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2026 BOOK OF REPORTS

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Baptist State Convention of Michigan 2026 Annual Meeting

Mile City Church, 13100 Haggerty Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170

“It’s All About the Gospel”

Colossians 1:5-6: “You have already heard about this hope in the word of truth, the gospel that has come to you. It is bearing fruit and growing all over the world, just as it has among you since the day you heard it and came to truly appreciate God’s grace.” (CSB)

8:30 AM Fellowship & Registration - Coffee and Donuts

8:45 AM Pre-session - Mile City Music

9:00 AM **Session 1:**

Welcome - **Tito and Mollie - Swag Giveaway**

Worship & Prayer through Scripture - **Michael Goforth**

Welcome - **Ed Emmerling, Executive Director**

Call to Order, Seating of Messengers, Approval of Agenda - **President**

Cornelius Roberson

Business - **Cornelius Roberson**

Reading of Motions

Book of Reports, (Includes Financial Report)

2027 Budget - **Ed Emmerling**

Election of Officers

Strengthening Report - **Ken Render**

Business - **President Cornelius Roberson**

Election of Officers

Starting Report - **Matt Thompson**

Introduction/Prayer with Church Planters

Business - **President Cornelius Roberson**

Election of Officers

Breakout Panel - **Dan Dameron**

Bryan Loritts

David Jackson

Casey Kilgore

Worship – Mile City Music

Executive Director Message - **Ed Emmerling**

New business from motions

Wrap Up & Giveaway Announcement - **Tito and Mollie**

Prayer - **Dr. Michele White**

12:15 LUNCH -
Lunch Table Discussions
Greatest Victory this last year
Greatest Challenge this last year
Greatest dream for the days ahead

1:00 PM Tito and Mollie Announce Breakouts
1:15 PM Breakouts -
 Gospel Centered Preaching and Ministry - **Bryan Loritts**
 Falling n Love with Jesus (Again) - **David Jackson**
 Ladies Living Out the Gospel - **Casey Kilgore**

2:15 PM Session 2:
 Giveaway - **Tito and Mollie**
 Partnership Panel - **Ed Emmerling**
 NAMB - Matt Thompson
 IMB - Ed Herrelko
 Guidestone - Troy Patterson
 ERLC - Dr. Evan Lenow
 Worship
 Message - **Bryan Loritts**
 Introduction and Prayer Over New Officers - **Dan Dameron**

Grand Giveaway - Tito and Mollie

3:45 PM Dismiss - Ken Render

2026 Executive Director/Treasurer Annual Report

Pastor Ed Emmerling

As another year of serving as your Executive Director/Treasurer comes to a close, I find myself incredibly grateful for all God is doing through Michigan Baptists.

Everywhere I travel across our state, I see reminders that **it really is all about the Gospel!**

Churches are sharing Jesus. People are being baptized. Pastors are faithfully preaching the Word. Churches are being strengthened and revitalized. Mission teams are being sent. And faithful men and women across Michigan are serving King Jesus.

As I write this report, it looks like we will surpass last year's baptism numbers by **more than 100 baptisms!** We won't have the exact numbers till March, but we are on pace to pass last year. Every one of those numbers represents a person whose life has been changed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

And just like I said last year, I don't believe this is because of me or our BSCM staff. God is doing this through faithful Michigan Baptist churches sharing the Gospel, making disciples, and trusting Him to bring the harvest. If Michigan Baptists

What a privilege it is for BSCM to come alongside our churches and help them take their next step to accelerate Gospel movement!

Loving Our Pastors

Last year I told you that **pastors are our heroes**, and nothing has changed!

One of our continued priorities in 2026 has been loving, encouraging, and caring for our pastors and their families.

We enjoyed three incredible summer fellowships in Lansing, Detroit, and Gaylord with over 400 pastors/leaders and family attending. Our Pastor and Wives Refresh Retreat in October was an incredible time together 48 people being challenged and blessed had a great time of encouragement, rest, and fellowship.

We also provided Pastor Appreciation gift cards, with more than **125 pastors responding to receive a gift.**

Beyond these gatherings, we continued walking alongside pastors and families facing difficult seasons, offering encouragement, care, practical assistance and financial relief.

Ministry can be hard, and pastors carry burdens many never see. We want every Michigan Baptist pastor to know **you are loved, appreciated, and never serving alone.**

Pastors, you are our heroes, and it is our joy to serve you!

Strengthening Our Churches

One of our greatest areas of increased investment this year has been strengthening our existing churches.

Last year, I introduced our new BSCM Strengthening Lab. This year, we watched it become a reality!

We have completed 5 Strengthening Labs this year including last year's Beta Test Strengthening Lab we have had more than 70 of our churches participate and more than 170 people attend one of the labs.

But the most exciting part isn't the attendance. **It's the results!**

We are hearing stories of churches making practical changes, engaging their communities, strengthening their ministries, and taking their next step. One pastor said, "the best and most practical event I have ever attended led by the BSCM."

We have also helped several pastors and churches participate in year-long **Small Church USA revitalization cohorts**, providing monthly coaching, practical tools, encouragement, and guidance for healthier churches.

Ken Render, our Director of Strengthening, has been a tremendous addition to this work, helping churches navigate revitalization, growth, and ministry challenges.

Our goal isn't to build bigger BSCM programs. **Our goal is stronger Michigan churches reaching their communities with the Gospel!**

Planting Churches Through Partnership

We are also incredibly thankful for our partnership with **Send Network** as we work together to plant new churches across Michigan!

Send Network continues to invest significant resources, training, coaching, and support into our church planters and their families. What a blessing it is to have such a strong partner helping us reach communities across our state with the Gospel!

BSCM is excited to come alongside Send Network by helping provide support for church planting coaches, a spouse care and support champion, and other important areas of ministry that help our planters and their families thrive.

We believe healthy church planters and healthy families are essential to planting healthy churches.

Our desire is simple: more healthy churches reaching more people with the Gospel across Michigan!

And we are grateful that we don't have to do it alone. That's the beauty of partnership and cooperation for the Kingdom!

Investing in Gospel Ministry

Another exciting development has been our ability to put more financial resources directly into the hands of churches and ministries.

This year, we invested **\$131,000 in 47 churches in Evangelism Grants** and **\$99,561 through our Frances Brown State Mission Offering grants to 43 churches.**

That's approximately **\$240,000 in these two areas alone**, helping churches reach their communities, pastors and families facing difficult circumstances, and mission teams taking the Gospel beyond their communities.

I'm incredibly grateful for the generosity of Michigan Baptists through the Cooperative Program and our State Mission Offering.

When we pool our resources together, we accomplish far more than any one church could accomplish alone.

That's cooperation. That's partnership. And it's all about the Gospel!

Michigan Baptists on Mission

The Gospel was never intended to stop at the walls of our churches—or at the Michigan state line!

This year, several Michigan pastors participated in mission trips to **Africa in partnership with the International Mission Board**, serving alongside missionaries and seeing firsthand how God is working among the nations.

