



Indiana Baptist Convention
 AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES
 OF INDIANA AND KENTUCKY
 65 Airport Parkway, Suite 120
 Greenwood, IN 46143

Friday & Saturday, October 7-8, 2022



**American Baptist Churches of
 Indiana and Kentucky
 Biennial Gathering**



Host Church:
 Terre Haute FBC
 4701 Poplar Street
 Terre Haute, IN 47803

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**Acts
 Chapters 1 & 2**

A WORD ABOUT VOTING

Only those persons who register as delegates on the enclosed registration form or online will be allowed to vote.

WHO MAY SERVE AS A DELEGATE?

ARTICLE V, Section 4 of the current bylaws state the following concerning delegates:

Each cooperating church of the Region shall be entitled to appoint three (3) persons plus an additional person for each fifty (50) resident members of the congregation to serve as delegates to the Region Biennial meeting.

4.1 The voting members from a Cooperating member church which chooses to relate only to the Region, but not to ABC-USA, shall have full voting privileges except they may not vote on matters relating to the "Covenant of Relationship" between the Region and ABC-USA or the election of ABC-USA General Board members. These voting privileges and restrictions shall also apply to Region Board members.

Biennial Gathering 2022

In Acts 1, when Jesus commissioned His disciples to be His witnesses in Jerusalem and to the end of the earth, He was not giving them a long-term objective. In Acts 2, we read how the people who gathered from other nations, merely 10 days later, could hear the gospel proclaimed in their native language. — The work of Pentecost is realized today. Come join us as we celebrate **Pentecost NOW!**

FRIDAY PRESENTERS Differences in Ministry Generationally

Mikayla Myers is from Seymour, IN, where her father serves as senior pastor of FBC. She has spent her entire life in and around the church and is proud to be called a PK (Pastor’s Kid). Mikayla is a sophomore at Grace College and Theological Seminary (Winona Lake, IN), where she is pursuing a degree in Biblical Studies with minors in Intercultural Studies and Spanish. Upon graduation from college, Mikayla hopes to serve as an associate pastor with a focus on missional engagement.

Kristi Jones is Pastor of Memorial BC in Columbus, IN, where she has served since January 2019. Memorial is her first church as Pastor, and she has endured the pandemic and having her first child in this time, along with all the joys and challenges of pastoring a church. As a pastor, she enjoys shining the light of Jesus by preaching, teaching, and interacting with others authentically and intentionally. She has been involved in camping ministry, youth ministry, and the Ecumenical Assembly of Bartholomew County Churches since coming to Memorial. Several of these ministries have been passions of hers for years. Kristi grew up in Ripley County, IN, where she was a member of Hopewell BC. She received her M. Div. from Campbell University Divinity School in Buies Creek, NC, and is happy to be back home again in Indiana serving an ABC church.

Dan Cash, M. Div., D. Min., currently serves as Senior Pastor of Columbus FBC (IN). He has more than 25 years of experience in pastoral and regional ministry, including eight years serving as Area Resource Minister with the American Baptist Churches of IN/KY and teaching courses for Church Leadership Institute. He is co-author of *8 Questions Jesus Asked: Discipleship for Leaders*, and *The Changing Church: Finding Your Way to God’s New Thing*.

William Griffith, M.Div., D. Min., is a retired minister and hospice chaplain and 35-year veteran of pastoral ministry. He has written three books including co-authoring *8 Question Jesus Asked: Discipleship for Leaders*; *The Changing Church: Finding Your Way to God’s New Thing*; and he also wrote *More Than A Parting Prayer: Lessons in Care-giving for the Dying*. In his doctoral project, Bill focused on preaching and pastoral care.

SATURDAY PRESENTERS Rediscovering Your Purpose in Today’s Mission Field

Seth and Lauren Alexander make their home in Bicknell, IN, where they serve God, disciple their four children, and open their home as a foster family. Seth has been a pastor at Bicknell FBC since 2003 and holds a degree in Biblical Studies from Moody Bible Institute (Chicago, IL) as well as a degree in Industrial Technology Education from Ball State University (Muncie, IN). Lauren received her Religious Studies degree from Oakland City University (IN). She is an itinerant speaker and founded a ministry called *All The Things* in 2016. They have a passion for encouraging under-resourced church leaders and a desire to see communities transformed through creative mission opportunities.

Nick Coulston is Associate Pastor at Mt. Pisgah BC in Shelbyville, IN. Nick coordinates the media for the church’s two worship services, teaches and preaches, is Sunday school superintendent, and a chaplain at Major Hospital. He holds a B.A. in English, an M.Div., and a D.E D.MIN. from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (Louisville, KY). He and his wife Katie were married in November 2013 and have one daughter.

