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BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF MICHIGAN
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2025 Executive Director/Treasurer Report

As my first official year serving as your Executive Director/Treasurer comes to a close, I can't help but sit back, smile, and thank God for all He has done. What an incredible year it's been! It's been such a blessing to see God **accelerate Gospel movement all across Michigan** through our kingdom efforts together. We're seeing record baptisms and witnessing God move in ways we haven't seen here in a long time.

And just to be clear—I don't believe this is because I'm here. It's because of **faithful men and women serving faithfully in our churches**, sharing the Gospel consistently, and trusting God to bring the harvest.

Loving Our Pastors

One of our major goals for 2025 was simple but powerful: **love on our pastors—because pastors are our heroes!**

We were able to do that in several ways this year through our **Pastor and Wives Refresh Retreats**, as well as multiple fellowship events for pastors and their families. Altogether, over **400 people** participated in these gatherings, representing about **50% of our active churches**. When we add in our Send Network pastor and family event, we reached nearly **600 total participants**—that's well **over half of our churches** joining in!

We were also able to help several hurting and struggling pastoral families through funds from our **Frances Brown State Mission Offering (SMO)**. Pastors, you truly are our heroes. It's an honor to serve you, serve with you, and celebrate all you do for the King of Kings.

Strengthening Our Churches

Another exciting milestone this year was the creation of our **BSCM One-Day Strengthening Lab**, which will launch statewide in early 2026. We believe that every church—no matter the size or stage—can always grow stronger and more effective as we work together to **accelerate Gospel movement**.

We ran a beta version of the Strengthening Lab with a group of pastors, and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive. If you'd like to host one in your region, please reach out to our BSCM office.

This isn't a new "program" but an **interactive day of encouragement and strategy**, helping church leaders rediscover who God has called your church to be, why He has placed you where you are, and how you can engage your community, equip your people, and expand God's Kingdom.

Connecting Across the State

This year, I was blessed to spend a lot of **one-on-one time with pastors**, as well as join many of you for breakfasts, lunches, and dinners across the state. Honestly, that's one of the best parts of my job!

By the time you read this report, I will have worshiped with over **30 churches** since January—preaching in several and simply worshiping alongside many others. What a joy it's been to see firsthand all the amazing things God is doing across Michigan. I only wish I could visit even more!

The greatest highlight of my year has been **getting to know so many pastors I hadn't met before**. You'd think after 50+ years in this convention, I'd know everyone—but there are still many I'm excited to meet in 2026!

Stewarding Resources Well

In 2025, we were able to **save a little over \$100,000** in various administrative areas—money that went right back into ministry! These savings allowed us to love on pastors, strengthen churches, and add key staff where needed.

We welcomed **Dan Dameron as our Director of Communications**, and he's already been an incredible blessing to our team. On October 1, **Ken Render joined us as our Director of Strengthening**, and we can't wait to see how God uses him to help more churches thrive.

We're also grateful for our amazing team already serving with us:

- **Dr. Garth Leno** – leading the way in **Pastoral Care**, playing a key role in loving and caring for our pastors.
- **Tricia Werry** – leading our ministry to **women and pastors' wives**, with exciting plans for 2026.
- **Bill LaFollette** – directs our Michigan **Disaster Relief team**, helping people and sharing the Gospel in word and deed.
- **Art Werry** – keeping us up and running by leading our **IT systems** with excellence.
- **Sunhee Son** – managing our **bookkeeping and administrative tasks** with great care.
- **Jamie Lynn** – **executive assistant** - my right arm (and sometimes my legs and feet!). She helps me get more done than I ever could alone—honestly, **I'd have been lost without her this year**.

I am so blessed to serve **alongside this incredible team**. They're not just talented—they love Jesus deeply and live out our mission every day. For them, “**accelerating Gospel movement**” isn't just a slogan—it's a lifestyle.

Looking Ahead

I truly believe **2026 and beyond** are going to be incredible years as we continue working together to **accelerate Gospel movement across Michigan**. Thank you for your faithfulness, your partnership, and your passion for the Kingdom.

Let's keep pressing forward—**together**—for the glory of God!

For His Kingdom and For His Glory,

Pastor Ed Emmerling/ Executive Director/Treasurer
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Church Starting, Send Network Report

Baptist State Convention of Michigan,

I am excited to share with you a small picture of the big work that God is doing in our state as it relates to expanding His Kingdom through churches planting churches. Our vision in Send Michigan is to *“join in God’s activity to see His Kingdom expand in Michigan by at least 1% over the next decade.”* We live in a state of 10 million people with roughly 6 million people that still need Jesus. If we are going to reach 1% of the lost in Michigan, this means we will need to reach 60,000 people with the Good News of Jesus. To see this happen we must join together in prayer and on mission as *“a family of churches planting churches everywhere for everyone”*.

MOBILIZATION OF CHURCHES

This year we have seen many more BSCM churches mobilized to participate in some way in church planting. This is good news, because it will take all of us working together to reach 1% of the lost in Michigan. This past year we saw **nearly 100 pastors and ministry leaders participate in a Send Network Sending Lab** in Michigan.

A Sending Lab is a workshop that helps pastors and leaders develop a vision and plan for leading their church to send. It’s a collaborative experience that connects you with other pastors on the same journey, while guiding you to identify your next steps for finding, developing and sending church planters. In Send Network we believe that every church has a role to play in planting. Let us serve you to help you discover how your church can be mobilized for greater Kingdom impact! To God be the glory for the mobilization of Michigan churches.

MULTIPLICATION OF CHURCHES [See Pictures Below]

This year we have seen our Send Michigan church plants growing healthy and maturing as they pursue the “Send Network Missionary Task” of (1) “engage the city with the Gospel”, (2) “make disciples”, and (3) “planting a church”. Here are three quick examples of how God is moving.

We are seeing our Send Michigan plants **engage their city** with the Gospel. From January to June 2025, our 49 church plants (new churches 0-4 years old) have had **1,415 Gospel conversations**, leading to **389 salvations!**

We are also seeing our Send Michigan plants faithfully **make disciples**. In the first two quarters of 2025 we have seen **275 baptisms** happen in our church plants! Hundreds of people across our state are meeting Jesus and following God’s command to be baptized. Disciples are being made!

Our mission statement in the Send Network is: *“We are a family of churches planting churches everywhere for everyone.”* So far this year we have endorsed **15 new church**

planters and seen **2 churches affiliate!** We are also anticipating another 5 planters to be endorsed by the end of the year. *The projected total for 2025 is 22 new churches added, which is almost 10% of our BSCM churches added in one year!* In previous years we have seen an average of 9 churches added a year. We are now seeing growing momentum and God is moving through the multiplying of churches that are planting new churches everywhere to reach everyone in Michigan!

I am so grateful to serve you, pastors and churches, here in Michigan. I believe our best days are ahead as we continue to see church mobilization and church multiplication happen all across the great state of Michigan. May we continue to partner together to see 60,000 lives changed by Jesus!

All for the fame of Jesus' name, Matt Thompson, Send Network Director, Michigan



Church Strengthening Report

As a Church Strengthenener with the Baptist State Convention of Michigan, my calling is to walk alongside churches across our state, helping them grow in health, unity, and missional effectiveness. I believe that every church—regardless of size or setting—has a vital role in advancing God’s Kingdom. My work centers on boosting pastors, equipping leaders, and helping congregations take their next step in accelerating gospel movement.

This role involves listening to the unique challenges and opportunities each church faces and offering personalized support. Whether through strategic planning, leadership development, conflict resolution, or discipleship training, I strive to help churches discover fresh vision and renewed purpose. I also help connect congregations with valuable resources, networks, and tools provided through the BSCM and our partners.

One key resource in fulfilling this mission will be the Strengthening Labs. Beginning next year, these one-day forums will guide churches through an in-depth exploration of their local communities, helping them identify areas of need where they can effectively serve and minister.

I have a deep love for the local church and a commitment to seeing it thrive. Strengthening churches isn’t about quick fixes—it’s about long-term health, rooted in biblical truth and empowered by the Holy Spirit. My prayer is that through this work, we will see more churches become vibrant, mission-minded communities that reflect the hope of Christ throughout Michigan and beyond.

Strengthening Highlights for 2025:

- We had almost 400 Pastor/Leader & Family at “Love our Pastor/Leader” events.
The Shuffle – 62 in Lansing
Tiger Game – 248 in Detroit
Northern Fellowship – 56 in Gaylord
- Our One Day Strengthening Lab focus group beta test had 18 pastors/leaders complete the lab.
- BSCM has given out over 40 evangelism grants to Michigan churches for more than \$100,000
- And given out over 40 SMO grants for more than \$70,000

Ken Render, BSCM Strengthening Director
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Women's Ministry Report



What a joy it has been to serve alongside you as we wrap up our third year of the United in Hope Ministry! This past year has been a true blessing, filled with wonderful opportunities for fellowship and networking. Connecting with new and familiar faces across Michigan and at leadership events out of state has filled me with inspiration as we prayerfully look ahead to our fourth year in 2026.