Many of our churches also utilized State Mission Offering grants to help send their members on mission trips.

And in September, **10 Michigan Baptist churches participated in Serve Tour Toledo**, meeting practical needs, serving communities, and sharing the love and hope of Jesus.

I love seeing Michigan Baptists go!

Whether across the street, across Michigan, or across the ocean, we want to help our churches take the Gospel wherever God opens the door.

As of the writing of this article on Oct 12th, we have cooperatively given over \$800,000.00 to missions year to date. **We are on pace to give almost 1million dollars to missions in 2026! Somebody better say Praise the Lord!!!**

Serving Every Part of Michigan

Michigan is a big state, with churches serving in incredibly different communities and contexts.

That's why we've worked intentionally to **regionalize our state**, helping us better connect pastors, provide accessible fellowship and training, and ensure churches in every region know they matter.

I've also continued meeting monthly with our **Associational Mission Strategists**, both virtually and in person, to strengthen our partnerships and coordinate our efforts.

Our desire is simple: support one another, communicate well, and work together rather than duplicate efforts.

We are better when our churches, associations, BSCM, and national partners lock arms together for the Gospel!

Seeing God at Work in the Upper Peninsula

One of the highlights of my year was our team spending three days traveling through Michigan's beautiful Upper Peninsula.

We connected with **four churches and 24 leaders**, and what we witnessed was incredibly encouraging.

One church is growing so consistently that they are running out of room and considering expanding their facilities.

Another church has experienced a wonderful rebound and is once again averaging **more than 125 people in weekly worship**.

We visited a church creatively reaching children and families through its local schools. And we spent time with another congregation preparing for revitalization after years of community decline following the closure of a nearby military base.

Later in September, we had the opportunity to connect with a fifth church in the UP, where we met a pastor from South Carolina who had returned to visit the very church where he had been saved more than 55 years ago! What a beautiful spiritual marker of God's faithfulness and a powerful reminder that He has been using Michigan Baptist churches for

generations to change lives and make a Gospel impact far beyond our state and around the world!

Five churches. Five different situations. The same God faithfully at work in every one of them!

That's why we believe every church matters, regardless of size or location. We want to meet churches where they are and help them discover their next faithful step.

Getting Into Our Churches

One of my favorite parts of serving as Executive Director continues to be getting out of the office and spending time with our churches.

This year, I've had the privilege of worshipping **40 times with Michigan Baptist churches!**

I've preached in many, brought greetings in others, and sometimes simply enjoyed worshipping alongside my brothers and sisters in Christ.

What a joy!

Every church is different, but everywhere I go, I'm reminded that **God has placed Gospel outposts across our great state.**

I wish I could visit every church each year, and I'll keep trying to reach as many as possible.

I want our churches to know that BSCM isn't some organization somewhere "over there." We belong to one another, and we're partners in the Gospel!

Taking the Next Step Together

As I look toward 2027, I'm incredibly encouraged, but I'm also reminded that there is still much work to do.

There are churches needing revitalization, communities needing new churches, pastors needing encouragement, missionaries needing support, and millions of people across Michigan who still need Jesus.

We celebrate every baptism, but we pray for the next one.

We celebrate every strengthened church, but we look for the next church we can help.

We celebrate every pastor encouraged, but we look for the pastor who may be struggling.

And we celebrate every mission team sent, but we ask, "Lord, where do You want to send us next?"

Because at the end of the day, **it's not about the BSCM, our programs, our events, or even our numbers.**

It's all about the Gospel!

It's about Jesus Christ crucified, risen, reigning, and still saving people today.

I genuinely believe some of Michigan Baptists' greatest days are ahead of us. Not because we have unlimited resources or all the answers, but because the Gospel is still the power of God for salvation, and Jesus is still building His church!

So, let's keep loving our pastors, strengthening our churches, planting and revitalizing churches, sending missionaries, and sharing Jesus.

Let's keep giving generously, working together, and taking our next step to **accelerate Gospel movement across Michigan and beyond!**

Thank you for your faithfulness, partnership, and the incredible privilege of serving alongside you.

For His Kingdom and For His Glory,

Pastor Ed Emmerling

Executive Director/Treasurer

Baptist State Convention of Michigan

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What an incredible year it has been of seeing God's Kingdom expand in a big way through the church planting efforts within Send Network Michigan and among the Baptist State Convention of Michigan (BSCM) this year.

Send Network Michigan's vision is to ***"join in God's activity to see His Kingdom expand in Michigan by at least 1%."*** While this vision may seem beyond our individual capabilities, it is not beyond the reach of our great God (Ephesians 3:20-21)! Remember, our God has the power to accomplish far beyond what we could ever ask, dream, or imagine. Moreover, we believe He desires to achieve this through us as we partner together to reach many more people and places with the gospel.

The following highlights and celebrates the work that God has chosen to accomplish through us, BSCM and Send Michigan, as we are on mission within the Send Network to serve you as ***"a family of churches planting churches everywhere for everyone."***

"A FAMILY OF CHURCHES..."

When we consider our family of churches in the BSCM, we recognize the remarkable opportunity Send Network Michigan had to mobilize pastors, associations, and ministry leaders across our state. Through our "Sending Lab" events, these collaborative training days have fostered connections and provided valuable guidance on the process of finding, developing, and sending church planters. We eagerly anticipate the positive impact these training events will have as these leaders mobilize their congregations and associations to multiply their influence through church planting in the upcoming years.



Send Network Michigan believes that every church is important and has a role to play in planting. Our family of churches is made up of all different sizes of churches that are in all different contexts — urban contexts, rural communities, and major cities across Michigan. To all of our BSCM churches and pastors, know that your church is important and that our Send Michigan team is here to serve you and help you discover how your church can be mobilized for even greater Kingdom impact through church planting and/or replanting! The picture below illustrates how your church can play a vital role.

[PICTURE: Mobilization Pathway]



“...PLANTING CHURCHES...”

To celebrate the incredible momentum of new churches being planted in Michigan, we are excited to share the addition of **TWELVE new churches so far this year** that are launching in communities across the state. We must remember that each of these new church plants is a direct response to prayer (Luke 10:2) and that each one was sent out by a faithful “Sending Church” — a Sending Church serves to coach a planter, provides care for a planting family, and commissions a new planter on their church planting journey.

As we celebrate these new churches, in addition, we also want to highlight that **we have EIGHT new church planters being assessed this Fall!** This year we are projecting to see **a continued increase of new churches planted from the previous years!** To God be ALL the glory!

Our Send Network Michigan Planters are reaching the collegiate contexts (*Top pictures — David Livingston, Treeline Church in Ann Arbor*), the East African people (*Middle pictures — Butoyi Kashindi, Agape Grace Church in Lansing*), our Hispanic communities (*Bottom pictures — Luis Sanchez, Doxa Church in Lincoln Park*), and so many more — This is a beautiful picture of our family of churches planting churches... everywhere for everyone!



