

2014

Minutes

Sixty-second Annual Meeting

Tarrant County

Baptist Missionary Association

September 20, 2014

South Park Baptist Church
Fort Worth, Texas

Next Meeting

Saturday, September 19, 2015

Calvary Baptist Church
2101 South Davis
Arlington, Texas 76013

9:30 a.m.

Moderator Jason Daughtry
Vice Moderator..... David Pickard
Clerk/Treasurer Timothy Fish
Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Ken Strong
WMA Representative Jo Strong

Annual Message David Pickard
Alternate Gaylan Henry

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Constitution

1. This Association shall be known as the Tarrant County Baptist Missionary Association.
2. This Association shall be composed of churches, by means of messengers that are members of, and elected by, the church sending them.
3. The officers of this Association shall consist of moderator, assistant moderator, clerk-treasurer, assistant clerk-treasurer.
4. It shall be the duty of this Association on the first day of each annual meeting to elect her officers for the following year.
5. New churches may be admitted to this fellowship on presentation of petitionary letters at the annual session of messengers sent from their church for such purpose, providing that on examination they be found to be in fellowship, in doctrine, faith, and practice with the churches of this Association. The moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.
6. Each church shall be allowed five messengers.
7. It shall be the duty of the churches of this Association to provide a fund to defray expenses of the Association, including local missions, correspondence, and clerk hire.
8. It shall be the duty of each church in this Association to send a letter annually by her messengers, naming the messengers, the number of members received since the last Association, and how received, number dismissed and how. Also, the amount of funds sent in and for what purpose.
9. This Association shall have no power to lord over the churches, but shall function as an advisory council.
10. In all cases where there is difference between church or individuals of this Association, the same rule shall be observed as taught in Matthew 18 and other Scriptures corresponding therewith.
11. In the event of heresy in doctrine or unscriptural practice on the part of any church of this Association, having come to the notice of the Association, and after the Association has exhausted every scriptural effort to convert the church of the erroneous ways, it shall

be the duty of the other churches of the Association to withdraw fellowship from the offending church.

12. This Association shall correspond with other associations of like faith and order as she may direct.
13. All matters coming before the Association shall be determined by will of the majority of the members present, except that of receiving churches, which shall be by unanimous vote. Associations that we correspond with shall be determined by a two-thirds majority.
14. No query shall be received by this Association until it shall have been taken up and elected upon by the church in which it originated. Then if the church fails to get satisfaction, it may be received.
15. This Association shall be governed by regular decorum.
16. As Baptists we do not hesitate to say that as it respects Missionary Institutions, we will not be bound to contribute to any, but will be left to act as the Word of God may lead us to do.
17. This Constitution may be changed, amended or altered at any regular meeting of the Association, by a two-thirds majority of messengers present.
18. This Association endorses the New Hampshire Confession of Faith as a representative compendium of what Baptist have historically believed through the centuries. We refer particularly to the edition in J. E. Cobb's *Church Manual* (third edition), published by the Baptist Publications Committee of Texarkana, Texas.
19. This Association shall meet annually at 10:30 AM on the third Saturday in September at such place as may be designated by the Association in annual session.
20. Newly elected officers shall not take over until the end of the annual meeting.

Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened with prayer.
2. All officers shall be chosen on the first day of the annual meeting by the messengers present.
3. The moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any member shall have the right to rise to a point of order as they deem necessary.
4. Any member not satisfied with the moderator's ruling may appeal to the Association for a change on the same day; not later.
5. Only one person may speak at a time, after rising and addressing the moderator and getting recognition, then only shall he speak.
6. The speaker shall not be interrupted until he has given his light, unless he gets out of order, then shall he be called to order.
7. The speaker shall adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the ones who have spoken before, by remarking of his failings or the ones who have spoken before, by remarking of his failings or imperfections, but shall strictly present his idea of the matter at hand.
8. No appellation except that of Brother or Sister shall be used in the Association.
9. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the clerk and called as often as the Association may require.
10. The moderator may not interrupt any messenger, nor prohibit any member from speaking until he has given his light, except he be breaking the rule of the decorum.
11. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any other provided the chair is filled, but shall not vote unless the Association is equally divided.
12. If any member shall knowingly and willingly break these rules, he or she shall be removed as the Association may think proper, This is to be done on the same day of the offense.

