



ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCHES OF ILLINOIS

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Marcia and I want to thank you and the Lord for a wonderful Annual Meeting. The fellowship and preaching was a tremendous blessing and encouragement. There were 21 churches represented and about 65 people that attended. We want to thank Mark Herbster for the wonderful Spirit-filled preaching (all messages can be seen on our website and Facebook page). The message Monday night on faithfulness was particularly pertinent to our day and age. Tuesday's message on holiness was one of the best explanations of this topic that I have heard.



During my recent visit to two Christian Colleges I was asked several times how we keep the Association together with so many churches and pastors agreeing. I had to laugh at the thought because I never realized how rare it is for Baptist pastors to get along. The only answer that I can come up with is that we have been able to keep our focus on what is really important. Our purpose of church planting and helping struggling churches is the reason we exist and what keeps us together even when we disagree at times. I am privileged to serve with you all both as a pastor in this state and as your missions director. I hope and pray that we can keep our focus and purpose for many years to come.

GOD BLESS YOU IN THE YEAR TO COME!

First Baptist of Oregon Assistance

The AIBCI voted at the Annual meeting to come alongside this member church and assist them both financially, prayerfully and physically. The church under Pastor David Snow has been struggling as it has seen it's attendance and finances dwindle over the last couple of years. The Association will be treating the church much like a new church plant and supporting it for \$2,000/month for one year. This will be evaluated each year to determine what is necessary and helpful. We also want to encourage our churches to pray and help as it is needed with special projects and visitation. Please be in prayer for this church.

DIRECTORS SCHEDULE:

November—Missions Emphasis Month at First Baptist Church in Pecatonica.

December 12- Woodridge Baptist AM service

First Baptist Danville PM service

PRAY FOR CHURCHES WITHOUT PASTORS:

Benson Baptist, Benson IL.

First Baptist, Burbank

Grace Baptist, Paxton

Woodridge Baptist, Woodridge

“Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest”

