



American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A.

BOARD OF GENERAL MINISTRIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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PROPOSED AGENDA March 13-14, 2013

Wednesday, March 13, 2013; 2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.; Constellation Room

1. Welcome and Call to Order ABC President Ruth Clark
2. Worship Jeff Savage, BGM Chaplain
3. Concerns and Celebrations Ruth Clark
4. Consent Agenda: Adoption of the Agenda and Approval of Minutes Ruth Clark

Proposed Action: *To adopt as presented (or as modified) the items included in the consent agenda: the proposed agenda dated March 13-14, 2013, and the November 8, 2012 minutes of the BGM Executive Committee.*

5. *Transformed by the Spirit*
 - Journey Team Report: Judy Allbee, Jeff Savage, Zina Jacque, Dwight Stinnett (members of the *Transformed by the Spirit* Journey Team)
 - Discussion of future work after the consultation period ends

- ABCUSA experiments (ALT work)

6. Update on Situation in Connecticut Judy Allbee, Executive Minister

- Gun control letter

7. Report of the President Ruth Clark

8. Report of the General Secretary A. Roy Medley

DINNER: 6:00 p.m.

The Executive Committee will enjoy dinner together at 6:00 p.m. in the Atrium Room, Lobby Level. Dr. Dwight Stinnett, Executive Minister of ABC of the Great Rivers Region; Dr. Alistair Brown, President of Northern Baptist Theological Seminary; and Dr. William Crothers, Interim President of Judson University will be our guests, and will share reports of ministry following our meal together.

9. Reports of Ministry

- Great Rivers Region – Dr. Dwight Stinnett, Executive Minister
- Northern Baptist Seminary – Dr. Alistair Brown, President
- Judson University – Dr. William Clark Crothers

10. Prayer/Recess Ruth Clark

Thursday, March 14, 2013; 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Constellation Room

11. Reconvening of the BGM Executive Committee Ruth Clark

12. Worship Jeff Savage

13. Financial Report James R. Ratliff, Alan Musoke

- 2012 Year-end Financial Statements
- Biennial Banking Resolution

14. Tax Exempt Status Roy Medley
15. General Secretary's New Term Ruth Clark
16. Cora and John Sparrowk President's Award Ruth Clark
- Recipients
 - Funding Concerns
17. Reports/Announcements
- Director of Development Leo Thorne
Director for Mission Resource Development
 - Action Learning Team (ALT) Groups
 - ABCUSA Identity ABC Vice President Don Ng
Leo Thorne
 - The Beloved Community Ruth Clark
 - ABCORI Executive Minister, Tom Wiles Roy Medley
 - National Leadership Council Roy Medley
 - BGM Orientation, June 2013 Ruth Clark
 - Planning Retreat, September 2013 Ruth Clark
 - 2014 Ministers Conference/OTABL, Orlando Roy Medley
 - Mission Table Roy Medley

LUNCH: 12:00 p.m.

**The Executive Committee will recess for lunch together in the Atrium Room of the Spring Hill Suites.
The Meeting will reconvene at 1:00 p.m.**

18. Affirmative Action Officer Johnson Eapen
Roy Medley
19. Follow-up on:
- Response Groups
 - a. Congregational Life – American Bible Society Don Ng

b. Christian Unity

Ruth Clark

- Baptist-Muslim Dialogue
- ABC-COB Delegation to Israel/Palestine (Dec. 9-18, 2012) – Next Steps
- ABWomen’s Ministries Trip to Lebanon/Republic of Georgia (Jan. 15-28, 2013) – Next Steps

• CBF Discussions

a. Joint staff meeting (Feb. 5, 2013 in Atlanta)

Roy Medley

b. Meeting with Tony Campolo (Dec. 7, 2012)

Roy Medley

c. Mercer University Status

Roy Medley

• Mission Summit/Biennial

Reg Mills, Chair
Mission Summit/Biennial Planning Team

- Business Session at Biennial

20. 2014 BGM/BGM Executive Committee Meeting Dates

21. Executive Session/Adjournment

The BGM Executive Committee will meet in Executive Session. If any agreements are made during this time, those agreements will be recorded, sealed in an envelope and filed with the official minutes filed in the General Secretary’s office.

The next meeting of the BGM Executive Committee will be held on Monday, June 17 at 2:00 p.m. in Overland Park, KS.