“EVERYWHERE FOR EVERYONE.”

As a family of churches planting churches everywhere for everyone, join us in celebrating what God has done **through our 52 Send Network Michigan church plants from January 1-August 1, 2026 — We have seen 2,902 Gospel Conversations, 267 Salvations, and 153 Baptisms!** Each number represents a person in Michigan whose life has been eternally changed by Jesus! Literally thousands of people have heard about Jesus and hundreds of lives have been changed by Jesus this past year through the faithful service of our Send Network Michigan church planters.

BSCM, we pray this report is an encouragement to you and that you would join us in celebrating how God is working, how churches are sending, how planters are planting, and how God's Kingdom is advancing all across Michigan! Our Send Network Michigan team is blessed to be in this with you and know that we are here to serve you as you *take your next step to accelerate gospel movement as “a family of churches planting churches everywhere for everyone”!*

All for the fame of Jesus' name,

The Send Network Michigan Team

Matt Thompson — Send Network Director, Michigan & Indiana

Ken Nether — Send City Missionary, Detroit

Seth Springs — Church Planting Catalyst, Detroit

Travis Whittaker — Church Planting Catalyst, Detroit

Wayne Parker — Church Planting Catalyst, Detroit & N. Michigan

Tony Lynn — Church Planting Catalyst, Ethnic/Language

Jorge Rodriguez — Send Network Espanol Midwest-Lakes Regional Lead

Church Strengthening Report

As a Church Strengthenener with the Baptist State Convention of Michigan (BSCM), my calling is to walk alongside churches across our state—helping them grow in health, unity, and missional effectiveness. I believe every church, regardless of size, location, or ministry



context, has a vital role in advancing God's Kingdom. My work is focused on encouraging pastors, equipping leaders, strengthening congregations, and helping churches take their next step toward accelerating gospel impact.

Every church has its own story, challenges, opportunities, and God-given mission. That's why church strengthening begins with listening. Through conversations with pastors and church leaders, association visits, and ongoing relationships with congregations, I seek to provide personalized encouragement and practical growth steps.

Whether a church needs help with strategic planning, leadership development, conflict resolution, discipleship, evangelism, or developing a renewed vision, the goal is the same: to help churches become healthier and more effective in reaching their communities. I also help churches connect with the resources, networks, training, and ministry opportunities available through BSCM and our ministry partners.

This year, BSCM conducted five Strengthening Labs, creating opportunities for churches to step back, think creatively, and explore fresh approaches to ministry. The labs focused on helping churches:

- Engage their communities in new and meaningful ways
- Equip believers to live on mission
- Develop a stronger culture of discipleship
- Explore opportunities for mission and church planting
- Discover practical steps toward greater kingdom impact

Nearly one-fifth of Michigan Baptist churches participated in one of these Strengthening Labs—a tremendous investment in the health and future of our churches.



Healthy churches need healthy, encouraged leaders. Throughout the year, I had the privilege of meeting with pastors and church leaders around a variety of ministry

challenges and opportunities. BSCM also hosted “Love Our Pastor/Leader” events, bringing together nearly 500 pastors, leaders, and family members for encouragement, fellowship, and connection.

These included:

- High Caliber — Lansing: 75 participants
- Detroit Tigers Game — Detroit: 280 participants
- Northern Fellowship — Gaylord: 75 participants

These gatherings provided more than events—they created space for pastors and leaders to be encouraged, build relationships, and know they are not serving alone.

One of the more tangible ways BSCM strengthens churches is by investing directly in their mission. BSCM has awarded:

- 57+ Evangelism Grants to Michigan churches totaling more than \$135,900
- 48+ SMO Grants totaling more than \$101,561

These investments help churches take practical steps to reach people with the gospel, engage their communities, and expand the Kingdom of God throughout Michigan.

I have a deep love for the local church and a strong desire to see churches across Michigan



thrive. Church strengthening isn't about quick fixes. It is about walking faithfully with churches over time—building healthy leadership, strengthening relationships, developing disciples, clarifying mission, and remaining rooted in biblical truth and empowered by the Holy Spirit. My prayer is that through this work, we will see more churches become healthy, vibrant, mission-minded communities that reflect the hope of Christ in their neighborhoods, across Michigan, and beyond. Together, we can strengthen churches, equip leaders, and accelerate gospel movement throughout Michigan.

Ken Render

BSCM Strengthening Director

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Serving as the Women's Ministry Director for the Baptist State Convention of Michigan is a great honor and blessing. As 2026 comes to a close, I am deeply grateful for the numerous opportunities to connect with incredible women across Michigan and surrounding states through various events and conferences. I pray that this momentum is carried into 2027 as we faithfully strive to live out the Gospel in our daily lives.

As we look ahead, the focus for Women's Ministry in 2027 includes the following:

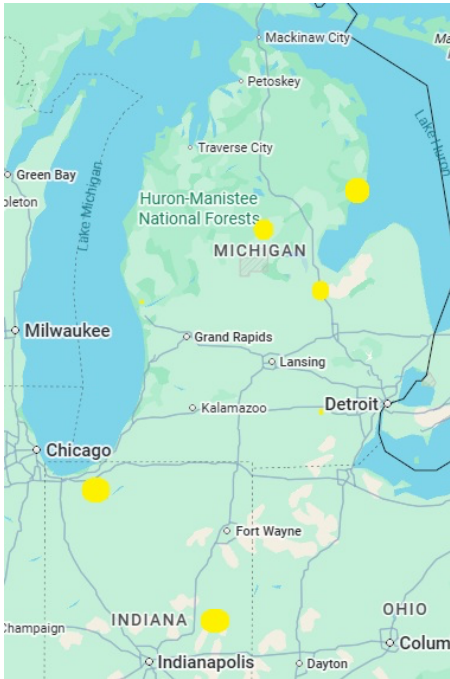
- **Quarterly Leadership Cohorts (via Zoom):** Designed specifically for Women's Ministry leaders and pastors' wives, these virtual meetings take place on the **third Tuesday of January, April, July, and October at 7:00 PM**. They serve as an ideal platform for statewide connection and collaboration. If you are not currently receiving the access links, please email tricia@bscm.org to be added to the distribution list.
- **Annual Spring Women's Conference:** Our annual gathering at **Lakeside Community Church (St. Clair Shores)** is scheduled for **March 12, 2027, at 7:00 PM**. This event promises to be a powerful time of fellowship and spiritual enrichment.
- **August Regional Conferences:** Following the success of last year's multi-site format, we are delighted to welcome guest speaker **Sara Robinson** for a three-location regional tour:
 - **August 12:** Convergent Church (Owosso)
 - **August 13:** Lakeside Community Church (St. Clair Shores)
 - **August 14:** Middlebelt Baptist Church (Inkster)
- **Coffee Connections:** A foundational element of this ministry, these small-group gatherings provide vital peer support. A group of pastors' wives currently meets quarterly in **Mount Clemens**. We are eager to expand this network; please reach out if you are interested in launching a Coffee Connection in your region.