Association Officers

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At the recommendation of the Tarrant County Women's Missionary Auxiliary, the association elected a WMA Representative to represent the association at state and national meetings of the WMA. This is due to the Tarrant County WMA voting to discontinue its formal organization.

Proceedings of the 62st Annual Meeting

September 20, 2014

Opening

The annual meeting of the Tarrant County Baptist Missionary Association met on Saturday, September 20, 2014. South Park Baptist Church in Fort Worth hosted the meeting.

David Pickard, pastor of South Park Baptist Church welcomed the messengers and visitors to the meeting.

Phil Berry, led in congregational singing.

Dr. Charlie Holmes read from Matthew 28:18-20 and led in prayer.

The messengers were seated.

Election of Officers

The following officers were elected:

Moderator: Jason Daughtry

Vice Moderator: David Pickard

Clerk/Treasurer: Timothy Fish

Assistant Clerk/Treasurer: Ken Strong

WMA Representative: Jo Strong

Annual Message: David Pickard

Alternate Speaker: Gaylan Henry

Annual Message

Fil Kakilala, BMAA missionary, brought the annual message.

Reports from the BMA of Texas

Jerry Burnaman, Director of Missions for the BMA of Texas, gave a report concerning all of the departments of the BMA of Texas.

Buddy Altman, representing Jacksonville College, gave a report concerning the school.

Reports from the BMA of America

Dr. Charlie Holmes, President of the Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary, gave as report concerning the seminary.

Obituary Report

Jeremy Franklin gave the obituary report and led in prayer.

Financial Report

Clerk/Treasurer Timothy Fish gave the Financial Report. Motion carried to adopt the report.

Other Items of Business

Motion carried to continue giving \$500 each to the seminary and college.

Motion carried to discontinue giving to the mission fund and to give \$300 per month to Fil Kakilala's work fund.

Motion carried to print 50 minute books.

Motion carried to pay the Clerk/Treasurer \$350

Motion carried to accept the invitation to Calvary Baptist Church in Arlington for the next annual meeting.

Motion carried to authorize the use of the money in the mission fund to be used for payments to the Fil Kakilala work fund.

Motion carried to suspend the rules and meet at 9:30 am next year.

Closing

Motion carried to adjourn.

Dismissal prayer by Gaylan Henry.

A meal was served by South Park Baptist Church after the meeting.

Reports

Funds Received and Messengers at Annual Meeting

Church	Messengers	Funds Received
Calvary	3	100.00
Centro de Vida	—	—
Lonesome Dove	1	—
New Beginnings	—	—
Northridge	—	—
Oasis	5	—
Sheppard Drive	3	—
South Park	5	100
Wyatt Drive	—	—
Total	17	200.00

2014 Financial Report

September 20, 2014

Mission Fund Brought Forward	6,678.30
General Fund Brought Forward.....	1,029.37
Balance Brought Forward in Checking Account	7,707.67

Income:

Interest in Checking Account:	1.68
Regular Offerings from Churches:	
Calvary.....	792.00
Oasis.....	839.47
Lonesome Dove.....	600.00
New Beginnings.....	550.00
Sheppard Drive.....	239.00
South Park	2,375.00
Wyatt Drive	50.00
Total Regular Offerings from Churches	5,445.47
Income from Other Sources	25.00
Total Monies Received from All Sources.....	5,472.15
Grand Total All Working Funds.....	13,179.82

Expenses:

BMAA Theological Seminary	500.00
Jacksonville College.....	500.00
Checks	11.97
Minute Books	130.44
Clerk Hire	350.00
Other	17.08
Total Monies Expended.....	1,509.49
Balance Carried Forward (Check Book Balance).....	11,670.33

Obituary Report

The following church members have gone on to be with the Lord:

Calvary Thomas Bateman
South Park Essie Stembridge
Pauline Newman
James Carder
Reta McQueen

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.—1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

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JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE IS BLESSED

Paul, in his letter to the church at Ephesus, reminds us of how God has "... blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ" (Ephesians 1:3). I have a friend who epitomizes this verse. When you ask him "How are you today?," he always responds by saying, "I am blessed."

JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE IS BLESSED with a partnership with the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas (BMAT), the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention (SBTC), individual churches and associations, alumni and friends who financially support the college and pray for us.

The SBTC gave \$300,000, the Women's Missionary Auxiliary of BMA of Texas gave a large gift, and others have given in order to enable us to build a new 20 bed residence hall, which will open this fall. Churches and other donors have also given to help renovate the Joe Wright property. The first renovation to this facility will be the Fine Arts Center.

JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE IS BLESSED with a growing student body.

Living on Campus	170 (a record)
Men's and Women's basketball	50
Men's and Women's soccer	54
Men's and Women's Tennis	11
Men's and Women's Golf	14
Cheerleaders	8
Choir	32
Band	2
Drama	15
Ministerial Students	15

JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE IS BLESSED with employees who all have a servant's heart and serve not for the paycheck but to minister in the name of Christ.

Johnson Oatman in 1897 wrote the hymn, "Count Your Blessings." The refrain is "Count your blessings, name them one by one. Count your blessings, see what God hath done."

JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE COUNTS ITS BLESSINGS AND SAYS THANK YOU,

God

Baptist Missionary Association of Texas

Southern Baptists of Texas Convention

Individual Churches and Associations

Alumni

Friends

Just as we have been greatly blessed, Jacksonville College seeks to be a blessing to our students. That is why our mission is to provide a quality education from a biblical worldview that challenges minds, transforms lives, and equips students for servant leadership and lifelong learning.

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A GOOD YEAR FOR STATE MISSIONS

Our mission projects had a good year. There have been many baptisms recently 20 in three local mission points. The church planters do a very good job discovering leaders and training them to take responsibility in ministry. It is essential to have a process of continually developing leaders if the mission is to become a self-sustaining, self-propagating church.

Here is list of our Church Planters:

Matthew & Amy Prather, Celina

Will & Kelly Hutchinson, Hutto

Cecil & Sue Linke, Allen

George & Nicole Martinez, Lewisville

Gary & Rhonda Southard, Valley Ranch, New Caney

Todd & Tina Cox, Terrell

Darren & Becky Lemons, Terrell

Arnulfo Maldonado, Houston

The Hispanic work continues strong and is growing. Arnulfo has seven groups in the Houston area, and recently the group in Humble

moved into the gym at Suburban Wood Baptist Church. They immediately experienced significant growth.

Future growth for BMA of Texas Missions is unlimited. However, growth depends on discovering potential church planters with the call of God in their hearts to start new projects. We had two prospects working with us for most of the year but they did not materialize; we will continue to seek men to start churches. I remind you again that Texas' population is about 26 million and only 17 percent attend church on Sundays.

"The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray for the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38). This should be our prayer also because we need a pipeline of potential church planters.

We commend our churches for being faithful with your prayers and financial support. It is extremely urgent for pastors, church leaders and members to pray continually and fervently for our aggressive mission movement to become more aggressive. A greater mobilization among our churches would give a strong impetus to the movement.

Remember our Vision: To have an aggressive mission movement among the BMA churches of Texas by healthy pastors, leading healthy churches, to plant new healthy churches.

