

BOOK OF REPORTS



67TH ANNUAL MEETING

OCTOBER 4, 2026 | 3:00 PM | BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
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"Spiritually Healthy Churches Multiplying
to Radically Transform Communities for the Kingdom of Heaven"

Three Rivers
Baptist Association



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2026 Annual Meeting Agenda

Theme: “Revival”

3:00 pm	Registration	Tina Logsdon, Clerk
3:15 pm	Call to Order • Call to Order • Seating of Messengers • Credentials Committee	Rene Escalante, Moderator Tina Logsdon, Clerk Vaughn Sanders, Assistant Moderator
3:20 pm	Welcome • Welcome and General Information • Scripture Reading and Prayer • Introduction of New Pastor and Wife ◦ <i>Craig and Marianne Arnold, Friendship Baptist, Plainfield</i> ◦ <i>Ryan and Danielle Mark, Higher Ground, Midlothian</i>	Jeremy Montgomery, Bethel Baptist Jeremy Montgomery, Bethel Baptist Dr. Dan Eddington, DOM
3:30 pm	Worship	Associational Worship Leaders
3:45 pm	Business • Nominating Committee Recommendations • 2027 Proposed Budget • IBSA Report • Baptist Children’s Home & Family Services • Constitution Revisions • Trustee Motion	Dr. Dan Eddington, DOM Vaughn Sanders, Assistant Moderator Bryon Price, IBSA Paula Joy, BCHFS Rene Escalante, Moderator Dr. Dan Eddington, DOM
4:15 pm	Worship	Associational Worship Leaders
4:30 pm	Sermon	Dr. Walker Armstrong, NAMB
5:30 pm	Break	
5:45 pm	Worship Song/Love Offering	Associational Worship Leaders
6:00 pm	Business • Personnel Policy Revisions • Election of Officers ◦ Moderator ◦ Assistant Moderator	Vaughn Sanders, Assistant Moderator Moderators
6:30 pm	Dismissal/Dinner	Newly-Elected Moderator

Prayer for Our Churches Searching for New Pastors

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| • Clifton BC, Clifton | November 2021 |
| • FBC, Peru | January 2023 |
| • Journey Church, Kankakee | September 2024 |
| • Iglesia Camino al Cielo, Joliet | July 2026 |

Upcoming Calendar Events

TRBA Annual Women's Conference	November 14, 2026
@ FBC, Manteno	

**For online copy of Constitution and Bylaws and Personnel Policy:
Scan the QR code**



For Online Giving: Scan the QR code

Keynote Speaker: Walker Armstrong Bio

Walker has had a diverse and interesting career, serving both Non-Profit and For-Profit organizations. In ministry roles he has been a Youth Pastor; Associate Pastor; Church Planter; Church Consultant; Interim Pastor; Associational Missional Strategist and Associational Liaison for NAMB. In the business world he has been an Executive Coach; Organizational Consultant; Manager; Leadership Resource Developer; Human Resource Consultant.

Most recently, in his role as the Associational Liaison for the NAMB, he has written two books: The Way of Fruitfulness: Becoming A More Productive Leader (a free resource published by NAMB) and Land Ho! Seven Keys to Navigating the Adventurous & Challenging Waters of Change (a book he co-wrote with Mark Hallock published by Acoma Press).

He is married to his smart and beautiful wife Gina. Together they share four children, four grandchildren and a rambunctious Labradoodle named Beau.

Thank you to our Associational Worship Leaders:

Mark Watson: Crosspointe, Oswego
 Lalo Mestre: Iglesia Camino al Cielo, Joliet
 Alicia Mestre: Iglesia Camino al Cielo, Joliet
 Steve Notter: Island City Baptist, Wilmington
 Erica Jackson: FBC, Coal City

Admin Team Report

Throughout the past year, the Admin Team focused on strengthening relationships across the association, supporting first-time pastors, and continuing the important work of governance and financial stewardship. The following report summarizes the team's activities and progress.

Meeting with the New Illinois Baptist State Association Executive Director

In February, the Admin Team hosted a Q and A session with Dr. Scott Foshie, the new Executive Director of the Illinois Baptist State Association, to strengthen fellowship among pastors across the state and deepen the relationship between local churches and the Illinois Baptist State Association.

Pastors were given an opportunity to ask questions and engage directly with the new state leadership. Many thoughtful questions were presented, resulting in a productive conversation and opening the door for continued collaboration.

Constitution and Policy Updates

The Admin Team continued its work of reviewing and updating the association's constitution, bylaws, and policies. Much of the year was devoted to revising the Personnel Policy in accordance with recommendations provided by attorneys from Alliance Defending Freedom. The proposed updates will be presented to the messengers for consideration and a vote at the annual meeting. The team also reviewed the Three Rivers Baptist Association Constitution and Bylaws. This work primarily involved correcting terminology and revising the section concerning the Executive Committee. These proposed amendments will be presented to the messengers for a vote at the Annual Meeting on October 4, 2026.

Budget Stewardship

Responsible budget stewardship remains a high priority for the Admin Team. The consistent and faithful financial support of our churches is essential to sustaining association staff and the ministries they carry out. We are grateful for every church that gives regularly and encourage all churches within the association to remain faithful in supporting this shared work.

Practical Pastoring/Mentoring Cohort

The Practical Pastoring/Mentoring Cohort has been one of the association's most fruitful initiatives this year. These gatherings provide first-time pastors with practical tools, guidance, and encouragement as they fulfill their calling. The cohort extends beyond classroom instruction by providing hands-on guidance and practice in key areas of pastoral ministry, including:

- Preaching
- Conducting weddings
- Officiating funerals
- Administering baptisms
- Observing the Lord's Supper

Through this initiative, new pastors have received meaningful instruction and practical experience to help equip them for faithful ministry.

Conclusion

The Admin Team is grateful for the churches throughout the association for their continued prayers, participation, and support. It is a privilege to serve alongside you as we work together to strengthen pastors, churches, and the ministries of the Three Rivers Baptist Association.

2026 Admin Team

Rene Escalante, Moderator

Vaughn Sanders, Assistant Moderator/Credentials and Ordination Chairman

David Peterman, Associational Advocate

David Hughes, Property and Grounds/Trustee Chairman

Jeff Logsdon, Member at Large

Church Planting and Revitalization Update

Overview

In 2026, the Church Planting and Revitalization team was unable to fully organize due to a primary focus on spiritual renewal. Despite this, the team has now almost completed its roster and is prepared to launch its core mission in 2027: assisting existing churches in becoming spiritually healthy congregations capable of multiplying both disciple-making disciples and new church plants.

Background and 2026 Focus

Throughout 2026, team development was intentionally paused to emphasize a return to our “first love.” This spiritual priority will continue into 2027 with a sharpened emphasis on seeking authentic, God-sent revival among both church leaders and congregations. Revival is viewed as the essential catalyst for rekindling the passion required to reach the lost through both established churches and newly planted congregations.

2027 Team Roster

The revitalized team consists of the following members:

- Craig Arnold – Friendship, Plainfield
- James Ramseyer – New Beginnings, Streator

The team continues to seek one or two additional members who share a passion for church revitalization and planting.

Next Steps

The team is scheduled to begin formal meetings no later than February 2027. Its primary objective will be to equip current churches to achieve spiritual health and multiplication capacity while advancing new church-planting initiatives.

Conclusion

With a completed roster and a renewed commitment to revival, the team will enter 2027 positioned to make meaningful progress in strengthening existing churches and expanding the reach of the gospel through new congregations.



Future Church Planting/Revitalization Team

Dr. Dan Eddington, Director
 Craig Arnold, Friendship, Plainfield
 James Ramseyer, New Beginning, Streator

Church Strengthening Team Report

Our Role

The Church Strengthening Team works to assist our churches and church leaders in achieving a healthy and effective ministry by planning for and providing opportunities of learning and encouragement. It is the team's desire that those who participate in the various training events will be informed and inspired to pursue the necessary changes that will revitalize their church's ministry.

As a team, we are trying to offer events and training that advance the Kingdom of God through our local churches in our association. We hope and pray that what was done has been an encouragement and helpful to the pastors and churches that make up the Three Rivers Association. Please let us know if there is something more, we can do in assisting your church.

Winter Blast

We realize the importance of spending time with other ministry families. This past February, we continued what has become an annual tradition of having pastors and their wives come together. We ate, played a gift exchange game, challenged couples to love those in their church and community well, and enjoyed fellowship with those around our association.

IGNITE

On May 6, the team held the annual Ignite Night evangelism conference. This spring event encourages, inspires, and equips participants to share their faith effectively and reach lost friends in their communities. Dr. David Jackson, NAMB Replant Specialist, served as the keynote speaker. He taught from Revelation 2:1–7, drawing from his book *Falling in Love with Jesus, Again*, with the emphasis on returning to one's "First Love.", Jesus.

Ignite Workshops Included:

- Scott Foshie (IBSA): Simple Gospel Presentation: Who's Your One
- Dr. David Jackson (NAMB): Falling in Love with Jesus, Again
- Andrew Post (Crosspointe): Gospel Threads of Evangelism
- Sylvan Knobloch (IBSA, retired): Church History: How to Repent of the Past
- Eric Johnson (Island City): Not My Jesus book study

EQUIP

On September 8, the team held the annual EQUIP Training Event which focuses on discipleship and leadership development. Dr. Richard Blackaby joined via Zoom as the keynote speaker, sharing insights from his new study, *Experiencing God for Everyday Life*.

