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### PROPOSED ORDER OF BUSINESS

### TUESDAY MORNING June 14, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_



- 8:00**    **Worship** • Abbie Maggio and Chris Springer, Convention music directors; Redemption Church, Saraland, Alabama
- 8:10**    **Prayer** • Pete Ramirez, associate executive director, California Southern Baptist Convention, Fresno, California
- 8:12**    **Welcome and Call to Order** • Ed Litton, SBC president; senior pastor, Redemption Church, Saraland, Alabama
- 8:17**    **Registration Report and Constitution of Convention** • Don Currence, SBC registration secretary; administrative pastor, First Baptist Church, Ozark, Missouri

- 8:22**    **Committee on Order of Business Report (First)** • Steven F. Bates, chair; First Baptist Church, Winnfield, Louisiana
- 8:27**    **Celebrating Freedom** • Ed Litton; Chaplain Major General Doug Carver, U.S. Army retired, executive director of chaplaincy, North American Mission Board, Alpharetta, Georgia
- 8:35**    **GuideStone Financial Resources Report** • D. Hance Dilbeck Jr., president and CEO, GuideStone Financial Resources, Dallas, Texas

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### A WELCOME FROM THE SBC PRESIDENT

Welcome to the 2022 Annual Meeting of Great Commission Baptists! It is always a special time when our Convention gathers each June for this two-day family meeting. This is our first annual gathering in California in over 40 years. I am deeply grateful for the hard work and hospitality of so many of our fellow Baptists out here on the West Coast to make this meeting possible.

This Annual Meeting will certainly be distinct from many others. We will still hear reports from our entities, sing together, pray together, and celebrate the work of God among us as we always do. But this year we will also take an important step as a Convention to vote on serious and significant proposals from the Sexual Abuse Task Force in light of the recently published report from Guidepost Solutions.

Neither the Guidepost report, nor any votes at this Convention, will mark the final word in our response. Instead, we must continue to work and pray together for a culture change in our Convention. We need better policies and procedures. But even more than this we need the right posture—one that demonstrates Christlike compassion for those who are hurting and in need of care.

I pray our time together might mark the beginning of such a culture change. And I would ask you to pray toward that end. As we sing and celebrate, as we pray and lament, would you ask our king to help us learn from our mistakes, repent where repentance is needed, and commit to pursuing a better future that reflects the tender love and mercy of Jesus to all.

Ed Litton  
*President, Great Commission Baptists*

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| <p><b>8:50</b> North American Mission Board Crossover Report &amp; Send Relief Presentation • Kevin Ezell, president, North American Mission Board, Alpharetta, Georgia; Bryant Wright, president, Send Relief, Alpharetta, Georgia; Paul Chitwood, president, International Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia;</p> <p><b>9:20</b> IMB Sending Celebration • Paul Chitwood, president, International Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia</p> <p><b>10:10</b> Introduction for New Motions (First)</p> | <p><b>10:30</b> Worship • Abbie Maggio and Chris Springer</p> <p><b>10:40</b> President's Address • Ed Litton</p> <p><b>11:20</b> Credentials Committee Report • Linda Cooper, chair, Forest Park Baptist Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky</p> <p><b>11:30</b> Committee on Resolutions Report (Part 1) • Bart Barber, chair; pastor, First Baptist Church, Farmersville, Texas</p> <p><b>12:00</b> Closing Prayer • Jonathan Derbyshire, missionary to Thailand, International Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia</p> |
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**TUESDAY AFTERNOON June 14, 2022** 

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| <p><b>1:30</b> Worship • Abbie Maggio and Chris Springer, Convention music directors, Redemption Church, Saraland, Alabama</p> <p><b>1:42</b> Prayer • Jennie Hatchel, missionary to Czech Republic, International Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia</p> <p><b>1:45</b> Sexual Abuse Task Force Report • Bruce Frank, chair; lead pastor, Biltmore Baptist Church, Arden, North Carolina</p> <p><b>2:45</b> Worship • Abbie Maggio and Chris Springer</p> <p><b>2:55</b> Prayer • Marshall Blalock, pastor, First Baptist, Charleston, South Carolina; Abigail Criner, Rock Hill Baptist, Brownsboro, Texas; Mike Keahbone, lead pastor, First Baptist, Lawton, Oklahoma</p> <p><b>3:05</b> Miscellaneous Business</p> <p><b>3:20</b> Election of Officers (First)</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Committee on Committees Report • Jeremy Freeman, chair; lead pastor, First Baptist Church, Newcastle, Oklahoma</p> <p><b>3:40</b> Committee on Nominations Report • Leah Finn, chair, Mountain Creek Baptist Church, Greenville, South Carolina</p> | <p><b>3:55</b> Executive Committee Report • Willie D. McLaurin, interim president and CEO, SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tennessee</p> <p><b>4:25</b> Committee on Order of Business Report (Second) • Steven F. Bates, chair, First Baptist Church, Winnfield, Louisiana</p> <p><b>4:45</b> Election of Officers (Second)</p> <p><b>4:55</b> Introduction for New Motions (Last Opportunity)</p> <p><b>5:15</b> Jesus, the Center of Church Planting: Reaching North America with the Gospel</p> <p><b>5:25</b> North American Mission Board Report • Kevin Ezell, president, North American Mission Board, Alpharetta, Georgia</p> <p><b>5:40</b> Woman's Missionary Union Report • Sandra Wisdom-Martin, executive director-treasurer, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Alabama</p> <p><b>5:50</b> International Mission Board Report • Paul Chitwood, president, International Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia</p> <p><b>6:05</b> Election of Officers (Third)</p> <p><b>6:15</b> Closing Prayer • Anthony Dockery, pastor, St. Stephen Baptist, La Puente, California</p> |
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| <p><b>8:00</b> Worship • Abbie Maggio and Chris Springer, Convention music directors; Redemption Church, Saraland, Alabama</p> <p><b>8:12</b> Prayer • David Gill, director of Korean English bilingual program, Gateway Seminary, Ontario, California</p> <p><b>8:15</b> Convention Sermon • Juan Sanchez, senior pastor, High Point Baptist Church, Austin, Texas</p> <p><b>8:55</b> Election of Officers (Fourth)</p> <p><b>9:00</b> Executive Committee Recommendations • Willie D. McLaurin, interim president and CEO, SBC Executive Committee, Nashville, Tennessee</p> <p><b>9:40</b> Jesus, the Center of Racial Reconciliation: Adopting a Kingdom Race Mindset</p> <p><b>9:55</b> Election of Officers (Fifth)</p> | <p><b>10:05</b> Joint Seminary Reports •</p> <p>Jason K. Allen, president, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri;</p> <p>Daniel L. Akin, president, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina;</p> <p>James K. Dew Jr., president, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana;</p> <p>Adam W. Greenway, president, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas;</p> <p>Jeff Iorg, president, Gateway Seminary of the Southern Baptist Convention, Ontario, California;</p> <p>R. Albert Mohler Jr., president, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky</p> |
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- 11:35** **Previously Scheduled Business** • Ed Litton, SBC president; pastor, Redemption Church, Saraland, Alabama
- 11:45** **Committee on Order of Business Report (Third)** • Steven F. Bates, chair; First Baptist Church, Winnfield, Louisiana
- 12:00** **Closing Prayer** • Missie Branch, assistant dean of students to women, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina

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### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE RESPONSE TO MATTER REFERRED

The Convention referred the following items to the Credentials Committee during the Annual Meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, June 15–16, 2021, for consideration, action, and report back to the next annual meeting.

**SBC Referral: To break fellowship with Saddleback Church (Item 68, Proceedings of the Southern Baptist Convention, June 15-16, 2021, SBC Annual, p. 74)**

**Motion:** Shadd Tibbs, Louisiana

“That according to Article VI of our Baptist Faith and Message and according to the teaching of 1 Timothy 2:12, that, we the Southern Baptist Convention, of June 2021, break fellowship with Saddleback Church, as they have ordained three ladies as pastors, and all other churches that would choose to follow this path. At the very least, I am asking that the validity of this matter be looked into and report given at the 2022 Convention of the action taken”

**Response:** It is the unanimous opinion of the Credentials Committee that the majority of Southern Baptists hold to the belief that the function of lead pastor, elder, bishop, or overseer is limited to men as qualified by Scripture and that this was the intended definition of “office of pastor” as stated in Article VI of the Baptist Faith & Message 2000. The Credentials Committee has found little information evidencing the Convention’s beliefs regarding the use of the “title of pastor” for staff positions with different responsibility and authority than that of the lead pastor. For this reason, the Credentials Committee makes the following report and recommendation:

**Report:** The Credentials Committee reports to the Southern Baptist Convention during its June 14-15, 2022, annual meeting, that pursuant to SBC Bylaw 8 and SBC Constitution Article III, that it is unable to form an opinion regarding the relationship of Saddleback Church to the Southern Baptist Convention, until clarity is provided regarding the use of the title “pastor” for staff positions with different responsibility and authority than that of the lead pastor. Therefore, the Credentials Committee makes the following recommendation:

**Recommendation:** The Credentials Committee recommends that the Southern Baptist Convention during its June 14-15, 2022, annual meeting in Anaheim, California, form a study committee, the members of which shall be appointed by the President, to report to the Southern Baptist Convention annual meeting, June 13-14, 2023, in New Orleans, Louisiana, a recommendation providing clarity regarding the “office of pastor” as stated in the Baptist Faith & Message Article VI, The Church, given the many different offices within Baptist churches which include “pastor” in the title, though often with very different responsibilities and authority.

## RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE 2022 SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

A larger, full-page display of these resolutions can be found on the SBC Annual Meeting mobile app.

### 1: ON THE MISSION FIELD IN RURAL AMERICA

WHEREAS, Scripture declares that Christ commands his church to make disciples of all nations and that we are called to be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8); and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists have endeavored since 1845 to spread the gospel across North America and around the globe; and

WHEREAS, Jesus regularly identified himself with rural and small places like Nazareth (Matthew 2:23); and

WHEREAS, Over 75 percent of all towns and cities in the United States are small nonurban communities of no more than 25,000 people; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 19 percent (or 60 million people) of the population in the United States resides in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, Rural church pastors often suffer from isolation and loneliness, lacking ministry partnerships and resources; and

WHEREAS, Every person in a rural community is made in the image of God and needs to hear the gospel; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, express our commitment to and recognition of the mission field in rural places; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we pledge to continue to support the work of the Cooperative Program to help spread the gospel in rural places; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage our churches to look for opportunities to establish, help, and revitalize churches in rural communities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we state our support for the work rural churches do to spread the gospel; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we pledge to remember that all of mankind is made in the image of God and deserving of our love and gospel outreach, regardless of the size of their community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage and celebrate the work of the North American Mission Board, state conventions, local associations, rural churches, and their ministry leaders in their ongoing efforts to spread the gospel, plant new churches, and revitalize established ones in rural places; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That we urge all Southern Baptists to dedicate our time, money, and lives to the furtherance of the good news of Jesus Christ across every area of the world, home and abroad, in city centers, suburbs, small towns, and rural places.

### 2: ON THE PROSPERITY GOSPEL

WHEREAS, The prosperity gospel is the belief that Jesus' sacrificial and atoning death grants believers health, wealth, and the removal of sickness and poverty; and

WHEREAS, The prosperity gospel distorts biblical generosity, preys on the most vulnerable, solely blames people for their own sickness due to lack of faith, and corrupts a biblical understanding of suffering (John 9:2-3, Romans 5:1-5; 8:15-29, 2 Corinthians 9:6-8); and

WHEREAS, Scripture warns us to guard against false teaching, to beware of false prophets who come to us in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves, and to guard the integrity of Scripture (Matthew 7:15, Acts 20:28-30, 2 Timothy 4:3-4); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, in accordance with sound doctrine and the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, denounce the teaching of the prosperity gospel; and be it further

RESOLVED, That God and God alone is our highest good and our supreme treasure, not health, wealth, or the removal of sickness (Philippians 4:10-13; Revelation 21:1-4); and be it finally

RESOLVED, That our confidence is in our eternal inheritance purchased through the work of Christ and is guaranteed by the indwelling work of the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:11-14; 1 Peter 1:1-7).

