

Central Region Life

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Three AB Men represented the Central Region for Hurricane Helene rebuilding in partnership with National AB Men's Disaster Relief and Baptists on Mission. Paul Wood from First Baptist Church of Olathe, Mike Templin from Woodlawn Avenue Baptist Church in Wichita; and Dryden Powell from First Baptist Church of Council Grove traveled to Boone, North Carolina and joined 40 other volunteers from six different states the week of March 15 through March 21.

The three men were assigned to two different residential project sites working in a crawl space to insulate sub floors, plumbing and connecting sewer lines, removing old flooring and installing new flooring, and stabilizing floor joists. Central Region AB Men and Olathe First Baptist Church donated funds for travel costs. Rebuilding projects will continue in North Carolina and additional work teams are encouraged to volunteer.



PLANNED GIVING

HELPING YOU TO GIVE GENEROUSLY,
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It's time to pay your taxes again by April 15th, unless you file an extension or possibly wish to have a visit from the IRS. Paying your taxes might be an easy process but for many it is a very detailed and daunting task to complete. Some would say that it is very taxing.

The word "taxing" is an adjective that means physically or mentally demanding.

With the federal tax code coming in at 6,781 pages in length, one way to make your taxes less taxing would be to have them done by a company such as Kansas City's own, H&R Block or Liberty Tax Service, etc. You can also do them online using TurboTax or other online software to get the job done.

Another option would be to have an accountant do your taxes, such as Vonda Brecheisen, Wilma Engle or Harold Wolgast, just to name a few excellent accountants & tax preparers!! The only problem is that Vonda works for a firm and is semi-retired and Harold is definitely retired. Wilma, our previous director of planned giving, still does some taxes, but I don't think she is taking on new clients. So you'll just have to look online or find someone by word of mouth if you need an accountant.

When I was in high school, we had a semester class called "consumer education" where we learned a lot of important things like how to buy a used car, how to make a budget and how to pay your taxes, and I learned a lot of helpful things in that class. Of course, paying my taxes was much easier then because I just had a W-2 from my fast food restaurant job and some supplemental farm income from raising hogs. When you are an ordained minister, your taxes are much more complicated! Fortunately for me, my colleague and mentor in ministry, Rev. Dr. Jan Hazekamp, who was the American Baptist campus minister at Illinois State University, sat down with me and showed me how to do all of the extra schedules that I would need to do in order to pay my taxes. I am very grateful for that tutoring because I have been able to do my taxes every year since then. Of course, you still have to keep up with the new tax forms and laws, but it can be done. I don't know about you but I always feel a sense of release and peace when I get my taxes done. Then I just hope that I won't get any letters or visits from the IRS. Well I have gotten a few letters from them, but I have not had a visit from them yet.

Now I am going to take a little creative and poetic license here in relation to the use of the word "taxing." I am thinking of the word as a verb to mean "paying less tax." In that sense, I have a very good suggestion to help you pay less tax. If you fund a charitable gift annuity, with yourself as the beneficiary, you will not only receive a financial payment for the rest of your life, but you will also receive an income tax deduction as well. If you want to use appreciated stock to fund your charitable gift annuity, you will still receive an income tax deduction, and you will also receive a capital gains tax deduction as well. That is a win-win situation! Plus you will still receive the gift payment back to yourself every year, if you are the beneficiary. Finally, when your time on earth is done, the remainder of your gift annuity will bless the foundation and the charity or mission partner of your choice. With all of these gift annuity options, you can definitely make your taxes less taxing.

While you will not be able to receive an income tax deduction for your 2024 tax, if you choose to fund a charitable gift annuity this year, you will receive an income tax deduction based on the amount of money that you give to fund the annuity. So, if you are interested in funding a gift annuity, please call, email or text me and I will get back with you right away to help you in this process that will make your taxes less taxing next year!



Prairie Pastors Conference



DO YOU BELIEVE THIS?

MELISSA NEWBERRY, ABCCR EVENT COORDINATOR

**"Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"
John 11:25-26 NIV**

Do you believe this? "Is that a rhetorical question Jesus?" If I were Martha, those words may have flown out of my mouth before I had time to stop and think about what I was saying. While we have this snapshot of her life, set in the context of her brother's recent death, it is a transformational moment for her. It is also a moment when Jesus of Nazareth makes another "I AM" declaration, thus proclaiming further evidence of his divine nature.

As we come near to the season of Easter and prepare to celebrate this year's Resurrection Sunday, I find myself seeing this passage through an entirely different lens. It is a lens that was created through the passing of two very important people in my life, my stepdad and my dad. Within a five-month span of time, both entered the eternal presence of their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ yet left a void for many on this side of Heaven.

While the above referenced text is very familiar to me, this year, when I read it, it takes on an entirely new meaning. It has become more than words spoken into a life that was grieving. It is more than words of comfort attempting to lessen the sting of mourning. This proclamation from the Son of God are words of hope.

Because of this life giving I AM statement, and belief in it, those who are now in the presence of The Resurrected Christ, and those of us who are still living on this planet, will one day be reunited. Death does not have the final word for those who believe. That is the hope. That is why we believe that Jesus Christ IS the Resurrection and the Life.

The truth and hope that are promised through the words of Jesus in John's gospel can be applied to any situation in our life that seems dim, without hope or unredeemable. While there may not have been a physical loss, there may be something else that has been lost. A loss that has created a season of grieving or mourning. Christ came to be the resurrection and life for those circumstances as well.

