# SOUTHWEST METROPLEX BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

# **Annual Meeting**

October 20, 2024
First Baptist Church, Burleson
317 W. Ellison
Burleson, Texas 76028
5:00 PM



# 160th Annual Meeting First Baptist Church, Burleson October 20, 2024

# Dinner - 5:00 PM

Welcome to the Annual Meeting! During the evening meal we will hear from our State Convention representatives. If you have a motion to make during the Association's Annual Meeting, please present it in writing to the Executive Director prior to the start of the meeting.

# Annual Meeting - 6:00 PM

Worship

Call to Order

Prayer

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Preliminary Order of Business

Financial Report

Administration Team

Church Planting Team

Church Revitalization Team

Ministry Team

Partnership Missions Team

Unscheduled Business

Celebration Choir and Orchestra

Executive Director's Report

Worship & Benediction

FBC Burleson Worship Team

Scott Whitson, Executive Director

Chris Smith, Administration Team, FBC Cleburne

John Paul McGee, FBC Rio Vista

Moderator

Michel West, Treasurer, Cross Timber Baptist

Chris Smith

Scott Sharman, Alsbury

Marc Barnett, FBC Covington

Mike Acker, New Hope Baptist

Ricky Gobert, Cedar Creek

Moderator

Loyce Milam, Director

Scott Whitson

FBC Burleson

When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place.

# Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association Minutes Executive Board Meeting, July 30, 2024 Cross Timber Baptist Church

Greetings from Scott Whitson, Director of Missions of the Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association. Scott offered thanks to Pastor Rusty Gilliam and the Cross Timber Baptist Church family for hosting the Executive Board Meeting and providing an excellent meal. Pastor of Cross Timber Baptist Church, Rusty Gilliam, opened the meeting in prayer and offered blessing over the food.

Scott Whitson, "Moderator, Adam Mathews, Pastor of Nolan River Road Baptist Church, accepted a position at a church in Georgia, we need to approve a moderator for this meeting." Keith Whitt was elected to moderate the meeting.

#### **Minutes**

Reviewed from April 23<sup>rd,</sup> Executive Board Meeting at Marystown Baptist Church, approved by all.

## **Budget Report**

Acct. # 207: Sympathy/Bereavement, over budget; bereavement | Acct. # 305 Building Insurance has increased. | Acct. # 402 was over to help provide pulpit supply for New Hope Community Church. | Giving to the Association has remained strong this quarter. | \$150,000.00 from the general checking account was deposited in Edward Jones to accrue interest. | One question was asked about when the Church Planting Endowment began; it began prior to current DOM. | Budget, approved by all.

# Reports

- FBC, Alvarado reported on the Young Adult Bible Study, county-wide, at FBC Burleson, Thursdays, 7–9 PM for 18–30ish year-old singles; includes some married without children | TJ Arango, FBC Alvarado. Currently 7 15 attend each week.
- Scott reported the plan to begin the Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association's Celebration Choir and Orchestra, fashioned after the TX Baptist Singing Men as an evangelistic ministry.

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Aug. 27 Leader's Lunch, Noon, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Guest Speaker, Greg Ray
- Sept. 8-15 Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions | Week of Prayer for Missionaries
- Sept. 22-29 Prayer for "Reach Texas Week" and Offering
- Sept. 24 Minister's Lunch, Noon, New Hope Baptist Church, Guest Adam King
- Sept. 29 Student Impact Rally (Grades 6–12) Cleburne Convention Center, 3-7 PM
- Oct. 10 WMU Meeting, College Heights Baptist Church, 10:00 AM
- Oct. 20 Annual Meeting, FBC Burleson, 5:00 PM Meal, 6:00 PM Meeting
- Oct. 23 Crossover Lunch Meeting, Hillcrest Baptist Church, Cedar Hill, 10:30 AM
- Dec. 3-5 Lottie Moon Craft Fair & Bake Sale, WMU, 10:00 AM, 3:00 PM, Sale Days Dec. 4-5
- Jan. 16 Latham Springs Adult 50+ Spring Rally, 8:30 AM Registration, 9:00-12:00 PM Welcome and Program, 12:00 PM Lunch (Costs \$8.00), 1:30-3:00 PM Program; RSVP for Meal