Equip Workshops Included:

- Jeff Logsdon (Island City): Developing Leaders
- Vaughn Sanders (FBC Bolingbrook), Craig Arnold (Friendship), and Phil Arnold (Calvary Morris): 12 Dynamic Bible Studies
- Andrew Post (Crosspointe): Memorize God's Word: Church-Wide Strategy
- Michelle Laird (Island City): Reaching the Next Generation
- Chris Nolin (IBSA): How to Retain Visitors
- Dr. Richard Blackaby (Blackaby Ministries): Fresh Encounter with God book study

Church Strengthening Team Report - cont'd

Cohorts

All four geographical Cohorts and the Practical Pastoring/Mentor Cohort meet on a monthly basis. If your cohort meets in a time you can attend, please make a decision to be there. These Cohorts are a way for pastors to have a time of fellowship, encouragement, and accountability as well as to grow and pray together.

- SE Cohort: First Tuesday of the month at Bethel Baptist Church, Bourbonnais, at noon
- West Cohort: First Thursday of the month at Jeremiah Joe's Coffee Shop, Ottawa, at 10:00 a.m.
- Mentor/Practical Pastoring Cohort: Third Thursday of the month at the TRBA office, Shorewood, at 7:00 p.m.
- Central Cohort: Fourth Thursday of the month at Matty's Restaurant, Shorewood, at 7:00 a.m.
- NE Cohort: Last Monday of the month via Zoom

Plans for 2027

As we look ahead into 2027, Dr Eddington and the Church Strengthening Team will be conducting our tri-annual Pastor and Church Leader surveys. We use the results of these surveys to determine what type of events/trainings that our churches want and need. More information will be coming out soon.

Appreciation

We want to thank the churches who hosted different Church Strengthening Team Events this year:

- First Baptist Church, Manteno
- Island City Baptist Church, Wilmington
- Cristo Es Rey, Bolingbrook

It has been a joy to serve the association on the Church Strengthening Team and I, along with the team members, look forward to all that God is going to do in and through our churches in 2027.

In Christ,

Andrew Post, Chairman

Dr. Dan Eddington, Director of Missions

Carlos Jimenez Jr, Hispanic Ministries

Eric Johnson, Men's Ministry

Michelle Laird, Next Gen Ministries

Kathy Schultz, Member at Large

Credentials And Ordination Committee Report

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

It's been our joy to serve the churches of our association this year through moments of ordination and celebration. We offer this report with gratitude for what God is doing in and through our shared ministry.

The Ordination and Credentials Committee exists to uphold the biblical and doctrinal integrity of pastoral leadership and to guide churches through significant ministry milestones. This year brought one ordination, one application for credentialing and a milestone anniversary worth celebrating together as an association.

Ordination

On November 15, 2025, Alvaro Trejos was ordained as a deacon at Cristo Es Rey in Bolingbrook. The committee was glad to assist and joyfully affirms his call to this office.

Credentials

Cornerstone Church of Joliet

Cornerstone has applied to be a Cooperating Mission with Three Rivers Baptist Association. We will be presenting them for approval at the October 4, 2026, meeting. They have made application to join Illinois Baptist Association.

Anniversary

In August, Pastor Jeff Logsdon celebrated 10 years of ministry with Island City Baptist Church in Wilmington. We're grateful for his faithful service and for what God has done through his ministry at ICBC and in both our local and state associations

Crosswinds Church marked its 20th year with Pastor Ken Schultz. Crosswinds was a church plant of Friendship Baptist.

Conclusion

The Ordination and Credentials Committee is honored to walk alongside our churches in this work. We ask for your continued prayers as we work to train up men and add churches throughout the region for the work of the ministry.

With joy in Christ,

Pastor Vaughn Sanders

Chairman, Ordination and Credentials Committee

Director of Missions 2026 Report - Dr. Dan Eddington

Vision Statement: *Developing spiritually healthy churches
that multiply to radically transform communities
for the Kingdom of God.*

NATIONAL NEWS

The Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting will be held June 13–16, 2027, in Indianapolis, Indiana. Housing reservations will open on October 5, 2026. Those planning to attend are encouraged to make reservations as soon as possible.

Many important issues affecting the future of the Southern Baptist Convention will be discussed and voted on at this meeting. It is vital that our churches send messengers so that the voices of normative-sized churches are heard. Since Indianapolis is relatively close, please make every effort to attend the 2027 SBC Annual Meeting. Those unable to attend in person may livestream the meeting through the SBC Annual Meeting app.

LOCAL UPDATES

Pastoral Status

Friendship Baptist Church called church planter Craig Arnold as its co-vocational pastor. Following his call to Friendship, the members of the Hill Church plant joined him there. Consequently, Hill Church officially closed as a church plant.

Higher Ground Baptist Church called Ryan Marks of Lisle, Illinois, as its new pastor on September 13,

The total number of churches without a pastor remains at four, as one additional church has joined the list.

Churches Currently Seeking Pastors

- First Baptist Church, Peru
- Clifton Baptist Church, Clifton
- Journey Church, Kankakee
- Iglesia Camino al Cielo, Joliet

This ongoing need underscores the critical importance of cultivating and affirming potential new pastors from within our association.

PRACTICAL PASTORING ROUNDTABLE

This past year, we launched a hands-on training initiative, Practical Pastoring Roundtable, which began on September 11, 2025. The Roundtable merged with the Mentor Cohort, providing training in the fundamentals of church leadership. We were privileged to learn from the following outside experts:

<u>2026 Guest Experts</u>	<u>Organization or Position</u>	<u>Subject</u>
John Clifton	North American Mission Board	Church Replanting and Revitalization
Richard Blackaby	Blackaby Ministries	Spiritual Leadership
Bob Dyer	IBSA Parliamentarian	Parliamentary Procedure for Church Meetings
Jake Roudkovski	Professor of Evangelism, NOBTS Evangelism	

Director of Missions Report - Dr. Dan Eddington

Proposed Guest Experts

<u>for 2027</u>	<u>Organization or Position</u>	<u>Proposed Subject</u>
Dr. Don Whitney	Professor of Biblical Spirituality, MBTS	Spiritual Disciplines
Dr. Billie Hanks, Jr.	International Evangelism Association	Paul-Timothy Disciple-Making
Dr. Chuck Kelley	Former President, NOBTS	The Future of the SBC
Dr. Malcolm Yarnell	Research Professor of Theology, SWBTS	Theology for New Pastors

Proposed date for Dr. Don Whitney: April 15, 2027

Skills Addressed

The Roundtable has addressed several essential ministry skills:

- Discerning whether one is called to be a pastor
- Administering the Lord's Supper
- Safely baptizing a person:
 - In a baptistry
 - In a natural body of water
- Moderating a church business meeting
- Understanding tax matters for ministers

Future Training Topics

We will continue addressing essential ministry skills that are often not covered in seminary:

- Conducting premarital counseling
- Conducting a wedding ceremony
- Preaching without notes or a manuscript
- Discerning a call:
 - To ministry
 - To pastoral ministry
 - To a particular church
- Understanding a pastor's role in biblical counseling

There is much more to pastoral ministry than meets the eye. At the same time, there is a tremendous need for more pastors. Therefore, I again urge every church to identify and refer to me anyone who senses a call to ministry. I am committed to guiding these individuals through the process of discerning and confirming God's call on their lives.

Director of Missions Report - Dr. Dan Eddington

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL OUTLOOK

Little has changed regarding the association's budget constraints. To meet operational needs, we continue to withdraw funds from our **General Fund Investment Account**, which is being depleted rapidly. The Admin Team and office staff have implemented every feasible cost-cutting measure.

If your church is able, please consider increasing its giving to the association by an additional **one percent**. If your church is not currently contributing, please consider taking that step of faith and adding Three Rivers Baptist Association to its monthly budget. These funds enable us to serve your church and other cooperating churches throughout the association.

Financial support, however, is not all that is needed. Your vision, presence, and gifts are also essential. Our cooperative efforts enable us to accomplish far more than any church could accomplish alone. This is both a strategic advantage and a biblical principle:

“Two are better than one because they have a good return for their labor. For if either of them falls, the one will lift up his companion. But woe to the one who falls when there is not another to lift him up. Furthermore, if two lie down together they keep warm, but how can one be warm alone? And if one can overpower him who is alone, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not quickly torn apart.”

—Ecclesiastes 4:9–12, NASB95

Consistently, your associational teams are actively exploring new ways to enhance our network's effectiveness and fulfill our God-given vision:

Developing spiritually healthy churches that multiply disciples and transform communities.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Last year, the Admin Team undertook the important task of revising our Constitution in accordance with recommendations from counsel at Alliance Defending Freedom.

The primary revision redefined the relationship between member churches and the association by changing the official terminology from “affiliated” or “accredited” churches to “**cooperating churches**.” After several carefully prepared drafts, the revised document was approved at last year's annual meeting.

This year, we are presenting a few minor amendments to the Constitution that were overlooked during last year's revision.

Our primary administrative work this year involved revising the **Personnel Policy** to align it with recommendations from Alliance Defending Freedom counsel. The revised policy is being presented for approval at this year's annual meeting.