We are updating our contact list and want to ensure every woman's ministry leader is included. Please reach out to Tricia Werry at tricia@bscm.org with your information so we can keep you informed of all upcoming events.

What's coming in 2026:

- Quarterly Zoom Meetings: Let's gather virtually for prayer, fellowship, and to hear from inspiring guest speakers. It's the perfect way to connect from anywhere in Michigan.
- Regional Dinners: We are planning several dinners around the state to bring us together for meaningful fellowship, delicious food, and fun.
- Women's Conference with Andrea Lennon: We are thrilled to welcome Andrea Lennon from Lifeway to Michigan this August!
 - August 14th: St. Clair Shores
 - August 15th: Flushing
 - August 16th: Inkster
 - More details are on the way but save these dates now!
- More Coffee Connections: These casual meetups will continue in 2026. While many will be on the east side, we'd love your suggestions for other areas to connect.

I can't wait to see what God has in store for our ministry and to connect with you all in the new year!

Tricia Werry, Women Ministry Leader
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Michigan Disaster Relief Report
October 2024 – September 2025



We've had a busy and challenging last 12 months. It started with call outs for feeding and chainsaw teams to help in Georgia and Florida respectively last October in the aftermath of hurricanes. In April, we sent a chainsaw team to help in Otsego County in the aftermath of the ice storm that impacted the northern part of the Lower Peninsula and the eastern part of the Upper Peninsula. In August, a flood relief team was in Wisconsin helping in and around Milwaukee. There was also a one-day chainsaw event in the Detroit area to help one of our member churches.

Our shower unit was used by World Changers at an event in Ohio during July.

A number of our more experienced members are experiencing health issues. Many have had to curtail their DR involvement while they recover. We've been blessed that some of our volunteers have been willing to step up and help fill their roles, with a number attending Blue Hat (supervisor) training.

In addition to Blue Hat training, three sessions of basic training, three sessions of food service training, two sessions of chainsaw training, chaplain training and CISM (Critical Incident Stress Management) training have been conducted in the last year. We also held two, five-day training sessions practicing our chainsaw and tree felling skills at Bambi Lake Camp.

As we continue to prepare for disasters, we are looking forward to holding a training session in southwest Michigan. If your church or region has an interest in training to be ready when disaster strikes, please contact me.

Thank you for your prayers and support!

Bill LaFollette
Michigan Disaster Relief Director
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Michigan Southern Baptist Foundation Report



Greetings from the Trustees of the MSB Foundation.

We are continuing to distribute funds to the designated programs that are to receive yearly grants. This is done to follow the wishes of those who made the endowments to the foundation. Our board also works together to review and evaluate the Scholarship applications and Grant requests that we receive. The awards are done in a timely manner, and we strive to keep complete and transparent records of all our disbursements.

Our funds continue to be held with WatersEdge. Their partnership, even through the transition of our Executive Directors, continues to work smoothly and effectively.

Since our last report, at the 2024 State Convention, we have awarded a total of \$31,400.00 in Grants and \$1,100.00 in scholarships. The Grants included disbursements to Bambi Lake, the State Convention Cooperative Program Budget and the State Convention New Works Budget. The Scholarships included two for Seminary and one for Boyce College.

We also were able to facilitate the distribution of 3 scholarships given by Woman's Missionary Union of Michigan through their Joyce Mitchell Missions Education Scholarship Fund.

We continue to seek additional trustees to fill out the foundation board. If you are interested in helping others through the foundation, please contact Jamie Lynn at the state office for an application.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Jo Vaughan Secretary, MSBF

MSBF Trustees: Helen Henley and Ben Bauer

Michigan Southern Baptist Foundation 2025 Facts & Figures

Currently we have 23 Funds entrusted to the Michigan Southern Baptist Foundation. All the funds are invested with WatersEdge Ministry Services. These funds are very diversified in what they are to be used for. All but one is administered by the MSBF. There is one that is “owned” and administered by the Michigan Woman’s Missionary Union for higher education scholarships.

The total funds at this time are: \$1,170,664.00, of which we only disburse the spendable amount as needed for Scholarships and Grants.

Scholarships are given through an application process. Some Grants are given on a yearly basis, as directed by the giver of the funds. There are also some Grants given on a request and need basis. All the disbursements are based on the wishes of those who started the Endowments, as per laws and regulations.

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Waters Edge Advisors & Ministry Services



Michigan Southern Baptist Foundation	
Beginning Balance:	\$1,115,163.19
Total Period Contributions:	\$0.00
Total Period Grants:	-\$34,500.00
Earnings Allocated to Account:	\$0.00
Administrative Cost Assessment:	-\$9,333.94
Other Activity:	\$0.00
Change in Value of Investments:	\$95,979.68
Ending Balance:	\$1,167,308.93

BSCM Investments	
Beginning Balance:	\$1,248,869.48
Total Period Contributions:	\$0.00
Total Period Grants:	-\$55,694.87
Earnings Allocated to Account:	\$0.00
Administrative Cost Assessment:	-\$10,232.60
Other Activity:	\$0.00
Change in Value of Investments:	\$105,805.97
Ending Balance:	\$1,288,747.98

Michigan WMU Report

We started off our year by taking five team members to January Board Meeting in Birmingham, AL. This national WMU event has been a great resource for our team members to attend breakouts and conferences, meet other WMU leaders in fellowship, and hear Challenge messages from SBC leaders. We also learn about our 3-year emphasis. This year we are focusing on Mental Health

In March, we hosted our Women's Mission Celebration Retreat at Bambi Lake. We had a wonderful time of fellowship and enjoyed hearing from our out-going president, Mrs. Odelle Caldwell, as our keynote speaker. We elected three new officers to serve on our executive board. Christina Anderson joined as our recording secretary, Sharon Greer as our vice president of finance, and Helen Henley continues to serve as 1st vice. Angela Kucharczyk was elected as president.

In June, several of our officers travelled to Dallas to be a part of Crossover. We served with WMU chapters from across the nation as we hosted a free community block party at Southern Seminary. We then took part with other SBC entities to host Idea Rodeo and Missions Celebration at our National Convention, before joining thousands of pastors, church leaders, lay leaders and their families at our SBC convention.

August saw us host our first ever combined Girls and Boys Mission Camp at Bambi Lake. We welcomed Steve and Alesia Fowler as our Missionaries from Montana and Rick and Katie Bristol from True North Community Church in Petosky led worship. The Fowlers shared about several exciting, out of the box ministries they are a part of. We even got the chance to sit on a motorcycle and climb into a racecar and truck! The best part about camp this year was the 4 salvation decisions that were made!

We also had several of our leaders go out on prayer walking trips to Roscommon, Central Michigan University and a reservation just south of Traverse City. We partnered with David Hieser to host a three-day VBS on the Kewadin reservation in July. This year saw us give out three Joyce Mitchell Scholarship awards! We met with women and churches across the state to share with them, pray with them and help equip them.

Angela Kucharczyk
President of Michigan WMU

Bambi Lake Retreat and Conference Center Report

Report of the Bambi Lake Board of Trustees to The Baptist State Convention of Michigan

The Bambi Lake Board of Trustees would like to express our gratitude to the Baptist State Convention of Michigan and to our Michigan Southern Baptist churches for another year of advancement at our state camp. Your faithful partnership continues to make Bambi Lake a place where lives are changed, and the Gospel is advanced.



A major highlight this year was the installing of our new Camp Manager, Tom Metz, along with his family, to provide leadership for Bambi Lake. The Metz family moved to the camp in June of this year. Tom previously served as pastor of Valley Church, an SBC congregation in Saginaw, Michigan. He brings with him a clear calling to camp ministry and a strong desire to encourage and support churches and pastors in their Gospel mission. We are thankful for God's provision of his leadership at this important time in the life of our camp. Your trustee team hopes that you will take the time to meet and visit with Tom and his wife Shannon. We are excited about the future of Bambi under his vision.

The Lord has blessed us with fruitful ministry this year:

68 - individuals made decisions for Christ at our camps with several rededications.

60 - retreats were hosted at Bambi Lake serving over 2650 campers.

9 - church leadership gatherings were held, equipping pastors and leaders for ministry.

12 - volunteer teams served faithfully, giving their time and energy to strengthen the camp's ministry.

Because of the generous support of our churches and an increased number of camp and retreat participants, Bambi Lake has posted a strong financial report this year. Receipts exceeded expenses, allowing us not only to add to our emergency fund but also to make necessary capital improvements that will sustain and grow the ministry for years to come.