#### **Weekly Events**

- Tuesday Prayer Gathering at the Association office, 6:30–7:30 AM
- Thursday Young Adult Bible Study, FBC Burleson, 7:00-9:00 PM

# Minutes, Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association Executive Board Meeting of July 30, 2024, Cross Timber Baptist Church, Page 2 of 2

# **Churches Seeking Pastors:**

- Bethesda Baptist (Associate Pastor Jeremy Dudley, Interim)
- College Heights, Cleburne (Royce Dodd, Interim)
- Buel Baptist, Cleburne (David Hampton)
- Parker Baptist, Cleburne (Alan Kyle, Interim)
- Hill Church, Cleburne
- FBC, Burleson

#### **Convention Dates**

- Nov. 10–12, Texas Baptists Annual Meeting, Waco Convention Center (Waco) https://www.texasbaptists.org/events/annual-meeting
- Nov. 11–12, SBTC Annual Meeting, Sagemont Church (Houston) https://sbtexas.com/event/annual-meeting/

# Testimony

• Dawn & Steven McIntire, Cross Timber Baptist Church

# Scott's thoughts and reminders.

Upcoming lunch meetings with Greg Ray and Adam King. | Tanzania mission trip report: Presented the gospel to 427, 187 professions of faith, 26 baptisms, all 10 churches are carrying on, 2 have need of new place to meet, funding continues.) | Association on-line giving platform, now ready – use it. | Michael Davidson of Friendship Baptist Church has been called by FBC, Carlsbad, NM, to pastor; starts Aug. 5th. | Reminded people about bookkeeper's seminar, Sept. 28; need host church. | Scott will be on vacation July 30 - Aug. 9. | Shantung (now called Shandong, just below Beijing.) Revival (hunger for more of God, repentance, confession of sin, restoring relationships, digging into the Word as to why we have little power and effect.) Using examples from the Shantung Revival (1927-1937), Scott notes the kinds of things that led to revival (hunger...) and encouraged attitudes to give these matters a priority in our churches.

Keith Whitt, North Cleburne Baptist Church, "Any questions or miscellaneous business; motion to adjourn?" "Motion to adjourn, all in favor, raise your hand." Motion to adjourn, by all.

Scott	Sharman,	closed	in	prayer

Vicki Mayes, Clerk. July 30, 2024

# **Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association**

		2024 Jan - Sept				2025			
Description		Budget		Spent		Balance		Budget	
201 Admin. Discretionary	\$	300	\$	-	\$	300	\$	300	
203 Ex. Dir. Travel/Conferences	\$	2,000	\$	2,123	\$	(123)	\$	2,000	
204 Ex. Dir. Mission Trip	\$	5,000	\$	2,910	\$	2,090	\$	5,000	
205 Ministry Reimbursement	\$	2,800	\$	1,471	\$	1,329	\$	2,800	
206 Support Staff Development	\$	100	\$	-	\$	100	\$	100	
207 Sympathy/bereavement	\$	250	\$	489	\$	(239)	\$	500	
209 Supplies	\$	3,000	\$	2,207	\$	793	\$	3,000	
210 Office Equip./Service	\$	2,000	\$	449	\$	1,551	\$	2,000	
212 Leadership Development	\$	3,800	\$	2,372	\$	1,428	\$	3,800	
Total 200	\$	19,250	\$	12,021	\$	7,229	\$	19,500	
301 Assoc. Mtgs./Annual Mtgs.	\$	2,172	\$	3,050	\$	(878)	\$	3,000	
304 Utilities	\$	7,100	\$	5,469	\$	1,631	\$	7,300	
305 Building Insurance	\$	3,900	\$	2,439	\$	1,461	\$	5,200	
306 Worker's Compensation	\$	1,000	\$	482	\$	518	\$	600	
307 Maintenance	\$	3,200	\$	1,879	\$	1,321	\$	2,000	
308.1 Ex. Dir. Salary	\$	58,193	\$	43,645	\$	14,548	\$	59,939	
308.2 Ex. Dir. Housing	\$	25,000	\$	18,750	\$	6,250	\$	25,000	
308.3 Ex. Dir. Annuity/Employer	\$	7,000	\$	5,250	\$	1,750	\$	7,000	
308.5 Insurance	\$	20,000	\$	14,988	\$	5,012	\$	20,000	
310.1 Adm. Asst.	\$	35,053	\$	26,200	\$	8,853	\$	36,105	
310.2 Adm. Asst. Annuity/Employer	\$	2,000	\$	1,500	\$	500	\$	2,000	
312 Employer Taxes	\$	8,200	\$	5,728	\$	2,472	\$	8,900	
Total 300	\$	172,818	\$	129,380	\$	43,438	\$	177,044	
402 Church Revitalization	\$	2,500	\$	2,600	\$	(100)	\$	2,600	
Total 400	\$	2,500	\$	2,600	\$			2,600	
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501 New Church Funding