We are actively updating our statewide database to ensure every local church leader is supported. If you are a local church Women's Ministry leader or pastor's wife and have not yet connected with the state office, please reach out. I would love to hear from you, discover how we can partner, and ensure you are included in our communications.

I anticipate with great joy all that God has in store for our churches and our women in the New Year.

Tricia Werry
Women's Ministry Director
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Michigan Disaster Relief



We have been able to live out our motto to bring “help, hope and healing” during a busy 2026. It started off with snowstorms in the Ohio and Tennessee valleys that forced the cancellation of our regional training scheduled for the last week of January. We are rescheduling the courses that are most applicable to Michigan.

Floods that impacted more than half of the state of Michigan in later winter and early spring kept us busy in March, April and May around Saginaw, Oscoda and Roscommon, Michigan. In August and September respectively, we sent a chainsaw team to La Porte, IN and flood recovery job in Muncie, IN. In addition, we did smaller jobs in Garden City and Muskegon. We turned down requests for help in Ohio, Connecticut

and Pennsylvania because we couldn’t muster enough volunteers to go to those areas when requested. While not associated with a disaster, our shower trailer was used in late June at a church in Hudsonville, MI.

It has been a blessing that no hurricanes reached the continental US in the last year. This has allowed us to cover disasters closer to home and to use funds to replenish much needed equipment and supplies.

We know most SBC churches support Disaster Relief, but we want to extend a special thankyou to Cornerstone Baptist, Warren Woods Baptist and Sunrise churches for allowing us to store equipment at their locations.

Training and Recruiting

We held basic, chainsaw, flood recovery, assessment and feeding trainings in March. Basic training took place in October at Birch Run and chainsaw practice occurred at Bambi in May and October. We are looking for additional locations to do more training so if your church or association is interested, please contact me. We are also available to give brief presentations about the mission of Disaster Relief.

Bill LaFollette

Michigan Disaster Relief Director

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2026 Report of the Michigan Southern Baptist Foundation



Michigan Southern Baptist Foundation

Encouraging Christian Stewardship in Church Starting and Strengthening

We are happy to be able to continue to distribute funds to the designated programs that are to receive yearly grants. We do this to honor 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, in a timely manner.

We strive to keep complete and transparent records of all our disbursements.

Our funds are held with WatersEdge. Their partnership continues to work smoothly and effectively.

So far in 2026 we have awarded a total of **\$30,700.00** in Grants and **\$1,700.00** in scholarships, with a few scholarship applications still outstanding.

The Grants were made to the BSCM Cooperative Program Budget and the BSCM New Works Budget. The Scholarships included two for Seminary and one for Boyce College.

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

Respectfully Submitted by;
Rebecca Jo Vaughan
Secretary, MSBF

MSBF Trustees: Helen Henley and Ben Bauer

Michigan WMU

Baptist State Convention of Michigan

November 6, 2026

Meant for the Mission is the theme for Women's Missionary Union (WMU) this year and serves as a reminder that we are all Meant For The Mission. 2026 started out with 8 leaders traveling to Birmingham, Ala. for training and fellowship. We learned while there that national executive director Sandy Wisdom-Martin will retire in 2027.

In March, we held our Michigan annual meeting via zoom and elected Angela Kucharczyk as our state WMU president. July means camp! We hosted a joint camp this summer, the boys did Royal Ambassador events including a pinewood derby contest, Bible study and outdoor adventures. The girls enjoyed a time of Bible study, met missionaries and got in on the Pinewood derby race!

WMU is in the process of restructuring getting back to the basics. We exist to teach missions, promote giving to missions, praying for missionaries and going on mission. Look next year for several prayer walking events and mission trips around our state as we partner with you to serve our Lord here in Michigan and abroad. *Meant for the Mission* means getting involved and we want you to join us!

WMU Executive Committee



Bambi Lake Retreat and Conference Center Annual Report

The Board of Trustees would like to thank the BSCM, all the supporting churches and individuals that made this year a great year. Your partnership helped Bambi Lake make some huge strides forward this year and continued to make Bambi Lake a place that God can be glorified, the Gospel is advanced, and Lives can be changed.

The word that best describes this year is NEW.

This year we welcomed several new groups to camp. These groups resulted in 9 new retreats and over 400 first time Bambi Lake retreat goers. These groups offer promising new partnerships with both Bambi Lake and the BSCM going forward.



Bambi Lake has also welcomed several new giving partners. This year giving from churches and individuals rose to more than double the giving in 2025. Even though we would still like to see this number rise, it is a promising response to our newfound dedication to making Bambi Lake a place that partners with churches to help them accomplish their ministry goals and maximize a church's fruitfulness.

This year there was a new change in the people that were being reached at Bambi Lake. In 2025, the majority of the professions of faith that happened on camp were teens that had come with their youth groups, to our youth camps, or attended Hiawatha Youth Camp with just a handful of adults coming to Christ. This year, out of our 56 decisions made for Christ on camp, 38 of them were men. However, that only tells part of the story. Approximately 200 hundred other men through 5 men's retreats rededicated their lives to the service of Christ. GOD IS MOVING MEN AT BAMBI LAKE! Bambi Lake is becoming the home of Marriage Retreats once again. This year we had 4 marriage retreats on camp with potentially 2 more next year. In 2027, some of these private retreats will be open to public registration.

Also new to Bambi this year was our internship and CSM programs. We welcome 3 interns and 3 CSMs (Camp Student Missionaries) onto camp this year. The plan was not to just work the group, but to train them in all the different aspects of ministry that Bambi Lake touches and it was a raging success. They were an integral part of the Bambi Lake Staff and helped to fill any gaps that were present in volunteers as well as in the organizations that Bambi served. The Interns left camp equipped to go back to their home churches and be a contributing force in their church's efforts in ministry. We plan to make this a continuing part of Bambi Lake Culture well into the future.



Bambi Lake dipped into its savings and investments this year adding to other designated improvement funds to help update the grounds and bring new life to projects that have needed attention for a while. New changes to the camp in 2026 are:

- New septic tanks for all 3 chalets.
- New lights and siding on the Gym.
- Completion of the Lake house renovation.
- New campground reservation systems leading to 110% increase in campground revenue.
- New high efficiency hot water boiler system.
- New carpet throughout all the first-floor lodge.
- A newly renovated camp store and online merch store.
- New electricity and water lines in 1/3 of the Campground.
- A newly renovated Worship Center with updated Tech.
- A new lawnmower and a Lancaster Cabin (thank you to generous donations from Bambi Lake supporters.)



As well as several other updates and repairs, Bambi is changing day by day and it is all owed to God and the amazing work he has been doing here through all of those that give to the ministries here at Bambi Lake. Thank you again.

Bambi Lake financially,

Despite cancelling several retreats to natural disasters including ice storms, wildfire smoke pollution, and a longer winter season with above average snow falls.