### 3: ON THE WAR IN UKRAINE

WHEREAS, The Scriptures clearly state that God is "the God of peace" (Hebrews 13:20), who maintains "the right of the afflicted and the destitute" (Psalm 82:3) and rescues "the weak and needy," delivering them "from the hand of the wicked" (Psalm 82:4); and

WHEREAS, The Scriptures testify that Jesus is the "prince of peace" (Isaiah 9:6) who came to "reconcile to himself all things, whether in heaven or in the earth, making peace by the blood of his cross" (Colossians 1:20); and

WHEREAS, One day Christians will share in the peace that can only fully be accomplished under the rule and reign of Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS, The Scriptures also declare that "blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God" (Matthew 5:9), because "a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace" (James 3:18), so "if possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all" (Romans 12:18); and

WHEREAS, the Southern Baptist Convention in our 1968 resolution "On Peace" resolved to urge nations involved in conflict "to seek an honorable solution that will bring a just and durable peace that recognizes the dignity and values of human personality and the inalienable right of all men to be free"; and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists have been serving in Eastern Europe and Ukraine since the fall of the Iron Curtain, seeing countless lives changed by the gospel of Jesus Christ through ongoing Great Commission efforts, including missions, church planting, and theological education; and

WHEREAS, Beginning on February 24, 2022, the Russian Federation has engaged in a war of aggression against the sovereign nation of Ukraine, which has led to widespread destruction among the cities of Ukraine, the displacement of nearly twelve million of its citizens, untold damage to communities, and a yet unknown number of casualties among both the Ukrainian and the Russian people; and

WHEREAS, The Ukrainian people have fought valiantly to defend their country and land from the invading Russian Federation while continuing to seek a peaceful solution to the conflict; and

WHEREAS, The Russian Federation has not engaged in good faith negotiations for peace, but instead has committed egregious acts of violence, hostility, and aggression against the people of Ukraine, including civilians and non-combatants; and

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WHEREAS, The United Nations passed a resolution demanding aid access for Ukraine and denounced the Russian Federation for “creating a dire humanitarian crisis,” whose effects are and will be felt worldwide, and the 117th Congress passed House Resolution 956, demanding a “full withdrawal of Russian forces from Ukrainian territory”; and

WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of all Christians to “turn away from evil and do good” to “seek peace and pursue it” (1 Peter 3:11) and to “take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them” (Ephesians 5:11); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, strongly condemn the actions of the Russian Federation in her declaration and acts of war against the sovereign nation of Ukraine; and be it further

RESOLVED, That, in agreement with House Resolution 956, we call upon Russian President Vladimir Putin to cease hostilities immediately, withdraw the Russian military, and end this war of aggression against Ukraine and her people; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we implore the United States government to prioritize the admission of Ukrainian refugees into our country and provide resources for their support and resettlement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we commend, appreciate, and will continue to support the ongoing relief efforts of Southern Baptists in Ukraine through the work of the International Mission Board and Send Relief, who are working diligently to aid Ukrainian refugees fleeing to other parts of Ukraine or to the safe harbors of neighboring countries; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we stand in solidarity with our Ukrainian brothers and sisters in Christ as well as the people of Ukraine who have endured these atrocities and who have witnessed the horrors of war firsthand while seeking to defend their country from an invasion by a hostile army; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we will pray for Ukrainian Baptist Theological Seminary, like-minded institutions, and our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the country of Ukraine who continue to share the gospel, minister to the hurting, serve their churches, gather for worship, and exalt our Lord Jesus Christ in the midst of a warzone at great risk to themselves, their families, and their churches; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we likewise will pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Russian Federation and for all who stand opposed to this war of Russian aggression, speaking out against it at great personal cost to themselves, their families, and their churches; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That we will earnestly and continually pray to the Lord, who is able to do all things, for an end to this war, for peace in Ukraine, for the presidents and leaders of both countries, and for the gospel of Jesus Christ to shine forth as a beacon of eternal peace, security, and salvation for all who will turn to him.

**4: ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY, FORCED CONVERSION, AND THE FEDERAL INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL INITIATIVE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Indian Affairs Investigative Report, released in May 2022, documents and records that the United States maliciously targeted Native American, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiian children as part of a diabolical plan to dispossess these people groups from their native lands by forced assimilation through the establishment of mandatory boarding schools; and

WHEREAS, Between 1819 and 1969, the Federal Indian boarding school system consisted of 408 Federal Indian Boarding Schools across 37 states or then-territories, including 21 schools in Alaska and seven schools in Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Government sub-contracted with religious organizations (the report does not include Southern Baptists) to operate these schools in order to accomplish the forced conversion and assimilation of indigenous children to Christianity; and

WHEREAS, The degradation and dehumanization included forced removal of children from their families, forced child labor, removal of their tribal identity, confinement, flogging, withholding food, whipping, slapping, and cuffing, as well as discouraging or preventing the use of Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian languages, religions, and cultural practices; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, encourage Southern Baptists to decry the methods of forced assimilation and conversion, as well as the dehumanization of fellow image bearers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Southern Baptists stand in support of Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians—especially those who are a part of our own family of churches—as they process the findings of this report and discern next steps toward healing; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Southern Baptists earnestly pray for the families of those targeted by the atrocities brought to light in this investigation (Psalm 82:3-4; Isaiah 1:17; Jeremiah 22:3); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we condemn any federal government’s policy, former or current, to replace “the tribal culture for its own” in an effort to ease their intent “to separate tribes from their territories.”; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we declare the atrocities done against these people in the name of religious “conversions” as reprehensible, betraying the Great Commission (and our efforts to reach all nations with the gospel (Matthew 10:14; Matthew 28:18-20; John 3:8); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we stand against forced conversions and distorted missiological practices as contrary to our distinctive beliefs as Baptists in religious liberty and soul-freedom (*The Baptist Faith & Message*, Article XVII); and be it finally

RESOLVED, That we place our confidence for salvation in God alone, which is “offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer” (*The Baptist Faith & Message*, Article IV; Romans 7:24-25)

**5: ON SUPPORT FOR CONSISTENT LAWS REGARDING PASTORAL SEXUAL ABUSE**

WHEREAS, Those in pastoral ministry are entrusted with the responsibility, under the authority of Christ, to serve, shepherd, and guard those whom the Lord entrusts to their care (1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:7-9); and

WHEREAS, Scripture makes clear that teachers will receive a stricter judgment, and therefore overseers must be above reproach, keeping watch over their souls as those who will give an account (James 3:1, Hebrews 13:17); and

WHEREAS, *The Baptist Faith and Message*, Article XV, condemns “all forms of sexual immorality” and states, “We should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, [and] the abused”; and

WHEREAS, The 2021 Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, passed the resolution “On Abuse and Pastoral Qualifications” identifying sexual abuse by pastors as a permanently disqualifying action for all positions of church leadership; and

WHEREAS, Laws and codes of professional ethics in many states prohibit sexual relationships between professionals such as physicians, psychiatrists, attorneys, and their patients/clients, even with consent, because the position of authority held by the professional creates an unhealthy opportunity for abuse; and

WHEREAS, Pastors should be held to a standard for their conduct at least as high as that to which secular professionals are held; and

WHEREAS, Various states have passed laws that criminalize sexual acts between pastors and those under their care; and

WHEREAS, These laws make no exception for the consent of the victim since pastors and ministers are in a position of trust, which is broken when the one in authority engages in a sexual act with the victim (such states include Arkansas, Connecticut, Iowa, Minnesota, New Mexico, North Dakota, Texas, Utah, and Wisconsin); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, encourage lawmakers in every state to pass laws that would provide consistent definitions and classification of sexual abuse by pastors, as sexual abuse committed by pastors constitutes a clear abuse of authority and trust (similarly seen in the relationships in the aforementioned professional settings); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage lawmakers in every state to pass laws that would empower churches by shielding them from civil liability when they share information about alleged abuse with other organizations or institutions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That while we hold convictions about and celebrate ecclesial autonomy, we also believe that it is both important and biblical (1 Corinthians 14:33) to develop a culture of transparency and mutual responsibility between churches, so that it is clear that our churches are not places for predators to hide, as we, “contend for the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death,” seeking “to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under the sway of the principles of righteousness, truth, and brotherly love” (BFM Art. XV); and be it further

RESOLVED, That while in this world we must face the temporal consequences of our sin, such as disqualification, we joyfully acknowledge that there is no sin that cannot be forgiven and no person who cannot be restored to Christ (Psalm 103:12, Ephesians 1:7-8); and be it finally

RESOLVED, That we support actions that protect the innocent within the churches of the Southern Baptist convention from wolves in shepherd's clothing and embrace actions that empower churches to be able to report instances of abuse to appropriate authorities without fear of civil liability.

#### **6: ON LAMENT AND REPENTANCE FOR SEXUAL ABUSE**

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse is an abomination before God and an affront to the teachings of Scripture (Psalm 11:5; Proverbs 6:16-20; Mark 7:20-34; 1 Corinthians 5:1-2; Hebrews 13:4; 1 Peter 1:15-17); and

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse grieves Christ and contradicts the heart of the gospel (Mark 12:31; 1 Corinthians 6:18-19; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Ephesians 4:1; Philippians 1:27); and

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse abandons the demands of Scripture for the holy living of God's people (1 Corinthians 6:18-19; Galatians 5:19-21; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; 1 Timothy 1:8-11); and

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse is a violation of the *Imago Dei*, dishonoring and degrading human dignity, especially in those most vulnerable among us (Genesis 1:26-27; Genesis 9:6; Psalm 8:3-5); and

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse causes harm to those who are entrusted to the church's care and protection (Proverbs 31:8-9; Isaiah 1:17; Jeremiah 22:3-5; Micah 6:8; 1 John 3:16-18); and

WHEREAS, The Southern Baptist Convention declared in our 2021 Resolution “On Abuse and Pastoral Qualifications” that sexual abuse “is an action repugnant to the teachings of Scripture and reprehensible even to those who are not believers”; and

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse perpetrated by pastoral leaders or church members is a violation of the sacred trust for pastoral leaders and all believers to care for and minister to people (Psalm 82:3-4; Proverbs 28:13; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9); and

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse in the church is a failure of personal and public witness (1 Corinthians 5:1-13; 1 Corinthians 10:8; Ephesians 5:1-15; Ephesians 5:25-27); and

WHEREAS, Sexual abuse has occurred in and among our churches, sometimes at the hands of church members and sometimes at the hands of pastoral leaders; and

WHEREAS, In too many cases our convention of churches has failed to care well for those who have been abused; and

WHEREAS, Our responses have at times sought first to protect the reputation of our leaders, churches, and institutions rather than to care for survivors of sexual abuse; and

WHEREAS, Our institutional responses have at times caused irreparable personal harm to survivors of sexual abuse, leaving them feeling isolated, powerless, and without a voice; and

WHEREAS, We have failed to educate and thus adequately prepare church leaders to respond to abuse; and

WHEREAS, Our churches have failed at times properly to report cases of abuse to the appropriate authorities (Romans 13:1-7); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, denounce in the strongest possible terms every instance of sexual abuse, those who perpetrate abuse, and those who seek to defend or protect these perpetrators; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we affirm the Bible's teaching to seek justice for those who have been harmed, protect the vulnerable, and honor the dignity and worth of survivors of sexual abuse (Genesis 1:26, Psalm 82:2-4, Isaiah 1:17, Micah 6:8); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we publicly lament the harm our actions and inactions have caused to survivors of sexual abuse; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we publicly apologize to and ask forgiveness from survivors of sexual abuse for our failure to care well for survivors, for our failure to hold perpetrators of sexual abuse adequately accountable in our churches and institutions, for our institutional responses which have prioritized the reputation of our institutions over protection and justice for survivors, and for the unspeakable harm this failure has caused to survivors through both our action and inaction; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we publicly repent and acknowledge our need for comprehensive change in caring well for survivors of sexual abuse; and be it further

RESOLVED, That amid our failures, we express our hope in Christ, who never fails to care for those who have been harmed, that he watches over the vulnerable members of our churches, that he can bring healing to survivors of sexual abuse, and that he can bring both retributive justice to perpetrators of sexual abuse and restorative justice to survivors of sexual abuse; and be it further

*(resolutions continue on next page)*

RESOLVED, That we prayerfully endeavor to eliminate all instances of sexual abuse among our churches; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we commit ourselves to the ongoing moral demands of the gospel in relation to sexual abuse, observing the command of our Lord to “teach everything I have commanded you” (Matthew 28:20), including the command to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Mark 12:31; Luke 10:27, 34-35); and be it further

RESOLVED, That we call for churches to teach the importance of honoring one another and treating one another virtuously in the area of sexuality so churches can become safe places that protect the vulnerable; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we give of our time and resources to bind the wounds of the broken, hold accountable perpetrators of sexual abuse and those who seek to defend them, and care well for survivors of sexual abuse; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That we recognize and appreciate the work and advocacy of sexual abuse survivors, repent of our resistance and neglect of their efforts, and unreservedly apologize to survivors mentioned in the report, including Christa Brown, Susan Codone, Megan Lively, Jennifer Lyell, Anne Marie Miller, David Pittman, Tiffany Thigpen, Debbie Vasquez, Hannah-Kate Williams, and Jules Woodson, for our not heeding their collective warnings and taking swift action to address clergy sexual abuse sooner.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> These are the survivors mentioned in the report who have given their consent to have their names listed.