Total 501

\$	16,000	-		H	16,000
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601 BSM		\$	3,500	\$	3,500	\$	-	\$	3,500
604 Latham Springs Encampment		\$	6,000	\$	4,500	\$	1,500	\$	6,000
605 WMU/CWJC		\$	1,000	\$	1,000	\$	-	\$	1,000
Total 600		\$	10,500	\$	9,000	\$	1,500	\$	10,050
701 Partnership Missions		\$	9,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	9,000
702.1 Tanzania		\$	-	\$	945	\$	-	\$	-
702.2 Mexico		\$	-	\$	м	\$	-	\$	-
702.3 Vancouver		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Total 700		\$	9,000	\$	945	\$	8,055	\$	9,000
Budget Summary		\$	230,068	\$	153,946	\$	76,122	\$ 2	234,194
2024 Gifts Through Sept. 30, 2024				\$	166,640				
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CHECKING ACCOUNT				TO'	TAL FINANC	IAL	SUMMAR	Y	
Opening Balance Jan.	01,2024	\$	117,973						
Ending Balance Sep	t.30, 2024			\$	141,705				
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Allocated Monies		ф	12.070						
TZ Designated Funds		\$	12,978						
Hispanic Conference		\$	1,268						
Bi-vocational Minister's Retreat		\$	1,500						
WMU		\$	5,429						
Church Revitalization		<u>\$</u>	70,000	=					
Total Allocated Monies		\$	91,175						

**Edward Jones Endowment** 

Edward Jones Undesignated

Edward Jones / Church Planting Endowment

\$ 758,464

\$ 913,676

155,212

# GUILDELINES FOR SOUTWEST METROPLEX BAPTIST ASSOCIATION REVITALIZATION PROJECT FUNDS

Revitalization is the process and journey of breathing life into a declining and unhealthy church body, with the desire to see that church thrive again.

# **Eligibility Guidelines:**

- 1. The church should be an active participant in Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association. Non-active churches in SWMBA must commit to become active financially in the association, which includes the senior pastor's presence at meetings.
- 2. It is strongly recommended the church be approved by the BGCT or SBTC Revitalization Department in order to work in partnership with a state consultant.<sup>1</sup>
- 3. The senior pastor must be interviewed with by SWMBA's Executive Director and/or the associational Revitalization Team.
- 4. The church must have or create a revitalization strategy approved by the association's Executive Director and the Revitalization Team.

# Phases of Participation:

- 1. Application
  - a. Church leader requests assistance from Association
  - b. Church leader applies with BGCT or SBTC
  - c. Review of application with convention consultant and church leadership
- 2. Implementation
  - a. Strategy Development
  - b. Funding Agreement
  - c. Coaching and Consulting Arrangement
  - d. Follow up and Evaluation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under certain circumstances the Association may provide revitalization funding for churches not approved by either state convention.