Despite Drastic increases in insurance prices due to the changing camp insurance outlooks.

Despite investing over \$160,000 in camp improvements and repairs.

Despite bringing on paid Summer Staff and a paid Kitchen Manager.

Bambi Lake is ending the year strong with a healthy savings and investment portfolio and money in the bank for winter.

Bambi Lake has been blessed, and we are trying to return that blessing to Michigan Pastors. At the end of 2025 we started offering free stays for respite and reflection for pastors and their families and that ministry is growing. This year we have had 12 pastor families come and stay with us and they have been just as much of a blessing to us here at Bambi as we have been to them. This has inspired us to start a new donor portal for the sole purpose of collecting funds to make sure that we can truly care for these families, spoil them a bit and show their kids that we love and support their families and the ministries that they offer.

The Lord has blessed us with fruitful ministry this year:

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

14 - Baptisms

42 - retreats were hosted at Bambi Lake serving over 2,227 campers.

11 - church leadership gatherings were held, churches and leaders planning and preparing for their next year of ministry.

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



Volunteers are the life blood of Bambi Lake. Including the 14 volunteer teams that came to Bambi from all over the state, we worked alongside approximately 225 volunteers that came to serve and got to be a part of changing lives for Christ here at camp.

But there isn't one Bambi volunteer that wouldn't say there's still room for you. Serving at Bambi is more than just volunteering. With the diversity of ministry found at Bambi Lake, each time you serve is like going on a new mission trip. Serving new people with new people.

Are you looking for a place to serve that can use your specific giftings to touch the world for Christ? Join us. Come as a Group, come as an Individual, let us help plan your Mission Trip today.

In Closing, we love what God is doing at Bambi Lake. We look forward with anticipation to another year of Igniting Faith, Building Fellowship and healing Hearts, through serving your churches, reaching the lost, and caring for and equipping leaders. Thank you again for your support and prayers.

Respectfully submitted by Bambi Lake

Camp Manager & Board of Trustees

Thomas Metz, Wayne Parker, Dan Kucharczyk, Odelle Caldwell, Bob Lee, Mickey Gross, Roy Henry and Herb Harbaugh

**The Executive Committee & Board of Trustees Report
To the Baptist State Convention of Michigan
November 6, 2026**

1. In January, the Board of Trustees voted to adopt new grant eligibility. To be eligible for a grant, a church must be in friendly cooperation with the BSCM and Cooperative Program giving must be a minimum of \$300 over the previous 12 months from the date of application.
2. In January, the Board of Trustees voted to accept the property gift located at 1705 N. Cedar St, Holt, MI 48842 and authorize Ronald (Ed) Emmerling, Executive Director, to accept the property and be designated signer on behalf of the BSCM. (formerly Chapel Pointe Holt).
3. In March, the Board of Trustees voted to authorize Ronald (Ed) Emmerling, Executive Director-Treasurer, to list, sell, and sign any documents related to such sale for the real property that the BSCM received as a gift from the Huron Baptist Association. Additionally, the Board of Trustees voted for the proceeds received from the sale of this property, after costs, be earmarked for Church Planting/Replanting and Revitalization.
4. The Board of Trustees moves that 2027 BSCM Proposed Budget be presented to the messengers of the 2026 Annual Convention Meeting for adoption.
5. In October, the Board of Trustees voted to approve Jason Craver, Pastor of The Valley Church Saginaw, and Vinzon Lee, member of the Philippine International Church Taylor as new Board members. The Board of Trustees also voted to approve Diane Bowen, member of Convergent Church Owosso as a new member for the Michigan Southern Baptist Foundation.

Cooperative Program Giving by Church

Donations to Cooperative Program for the period 10/01/2025 to 9/30/2026

Church	Total
Agape Grace Church	194.40
Ainsworth Baptist Church	4,640.00
Amazing Grace Baptist Portage	1,039.32
Anchor College Church Ann Arbor	1,200.00
Ann Arbor Chinese Christian	5,400.00
Aramaic Baptist Church	59.19
Behold Fellowship Church	780.38
Bethel All Nations Community Church	700.00
Bethel Baptist Church - Niles	5,819.20
Bethlehem Baptist Church	1,300.00
Brighter Day Missionary Baptist	0.00
Built on a Rock Community Church	1,001.46
Burnette Baptist Church	257.00
Calvary Baptist Church - Holland	650.00
Calvary Baptist Church - Jackson	1,500.00
Calvary Baptist Church - Milan	0.00
Calvary Church Southgate	7,350.00
Campus Town Church Ann Arbor	960.00
Cass Park Baptist Church	378.00
Catalyst Church Adrian	0.00
Central Bible Church Clinton Twp.	1,305.00
Chapel Pointe - Main	20,000.00
Chapel Pointe Byron Center	0.00
Chapel Pointe Holt	0.00
Charity Baptist Church	70.00
Chin Mission Baptist Church	864.29
Christ Community Church - Lake	0.00
Christ Our Hope Church	0.00
Christian Fellowship SBC	1,158.00
City Church Clio	500.00
Clinton Baptist Church	1,000.00
Colonial Hills Baptist Church	1,872.00
Columbia Avenue Baptist Church	0.00
Community Baptist Chapel - Hillman	197.20
Community Baptist Church - Alma	8,609.15
Community Baptist Church - Hastings	525.00
Community Of Faith Church - Detroit	581.04
Compass Church	0.00

Convergent Church	5,411.99
Cornerstone Baptist Church - Ypsilanti	67.28
Cornerstone Baptist Roseville	2,160.00
Cornerstone Community Church Haslett	470.96
Corunna Road Baptist Church	0.00
Creekside Church	3,413.55
Cross And Anchor Church	987.55
Crosslife Community Church	1,228.40
Crossover Church	24,257.44
Crosspointe Church	28,858.52
Crossroads Community Ann Arbor	10,000.00
Crossway Church	14,326.00
Crystal Lake Baptist Church	260.00
Cultivate Church	514.56
Current Church	12,749.65
Curtisville Baptist Church	0.00
Damascus Church	0.00
Davison Meadows Baptist Church	0.00
Dearborn Heights Baptist Church	5,074.80
Discover Life Church	4,833.41
Doxa Baptist Church	0.00
Dundee Baptist Church	1,344.00
Eastgate Baptist Church	30,794.40
Eastside Community Church	3,321.89
Eber Memorial Baptist Church	180.00
Ekklesia Church	2,950.00
Evangel Church - English	0.00
Evangel Church Of Dearborn	0.00
Evangel Church Of Troy	1,200.00
Evergreen Baptist Church	0.00
Faith Baptist Chapel Napoleon	5,274.70
Faith Baptist Church - Dafter	1,202.00
Faith Baptist Church - Monroe	1,346.96
Faith Baptist Church - Adrian	450.00
Faith Baptist Church - Battle Creek	0.00
Faith Church Linden	640.50
Faith Fellowship Baptist Lansing	1,595.42
Fellowship Baptist Church Of Saline	0.00
First Baptist Church - Brighton	4,798.92
First Baptist Church - Gwinn	2,135.12
First Baptist Church - Berrien Springs	0.00
First Baptist Church - Dewitt	200.00
First Baptist Church - Fenton	1,350.00