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TEXAS BAPTIST HOME PRESSING FORWARD

The theme for the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Baptist Missionary Association of

Texas is "Pressing Forward." In Philippians 3: 13, the writer (Paul) assumes the position of a runner. This was a favorite subject for the apostle. We are made to understand that the Christian life is not a game; it is a race that demands the very best that is in us. In a distance race, many tactics are employed by the seasoned runner.

As he or she approaches the end of the race strength is wavering, breathing is difficult, the legs and chest of the one participating in the race, are aching. To finish the race, the runner must depend on knowledge learned along the journey. Paul is saying to those who will enter the race after he has finished, "Brothers and Sisters. I can't consider myself a winner yet. This is what I do; I don't look back, I lengthen my stride. "

In January, Texas Baptist Home for Children began 104 years of service to the State of Texas, the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas and the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention, in particular. Our task and calling is to minister to child and families.

FOSTER CARE

In the 2013-2014 year the Home ministered to 290 children through foster care. Nine of these children accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. Five, of the children graduated from high school. One of the girls chose to remain on campus and begin college this fall.

ADOPTION

The number of children in foster care (123) is the lowest that it has been in recent memory. One of the reasons is that the Adoption Department of the Texas Baptist Home had a record year. Through adoption, 40 children found forever families. Fourteen were adopted in one month. We commend Jami Hogan, Dana Holt, Nikki Nangauta and Shannon Stevenson on a job well done.

CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

Our children are involved in many activities through the year. This would not be possible without your assistance with the Change for Children Campaign. This year's program was well attended. Some churches attended for the first year. Once more you have done an exceptional job of supporting this activity. The goal is \$55,000 each year. Once more we have topped that goal. The praise goes first to the Lord and then to each one who helps Texas Baptist Home for 2013-2014 year the Home Children in this effort.

A BIG THANK YOU

The scripture proclaims, "Behold, how good and pleasant it is/or brethren to dwell together in unity" Psalm 133:1. Nowhere is that more evident than the relationship we share with both the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas and the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention. Words are not sufficient to express how much each of these bodies means to this ministry. You help to provide Christmas gifts, linens and pillows for our children, fresh vegetables, canned goods, clothes for babies and children. Your Texas Baptist Home for Children is considered one of the top agencies in our region of the State and has received

recognition state-wide for providing quality care for children. A secret goal of mine for many years was to see a time that the waiting list for private infants would be exhausted. This year, my goal became a reality. Classes are forming for more adoptive parents. Many of the couples experienced the answer to much silent prayer to know the joy of becoming a parent. None of this would be possible were it not for the strong support of both of these denominational groups. Your love and support of this ministry never ceases to amaze me. Or to put it in the words of some of our kids, "It is wonderful to know that you got my back."

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ASSETS OF BAPTIST MISSIONARY LOAN ASSOCIATION INCREASE

The assets of the Baptist Missionary Loan Association (BMLA) continue to grow. Presently our total assets are about \$9.3 million, an increase of \$300,000 in the past year. We appreciate, and give a big thanks to individuals, churches and associations for supporting the BMLA.

Presently we service 20 loans and have money available to assist more church with funds to help with their growing ministries. If your church plans to build or buy property, it would be a joy to provide a loan.

I am very thankful for our faithful trustees who give their time and support to help the BMLA have an effective ministry in assisting our churches and missions. We have people on our trustee board with very good financial expertise: bankers, businessmen and pastors. They are a great help to me and I appreciate their leadership.

There are three ways to support the Loan Association:

A contribution from an individual or church.

An interest free loan.

