



MUTUAL COVENANT AND APPLICATION FOR AWAKENING

Your church is invited to participate in an experience designed to help churches whose weekly worship attendance is 110 or less work on church health in order to become more effective in ministry in their local communities.

Your church will receive 7 training sessions with a group of churches from ABC/IN-KY. This covenant represents mutual commitments of your local church and the American Baptist Churches of Indiana and Kentucky toward the pursuit of your church's health and vitality.

The ABC/IN-KY Staff agrees to:

1. Facilitate *Awakening* over a 18- to 24-month period of time with covenanting congregations.
2. Arrange for your church's ongoing participation in *Awakening* with reminder notices and helpful resources where appropriate.
3. Organize and provide leadership for seven (7) Saturday sessions with time for fellowship, worship, and learning.
4. Provide resources to congregations during and beyond the 24-month commitment time in the area of church vitality.
5. Provide individual coaching and support to your team through this 24-month period and work intentionally with your congregation as the need arises.

Covenanting Congregations agree to:

1. Through formal action of the church, provide a signed commitment of your willingness (Pastor, and lay leaders) to participate with the Region in a process of working on church vitality and transformation. The Leadership Team will consist of the Pastor and 3-4 key leaders.
2. Commit to a level of financial participation that demonstrates a willingness to invest in the program.
 - A. A registration fee will be required of all participating congregations: \$300 in 2012 and \$400 in 2013.
 - B. In addition, if your church is not already supporting the American Baptist Churches of Indiana and Kentucky through your United Mission giving, Region Offering, or specific giving, that you would agree to provide an agreed upon financial investment to the region. That agreed upon amount is \$5.00 X average worship attendance for each calendar year.
3. Name a leadership team consisting of the pastor and 3-4 lay leaders.

4. Provide a signed commitment by the pastor and team members of their willingness to commit to *Awakening*. (This includes full participation in each of the Saturday training sessions and completion of outside assignments.)
5. Share what your church has learned with the wider ABC/IN-KY family.

Signed:

_____, Pastor Date: _____

Team Members:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

On behalf of the American Baptist Churches of Indiana and Kentucky

Area Resource Minister

Date: _____

AWAKENING APPLICATION

Please complete the following information and return with your registration fee.

Church Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____; Fax: _____; Email: _____

Web page: _____

Team Members

Pastor: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____; Email: _____

Team Member Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____; Email: _____

Team Member Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____; Email: _____

Team Member Name: _____

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Return covenant, registration fee and application to: Jennifer Greene, ABC/IN-KY, 1350 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis IN 46202-2493, **by February 13, 2012.**