Volunteers are the life blood of Bambi Lake. Including the 12 volunteer teams that came to Bambi from all over the state, we worked alongside of approximately 200 volunteers that come to serve and got to be a part of changing lives for Christ here at camp. Some have been coming for years, some are new to the scene, some serve in the kitchen, some serve in Maintenance, housekeeping, programming but once you get bit by the Bambi bug there is no going back. Are you looking for a place to serve that can use your specific giftings to touch the world for Christ? Join us. If you want to become a Bambi Lake volunteer or would just like more information. Please register on our website as a potential volunteer (www.bambilake.org) or contact the camp manager Tom Metz via text at (989)397-3030 or email - Pastorrc323@gmail.com.

Volunteers may be the lifeblood of our ministry, but that ministry is built on the backs of our donors. Because of the generosity of many, Bambi's needs are being met and we are so thankful. However, we have great plans as our opportunities to minister continue to grow. If you would like to become a donor or even bless Bambi with a one-time gift, please visit the "Give Back" section of our website (bambilake.org) to see all the opportunities.



We rejoice in what God has done through the ministry of Bambi Lake, and we look forward with anticipation to another year of serving churches, reaching the lost, and equipping leaders. Thank you again for your support and prayers.

Respectfully submitted The Bambi Lake

Board of Trustees

Wayne Parker, Dan Kucharczyk, Odelle Caldwell, Bob Lee, Mickey Gross, and Herb Harbaugh

Board of Trustees Report

1. The Board of Trustees began the year with an extended time of prayer and worship before we heard Ed Emmerling share his vision for 2025. Prayer has been a focus in our meetings throughout 2025.
2. Board of Trustees met since the last (2024) Annual Convention:
 - January 14, 2025
 - April 22, 2025
 - July (officers proposed 2026 budget)
 - September 23, 2025
3. The Board of Trustees has also been part of loving pastors during a variety of events throughout the state, with approximately 500 people participating.
4. President, Josh Tovey, helped create and gather a few pastors in August for a pilot strengthening lab that is planned to launch in the coming year, so we can continue loving pastors and strengthening churches.
5. Board of Trustee approved recommending Lukas Setzler (CrossPointe Church Monroe) and Chris Cox (Lakepointe Church Shelby Twp) as new Trustees at the Annual Convention.
6. The Board of Trustees moves that the 2026 BSCM Proposed Budget be presented to the messengers of the 2025 Annual meeting for adoption.
7. The BSCM added three new staff in 2025. Dan Dameron, director of communications (July 1), Sunhee Son, bookkeeper (August 5) and Ken Render, director of strengthening (October 1).
8. President, Josh Tovey, recommends the following people for the Board of Trustees Nominating Committee: Alician Bauer (FBC Brighton), Jerome Taylor (Eastgate Church Burton), and Jim Marcus (City Church Clio).

Church Data Report

Total BSCM churches: 262

Church Statistics from 2025 Annual Church Profile (ACP):

- Churches Reporting their ACP for 2025 – 174 churches
- Total Baptisms from ACP reporting Churches for 2025 – 1,594

Top 20 BSCM Churches in Baptisms 2025:

Church	Total Baptisms
Chapel Pointe Church, Hudsonville	280
Grumlaw Church, Hartland	113
The Commonwealth of Faith, Redford	100
The Commons, Okemos	95
Zomi Baptist Church, Battle Creek	66
Mile City, Plymouth	63
Treeline Church	57
Zomi Baptist Church, Grand Rapids	56
Harvest Bible Chapel Traverse City	55
Grace Community, Hudsonville	54
New Found Hope, Redford	46
New City Church, Lincoln Park	42
Crossover Church, Southfield	38
City Church, Clio	31
Cornerstone Baptist Church, Roseville	23
Northern Light Church, St. Helen	22
Calvary Church, Southgate	21
Convergent Church, Owosso	21
Harper Creek Baptist Church	17
Passion Church, Gaylord	16

Cooperative Program Giving by Church

Donations by Contact for the period of 10/01/2024 to 09/30/2025

Name	Donation Amount
Ainsworth Baptist Church	5,093.00
Amazing Grace Baptist Portage	727.98
Anchor College Church Ann Arbor	1,200.00
Ann Arbor Chinese Christian	5,850.00
Antrim Community Church	1,425.00
Aramaic Baptist Church	193.90
Berean Baptist Church Of Mid-Michigan	350.00
Behold Fellowship	119.50
Bethel Baptist Church - Niles	6,567.74
Bethel Baptist Church - Roseville	500.00
Bethlehem Baptist Church	1,300.00
Built on a Rock Community Church	48.00
Burnette Baptist Church	240.00
Calvary Baptist Church - Holland	900.00
Calvary Baptist Church - Jackson	1,474.06
Calvary Church Southgate	6,000.00
Campus Town Church Ann Arbor	240.00
Cass Park Baptist Church	420.00
Catalyst Church Adrian	4,095.65
Central Baptist Church - Flint	2,406.90
Central Bible Church Clinton Twp.	1,087.50
Chapel Pointe - Main	30,000.00
Charity Baptist Church	2,120.00
Chin Mission Baptist Church	1,165.48
Christian Fellowship SBC	959.00
City Church Clio	2,028.00
Clinton Baptist Church	1,500.00
Colonial Hills Baptist Church	2,524.00
Community Baptist Chapel - Hillman	483.60

Community Baptist Church - Alma	13,410.33
Community Baptist Church - Hastings	350.00
Community Of Faith Church - Detroit	629.46
Compass Church	5,322.00
Convergent Church	4,804.35
Cornerstone Baptist Roseville	2,160.00
Cornerstone Community Church Haslett	789.14
Corunna Road Baptist Church	159.91
Frontstream Costco Giving	378.20
Creekside Church	5,508.62
Cross Waves Church	1,000.00
Crosslife Community Church	2,557.90
Crossover Church	25,168.48
Crosspointe Church	27,056.46
Crossroads Community Ann Arbor	7,000.00
Crossway Church	14,362.77
Crosswinds Community Church	972.00
Crystal Lake Baptist Church	240.00
Cultivate Church	1,009.97
Current Church	13,831.31
Damascus Church	8,050.00
Dearborn Heights Baptist Church	6,045.60
Discover Life Church	5,836.12
Dundee Baptist Church	1,024.00
Eastgate Baptist Church	24,780.35
Eastside Community Church	3,517.67
Eber Memorial Baptist Church	165.00
Ekklesia Church	3,250.00
Evangel Church Of Troy	1,300.00
Faith Baptist Chapel Napoleon	9,215.85
Faith Baptist Church - Dafter	1,292.30
Faith Baptist Church - Monroe	728.54
Faith Baptist Church Adrian	900.00
Faith Baptist Church Battle Creek	11,544.35

Faith Church Linden	728.00
Faith Fellowship Baptist Lansing	1,510.00
Fellowship Baptist Church of Saline	8,455.25
First Baptist Church - Gwinn	2,290.12
First Baptist Church - Portage	1,997.94
First Baptist Church - Trenton	12,327.61
First Baptist Church Dewitt	600.00
First Baptist Church Norway	1,457.01
First Baptist Church of Brighton	3,000.00
First Baptist Church Swartz Creek	21,908.55
First Hungarian Baptist Church	345.12
First Latin American Baptist Church	4,225.00
First Romanian Baptist Church Troy	485.41
First Spanish American Baptist Church	3,000.00
First Spanish Baptist Detroit	2,400.00
Forest Park Baptist Church	9,768.13
Frenchtown Missionary Baptist Church	1,226.24
Fresh Start Fellowship of Oscoda	2,681.00
Fresh Wind	48.19
Individual Givers	100.00
Golgotha Romanian Baptist Church	584.95
Good Church	2,214.68
Good Shepherd Baptist Church	4,495.61
Grace Baptist Church - Springfield	900.00
Grace Church Holt	194.75
Grace Church Jackson	29,553.99
Grace Community Church - Hudsonville	2,500.00
Grace Fellowship Baptist Battle Creek	3,823.07
Grape Missionary Baptist Church	651.90
Grayling Baptist Church	1,875.00
Grayling Baptist Church - Rogers City	100.00
Greater Mount Zion Church	200.00
Grumlaw Church Hartland	3,049.00
Grumlaw Church Main	63,477.00