**7: ON ANTICIPATION OF A HISTORIC MOMENT IN THE PRO-LIFE MOVEMENT**

WHEREAS, Scripture reveals that all human life is created in the image of God, and therefore sacred to our Creator (Genesis 1:27; 9:6); and

WHEREAS, The Bible affirms that the preborn child is a person, bearing the image of God, from the moment of conception (Psalm 139:13–16; Luke 1:44); and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists have historically recognized the sanctity of life in the womb and repeatedly reaffirmed our pro-life ethic, our opposition to the heinous act of abortion, and our support for abortion-vulnerable women in more than 20 resolutions<sup>2</sup> over the course of 40 years; and

WHEREAS, beginning with our 1989 Resolution “On Encouraging Laws Regulating Abortion,” we have supported laws in the various state legislatures that have brought us incrementally to the threshold of a moment of great victory in the pro-life cause; and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists pray for a historic United States Supreme Court ruling in the coming days in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*, which may overturn the precedent established by the 1973 Supreme Court ruling in *Roe v. Wade* and reaffirmed in the 1992 ruling in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*; and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists stand in prayerful expectation and hopeful anticipation of this ruling from the nation’s highest court, which will enable state legislators to affirm the truth that life begins at conception and that the preborn are worthy of dignity and protection; and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists remain committed to our ongoing pro-life efforts and partnerships with state and local governments, pro-life legislators, and like-minded pro-life organizations; and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists have been on the forefront of this work beginning with the election of Richard Land to the Christian Life Commission and continuing through the work of the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission staff and leadership today; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, encourage all Southern Baptists to pray for the overturning of the disastrous precedent set in *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we commend the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission's frontline work on the pro-life cause and urge all Southern Baptists to continue our faithful pro-life advocacy by partnering with local, state, and federal governments to enact pro-life and pro-family policies that serve and support vulnerable women, children, and families; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we implore Southern Baptists to continue and increase their efforts to serve and support local pregnancy resource centers, pro-life organizations, churches, foster-care and adoptive families, doing invaluable and often under-recognized work in the care of women and children at every stage of life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we commit to stand with and pray for abortion-vulnerable women, to eliminate any perceived need for the horror of abortion, and to oppose Planned Parenthood and other predatory organizations or institutions who exploit vulnerable women for profit; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That we urge the Supreme Court of the United States to overturn the precedent set in *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, and urge the state legislatures to enact pro-life policies that uphold the dignity and value of every human life, including both vulnerable women and children.

<sup>2</sup> 1980 Resolution “On Abortion,” 1982 Resolution “On Abortion & Infanticide,” 1984 Resolution “On Abortion,” 1986 Resolution “On Sex Education & Adolescent Pregnancy,” 1987 Resolution “On Abortion,” 1988 Resolution “Pro-Life Actions of SBC Agencies,” 1989 Resolution “On Encouraging Laws Regulating Abortion,” 1991 Resolution “On the Sanctity of Human Life,” 1992 Resolution “On Fetal Tissue Experimentation,” 1993 Resolution “On the Freedom Of Choice Act, Hyde Amendment,” 1994 Resolution “On RU486, The French Abortion Pill,” 1995 Resolution “On Surgeon General Nominee Dr. Henry Foster,” 1996 Resolution “On the Partial Birth Abortion Ban,” 1996 Resolution “On Requiring all Political Parties to Include a Pro-Life Actions Platform,” 1999 Resolution “On Human Embryonic & Stem Cell Research,” 2000 Resolution “On Fetal Tissue Trafficking,” 2002 Resolution “On Partial Birth Abortion,” 2003 Resolution “On Thirty Years of *Roe v. Wade*,” 2008 Resolution “On Planned Parenthood,” 2015 Resolution “On the Sanctity of Human Life,” 2017 Resolution “On Defunding and Investigating Planned Parenthood,” 2018 Resolution “On Reaffirming the Full Dignity of Every Human Being,” 2019 Resolution “On Celebrating the Advancement of Pro-Life Legislation in State Legislators,” 2021 Resolution “On Abolishing Abortion.”

**8: ON THE IMAGO DEI AND THE HELPFUL CONTENT SUBMITTED IN SEVERAL RESOLUTIONS**

WHEREAS, God has spoken clearly throughout Scripture to the value and dignity of every human being as created in the image of God and to the goodness of his design for every aspect of human life in accordance with his will (Genesis 1:26-30, 9:6, Matthew 19:4, Luke 12:22–31, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, 1 Peter 1:13-16); and

WHEREAS, All people are called to love God and love our neighbors as ourselves (Matt. 22:37-39) and to trust in the Lord with all our heart—not leaning on our own understandings or being wise in our own eyes (Proverbs 3:5-7); and

WHEREAS, Rejecting God’s good design for the Christian life and seeking to craft an ethic based on our individualistic will and desires is not only an affront to God, but also a grave sin of selfishness, rebellion, and pride (Judges 21:25, Romans 1:18-32); and

WHEREAS, God’s design for human sexuality is rooted in the very nature of man and woman as image-bearers who are the “crowning work of His creation” (*The Baptist Faith & Message*, Article III) and were designed for a life-long covenant of marriage of one man and one woman (Matthew 19:4-6, Ephesians 5:31-33); and

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WHEREAS, All people, including our children, are exposed each day to countless narratives often at odds with God's design for sexuality through mass media and various forms of entertainment, like social media, that promote ideologies that run contrary to the scientific and biological realities of the created order rooted in the dignity of every human being (Romans 12:2); and

WHEREAS, Southern Baptists, in our 2018 Resolution "On Gun Violence and Mass Shootings," have "expressed solidarity with all those victimized by gun violence" and encouraged churches to seek "every available opportunity to minister to them in the name of Jesus Christ" because "the shedding of innocent blood is a repugnant and wicked evil that transgresses the moral law of God" as well as an affront to human dignity; and

WHEREAS, The scourge of gun violence continues to plague our society, inflicting devastating pain and the loss of precious human life in our families, churches, schools, and communities across our country; and

WHEREAS, God's glory is on display among all people that he has created, including our fellow precious image-bearers affected by disabilities (John 9:3) and how God has worked mightily through people affected by disabilities (Genesis 32:31-32, 2 Samuel 4:4, 2 Corinthians 12:9); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, encourage all Southern Baptists to affirm the dignity and value of every person as created in God's image and to proclaim the fullness of the Christian ethic throughout our churches and in the public square as we seek the flourishing of all people in accordance with God's good design for humanity; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we uphold the beauty of the Christian sexual ethic in a world that promotes dangerous and dehumanizing ideologies such as those within the LGBTQ+ movement and other sexual perversions including abuse, pedophilic behavior, and the use of pornography, all of which are fundamentally at odds with God's design for human sexuality; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we seek to love our neighbors as ourselves, standing firm on God's created order which recognizes that any sexual desire or attraction outside of God's design for human sexuality is sin and is disordered regardless of whether or not it creates feelings of guilt, shame, or anxiety on the one hand or pride on the other hand; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we seek to proclaim to the next generation God's love for all and his good design for human sexuality, modeling how to faithfully engage others with both truth and grace, and that we redouble our ongoing efforts to cultivate a heart of wisdom and discernment in the next generation especially in regards to various forms of entertainment and social media; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we reaffirm our 2018 Resolution "On Gun Violence and Mass Shootings" and earnestly pray for our local, state, and federal leaders to recognize the seriousness of the ongoing threat of mass shootings throughout our society and to take concrete steps, towards solutions that uphold the dignity and value of every human life, especially the most vulnerable among us, and to minimize the threat of gun violence throughout our society; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the worth of every human being, including those affected by disabilities, is found in Christ, the true *Imago Dei* (Colossians 1:15-17), not in people's fallen perceptions of worth or abilities.

### 9: ON APPRECIATION FOR THE CITY OF ANAHEIM

WHEREAS, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, express grateful appreciation to the citizens of the greater Los Angeles area and the city of Anaheim for the hospitality extended to the messengers of the Convention; and

WHEREAS, We acknowledge our debt of gratitude to the California Southern Baptist Convention, the Baptists of the Los Angeles area, and hundreds of volunteers from California who have worked so diligently to make our stay a pleasant one; and

WHEREAS, We especially acknowledge the Lord's grace in enabling our Southern Baptist Convention president, officers, various committees, musicians, and other platform personnel to conduct the affairs of this Convention with dignity and a Christlike spirit; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Anaheim, California, June 14-15, 2022, express our profound gratitude to the Lord and to all those through whom He is working to bring about an annual meeting characterized by prayer, grace, evangelism, worship, encouragement, unity, and purpose.

### DISPOSITION OF RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TO THE 2022 SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

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| <p>1. <u>On the Sacredness of the Southern Baptist Pulpit</u><br/>Allen Nelson, Perryville, AR<br/>Decline<br/>While the Committee affirms the thesis that preaching is a sacred trust from God for which preachers are accountable to Him, we do not believe that the Convention has yet reached any informed consensus on the many specific burdens placed upon pastors within the text of this proposed resolution.</p> | <p>3. <u>On Beholding the Majesty of God</u><br/>Allen Nelson, Perryville, AR<br/>Decline<br/>The majesty of God is revered and worshipped by the Committee, but the move to application in the resolution decried many specific practices, but the Committee believed that there were many others that could be added. Given the number of resolutions of a more specific nature that we received, we determined that this one was too broad for our consideration this year.</p> | <p>not add to the excellent report of the Evangelism Task Force affirmed by this Convention in 2018; therefore, we refer the messengers to that report.</p>  |
| <p>2. <u>On Plagiarism</u><br/>Drew Byers, Castalian Springs, TN<br/>Decline<br/>While the Committee affirms the thesis that preaching is a sacred trust from God for which preachers are accountable to Him, we do not believe that the Convention has yet reached any informed consensus on the many specific burdens placed upon pastors within the text of this proposed resolution.</p>                               | <p>4. <u>For the Care and Treatment of Post-Abortive Women</u><br/>Liz Evan, Clarksville, TN<br/>See Resolution #7</p>   | <p>6. <u>On Queer Theory and Gender Identity</u><br/>Paul Grenelle, Ormond Beach, FL<br/>Decline<br/>The Committee believes that our 2021 resolution "On the Sufficiency of Scripture for Race and Racial Reconciliation," which rejects "any theory or worldview" that supplants scripture in various ways, applies to the subject of Queer Theory.</p> |
| <p>5. <u>On the Gift of the Evangelist</u><br/>Nicholas Clark, Cadiz, KY<br/>Declined<br/>The Committee celebrates the work of vocational evangelists, who contributed to the conversions of many Southern Baptists now living, but we could</p>   | <p>7. <u>On the Sufficiency of the Gospel for Individual Impacted by Disabilities</u><br/>David Patrick Watts, Nashville, TN<br/>See Resolution #8</p>   | <p>7. <u>On the Sufficiency of the Gospel for Individual Impacted by Disabilities</u><br/>David Patrick Watts, Nashville, TN<br/>See Resolution #8</p>   |
| <p>8. <u>On the Mission Field in Rural Churches</u><br/>Luke Holmes, Tishomingo, OK<br/>See Resolution #1</p>  | <p>8. <u>On the Mission Field in Rural Churches</u><br/>Luke Holmes, Tishomingo, OK<br/>See Resolution #1</p>  | <p>8. <u>On the Mission Field in Rural Churches</u><br/>Luke Holmes, Tishomingo, OK<br/>See Resolution #1</p>  |

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**UPDATED INFORMATION FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (2022 BOOK OF REPORTS)**

After the printing of the 2022 SBC Book of Reports, 2021 ACP figures were received from Lifeway Christian Resources. As such, Sections 2, 3, and 5 of the SBC EC report (found on pp. 6-8) have been updated below. The updated information will also be included in the 2022 SBC Annual.

**5. 2021 Southern Baptist Convention Statistical Summary** <sup>(1)</sup> – A summary of the statistical record for the Southern Baptist Convention for 2020–21 is as follows:  
(See the page 16 for chart of Southern Baptist Statistics by State Convention.)

Item/Statistic	2021	2020	Numeric Change	Percent Change
State Conventions	41	41	0	0.00%
Associations	1,100	1,114	(14)	(1.26%)
Churches	47,614	47,592	22	0.05%
Church-type Missions				
Operating <sup>(2)</sup>	2,809	3,104	(295)	(9.50%)
Total Baptisms	154,701	123,160	31,541	25.61%
Ratio of				
Baptisms: Total Members	1:88	1:114	—	—
In-Person Weekly Worship				
Average Attendance	3,607,530	4,439,797	(832,267)	(18.75%)
In-Person Sunday School/ Bible Study/Small Group				
Average Attendance	2,241,514	2,879,130	(637,616)	(22.15%)
<b>Other 2021 Items – Not Asked by All State Conventions <sup>3</sup></b>				
<b>Item/Statistic</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>		
Total Members <sup>(4)</sup>	13,680,493	14,089,947		
Other Additions <sup>(5)</sup>	124,356	112,953		
Online Weekly Worship				
Average Participation <sup>(6)</sup>	1,447,313	—		
Online Sunday School/ Bible Study/Small Group				
Average Participation <sup>(7)</sup>	198,122	—		
Undesignated Receipts <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 9,774,807,128	\$ 9,531,225,749		
Total Receipts <sup>(8)</sup>	\$ 11,830,303,965	\$ 11,526,598,340		
Total Mission Expenditures <sup>(9)</sup>	\$ 1,119,075,812	\$ 1,046,655,912		
Great Commission Giving <sup>(10)</sup>	\$ 516,093,240	\$ 409,835,470		

**Notes:**  
 1. Data reported for the 2021 statistical year include adjustments to the totals for some non-reported items (from individual congregations) using data reported in prior years. Similar actions occurred in 2020.  
 2. Some state conventions no longer use the designation of church-type mission to categorize congregations that are not self-determining, self-sustaining and self-propagating. This practice has impacted the number of churches and church-type missions.  
 3. Totals for items in this table have incomplete data for 2021 due to the fact that not all state conventions asked the item or did so in a way not comparable with the standard definition. Thus, comparisons between the two years may not be appropriate. See the notes in the 2020 SBC Statistical Summary for specific details to determine if a comparison is desirable.  
 4. Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.  
 5. Florida Baptist Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.  
 6. Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Southern Baptist Convention, Florida Baptist Convention, Kentucky Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.  
 7. Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, California Southern Baptist Convention, Florida Baptist Convention, Kentucky Baptist Convention, Northwest Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.  
 8. Baptist Convention of New York and Florida Baptist Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.  
 9. Alabama State Board of Missions, Baptist Convention of New York, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Florida Baptist Convention, Georgia Baptist Mission Board and the South Carolina Baptist Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.  
 10. Alabama State Board of Missions, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Florida Baptist Convention and the South Carolina Baptist Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.