Director of Missions Report - Dr. Dan Eddington

ACKNOWLEDGING OUR CHURCHES

Our churches have shown remarkable resilience through the many challenges since 2020. However, one area where we see a clear and urgent need is a renewed passion to reach the lost. This year's theme, "Falling in Love with Jesus Again", reminds us that a deeper, more passionate relationship with Christ must remain the foundation for effective mission and outreach. All of us need a renewed passion to reach the lost. It is possible that we have lost this zeal due to our drifting away from our love for God.

As Dr. Richard Blackaby recently emphasized for us, we all need to "pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it" (Hebrews 2:1). Because even while serving the Lord, it is possible to gradually drift in our walk with Him. With this in mind, we see that this is a critical time for revival across all our Three Rivers Baptist Association cooperating churches.

2027 CHALLENGE

As we move forward in "**falling in love with Jesus again**," we must challenge ourselves and our churches with the following questions:

1. **Are you willing to lead your church in praying for spiritual renewal in 2027?**
2. **What steps do you personally need to take to experience spiritual revitalization?**
3. **Are you willing to lead your church through the process of applying and studying "Experiencing God in Everyday Life?" (with your adults and teens)**
4. **Are you willing to use Henry Blackaby's Fresh Encounters: A 28-Day Devotional Guide as your devotional reading guide?**

We need a steady return to growth, with all of us praying for a renewed hunger for deep biblical teaching and its application to daily life.

We must help our people become teachers instead of continuing to need someone to teach them the basic principles of God's Word. (See *Hebrews 5:12–14*.)

2027 TRAINING EVENTS

Three Rivers Baptist Association's annual **IGNITE** and **EQUIP** training nights are designed to help church members and leaders grow passionately as disciples who make disciples and share the gospel. These events are offered at no cost. Please encourage your church members and leaders to participate.

IGNITE: Evangelism Training
May 11, 2027

EQUIP: Leadership Development Training
September 9, 2027



Director of Missions Report - Dr. Dan Eddington

ASSOCIATIONAL TEAMS

Each ministry team has devoted considerable time and energy to serving and supporting our churches effectively this year. We are deeply grateful for their faithful service.

During the past year, we added two new teams to the work of the association and its cooperating churches. Our current teams are:

- Admin Team
- Church Strengthening Team
- Church Planting Team (*newly reorganized*)
- Disaster Relief Team
- Men's Ministry Team (*newly added*)
- Slovakia East Team
- Women's Ministry Team
- Young Adult Ministry Team (*newly added*)

PASTOR AND CHURCH LEADER INTERVIEWS

This winter, Dr. Dan will once again interview all our pastors to gather information about the next steps each church will take in its efforts to fulfill God's vision for His church.

The information gathered through these interviews helps all our teams to plane training and ministry events to minister more effectively to all of our cooperating churches.

Please begin praying about what you need to share during these interviews. Your prayerful input will not only assist your church in its growth but will also help sister churches throughout the association grow faithfully.

Let us continue this essential work together, praying for:

- God's provision for our financial needs
- Spiritual renewal in our churches
- Growth in biblical knowledge
- Faithful discipleship
- Disciples who make disciples
- Church revitalization
- New church plants
- More pastors and ministry leaders

OUR PRAYER

Lord, may we see a great increase in faith, obedience, baptisms, disciples who make disciples, church revitalization, and church planting in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Dan Eddington, Director of Missions
Three Rivers Baptist Association
October 4, 2026

Disaster Relief Report

Tornado Activity Overview

Illinois experienced an unprecedented tornado season in 2026, recording 210 tornadoes as of August 29. This total shatters the previous state record of 142 tornadoes set in 2024 and approaches the all-time U.S. single-year record of 244, held by Texas since 2015. Neighboring Indiana also set a new state record with 81 tornadoes. Illinois' 2026 total represents more than three times the state's 20-year annual average of 66 tornadoes. Reliable records dating back to the 1950s confirm the exceptional nature of this year's activity.

Despite these record numbers, the Disaster Relief (DR) team was deployed fewer times than anticipated. This outcome underscores both the localized nature of many events and the continued need for expanded trained response capacity across Northern Illinois.

Disaster Relief Activities

The following DR meetings, trainings, and response operations were conducted by Ken Cummins or Phil Arnold during the reporting period:

October 9, 2025	DR Meeting, IBSA Springfield, IL
November 15, 2025	DR Information Meeting, ICBC, Wilmington, IL
February 24, 2026	TRBA Men's Meeting, ICBC, Wilmington, IL
March 18-19, 2026	Tornado Cleanup, Journey Church, Kankakee, IL
March 21, 2026	Roof Tarp, Journey Church, Kankakee, IL
April 10-11, 2026	Annual Training, Carlinville, IL
April 25, 2026	DR Training, ICBC, Wilmington, IL
May 13, 2026	Tornado Tree Removal, Aurora, IL
June 13, 2026	Tree Removal, Washburn, IL
June 15-16, 2026	Tornado Tree Removal, Streator, IL
June 22-26, 2026	Tornado Tree Removal, Charleston IL
July 15-17, 2026	Tornado Cleanup, Streator, IL
August 29, 2026	Tornado Tree Removal, Transformation Church parsonage, S. Chicago Heights, IL
August 31, 2026	Tornado Tree Removal, Country Club Hills, IL
September 26, 2026	DR Training - Lake Sallasteeska Baptist Camp
On-Going	Weekly Gray/Blue Sky events -- Morris and Streator, IL

Recruitment and Training

The Disaster Relief team is actively seeking additional volunteers to be trained as DR workers, particularly for service in Northern Illinois. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact:

- Ken Cummins, Emmanuel Baptist, Sandwich burrinckpcummins@comcast.net
- Phil Arnold, Calvary Baptist Church, Morris PhillipArnold3@gmail.com

Disaster Relief Report - cont'd

On-Line Training

Introduction to Disaster Relief is a required class and can be done as an on-line class. To complete the class, register by using the QR code or go to www.ibsa.org/ministries/disaster-relief/

You must have a background check done in order to serve as a DR Volunteer.
The cost for this training, your badge, and background check is \$50.00 which is collected at registration.



Donations

To help our Volunteer Disaster Relief workers, make a donation to Three Rivers Baptist Association Disaster Relief fund. All volunteers buy their own equipment, pay for their own travel and training. Donations help offset these costs for those who serve others in times of great need.

Submitted by:

Disaster Relief Directors

Ken Cummins, Emmanuel Baptist, Sandwich

Phil Arnold, Calvary Baptist, Morris



Men's Ministry Report

Overview

The Men's Ministry began the year with strong momentum through three leadership development lunches, hands-on service event and through fellowship. Two major events highlighted the year's activities, bringing together men from multiple churches within the Three Rivers Baptist Association for meaningful work, relationship-building, and spiritual encouragement.

Streator Baptist Camp Workday

The year opened with the third annual workday at Streator Baptist Camp. Thirty-one men from seven association churches participated. The team completed several projects, including construction of a large-group swing area featuring six swings, installation of two fire pits and two single swing sets, and cleaning and storage of the lakeslides.

The event provided opportunities for renewing existing friendships and forming new ones. Four young men under the age of 18 joined the group, allowing for meaningful intergenerational interaction as more experienced men shared practical knowledge on the proper use of tools to complete the tasks.

Second Annual "A Call to Men" Lunch

On August 15, the second annual "A Call to Men" lunch was held at Island City Baptist Church in Wilmington. Twenty-eight men from five association churches attended. Participants visited exhibit tables featuring information from Disaster Relief, Streator Baptist Camp, and a new display of Bible studies designed specifically for men. The gathering also emphasized fellowship and relationship-building.

Due to unforeseen health issues, the scheduled speaker was replaced at the last minute. Fred Lane, Men's Ministry Leader at Bethel Baptist Church in Bourbonnais, graciously stepped in and delivered an excellent message.

Plans for 2027

In addition to regular meetings and events, the ministry is developing several new initiatives for the coming year:

- An early spring luncheon featuring Tom Cheshire as the guest speaker. He will present on the topic "How To Start Or Revitalize A Men's Ministry".
- A new Men's Camp at Streator Baptist Camp scheduled for the evening before the annual workday. The overnight event will include recreational activities, shared meal, and a devotion from God's Word.

Additional details on these and other activities will be shared as plans are finalized.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Johnson
Proverbs 27:17 - "Iron sharpens iron"

Future Men's Ministry Team

Eric Johnson, Director, Island City, Wilmington
Fred Lane, Bethel Baptist, Bourbonnais
Alvaro Trejos, Cristo es Rey, Bolingbrook



Next Gen Ministry Report

The cooperation of Three Rivers Baptist Association churches is creating strong opportunities for area teens and young adults to clearly hear and respond to the gospel and grow in their faith. The 2025/2026 reporting year resulted in several association-wide events that were well attended.

CROSS-CON - In January, young adults from two association churches (Crosswinds, Island City) attended the three-day Cross-Con conference in Lexington, Kentucky. The event focused on the gospel, the local church, and God's heart for the nations. Main speakers included John Piper and David Platt.

DNOW - This two-day evangelistic event was designed to clearly share the gospel and strengthen the faith of believers through large-group worship and teaching, small-group sessions, and games. Held February 13-14, Island City Baptist Church, DNOW brought together 50 teens from four TRBA churches: Calvary, Cornerstone, Friendship, and Island City.

Youth Summer Camp Adult Leader Retreat - IBSA graciously allowed TRBA to use Streater Baptist Camp at no charge for an overnight retreat for summer camp leaders. Leaders from Island City Baptist Church and Crosswinds Church met to plan and pray for camp. The Camp Leader retreat was held April 10-11, 2026.