H2O Church Kalamazoo	815.85
Harmony Baptist Church - Burton	2,583.00
Harmony Baptist Church - Jackson	9,375.66
Harper Creek Baptist Church	3,360.30
Harrison Metro Church	1,337.00
Harvest Baptist Church Shelby Twp.	4,335.00
Harvey Baptist Church	3,856.42
Heart And Soul Community Detroit	525.00
Heart And Soul West Bloomfield	450.00
Heritage Baptist Church - Monroe	42,222.52
Heritage Baptist Church Grand Blanc	14,805.18
Highland Community Church	8,365.73
Hikari City Church	916.14
Holland Baptist Church	210.94
Hope Church - Zeeland	291.09
Hope In Christ Bible Church	578.28
Karen Horne	1,691.76
Houghton Baptist Church	1,200.00
Hubbard Lake Baptist Church	975.67
Immanuel Baptist Church	1,511.00
Jacob'S Well on Campus	154.90
Kentucky Park Missionary Baptist Church	100.00
Jessi Kert Costco Donations	434.00
Korean First Baptist	150.00
Korean New Life Church of Ann Arbor	1,360.00
Korean New Life Church of Commerce Twp	4,045.00
Bambi Lake Baptist Camp	55.00
Lakepointe Church	32,500.00
Lakes Bible Church	600.00
Lakeside Baptist Church Battle Creek	900.00
Lakeside Community Church	5,650.00
Lakeside Missionary Baptist Church	150.00
Lanterns Church	5,998.60
Level Park Baptist Church	296.11

Liberty Missionary Baptist Church	1,343.80
Lighthouse Baptist Church - Caro	2,400.00
Lighthouse Bible Church New Baltimore	30,654.99
Living Hope Community Church	4,585.84
Living Water Community Church	500.00
Madison Heights Fellowship	300.00
Master'S House Deaf Church	250.00
Meditation Missionary Baptist Church	1,300.00
Memorial Baptist Church	20,934.48
Mercy Hill Church	2,600.00
Merriman Road Baptist Church	95,195.49
Middlebelt Baptist Church	27,687.48
Emmanuel Baptist Midland	971.21
Mile City Church - Plymouth	90,728.37
Mile City Espanol	1,402.80
Mission Church	6,682.00
Monroe Missionary Baptist Church	33,300.56
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church	12,902.00
New City Church	200.00
New Day/Nuevo Dia Baptist Church	270.02
New Found Hope Community Church	3,779.10
New Hope Baptist East Lansing	1,800.00
New Hope Church Birch Run	3,585.82
New Life Baptist Church - Fraser	2,600.00
New Life Chapel	937.00
New Living Christian Church	5.00
North End Baptist Church	6,217.06
North Prospect Baptist Church	3,283.70
Northbrook Church	800.00
Northern Light Church	99.84
Northfield Hills Baptist Church	100.00
Oak Park Missionary Baptist Church	1,850.00
Oakland Woods Baptist Church	4,876.55
Oakwood Church	5,444.15

One Eight Church	626.47
One Mission Church	969.65
Ontwa Baptist Church	1,100.00
Outpost Church - Monroe	176.75
Outreach Baptist Church	450.00
Passion Church - Gaylord	679.34
Pathway Baptist Church - Oxford	4,310.69
Pathway Southern Baptist Church	7,116.00
People'S Fresh Start Church	143.58
People'S Fresh Start Church - Warren	285.66
Philippine International Taylor	1,000.00
Philippine International Warren	1,782.76
Pigeon River Baptist Church	824.79
Redeemer Church	1,604.85
Redemption Church	14,724.40
Refuge Detroit	52.00
Event Registration	213.62
Restoring Hope Church	325.00
Rhiza Church	9,900.00
Risen Life Church - Durand	150.00
Roscommon Baptist Church	3,353.00
Second Laotian Baptist Church	362.00
Shawn Baptist Church	1,989.50
Springhill Missionary Baptist Church	900.00
Springview Community Church	1,300.00
Sunrise Church	18,000.00
Tecumseh Missionary Baptist Church	3,812.45
Temple Of Faith Baptist Church	3,250.00
The Church at Clawson	783.98
The Commons Church East Lansing	45,973.05
The Lord's Will Church	1,889.55
The Orchard Church	5,810.27
The Road Church	885.84
The Seed Church	1,310.65

The Shore Church - St. Joseph	24.35
The Valley Church	2,480.00
Thornhill Baptist Church	577.51
Transformation Church	6,044.01
Treasuring Christ Church	2,428.61
Treeline Church - Ann Arbor	19,804.08
Trinity Baptist Church - Adrian	1,200.00
Trinity Baptist Church - Detroit	600.00
Trinity Baptist Church - Grant	800.00
Trinity Baptist Church - Kalamazoo	645.08
True North Community Church	1,846.19
Warren Woods Baptist Church	31,930.33
Westside Church	17,339.54
Woodhaven Baptist Church	9,000.00
Word Encounter Church	600.00
Ypsilanti Missionary Baptist Church	2,100.00
Zomi Baptist Church Battle Creek	770.00
Zomi Baptist Church Grand Rapids	800.00

Total	1,233,986.47
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Financial Year-to-Date Statement of Activities

Baptist State Convention of Michigan			
Statement of Activities - All Funds			
	All Locations		
	Year To Date	Year Ending	
	09/30/2025	12/31/2025	
	Actual	Annual Budget	Remaining Budget
Net Surplus (Deficit)			
Revenue			
Cooperative Program Contributions from Churches	868,919	1,335,600	466,681
Other Contributions - Unrestricted	442	0	(442)
Offerings from Churches - State Missions	73,980	85,000	11,020
Offerings from Churches - North America Missions	220,264	150,000	(70,264)
Offerings from Churches - International Missions	142,253	210,000	67,747
Offerings from Churches - World Hunger	2,242	4,400	2,158
NAMB Contributions - Restricted	280,234	215,000	(65,234)
Other Contributions - Restricted	59,541	6,000	(53,541)
Event/Program/Activity Revenue	2,301	0	(2,301)
Sponsorship/Advertising/Royalty Revenue	299	35,800	35,501
Other Income	60,743	1,200	(59,543)
Interest Income	2,930	17,800	14,870
Dividend Income	4,985	21,600	16,615
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investment FMV	74,526	24,000	(50,526)
Realized Gain/Loss on Investments	36,413	22,800	(13,613)
Uncoded Cash Receipts	(52,340)	0	52,340
Total Revenue	1,777,732	2,129,200	351,468
Expenses by Department			
Missions Giving			
Cooperative Program Giving	310,737	467,460	156,723
Ministry Support Grants	444,769	449,400	4,631
Grants - Other Giving	83,334	0	(83,334)
Benevolence, Aid and Relief	2,000	0	(2,000)
Total Missions Giving	840,840	916,860	76,020
Missions Other Expenses			

Food/Refreshments/Meals	149	0	(149)
Mileage Reimbursement	109	0	(109)
Transportation, Parking & Fuel	67	0	(67)
Supplies	397	0	(397)
Total Missions Other Expenses	722	0	(722)
Church Planting			
Church Planting			
Honorariums	0	1,200	1,200
Ministry Support Grants	39,100	36,000	(3,100)
Grants - Other Giving	4,500	0	(4,500)
Software Application Licenses & Fees	108	0	(108)
Food/Refreshments/Meals	24	2,400	2,376
Airfare	0	1,800	1,800
Lodging	0	4,800	4,800
Mileage Reimbursement	0	1,200	1,200
Transportation, Parking & Fuel	0	1,200	1,200
Travel - Other	0	8,400	8,400
Supplies	0	400	400
Professional Services - Consulting/Management/Training	1,500	6,000	4,500
Total Church Planting	45,232	63,400	18,168
Total Church Planting	45,232	63,400	18,168
Church Strengthening			
Church Strengthening			
Contract Labor	125	0	(125)
Ministry Support Grants	12,895	0	(12,895)
Appreciation/Recognition	11,976	0	(11,976)
Curriculum/Study/Reference	2,648	0	(2,648)
Uniform and Clothing Expenses	643	0	(643)
Dues & Memberships	430	0	(430)
Equipment Purchase - Small/Non-Capital	681	0	(681)
Promotional Items	1,300	0	(1,300)
Software Application Licenses & Fees	7	0	(7)
Food/Refreshments/Meals	6,131	0	(6,131)
Airfare	1,273	0	(1,273)
Lodging	11,555	0	(11,555)
Transportation, Parking & Fuel	287	0	(287)
Travel - Other	162	12,000	11,838
Entertainment other than meals	5,125	0	(5,125)
Printing	59	0	(59)
Supplies	725	0	(725)
Fees - Other	419	0	(419)