**2. Cooperative Program Giving** – The giving record of Southern Baptists during the fiscal year October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021, is as follows:

Total CP as a % of	2020 - 2021	2019 - 2020	% Change
Undesignated Gifts <sup>2</sup>	4.68%	4.78%	(0.09%)
Total Receipts <sup>1</sup>	\$ 11,830,303,965	\$ 11,526,598,340	2.63%
Total Undesignated Gifts	\$ 9,774,807,128	\$ 9,531,225,749	2.56%
Total Cooperative Program <sup>2</sup>	\$ 457,928,996	\$ 455,553,027	0.52%
State Convention Share of Total CP <sup>2</sup>	\$ 270,153,074	\$ 267,746,391	0.90%
SBC Share of Total CP <sup>2</sup>	\$ 187,775,922	\$ 187,806,636	(0.02%)

**3. Trends in Giving** – The following five-year record of gifts to Southern Baptist churches and through the Cooperative Program is as follows:

Year	Total Receipts <sup>1</sup>		Undesignated Gifts		Cooperative Program <sup>2</sup>		% Change	% Total CP <sup>2</sup>	SBC % Share of Total CP <sup>2</sup>	SBC % Share of Total CP <sup>2</sup>	Total CP <sup>2</sup>	Receipts <sup>1</sup>	Undesig. Gifts
	Change	%	Change	%	Change	%							
2016-17	\$ 11,728,420,088	2.33%	\$ 9,518,527,051	3.28%	\$ 462,662,332	(2.64%)	4.86%	41.49%	3.94%	37.47%	\$ 191,948,826	3.94%	4.86%
2017-18	\$ 11,811,093,609	0.70%	\$ 9,601,534,950	0.87%	\$ 463,076,368	0.09%	4.82%	41.30%	3.92%	37.04%	\$ 191,257,988	3.92%	4.82%
2018-19	\$ 11,640,670,559	(1.44%)	\$ 9,600,108,179	(0.01%)	\$ 462,299,010	(0.17%)	4.82%	41.31%	3.97%	37.16%	\$ 190,967,403	3.97%	4.82%
2019-20	\$ 11,526,598,340	(0.98%)	\$ 9,531,225,749	(0.72%)	\$ 455,553,027	(1.46%)	4.78%	41.23%	3.95%	37.04%	\$ 187,806,636	3.95%	4.78%
2020-21	\$ 11,830,303,965	2.63%	\$ 9,774,807,128	2.56%	\$ 457,928,996	0.52%	4.68%	41.01%	3.87%	37.47%	\$ 187,775,922	3.87%	4.68%
Average Change 1980s		7.58%		5.10%		6.83%							
Average Change 1990s		5.42%		4.91%		2.68%							
Average Change 2000s		4.12%		4.82%		2.23%							
Average Change 2010s		(0.21%)		0.71%		(1.16%)							
Average Change Last 5 Years		0.65%		1.20%		(0.73%)							

**Notes:**  
 1. Due to a change Lifeway made in the ACP information it requested for 2011, Total Gifts were not calculable. Therefore, Total Receipts are reported above for 2012-13 through 2020-21 for comparative purposes. Over the last 20 years Total Receipts averaged 7.25% more than Total Gifts.  
 2. For 2012-13 through 2020-21, in keeping with the Convention approved definition of The Cooperative Program, the Total Cooperative Program category does not include church contributions given directly to the national convention that are directed only to the national SBC CP Allocation budget.

Prepared by the SBC Executive Committee based on information obtained from the 2021 ACP Statistical Summary prepared by Lifeway Christian Resources, April 26, 2022.

Above information prepared by: Lifeway Research, Lifeway Christian Resources, April 26, 2022.

**DESCRIPTIONS AND DUTIES OF ROLES**

**THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENTS** - The primary duty of the president is to preside during the annual session of the Convention by introducing each item of business on the agenda, recognizing speakers when they are entitled to the floor, stating and putting to a vote all questions that should come before the assembly, ruling on all questions of order, answering parliamentary inquiries relating to pending business, and assisting messengers in using correct procedure. The First and Second Vice Presidents preside in sessions at the request of the president.

**RECORDING SECRETARY** - The recording secretary is responsible for recording the proceedings of the annual session which will appear in the Wednesday Daily Bulletin as well as the SBC Annual; also serves as an ex-officio member of the SBC Executive Committee.

**REGISTRATION SECRETARY** - The registration secretary supervises the registration process, convenes the Registration Committee, reports to the Convention the number of registered messengers; responsible for the security of the ballots and tabulation of votes by the tellers; also serves as an ex-officio member of the Credentials Committee.

**INTERIM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PRESIDENT AND CEO/TREASURER** - The Interim President and CEO of the Executive Committee is called upon during the Executive Committee’s report and at various other times during the Convention; serves as the Convention’s treasurer and advises the president and other officers regarding the Convention’s business; assisted on the platform by Executive Committee staff.

**PARLIAMENTARIANS** - The chief parliamentarian is responsible for advising the president on all matters of parliamentary procedure. Though the president will frequently consult the chief parliamentarian during the Convention, the parliamentarian’s role is purely advisory. All rulings on questions of order are made by the president.

In addition to assisting the president and the chief parliamentarian, assistant parliamentarians are available to advise the Committee on Order of Business as needed, and assist messengers with questions as they are available.

**LEGAL COUNSEL** - Outside attorneys who provide legal counsel for the president and other officers; they are also available to the Committee on Order of Business to advise in the processing of motions.

**COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS** - Nominated by the Committee on Nominations and elected by messengers, this committee is responsible for preparing the Convention agenda and for scheduling all matters that require a vote; the committee’s chair reports several times during the Convention to inform messengers on the status of and the schedule for considering motions.

**COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS** - Appointed by the SBC President, this committee proposes resolutions for consideration by messengers and presents them for consideration and/or debate during the annual meeting.

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES** - Appointed by the SBC President, this committee nominates the Committee on Nominations and any special committees that are authorized during Convention sessions.

**COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS** - Nominated by the Committee on Committees and elected by messengers, this committee nominates members to the Executive Committee and directors/trustees to boards, institutions, commissions, and standing committees of the Convention.

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE** - Elected by messengers and composed of the Registration Secretary, Executive Committee chair, three members nominated by the Executive Committee, and four members nominated by the Committee on Nominations; this committee recommends whether a church is in cooperation with the Convention.

**REGISTRATION COMMITTEE** - Appointed by the SBC President, this committee supervises the registration of messengers, oversees operations of the registration desk, and rules upon any questions which may arise in registration concerning the credentials of messengers.

**TELLERS** - Appointed by the SBC President, this group tabulates the votes of messengers at the annual meeting.

**LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE** - Appointed by the Convention Manager, this committee is mainly local to the area in and around the Annual Meeting host city; they support the Annual Meeting by coordinating volunteers, hosting the prayer room, and making connections within the host city.

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Cory Bledsoe, IN	Craig Tuck, SC
Melissa Oursler, KS (KS-NE)	Kelly Parkison, TN
Donnovan Karber, KS (KS-NE)	Chris Martin, TN
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Jay Adkins, LA	Daniel Savage, UT (UT-ID)
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Richard Dillard, MD (MD/DE/DC)	Laurie Harrison, VA
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Outside interest groups are not permitted to distribute material nor engage messengers for interviews inside the Convention Center.

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Messengers or invited guests who grant interviews are responsible for their own actions and statements.

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## MESSENGER INFORMATION

### TO MAKE A MOTION

1. **Write your motion legibly.** (If the motion is spontaneous and you do not have time to write it before presenting it to the Convention at a microphone, write the motion, as you stated it, before leaving the microphone area). Motion can also be pre-filed/filed digitally (see “Pre-filing Motions”).
2. **Go to a floor microphone at a time when motions are being considered.**
3. **Notify the Page at the microphone of your desire to make a motion.**
4. **When your microphone is recognized by the presiding officer, state your name, the name and location of your church, and read your motion.** Do not argue the merits of your motion at this time. If the motion later comes before the body for discussion, you will then be given the first opportunity to speak.
5. **Provide a copy of your motion to the Recording Secretary.** You can submit electronically through the SBC Annual Meeting app or by email to [recordingsecretary@sbc.net](mailto:recordingsecretary@sbc.net), or give a typed or legibly handwritten copy on standard paper to the Page at the microphone. The Page will take the copy of your motion to the platform so the motion may be entered into the record.
6. The Committee on Order of Business will consider all presented motions and announce further action(s) to be taken, either later in the session or in a following session.

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1. Be at a microphone at the proper time, and make sure your desire to speak is properly characterized and input to the touch screen below the microphone at which you are standing.
2. Proceed to input your desire to speak. Do not wait for the presider to ask for input from the floor. If you are recognized for another issue, tell the chair which issue you are there to speak to, and the presider will return to you when your issue comes to the floor.  
  
The chair could use several phrases to welcome comment from the floor on any issue. If you have not entered a desire to speak on the touch screen immediately at that time (or slightly before), you will not be recognized.
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#### Bylaws Relating to Speaking from the Floor

SBC Bylaw 1C – A messenger may speak in debate for longer than three minutes only with the permission of the Convention granted by a two-thirds vote.

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### HELPFUL TERMINOLOGY

**MOTION** - A motion calls for specific action by the Southern Baptist Convention or requests specific action by one or more of its entities. A motion normally begins with “I move that...” For more information, see “To Make a Motion.”

**POINT OF ORDER** - A point of order calls the attention of the chair to a violation of the Convention’s rules and should only be raised when a messenger has good reason to believe that the chair has failed to notice and correct a breach of the rules that prevents the proper transaction of business. Because a point of order interrupts pending business, it should not be raised merely to point out minor irregularities, to debate an issue, or as a method of obstructing business or harassing the chair.

**PLATFORM PERSONNEL AND COMMITTEES** - Information concerning duties of platform personnel and committees can be found on page 10.

**RESOLUTION** - A resolution has traditionally been defined as an expression of opinion or concern, as compared to a motion, which calls for action. A resolution is not used to direct an entity of the Southern Baptist Convention to specific action other than to communicate the opinion or concern expressed. Resolutions are decided upon at the discretion of the Committee on Resolutions and can be submitted by individuals from qualified churches 45 days prior to the annual meeting, but no later than 15 days prior. See SBC Bylaw 20 for other requirements concerning resolutions and the Committee on Resolutions.

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**FOR THE KIDS**



Registration for the preschool, children, and youth programs took place earlier in the spring, prior to the Annual Meeting. In order to ensure the proper worker-to-child ratios, no on-site registrations will be accepted.

Each year, we are able to offer the programs during Annual Meeting week for registered children and youth. This year, drop-off and pick-up will happen on Level 2: Preschool, Room 207; Children, Room 204.

*\*A nursing mothers' room is also available for mothers whose babies aren't registered in childcare. Visit the Preschool check-in area (Level 2, Room 207) for directions. Additionally, there is a nursing mothers' rooms on Level 1 near the Hall B entrance. Ask the Information Desk or an usher for directions.*

**SPECIAL THANKS**

We extend our sincere appreciation to:

- The Local Arrangements Committee and California volunteers for their hard work, extensive planning, and assistance with greeters, ushers, and translation services.
- Lifeway Media for staging, lighting, and sound production.
- California Baptist University for planning, coordinating, and executing live music throughout the Convention Center.

**PRAYER PROMPT FOR TODAY**

John 17:21 - *"May they all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us, so that the world may believe you sent me."*

**Lead us today Father. Help us work together for your will and glory, so that the world may hear and believe in your Son!**

Let's pray for God's will together today. Stop by the prayer room today and drop off your prayer requests. For daily prayer requests and prayer resources, scan the QR code to the right.



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- **Daily Giveaways**  
We will be giving out a different giveaway each day-as well as the chance to win a Tonal smart home gym! Come to the GuideStone booth to receive the giveaways\* for each day of SBC.

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including stylish sunglasses in a variety of colors, delicious chocolates, and register to win a jersey autographed by Super Bowl MVP Cooper Kupp in celebration of the Los Angeles Rams' victory. And the always popular giant cash-filled soda bottle is back. Talk about some great souvenirs! Visit the Foundation's booth for more information.