Church	Pastors Salary	Local Missions	State Missions	Interstate & Foreign Missions	Jacksonville College	Texas Baptist Home
Calvary	26,208	843	2,485	2,485	1,487	1,487
Lonesome Dove	0	600	0	20,000	0	0
New Beginnings	0	550	300	0	0	300
Oasis	0	839	0	0	0	0
South Park	82,890	2,375	6,842	43,445	6,000	3,102
Wyatt Drive	35,620	50	0	5,060	180	0
Total	137,600	8,576	8,236	57,516	8,023	5,861

Church	Additions				Losses			
	Baptism	Letter	Statement	Total	Letter	Death	Exclusion	Total
Calvary	1	2	0	3	2	1	0	3
Centro de Vida	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lonesome Dove	6	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
New Beginnings	6	0	15	21	2	0	0	2
Oasis	5	7	4	16	0	0	0	0
South Park	7	13	1	21	14	4	0	18
Wyatt Drive	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	34	24	29	87	13	9	0	22

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Baptist Progress	BMATS	DiscipleGuide	Lifeword	MRS	Moral Action	Other	Total Associational Expenses
561	1,487	251	1,487	240	496	1,485	14,767
0	750	0	0	0	0	0	21,350
35	0	0	0	0	0	350	1,085
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	839
180	3,700	300	5,909	180	216	13,838	86,087
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,220
648	5,818	1,143	9,605	430	756	36277	142,889

Current Membership	Sunday School		CGM		WMA		Brotherhood		Youth Program	
	SS Enrollment	Average Attendance	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Enrollment	Average Attendance
307	37	25	0	0	6	5	10	9	0	0
150	40	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
150	56	56	0	0	30	30	0	0	35	35
86	43	33	0	0	9	6	8	6	25	23
87	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1043	223	158	0	0	30	25	30	25	122	111
365	100	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2,149	520	318	60	60	90	79	48	40	170	155

Interest loans that compound quarterly. Currently we are paying 2 percent on share accounts and 2.5 percent on CDs. These rates may change during the year depending on the financial climate.

Your financial support and prayers are essential for the BMLA to have part in assisting the BMA to plant churches and provide funds for growing churches.

Baptist Progress

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IT HAS BEEN 10YEARS

Someone said, "Time flies when you're having fun." Well, if the saying is true, then I have certainly enjoyed myself for the past decade. It has been 10 years since I became editor of Baptist Progress.

Since I accepted the position of editor 10 years ago, I have seen the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas make PROGRESS.

Genesis Metro, Frisco; Rockhouse Church, Keller; LifeQuest Community Church, Porter; as well as other one-time church plants of State Missions, have become churches. At least eight more English-speaking church plants are well on their way to becoming churches, as well as a number of Hispanic groups. Congratulations to Bro. Jerry Bumaman and State Missions on the PROGRESS they have made, in partnership with the churches of the BMA of Texas.

During the past decade, Jacksonville College, saw the ending of an era, with the retirement of Dr. Edwin Crank as president. Dr. Crank is to be commended for leading the way in making Jacksonville College fiscally sound, making much needed improvements to the campus, as well as positively impacting the lives of scores of young men and women for the Kingdom's sake.

With the election of Dr. Mike Smith as president of the college, PROGRESS continues, with building improvements, the acquisition of a nearby elementary school, the construction of a new dorm building, plans for more improvements and record enrollment.

Since I became editor, Bro. Eddie Marsh and his team at the Texas Baptist Home for Children have caused me to smile and praise the Lord

on more than one occasion, as I have glanced across the street from our BMA of Texas Office Building. The Home has made PROGRESS in helping more children than ever find forever homes through their adoption services. TBHC has also expanded their foster care program to more counties within the state. How exciting it has been to see the construction

of a transitional living home and independent living home on their campus. The Ted. Stanley Park became more functional and beautiful thanks to donations from Rosewood, Gilmer and others. To say the Texas Baptist Home for Children has made PROGRESS during the last decade is a gross understatement. Thank you to Bro. Marsh and the TBHC staff for ministering

so effectively to children and families in Texas.