First Baptist Church - Norway	2,417.44
First Baptist Church - Portage	2,255.92
First Baptist Church - South Lyon	0.00
First Baptist Church - Swartz Creek	18,460.63
First Baptist Church - Trenton	5,078.26
First Hmong Baptist Church	2,391.00
First Hungarian Baptist Church	345.12
First Latin American Baptist Church	3,900.00
First Romanian Baptist Church Troy	485.41
First Spanish American Baptist Church	4,200.00
First Spanish Baptist Detroit	2,400.00
Flourish Covenant Church	0.00
Forest Park Baptist Church	12,162.46
Freedom City Church	0.00
Frenchtown Missionary Baptist Church	458.26
Fresh Start Fellowship Of Oscoda	8,880.93
Fresh Wind Church	348.57
Global Gospel Church	0.00
Glory To God Baptist Church	0.00
Golgotha Romanian Baptist Church	652.11
Good Church	511.08
Good Church Central	0.00
Good News Church Iron Mountain	0.00
Good Shepherd Baptist Church	3,843.61
Grace Baptist Church - Battle Creek	900.00
Grace Church Jackson	30,234.00
Grace Community Church - Hudsonville	0.00
Grace Fellowship Baptist Battle Creek	2,954.58
Grape Missionary Baptist Church	704.62
Grayling Baptist Church	1,475.00
Grayling Baptist Church - Rogers City	200.00
Greater Glory Church	0.00
Greater Mount Zion Church	500.00
Grumlaw Church Hartland	0.00
Grumlaw Church Main	36,231.00
H2O Church Kalamazoo	0.00
Hanmaum International Baptist Church	0.00
Harmony Baptist Church - Burton	1,811.00
Harmony Baptist Church - Jackson	7,998.88
Harper Creek Baptist Church	1,947.21
Harrison Metro Church	1,233.13
Harvest Baptist Church Shelby Twp.	3,613.00
Harvest Bible Chapel Traverse City	2,000.00

Harvey Baptist Church	2,648.84
Heart And Soul Community Detroit	900.00
Heart And Soul West Bloomfield	0.00
Heritage Baptist Church - Monroe	47,233.49
Heritage Baptist Church Grand Blanc	12,883.00
Highland Community Church	7,664.39
Hikari City Church	2,009.50
Hmong American Baptist Church	0.00
Holland Baptist Church	0.00
Hope Church - Zeeland	1,164.36
Hope In Christ Bible Church	578.28
Houghton Baptist Church	1,200.00
Hubbard Lake Bible Church	958.10
Huron Baptist Church	0.00
Immanuel Baptist Church	2,104.00
Jachin Baptist Church	0.00
Jacob's Well On Campus	150.12
Joyful Church	50.50
Kentucky Park Missionary Baptist Church	100.00
Kingdom Life Church	0.00
King's Church	12,100.00
Korean First Baptist	400.00
Korean New Life Church Of Ann Arbor	0.00
Korean New Life Church Of Commerce Twp	4,800.00
Lakepointe Church	31,300.00
Lakes Bible Church	1,600.00
Lakeside Baptist Church Battle Creek	1,200.00
Lakeside Community Church	10,200.00
Lakeside Missionary Baptist Church	0.00
Lanterns Church	6,568.96
Level Park Baptist Church	366.32
Liberty Missionary Baptist Church	900.00
Lighthouse Baptist Church - Caro	2,400.00
Lighthouse Bible Church New Baltimore	25,775.12
Living Hope Community Church	0.00
Majesty Church	0.00
Master's House Deaf Church	275.00
Meditation Missionary Baptist Church	1,200.00
Memorial Baptist Church	24,345.59
Mercy Hill Church	2,400.00
Merriman Road Baptist Church	66,998.86
Middlebelt Baptist Church	19,000.00

Mile City Church	92,306.88
Mile City Church - Lyon	0.00
Mile City Espanol	3,982.85
Mission Church	9,022.00
Monroe Missionary Baptist Church	29,293.75
Mount Carmel Baptist Church	0.00
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church	11,798.00
New City Church	400.00
New Found Hope Community Church	3,294.47
New Haven Baptist Church	0.00
New Hope Baptist Church	1,800.00
New Hope Church Birch Run	4,223.52
New Life Baptist Church - Fraser	2,400.00
New Life Chapel	1,540.00
Next Generation Church of KFBC	0.00
North Beach Church	0.00
North End Baptist Church	5,938.44
North Prospect Baptist Church	4,176.00
Northbrook Church	600.00
Northern Light Church	0.00
Northfield Hills Baptist Church	0.00
Oak Park Missionary Baptist Church	450.00
Oakland Woods Baptist Church	3,247.00
Oakwood Church	4,606.06
Ogemaw Baptist Church	0.00
One Eight Church	578.28
One Mission Church	347.20
Ontwa Baptist Church	1,100.00
Outpost Community Church - Monroe	530.09
Outreach Baptist Church	0.00
Page Avenue Baptist Church	0.00
Passion Church - Gaylord	0.00
Pathway Baptist Church - Oxford	3,843.19
People's Fresh Start Church	523.71
People's Fresh Start Church (I)	47.61
Philippine International Taylor	1,100.00
Philippine International Warren	1,182.82
Philippine International Windsor	0.00
Pigeon River Baptist Church	0.00
Pineview Church	0.00
Plymouth Township Baptist Church	1,185.14
Reaching Out Church - Hamtramck	0.00
Redeemed Christian Community Church	0.00

Redemption Church	35,484.95
Reformation Church Detroit	0.00
Refuge Bible Church	0.00
Restoring Hope Church	300.00
Resurrection Church	0.00
Rhiza Church	0.00
Rise Church	97.20
Risen Life Church - Durand	600.00
River's Edge Ministries	1,470.00
Roots Christian Fellowship Church	0.00
Roscommon Baptist Church	3,202.00
Second Laotian Baptist Church	0.00
Shawn Baptist Church	1,921.50
Springhill Missionary Baptist Church	1,528.00
Springview Community Church	1,200.00
Sunrise Church	20,250.00
Tecumseh Missionary Baptist Church	2,954.26
Temple Of Faith Baptist Church	2,400.00
The Church At Clawson	1,219.56
The Church at Madison Heights	250.00
The Commons Church East Lansing	35,733.05
The Commonwealth Of Faith	0.00
The Fieldhouse	0.00
The Lord's Will Church	1,017.45
The Orchard Church	5,586.20
The Road Church	693.97
The Seed Church	1,643.53
The Shore Church - St. Joseph	9.51
The Valley Church	2,473.34
Thornhill Baptist Church	554.18
Transformation Church	7,205.00
Treasuring Christ Church	2,000.00
Treeline Church	12,385.92
Trenton Missionary Baptist Church	0.00
Trinity Baptist Church - Adrian	900.00
Trinity Baptist Church - Detroit	550.00
Trinity Baptist Church - Grant	0.00
Trinity Baptist Church - Kalamazoo	666.58
True North Community Church	640.00
Union Street Missionary Baptist Church	0.00
Victory Baptist Church - Portage	0.00
Visible Church	6,882.90
Warren Woods Baptist Church	32,443.78