Repairs & Maintenance	8	0	(8)
Total Church Strengthening	56,449	12,000	(44,449)
Total Church Strengthening (All)	56,449	12,000	(44,449)
Disaster Relief and Other Aid	23,331	38,160	14,829
Evangelism			
Evangelism - Existing Church			
Honorariums	2,200	0	(2,200)
Ministry Support Grants	92,988	100,000	7,012
Grants - Other Giving	0	3,000	3,000
Promotional Items	325	0	(325)
Food/Refreshments/Meals	1,395	0	(1,395)
Airfare	105	0	(105)
Lodging	712	0	(712)
Transportation, Parking & Fuel	668	0	(668)
Supplies	41	0	(41)
Professional Services - Communication & Marketing	200	0	(200)
Lease/Rent	3,288	0	(3,288)
Total Evangelism - Existing Church	101,922	103,000	1,078
Total Evangelism	101,922	103,000	1,078
Women's New Directions			
Contract Labor	0	600	600
Honorariums	0	8,500	8,500
Ministry Support Grants	1,443	2,000	557
Appreciation/Recognition	99	0	(99)
Curriculum/Study/Reference	0	600	600
Dues & Memberships	560	0	(560)
Software Application Licenses & Fees	0	240	240
Food/Refreshments/Meals	0	1,200	1,200
Airfare	200	400	200
Lodging	1,656	1,000	(656)
Mileage Reimbursement	0	2,400	2,400
Supplies	667	6,500	5,833
Fees - Registration & Tickets	79	600	521
Telecommunications - Phone/Internet/Fax/TV	0	1,200	1,200
Funding Transfer	0	(4,000)	(4,000)
Total Women's New Directions	4,704	21,240	16,536
SBC National Convention			
Ministry Support Grants	2,250	0	(2,250)
Appreciation/Recognition	663	0	(663)
Promotional Items	473	0	(473)

Food/Refreshments/Meals	7,300	2,000	(5,300)
Airfare	4,985	10,000	5,015
Lodging	7,630	10,000	2,370
Mileage Reimbursement	0	500	500
Transportation, Parking & Fuel	1,898	2,500	602
Travel - Other	80	0	(80)
Total SBC National Convention	25,279	25,000	(279)
BSCM Annual Convention	1,268	12,000	10,732
Conferences & Events	14,487	12,000	(2,487)
Services for Member Churches			
Fees - Background check	288	1,200	912
Total Services for Member Churches	288	1,200	912
Other Ministries	(11,500)	33,000	44,500
Compensation & Benefits	353,172	397,840	44,668
Training & Development	1,529	15,000	13,471
Boards and Committees	938	3,400	2,462
Executive Director	42,297	31,150	(11,147)
Administration	120,944	229,400	108,456
Information Technology	4,452	18,480	14,028
Marketing/Public Relations	17,526	50,960	33,434
Insurance	5,724	16,910	11,186
Buildings	(1,000)	0	1,000
Investments			
Grants - Other Giving	32,800	0	(32,800)
Fees - Investment	10,706	26,000	15,294
Funding Transfer	(1,000)	0	1,000
Total Investments	42,506	26,000	(16,506)
Bambi Lake Operations	6,642	100,000	93,358
Total Expenses	1,697,752	2,127,000	429,248
Total Net Surplus (Deficit)	79,980	2,200	(77,780)
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2026 Proposed Budget

Baptist State Convention of Michigan		
Proposed Budget	Bambi \$100K	Bambi \$100K
Reporting Book:	ACCRUAL	ACCRUAL
As of Date:	12/31/2025	12/31/2026
Location group:	BSCM	BSCM
Cooperative Program % / Extra % Cooperative Program	35% + 0%	30% + 50%
	Year Ending	Year Ending
	12/31/2025	12/31/2026
	Budget	Budget
Revenue		
Cooperative Program Contributions from Churches	1,335,600	1,280,000
Other Contributions - Unrestricted	0	0
Offerings from Churches - State Missions	85,000	85,000
Offerings from Churches - North America Missions	150,000	150,000
Offerings from Churches - International Missions	210,000	210,000
Offerings from Churches - World Hunger	4,400	4,400
NAMB Contributions - Restricted	215,000	215,000
Other Contributions - Restricted	6,000	6,000
Event/Program/Activity Revenue	0	0
Sponsorship/Advertising/Royalty Revenue	35,800	0
Other Income	1,200	
Interest Income	17,800	17,800
Dividend Income	21,600	21,600
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investment FMV	24,000	24,000
Realized Gain/Loss on Investment	22,800	22,800
Uncoded Cash Receipts	0	0
Total Revenue	2,129,200	2,036,600
Expenses by Department		
Missions Giving	916,860	833,400
Church Planting	63,400	80,000
Church Strengthening	12,000	80,000
Disaster Relief and Other Aid	38,160	38,160
Evangelism	103,000	103,000
Women's New Directions	21,240	22,000
SBC National Convention	25,000	25,000
BSCM Annual Convention	12,000	20,000
Conferences & Events	12,000	12,000
Services for Member Churches	1,200	0

Other Ministries	33,000	0
Compensation & Benefits	397,840	440,000
Training & Development	15,000	0
Boards and Committees	3,400	2,000
Executive Director	31,150	35,000
Administration	229,400	180,000
Information Technology	18,480	10,000
Marketing/Public Relations	50,960	4,400
Insurance	16,910	10,000
Buildings	0	0
Investments	26,000	0
Bambi Lake Buildings, Maintenance, Capital Improvements		
Bambi Lake Operations	100,000	100,000
Kids Camp Scholarships		0
Total Expenses	2,127,000	1,994,960
Total Net Surplus (Deficit)	2,200	41,640
		\$55,600
Annual Amount for Missions		\$861,200

BSCM 68th Annual Meeting
Friday, November 1, 2024

Chapel Pointe, Holt
1705 Cedar Street
Holt, MI 48842



Minutes compiled & submitted by ::
 Jerome Taylor – Recording Secretary

Presiding :: Jerome Taylor (elected acting-Moderator)

9:00 AM :: OPENING SESSION

PRAISE HIM FOR OUR GATHERING ::

1. **WORSHIP ::** Chapel Pointe Worship Team
2. **BSCM VISION VIDEO**
3. **HOST PASTOR WELCOME ::** Andrew Bolkcom (Chapel Pointe, Holt)
4. **SCRIPTURE READING & DEVOTION ::** Ray Ruffin Jr., BSCM 1st Vice-President (New Found Hope Community Church, Redford)
 - Psalm 145 : 1 — 13
5. **CALL TO ORDER ::** Josh Tovey, BSCM 2nd Vice-President (Redemption Church, Grandville)
 - **Meeting called to order at 9:25 am**
6. **NOMINATION OF PRESIDING MODERATOR ::** Josh Tovey
 - Josh Tovey asked for the appointment of Jerome Taylor, Recording Secretary (Eastgate Baptist Church, Burton) to serve as the presiding moderator of the 2024 BSCM Annual Meeting sessions of business
 - Roy Henry (Faith Baptist Church, Battle Creek) – **Point of Order**
 - The chair cannot appoint noting that Robert's Rules shares that the elected presiding officers are to preside.
 - The role of the elected responsibility of Recording Secretary & as Parliamentarian would become ultimately overly complicated to the point of disorder by adding the responsibility of acting moderator.

- David Roberts (Damascus Road Baptist Church, Midland)
 - Motioned to have Jerome Taylor be elected to serve as the Chair Pro Tem
 - Seconded by Terry Wilson (Charity Baptist Church, Parks)
- **Motion now opened for discussion**
- Diane Bowen (Central Baptist Church, Flint)
 - Discussed the presented conflict this motion would present to the Annual Meeting order and asked for the possibility of moderation from another leader among the messengers.
- Sharon Greer (The Orchard, Traverse City)
 - Moved to **amend the motion** in order to have Ken Render (Lakeside Community Church, St Claire Shores) serve as the Parliamentarian in the place of Jerome Taylor to accompany helping the election of the temporary acting moderator.
 - Second by Art Werry (New Life Baptist Church, Fraser)
 - No Discussion
 - Amendment to the motion voted upon by the raising of ballots
 - Amendment carried
- Roy Henry (Faith Baptist Church, Battle Creek)
 - Discussed again the complications that would result from electing a Chair Pro Tem from a person who holds elected responsibilities that pertain to already engaged activities of this meeting.
 - No oppositional discussion
 - The Motion as amended was voted upon by raised ballot - Motion carried

7. SEATING OF MESSENGERS :: Dr. Michele White, BSCM Assistant Recording Secretary (Middlebelt Baptist Church, Inkster)

- The Number of messengers representing churches of the BSCM at the 2024 Annual Meeting who were registered at **9:04 am**
 - **85** messengers
 - **4** guests
 - **49** churches

- The BSCM Assistant Recording Secretary made the motion that the these registered messengers of the 2024 Annual Meeting of the BSCM would be accepted as messengers duly registered, as well as those who will be duly registered as messengers throughout the meeting.

