



American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A.

BOARD OF GENERAL MINISTRIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

September 12-14, 2013

Meeting Venue:

***First Chinese Baptist Church
15 Waverly Place
San Francisco, CA 94108
415-362-4139***

Hotel Accommodations:

***SW (Sam Wong) Hotel
615 Broadway
San Francisco, CA 94108-2118
415-362-2999***

**Ruth Clark, President
Donald Ng, Vice President
Jim Ratliff, Budget Review Officer
Frank Christine, Jr., Past President**

PROPOSED AGENDA

(The ABC Officers will meet at FCBC from 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 12.)

Thursday, September 12, 2013; 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order, Welcome and Prayer for Dinner

ABC President Ruth Clark

DINNER

The Executive Committee will share dinner together at 5:00 p.m. at First Chinese Baptist Church.

2. Mission Summit/Biennial – Time of Celebration

President Clark

Friday, September 13, 2013; 8:30 a.m – 9:00 p.m.

Session 1 (8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)

3. Call to Order

4. Devotions Dennis Johnson, Parliamentarian

Lighting of the Christ Candle

BGM Chaplain Jeff Savage is not able to be at this meeting. Parliamentarian Dennis Johnson will lead in a time of Worship.

5. Consent Agenda: Adoption of the Agenda and Approval of Minutes President Clark

Proposed Action: *To adopt the agenda dated September 12-14, 2013, and
To approve the June 18, 2013 minutes of the BGM Executive
Committee (held in Overland Park, KS)*

6. President's Report Ruth Clark

7. Report of the General Secretary A. Roy Medley

*The General Secretary's report will be presented prior to the meeting as a written report.
Time will be provided during the meeting to address any questions.*

BREAK (9:45-10:00 a.m.)

8. 10:00 a.m. - Order of the Day: Mission Table Update C. Jeff Woods
Associate General Secretary for Regional Ministries

*Jeff Woods will join the Executive Committee via by GoToMeeting and will provide an update on
planning for the November Mission Table.*

9. Financials James R. Ratliff, Budget Review Officer

- YTD Financial Statements
- Building Issues

10. Apportionment of Mission Summit/Biennial Delegates/Local Churches & UM Giving

*This will be forwarded to the Finance Committee to review with a request to bring back a
report to the Executive Committee.*

11. Joint Board Meeting: Review BGM Table Group Reflections

11:30 a.m. -- TRANSPORTATION TO GRAND LAKE GARDENS IN OAKLAND

LUNCH (12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.)

The Executive Committee will be hosting a buffet lunch meeting for American Baptist leaders in the Bay Area. Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. in the Grand Assembly Room (7th floor) of Grand Lake Gardens (401 Santa Clara Ave.). There will be time for discussion and sharing. Following the luncheon gathering, the Executive Committee will continue to meet at Grand Lake Gardens for Business Session 2.

Session 2 (2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.)

12. ABCUSA Office of Development Updates Ken Marsenburg, Director of Development

Ken Marsenburg will share with the Executive Committee an update on steps taken in the area of development since the June BGM meetings and how he sees the work progressing.

13. *Transformed by the Spirit: Next Steps* A. Roy Medley

14. November BGM Meeting Planning

- Review of Mission Resource Response Groups Schedule
- Beloved Community

15. Executive Session

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

6:00 p.m. -- TRANSPORTATION TO SAUSALITO

DINNER (7:00 p.m.)

The Executive Committee will leave Grand Lake Gardens to enjoy dinner together at a restaurant in Sausalito. Following dinner, Don and Joy Ng will host a time of fellowship and dessert at their home (also in Sausalito) before returning to the SW Hotel.

Saturday, September 14, 2013; 8:30 a.m –10:30 a.m.

Session 3

16. Call to Order: Reconvening of the Executive Committee President Clark

Lighting of the Christ Candle

17. Meeting of ABC, Karen and Chin Leadership - September 25-26 in Chicago President Clark
Options and Goals A. Roy Medley

18. Florida Meetings/ Beloved Community

- OTABL/Ministers Conference
- MMBB Colloquium
- Memorandum of Appreciation-George Tooze & Hugh Pickett

Don Ng

19. Women's Caucus – Update

Don Ng

20. John & Cora Sparrowk President's Award

A. Roy Medley

21. BGM Representatives to ABHMS and IM

President Clark

22. Transition Ministries: Approval of Housing Allowances

President Clark

For Rev. Jonathan Kline

Proposed Action: *To approve the request from Rev. Jonathan Kline, serving First Baptist Church of Punxsutawney, PA, that \$300 of his \$1300 monthly honorarium be designated as housing allowance for the year 2013.*

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For Rev. Steve Gage (who completed an interim at Chilicothe, OH and is beginning as a new interim in Hamilton, OH in September)

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23. Venues for March 2014 and September 2014 BGM Executive Committee Meetings
2015 Meeting Dates for BGM & BGM Executive Committee

Dates currently being held

November 14-16, 2013 – BGM EC & BGM – Meeting at Crowne Plaza in King of Prussia, PA

March 12-13, 2014 – BGM EC – Meeting venue tbd

June 11-14, 2014 – BGM EC – Meeting in Green Lake, WI

September 11-13, 2014 – BGM EC—Meeting venue tbd

November 13-15, 2014 – BGM EC & BGM - Meeting at Crowne Plaza in King of Prussia, PA

Dates to be determined

March 2015

June 2015

September 2015

November 2015

24. Other

25. Prayer and Adjournment

President Clark

The next meeting of the BGM Executive Committee will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2013, prior to the meeting of the full Board of General Ministries on November 14-16 at the Crowne Plaza in King of Prussia, PA.