
TESTIMONIES

New Testament Association of Independent Baptist Churches

NTAIBC Annual Meeting

Dear Members of the NTA,

Mark 10:43b "...whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:"

Greetings from beautiful Watertown, Wisconsin! We trust that you are enjoying a blessed and fruitful spring as you diligently serve our great God! On behalf of Calvary Baptist Church I would like to invite the NTA to join with the Fundamental Baptist Fellowship International for a combined meeting, June 13-15, 2017. We are excited to work with Maranatha Baptist University in hosting this epic event. We believe that God is preparing us for some of the greatest days of ministry in the days ahead and we would like to have you part of this unique conference. We look forward to tremendous music, great preaching and delightful fellowship throughout our time together. We hope to see you in June!

Serving Christ,
Pastor Bob Loggans
Ps. 40:8



Financials

Plant for the Lord

Beginning Balance: \$11,090.35

Ending Balance: \$11,035.35

General Fund

Beginning Balance: \$4,824.84

Ending Balance: \$5,218.03

NTAIBC Purpose

Purpose-The purpose of this organization (NTAIBC) shall be to provide a fellowship of service to churches upon a thorough Biblical and historically Baptist basis, unmixed with liberalism and those who are content to walk in fellowship with unbelief and inclusivism, and to present a positive testimony to the New Testament faith and historic Baptist principles as a fellowship of churches before the world, religious and otherwise; to encourage the planting of churches of like faith and order; and to oppose departure and deviation from the Word of God.

Greetings from Williston, ND

We have survived another winter in North Dakota!

We started a monthly men's breakfast and have 8-9 men attending.

The monthly ladies Bible Study has been well-attended and a real encouragement. One lady has been bringing a co-worker who has expressed interest in the Gospel! This month is a soup and salad supper along with the Bible Study.

We had a Valentine's Family and Friends game night that was a lot of fun. One of our families hosted it at the community room of their apartment building. Additionally, two families visited this last month and it seems they may continue attending regularly.

I have been counseling with two couples and have seen some definite answered prayer with one of the couples. Pray that both couples will surrender to the Lord's work in their lives. I've secured a private office to help with counseling situations and to have a place to study.

The economy here has jumped again. I will be meeting with a realtor to begin searching for a place of our own. It would be ideal to find something to rent for church for another two years that would allow us to grow and continue to save. Another option is to buy property. We have a good amount already saved and need wisdom how to proceed. Commercial buildings are limited, especially those that would work for a church.

Please pray for some unique opportunities we have to work with some people that don't know Christ. Pray that a door for the Gospel would open.

Our theme verse this year is Psalm 115:1, "Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake." We are excited about the challenges ahead.

Praise the Lord He chooses to use us for His work.

The Pusts

We look forward to seeing many of you at the NTA/FBFI meeting in Watertown, WI in June.

Thompson Travels

On the last Sunday of January, I was with Chisago Lakes Baptist Church, Chicago Lakes, Minnesota (Pastor Kraig [Laura] Keck) for their evening service. It was a privilege to share the ministry of the NTA and the Word of God in this service. I also have assisted their school, Chisago Lakes Baptist School with their non profit status.

February 26, I was with Berean Baptist Church, Pastor Cary and Nancy Flinck, Brooklyn Park, Minnesota. The NTA was presented to the adult Sunday School class and the Word of God in the morning service. It was joy to meet the people of Berean and to enjoy the fellowship of the Flincks.

March 24-25, I represented the NTA at the Men for Christ Rally on the campus of Faith Baptist Bible College, Ankeny, Iowa. We traveled on to Maranatha Baptist Church on March 26 to share the work of the NTA. Senior Pastor Keith Carnahan (Charyn) and assistant Pastor James Leslie (Sandra), St Robert, Missouri associated in 2016. This church is privileged to minister to the service people of Fort Leonard Wood Military base.