Westside Church	19,075.00
Woodhaven Baptist Church	9,000.00
Word Encounter Church	550.00
Ypsilanti Missionary Baptist Church	300.00
Zomi Baptist Church Grand Rapids	0.00
Zomi Baptist Church Springfield	1,180.00
Zomi Christian Church - Lansing	0.00

BSCM Statement of Activities

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
<u>Income</u>		
4000	Cooperative Program Contributions from Churches Income	904,270.77
4001	Offerings from Churches - State Missions	39,322.87
4002	Offerings from Churches - North America Missions	206,638.11
4003	Offerings from Churches - International Missions	154,930.90
4004	Offerings from Churches - World Hunger	3,887.01
4005	NAMB Contributions - Restricted	144,675.42
4006	Other Contributions - Restricted	155,644.59
4008	Conferences/Annual Meeting	7,141.86
4100	Interest Income	2,083.21
4101	Misc Income	1,000.00
4102	Dividend Income	3,948.30
4103	Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investment FMV	63,685.67
4104	Realized Gain/Loss on Investment	39,330.63
4611	Other Income	174,600.00
Total Income		1,901,159.34
<u>Expense</u>		
5000	Administration	86,279.22
5013	Lease/Rent	24,806.00
5101	Compensation & Benefits	366,323.21
5102	Boards and Committees	638.57
5103	Executive Director	9,306.09
5210	Missions Giving	820,531.87
5250	Church Strengthening	139,850.28
5260	Women's	6,759.35
5270	Church Planting	29,548.82
5280	Disaster Relief and Other Aid	11,410.16
5290	Evangelism	111,264.92
5330	SBC National Convention	26,658.76
5331	Training & Development	400.00
5332	BSCM Annual Convention	8,912.24
5333	Conferences & Events	563.60
5451	Information Technology	6,206.81
5471	Insurance	8,164.94
5481	Miscellaneous Expense	3,211.86
5511	Accounting Services	26,453.69
5611	Marketing/Public Relations	3,859.84
5100	Bank Fees	311.56
5901	NAMB - Hunger	6,015.00
Total Expense		1,697,476.79
Net Income (Loss)		203,682.55

Baptist State Convention of Michigan		
Proposed Budget		
As of Date:	Bambi \$100K	Bambi \$75K
	12/31/2026	
	Year Ending	Year Ending
	12/31/2026	12/31/2027
	Budget	Budget
Revenue		
Cooperative Program Contributions from Churches	1,280,000	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	0	0
Other Income		
Interest Income	17,800	6,000
Dividend Income	21,600	12,000
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	2,036,600	2,015,200
Expenses by Department		
Missions Giving	833,400	833,400
Church Planting	80,000	90,000
Church Strengthening	80,000	90,000
Disaster Relief and Other Aid	38,160	40,000
Evangelism	103,000	100,000
Women's New Directions	22,000	25,000
SBC National Convention	25,000	35,000
BSCM Annual Convention	20,000	22,500
Conferences & Events	12,000	6,000
Services for Member Churches	0	0
Other Ministries	0	0
Compensation & Benefits	440,000	455,000
Training & Development	0	0
Boards and Committees	2,000	2,000
Executive Director	35,000	35,000
Administration	180,000	150,000
Information Technology	10,000	10,000
Marketing/Public Relations	4,400	4,400
Insurance	10,000	17,000
Bambi Lake Buidlings, Maintenance, Capitol Improvements		50,000
Bambi Lake Operations	100,000	25,000
Kids Camp Scholarships	0	0
Total Expenses	1,994,960	1,990,300
Total Net Surplus (Deficit)	41,640	24,900

BSCM Annual Meeting
Friday, November 7, 2025
Ekklesia Church, Grand Blanc



Minutes submitted by:

Chris Peoples – Recording Secretary

Nate Click – Assistant Recording Secretary

9:00 AM – Opening Session

- Meeting began with Pastor Ed Emmerling giving a welcome and greeting, along with a vision of celebration for today's meeting.
- Introduction of Daniel Henderson – Ed Emmerling
- Worship and Prayer through Scripture – Daniel Henderson, 6:4 Fellowship & Matt Wagner (Mile City Church, Plymouth)
- Corporate Prayer – “Jesus, because you are _____, we will stand firm as one.”

9:36 AM – Call to Order

- Josh Tovey, BSCM President (Redemption Church, Grandville)
- **Seating of Messengers** by Chris Peoples, BSCM Recording Secretary (Trinity Baptist,
Adrian) o Number of messengers representing churches of the BSCM who were registered at 9:17 am – **129** messengers, **26** guests, **56** churches
 - The Recording Secretary of the BSCM made the motion that these registered messengers of the 2025 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.
 - Second by Jim Nelson (First Baptist, Swartz Creek)
 - Motion passed by the raising of ballots
- **Approval of Agenda** – Chris Peoples, BSCM Recording Secretary (Trinity Baptist, Adrian) o The Recording Secretary moved to approve the agenda of the 2025 annual meeting of the BSCM as printed on **page 2** in the Book of Reports with the amendment that Daniel Ritchie and Ed Emmerling will change places in the order.
 - Second by Ben Bauer (First Baptist, Brighton)
 - Motion passed by the raising of ballots
- **Approval of Minutes** – Chris Peoples, BSCM Recording Secretary (Trinity Baptist,

- Adrian) o The Recording Secretary moved to approve the minutes of the 2024 annual meeting as printed on **pages 31-44** in the Book of Reports.
- Second by David Roberts (Damascus Church, Midland)
 - Motion passed by the raising of ballots
- **Reading of Motions** – Josh Tovey, BSCM President (Redemption Church, Grandville)
 - o No new motions
 - **Book of Reports** – Ed Emmerling, BSCM Executive Director/Treasurer

Financial report is printed on **pages 25-28** in the Book of Reports.