TRBA YOUTH SUMMER CAMP - Held at Streater Baptist Camp July 13 - 17, Youth Summer camp brought together 44 students from five TRBA churches: Calvary, Cornerstone, Crosswinds, FBC Coal City, and Island City. Students spent the week participating in activities designed to develop and strengthen Christian disciplines, prepare students for evangelical outreach and missional living.

YOUTH ENCOUNTER - In partnership with IBSA, TRBA is hosting the northern region Youth Encounter event at Cornerstone Church in Woodland on Sunday, October 11 from 3PM - 9PM. This evangelistic event is designed to provide an on ramp for students to clearly hear the gospel of Jesus. Students are encouraged to invite friends and others who do not yet know Jesus. Activities include large group teaching, small group processing times, and big-event games and entertainment. Pastor Matthew Joiner of Rockford will be preaching and Salt Church from Bloomington-Normal will be providing music.

2027 -There are exciting updates for the 2026/2027 reporting year. A newly organized Next Gen Ministries leadership team will take the lead on planning and coordinating association-wide events for youth and young adults.

Future Next Gen Ministries Team

Director: Michelle Laird, Island City Baptist, Wilmington
 Rev. PJ Parker, Cornerstone, Woodland
 Wendy Arnold, Calvary, Morris
 Jenny Payne, FBC, Coal City

Next Gen Ministry Report

Save the Dates!

Youth Events (Grades 6-12)

October 11, 2026

February 12- 13, 2027

April 9 - 10 , 2027

July 12 – 16, 2027

Youth Encounter; Cornerstone Church, Woodland

DNOW Youth Event; Island City Baptist Church

Summer Camp Leader Retreat; Streator Baptist Camp

Youth Summer Camp; Streator Baptist Camp

Young Adult Events (Ages 18-25)

October 24, 2026

November 14 , 2026

Dec. 31, 2026 - Jan. 2, 2027

March 12, 2027

June 4, 2027

Young Adult event

Young Adult - **“Friendsgiving”**

Young Adult Retreat; Streator Baptist Camp

Young Adult Event

Young Adult Event



Property and Grounds Report

This year, maintenance activity has been relatively limited. The Maintenance Team replaced several T8 fluorescent lamps in the office and repaired three T8 light fixtures. These repairs included removing the existing ballasts and converting the fixtures to energy-efficient LED bulbs.

As the remaining ballasts reach the end of their service life, we will continue converting the fixtures to LED bulbs.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Maintenance Team,

David Hughes, Director
Island City, Wilmington

Trustee Report

This year there was limited activity involving the Trustees. Due to low usage of the Block Party Trailer by churches over the past five years, the Admin Team has decided to donate the Block Party Trailer and all of its equipment to Crosspointe Church of Oswego. Crosspointe Church will oversee the Block Party Trailer Ministry in partnership with cooperating churches of the Three Rivers Baptist Association for the next five years. During this time, cooperating churches will continue to have access to the trailer as they have in the past.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Trustees,

David Hughes, Chairman
Island City, Wilmington

Team Slovakia East Report

Košice Church Plant

Dodo Michalec, pastor of **Ekklesia Baptist Church** in Košice, has been named Leader of the Church Planting Movement in the Baptist Union of Slovakia. After founding and serving as pastor of Ekklesia for seven years, he will begin a mandatory three-month sabbatical this fall. Several individuals assisted with the necessary finances to make this possible. Pastor Dodo previously spoke at the TRBA annual meeting three years ago.

Košice Baptist Church/ Baptistický Zbor of Ružomberok..

Was our first Slovak partner. Dalibor and his English wife Laura were our first church contacts. It was through this contact that we met Dodo a young man teaching Bible Studies in the orphanages. Later Dodo become the Associate pastor at Dalibor's Church. Both of these Slovak men caught the vision of American church planting that was foreign to the Baptist Union of Slovakia. Dalibor sent Dodo out as a church planter in the same community of Košice. Now Dodo is the national Church Planting Director of the Baptist Union of Slovakia applying what he and Dalibor have learned. In 2021, Dalibor moved to Ružomberok, where he is now the pastor of a smaller Baptist church. The current pastor of the Košice Baptist congregation is Andrej Kraljik, the 35-year-old son of a Slovak pastor.

Upcoming Plans

The team is working to schedule a video conference call with Milka and Michal sometime this fall.

Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray for the following mission partners as they live out the Great Commission in eastern Slovakia:

- Milka and Michal Lapcak – Prešov Mission, Prešov
- Andrej Kraljik, – Košice Baptist Church, Košice
- Dodo and Michaela Michalec – Ekklesia Baptist Church, Košice
- Dalibor and Laura Smolnik – Baptistický Zbor of Ružomberok,

Future Vision

We have been unable to visit Slovakia since the pandemic in 2020. It remains our desire to once again sponsor mission trips in support of our three partners in the future.

Bob Dyer, Coordinator, Bethel Baptist, Bourbonnais

Andy Urbanec, Erven Avenue Baptist, Streator

Jill Patterson, Parkview Baptist, Marseilles

Women's Ministry Report

The Women's Ministry Team hosted the second annual Three Rivers Baptist Association Women's Conference at First Baptist Church of Manteno on November 8, 2025. The day brought together 40 women for worship, fellowship and spiritual growth. The conference was entitled "Scouting the Divine" and workshops were based on the book written by Margaret Feinberg.

The following were the workshops that were offered:

- The Good Shepherd presented by Dr. Dan Eddington – step into the world of a shepherd and his sheep - reviewing Psalm 23
- The True Vine presented by Rev. Roy Worley – John 15 states the Lord is the vine, His Father the vinedresser and the disciples to be the branches. A time of exploring this passage and what does God expect from us.
- The Land of Milk and Honey presented by Melissa Gerard, Beekeeper – Searching the scriptures for references to bees. There are three bees in a hive (drones, workers and Queen) Each has a specific purpose. God has given each of us a specific purpose as well.

Our keynote speaker was Lindsay Wineinger, the Illinois WMU president. She shared on The Farmer. Lindsey and her family live near Peoria and have a hobby farm and own two feed stores. Lindsey told us the farmer was to tend the land – to plant -- and to harvest. This involves preparing the soil and waiting patiently until the harvest.

Lisa McCann of Cornerstone Church, Woodland led beautiful worship in our sessions. The conference provided an opportunity to study God's Word, fellowship with one another and enjoy a "purse swap".

Our time together ended with two Bibles being given away. First Baptist Church of Manteno provided exceptional hospitality for our time together. The conference was a blessing to those who attended and a great opportunity to get away and be renewed.

The Women's Ministry Team is currently working on the 3rd Annual TRBA Women's Conference to be held on November 14, 2026, at First Baptist Manteno.

Presented on Behalf of the Women's Ministry Team,

Jenny Abbott, First Baptist Manteno
 Jeannie Blakemore, New Beginnings Streator
 Kathy Keys, First Baptist Manteno



WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Returning to Your First Love

Reclaim your passion and purpose.

First Baptist Church,
Manteno
9 AM - 3:30 PM

NOVEMBER 14, 2026

Register today!



Libby Sanders
Workshop Leader



Sara Montgomery
Workshop Leader



Christina Filkins
Workshop Leader

Dr. Rebekah Callahan
Keynote Speaker
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary




office@3riversbaptist.org



Dr. Rebekah Callahan has been following and loving Jesus since a young age. She is especially passionate about discipleship and seeing others grow in their love of and obedience to God through His Word. She serves at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (NOBTS) and Leavell College as a faculty member and as the associate dean of students in the Office of Spiritual Formation and Student Life. She and her husband, Chris, have been married since 2017 and have a beautiful 1-year-old daughter, Vivian.



WORKSHOPS - Pick 2

- "Remember"** - Faith on fire, looking for my spark.
with Christina Filkins, FBC Momence
- "Repent"** - Own your spiritual drift. Turning your heart back.
with Sara Montgomery, Bethel Baptist
- "Redo"** - Go back to the basics that built your faith.
with Libby Sanders, FBC Bolingbrook

Registration is open! Childcare is available. Purse swap!
Deadline to register with the lunch is Nov. 9th.