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Delighting in the Lord

Have you thought lately about how the Psalmist delighted in the Lord and His Word through the affliction and struggles that he went through? The Psalmist of chapter 119 had many persecutors and adversaries (v. 157) and he was persecuted at times without a cause (v. 161). Psalm 119 is great counseling when being afflicted for the Psalmists turns us to God and His Word. As believers, we ought to do the same, because God is our ultimate Counselor. "Your testimonies also are my delight and my counselors" (Psalm 119:24).

Another Psalm of delighting in the Lord is Psalm 37. Verse 4 "Delight thyself also in the Lord". Here we find peace and fulfillment in the Lord by trusting in Him (v.3) and committing one's way to the Lord (v. 5). When we take delight in the Lord and His Word, our hearts can truly find peace and fulfillment in Him. He is our "all in all".

It is God's blessing to believers to find true peace and comfort in God and His Word. We have, and will continue to face afflictions and troubles, more than we want. Will you turn to the Word of God to find true counsel that will give you peace, rest and assurance?

To find delight in the Lord is not superficial or a band aid. It is real and satisfying. Reading Psalms 37 and 119 can give a deep, satisfying peace with God when afflicted. The unsaved can not know nor experience what God has for His children as they are spiritually dead.

Afflictions come in various forms and ways. Too often they come from a seemingly trustworthy source, like friends and family. They come too frequently from health problems, financial stresses and relationship issues. God offers "the peace that passes all understanding" (Philippians 4:7) and He is the "God of all comfort" (2 Corinthians 1:3). Trust Him today with your needs and cares.

Please send any NTA giving to:

Pastor Scott Jones

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FBFI/NTAIBC Fellowship Meeting

June 13-15, 2017

Tuesday

2:30 PM – NTA Board Meeting – Old Main Conference Room
1-5 PM – Registration/Display Setup
5:30 PM – Board Dinner - Dining Commons
6:30 PM – Conference choir practice in Calvary choir room
7:00 PM – Session One at Calvary – Dr. Mark Poorman
8:30 PM – Fellowship at Calvary

Wednesday

7:30 – 8:30 AM – Breakfast in Dining Hall
8:00 AM – NTA Business Meeting (Alumni Hall)
8:30 AM – Coffee in Exhibit Area
9:00 AM – Session Two – Dr. John Monroe
10:15 AM - Break
10:30 – 11:45 AM – Workshops
 Claudia Barba Miriam Marriott
 Dave Barba Jeff Musgrave
12:00 – 1:00 PM – Lunch
1:00 PM Afternoon activities:
 Jim Braugher leads a group to Octagon House
 Matt Davis and Steve Board lead a group to the Country Club
 Miriam leads a group to the Outlet Mall
5:30 – 6:30 PM – Dinner
6:30 PM – Conference choir practice in Calvary choir room
7:00 PM – Session Three at Calvary – Dr. Mike Sprout
8:30 PM – Fellowship at Calvary

Thursday

7:30 – 8:30 AM – Breakfast in Dining Hall
8:00 AM – NTA Business Meeting (Alumni Hall)
8:30 AM – Coffee in Exhibit Area
9:00 AM – Session Four – Dr. Bud Steadman
10:00 – 10:15 AM - Break
10:15 AM – Workshops
 Claudia Barba Miriam Marriott
 Dave Barba Jeff Misgave
11:30 AM Session Five – Dr. Bob Loggans
12:30 PM – Fellowship Meeting Ends

Registration: Single - \$60 Double - \$100 Includes buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner on Wednesday; buffet breakfast on Thursday; coffee and snacks; access to exhibitors; conference notebook, gift CD.

Register online at: <http://www.fbfiannualfellowship.org/event-registration>

Lodging: Holiday Inn - \$130/night [920-262-1910](tel:920-262-1910)
 Comfort Suites - \$90.00/night [920-699-2800](tel:920-699-2800)

Be sure to tell them you are with the Maranatha NTBF meetings.