellowship where Dawson Lindblom is the pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) beginning January 1, 2014, for one year. Big Lake Baptist Church is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 32. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support Moriah Fellowship where Billy Barnhill is the pastor \$20,000 (\$1,667 monthly) beginning January 1, 2014, for one year. Hatcher Pass Baptist Association is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 33. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to support OnMission Church where Jay Dagenhart is the pastor \$20,000 (\$1,667 monthly) beginning January 1, 2014, for one year. First Baptist Church, Valdez and First Baptist Church, Virginia are co-sponsors for this church plant.
- 34. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to launch a new work among the military where Mike Saffle will be the pastor \$12,000 (\$1,000 monthly) beginning January 1, 2014, for one year. Moriah Fellowship is the sponsor for this church plant.
- 35. Approved 2014 funding of ten-year phase-down for Bush Operations to be as follows: Aquillaq Baptist Mission, Ambler \$1,200; Kiana Baptist Mission, Kiana \$1,200; Kobuk Baptist Mission, Kobuk \$1,200; Togiak Baptist Mission, Togiak \$1,584; Riverside Chapel, King Salmon \$300; and Shungnak Baptist Mission, Shungnak \$2,400 to come from Account 5350 Field Operations.
- 36. Approved using 2014 church plant funds to launch a new work in Girdwood in the amount of \$30,000 (\$2,500 monthly) for one year beginning January 1, 2014. True North Church, Anchorage is the sponsor for this new church plant.
- 37. Approved a onetime exception be allowed to reimburse Jimmy Stewart for expenses accrued on behalf of ABC that was over sixty days from the initial expense.
- 38. Approved the 2014 housing allowances for Mike Procter, Jimmy Stewart, Butch Strickland, and Alan Dial.
- 39. Approved the election of Doug Burrows, pastor of First Baptist Church, Soldotna, to fill the unexpired term of Chad Richardson that expires in 2014.

MILEPOST MOMENTS

The staff of the Alaska Baptist Convention reserves the right to edit submitted information for content and space.

Have you completed your Annual Church Profile?
If you did not complete your ACP online, PLEASE CONTACT Debra Long
(debra@alaskabaptistconvention.com) for assistance in getting your 2013 information
entered into the Southern Baptist Data Base.

Condolences

Our condolences to the family of Blu Berner, former youth pastor at Grandview Baptist Church, Anchorage, who died November 24 in St. Louis. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to Christine, P.O. Box 117, Cutler, IL 62238.

Condolences

Our condolences to Gail Gay, whose mother Ruby Flynn passed away in Kentucky. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at <u>cliftongay@hotmail.com</u>

Condolences

Our condolences to Mark Howdeshell, pastor of First Baptist Church-Fairbanks, in the death of his father on December 5. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to pastor@firstbaptistfairbanks.com

New Birth Christian Church, Fairbanks

NBCC prepared a Thanksgiving dinner at the National Guard Armory in Fairbanks for members of the Armed Forces and their families, community and church members. On December 14, they prepared an appreciation Christmas meal for the National Guard in honor of those who serve in the military.

First Hmong Baptist Church,

Anchorage

Priestley Lee, pastor of FHBC is serving as president of the Hmong Alaska Community, Inc.

North Bear Street Community Church, Wasilla

NBSCC officially changed their name to North Bear Street Baptist Church. Jamie Lyons is pastor.

True North Church, Anchorage

Brent Williams, pastor of TNC, was a featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Pioneer Baptist Church, Wasilla

PBC called Larry Macknicki as pastor. Larry, a former member of First Baptist Church (Palmer), planted a new work, In His Steps Community Fellowship, and has led that group for nine months. PBC has voted to sponsor the church plant.



<u>First Korean Baptist Church,</u> <u>Anchorage</u>

FKBC called Billy Barnhill to serve as their English language pastor. Billy is also a church planter in Peter's Creek, where he leads Moriah Fellowship.

Laverne Griffin Youth

Recreation Camp, Wasilla

2014 camp dates are: Alaska Native Youth Camp, June 9-13; X-Faith Youth Camp, June 16-20; Boys Camp, June 23-27, Girls Camp, June 30-July 4.

Congratulations!

Teresa Cappel, a member of First Baptist Church, Eagle River, has been endorsed as a volunteer Law Enforcement Chaplain with the North American Mission Board. She is serving with the Anchorage Police Department.