# SWMBA CHURCH PLANTING ENDOWMENT FUND

SOUTHWEST METROPLEX BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, INC. (Revised January 2016)

Authority

The Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association (SWMBA) Church Planting Endowment is established as a ministry of and operating under the oversight of the Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association, Inc., Cleburne, Texas, a 501©3 corporation, and as authorized by the Association voting in Annual Session on October 17, 2006.

Purpose

The "Church Planting Endowment" is established to (1) provide funds management, (2) distribute the net income from the investment of said funds for the purpose of aiding and assisting in church planting and/or mission advancement in the Association.

**Funds Management** 

To accomplish the purpose of the endowment, the funds will be managed at the discretion of the SWMBA Administration Team and the net proceeds disbursed at the discretion of the SWMBA Church Planting Team.

# Administration

- 1. Gifts shall be received by SWMBA office, directly or through the churches.
- 2. Gifts may be received as cash, real property, personal property to use and apply any part of the income from the principal exclusively for religious or charitable purposes either directly or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)3 of the Tax Code.
- 3. The principal investment of the Endowment shall not be invaded but will remain intact.
- 4. Any undistributed income may be added to the principal at the discretion of the Administration Team.
- 5. The investment or reinvestment of funds shall be the responsibility of the Administration Team. The Administration Team will use its best judgement in investment policies while consulting representatives of investment corporations. The Administration Team shall not be held responsible for loss or unfavorable result arising from its actions.
- 6. The Church Planting Team will decide the disbursement of funds.

#### Distribution of Funds

The Church Planting Team will distribute funds from the net income of the SWMBA Church Planting Endowment to SWMBA member churches and missions. The Church Planting Tam will determine the specific need and be responsive to assist in carrying out the purposes of, and promote the ministries, programs and activities of the Southwest Metroplex Baptist Association in purpose or function with emphasis on:

1. Establishing and supporting new Baptist church plants in SWMBA, the United States and internationally.

2. Special mission projects/needs defined as evangelistic projects, events/rallies, etc. in support of new church plants.

3. One-time capital gift to jump-start a strategic mission project.

4. Supporting SWMBA partnership mission projects.

Amounts will be determined by the Church Planting Team in consultation with church plant/mission/project sponsors and/or co-sponsors and other resource providers.

Changes to Governance

Changes to these rules of governance of the Church Planting Endowment shall be made by a majority vote in consecutive SWMBA Executive Board meetings, notice having been given by the SWMBA office by postal or electronic mail at least one month prior to the final (second) vote.



# **2024 ANNUAL REPORT**

Another great year has been recorded for Christian camping at Latham Springs Camp & Retreat Center. This marks the 101<sup>st</sup> year that Latham Springs has been serving God's people.

Total Attendance: 18,218

Professions of Faith: 846

Rededications: 396

Special Service: 77

Total Public Decisions: 1,467

10,991 campers attended the 10+ weeks of summer camp season. A special 'thanks' goes out to all those whose hard work and dedication made each week of camp a success.

Construction on the new adult conference center is nearly complete. This new facility includes 80 motel type rooms, a worship center, several conference rooms, lobby/welcome center, fellowship lounge, and a dining facility. The building was used several times before summer, and has numerous groups scheduled for this fall already. Completion of the dining hall and the remaining parking area is scheduled for this fall.

The camp is still looking for additional churches/groups to join in our 'Adopt-a-Cabin' program. This gives our local churches the opportunity to partner with us in praying for specific cabins, along with helping provide volunteer labor for annual upkeep. For more information on how your group can get involved with this new program, please contact the office.

Latham Springs is looking for volunteer crews to help with various projects around the campus.

