

General Board Meeting  
June 24, 2021

No Associational Council meeting as there was only one council member present.

9 present  
3 virtual

Moderated by Don Daniels  
Acts 1:6-8

Reaching the others can sometimes feel unproductive – especially with our friends and family. As we are growing in our Association and trying to reach the growth in our area, we recognize that churches who are faithful with the call to evangelize could be the very ones who reach those who are dear to us. The mandate is clear and believers who are faithful will receive power from the Holy Spirit to achieve this command Jesus gave us.

Minutes were approved.

No old business.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer's Report was presented. It was approved.

Shirley went over the proposed 2021-2022 budget and explained that it is just being presented and will officially be voted on at the Fall Semi-Annual meeting. The most noted changes to the budget are salary increases for Kelton and Tonya. Kelton has been trying to raise his salary to match the state average. It was noted that Tonya had not received an adequate raise for several years and was many years behind the state average for all that she does for our Association.

### **Personnel Committee**

Blair Maust was present on behalf of the personnel committee to introduce Mike and Kelly Dodson. Mike shared how God has used him over the years to work with the North American Mission Board and their church planting efforts. Mike has recently moved into our area and has agreed to work with us and our church planting efforts for free! He will represent TEBA well.

### **Associational Missions Strategist**

Kelton thanked the Board for their work on the process of re-naming the Association. In the coming months he will share some ideas on how we can improve the structure and function of our service to member churches. He revisited the need for taking the church to people, especially those living in multi-housing situations. With Covid still a concern, our churches have done well adapting and creating opportunities for online services. Unfortunately, we did have two churches recently close; Sharon Baptist and Mule City Cowboy Church. Our summer outreach to migrants has been a huge success this year. The Alvarez family is hoping to

distribute 2,000 Bibles and health kits. In spite of all we are facing with many unknowns and uncertainties, churches in our Association are doing relatively well and plowing ahead with ministry and outreach opportunities. The one ministry that was hit hardest this last year was JCC. With campus mostly closed, we had to cancel our on-site bible study. Kelton still held a weekly Zoom gathering for the staff. We are looking forward to getting back on campus this Fall!

### **WMU**

Co-Director, Laura Rogers, reported that the rescheduled Spring WMU meeting will be held this Fall at Four Oaks First Baptist Church at 9am. Susan Stem, founder of REACH Mentoring Ministry of Johnston County will be the guest speaker. Also, this year's Red Box collection item for the Women's Prison will be 750 bottles of lotion. World Day of Prayer will be Nov. 1 and a location will be announced soon. The two winners of the Mitchiner Scholarship this year are Samuel Lee (Pine Level Missionary) and Makayla Holloman (Stevens Chapel). They were each awarded \$1,000.

### **BCH**

Harold and Carolyn Tharrington updated us on the recent collection for Baptist Children's Home. It went very well and there were a couple of new churches participating. We are again thankful for the NC Truck Driver Training School at JCC for delivering the items for us.

With no other business to discuss, we dismissed.