One might ask, what do State Missions, Jacksonville College and the Texas Baptist Home have to do with Baptist Progress? My answer is that the departments have everything to do with Baptist Progress, as it is the purpose of Baptist Progress to promote interest in evangelism, benevolence, and Christian education among the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of Texas. As editor of Baptist Progress, I am grateful that there is always PROGRESS being made on which we can report.

A GOOD YEAR FOR BAPTIST PROGRESS

The Lord blessed Baptist Progress during the 2013-2014 associational year. Because we received \$21,000 from a church that left the BMA of Texas, we were able to end the year with a budget surplus of over \$14,000. Also, we received over \$8,000 as the result of our anniversary offering campaign in June. In addition, Pastor Charles Johnson and the congregation of Rosewood, Gilmer set aside a special Sunday for Baptist Progress, on which I was invited to sing and preach. On the Sunday I visited Rosewood, Pastor Johnson presented me with a check totaling over \$4,000 for Baptist Progress. Thank you Bro. Johnson and Rosewood. Also, I appreciate the churches of the BMA of Texas that see the importance of providing 24 issues of Baptist Progress for each member household of their congregation through the Church Plan, as well as the individuals who subscribe each year.

HELP US HELP OUR OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND YOUR CHURCH

Baptist Progress operates on a much smaller budget than all other BMA of Texas departments, and by no means do subscriptions pay all the expenses of our department. Also, it is obvious that if our department had not received an unexpected \$21,000 from the former BMA of Texas church, plus the \$4,000 from Rosewood, we would have had a budget shortfall of approximately \$11,000. Because unexpected contri-

butions of \$25,000 do not come our way every year, and because printing and postage costs frequently increase, we ask the following:

1. That your local association consider giving Baptist Progress an offering of \$1,000 to offset ever-increasing printing and postage costs
2. That your church receive an offering for Baptist Progress for \$103 for 103 years of ministry during the month of June 2015
3. That if your church is not currently on the Baptist Progress Church Plan, invite Editor Jerry Fulton to speak to your congregation to explain how the plan works and enlist your church as a Church Plan member
4. That pastors encourage their church members to switch from a print subscription to an email subscription in order to save printing and postage costs
5. That your church subscribe to the Baptist Progress Every Sunday Bulletin Service
6. That your church, pastor and individual members order Bibles, books, music, supplies and more from Christian Book Distributors through the BMA of Texas website (Click the flashing box at the top right of the BMA of Texas website homepage to place orders)
7. That your church advertise special events, services, recognitions and more in Baptist Progress
8. That your church regularly send news about how the Lord is blessing your local congregation to be published free of charge in Baptist Progress
9. That your church invite Editor Jerry Fulton to sing and/or preach, as well as speak about the ministries of Baptist Progress and the other departments of the BMA of Texas
10. That your church pray for the continued PROGRESS of each church and department of the BMA of Texas May PROGRESS continue as we keep pressing forward in our new associational year!

BMA of America

Talking Points for Department and Agency Representative(s) at State Associational Meetings

BMA Missions

We are blessed to have sent 24 new missionary families in the past two years, and we have a very good number in the pre-candidate stage now.

We are pleased to come alongside DiscipleGuide in the initiative to help existing churches that may need to refocus their ministry.

Please continue to pray for our missionaries who are currently serving in difficult contexts: Liberia, Sierra Leone, Middle East, and Ukraine.

We continue to encourage your church to evaluate where you are in church multiplication. If you are interested in taking steps toward planting a new church, please contact us.

BMA Seminary

The Seminary now has three (3) accredited degrees that can be earned online: Associate of Divinity, Bachelor of Arts in Religion, and the Master of Arts (Religion).

Now, we also offer a free online class each semester, taught by Distance Education Director, Dr. Tony Cleaver.