Exciting days are ahead for the ministry of Latham Springs. The Board of Trustees continues to promote the process that will lead to the expansion of facilities, to enhance this great ministry. Please remember that Latham Springs is not funded by any state or national conventions, and depends on camp fees and your gifts to operate. The staff and trustees of Latham Springs wish to thank you for your support during the past year. We pray that this cooperative mission effort to reach and minister to individuals and groups might continue to bring glory to HIM.

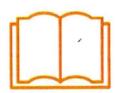
Please call the Latham Springs office to let us know how we can help with your camp or retreat needs.

"Come to the waters, all who thirst"
Isaiah 55:1

# Celebrating God's work in 2023

As reported by IMB missionaries and partners





141,206 new Christ followers

116,992 baptisms around the world

879,798
people who heard
the gospel

885,964
views of digital gospel
content in multiple
languages

269,571 individuals discipled globally

63,481
national believers trained in leadership and evangelism

21,992
national believers trained to send
missionaries cross-culturally



401,654
people served by human
needs projects

REACHING THE NATIONS, TOGETHER.

imb.org





# Ministry Report

MOBILIZING CHURCHES



MULTIPLYING IMPACT

Hello from the 2,700-plus churches of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention!

Texas is growing and so is lostness. To counter this growing rate of lostness, the SBTC is mobilizing churches to multiply disciple-making movements in Texas and around the world.

We do that by guiding churches to three pathways:

Resourcing churches with tools and training

Networking leaders with relationships and partnerships

Advancing mission with giving and sending opportunities

This report highlights the impact of our cooperative work. May God bless you as you meet together. We rejoice with you as you celebrate God's faithfulness and seek His direction for the coming year.



Nathan Lorick
SBTC Executive Director



The Equip Conference, held at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Plano on July 27, encouraged church staff and laypeople to live and serve "Above and Beyond." More than 80 speakers led 212 breakout sessions on a wide array of ministry topics. When final numbers were tallied, 1,064 attendees registered for the conference, which included the SBTC En Español ministry track. Two hundred and twenty-seven churches were represented at the event. This event continues to be one of our most effective tools to normalize disciple-making.

# ← Empower

The Empower Conference, held at the Irving Convention Center in February, encouraged pastors, students, and leaders to prioritize evangelism and maximize sending. Total registration exceeded 4,300, which includes breakout sessions, Hispanic and Asian evangelism conferences, and the Student Rally. Additionally, there were 111 virtual attendees. We look forward to our next Empower Conference on Feb. 24-25, 2025.

# Regenesis

The SBTC is helping churches renew their purpose and reach their communities through the Regenesis church health process. The process launched in 2022 and has continued to multiply throughout the state. Midway through 2024, 139 churches have participated in Regenesis.



The SBTC Student Ministry comes alongside churches to reach the next generation for Christ. In 2024, 6,607 teenagers and 150 churches were engaged through M3 WKND, M3 Camps, and the Empower Student Rally. Through these outreaches, an estimated 940 students responded to the gospel with professions of faith and commitments to be baptized and serve.

# Collegiate Ministry

SBTC Collegiate Ministry engaged 563 collegiate ministry leaders and students this year. The College Discipleship Conference and Roundup Conference equipped college students to faithfully live out the Great Commission in their lives and their missional context. This year, several college ministers answered the call to plant a church in a college context, and in 2025, three of them will be working through the Send Network process to start a church.

# Disaster Relief

As of summer 2024, there have been 34 responses by SBTC Disaster Relief teams, which includes out-of-state deployments to Florida, Tennessee, Arkansas, and New Mexico. God continues to use our volunteers as they minister to the spiritual and physical needs of disaster survivors. Volunteers from local churches deploy to areas of need across the state. Together they have contributed 34,930 volunteer hours and reported 4,211 professions of faith.