 - Attention given to the net surplus of \$79,980
 - Major changes in marketing
 - New website, \$50,000 savings
 - Copier contract, \$10,000 savings
 - Accounting changes, \$40,000 savings
 - **2026 Budget** – Ed Emmerling, BSCM Executive Director/Treasurer
 - o The proposed budget is printed on **pages 29-30** in the Book of Reports.
 - Church planting and church strengthening lines were emphasized
 - o Suggested 30% to SBC Executive Committee (formerly 35%) + 50% over the \$1,280,000 CP contributions line
 - Motion to accept entire Book of Reports, including 2026 budget – Nancy Spaulding (Cornerstone Baptist, Roseville) § Second by Allison Bauer (First Baptist, Brighton) § Motion passed by the raising of ballots.
 - **Election of BSCM Officers**, Cornelius Roberson (Heart & Soul Community Church, Detroit) and Josh Tovey (Redemption Church, Grandville)
 - o **President:**
 - Nomination of Cornelius Roberson by David Cox (Temple of Faith Baptist, Detroit)
 - Motion to cease nominations by Wayne Parker (Merriman Road Baptist, Garden City)
 - Motion passes by Acclimation
 - o **First Vice-President:**
 - Nomination of Nate Click by Chris Peoples (Trinity Baptist, Adrian)
 - Nomination of Terry Wilson by David Roberts (Damascus Church, Midland)
 - Motion to cease nominations by Nancy Spaulding (Cornerstone Baptist, Roseville)
 - Ballot instructions by Chris Peoples, BSCM Recording Secretary
 - Use ballot #1
 - Nate Click – circle 1
 - Terry Wilson – circle 4

- Election results – 111 ballots case
- Nate Click – 86
- Terry Wilson – 24
- Disallowed – 1
- 78.2%
- **Second Vice-President**
 - Nomination of Michele White by Tricia Werry (New Life Baptist Church, Fraser)
 - Nomination of Terry Wilson by Rick Bowen (Convergent Church, Owosso)
 - Motion to cease nominations by James Gill (First Baptist, Swartz Creek) §
Ballot instructions by Chris Peoples, BSCM Recording Secretary
 - Use ballot #2
 - Michele White – circle 1
 - Terry Wilson – circle 4
 - Election results – 106 ballots case
 - Michele White – 79
 - Terry Wilson – 23
 - Disallowed – 4
 - 77.5%
- **Number of messengers** representing churches of the BSCM who were registered at 10:18 am – **139** messengers, **31** guests, **64** churches
- **Recording Secretary**
 - Nomination of Chris Peoples by Jerome Taylor (Eastgate Baptist, Burton)
 - Motion to cease nominations by Aaron Tanap (Bethlehem Baptist, Belleville)
 - Motion passes by ballot from Nate Click, Assistant Recording Secretary
- **Assistant Recording Secretary**
 - Nomination of David Cox by William Tillery (Cass Park Baptist, Detroit)
 - Motion to cease nominations by Terry Wilson (Charity Baptist, Paris)
 - Motion passes by ballot from Chris Peoples, Recording Secretary
- **Strengthening report** – Ken Render, BSCM Director of Church Strengthening
 - Called half of all BSCM pastors since stepping

into the role on October 1 o Asked pastors for victories and challenges

- Many pastors asked how they can more effectively engage their communities
 - o Upcoming – partnering with Small Church USA
 - BSCM offers scholarships
 - o Upcoming – strengthening labs
 - One day experience looking at local demographics and cultures while brainstorming ways to reach communities
 - Coming to regions throughout the state in 2026
 - o Strengthening video
- **Starting report** - Matt Thompson, SEND Michigan Director o SEND Network video
 - o Introduction of team - Barry Martin, Seth Springs, Jorge Rodriguez, Mollie Diaz o Introduction of Ken Nether as SEND city missionary for Detroit (October 1) o Recognized Tony Lynn’s 10-year anniversary with SEND Network Michigan o Recognized Wayne Parker’s 13 years as SEND city missionary (50 years in ministry)
 - o SEND one-day Detroit video o Sending labs update
 - o SEND Michigan church plants – 0-5 years ~ 48 churches, 17 new in 2025; 562 salvations; 383 baptisms
- **Executive Director report** – Ed Emmerling o Mile City worship
- **Prayer** – Cornelius Roberson

12:15 pm – Lunch

12:30 pm – Breakouts

- Jeff Dalrymple & Sally Wagonmaker - The Call to Protect: Practical Steps to Prevent Sexual Abuse in The Church
- Daniel Henderson - Scripture Fed, Spirit Led Prayer: God’s Word ignites your heart to powerful prayer
- Daniel Ritchie - Accelerating Gospel Movement: Ordinary People, Extraordinary Acceleration
- Chris Atkins - Safe Church: A Discipleship First Perspective on Church Security

1:30 PM – Session 2

- **NAMB video**
- **Keynote Message from Daniel Ritchie**
 - **IMB video**
- **Introduction of Middlebelt worship and Pastor Larry Johnson** – Dan Dameron o
Worship from the team o Message from Pastor Larry Johnson
 - **Prayer – Installation of 2026 BSCM officers** – Ed Emmerling
 - **Adjournment** – Ed Emmerling

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

	NAME	TERM ENDS	ELIGIBLE 2 ND TERM	Church & City
	Stan Turner	2028	No	New City Church, Lincoln Park
	Matt Carter	2026	No	Living Hope Comm, Eaton Rapids
	Maurice Flaniken	2027	No	Trinity Baptist, Detroit

	Torion Bridges	2026	No	Commonwealth of Faith, Redford
	Brandon Watkins	2027	Yes	Crescent Church, Canton

	Billy Walker	2028	No	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
	Cornelius Roberson	2025	President
	Michele White	2024	Second Vice President
	Chris Peoples	2024	Recording Secretary
	David Cox	2025	Assistant Recording Secretary
	Josh Tovey	2024	Former President

BSCM Staff and Consultants:

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

Updated 8-26-2026

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

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>
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
2026	Cornelius Roberson, Heart and Soul Church, West Bloomfield	Nov 6	Mile City, Plymouth



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ACCELERATING GOSPEL MOVEMENT

2027 EVENTS

Winter

- **January 26-28:** Midwest Leadership Summit (Springfield, IL)

Spring

- **March 5:** Mid-Michigan Fellowship (Lansing | 6pm-9pm)
- **March 15:** Revitalization Event w/ Mark Clifton (Hartland | 6pm-9pm)
- **April 22:** Preaching Lab w/ Tony Merida (Plymouth | 9am-1pm)
- **May 11:** Strengthening Lab (Grandville | 9am-4pm)
- **May 18:** Northern Michigan Fellowship (TBD | 6pm-9pm)

Summer

- **June 15:** SBC Michigan Gathering (Indianapolis | 6pm-9pm)
- **July 23:** Fellowship Event (Detroit | 5:10pm-9:40pm)
- **August 12-14:** Women's Conference
 - Aug. 12 (Owosso | 7pm-8:30pm)
 - Aug. 13 (St. Clair Shores | 7pm-8:30pm)
 - Aug. 14 (Inkster | TBD)
- **August 24:** Equip Lab (Southfield | 9am-Noon)

Fall

- **September 18:** Strengthening Lab (Plymouth | 9am-4pm)
- **October 7-8:** Refresh Retreat (TBD)
- **October 23:** Sent Youth Conference (Hartland | 9am-4pm)
- **November 5th:** Annual Meeting (Plymouth | 9am-3pm)