Nominating Committee Recommendations 2027

OFFICERS

Treasurer (Board Member)

Kathy Schultz, Crosswinds, Plainfield

Clerk (Board Member)

Tina Logsdon, Island City, Wilmington

Assistant Clerk (Board Member)

Mike Allen, FBC, Bolingbrook

Trustees

David Hughes, Island City, Wilmington - *Chairman* (Board Member/Officer)

Mike Blakemore, New Beginnings, Streator

Steve Orlando, Crosswinds, Plainfield

DIRECTORS

Admin Team (*Co-directors*)

Moderator—to be elected (Board Member)

Assistant Moderator—to be elected (Board Member)

Church Planting and Revitalization Team (Board Member)

Dr. Dan Eddington, Island City, Wilmington

Church Strengthening/Leadership Development Team (Board Member)

Andrew Post, Crosspointe, Oswego

Men's Ministry (Board Member)

Director: Eric Johnson, Island City, Wilmington

Ordination and Credentials (Board Member)

Vaughn Sanders, FBC, Bolingbrook

Property and Grounds (Board Member)

David Hughes, Island City, Wilmington

Team Slovakia East Virtual Strategy Director (Board Member)

Bob Dyer, Bethel, Bourbonnais

Women's Ministry (Board Members)

Co-Director: Jenny Abbott, FBC, Manteno

Co-Director: Jeannie Blakemore, New Beginnings, Streator

Young Adult Ministry (Board Member)

Director: Michelle Laird, Island City, Wilmington

Nominating Committee Recommendations 2027

COORDINATORS/LEADERS

Disaster Relief Coordinators

Ken Cummins, Emmanuel, Sandwich
Phil Arnold, Calvary, Morris

Associational Worship Leader

Mark Watson, Crosspointe, Oswego

Parliamentarian

Bob Dyer, Bethel, Bourbonnais
Jeff Logsdon, Island City, Wilmington

TEAMS

Admin Team

Moderators-elect: Co-director

Assistant Moderator-elect: Co-Director

Vaughn Sanders, FBC, Bolingbrook (Credentials/Ordination)

David Hughes, Island City, Wilmington (Property and Grounds) (Trustees)

Jeff Logsdon, Island City, Wilmington (Member at Large)

Vacancy (Member at Large)

Church Planting and Revitalization Team

Director—Dr. Dan Eddington, Island City, Wilmington

Craig Arnold, Friendship, Plainfield

James Ramseyer, New Beginnings, Streator

Vacancy

Vacancy

Church Strengthening/Leadership Development Team

Director: Andrew Post, Crosspointe, Oswego

Carlos Jimenez, Cristo es Rey, Bolingbrook

Eric Johnson, Island City, Wilmington (Men's Ministry)

Michelle Laird, Island City, Wilmington (Young Adult Ministry)

Kathy Schultz, Crosswinds, Plainfield

Men's Ministry Team

Director: Eric Johnson, Island City, Wilmington

Fred Lane, Bethel, Bourbonnais

Alvaro Trejos, Cristo es Rey, Bolingbrook

Property and Grounds Team

Director: David Hughes, Island City, Wilmington

Phil Arnold, Calvary, Morris

Nominating Committee Recommendations 2027

Slovakia East Mission Team

Director: Bob Dyer, Bethel, Bourbonnais
 Jill Patterson, Parkview, Marseilles
 Andy Urbanec, Erven Ave, Streator

Women's Ministry Team

Co-Director: Jenny Abbott, FBC, Manteno
 Co-Director: Jeannie Blakemore, New Beginnings, Streator
 Kathy Keys, FBC, Manteno

Next Gen Ministry Team

Director: Michelle Laird, Island City, Wilmington
 Wendy Arnold, Calvary, Morris
 Jerry Parker, Cornerstone, Woodland
 Jenny Payne, FBC, Coal City

DISASTER RELIEF

Disaster Relief Teams

Emmanuel, Sandwich - Director: Ken Cummins, Chainsaw/Mud-out

Bethel, Bourbonnais - Fred Lane (DR Team)

Calvary, Morris - Phil Arnold, Chainsaw/Skid Steer
 Joe Ehrich, Chainsaw Crew

Crosspointe, Oswego - Bev Laechelt, Team Member

Island City Baptist, Wilmington - Steve Dennett, Chainsaw

COMMITTEES

Nominating Committee

Moderator (elect)
 Assistant Moderator (elect)
 Director of Missions
 Member at Large (Moderator appointed by January 2027)

Three Rivers Baptist Association Annual Meeting Minutes 2025

Date: October 5, 2025
 Moderator: David Peterman
 Assistant Moderator: Rene Escalante, Fellowship BC, South Chicago Heights
 Meeting location: First Baptist Church, Bolingbrook
 Theme: Personal Evangelism

Call to Order: David Peterman called the meeting to order.
 Fifty-six messengers from 19 churches were seated.

Order of Business:

Welcome, Scripture, and Prayer

Pastor Vaughn Sanders of FBC, Bolingbrook, welcomed the messengers, read scripture, and offered a prayer.

The Credentials Committee

The Credentials Committee recommended that Shepherd Reformed Baptist Church be accepted as a cooperating church (had previously been a plant). The recommendation was accepted.

Introduction of New Pastors and Wives

- Jeremy and Sara Montgomery, Bethel Baptist, Bourbonnais
- James and Lydia Ramseyer, New Beginnings, Streator
- Bill and Gina Lindahl, Emmanuel Baptist, Lemont
- Ismael and Jackie Adames, Sendero de Vida, Shorewood (re-joined)

Sermon: 2 Timothy 4:1-5 by JJ Washington, Director of Personal Evangelism, NAMB

Business

Parliamentarian

David Hughes, Admin Team, nominated Jeff Logsdon from Island City BC. Jeff was elected to serve as parliamentarian for the 2025 Annual Meeting.

Nominating Committee Recommendations

Dr. Dan Eddington, DOM, presented the recommendations. One addition was made to the nominating committee report to Women's Ministry Team - Kathy Keys FBC, Manteno. The recommendations were amended and approved.

2026 Proposed Budget

Pastor Vaughn Sanders, Admin Team, presented the proposed 2026 budget. Budget was approved.

IBSA Report

IBSA report was delivered by Carmen Halsey-Menghini, IBSA

Annual Meeting Minutes 2025 - cont'd

Constitution Revisions

Dr. Dan Eddington, DOM, presented the proposed Constitution revisions and addressed questions from the floor. Tina Logsdon, Island City BC, suggested adding more detail to Article IV, Section 4, Item 4 concerning the procedure to be followed when a church fails to respond to written notification about a failure to adhere to the Code of Christian Conduct. The suggestion was subsequently withdrawn so that the revisions could be adopted at the Annual Meeting rather than by email afterward. The Constitution was accepted as written.

Election of Officers

David Peterman, Moderator, presided over the election of officers.

- Rene Escalante (Fellowship Baptist Church, South Chicago Heights) was nominated for Moderator by David Hughes (Island City Baptist Church) and seconded by Andrew Post (CrossPointe Church, Oswego). No further nominations were offered, and the nomination was accepted by acclamation.
- Vaughn Sanders (First Baptist Church, Bolingbrook) was nominated for Assistant Moderator by Jeff Logsdon (Island City Baptist Church) and seconded by Roy Worley (First Baptist Church, Manteno). No further nominations were offered, and the nomination was accepted by acclamation.

Recognition of the Director of Missions

Dr. Dan Eddington was recognized by John Patterson of Parkview Baptist Church for twenty years of service as Director of Missions of the Three Rivers Baptist Association.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Jeff Logsdon of Island City Baptist Church and seconded by Ken Schultz of Crosswinds Church. Rene Escalante, the newly elected Moderator, led the meeting in a closing prayer, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Logsdon
TRBA Clerk
Island City Baptist, Wilmington



Treasurer's Report for July/August 2026

	July	AUGUST	YTD 2026
Bethel Baptist, Bourbonnais	430. 15	764. 49	3824. 98
Calvary Baptist, Morris	227. 08	290. 50	2625. 37
Calvary International, Bolingbrook	0	0	0
Central Baptist, Olympia Fields	0	0	209. 00
Clifton Baptist, Clifton	20. 00	0	140. 00
Cornerstone Ministries, Woodland	209. 03	232. 77	2439. 87
Cristo es Rey, Bolingbrook	395. 00	340. 00	2825. 00
Crosspointe Church, Oswego	275. 00	275. 00	2200. 00
Crosswinds, Plainfield	588. 64	693. 72	4554. 98
Emmanuel, Lemont	0	0	0
Emmanuel, Sandwich	0	350. 00	2100. 00
Erven Avenue, Streator	388. 57	276. 64	3951. 15
FBC Bolingbrook, Bolingbrook	0	0	829. 00
FBC Calumet City	0	0	46. 53
FBC Coal City	191. 55	163. 68	1690. 02
FBC Manteno	750. 00	802. 00	6309. 00
FBC Momence	0	0	200. 00
FBC Peru	193. 92	261. 42	1814. 52
Fellowship, S. Chicago Hts.	426. 63	469. 90	1382. 19
Friendship, Plainfield	3829. 00	1737. 00	11941. 00
Higher Ground, Midlothian	323. 26	294. 77	2788. 59
Iglesia Camino al Cielo, Joliet	0	0	0
Island City, Wilmington	1722. 39	1230. 89	13368. 00
Jackson Creek	0	0	0
Journey Church, Bradley	0	0	200. 00
Main Street Baptist, Braidwood	0	0	0
New Beginnings, Streator	614. 92	1070. 84	5671. 27
Parkview Baptist, Marseilles	0	0	6061. 47
Sendero de Vida	0	0	0
Shepherd Reformed	200. 00	0	400. 00
Somonauk Baptist, Somonauk	0	334. 00	1336. 00
Transformation Church, S. Chicago Hts.	0	0	150. 00
Unity Korean, Romeoville	0	0	0
Totals	<u>\$10, 785. 14</u>	<u>\$9, 587. 62</u>	<u>\$79, 057. 94</u>