# Church Planting

God continues to bless the SBTC with new churches. In 2024, we anticipate planting 50 churches. As of summer 2024, 30 new church planters have been assessed. In October, we will host the largest assessment in the history of Send Network SBTC—our convention's church planting partnership with the North American Mission Board—by assessing 36 planters in English and Spanish. This year, Sending Labs were launched across Texas to equip pastors and church leaders to become sending churches. Our team is grateful for the opportunity to serve the churches of the SBTC family. Together, we are advancing the kingdom and fulfilling the Great Commission by planting healthy, gospelcentered churches throughout Texas.



SBTC En Español continues to impact
Hispanic churches in all areas of ministry.
Hispanic women are equipped through the
Florece and Come Away retreats and She
Stands conferences. Likewise, Hispanic men
are encouraged through the Men of Impact
retreat and other regional conferences.
Youth Week camp helps English-speaking
students navigate an ever-changing culture
with the truth of God's Word. We also provide
senior retreats, pastor and wife date nights,
concerts of prayer, Bible institutes, and
Spanish tracks at the Empower Conference,
Equip Conference, and SBTC Annual Meeting.



# **OUR MISSION FOCUS**

**Mobilizing** churches to **multiply** disciple-making movements in Texas and around the world.

We are striving to counter the growing rate of lostness in Texas.



# **PATHWAYS**

The mission takes place on three strategic pathways.

- (1) Resourcing Churches with tools and training.
- (2) Networking Leaders with relationships and partnerships.
- (3) Advancing Mission with giving and sending opportunities.



Learn about our mission at

sbtexas.com





The Cooperative Program (CP) is our primary giving model. As churches give, 45% of undesignated receipts remain in Texas to mobilize SBTC churches, and 55% is forwarded to SBC entities for national and international ministry. Your giving through CP supports international missionaries serving in some of the harshest mission fields on the planet, mobilizes church planters in North America, trains students at our six SBC seminaries, and so much more.



# Southern Baptists of Texas Convention

32.22%

#### Missional Ministries

- · Church Planting
- Evangelism
- · Disaster Relief
- Collegiate Ministries
- Training, Camps
   Events

28.33%

#### Church Health & Leadership

- Pastors, Staff & Church Leadership
- Church Ministries, Revitalization & Administration
- Regional Connections

15.18%

#### Digital Ministries & Communications

- Digital Resources
- Technology Ministries
- · Digital Church Support
- Texan Magazine/Online

10.76%

#### Cooperative Ministries

- · Cooperative Program
- · Reach Texas Offering
- Associations, Networks & Fellowships

11.52%

#### Business & Operations

- StewardshipTax Seminars
- Business
   Administration

1.99%

### In-State Special Allocation

- · Protection Benefit
- Minister's Outside
   Retirement

# Southern Baptist Convention

50,41%

International Mission Board 22.79%

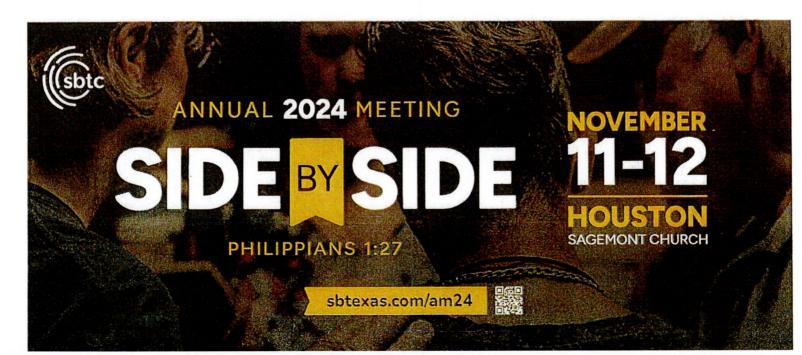
North American Mission Board 22.16%

Theological Education 2.99%

SBC Operating Budget 1.65%

Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission

For more info visit sbtexas.com/cp





#### HELLO PASTORS AND LAY LEADERS!

What an exciting time in ministry the fall season is. As churches launch their annual ministry cycle, and as associations and state conventions celebrate what God has done, we rely on the Bible's promise, "being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." (Philippians 1:6, NIV)

As executive director for Texas Baptists, I am so thankful for the partnership we share with local associations and churches. We are committed to serving local churches and partnering together with these churches, associations and other institutions for the sake of the gospel.