False Pass Christian Fellowship

Pastor Monte Chitty is teaching handbells to school-aged children and they will perform two pieces during the Christmas program. They continue to averaged seven in both Bible study and worship.

<u>Community Christian Fellowship,</u> Wasilla

CCF hosted a "Men's Share Night" at

November 7, 2013 ABF Board of Trustees Summary of Board Actions

- Modified policy to reflect changes in Bylaws approved at the annual meeting in September concerning required number of Trustees. Additionally, incorporated policy relating to Trustee attendance of meetings.
- Modified the terms of the ABC Seminary Trust Fund to be more in line with current needs, thus allowing earnings to be used for any Alaska Baptist Conventionendorsed educational program regardless of accreditation status.
- Approved the 2014 budget and corresponding spending policy.
- Established the award of up to ten scholarships for a maximum of \$1500 each from the Fuhr scholarship program for the 2014-15 school year.
- Clarified in policy that the Parker scholarship could be used by students for seminary master's level work or doctoral work, but not both by the same applicant.
- Outlined process under which the Grandview scholarship fund would be handled by the Foundation.

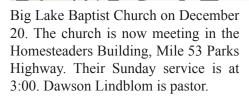
Cross-Cultural ...

Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Alaska Baptist Convention office

Guest speaker: Keith Jefferson, Missional Church Strategist for African American churches, International Mission Board

Please sign up online at www.alaskabaptistconvention.com by January 22. With your registration, lunch and training materials are provided at this no-cost event.

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Community Baptist Church, Nome

Bruce Landy, pastor of CBC, expressed appreciation for the fourth quarter 2000 Club offering which assisted them in paying their fuel bills, "at around \$2000, it [the 2000 Club] knocked a considerable chunk out, thanks very much, as in all things may God receive the honor He justly deserves and His servants who follow in His image."

Sand Point Chapel

Thanksgiving weekend, SPC sponsored a basketball clinic with 36 children and youth participating each day. Scott Morgan is pastor and Austin Roof is youth director.



A Report from our Church Planters

Here is some news from our church planters November reports to encourage you to pray for them:

128 evangelistic encounters • 2 salvations

Your Alaska church planters are:

Willie Austin, Billy Barnhill, Gary Bearce, Joe Blackburn, Bryant Blakley, Oleg Bondar, Joe Boney, Monte Chitty, Will Cole, Jay Dagenhart, Alan Dial, David Gamble, Clifton Gay, David George, Matt Hoke, Pete Kuhn, Priestley Lee, Dawson Lindblom, Bill Little, Larry Macknicki, Leon May, Kwang Oh, Su'e Su'e, Daryl Turley, Andy Vaughn, Brent Williams, Paul Worsham.

Our church planters are fulfilling the mission of Jesus Christ in Alaska!





Mike Procter Executive Director

The address I was given was 240 North Tustin. I typed it into my GPS and was ready to begin my journey when five different locations showed up on the screen -- 240 North Tustin Avenue, Street, Place, Court and Road. Because I wasn't sure, I conducted a Google search for the place I needed and was able to arrive at my destination on time. Since I initially had incomplete information, I could have wasted my time, wandering around trying to find the correct address, therefore arriving late or not at all! However, thanks to the internet, I was able to find my way and arrived at my destination.

That situation brought to mind the thousands of people in Alaska who are searching for a meaning to life, a relationship with God and heaven. They have a general direction and vague ideas but they are not completely sure which way is the right way. So they travel down one path and then another one, all the while hoping they are on the right road. The Bible says there is a way that seems right to man but the end of that way is destruction. In fact, in Proverbs 3:5-6, we are reminded to "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not depend upon your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him (God) and He (God) shall direct your paths."

How does God direct our paths? How does He give us wisdom? How does He lead us? He does so by His Word -- the Bible. In another passage, the scripture says that God's Word is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path. Simply put, if you want to know God's will and direction, you need to know what His Word says and act accordingly.

I know there are many people proclaiming the Bible is old fashioned, out-of-date and irrelevant, however, I firmly believe the Bible is still the infallible, inspired, inerrant Word of God and as you study, memorize and apply it to your life, God will lead you in the right direction.

For the past 25 years, I have read the Bible through each year. It is not difficult and only takes about 15 minutes a day. There are many Bible reading plans available but my preferred way is to read four chapters a day. There are 1,189 chapters in the Bible and by reading four chapters a day you will read through the Bible by the end of October. In November and December, I suggest you focus on reading three Psalms and one Proverb a day. Whether you use my plan or another, it is important you begin reading God's Word and applying it to your life. That way, when you come to a fork in the road and are unsure which direction to take, God's Word will be able to guide you.