General Budget Report – July/August 2026

Accounts	July Actual (This Year)	August Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	Annual Budget (This Year)
Revenues				
1199 - 3 Rivers Missions Giving	\$10,785.14	\$9,587.62	\$79,057.94	\$0.00
1205 - Misc. Budget Acct. Income	\$6,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$52,550.00	\$0.00
Total Revenues	<u>\$17,285.14</u>	<u>\$17,087.62</u>	<u>\$131,607.94</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Expenses				
Association Ministries				
1000 - Leadership Development	\$14.27	\$0.00	\$51.98	\$100.00
1010 - WMU	\$6.28	\$12.99	\$19.27	\$100.00
1025 - Evangelism	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
1030 - Church Strengthening	\$2.99	\$0.00	\$2.99	\$100.00
1035 - Partnership & Mobilization	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27.72	\$100.00
1040 - Misc.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Total Association Ministries	<u>\$23.54</u>	<u>\$12.99</u>	<u>\$101.96</u>	<u>\$700.00</u>
Office Expenses				
2000 - Office Equipment/Maintenance	\$474.58	\$390.06	\$3,368.78	\$2,750.00
2010 - Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$7.42	\$178.09	\$750.00
2015 - On Line Ministry	\$0.00	\$33.98	\$118.93	\$250.00
2020 - Postage	\$0.00	\$19.85	\$39.37	\$400.00
2030 - Legal Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Total Office Expenses	<u>\$474.58</u>	<u>\$451.31</u>	<u>\$3,705.17</u>	<u>\$4,650.00</u>
Office Utilities				
2300 - Natural Gas	\$66.89	\$67.01	\$683.35	\$1,200.00
2310 - Electricity	\$166.21	\$223.91	\$1,154.68	\$2,000.00
2320 - Telephone-Land line	\$204.90	\$153.45	\$1,517.33	\$2,160.00
2330 - Telephone-Cellular	\$238.99	\$209.15	\$1,901.48	\$900.00
Total Office Utilities	<u>\$676.99</u>	<u>\$653.52</u>	<u>\$5,256.84</u>	<u>\$6,260.00</u>
Reimbursements				
2400 - Travel	\$114.74	\$107.36	\$3,133.42	\$10,000.00
2410 - Convention Reimbursements	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,250.00
2420 - Professional Reimbursements	\$11.56	\$0.00	\$11.56	\$300.00
2430 - Pastoral Ministries Reimbursements	\$0.00	\$9.31	\$55.15	\$1,000.00
Total Reimbursements	<u>\$126.30</u>	<u>\$116.67</u>	<u>\$3,200.13</u>	<u>\$13,550.00</u>
Personnel				
D.O.M.				
3000 - D.O.M. Salary	\$5,649.75	\$4,519.80	\$39,548.25	\$60,947.57
3010 - D.O.M. Housing	\$3,271.70	\$2,617.36	\$22,901.90	\$34,680.00
3020 - D.O.M. Annuity	\$1,195.35	\$1,195.35	\$9,493.16	\$14,344.14
3021 - D.O.M. Life Insurance	\$792.10	\$396.05	\$3,564.45	\$5,212.00
3030 - D.O.M. Soc. Sec.	\$690.15	\$552.12	\$4,831.05	\$7,315.51
3040 - D.O.M. Christmas Bonus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,804.29
Total D.O.M.	<u>\$11,599.05</u>	<u>\$9,280.68</u>	<u>\$80,338.81</u>	<u>\$124,303.51</u>
Administrative Assistant				
3100 - Administrative Asst. Salary	\$2,773.50	\$2,218.80	\$19,414.50	\$29,399.33
3110 - Administrative Asst. Annuity	(\$50.00)	\$100.00	\$500.00	\$600.00
3120 - Administrative Asst. Soc. Sec.	\$171.95	\$137.56	\$1,203.65	\$1,822.76
3130 - Administrative Asst. Medicare	\$40.20	\$32.16	\$281.40	\$426.29
3140 - Administrative Asst Christmas Bonus	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$554.70
Total Administrative Assistant	<u>\$2,935.65</u>	<u>\$2,488.52</u>	<u>\$21,399.55</u>	<u>\$32,803.08</u>
Staff Insurance				
3200 - Health Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,489.85	\$2,889.66
3201 - D.O.M. Health Reimb.Account	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$12,000.00
3202 - D.O.M. Retirement HRA	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$4,000.00	\$6,000.00

General Budget Report – August 2026

Accounts	July Actual (This Year)	August Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	Annual Budget (This Year)
3203 - Admin Asst. Health Reimb. Account	\$536.10	\$389.23	\$2,236.85	\$8,000.00
3204 - Admin Asst. Retirement HRA	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3209 - Additional Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00
3210 - Workman's Compensation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$229.99	\$700.00
Total Staff Insurance	<u>\$2,036.10</u>	<u>\$1,889.23</u>	<u>\$16,956.69</u>	<u>\$34,089.66</u>
Total Personnel	<u>\$16,570.80</u>	<u>\$13,658.43</u>	<u>\$118,695.05</u>	<u>\$191,196.25</u>
Associational Property				
4025 - Block Party Trailer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$435.50	\$0.00
4026 - Church Planting Trailer	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$130.75)	\$0.00
Associational Office				
4009 - 3 Rivers Office Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,137.50	\$2,000.00
4010 - 3 Rivers Office Condo Fees	\$335.00	\$335.00	\$2,680.00	\$4,020.00
4011 - 3 Rivers Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$186.27	\$600.00
Total Associational Office	<u>\$335.00</u>	<u>\$335.00</u>	<u>\$4,003.77</u>	<u>\$6,620.00</u>
Total Associational Property	<u>\$335.00</u>	<u>\$335.00</u>	<u>\$4,308.52</u>	<u>\$6,620.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$18,207.21</u>	<u>\$15,227.92</u>	<u>\$135,267.67</u>	<u>\$222,976.25</u>
Net Total	<u>(\$922.07)</u>	<u>\$1,859.70</u>	<u>(\$3,659.73)</u>	<u>(\$222,976.25)</u>

Designated Funds Report – August 2026

Accounts	Beginning Balance	Revenue	Expenses	Ending Balance
Temporary Restricted Funds				
9000 - Accrued Interest	\$185.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$185.17
9001 - Cohorts and Assoc. Advocates	\$2,612.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,612.99
9002 - Annual Meeting	\$516.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$516.40
9006 - English Foreign Language/Literacy	\$483.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$483.26
9007 - Hispanic Leadership Development	\$8,789.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,789.71
9010 - Slovakia Travel Fund	\$5,768.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,768.16
9011 - Slovakia Mission Trip Scholarship	\$986.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$986.30
9016 - Special Purpose Fund	\$10,309.11	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$10,809.11
9017 - Pastors Assistance	\$8,679.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,679.81
9020 - Evangelism	\$3,567.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,567.72
9022 - We Care Campaign	\$2,198.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,198.50
9024 - Partnership Projects	\$4,185.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,185.71
9025 - WMU Allocated	\$554.07	\$0.00	\$6.97	\$547.10
9043 - Curtis Avenue Property	\$300.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,800.00	\$0.00
9049 - Calvary Fund Loans	\$28,820.08	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	\$18,820.08
9050 - Church Ministry Assistance	\$420.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$420.39
9051 - Mentoring	\$599.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$599.63
9052 - Workshop Funds	\$4,095.18	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$4,295.18
9053 - Senior Adults	\$143.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$143.97
9054 - Church Strengthening Endowment Int	\$3,314.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,314.11
9055 - Church Strengthening	\$5,601.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,601.20
9056 - Coaching	\$1,864.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,864.19
9057 - Retreats	\$1,057.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,057.80
9060 - Block Party Trailer	\$448.61	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$448.61
9061 - Block Party Trailer Equip. Usage	\$1,512.61	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,512.61
9070 - Holding Acct.	\$3,953.25	\$1,108.67	\$1,433.30	\$3,628.62
9080 - Contingency Fund	(\$21,655.00)	\$0.00	\$3,700.00	(\$25,355.00)
9087 - Disaster Relief Fund	\$5,454.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,454.05
9135 - Prayer	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
9950 - State/Fed.Taxes Accrued	\$0.00	\$2,659.30	\$2,659.30	\$0.00
Health Reimbursement Accounts				
9018 - HRA Account - DOM	\$1,780.48	\$1,000.00	\$889.45	\$1,891.03
Total Health Reimbursement Accounts	\$1,780.48	\$1,000.00	\$889.45	\$1,891.03
New Works Fund				
9113 - Slovakia New Works	\$559.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$559.78
9130 - New Works Misc.	\$238,489.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$238,489.80
9131 - Church Starting Endowment Interest	\$6,264.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,264.34
9200 - Southeast Church Planting Fund	\$19,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$19,000.00
Total New Works Fund	\$264,313.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$264,313.92

Investment Funds Report – August 2026

Investments Funds Ending as Stated:

Account	Market Value			
7000	Project Fund #220 @ 5.0% long term fixed, accessible anytime			
	08.31.2026	\$ 10,911.56	12/31/2021	\$ 30,006.45
	03.31.2026	\$ 30,476.45	12/31/2020	\$ 29,528.70
	12/31/2025	\$ 30,420.40	12/31/2019	\$ 26,064.74
	12/31/2024	\$ 28,032.76		
	12/31/2023	\$ 28,933.14	June 2026	\$ 20,000.00
	12/31/2022	\$ 27,641.95		redistributed
7100	Calvary Funds #221@ 4.75% long term fixed, accessible any time			
	With Term Investment #380 @ 2.3%			
	08.31.2026	\$ 78,706.66	12/31/2021	\$ 74,662.06
	03.31.2026	\$ 77,511.91	12/31/2020	\$ 73,985.18
	12/31/2025	\$ 77,369.36	12/31/2019	\$ 69,032.49
	12/31/2024	\$ 71,296.74	12/31/2018	\$ 65,731.10
	12/31/2023	\$ 73,616.77		
	12/31/2022	\$ 70,331.50		
7400	Church Starting Fund #560 @ 5.84% long term fixed			
	08.31.2026	\$ 9,536.89		
	03.31.2026	\$ 9,473.52		
	12/31/2025	\$ 9,371.00		
	12/31/2024	\$ 9,615.79	12/31/2020	\$ 11,447.32
	12/31/2023	\$ 9,788.16	12/31/2019	\$ 9,970.19
	12/31/2022	\$ 10,261.76	12/31/2018	\$ 10,068.89
7500	Church Strengthening Fund #561 @ 5.84% long term fixed			
	08.31.2026	\$ 9,567.47	12/31/2021	\$ 11,272.08
	03.31.2026	\$ 9,503.89	12/31/2020	\$ 11,484.12
	12/31/2025	\$ 9,401.04	12/31/2019	\$ 10,002.29
	12/31/2024	\$ 9,646.60	12/31/2018	\$ 10,101.34
	12/31/2023	\$ 9,819.54		
	12/31/2022	\$ 10,140.47		
30-110	Cash Management			
	08.31.2026	\$ 8,846.40	June 2026	\$ 10,000.00
	03.31.2026	\$ 18,689.44		redistributed
	12/31/2025	\$ 18,460.78		
	12/31/2024	\$284,125.30		
	06/30/2024	\$200,819.00		

Total Current Balance of Investment Funds, 08/31/2026

\$117,568.98

Loans from Calvary Account - Entity 'A' balance on 08.31.2026 \$9,705.30; original loan amount: \$10,000.00

Checking Account Balances 08/31/2026: Budget Account: **\$75.16** Designated Account: \$340,972.38

Proposed Budget for 2027

Budget Items		2026	Proposed 2027
Organizational Ministries-Churches and Missions			
1000	Leadership Development Team	\$100.00	\$100.00
1010	WMU/Women's Ministry	\$100.00	\$100.00
1025	Evangelism	\$100.00	\$100.00
1030	Church Strengthening Team	\$100.00	\$100.00
1035	Partnership & Mobilization	\$100.00	\$100.00
1040	Miscellaneous	\$200.00	\$100.00
Total		\$700.00	\$600.00
Office Expenses			
2000	Office Equipment/Maintenance	\$2,750.00	\$750.00
	Canon Copier Expenses	\$ -	\$3,000.00
2010	Office Supplies	\$750.00	\$500.00
	Finance Software	\$ -	\$1,350.00
2015	On-Line Ministry	\$250.00	\$425.00
2020	Postage	\$400.00	\$400.00
2030	Legal Fees	\$500.00	\$400.00
Total		\$4,650.00	\$6,825.00
Office Utilities			
2300	Natural Gas	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
2310	Electricity	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
2320	Office Telephone	\$2,160.00	\$2,160.00
2330	Cell Phone	\$900.00	\$1,200.00
Total		\$6,260.00	\$6,560.00
Reimbursements			
2400	Travel Reimbursement	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
2410	Convention Reimbursement	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00
2420	Professional Reimbursement	\$300.00	\$300.00
2430	Pastoral Ministries	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Total		\$13,550.00	\$13,550.00
Personnel Compensation			
Director of Missions			
3000	Salary	\$60,947.57	\$60,947.57
3010	Housing	\$34,680.00	\$34,680.00
3020	Annuity	\$14,344.14	\$14,344.14
3021	Insurance	\$5,212.00	\$5,212.00
3030	Social Security	7.65% \$7,315.51	\$7,315.51
3040	Christmas Bonus	\$1,804.29	\$1,804.29
Sub-Total		\$124,303.51	\$124,303.51
Administrative Assistant			
3100	Salary	\$29,399.33	\$30,428.31
3110	Annuity	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
3120	Social Security	6.20% \$1,822.76	\$1,886.56
3130	Medicare	1.45% \$426.29	\$441.21
3140	Christmas Bonus	\$554.70	\$554.70
Sub-Total		\$33,403.08	\$34,510.78

Proposed Budget for 2027 cont'd

Budget Items	2026	Proposed 2027
Personnel Insurance		
Health Insurance		
3200 BCBS Admin Assistant Healthcare	\$2,889.66	\$ -
3201 HRA Director of Missions	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
3202 Retirement HRA- DOM	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
3209 Additional Expenses - DOM	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
3203 HRA Admin Assistant	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
3204 Retirement HRA -AA	\$ -	\$3,000.00
3210 Workman's Compensation	\$700.00	\$700.00
Sub-Total	\$34,089.66	\$34,200.00
Total	\$191,796.25	\$193,014.29
Associational Property		
Associational Trailers		
4025 Block Party Insurance/Licence	\$400.00	\$ -
4026 Church Planting Insurance/Licence	\$ -	\$ -
Sub-Total	\$400.00	\$ -
Associational Office		
2030 Insurance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
4010 Usage Fee/Condo Fees	\$4,020.00	\$4,020.00
4011 Building Maintenece	\$600.00	\$600.00
Sub-Total	\$6,620.00	\$6,620.00
Total	\$7,020.00	\$6,620.00
GENERAL BUDGET	\$219,326.25	\$227,169.29
MONTHLY INCOME REQUIRED	\$18,277.19	\$18,930.77

CHANGE VS 2026

+1.4%

BCHFS 2025 Annual Report

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."
Psalm 147:3

Unique Individuals Impacted

608

Professions of Faith

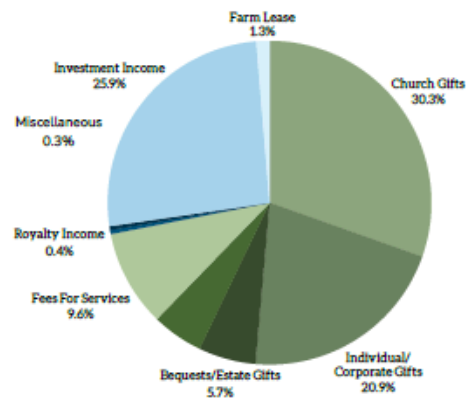
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Financial Statistics

2025

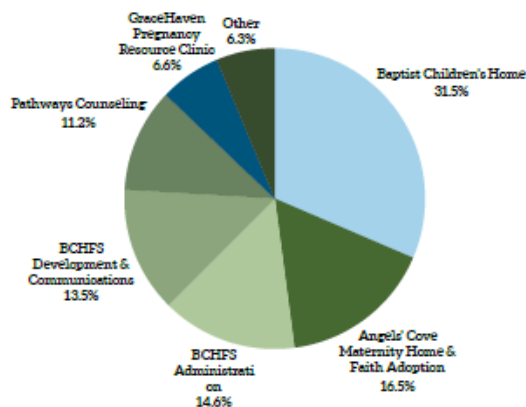
Income \$4,188,862

Church Gifts	30.3%
Individual/Corporate Gifts	20.9%
Bequests/Estate Gifts.....	5.7%
Mother's Day Offering	5.1%
Fees for Services.....	9.6%
Royalty Income	0.4%
Farm Lease	1.3%
Miscellaneous.....	0.4%
Investment Income	25.9%
(Includes Unrealized Gain/Loss in Market Value)	
	100%



2025

Program Expenses \$3,582,268



Baptist Children's Home.....	31.5%
Angels' Cove Maternity Home & Faith Adoption	16.5%
BCHFS Administration.....	14.6%
BCHFS Development & Communications	13.5%
Pathways Counseling.....	11.2%
GraceHaven Pregnancy Resource Clinic.....	6.6%
Other	6.3%

100%

Pathways Counseling; Faith Adoption; Angels' Cove Maternity Home; GraceHaven Pregnancy Resource Clinic; Baptist Children's Home



Baptist Foundation of Illinois

Report to othe Associations

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LIFE STEWARDSHIP: In 2025, BFI Executive Director Doug Morrow attained the Certified Estate Planner (CEP) accreditation. He continues to conduct weekly consultations with numerous families, assisting them in the development of customized Christian Estate Plans. These specialized planning services are provided to Illinois Baptists at no cost. BFI's estate planning initiatives will have a profound and enduring impact on Illinois ministry work for generations to come. To date, hundreds of families have established their Christian Estate plans through BFI, an effort that will ultimately yield an expected \$60 million in sustained financial support for Kingdom ministries.

SAVING & INVESTING: BFI offers low-risk saving and investing solutions with competitive returns for Illinois Baptist individuals and churches. Over the past few years, market volatility has driven an increased demand for fixed-rate investments, such as our Cash Management accounts and BFI Bonds. The Cash Management accounts provide full liquidity alongside a 3.75% interest yield. BFI Bonds, available in \$1,000 increments, serve to fund capital loans for churches. Investors may select a maturity period ranging from one to five years, with a fixed interest rate of 5.00% applicable across all maturity selections.

EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS: In 2025, BFI awarded \$97,250 in educational scholarship support to 24 Illinois Baptist students (8 seminary and 16 undergraduate). This is the second year of significantly increased award amounts (up to \$5,000 for undergraduate and \$7,500 for seminary). In 2026, BFI will award \$93,000 to 23 students (6 seminary and 17 undergraduates). Since 2015, BFI has provided \$997,000 in scholarship support to 439 students.

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CHURCH LOANS: Last year, BFI closed 9 loans (a total of \$5,319,000) providing 7 churches with funds to purchase, build, repair, or update their properties. So far in 2026, we have already provided \$4,568,000 in loan funding to 10 churches. The current financing rate for church loans stands at 5.75%, which is fixed for five years based on a 20-year amortization schedule. Through BFI Bond investments, God's people are empowered to directly invest in the growth of churches.