- Seconded by David Roberts (Damascus Road Baptist Church, Midland)
- Voted on by the raising of ballots
- Motion carried

8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA :: Michele White

- Moved that we would approve the Agenda of the 2024 Annual Meeting of the BSCM as printed on **pages 2—3** in the Book of Reports
- **Noted that the agenda will need to be amended to add the approval of the minutes** found on **pages 34—44**
- This motion for the Agenda as amended comes from the Board of Trustees and does not need a second
 - No Discussion on the 2024 Agenda
- Voted on the agenda as amended by raising of ballots
 - Motion carried
 - Agenda approved

9. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES :: Michele White

- The minutes were found on **pages 34—44**
- No discussion on the 2023 minutes added
- The Motion to approve the minutes as received was made by the Assistant Recording Secretary
- The motion was voted on by a raising of ballots.
 - Motion carried
 - Minutes were approved

10. TIME, PLACE, & COMMITTEE :: Jerome Taylor

- The motion from the Time & Place Committee is for the 2025 BSCM Annual Meeting to be held in Genesee County (Flint Metro area) on Friday, November 7, 2025 was submitted to the messengers.
 - The churches in consideration to host are first **Ekklesia, Grand Blanc** or **Eastgate Baptist Church, Burton**.
 - These churches are within 10-15 minutes of one another.

- After further conversation, **Ekklesia** has gladly accepted the role of hosting.
- Motion comes with a second by virtue of the committee and voted on by the raising of ballots
 - Motion carried

FIRST INTRODUCTION & READING OF MOTIONS :: Michele White

- Proposed Motions must be submitted by messengers in writing to the Recording Secretary and shared with the messengers by coming to the microphones near the staging area.
- **No New Motions were presented**

PRAISE HIM FOR CHURCH STARTING ::

11. NAMB :: North American Missions Board – VIDEO

12. CHURCH STARTING VISION ::

- “Where We Are Going” – Matt Thompson, SEND Network Michigan Church Planting Catalyst

13. CHURCH STARTING MISSION ::

- “How We Will Get There”
 - Matt Thompson, SEND Network Michigan Church Planting Catalyst
 - Wayne Parker, SEND Detroit Missionary
 - Tony Lynn, Language/Ethnic Church Planting Catalyst

14. CHURCH STARTING TESTIMONIES ::

- Ken Nether, Pastor, Crossover Church, Southfield
- Austin Wadlow, Pastor, Commons Church, Okemos
- Will Sam, Pastor, Anchor College Church, Ann Arbor
- Oscar Luna, Iglesia Mile City Espanol, Plymouth

15. CHURCH STARTING PRAYER ::

- Matt Thompson, SEND Network Michigan Church Planting Catalyst

PRAISE HIM FOR OUR WORK ::

16. OLD BUSINESS :: Jerome Taylor

17. UPDATED MESSENGER COUNT :: Michele White

- Number of messengers representing churches of the BSCM who were registered at **10:14 am**

- 155 messengers
- 7 guests
- 68 churches

18. OLD BUSINESS #1 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR-TREASURER SEARCH TEAM REPORT / NOMINATION ::

- Scott Blanchard, Chair (Lakepointe Church, Shelby Township) ○ Report was shared about the selection of the team in January of 2024 by then BSCM President, Ed Emmerling
- The team was announced to the Board of Trustees during the January 2024 meeting
 - The team was Scott Blanchard, Travis Whitaker (Miles City Church, Plymouth), Nate Click (Heritage Baptist Church, Monroe), Matt Thompson (Redemption Church, Grandville), Molly Diaz (Rhiza Church, Ypsilanti Township), Jeff Tuttle (Pathway Baptist Church, Prudenville, MI), Michele White (Middlebelt Baptist Church, Inkster), Art Werry (New Life Baptist, Fraser)
- Explained the flow of the process and the timeline taken to receive candidates and bring the selection of their nominee of Ed Emmerling (Westside Church, Flushing) for the role of Executive Director
 - Josh Tovey shared about when the search team announcement was presented to the Board of Trustees in January of 2024.
 - Various Team members shared about their support of the candidate presented
- Discussions of the Search Team Report was opened
 - Discussion #1 – Rick Bowen (Central Baptist Church, Flint)
 - “When would Ed Emmerling begin in this role?”
 - Answer #1 – The beginning of 2025
 - Discussion #2 – Jimmy Jones (First Baptist Church, Trenton)
 - Shared about his support for the search team's nominee
 - Clarification was raised about whether this was a motion made for a vote or merely the report.

- As this report is a recommendation it will come with a motion to elect the nominated candidate.
- Discussion #3 – Roy Henry (Faith Baptist Church, Battle Creek)
 - Objection raised that was not intended to impugn the candidate nor the search committee members
 - Raised concerns about the issues of process and polity that were considered in the objection to be flawed not because of Ed's appointment of the team but because of the chair of the team's subsequent request for the BSCM President's name to be considered after the fact
 - The objection asked the messengers to consider the procedures perceived as flawed in the process
 - The objection raised pointed to whether lessons had been learned from similar scenarios to what had recently taken place in 2023 with the SBC Executive Committee during their failed nomination process
 - The objection asked the messengers to consider whether such a process would be rejected by the secular world because of perceived impropriety
 - Even though there was not any intentional impropriety in this manner, Roy Henry, shared that the manner in this process had an appearance that could be considered unorthodox and a departure from reasonable etiquette and polity that should be rejected
 - The objection presented what would be a course of action should this nomination not be approved as a starting over.
- Because discussion comes as an objection to the motion being presented, as such time was given for anyone to speak against the objection.
 - No response was contributed
- Discussion came to an end and the motion moved to a balloted vote
- Instructions were given for the ballot vote by the Assistant Recording Secretary.
 - Ballot #1 used
 - Only messengers in the room may submit their own ballot

- Do not fold the ballots
- Tellers will collect the submitted ballots
- The vote by ballot was taken and the ballots were collected for counting.
- Messengers will be informed as soon as the ballots are tallied
- Travis Whitaker asked for a point of privilege to request a moment of gratitude to Scott Blanchard for his work of chairing the Search Team.

19. NEW BUSINESS :: Jerome Taylor

20. PROPOSED 2025 BSCM BUDGET :: Josh Tovey

- The Proposed 2025 BSCM Budget can be found in the 2024 BSCM Book of Reports on **pages 31—32**
 - **Page 30** shares the current financial reports of the BSCM YTD.
 - **Pages 23—29** share the current YTD Cooperative Program giving from the churches of the BSCM
 - The proposed budget for 2025 is very similar to the 2024 budget
- This recommendation comes as a motion from the Board of Trustees and does not require a second.
 - Discussion #1 — Angela Kucharczyk (True North Community Church, Petosky)
 - Asked for an explanation of the “Women's New Directions” ministry
 - Invitation to the current Executive Director, Tim Patterson, to share what this ministry is and entails
 - This was a renaming of what was originally named “Women's Ministry” and is under the purview of Tricia Werry
 - It has a primary approach to supporting women in ministry within the local churches
 - Discussion #2 – Cornelius Roberson (Heart & Soul Community Church, Detroit)
 - Requested that greater partnership between the African American Fellowship be garnered through Evangelism funding

- Tim Patterson clarified that this funding will be a continuance of support as long as our churches and cooperative partners request them for evangelism purposes
- Discussion #3 – Ed Mattox (Forrest Park Baptist Church, Farmington Hills)
 - Asked questions about the supplementation being received from the North American Mission Board, the support for a new Executive Director, and how it relates to the autonomy of the local church/state convention.
 - The response is that the Executive Director salary is covered by the cooperative giving of the state.
 - Further, the Board of Trustees is entrusted by the churches of the BSCM to hold into account the roles and responsibilities of the Executive Director
- Discussion #4 – Sue Hodnett (Lakepointe Church, Shelby Township)
 - Requested to know where the budgeted line item for WMU is
 - Tim Patterson shared that the WMU is an auxiliary entity that is funded outside the state convention and has its own leadership.
 - This line item is no longer a part of the convention budget and accounting for the WMU has been discussed with the MI president of the WMU for the last 2 years in this transition.
- Discussion #5 – Brandon Watkins (Transformation Church, Waterford)
 - Asked the question about how many people were considered and employed under the supplemental budget.
 - Tim Patterson shared there were 8 contract workers, one fulltime, and then the Executive Director position.
 - Church Planting line item is for only church planting in the state of Michigan.
- Discussion #6 – Phyllis Harbaugh (Memorial Heights Baptist Church, Sterling Heights)

- Would like to request further missions promotion support such as WMU and promotion of Disaster Relief with the budget from the BSCM.
- This comes as a statement for future consideration.
- Discussion #7—Odelle Cadwell, Temple of Fathh Baptist Church, Detroit)
 - Is WMU able to use Francis Brown State Offering monies for WMU missions promotion?
 - The answer is yes.
- The Time for discussion expired
- The 2025 BSCM proposed budget was voted on by the raising of ballots
 - The motion carried
 - The proposed budget is approved

22. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT :: Michele White

- The Board of Trustees Recommendations & Report can be found in 2024 BSCM Book of Reports on **page 21**
- Report #1: The Board of Trustees worked out the separation of the organizing non-profit over the Bambi Lake Retreat Center to a newly formed board of trustees. The BSCM still holds the deed to the property in trust and aside from previously carried over expenses from 2023 has maintained the agreed upon budget that has not exceeded \$100,000 in BSCM expenses.
- Report #2: The Board of Trustees began the process of communicating with churches that have ceased to contribute through the Cooperative Program (CP) and/or have not completed their Annual Church Profile (ACP) in the last 18 months. Per the adopted bylaws of the BSCM, those churches that have not fulfilled these expectations and who wished to be removed have ceased to be listed in our fellowship. Other churches after being communicated with who desire to be a part of the BSCM partnership, are working to bring their churches back into friendly cooperation through CP giving and ACP completion.
- Discussion on these reports was opened
 - Discussion – Scott Slater (Monroe Missionary Baptist Church, Monroe)
 - Asked about the number of churches that have ceased to be listed among the fellowship - The answer is 36

- **The Board of Trustees list is found on page 45.** The Board is requesting those that meet the qualifications of trustees and who would be willing to serve to submit their applications to become trustees.

23. ELECTION OF BSCM OFFICERS :: Jerome Taylor

- **PRESIDENT ::**
 - Nomination—Josh Tovey (Redemption Church, Grandville)
 - Made by Matt Thompson (Redemption Church, Grandville)
 - Seconded
 - No other nominations were made
 - Moved nominations cease
 - Art Werry (New Life Baptist Church, Fraser)
 - Seconded
 - Voted of affirmation by acclimation by raising of ballots
- **1st VICE-PRESIDENT ::**
 - Nomination—Cornelius Roberson (Heart & Soul Community Church, Detroit)
 - Made by Luke Bilberry (Chapel Pointe, Hudsonville)
 - Seconded
 - No other nominations were made
 - Moved nominations cease
 - Darren Greer (Orchard Church, Traverse City)
 - Seconded
 - Voted of affirmation by acclimation by raising of ballots
- **2nd VICE-PRESIDENT ::**
 - Nomination—Michele White (Middlebelt Baptist Church, Inkster)
 - Made by Tricia Werry (New Life Baptist Church, Fraser)
 - Seconded
 - No other nominations were made
 - Moved nominations cease
 - Wayne Parker (Merriman Road Baptist Church, Garden City)
 - Seconded
 - Voted of affirmation by acclimation by raising of ballots
- **RECORDING SECRETARY ::**
 - Nomination—Chris Peoples (Trinity Baptist Church, Adrian)
 - Made by Chip Faulkner (Current Church, Hillsdale)
 - Seconded

- No other nominations were made
 - Moved nominations cease
 - Richard Rogers (Current Church, Hillsdale)
 - Seconded
- Voted of affirmation by acclimation by raising of ballots
- **ASSISTANT RECORDING SECRETARY ::**
 - Nomination—Nate Click (Heritage Baptist Church, Monroe)
 - Made by Michele White (Middlebelt Baptist Church, Inkster) -
Seconded
 - Nomination—Sharon Greer (Orchard Church, Traverse City)
 - Made by Sue Hodnett (Lakepointe Church, Shelby Township)
 - Seconded
 - Nominations ceased
 - Michele White presented the instructions for the casting of ballots
 - Ballot #2
 - Circle #1 on Ballot #2 for Nate Click
 - Circle #10 on Ballot #2 for Sharon Greer
 - Ballots were collected by tellers to be counted.

24. REPORT ON THE BALLOTS FROM OLD BUSINESS :: Jerome Taylor

- Ballot totals on the Nomination of Ed Emmerling for Executive Director ○
Michele White reported the results
 - **10:14 am**
 - **155** messengers
 - **7** guests
 - **68** churches
 - **151** ballots cast for electing Ed Emmerling as the next BSCM Executive Director
 - **105** affirmative votes at 70% - **46** opposition votes at 30%
 - Ed Emmerling was elected as the next BSCM Executive Director

- **Prayer for the next director :: Jerome Taylor**

25. NEW BUSINESS FROM MOTIONS :: Jerome Taylor

- No new business to be conducted at this meeting as no new motions were introduced.

11:30 AM :: LUNCH SESSION – PRAISE HIM FOR OUR LEADERSHIP ::**26. RETIREMENT CELEBRATION :: FOR PASTOR TIM & SABRINA PATTERSON****1:00 PM :: AFTERNOON SESSION****PRAISE HIM FOR OUR PARTNERSHIPS ::****27. WORSHIP :: Chapel Pointe Worship Team****28. SCRIPTURE READING :: Psalm 145 : 14 — 21, Josh Tovey****29. NEW CHURCH AFFILIATIONS & NEW PASTORS :: Josh Tovey****30. IMB :: International Mission Board – Video****31. KEYNOTE SPEAKER INTRODUCTION :: Tim Patterson, BSCM Executive
Director/Treasurer****32. KEYNOTE MESSAGE :: Dr. Jeff Iorg, President/CEO, SBC Executive Committee**

- Keynote Message: *“Southern Baptists are a Force for Good”*

33. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS :: Jerome Taylor

- Ballot totals on the election of the BSCM Assistant Recording Secretary ○

Totals reported by Michele White

- **12:24 pm**
- **158** messengers
- **8** guests
- **71** churches
- **129** ballots cast for the election of Assistant Recording Secretary
 - **91** votes for Nate Click
 - **38** votes for Sharon Greer
- Nate Click elected to serve as BSCM Assistant Recording Secretary

2:00 PM :: SNACK BREAK**2:15 PM :: AFTERNOON SESSION CONTINUED****PRAISE HIM FOR CHURCH STRENGTHENING :: Josh Tovey****34. CHURCH STARTING TESTIMONIES ::**

- Nate Click, Pastor, Heritage Baptist Church, Monroe
- Cornelius Roberson, Pastor, Heart and Soul Community Church, West Bloomfield & Detroit ○ Rick Marcus, Pastor, City Church, Clio

35. MICHIGAN DISASTER RELIEF VIDEO REPORT ::

- Bob Kiger, Director, Michigan Southern Baptist Disaster Relief ○ Report can be found in the 2024 BSCM Book of Reports on **Page 16**

36. BAMBI LAKE RETREAT & CONFERENCE CENTER REPORT :: Wayne Parker

- The Retreat Center Report can be found in the 2024 BSCM Book of Reports on Pages 17 — 19

37. WMU :: Women's Missionary Union – Video

- Odelle Cadwell, President, Michigan WMU ○ The WMU Report can be found in the 2024 BSCM Book of Reports on Page 14

38. WOMEN'S MINISTRY LEADERS, PLANTER/PASTOR/STAFF WIVES – Video

- Tricia Werry, Women's Ministry Leadership
- The Women's Ministry Leadership Report can be found in the 2024 BSCM Book of Reports on Page 15

39. CHURCH SENDING TESTIMONIES

- SERVE TOUR ::
 - Joe Brown, Pastor, Greater Mount Zion Church, Flint
- MICHIGAN CHURCHES HELPING MICHIGAN CHURCHES ::
 - Dave Longstaff, Pastor, Graying Baptist Church, Grayling
 - Phil Wallin, Pastor, Faith Baptist Church, Monroe
- INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIPS ::
 - Marisa Roberson, Heart and Soul Community Church, West Bloomfield & Detroit

PRAISE HIM FOR HIS MIGHTY WORKS ::**40. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR-TREASURER TESTIMONY :: Tony Lynn & Mike Durbin****41. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR-TREASURER'S ADDRESS :: Tim Patterson**

- Recognition of Service to Bob Kiger, BSCM Disaster Relief ○
Recognition of Service to Dan Carty, BSCM Ministry Assistant
- Keynote Message :: "*Foundations*" – 1 Corinthians 3:10—11
 - The Calling is By Grace
 - The Construction is By Grace
 - The Continuation is By Grace

42. INSTALLATION & PRAYER FOR NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR-TREASURER :: Tim Patterson

- Blessing for Ed & Renee Emmerling

43. NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR-TREASURER ADDRESS :: Ed Emmerling

- Philippians 1:6 – I am sure of this that he who began a good work will bring it to completion in Christ Jesus.

44. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE :: Tim Patterson

- Recognition of Service to Jamie Lynn, BSCM Administrative Assistant

45. CELEBRATION SONG :: Chapel Pointe Worship Team

46. PRAYER OF DISMISSAL :: Andrew Bolkom

47. ADJOURNMENT :: Jerome Taylor

BSCM BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CURRENT MEMBERS – 2 Terms of 3 Years

	NAME	TERM ENDS	ELIGIBLE 2 ND TERM	Church & City
	Stan Turner	2025	Yes	New City Church, Lincoln Park
	Matt Carter	2026	No	Grace Church, Holt
	Maurice Flaniken	2027	No	Trinity Baptist, Detroit

	Torion Bridges	2026	No	Commonwealth of Faith, Redford
	Brandon Watkins	2027	Yes	Redeemer Church, Livonia

	Billy Walker	2025	Yes	Calvary Church, Southgate
	Ken Hale	2027	Yes	Harper Creek, Battle Creek
	Lukas Setzler	2028	Yes	CrossPointe, Monroe
	Chris Cox	2028	Yes	Lake Pointe Church, Shelby Twp.

MICHIGAN SOUTHERN BAPTIST FOUNDATION

	NAME			Church & City
	Becky Vaughan			Warren Woods, Warren
	Helen Henley			Sunrise Church, Midland
	Ben Bauer			FBC, Brighton

ELECTED OFFICERS

	NAME	ELECTED	OFFICE HELD
	Josh Tovey	2024	President
	Cornelius Roberson	2024	First Vice President
	Michele White	2024	Second Vice President
	Chris Peoples	2024	Recording Secretary
	Nate Click	2024	Assistant Recording Secretary
	Ray Ruffin	2023	Former President

BSCM Staff and Consultants:

Ed Emmerling	Dan Dameron	Art Werry	Tricia Werry	Garth Leno
Jamie Lynn	Ken Render	Sunhee Son	Bill LaFollette	

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Baptist State Convention of Michigan Historic Table

Presidents and Annual Meetings Since Organization

<u>Date</u>	<u>President & Church</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Church</u>
1957	H.T. Starkey, Merriman Rd., Garden City	Oct 31-Nov 1	Fairview Avenue, Detroit
1958	H.T. Starkey, Merriman Rd., Garden City	Nov 4-5	Fairview Avenue, Detroit
1959	Marion Boyd, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 3-4	Lincoln Park, Flint
1960	Marion Boyd, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 1-2	Columbia Ave, Pontiac
1961	Ray Babb, FBC Clio	Nov 7-8	Merriman Rd, Garden City
1962	Ray Babb, FBC Clio	Nov 6-7	Bethany, Lansing
1963	Hubert Keefer FBC St. Clair Shores	Nov 5-6	Lincoln Park, Flint
1964	Hubert Keefer FBC St. Clair Shores	Nov 3-4	Bethel, Roseville
1965	E. Clay Polk, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 3-4	FBC, Portage
1966	E. Clay Polk, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 9-10	Normandy Rd, Royal Oak
1967	Max Cadenhead, Bethel	Oct 31-Nov 2	Columbia Ave, Pontiac
1968	Max Cadenhead, Bethel	Nov 5-7	Friendship, Lincoln Park
1969	James W. Jones, FBC Trenton	Nov 4-6	Merriman Rd, Garden City
1970	James W. Jones, FBC Trenton	Nov 3-5	New Haven, Flint
1971	Roy Adams, Eastgate, Burton	Nov 9-11	FBC, St. Clair Shores
1972	Roy Adams, Eastgate, Burton	Nov 14-16	Niles Avenue, St. Joseph
1973	Billy Whitt, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 13-15	Bethany, Lansing
1974	Billy Whitt, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 12-14	Middlebelt, Inkster
1975	Richard Rogers, Bethany, Lansing	Nov 11-13	Harvey, Marquette
1976	Richard Rogers, Bethany, Lansing	Nov 9-11	FBC, South Lyon
1977	David Ray, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 8-9	Friendship, Lincoln Park
1978	David Ray, Columbia Ave, Pontiac	Nov 14-16	FBC, Clio
1979	Howard Clark, FBC Gwinn	Nov 13-15	Normandy Rd, Royal Oak
1980	Milton Wood, Gorham, Jackson	Nov 11-13	Harvey, Marquette
1981	Milton Wood, Gorham, Jackson	Nov 10-12	FBC, Trenton
1982	Joe Hall, Forest Park, Farmington Hills	Nov 9-11	Bethany, Lansing
1983	Carl Petty, Westside, Flushing	Nov 8-10	Emmanuel, Midland
1984	Carl Petty, Westside, Flushing	Nov 13-15	Warren Woods, Warren
1985	Rochelle Davis, Temple of Faith, Detroit	Nov 12-14	Monroe Missionary, Monroe
1986	Rochelle Davis, Temple of Faith, Detroit	Nov 11-13	Harvey, Marquette
1987	Damon Patterson, Monroe Missionary, Monroe	Nov 10-12	Westside, Flushing
1988	Damon Patterson, Monroe Missionary, Monroe	Nov 8-10	Immanuel, Grand Rapids
1989	Mike Lee, Gorham, Jackson	Nov 7-9	Gorham, Jackson
1990	Mike Lee, Gorham, Jackson	Nov 6-8	Merriman Rd, Garden City
1991	Levi Parish, Eastgate, Burton	Nov 12-14	Packard Rd. Ann Arbor
1992	Levi Parish, Eastgate, Burton	Nov 10-12	Bethany, Lansing
1993	August Peters, Hillsdale	Nov 8-10	Cherryland, Traverse City
1994	August Peters, Hillsdale	Nov 8-10	Eastgate, Burton

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1995	Bob Galey, Oakland Woods	Nov 7-9	Gorham, Jackson
1996	Ray Shelton, Friendship	Nov 5-7	Immanuel, Midland
1997	Ray Shelton, Friendship	Nov 4-6	Lakeside, St. Clair Shores
1998	George Fountain, Raisinville, Monroe	Nov 3-5	Thunder Bay, Alpena
1999	George Fountain, Raisinville, Monroe	Nov 2-4	Monroe Missionary, Monroe
2000	Bob Beddingfield, FBC South Lyon	Nov 7-9	Eastgate, Burton
2001	Bob Beddingfield, FBC South Lyon	Nov 6-8	Hilton Hotel, Grand Rapids
2002	Robert Coverson, Second Chapel Hill, Detroit	Nov 5-7	Middlebelt, Inkster
2003	Robert Coverson, Second Chapel Hill, Detroit	Nov 4-6	Grace, Jackson
2004	Wayne Parker, Merriman Road, Garden City	Nov 2-4	Holiday Inn, Marquette
2005	Wayne Parker, Merriman Road, Garden City	Nov 8-10	Warren Woods, Warren
2006	Herb Harbaugh, Memorial, Sterling Heights	Oct 31-Nov 2	Ramada Inn, Ludington
2007	Herb Harbaugh, Memorial, Sterling Heights	Oct 30-Nov 2	Sunrise, Midlane
2008	Ken Render, Lakeside, St. Clair Shores	Oct 28-30	Merriman Rd, Garden City
2009	Ken Render, Lakeside, St. Clair Shores	Oct 27-28	Eastgate, Burton
2010	Roscoe Belton, Middlebelt, Inkster	Oct 26-27	Middlebelt, Inkster
2011	Roscoe Belton, Middlebelt, Inkster	Oct 25-26	Warren Woods, Warren
2012	Larry Allen, Warren Woods, Warren	Nov 8-9	Monroe Missionary, Monroe
2013	Larry Allen, Warren Woods, Warren	Nov 29-30	Cedar Street, Holt
2014	Chuck Turner, Kaleo	Nov 7-8	Bambi Lake, Roscommon
2015	Chuck Turner, Kaleo	Nov 6-7	Faith, Battle Creek
2016	Jerome Taylor, Eastgate, Burton	Nov 4-5	Eastgate, Burton
2017	Jerome Taylor, Eastgate, Burton	Nov 7-8	Middlebelt, Inkster
2018	Scott Blanchard, Lakepointe, Shelby Twp.	Nov 9	Grace, Jackson
2019	Scott Blanchard, Lakepointe, Shelby Twp.	Nov 8	Mile City, Plymouth
2020	Roy Henry, Faith Baptist Church, Battle Creek	Nov 6	Mile City, Plymouth
2021	Roy Henry, Faith Baptist Church, Battle Creek	Nov 5	Mile City, Plymouth
2022	Ed Emmerling, Westside Church, Flushing	Nov 4	Chapel Pointe, Hudsonville
2023	Ed Emmerling, Westside Church, Flushing	Nov 3	Mile City, Plymouth
2024	Ray Ruffin, New Found Hope Community Church, Redford	Nov 1	Chapel Pointe Holt Campus, Holt
2025	Josh Tovey, Redemption Church, Grandville	Nov 7	Ekklesia, Grand Blanc