- **Visit Southeastern's main booth** in the Exhibit Hall, space #267 from 8 AM - 5 PM today and 8 AM - 1 PM tomorrow. Don't miss the free books, giveaways, and your chance to talk with someone from our team about everything Southeastern has to offer.
- **Going to the Women's Expo?** Visit Southeastern's Women's Expo booth until 2 PM today! We have more giveaways specifically for attendees of the Women's Expo!
- If you need a place to rest or a quiet place to have a conversation, **visit Southeastern's Hospitality Room** in Convention Center Room 208-A between the hours of 7 AM - 9 PM today, and 7-11 AM and 2-6 PM tomorrow.



**New For The Church Shirts!** Visit the MBTS booth in the SBC Exhibit Hall to meet Midwestern Seminary faculty and staff, receive a free FTC State Shirt and Sticker, and purchase tickets to both MBTS events, while supplies last. We look forward to seeing you at the booth!



The Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission will provide several resources at our booth to help Southern Baptists think holistically about how to care well for both mothers and children in a potential post-Roe world. Ultrasound machines will be on display to demonstrate how the Psalm 139 Project provides a window to the womb for abortion-vulnerable women. Get a free Psalm 139 T-shirt when you sign up to receive updates on the ERLC's life work both in Washington, D.C. and in our churches.

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Table with 13 columns: SBC and State Conventions, Associations, Churches, Church-type Missions, Baptisms, Other Additions, Total Membership, In-Person Weekly Worship Attendance, Online Weekly Worship Participation, In-Person Sunday School Attendance, Online Sunday School Participation, Total Receipts, Total Mission Expenditures. Includes a 'NOTES' section on the right with 13 numbered items explaining data sources and adjustments.



**DISPOSITION OF RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TO THE 2022 SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION - *continued from page 8***

- 9. On Christ-Centered Addiction Rehabilitation  
Jacob Lloyd Smith, Sulphur Springs, TX  
Declined  
The Committee commends to the Convention our resolutions from 2006, "On Alcohol Use in America," and 2018, "On Opioid Abuse and Addiction."
- 10. Of Lament and Repentance for Sexual Abuse  
Marshall Blalock, Charleston, SC  
Josh Damon, Madison, MS  
Liz Evan, Clarksville, TN  
Bruce Frank, Arden, NC  
Andrew Hébert, Amarillo, TX  
See Resolution #6
- 11. On Plagiarism in Gospel Ministry  
Joshua Shirley, Hayden, ID  
Declined  
While the Committee affirms the thesis that preaching is a sacred trust from God for which preachers are accountable to Him, we do not believe that the Convention has yet reached any informed consensus on the many specific burdens placed upon pastors within the text of this proposed resolution.
- 12. On Honesty and Integrity  
Jerry Schultz, North Richland Hills, TX  
Declined  
The Committee commends to the Convention our resolutions from 2021, "On Baptist Unity and Public Witness" and 2018 "On Christlike Communication and the Use of Social Media."
- 13. On Rejecting Pedophilia  
Jared Moore, Crossville, TN  
See Resolution #8
- 14. On the Title, Office, and Functions of Pastor  
Tom Buck, Lindale, TX  
Declined  
The Committee chose to decline this resolution because it is not the prerogative of the Committee to present an interpretation of The Baptist Faith & Message to messengers. Since resolutions only reflect the opinion of messengers to a particular annual meeting, they are of limited use when it comes to determining how best to interpret our confessional statement.
- 15. On the Disfellowshipping of Churches with Women Pastors  
Mike Law, Arlington, VA  
Declined  
The Committee did not feel that it could consider this resolution because we believed it came in the form of a motion and called for action.
- 16. On the Prosperity Gospel and Its Promotion  
Benjamin Wright, Cedar Park, TX  
See Resolution #2
- 17. On a Gracious Attitude and a Heart of Gospel Reconciliation to All  
Jonathan Raffini, Big Spring, TX  
See Resolution #7
- 18. On Support for Needed Laws Regarding Pastoral Sexual Abuse  
Griffin Gullede, Madison, GA  
See Resolution #5
- 19. On Transparency and Accountability in Pay  
Michael Haines, Stroud, OK  
Declined  
The Committee did not feel that it could consider this resolution because we believed it came in the form of a motion and called for action.
- 20. On the Incompatibility of Critical Race Theory and Intersectionality with the Baptist Faith and Message  
Tom Buck, Lindale, TX  
Richard Gamill, Bastrop, LA  
Brian Gunter, Livingston, LA  
Brian McAllister, Jonesboro, LA  
Tedd Mathis, Pueblo West, CO  
Jared Moore, Crossville, TN  
Allen Nelson, Perryville, AR  
Lewis Richerson, Baton Rouge, LA  
Brad Underwood, Oppelo, AR  
Declined  
The Committee believes that our 2021 resolution "On the Sufficiency of Scripture for Race and Racial Reconciliation," which rejects "any theory or worldview" that supplants Scripture in various ways, applies to the subject of Critical Race Theory and Intersectionality.
- 21. For the Continued Independence of Ukraine and Taiwan  
Jason Park, Arlington, TX  
See Resolution #3
- 22. On Mass Shootings  
Steve Bezner, Houston, TX  
See Resolution #8
- 23. Adoption Is the Hope and Future of Children Saved from Abortion  
Michael Haines, Stroud, OK  
See Resolution #7
- 24. On Equal Protection of the Laws for Preborn Children  
Cory Anderson, Elgin, OK  
Bill Ascol, Muskogee, OK  
Brett Baggett, Paducah, KY  
Dusty Deevers, Elgin, OK  
Clayton Hall, Paducah, KY  
Brian Jenson, Pearland, TX  
Tedd Mathis, Pueblo West, CO  
William Travis McNeely, Baton Rouge, LA  
Paul Thompson, Twin Falls, ID  
Aaron Wright, Houston, TX  
Janice Wright, Houston, TX  
Declined  
While the Committee believes that the Southern Baptist Convention messengers would agree with some aspects of this resolution, the Committee believes Resolution #7 addresses these concerns in a way that takes note of the present historic moment in which we await the ruling on the *Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization* case presently before the Supreme Court.
- 25. On Health and Medical Care  
Kevin Driver, Charleston, WV  
Decline  
While the Committee believes that the Southern Baptist Convention messengers would agree with the language of this resolution, due to significant time constraints, we regret that we were unable to bring this resolution forward this year.
- 26. On Repentance Toward and Appreciation of Christa Brown  
Keith Myer, Salisbury, MD  
See Resolution #6
- 27. On Proper Christian Love for Neighbor and Nation  
Alan Cross, Petaluma, CA  
Declined  
While the Committee believes that the Southern Baptist Convention messengers would agree with the language of this resolution, due to significant time constraints, we regret that we were unable to bring this resolution forward this year.
- 28. On Moral Leadership and the Walt Disney Company  
Joshua Abbotoy, Houston, TX  
See Resolution #8
- 29. On Clergy Sexual Abuse  
Rob Collingsworth, Fort Worth, TX  
See Resolution #5

**2022 TELLERS**

The below group is included in the list of Annual Meeting roles/responsibilities discussed on page 10.

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Delores Alexander	Derek Ervin	Zach Kilpatrick	Marriane McLain	Verna Tolbert
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## SEXUAL ABUSE TASK FORCE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Authorized and assigned by action of the 2021 Southern Baptist Convention, the Sexual Abuse Task Force now reports to the 2022 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention the following requests and recommendations for action. On behalf of the Task Force, I move the adoption of these requests to our broader SBC family:

**First, with respect to Baptist polity, the Task Force addresses the following suggestions and requests to cooperating state conventions, SBC entities, and other related Baptist bodies:**

### Challenges for our entities and other Baptist bodies:

1. We request that the Executive Committee evaluate staffing needs for the Credentials Committee, and also hire a designated, trained staff person or independent contractor to receive reports of abuse for the purpose of determining the appropriate church, entity, or association to respond to those allegations, and to assist the Credentials Committee as needed.
2. We request all entity boards and standing committees have training regarding sexual abuse prevention and survivor care as part of their orientation and selection. We further request that the Committee on Nominations complete background checks for every trustee nominated to entity boards and standing committees.
3. We request that Send Relief contribute a minimum of \$3 million to the sexual abuse reforms allocation for the first year. We request the Executive Committee be the stewards of the allocation, in consultation with the ARITF, to fund the sexual abuse recommendations adopted by the Convention.
4. We request that all denominational workers, volunteers, and students in all entities are given training on sexual abuse prevention and survivor care.
5. We encourage all churches and Baptist bodies to participate in the SBC sexual abuse assessment.<sup>1</sup>

### Challenges for State Conventions:

1. We request that state conventions consider having a designated, trained staff person or independent contractor to receive calls regarding allegations of sexual abuse and provide initial guidance. We request this person be trained in trauma to be able to assist both survivors and churches and will be able to assist submitters who may need help in filing an allegation report with the appropriate party.
2. We request that state conventions, in consultation with Lifeway and the Executive Committee, add a series of questions on the Annual Church Profile regarding background checks and sexual abuse training.
3. We request that state conventions maintain a list of professionally trained, licensed, trauma-informed Christian counselors in their respective states for those churches who voluntarily seek assistance as they minister to survivors.
4. We request that state conventions establish a self-certification program for churches, including “best practices” in survivor care, hiring, investigatory protocols, and training for prevention.
5. We request all state entities and committees provide training regarding sexual abuse prevention and survivor care to their denominational workers, as well as background checks, as part of their orientation and selection.

**Second, given the need for structural and meaningful changes in the SBC, the Sexual Abuse Task Force recommends the following actions for approval by messengers:**

**Recommendation One:** That the messengers to the 2022 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention approve the creation of an Abuse Reform Implementation Task Force (ARITF), authorized to operate for one year, to be renewable by each subsequent annual convention as needed. The ARITF is to be appointed by the president elected by the 2022 Convention, who will also appoint its leadership. Any vacancies will be appointed by the SBC president at the time of the vacancy. The ARITF and its work are to be funded by the Executive Committee for the first year from the sexual abuse reforms allocation. The Executive Committee will fund the ARITF’s expenditures and recommendations, pursuant to the recommendations adopted by the Messengers, the approval of which may not be withheld. The ARITF will work collaboratively with entity heads to recommend funding mechanisms for reforms for following years. The ARITF will report to each annual session of the Convention that it is in existence.

Specifically, the ARITF will be charged to:

1. Study the Guidepost recommendations for feasibility and bring an initial report to the 2023 annual meeting on which reforms could be adopted by the convention and how they should be implemented, including Guidepost’s recommendations for a survivor care fund and a memorial, auditing the Caring Well curriculum, and the possible creation of a permanent committee or entity.
2. Assist SBC entities in studying the recommendations from Guidepost and provide advice on voluntary implementation of reforms relevant to each entity’s ministry assignment.
3. Serve as a resource in abuse prevention, crisis response, and survivor care to Baptist bodies who voluntarily seek assistance. Such assistance may include providing a list of recommended independent, qualified firms<sup>2</sup> for training and inquiries and will include assisting state conventions with any of the recommendations each chooses, as the state conventions request.
4. In consultation with the Credentials Committee, revise the evaluation and submission process<sup>3</sup> for complaints of noncooperation due to sexual abuse and publish those revisions. For example, when a church acts in a manner that is inconsistent with the Convention’s beliefs regarding sexual abuse,<sup>4</sup> such as showing an unwillingness to cooperate in an inquiry of an accused individual, then the church shall be submitted to the SBC Credentials Committee for consideration in accordance with SBC Bylaw 8.<sup>5</sup>
5. Work with the Executive Committee and Credentials Committee to select an independent, qualified firm or firms to assist the Credentials Committee by providing factual findings<sup>6</sup> for complaints of noncooperation due to sexual abuse. The ARITF will report back any actions to the 2023 annual meeting regarding this selection. This expense shall be funded by the sexual abuse reforms allocation.

**Rationale:** Over the course of the EC investigation, it has become clear to the Sexual Abuse Task Force that the process of implementing meaningful change in the Southern Baptist Convention in the area of sexual abuse is beyond the scope of this current Task Force.

**Recommendation Two:**

That the messengers to the 2022 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention authorize the ARITF, in coordination with the Executive Committee, to create a “Ministry Check” website<sup>7</sup> and process for maintaining a record of pastors, denominational workers, ministry employees, and volunteers who have at any time been credibly accused<sup>8</sup> of sexual abuse<sup>9</sup> and who have been or are associated with a cooperating Southern Baptist church or entity. The website will be established and maintained through an independent, qualified firm, selected by the Credentials Committee in consultation with the ARITF and to be funded by the sexual abuse reforms allocation. The following are grounds for submission:

1. Names of pastors, denominational workers, or ministry employees or volunteers<sup>10</sup> who have been associated with a cooperating Southern Baptist church or entity and who have been convicted or had a civil judgment against them for sexual abuse. The ARITF will perform an annual audit of these names to ensure the website is as complete as possible.
2. Names of pastors, denominational workers, or ministry employees or volunteers who have been associated with a cooperating Southern Baptist church or entity, where a qualified, independent firm has performed an inquiry<sup>11</sup> into the allegations and determined that the individual in question has been credibly accused by a preponderance of the evidence. These inquiries will be initiated by the relevant local church or other Baptist body.