The Arkansas Extension Site has been refreshed:

- o A new director, Brian Rickett
- o A new professor, Dr. Andrew (Andy)Snider
- o A new Arkansas Women's Director, Mrs. Janet Rickett
- o A new office on the CBC Campus: in the Cooper Complex

The annual Audit ending May 31. 2014 is complete with the following highlights:

- o The seminary has no debt
- o The year ended with a small surplus

Fall classes have started:

- o 36 new students
- o 137 total, from 11 states and 12 foreign countries

DiscipleGuide Church Resources

DiscipleGuide has been thrilled with the re-introduction of E. Harold Henderson's writings in the new "We Believe" series of Compass literature.

DiscipleGuide celebrates the legacy of Camp Director James Speer (35 years) and looks forward to the leadership of new Camp Director Jason Prewitt. Prewitt is currently on the field as "Director in Waiting" and will transition into the Director position on January 31.

DiscipleGuide is pleased to announce the growing library of training available online through the "Tuesday Talks" video cast.

DiscipleGuide is focusing on ways to get personally invested in local BMA churches through new efforts such as a Church Mobilization ministry, Ministry Matters events, and other pastoral support services.

Lifeworld

The Other 3 Billion (O3B) Initiative - O3B launched four more medium earth orbit satellites on July 10. The first O3B constellation of satellites is now operational and able to serve customers worldwide. Fiber-optic speed internet access can now be made available on smart phones and to cell networks worldwide from 45 deg north to 45 deg south of equator. Please pray that God will give Lifeworld's team the ingenuity necessary to utilize this new media opportunity as He has in the past with radio and television technology.

New Language to Unreached People Group - Lifeworld is working on developing a new language outreach in Tanzania. Please pray God opens doors of opportunity.

Social Media Initiative - Lifeworld is working to train pastors and lay leaders to carry the gospel into culture using creative and social media tools.

Low Power FM (LPFM) - LPFM is a critically important tactic in Lifeworld's preparations for a 24/7 streaming station in each Lifeworld language. In addition to spiritual programming, these station operators are being trained to cover general interest community topics in order to draw the entire community into the audience, not just believers. The ultimate goal, of course, is to use this connection to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

Ministers Resource Services

In his role as executive director of the retirement agency of the BMAA. Bro. Ron Chesser expresses thanks to our pastors, churches and departments for their faithfulness to stand with us in prayers and support.

MRS has passed two, one million dollar milestones thus far in 2014. The BMA Retirement portfolio has moved from 14 to 15 million and from 15 to 16 million already year. We never have had that kind of growth in the history of this ministry in a single year.

For the past twelve years. MRS has posted to each account in BMA Retirement an average growth of over 8% each year. net of fees. For the past eight years we have averaged receiving and depositing into participant's retirement accounts over \$1.6 million dollars every year. Twelve years ago our total assets in BMA Retirement was \$3.8 million and today we stand at \$16.1 million in retirement money. The portfolio has grown over twelve million dollars in twelve years. To God be the glory!

Moral Action

Moral Action and Church by Laws on Homosexual marriage. We are discussing with our District Attorney the best wording on church bylaws to confront gay maniage in our churches.

Moral Action and the need to Communicate to Congress. Moral Action continues to contact our national leaders with concerns in the area of morality. We pray that our continued contacts will be persuasive. Pray with us!

Moral Action and the 2014 Freedom Offering. A record \$25,000 offering from 9 states helped greatly in our budget needs. We thank our churches and pastors for this support.

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Order of Business

1. Open with a singing, prayer and Scripture reading
2. Call for Church Letters and Read (Article 8)
3. Seating of Messengers
4. Petitionary Letters
5. Election of Offices (take office at the end of the annual meeting)
6. Annual Message
7. Reports
 - A. BMA of Tarrant County
 - County Missions
 - Auxiliary Reports
 - B. BMA of Texas
 - C. BMA of America
 - D. Obituary Reports
 - E. Financial Report
8. Other Items of business:
 - Hosts for Rallies and Amounts to be given each
 - Number of Minute Books to Print
 - Amount to Pay Clerk
 - Miscellaneous Business
9. Announcements and Benediction