Kari Justice received her B.S. in Nursing and continues to practice while serving in vocational ministry (since 2019). Currently serving as Elementary Director for Mt. Pisgah BC, Kari has an M. of Min. in Youth and Family from Wesley Seminary (Marion, IN). Kari’s passion is for seeing the lost be saved and the saved be disciplined. She and husband Jordan were married in 2011 and have three children.

Jeremy Myers, Senior Pastor of Seymour FBC, has served in ministry for over 20 years. He and his wife Robyn have two children. Jeremy earned his D.Min. in Church Missional Renewal from Palmer Theological Seminary (Wayne, PA) in 2016. His thesis project focused on deepening intergenerational relationships within the context of the local church. Seymour FBC continues to explore innovative ways to create partnerships between diverse groups in the broader community to better meet the needs of people and share the good news of the gospel.

Edwin Montañez-Melecio, Pastor of Iglesia Bautista (IB) Logos in Columbus, IN, holds a B.A. in medical technology (1986), a J.D. (1994), and an M.Div. (2014). He is committed to the work of the Lord and has a servant’s heart. Following his call in August 2017, Edwin and family moved to Columbus to plant the Spanish-speaking ministry. He is happily married to Yarilis Hidalgo-Placeres and is the father of four.

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

Afternoon

1:30 pm - Registration

2:30 pm - Opening Worship
- Three cultural choices for worship!

3:30 pm - “Differences in Ministry Generationally” (panel discussion)

5:00 pm - Dinner

Evening

6:00 pm - Registration and Ministry Fair

7:00 pm - Pastor and Church Recognitions
& Installation of Rev. Mark Thompson,
Executive Minister

8:30 pm - Reception and Ministry Fair

SATURDAY

Morning

8:45 am - Registration, Coffee/Fellowship
and Ministry Fair

9:30 am - “The Dawning of a New Day!”
Worship and brief business meeting.
This year’s offering will go toward
Kentucky Flood Relief.

10:15 am - Brief Break

10:30 am - “Rediscovering Your Purpose in
Today’s Mission Field” (sharing from several
churches)

Noon to 1:00 pm - Lunch

Afternoon

1:00 - 2:30 pm - “Engaging with People in
Similar Ministry Contexts”

2:30 - 3:00 pm - Closing: “The Commission”

**SAVE POSTAGE—Online Registration
available at www.thfbc.org/abcgathering**

REGION BIENNIAL REGISTRATION

(Please photocopy form for additional persons.)

NAME _____ Delegate? Yes No

(See back for explanation of Delegates appointed by your local church)

NOTE: There will be no special programming for children or youth, and no nursery care provided. Teenagers ages 13-17 are encouraged to attend and participate with the adults. Children and youth registrations are FREE. —See below about Region Scholarships being offered to young adults (ages 18-25)!

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email _____

Church Name _____

City _____

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS _____

(Please specify which person/s and describe their need/s)

CONFERENCE FEES (if postmarked by September 14):

\$40.00 per person - Friday dinner, evening session and reception, all Saturday sessions, lunch on Saturday, and coffee breaks throughout both days

\$20 per person—for ONE (1) day (either Friday or Saturday’s sessions, food & drink)

**REGISTRATION FEES INCREASE IF POSTMARKED OR PAID ONLINE AFTER SEPT. 14.
If after Sept 14:**

Adults over age 25: \$50 per person for BOTH days; \$30 per person for ONE (1) day.

FINAL REGISTRATION CUT-OFF DATE IS **SEPTEMBER 22.**

Adults over age 25:

_____ @ \$40/person—BOTH days (if postmarked/paid **by Sept. 14**) \$ _____

_____ @ \$20/person—for ONE day (if postmarked/paid **by Sept. 14**) \$ _____

If one day, please indicate WHICH day, Fri. or Sat., _____, _____, OR...

_____ @ \$50/person—BOTH days (if postmarked/paid **after Sept. 14**) \$ _____

_____ @ \$30/person—for ONE day (if postmarked/paid **after Sept. 14**) \$ _____

If one day, please indicate WHICH day, Fri. or Sat., _____.

The Region is offering to pay scholarships for young adults. Please share the following:

Name/s _____ is/are Age(s) 18-21. (No charge, **which day/s?** _____)

Name/s _____ is/are Age(s) 21-25. (No charge, **which day/s?** _____)

Name/s _____ is/are Children or Youth. (No charge, **which day/s?** _____)

Make check payable to: **ABC-IN/KY** TOTAL PAID \$ _____

Mail check and registration form to:

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