Blessings on you as you read, study and apply God's Word to your life!



Jimmy Stewart Director of Evangelism and Church Development

God's Plan for Sharing (GPS) is still our theme and action plan from now until the year 2020. It is rooted in the desire to see that every person in Alaska hears the gospel by then. What plans are you making to help your community hear about Christ? What ways are you planning to help your congregation learn ways to communicate with those not in church, and effectively engage them? GPS is a two-part process:

- Churches intentionally align their evangelism ministry according to four biblical components: Prayer, Equipping, Sowing, Harvesting.
- Churches participate in coordinated biannual evangelism campaigns that help them accomplish the GPS goal. The campaign for 2014-2015 is "Purpose: Find it Here" which focuses on impacting local communities through a "Day of Service" or "Season of Service."

These are suggestions from the North American Mission Board for planning your **Day of Service** (April 12 or April 13):

- 1. Select a project. The project you select should be appropriate for both your community and your participating churches.
- Prepare the churches. Plan far in advance to have time to prepare the hearts of God's people to not only serve the community, but to also serve alongside and in partnership with sister churches.
- 3. Celebrate the event. You can hold the celebration immediately following the service event at a pre-designated place that is accessible to community members as well as church members. Include all participants, both givers and receivers in the celebration. Make the theme of the celebration **Purpose. Find It Here.** Or, if you prefer, invite all participants to attend the celebration at one of your participating churches. Choose the option that best suits your churches and community.
- 4. Follow up. Make sure to follow up with those who have made professions of faith. Connect them to one of the participating churches and pledge to be intentional about discipling them. Pledge to love with purpose.

Project Ideas for Day of Service:

- Collect canned food for a local food pantry.
- Provide ground maintenance for community soccer or baseball fields.
- Repair school playground equipment.
- Make over a room in a local school.
- Collect clothing for a prison transition program, job corps or family-care center.
- Host a barbeque for local firefighters, police or city maintenance crews.
- Identify single moms, elderly or shut-ins who need assistance with home, yard or auto maintenance.

Please call me if I can assist in planning your **Day of Service** in April 2014.

Don't forget the State Evangelism Conference, January 27-28. Sign up online at www.alaskabaptistconvention.com



Butch Strickland Director of Church Planting and Missions

"I do not advise that we end the year on a somber note. The march, not the dirge, has ever been the music of Christianity. If we are good students in the school of life, there is much that the years have to teach us. But the Christian is more than a student, more than a philosopher. He is a believer, and the object of his faith makes the difference, the mighty difference. Of all persons the Christian should be best prepared for whatever the New Year brings. He has dealt with life at its source. In Christ he has disposed of a thousand enemies that other men must face alone and unprepared. He can face his tomorrow cheerful and unafraid because yesterday he turned his feet into the ways of peace and today he lives in God." A.W. Tozer

Yes, it's the time of year we go through the process of making our New Year's resolutions. Are they going to be the same ones we had last year, or are these totally new? About a year ago I heard the story of a pastor who called his leadership group together to make plans for an evangelistic outreach project for the Labor Day weekend. He asked them to pray about what they believed God would have them do and then get back together to discuss it. After some time, he gathered the group again and asked about what they had heard from God. One said after the meeting he walked home through a park. He noticed the number of people and thought it would be good to have some kind of activity there. Another added he had neighbor kids who had formed a band that practiced in the garage next door and were getting good with some Christian music he had suggested. Another said he had recently spoken with a friend who was the meat cutter at a local supermarket and had offered to furnish the meat and cook it if the church ever needed anything like that. So it seemed God was directing them to have the evangelistic outreach in the park and they did. There were 60 who accepted Christ during that weekend and all of them were baptized and became members of the church.

The next year rolled around and one of the members of the team came to the pastor and asked if they should begin planning their Labor Day picnic evangelism project. "What do you mean?" the pastor asked. The team member recalled the great success they had the year before and assumed they would do it again. The pastor responded, "But that was what God wanted to do last year. What does He want to do this year?"

"Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." Isaiah 43:18-19

Daily Prayer Guide

January

1	Alaska Iu-Mienh First Baptist Church	Anchorage
2	Anchor Baptist Church	Craig
3	Anchorage Hope Community Baptist Church	Anchorage
4	Anderson Church Plant	Anderson
5	Aquillaq Baptist Mission	Ambler
6	Big Lake Baptist Church	Big Lake
7	Bodenberg Butte Baptist Church	Palmer
8	Calvary Baptist Church	Anchorage
9	Chinese Fellowship	Fairbanks
10	Christ Community Church	Anchorage
11	Chugach Baptist Association	Anchorage
12	Chugach Resort Ministries	Girdwood
13	City on a Hill Church	Eagle River
14	Clearwater Baptist Church	Delta Junction
15	Cliffside Community Chapel	Anchorage
16	Cold Bay Chapel	Cold Bay
17	College Heights Baptist Church	Soldotna
18	Community Baptist Church	Coffman Cove
19	Community Baptist Church	Nome
20	Community Christian Fellowship	Wasilla
21	Cowboy Church	Anchorage
22	CrossCountry Church	Wasilla
23	Cross Roads Baptist Church	North Pole
24	Dillingham Bible Fellowship	Dillingham
25	Eagle River Korean Baptist Church	Eagle River
26	Emmanual Baptist Church	Juneau
27	Fairview Loop Baptist Church	Wasilla
28	Faith Baptist Church	Fairbanks
29	False Pass Christian Fellowship	False Pass
30	Filipino Baptist Church	Ketchikan
31	Filipino Bible Church	Anchorage



Dawn Smith Jordan

Ten Reasons to Update Your Estate Plan

January is Make-Your-Will Month

ou have completed a Last Will and Testament (Will) and perhaps a revocable living trust. Your durable power of attorney for healthcare and a living Will are accompanied by a HIPAA release. All of your records are safely in place and carefully organized.

So you now are finished with your estate planning. Or are you? Will there be changes in your circumstances or your family that should lead to a review of your plan? Could some events cause you to need to revise or update the plan?

Yes. There are a number of reasons to consider revising or updating your plan. These include any

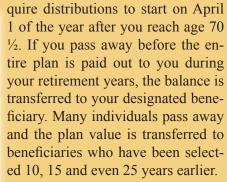
of the following reasons:

1. New children, Grandchildren or Other Heirs. Your estate plan almost certainly makes provisions for children and other heirs who are living when you pass away. If you have a specific transfer to one child, a new child may receive a smaller than intended inheritance. If you have a sizeable estate and there are large specific bequests,

the arrival of a new heir is a good time to review your plan. One option is to transfer assets to the heirs "then living" when you pass away. For several reasons, the arrival of a new heir makes a review of your plan very important.

2. Move to a Different State. If you are married and move to a different state, there may be a change in the laws that affect ownership. Some states are called "common law" property states and some are "community property." Several states have inheritance taxes that will apply at lower levels than the federal exemption per person. Depending on who among your relatives receives your property, a new state may have a substantial tax. Finally, many states have specific rules on durable powers of attorney for healthcare, living wills or advance directives or even the HIPAA release. If you acquire permanent legal residence in the state, your doctors will expect that your medical planning documents reflect their state law.

- 3. Sale or Purchase of a Major Asset. You may have a major real estate asset or a business that is to be transferred to one of your heirs. If that property is sold or substantially increases in value, your entire plan could change.
- 4. Reaching Age 70 ½. The four types of estate property are generally cash and cash equivalents, stocks, real estate and qualified plans. Over the years, your qualified retirement plan may become a large portion of your estate. Your IRA, 401(k) or other qualified plan will re-



5. Your Selected Beneficiary is Deceased. In many families

there are unmarried brothers or sisters. It is quite common for these individuals to receive an inheritance and to remember the surviving brothers and sisters in their plans. However, even if there are two or three unmarried brothers or sisters, one will inevitably be the survivor and hold most of the assets. If you are remembering a sibling in your plan, there is a substantial possibility that he or she will pass away before you do. In that case, it is useful to revise the plan and select a new recipient of that share of your estate.

6. Divorce or Remarriage. Estate plans for single persons are quite different from those of married couples. A single person who transfers assets to a former spouse will not qualify for the unlimited marital deduction. While property settlements are typically handled during the dissolution of marriage proceedings, there are many cases where individuals forget to change beneficiary designations on retirement plans and insurance policies. Particularly if you later remarry and then pass



Forced to "unplug".....