As we partner together, Texas Baptists remains committed to the Great Commandment and the Great Commission. We take seriously our Lord's commission to make disciples of all nations. We also cherish God's command to love him with our entire being and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Texas has grown by the millions over the last twelve years or so. Our state's population is now well over 30 million. Not only do we have more people living in our state than ever before, but we are also now a more diverse population than ever before. The nations have truly come to us!

The biggest demographic group in Texas is the Hispanic population, followed by the Anglo and African-American populations. Of the 5,300 churches that align with BGCT about 2,750 are primarily Anglo (including multiple Western Heritage/Cowboy churches), 1,200 are Hispanic, over 1,000 are African-American and 350 are intercultural.

There are 168 languages spoken in Texas. On any given weekend, Texas Baptists churches worship in about 80 of those languages. Texas Baptists have made great strides in reaching the diverse population of our state, but we still have a long way to go. Business as usual will not get it done.

While we continue to pray, give and send gospel workers overseas, we need churches to live and work missionally to reach their communities and their cities for Christ. We need churches who have a vision and a passion for church starting. We need more people answering God's call to church ministry and missions. We need cross-cultural disciple-makers. And we need our churches to have a global vision.

This November at our Texas Baptists Annual Meeting in Waco, we will gather around the theme "His Kingdom Agenda" based on Luke 4:18-19. We hope to rally around Jesus' kingdom agenda and to commit ourselves anew to being Kingdom partners. It will take all of us to reach our state for Christ and to be good stewards of the resources we have been given for global missions.

Our five ministry centers—church health, ministerial health, cultural engagement, missional engagement and collegiate ministry—and our GC2 initiative, office of theological education, Texas Baptists Missions Foundation and 24 institutional ministry partners are poised to serve our churches and be an extension of them as we pray, give and collaborate together for the glory of God.

For the sake of the Kingdom,

JULIO GUARNERI, PH. D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/CEO TEXAS BAPTISTS

# CENTER for CHURCH HEALTH

The Center for Church Health focuses on anything that can be helpful to the local church. Our goal is to equip the local church for disciple-making, worshiping, evangelizing, studying God's word and any other area of service they are called.

txb.org/church

55,884

ministers and layleaders were trained through special events, consultations and speaking engagements 39,509

trained through evangelism events

# CENTER for MINISTERIAL HEALTH

The Center for Ministerial Health exists to assist pastors in being strong and healthy. There is no "one-size-fits-all" approach to ministry, so we do all we can to support and care for each pastor in their unique ministry context.

txb.org/minister

600+

contacts made through Interim Church Services 11,500

contacts made by Area Representatives

# CENTER for CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT

The Center for Cultural Engagement serves as an agent of transformation to replicate the servant leadership exemplified by Jesus. We are engaging the culture by meeting needs, showing God's love, and sharing the Good News of Jesus is our primary focus.

txb.org/culture

5,994,513

meals served through Texas Baptist Hunger Offering 1,185

new believers

# CENTER for MISSIONAL ENGAGEMENT

The Center for Missional Engagement connects churches with missional opportunities in their communities, their cities, our state, our nation or internationally. Our goal is to develop a different way of thinking - a missional lifestyle - in the collective minds of our partner churches.

txb.org/missions

406,438

people impacted by house and organic churches

2,009

new believers

# CENTER for COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

The Center for Collegiate Ministry engages 1.6 million Texas college students with the gospel to follow Christ and transform the world. Our model is focused on engagement, discipleship and mobilization through partnership with local churches to develop future leaders.

24,729

students reached through BSM

7,795
spiritual conversations

txb.org/college

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\*Statistics based on 2023 ministry reports