CHURCH LEGACY: BFI's Church Legacy Program is a ministry offered to churches facing closure. The program is designed to preserve the legacy of the closing church, and safeguard the Kingdom capital accumulated by the congregation. If possible, our goal is to establish a new church at the location. The Legacy Program has welcomed more than 60 churches so far. Over half of these properties are currently being used by new or existing congregations that carry on the mission of serving their local areas. Furthermore, upwards of \$5 million in Kingdom capital has been successfully safeguarded and placed into Legacy endowments that provide perpetual funding for Christian initiatives.

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Annual Meeting Previous Host Churches

YEAR	MODERATOR	ANNUAL SERMON	DOCTRINAL SERMON	HOST CHURCH
1959	Three Rivers Baptist Association Organized			
1960	Charles Brag	Verner Blount	Cloid Wesley	Joliet, First So. Baptist
1961	Murvel Huffstutler	Tom Winchester	Allen Stephens	Wilmington, First Baptist
1962	Murvel Huffstutler	Wayne Howard	Tom Evitts	Manteno, First Baptist
1963	J. O. Mathenia	C.D.Freese	B. B. Boaz	Plainfield, Missionary Baptist
1964	J. O. Mathenia	VernerBlount	George Hendricks	Sandwich, Emmanuel Baptist
1965	W. T. Evitts	Frank Brookman	Sterling Kerr	Kankakee, 4th Avenue Baptist
1966	W. T. Evitts	Charles Duncan	Briscoe Lamb	Joliet, Zion Baptist
1967	Joe Baker	Murvel Huffstutler	Paul Dean	Lockport, Hampton Park
1968	Joe Baker	LesterDean	Joe Baker	Sandwich, Emmanuel Baptist & Plainfield, First Southern Baptist
1969	Joe Baker	Stanley Buren	Roland Satterfield	Kankakee, Wall Street
1970	Charles Owens	Charles Owens	William Ward	Channahon, First Baptist
1971	Charles Owens	TomWinchester	Tommy Cupples	Montgomery, Calvary Baptist
1972	Paul Dann	BobCooper	Joe Aldridge	Wilmington, First Baptist
1973	Paul Dann	J.C.Shirley	Wayne Howard	Bourbonnais, Bethel Baptist
1974	Wayne Howard	E.R.Cagle	Roy Hill	Plainfield, First Baptist
1975	Wayne Howard	George Hendricks	Robert Malicoat	Joliet, First Southern Baptist
1976	Bill Buchanan	Jim Morris	Melvin Larson	Romeoville, First Baptist
1977	Bill Buchanan	Jerry McDaniel	Bill Dean	Marseilles, Parkview Baptist
1978	Roy Hill	Fred Laymance	Paul Hall	New Lenox, First Baptist
1979	Bill Dean	Fred Laymance	Jim Mathenia	Bourbonnais, Bethel Baptist
1980	Earl Alford	BillCarter	Jack Newberry	Joliet, Zion Baptist
1981	Earl Alford	MelvinLarson	Marvin Berry	Streator, Chapel
1982	George Hendricks	Ray Edwards	Gerald Fields	Sandwich, Emmanuel Baptist
1983	Harold Parsley	Don Evans	Tom Winchester	Channahon, First Baptist
1984	Harold Parsley	Charles Noss	Bill Carter	Joliet, First Southern Baptist
1985	Harold Partain	Roy Hill	Earl Alford	Wilmington, First Baptist
1986	Harold Partain	Roger Rush	Avery Wilson	Plainfield, First Baptist
1987	Jack L. Newberry	Dean Waters	Doug Hall	Lockport, Missionary Baptist
1988	Jack L. Newberry	Harold Parsley	John Petty	Romeoville, First Baptist
1989	Roger Rush	Gregario Torres	Frank Martin	Peru, First Baptist
1990	Roy Hill	Gerald Fox	John Jordan	Shorewood, Westview Baptist
1991	Roy Hill	Don Cone	Jerry McDaniel	Oswego, Lynwood Baptist
1992	Rick Ozee	Carl Meyer	John Patterson	Bourbonnais, Bethel Baptist
1993	Jud Pyle	Richard Van Cleave	Mike Nolen	Sandwich, Emmanuel Baptist

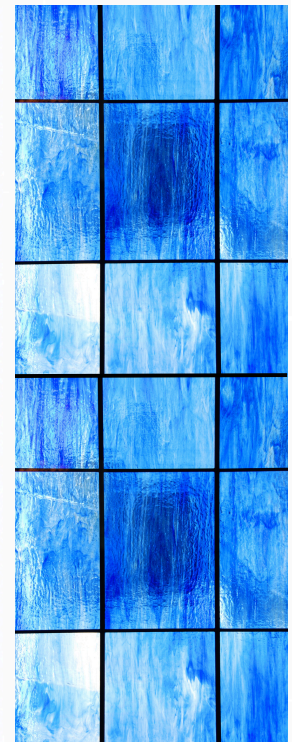
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1994	Ron Earley	Ron Long	Ron Earley	Joliet, Curtis Avenue Baptist & Joliet, New Jerusalem
1995	Ron Earley	George Fike	Theodore Davis	Romeoville, First Baptist
1996	Joe LaCognata	Ron Taylor	George Hendricks	Manteno, First Baptist
1997	Joe LaCognata	Paul Mount	J. L. Mathis	Braidwood, Main Street Baptist
1998	Randy Dempsay	Daniel Stipp	Carlos Jimenez	Bourbonnais, Bethel Baptist
1999	Randy Dempsay	Richard Reeder	John Calio, Jr.	Channahon, First Baptist
2000	Mark Shipley	Roy Worley	Larry Scott	Plainfield, Friendship Baptist
2001	Mark Shipley	David Del Salto	Jim Moore	Channahon, First Baptist
2002	John Calio, Jr.	Clark Llewellyn	Kenneth TerBush	Streator, Erven Avenue
2003	Carlos Jimenez, Jr.	Randy Blan	Avery Wilson	Coal City, First Baptist
2004	Carlos Jimenez, Jr.	Jim Horschler	Bob Wood	Bolingbrook, Cristo Es Rey
2005	Richard Van Cleave	John Blaylock	Rick Mullan	Marseilles, Parkview
YEAR	MODERATOR	ANNUAL SERMON		HOST CHURCH
2006	Ron Taylor	Nate Adams, IBSA		Wilmington, Island City
2007	Ron Taylor	Charles Brock, Church Growth Int'l, Neosho, MO		Tinley Park, Standing Stones
2008	Jim Moore	Billy Hanks, Jr., Int'l Evang. Assoc., Fort Worth, TX		Plainfield, Friendship Baptist
2009	Roy Worley	Odis Weaver, Friendship		Coal City, First Baptist
2010	Rick Mullan	Bob Roberts, Northwood B.C., Keller, TX		Momence, First Baptist
2011	Rick Mullan	Aaron Coe, NAMB, Atlanta, GA		Manteno, First Baptist
2012	Kevin Parham	Hal Trovillion, FBC, Manteno		Plainfield, Crosswinds
2013	Ismael Adames	Qusai Muhmud, Pilsen Park Comm. Church, Chicago		Oswego, Crosspointe
2014	Ismael Adames	John Mark Clifton, NAMB, Atlanta, GA		Sandwich, Emmanuel Baptist
2015	Rick Mullan	Dr. Frank Page, President, SBC Executive Committee		Plainfield, Friendship Baptist
2016	Rick Mullan	Dr. Doug Munton, FBC, O'Fallon, IL		Marseilles, Parkview Baptist
2017	Wright Eavenson	Randy Mullinax, Georgia Baptist Mission Board		Central Baptist, Olympia Fields
2018	Wright Eavenson	Brad Brisco, NAMB, Director of Bi-Vo Church Planting		Bolingbrook, First Baptist
2019	Jeff Logsdon	Dr. Zachary Hamilton, Port City Church, Muskegan, MI		Manteno, First Baptist
2020	Jeff Logsdon	Dr. Mel Blackaby, FBC, Jonesboro, GA		Online due to pandemic
2021	Vaughn Sanders	Scott Harris, IBSA Evangelism Leader		Somonauk, Somonauk Baptist
2022	Vaughn Sanders	Shannon Ford, IBSA Missions Director		Wilmington, Island City Baptist
2023	John Mancha	Rev. Dennis Pethers, Rooftop Ministry, England		Manteno, First Baptist
2024	John Mancha	Rev. John Patterson, Parkview Baptist, Marseilles; Pastor John Mancha, Higher Ground, Midlothian; Pastor Rene Escalante, Fellowship Baptist, S. Chicago Hts.		Crosspointe Church, Oswego
2025	David Peterman	JJ Washington, Director of Personal Evangelism, NAMB		Bolingbrook, First Baptist
2026	Rene Escalante	Dr. Walker Armstrong, NAMB		Bourbonnais, Bethel Baptist



2026 Baptisms to Date: 36

2025 Baptisms:	31
2024 Baptisms:	62
2023 Baptisms:	61
2022 Baptisms:	39
2021 Baptisms:	55
2020 Baptisms:	34
2019 Baptisms:	78
2018 Baptisms:	124
2017 Baptisms:	88
2016 Baptisms:	107
2015 Baptisms:	64



Acts 22:16

And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.

Notes