Mike Procter, Executive Director/Treasurer

t was to be a "seamless" transition. On a Friday, we were going to "unplug" our old internet and phone system, and "plug" in the new one. I was assured there would be no problems and everything would go smoothly. Alas, it did not turn out the way it was planned. Not only did our internet accessibility crash, but our phone system was rendered inoperable. After working through the weekend, late into the night and early morning, the system overhaul was complete but there were still "bugs." Our Information Technology (IT) specialist, Eugene Ward, and our former IT specialist, Michael Blakeney, worked long and hard to get the "seamless" transition to function on a limited basis. They

went above and beyond the call of duty. Thank you, Eugene and Michael! ...we often plan and prepare,

As I reflect back on that weekend and the days following, I am reminded that we often plan and prepare, then the unexpected happens and our world is turned upside down.

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cautions us against being so adamant in our future plans that we are not open to the Lord's direction, "...you should know better than to say, 'today or tomorrow we will go to the city. We will do business there for a year and make a lot of money!' What do you know about tomorrow? How can you be so sure about your life? It is nothing more than mist that appears for only a little while before it disappears. You should say, 'If the Lord wills, we will do these things'".

How many of us think we have our lives planned out? – where we will go to school, when we will graduate, how we will land a great job, have the perfect family, make a lot of

away with a new spouse, there is a high likelihood of litigation between the ex-spouse and the new spouse if you have forgotten to update your beneficiary designations.

- Substantial Change in Value. If your estate increases or decreases significantly in value, there can be major impact on beneficiaries.
- 8. Adding a Major Property to a Living Trust. If you have a substantial estate, you may hold your real estate in a living trust. If you invest in real estate or acquire a major new property and transfer that to the living trust, it will be useful to review the plan. In some circumstances, there may be different beneficiaries for the living trust than for your qualified plans and life insurance. The addition of a high value asset to the living trust could increase the benefits for the persons receiv-

money during our long and successful career, retire and then do nothing but fish, hunt, travel, and spoil the grand-kids. But then BANG – the "bugs" show up and we find that life has not necessarily turned out as we planned.



It reminds me of the story in Luke 12:16-20 about the rich farmer. The farmer looked out over everything he had and thought he had it made, only to find out he did not!

Often, this is the attitude we have regarding estate planning – we want to wait until we get older, or our kids move

out of the house, or we acquire more assets, or we retire, or a myriad of other excuses. Then, the unexpected happens and your family is left without an estate plan. Family members may begin fighting over what is "theirs," your state government may step in, there may be unintended financial and tax

consequences, and all because you thought your life was going to be seamless and smooth so you didn't need to plan ahead.

As you consider your estate, the Alaska Baptist Foundation is prepared to assist you in understanding and planning for the day when the Lord calls you home. Please feel free to contact Adam Long adam@alaskabaptistfoundation.com or 907-770-0581 or 800-883-9627 or me mike@alaskabaptistconvention.com. While we cannot guarantee you a seamless transition, we can assist in making it a little bit smoother.

- ing shares from the trust in comparison to the rest of vour heirs.
- 9. Selected Executor or Trustee Not Available. With a Will or a revocable living trust, you may also select a successor executor or trustee. While this usually will handle the situation in which the primary executor or trustee predeceases you, it still is useful to review your plan if one of these persons passes away.
- 10. Passage of Time. Estate plans are affected by changes in your asset value, by changes in your family, and potentially by changes in federal or state law. Therefore, it is useful every three to five years for you to sit down with your attorney and review your plan. Given all the potential areas that can change, it's quite likely that you may wish to modify some portion of the plan.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN — JAN • FEB • MAR —

January

1-31 Call to Prayer Month
18 TVBA Executive Board Meeting
19 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
26 Day of Prayer for the SBC
27-28 State Evangelism Conference
29 Cross Cultural Training

February

1-28 "True Love Waits" Emphasis Month
2 Souper Bowl Sunday for Hunger Relief
7 Alaska Native Baptist Fellowship Bd Mtg
9 Racial Reconciliation Sunday
10-16 Focus on wMu
15 Children's Ministry Day

March 2-8 Youth Week 2-9 Week of Prayer and Mission Study and **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** 9 **Daylight Savings Time starts** 16 **Substance Abuse Prevention Sunday Church Planting Emphasis Sunday** 18-19 **Disaster Relief Chaplain Training Suicide: Prevention Training** 20-21 21-22 Avalanche '14



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