3. Upon submission of an allegation to the Ministry Check administrator, the administrator will examine the supporting documentation to ensure that the standard of “credibly accused” has been met according to the requirements set forth herein. In cases where a name is submitted for which there is no conviction, civil judgment, or documented qualified-third party inquiry, the administrator will route the allegation to the relevant church or Baptist body for the commission of an inquiry. Where the relevant church or Baptist body is unable to engage an independent, qualified firm for an inquiry of an accused individual based on financial need, and the related local association and/or state convention are unable to assist the church or Baptist body in engaging an independent firm for an inquiry, then, the church may apply for a grant<sup>12</sup> to cover the cost for all reasonable and supported accusations.

**Rationale:** According to the U.S. Department of Justice, sexual offenders have an 80% recidivism rate.<sup>13</sup> One of the problems in our churches is the ability of abusers to move from one church to another to perpetuate their abuse. This often happens because churches don’t have the means to communicate with one another. This recommendation is designed to give local churches and Baptist bodies a critical tool to identify sexual offenders and prevent sexual abuse; the effectiveness of Ministry Check depends upon the voluntary cooperation of churches and entities within the SBC.

Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> The SBC Sexual Abuse Assessment is a voluntary initiative designed to hear from survivors, pastors, and lay people to understand how churches have dealt with the issue of sexual abuse. The ERLC is leading this initiative.

<sup>2</sup> A qualified firm is a firm which operates under the relevant state licensures and ethics codes for investigative entities in the jurisdictions where they operate, and whose members are in good standing with the ethics boards related to all professional licenses which are held (for example, private investigative licenses, attorney licenses, etc). A qualified firm maintains a dedicated practice area for investigations and assessments related to sexual abuse and harassment, and utilizes a team which is professionally trained in trauma-informed investigative techniques and practices.

<sup>3</sup> This includes recommendations on standard principles of cooperation, consistent with the Convention’s beliefs regarding sexual abuse, by which a church may be deemed to be in friendly cooperation with the SBC, as well as an explanation of a clear reporting process, assessment standards, record-keeping procedures, processes for non-cooperating churches to rectify areas of non-cooperation, and an appeals process for submitters. The standard principles of cooperation and process shall be published publicly.

<sup>4</sup> SBC Constitution, Article III.1.4.

<sup>5</sup> SBC Bylaw 8 C (4) – If a church which has been found not to be in cooperation with the Convention addresses the issues which led to that finding, it may apply to the Credentials Committee for a reconsideration of its status. If the circumstances warrant, the Credentials Committee may recommend to the Executive Committee that the church be once again considered a cooperating church.

<sup>6</sup> Inquiries shall not be investigations which exercise authority over any local church or state convention or local association, in accordance with SBC Constitution Article IV and SBC Bylaw 8. The firm’s inquiries would only be related to matters of sexual abuse and would be reported to the Credentials Committee without making any recommendations. The firm would provide a written factual report to the Credentials Committee which preserves victim and witness identities. The Credentials Committee would then form an opinion using the factual report and other information available to the Committee.

<sup>7</sup> A disclaimer will appear on the website that the list is not exhaustive and is for informational purposes only.

<sup>8</sup> A credibly accused pastor, denominational worker, or ministry employee or volunteer includes one who has confessed in a non-privileged setting, who has been convicted in a court of law, or who has had a civil judgment rendered against them. Additionally, an independent third party who has been hired by any church or other Baptist body, may determine, by

preponderance of the evidence following an inquiry, that a pastor, denominational worker, or ministry employee or volunteer is credibly accused. A “preponderance of the evidence” is the legal standard required for a civil judgment.

<sup>9</sup> Sexual abuse is defined as any sexual act that could result in criminal charges or civil liability in the jurisdiction where it occurred.

<sup>10</sup> All allegations will first be routed to the relevant local church or Baptist body, including any volunteer who is accused while volunteering for an SBC entity.

<sup>11</sup> The inquiries for use in the Ministry Check database are inquiries into an accused individual, not into a church.

<sup>12</sup> The ARITF will establish and publish a process for grant application. Grants will be provided through the sexual abuse reforms allocation. If the funds in the allocation are exhausted, any pending grant requests for inquiries will roll to the next fiscal year.

<sup>13</sup> “Lifetime Sex Offender Recidivism: A 25-Year Follow-Up Study,” Canadian Journal of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Volume: 46 Issue: 5, October 2004, pages 531-552, as cited by U.S. Department of Justice, accessed June 8, 2022, <https://www.ojp.gov/ncjrs/virtual-library/abstracts/lifetime-sex-offender-recidivism-25-year-follow-study>.

## 2022 REPORT OF SBC COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Jeremy Freeman, OK, *chair*; Full Committee listed on page 11  
*(This is the 2022-2023 SBC Committee on Nominations)*  
 (State Convention/Name/Church Membership)

*\* indicates layperson from each state or regional convention*

**Alabama**

\* Scott Bannon  
 First Tillman's Corner,  
 Mobile  
 Mark Bethea  
 First, Montgomery

**Alaska**

\* Shirley Bearce  
 CrossCountry, Wasilla  
 \* Jody Winquist  
 First, Anchorage

**Arizona**

Andrew Marquez  
 North Swan, Tucson  
 \* Ricky Aulds  
 Mercy Hill, Phoenix

**Arkansas**

\* Derek Spicer  
 Indian Springs, Bryant  
 Hunter Thompson  
 Grand Avenue, Fort Smith

**California**

Kenneth Curry  
 Friendship, Yorba Linda  
 \* Carola Manriquez  
 Eleventh Street, Upland

**Colorado**

\* Nathan Wolfe  
 Storyline, Arvada  
 Chris Phillips  
 Riverside & Journey  
 Point, Denver

**Florida**

Tim O'Carroll  
 Discovery, Port St. Lucie  
 \* Ryan Noble  
 The Rock Fellowship,  
 Miami Lakes

**Georgia**

J.B. Brown  
 Clairmont, Atlanta  
 \* David Deeter  
 Christ Covenant, Atlanta

**Hawaii-Pacific**

Shaw Okawara  
 Life Christian, Honolulu  
 \* Diana Ventura  
 Kauai House, Kalaheo

**Illinois**

Bruce Kirk  
 Alpha, Bolingbrook  
 \* Hazel Noble  
 Hillcrest  
 Country Club Hills

**Indiana**

Ethan Little  
 First, Henryville  
 \* Cassandra Frost  
 First, Charlestown

**Kansas/Nebraska**

Tyler Ball  
 First Southern Baptist,  
 Salina, KS  
 \* Haley Lester  
 Renewed Hope,  
 Omaha, NE

**Kentucky**

Dan Summerlin  
 First Baptist, Lone Oak  
 \* Jennifer Ringstaff  
 Hurstbourne Baptist  
 Louisville

**Louisiana**

Michael Linton  
 First, Sulphur  
 \* Judith Roberts  
 Temple, Ruston

**Maryland/Delaware/DC**

Tim Byer  
 Faith, Glen Burnie, MD  
 \* Cecil Cunigan  
 Colonial  
 Randallstown, MD

**Michigan**

Brandon Watkins  
 Transformation, Waterford  
 \* Melissa Buck  
 Cedar Street, Holt

**Mississippi**

\* Cyndi Grace  
 First, Jackson  
 Greg Belsler  
 Morrison Heights, Clinton

**Missouri**

\* Jason Marfield  
 Liberty, Liberty  
 Darin Smith  
 Towerview, Kansas City

**Nevada**

\* Ron Sharp  
 Hope, Las Vegas  
 \* Vanessa Woody  
 Walk, Las Vegas

**New England**

\* Santiago Paredes  
 Mill City, Lowell, MA  
 \* Melissa Busby  
 South Shore  
 Hingham, MA

**New Mexico**

Ricardo Rivera  
 First Bilingual,  
 Albuquerque  
 \* Michelle Brittain  
 Emmanuel, Farmington

**New York**

\* Steven Berrios,  
 Crossroads of Long  
 Island, East Islip  
 Patrick Thompson  
 New City, Long Island City

**North Carolina**

Amaury Santos  
 Richland Creek  
 Community, Wake Forest  
 \* Annie Locke  
 Treasuring Christ, Raleigh

**Northwest**

Billy Arnold  
 LifeWay,  
 Federal Way, WA  
 \* Dexter Davis  
 The Rock,  
 Spokane Valley, WA

**Ohio**

\* Ben Smallwood  
 One Family, Dayton  
 James Risner  
 Dayton Avenue, Xenia

**Oklahoma**

\* Lauren McAfee, *vice chair*  
 Council Road, Bethany  
 Troy Taylor  
 First East, Lawton

**Pennsylvania/S. Jersey**

Chris Betner  
 Delval East Church,  
 Willingboro, NJ  
 \* Elizabeth Bengel  
 Stewartstown Baptist,  
 Stewartstown, PA

**South Carolina**

\* Dorothy Sherwood  
 First, Darlington  
 Wes Church  
 First, Columbia

**Tennessee**

\* Wendy Street  
 Belle Aire, Murfreesboro  
 Jonathan Akin  
 First Concord, Knoxville

**Texas**

Michael Criner, *chair*  
 Rock Hill, Brownsboro  
 \* Daniel Walker  
 High Pointe, Austin

**Utah/Idaho**

\* Mary McFarling  
 Calvary Baptist,  
 Idaho Falls, ID  
 \* Janna Savage,  
 Redemption, Ogden, UT

**Virginia**

Dave Velloney  
 River Oak, Chesapeake  
 \* Alexis Shipp  
 London Bridge,  
 Virginia Beach

**West Virginia**

Cleve Persinger,  
 Resurrection, Charleston  
 \* Zack Simpson,  
 Huntington Community,  
 Huntington

**Wyoming**

Dan Hill  
 Hilltop, Green River  
 \* Jerry Leeper  
 Mountain View, Mill



**2022 REPORT OF SBC COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS**

Leah Finn, SC, *chair*; Full Committee listed on page 11

**SBC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Term Expires in 2023**

- Alabama:** Craig Carlisle, First, Gadsden  
*replacing* Paul S. Hicks<sup>R</sup>, Good Shepherd Community, Hayden
- Arizona:** † Paul Lucas (Luke) Panter, Grace Fellowship, Maricopa  
*replacing* Chad Garrison<sup>R</sup>, Calvary, Lake Havasu City
- Florida:** \*David Twiddy, Mission Hill, Temple Terrace  
*replacing* \*Rod D. Martin<sup>R</sup>, Rocky Bayou, Niceville
- Georgia:** \*Travis Walker, Gospel Hope, Avondale Estates  
*replacing* \*Ricardo Avila<sup>R</sup>, Amistad Cristiana International, Gainesville
- Missouri:** \*Curtis R. Ballard, Genesis, Eureka  
*replacing* \*James E. Freeman<sup>R</sup>, County Meadows, Independence
- Pennsylvania-South Jersey:** Fred J. Neal Jr., Harvest, Kittanning, PA  
*replacing* Kim Gruesser<sup>R</sup>, Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
- Tennessee:** \*Erin D. Bryson, First, Dickson  
*replacing* \*Robyn A. Hari<sup>R</sup>, ClearView, Franklin
- Texas:** Russ Barksdale, The Church on Rush Creek, Arlington  
*replacing* Barbara Norris<sup>R</sup>, First, Waskom

**Term Expires in 2024**

- Alabama:** \*Dana H. McCain, First, Dothan  
*replacing* \*L. Melissa Carlisle Golden<sup>R</sup>, First, Prattville
- North Carolina:** \*Jana J. White, Freedom, Lincoln  
*replacing* \*Modena Henderson<sup>R</sup>, Mercy, Charlotte
- Virginia:** \*Joshua A. (Josh) Hetzler, The Heights, South Chesterfield  
*replacing* \*H. Robert (Rob) Showers<sup>R</sup>, Gateway Community, South Riding

**Term Expires in 2025**

- Georgia:** † Katie Creery, Central, Warner Robins  
*replacing* † Ann H. Watts<sup>R</sup>, Fellowship, Palmetto
- Kansas-Nebraska:** \*Sanford W. Peterson, Emmanuel, Overland Park, KS  
*replacing* Mark R. Elliott<sup>R</sup>, LifeSpring, Bellevue, NE
- Tennessee:** † John T. Frank, First, Carthage  
*replacing* Chuck T. Williams<sup>R</sup>, First, Covington

**Term Expires in 2026**

- Alabama:** \*Ann Stafford, Southside, Dothan  
*replacing* \*Phyllis S. Ingram<sup>R</sup>, First, Montgomery
- Arkansas:** \*Donald J. Wells Sr., Second, Conway  
*replacing* \*Paul E. (Gene) McPherson<sup>R</sup>, First, Benton
- California:** Anthony L. Dockery, St. Stephen Missionary, La Puente  
*replacing* Rolland E. Slade<sup>I</sup>, Meridian, El Cajon
- Georgia:** \*Clyde A. Chester, Tabernacle, Cartersville  
*replacing* \*Cheryl S. Samples<sup>I</sup>, Picketts Mill, Dallas  
Landon G. Dowden, Hebron, Dacula  
*replacing* Michael R. (Mike) Stone<sup>I</sup>, Emmanuel, Blackshear
- Louisiana:** John S. (Jack) Hunter, First, New Orleans  
*replacing* Mike Holloway<sup>I</sup>, Cook, Ruston
- South Carolina:** \*Sarah H. Rogers, Christ Fellowship, Greenville  
*replacing* Robert W. (Bob) Neeley<sup>D</sup>, First, Spartanburg
- Tennessee:** Corey A. Cain, First, Seymour  
*replacing* Ron F. Hale<sup>R</sup>, West Jackson, Jackson
- Texas:** † \*Tampa J. Nannen, Central, Jacksonville  
*replacing* † \*James D. (Jim) Green<sup>DS</sup>, Sagemont, Houston  
Byron V. McWilliams, First, Odessa  
*replacing* Stephen Swofford<sup>R</sup>, First, Rockwall

**SBC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - *continued***

- Utah-Idaho:** Michael E. Pless, Redeeming Life, Bountiful, UT  
*replacing* James Gregory<sup>I</sup>, First Southern, Mountain Home, ID
- Virginia:** Drew Landry, Spotswood, Fredericksburg  
*replacing* Timothy Hight<sup>I</sup>, GraceLife, Christiansburg

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
Expiring in 2026**

- Alabama:** Neal Hughes, Heritage, Montgomery
- Alaska:** Todd O. Burgess, First, Eagle River
- Arkansas:** Mollie Duddleston, Cross, Rogers
- Florida:** \*Archalena B. Coats, Kingdom Covenant, Miami
- Iowa:** Todd Stiles, First Family, Ankeny
- Kentucky:** John A. Lucas, First, Pikeville
- Mississippi:** Daniel L. (Dan) Lanier, Northcrest, Meridian
- Montana:** Caleb T. Groteluschen, Capstone, Helena
- North Carolina:** Christopher N. Dickerson, Arran Lake, Fayetteville

**GUIDESTONE FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

**Term Expires in 2026**

- Alabama:** \*James E. (Eric) Morgan, First, Prattville  
*replacing* \*David S. Puckett<sup>I</sup>, Shades Mountain, Birmingham
- New York:** † \*Danielle A. Kavanagh-Smith, Wake-Eden Community, Bronx  
*replacing* \*Rene A. Trewick<sup>I</sup>, Bronx, Bronx

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
Expiring in 2026**

- Arkansas:** \*David M. Rainwater, Immanuel, Little Rock
- Georgia:** \*Deana F. Hames, First, Woodstock
- Missouri:** Timothy R. (Tim) Huddleston, Osage Hills, Osage Beach
- Nevada:** Damian Cirincione, Shadow Hills, Las Vegas
- Oklahoma:** \*James R. (Jim) Scrivner, First, Ada
- South Carolina:** \*Gary L. Stooksbury, Millbrook, Aiken
- Tennessee:** \*Christopher L. (Chris) Kelly, Third, Murfreesboro

**INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD**

**Term Expires in 2024**

- Arizona:** Stephen P. Hayes, North Phoenix, Phoenix  
*replacing* Bret D. Burnett<sup>R</sup>, Mountain View, Tucson

**Term Expires in 2025**

- Montana:** † Sacha Hasenyager, Explore, Frenchtown  
*replacing* † Daniel S. Lambert<sup>R</sup>, Easthaven, Kalispell
- North Carolina:** \*Shannon Wallace, Christ Community, Huntersville  
*replacing* Will Gatling<sup>R</sup>, Bay Leaf, Raleigh

**Term Expires in 2026**

- Alabama:** Tracie M. Griggs, Southside, Southside  
*replacing* Cecil M. Sanders Jr.<sup>I</sup>, First, Headland
- Georgia:** \*Kristen Nichols, Mercy Hill, Marietta  
*replacing* William H. (Bill) Ricketts<sup>I</sup>, Prince Avenue, Bogart
- Mississippi:** \*Justin Ryan Lohmeier, Hillcrest, New Albany  
*replacing* \*William H. (Opie) Hurst<sup>I</sup>, Harrisburg, Tupelo
- New England:** \*Allison Karr Blessen, City on a Hill, Brookline, MA  
*replacing* Sam Taylor<sup>I</sup>, Nashua, Nashua, NH
- North Carolina:** † Donald M. Cline, Mt. Anderson, Maiden  
*replacing* Michael Cloer<sup>I</sup>, Englewood, Rocky Mount
- Ohio:** \*Marci C. Hare, First, Heath  
*replacing* Lawrence (Larry) Lambes<sup>I</sup>, Hillcrest, Carlisle

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INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD - *continued* -

**Tennessee:** \*Timothy S. Sheehy, Cornerstone, Germantown  
*replacing* Phillip D. Mitchell <sup>1</sup>, First, Adamsville  
**Texas:** \*Mary Jane Schwarz, First, McAllen  
*replacing* \*Thom Polvogt <sup>1</sup>, First, Katy  
 Gregory H. Pickering, Brazos Pointe, Lake Jackson  
*replacing* Robert M. (Mike) Simmons <sup>1</sup>, Hillcrest, Cedar Hill

## Eligible to Serve Another Term

## Expiring in 2026

**Florida:** Alan M. Brumback, Central, Sanford  
**Georgia:** \*Joyce A. Chambers, Grace, Monroe  
**Hawaii:** Christopher Martin, Makakilo, Kapolei  
**Nevada:** Thomas R. McCormick Jr., Hope, Las Vegas  
**New Mexico:** John E. Hinze, First, Tucumcari  
**Oklahoma:** Chris B. Wall, First, Owasso  
**South Carolina:** R. Marshall Blalock, First, Charleston  
**Texas:** John B. McCullough, Berea, Big Springs  
 James C. (Cliff) Mayton, Memorial, Spring  
 William T. (Tommy) Turner, First, Paris  
**Utah-Idaho:** David A. Edmunds, Hope, Salt Lake City, UT  
**Wyoming:** Daniel R. Brubeck, North Cheyenne, Cheyenne

## LIFEWAY CHRISTIAN RESOURCES

## Term Expires in 2023

**Arizona:** \*Janet W. Shrader, Casas, Tucson  
*replacing* Cheri Dempsey <sup>R</sup>, First Sahuaro Ranch, Glendale

## Term Expires in 2024

**New York:** †\*Arnaldo J. Castillo, Fordham, Bronx  
*replacing* \*Judith Sonich <sup>R</sup>, Bellewood, North Syracuse  
**North Carolina:** \*Joshua Benfield, Fairview, Apex  
*replacing* Yana J. Conner <sup>R</sup>, Oaks, Raleigh  
**Virginia:** \*Elaine D. Hanger, Parkway, Moseley  
*replacing* Gary Comeforo <sup>R</sup>, The Heights, Colonial Heights

## Term Expires in 2025

**Georgia:** \*Princess S. Moon, Image, Marietta  
*replacing* \*Randall P. (Randy) Smith <sup>R</sup>, Johnson Ferry, Marietta

## Term Expires in 2026

**Florida:** Scott E. Yirka, Hibernia, Fleming Island  
*replacing* James H. (Jimmy) Scroggins <sup>1</sup>, Family, West Palm Beach  
**Louisiana:** \*Seane S. Rice, Connect, New Orleans  
*replacing* \*J.D. Perry <sup>1</sup>, Florida Boulevard, Baton Rouge  
**New Mexico:** \*Kristin Overman, First, Albuquerque  
*replacing* \*Linda K. Dean <sup>1</sup>, Emmanuel, Farmington  
**Oklahoma:** \*Lana E. Gragert, First, Choctaw  
*replacing* \*Christopher (Todd) Fannin <sup>1</sup>, Life Fellowship, Pryor  
**Tennessee:** \*Elizabeth (Beth) Greene, First Concord, Knoxville  
*replacing* \*Burt Landers <sup>1</sup>, First, Shelbyville  
**Texas:** Tony Wolfe, Lakeland, Lewisville  
*replacing* Brad H. McLean <sup>1</sup>, First, New Braunfels  
 Wes T. Terry, Broadview, Abilene  
*replacing* Brice D. Mandaville <sup>1</sup>, First, Seguin  
 Ryan J. Gilbert, Lamar, Arlington  
*replacing* Roger A. Yancey <sup>1</sup>, West Conroe, Conroe

## Eligible to Serve Another Term

## Expiring in 2026

**Alabama:** Benjamin D. Posey, First, Leroy  
**Florida:** Curtis D. Clark, Immanuel, Pace  
**Mississippi:** Derrick Burt, First, Natchez

LIFEWAY CHRISTIAN RESOURCES - *continued* -

**Ohio:** Chad Keck, First, Kettering  
**Pennsylvania-South Jersey:** \*Madeline Harris, Ezekiel, Philadelphia, PA  
**South Carolina:** \*Cynthia M. Cook, South Main Street, Greenwood  
**Texas:** Jacob M. Fitzgerald, Denman Avenue, Lufkin

## NORTH AMERICAN MISSION BOARD

## Term Expires in 2023

**West Virginia:** Mason A. Ballard, Resurrection, Charleston  
*replacing* Brandon Carter <sup>R</sup>, Cross Lanes, Cross Lanes

## Term Expires in 2025

**South Carolina:** Wallace H. Harris, First, Simpsonville  
*replacing* Randy Bradley <sup>R</sup>, Locust Hill, Travelers Rest  
**Texas:** Stephen B. Trammel, First, Houston  
*replacing* Kenneth W. Priest <sup>R</sup>, Prestonwood, Plano

## Term Expires in 2026

**Alabama:** † John C. Jenkins, Northport, Northport  
*replacing* Charles M. (Danny) Wood <sup>1</sup>, Shades Mountain, Birmingham  
**Florida:** †\*Josh Reavis, North Jacksonville, Jacksonville  
*replacing* † William E. (Willy) Rice <sup>DS</sup>, Calvary, Clearwater  
**New England:** \*Heather L. Kirk, Renewal, Boston, MA  
*replacing* David Saylor <sup>1</sup>, First, Manchester, CT  
**North Carolina:** \*David E. Amiss, Poplar Spring, Zebulon  
*replacing* \*Cynthia E. (Cindy) Bush <sup>1</sup>, Bay Leaf, Raleigh  
**Northwest:** \*Daniel Kim, The Well, Bellevue, WA  
*replacing* Robert J. (Bob) Lowe <sup>1</sup>, First, Yelm, WA  
**Texas:** Jeff Young, Champion Forest, Houston  
*replacing* Denny J. Gorena <sup>1</sup>, First, Leonard  
**Texas:** \*Amy N. Thompson, Redeemer, Lubbock  
*replacing* \*Zoila Lopez <sup>1</sup>, First, Forney  
 Caleb M. Turner, Mesquite Friendship, Mesquite  
*replacing* Jarrett L. Stephens <sup>1</sup>, Champion Forest, Houston

## Eligible to Serve Another Term

## Expiring in 2026

**Florida:** Brian E. Nall, Olive, Pensacola  
**Louisiana:** Gevan L. Spinney, First, Haughton  
**Mississippi:** Tommy Mitchell, Agricola, Lucedale  
 Bill H. Wright, First, Purvis  
**Texas:** Bill L. Coffey, Pinecrest, Silsbee

## GATEWAY SEMINARY

## Term Expires in 2024

**West Virginia:** † Kyle D. Neal, Fairlawn, Parkersburg  
*replacing* Donald R. Yeager <sup>R</sup>, Southside, Parkersburg

## Term Expires in 2025

**Virginia:** Don L. Paxton, Rosedale, Abingdon  
*replacing* \*Raul Lozoya <sup>DS</sup>, Remnant, Richmond

## Term Expires in 2026

**Maryland-Delaware-DC:** Keith Myer, Harvest, Salisbury, MD  
*replacing* \*Mark Trammell <sup>R</sup>, Mt. Airy, Mt. Airy, MD  
**At-Large:** † Petro Moises Gomez, First, Irving, TX  
*replacing* Matt Carter <sup>R</sup>, Sagemont, Houston, TX

## Term Expires in 2027

**Arkansas:** Kelly D. Womack, Grand Avenue, Fort Smith  
*replacing* Ronnie H. Deal <sup>1</sup>, First, Greenwood  
**Michigan:** Jerome Taylor, Eastgate, Burton  
*replacing* Roberto R. Santos <sup>1</sup>, Philippine International, Taylor

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**GATEWAY SEMINARY - *continued* -**

**Oklahoma:** Heath Tucker, Waterloo Road, Edmond  
*replacing* M. Dale Griffin <sup>1</sup>, Immanuel, Shawnee  
**At-Large:** Young S. McCann, Journey, San Luis Obispo, CA  
*replacing* \*Robert Evans <sup>1</sup>, First, San Francisco, CA

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
 Expiring in 2027**

**Illinois:** Kevin Carrothers, First, Rochester  
**Pennsylvania-South Jersey:** \*Thomas M. (Tom) Toone, East Shore, Harrisburg, PA  
**South Carolina:** \*Charles H. (Chuck) Morton, First, Taylors  
**At-Large:** Walter A. Price, Fellowship in the Pass, Beaumont, CA

**MIDWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

**Term Expires in 2024**

**Mississippi:** † Ashley R. Thompson, Gaston, Booneville  
*replacing* \*Douglas C. Rule <sup>R</sup>, First, Jackson

**Term Expires in 2025**

**Local:** † \*Sadye Hudnall, Blue Valley, Overland Park, KS  
*replacing* Nathan G. Rose <sup>R</sup>, Liberty, Liberty, MO

**Term Expires in 2027**

**Alabama:** \*Kris D. Cornutt, Twelfth Street, Rainbow City  
*replacing* \*Ben O. Character <sup>1</sup>, Meadowbrook, Oxford  
**Louisiana:** Jason P. Kees, East Leesville, Leesville  
*replacing* Randall H. Tompkins <sup>1</sup>, Calvary, Alexandria  
**Oklahoma:** \*Kelli Northcutt, First, Ponca City  
*replacing* \*Larry W. Sheppard <sup>1</sup>, Clearview, Broken Arrow  
**Local:** \*Wade R. Pruitt, First, Clinton, OK  
*replacing* Bryan C. Pain <sup>1</sup>, First, Duncan, OK

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
 Expiring in 2027**

**Indiana:** Larry T. Lewis, Vann Avenue, Evansville  
**Texas:** \*David C. Shanks, Travis Avenue, Fort Worth  
**Local:** Jacob A. McMillian, Journey, St. Joseph, MO

**NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

**Term Expires in 2023**

**Nevada:** † Morné Martiz, Hope, Las Vegas  
*replacing* Samuel J. (Sam) Crouch <sup>R</sup>, Calvary, Elko  
**Local:** † \*Douglas J. Gunn, First, Jackson, MS  
*replacing* \*Gary W. Fordham <sup>R</sup>, First, Petal, MS

**Term Expires in 2026**

**Kentucky:** Brian C. Hinton, Highview, Louisville  
*replacing* Tim L. Searcy <sup>R</sup>, Allen, Allen

**Term Expires in 2027**

**Maryland-Delaware-DC:** Rhonda B. Caldwell, Kettering, Upper Marlboro, MD  
*replacing* \*Daniel Shieh <sup>1</sup>, Capitol Hill, Washington, DC  
**New Mexico:** Michael Kirby, Central, Clovis  
*replacing* David G. Brittain <sup>1</sup>, Celebration, Rio Rancho  
**Local:** Reginald L. (Reggie) Bridges, Temple, Ruston, LA  
*replacing* Michael E. (Mike) Shaw <sup>1</sup>, First, Pelham

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
 Expiring in 2027**

**Arkansas:** Larry D. White, Central, Conway  
**Florida:** Mark W. Warnock, Family, West Palm Beach  
**Mississippi:** \*William P. (Phil) Hanberry, Temple, Hattiesburg  
**Ohio:** Timothy E. Binns, First, Fairborn

**SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

**Term Expires in 2027**

**Local:** \*Ronnie W. Campbell, Swift Creek, Midlothian, VA  
*replacing* \*Charles H. Cranford <sup>1</sup>, Carmel, Charlotte, NC  
**Local:** \*Joe Maltempi, The Heights, South Chesterfield, VA  
*replacing* \*James R. Marston, Jr. <sup>1</sup>, Hyland Heights, Lynchburg, VA

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
 Expiring in 2027**

**Alabama:** Ed Litton, Redemption, Saraland  
**Arkansas:** Ryan A. Martin, First, Rogers  
**Florida:** Aaron D. Burgner, Lakes, Lakeland  
**New York:** Charles E. (Chuck) Jennings, Ridgewood, Lockport

**SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

**Term Expires in 2025**

**Local:** \*Mark A. Jordan, Third Avenue, Louisville, KY  
*replacing* \*Howard A. Pope <sup>R</sup>, Hurstbourne, Louisville, KY

**Term Expires in 2027**

**Arkansas:** \*Tamara J. Buck, Second, Conway  
*replacing* Jeff D. Breeding <sup>R</sup>, Midtown, Little Rock  
**Arkansas:** Courtney Reissig, Immanuel, Little Rock  
*replacing* Nick G. Floyd <sup>1</sup>, Cross, Springdale  
**California:** Stephen A. Jones, Immanuel, Highland  
*replacing* Alfred M. (Merril) Smoak Jr. <sup>1</sup>, Trinity, Livermore  
**Kentucky:** \*Glen W. (Wayne) Braswell, Porter Memorial, Lexington  
*replacing* Elizabeth H. (Ellie) Coursey <sup>1</sup>, First, Henderson  
**Local:** \*Margaret G. Beachy, Ballardsville, LaGrange, KY  
*replacing* \*Patricia A. Skelton <sup>1</sup>, Salem, Shelbyville, KY

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
 Expiring in 2027**

**Florida:** H.B. Charles Jr., Shiloh, Jacksonville  
**Oklahoma:** \*Harold D. Mathena, Quail Springs, Oklahoma City  
**Tennessee:** \*Bobby T. Hancock, Bellevue, Cordova  
**Texas:** \*Sally M. Ramsay, Champion Forest, Houston  
**Local:** \*Thomas N. (Nat) Millican, Highview, Louisville, KY  
**At-Large:** Bryan T. Myers, Faith, Fairbanks, AK

**SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**

**Term Expires in 2023**

**Florida:** Bob Bumgarner, Chets Creek, Jacksonville  
*replacing* Herb M. Reavis Jr. <sup>R</sup>, North Jacksonville, Jacksonville  
**At-Large:** \*George E. West II, North Garland, Garland, Texas  
*replacing* \*Jeanine D. Sanchez <sup>R</sup>, High Point, Austin

**Term Expires in 2027**

**Georgia:** \*Andrew Bunnell, Prince Avenue, Bogart  
*replacing* Jeff W. Crook <sup>1</sup>, Blackshear Place, Flowery Branch  
**Ohio:** \*Joshua W. Grega, Lifepoint, Lewis Center  
*replacing* Cornelius C. (Connie) Hancock <sup>1</sup>, Springboro, Springboro  
**Texas:** \*Timothy A. Rothberg, Sagemont, Houston  
*replacing* J. Kie Bowman <sup>DS</sup>, Hyde Park, Austin  
**At-Large:** Joshua W. Allen, Parkway Hills, Plano, TX  
*replacing* \*Don Whorton <sup>1</sup>, First, Dallas, TX

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
 Expiring in 2027**

**Indiana:** John C. Horn, City View, Avon  
**Louisiana:** \*Leon A. Stamm, Temple, Ruston  
**North Carolina:** N. Todd Houston, Beach Road, Southport  
**At-Large:** \*Louie L. Lu, Birchman, Fort Worth, TX

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**ETHICS & RELIGIOUS LIBERTY COMMISSION**

**Term Expires in 2023**

**New England:** Mitchell W. Kimbrell, Christ Memorial, Williston, VT  
replacing \*Robert L. Orleck<sup>R</sup>, Baptist Fellowship, Randolph, VT

**Term Expires in 2026**

**Kansas-Nebraska:** \*Greg G. Greer, River Community, Wichita, KS  
replacing Dan R. Anderson<sup>1</sup>, Prairie Hills Southern, Augusta, KS

**Kentucky:** Jaime F. Masso, Primera, Mayfield  
replacing Lynn O. Traylor<sup>1</sup>, Buckner, LaGrange

**Mississippi:** Matthew T. Morgan, Grace Community, Indianola  
replacing Mike Aultman<sup>1</sup>, Military, Sumrall

**New York:** \*Paul Yoo, Fordham Community, Bronx  
replacing Robert Dean<sup>1</sup>, Tonawanda Indian, Basom

**Eligible to Serve Another Term  
Expiring in 2026**

**Illinois:** D. Scott Foshie, Steeleville, Steeleville

**Virginia:** \*Christine Hoover, Charlottesville Community, Charlottesville

**At-Large:** David E. Prince, Ashland Avenue, Lexington, KY  
Kevin L. Smith, Family Church Village, West Palm Beach, FL

**COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Term Expires in 2025**

\*Ashley S. Davis, Dublin, Dublin, OH  
replacing \*Steven F. Bates<sup>1</sup>, First, Winnfield, LA

\*Beth Holmes, Yellow Creek, Owensboro, KY  
replacing \*C. Joyce Hall<sup>1</sup>, Broadmoor, Madison, MS

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

**Term Expires in 2024**

\*Jonathan Sams, Image, Marietta, GA  
replacing Roger Spradlin<sup>1</sup>, Valley, Bakersfield, CA

**Term Expires in 2025**

Jill R. Rayburn, Edwards Road, Greenville, SC  
replacing Greg Fields<sup>1</sup>, Nellis, Las Vegas, NV

Meagan N. Stedman, First, Westwego, LA  
replacing \*Sara K. Mills<sup>R</sup>, Friendship, Conway, AR

†Carolyn Fountain, Franklin Avenue, New Orleans  
replacing \*Stacy Bramlett<sup>ECN</sup>, First, Collierville, TN

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**2022 REGISTRATION COMMITTEE**

The below group is included in the list of Annual Meeting roles/responsibilities discussed on page 10. \*chair

Brandon Albritton	Amanda Eddingfield	Brittany McNair
Peggy Alexander	John Francis	Terri Miller
Lyman Alexander	Melody Hawks	Clara Molina*
Shawn Allred	Ben Hayes	Lynn Morris
Stephens Baumgardner	Kurt Hetherington	Heather Mount
Jim Bennett	Scott Hooker	Susan Parker
Pamela Booker	Penny Keathley	Rickesh Patel
Frederico Castro	Shane Kendrix	Allison Payne
Lyn Clark	Joe Lovell	Tommy Smith
Sharon Coppenger	Carola Manriquez	Keith Stevens
Keirsten Craig	Sharon Mayberry	William Woo
Jim Dyer	Mark McLendon	Briley Yeats
Ruth Ann Dyer	Meredith McLendon	

**ADDITIONAL SCHEDULED EVENTS**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 14**

**Lifeway Breakfast:** 6:30 am; Anaheim Marriott, Platinum Ballroom.  
EVENT IS FULL.

**Ministers' Wives Luncheon:** 12 pm (or following the Tues. morning session); Anaheim Marriott, Platinum Ballroom. Tickets: \$20; purchase at door or Ministers' Wives Luncheon Booth at the Women's Expo.

**For The Church Micro-Conference (sponsored by MBTS):** 12 pm (or following the Tues. morning session); Anaheim Convention Center, Ballrooms B/C/D. Tickets: \$18; [mbts.edu/event/ftc-anaheim-micro-conference-at-sbc22](http://mbts.edu/event/ftc-anaheim-micro-conference-at-sbc22). *Featuring worship, six micro-talks on "Six Humble Affirmations" from six SBC leaders, and will include lunch.*

**Valuing Life: Insights from the Bible and Science (sponsored by SEBTS):** 7 pm; Anaheim Convention Center, Level 2, Room 208A. FREE event. *Explore key pro-life issues from biblical, scientific, legal, and personal angles. Dessert served on first come-first serve basis.*

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15**

**SEBTS Women's Leadership Breakfast:** 7 am; Anaheim Convention Center, Level 3, Room 304C/D. Tickets: \$15; purchase at [sebtswomensbreakfast22.eventbrite.com](http://sebtswomensbreakfast22.eventbrite.com). *Topic: The Necessity/Practice of Personal Bible Study.*

**Bivocational & Small Church Leadership Network Luncheon (sponsored by NAMB):** 12 pm (or following the Wed. morning session); Anaheim Marriott, Platinum Ballrooms 1-3. For bivocational pastors and families; for more information, visit exhibit hall booth.

**Gateway Seminary Alumni & Friends Luncheon:** 12 pm (or following the Wed. morning session); Anaheim Marriott, Platinum Ballrooms 5/6. Tickets: \$10; purchase tickets at [gslunch.eventbrite.com](http://gslunch.eventbrite.com).

**MBTS Alumni & Friends Luncheon:** 12 pm (or following the Wed. morning session); Anaheim Convention Center, Ballrooms D/E. Tickets: \$20; available at [mbts.edu/event/alumni-friends-luncheon-at-sbc-anaheim](http://mbts.edu/event/alumni-friends-luncheon-at-sbc-anaheim).

**NOBTS Alumni & Friends Luncheon:** 12 pm (or following the Wed. morning session); Anaheim Convention Center, Ballrooms A/B, Tickets: \$20; available at [sbcannualmeeting.net/events](http://sbcannualmeeting.net/events), choose "Wednesday - June 15" and search for NOBTS Alumni & Friends Luncheon.

**SEBTS Alumni & Friends Luncheon:** 12 pm (or following the Wed. morning session); Anaheim Marriott, Grand Ballrooms E/F. Tickets: \$18; available at [sebtssatsbc22.eventbrite.com](http://sebtssatsbc22.eventbrite.com).

**SBTS Alumni & Friends Luncheon:** 12 pm (or following the Wed. morning session); Anaheim Hilton, California Ballrooms C/D. Tickets: \$25; purchase at [sbcannualmeeting.net/events](http://sbcannualmeeting.net/events).

**SWBTS Alumni & Friends Luncheon:** 12 pm (or following the Wed. morning session); Anaheim Marriott, Marquis Ballroom Sections Center & North. Tickets: \$25; purchase at [swbts.edu/sbc22](http://swbts.edu/sbc22).

*The events listed above are those sponsored by SBC entities, but do not reflect all of the events that will be taking place on Tuesday and Wednesday. For a complete listing, visit [sbcannualmeeting.net/events](http://sbcannualmeeting.net/events) or download the SBC Annual Meeting app.*