So, then, how shall we answer his question, "do you believe this"? Will we think it to be a rhetorical question, or will we take this opportunity to bear witness to an unbreakable promise of Jesus? Yes, Jesus, we do believe this. And because of our belief, we will one day see the faces and hear the familiar voices of those who are already living their everlasting life. Thanks be to God.

PRAIRIE HOMESTEAD

MOVIES ARE A FUN WAY TO BRING SENIORS TOGETHER

Senior citizens at some retirement communities often struggle to find meaningful ways to bond and build friendships. Not at Prairie Homestead!

Watching classic movies together can be a great way to bring seniors together and create a sense of community. This type of activity provides a shared experience that can be enjoyed and discussed afterwards. Organizing a movie night for seniors in a retirement community can be an easy and fun way to encourage socializing and build friendships. Many seniors may have fond memories of watching classic movies as children or with friends as adults. This can be a great way to bring back nostalgia and spark conversations.

The first step to organizing a movie night for seniors is to select the movie. This can be done by having a discussion with the seniors and finding out what type of movies peak their interests. It can also be helpful to look up classic movies from the golden age of Hollywood. Many of these movies have great stories, which can be appreciated by all generations.

Once the movie is chosen, the next step would be to secure a space for the movie night. Retirement communities may already have a communal space or theater that can be used. Alternatively, the movie can be shown in a resident's apartment, depending on the size of the group.

Another important factor to consider is the snacks and refreshments. Popcorn, candy, and drinks are all great options for movie night snacks. Setting up a snack bar or assigning snacks to each person can be a great way to encourage socialization and get everyone involved.

Overall, movie night can be a great way to bring seniors together and create a sense of community. Not only can it foster new friendships, but it can also provide a shared experience that can be enjoyed and discussed afterwards. With the right movie and snacks, seniors can enjoy a night of nostalgia that will bring everyone closer!





YOUNG ADULT OPPORTUNITY URBANA '25

December 27 - January 1 in Phoenix, AZ

International Ministries is coordinating a team of 10 young adults to attend Urbana, a life-changing mission conference designed to inspire, motivate, and challenge young adults to dig deeper into their faith and impact the world for Christ.

<https://www.urbana.org/>

EVENT COST

International Ministries wants to support the spiritual life of young adults across the U.S. and Puerto Rico. To that end, IM will cover the cost of Urbana registration, food, and lodging for up to ten young adults. Participants are responsible to make and pay for their own travel arrangements to/from Phoenix, plus a \$50 IM registration fee.

Up to 10 young adults ages 17-26 from American Baptist Churches in the U.S. and Puerto Rico

**WHO IS
ELIGIBLE?**

HOW IT WORKS

Pastors and church leaders pray and talk to young adults they believe would be interested and ready to attend the event, then submit a nomination form found here: <https://forms.office.com/r/ziykxxPkDX>

Two IM leaders will coordinate the group and facilitate meaningful connection before, during, and after the conference

For more information contact Nicole Cox, Youth and Young Adults Associate at IM
ncox@internationalministries.org



As we continue walking through the season of Lent and into Holy Week, let us pray that we might draw closer to Jesus as we remember his entrance into Jerusalem, his last Passover meal and his agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

As He takes up his cross and carries it to Golgotha, let us ask God to give us strength and perseverance as we carry our own crosses in this world.

As Simon of Cyrene comes to help Jesus, might we pray that we would come to help our friends, neighbors and even strangers in need.

As Jesus speaks lovingly through his pain to the women near him, let us pray that we might share love and care with all those who are filled with grief and sadness.

As Jesus is nailed to the cross, let us once again pray and confess our sins to God and receive that forgiveness that comes from his life-giving death and supreme gift of love for us! May we pray that we might share that forgiveness and peace with others as well.

Finally, as we rejoice in the resurrection and live out a new life in the Holy Spirit, let us pray that we might also live out the new commandment that Jesus gave to his disciples on the night he was betrayed– namely to love one another! As the scripture says: “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.” John 13:34 (ESV)





Metamorphosis

Crossroad Area Family Gathering

April 12, 2025

FBC Minneapolis

213 E 2nd St, Minneapolis, KS

67467

\$5.00 per

Person to Attend
the Gathering

Email

crossroads@abccr.org

to Register



Schedule

9:00

Registration

9:30

Worship

10:15

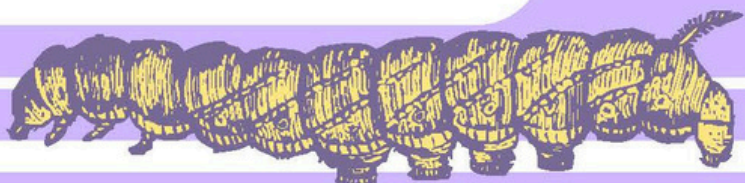
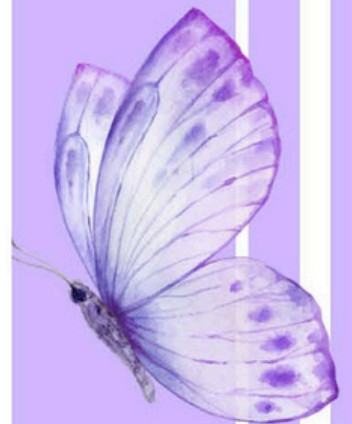
Business Meeting

11:00

Sunset Home

12:00

Lunch Will Be Provided



North East Area GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

From the Garden to the Cross

Friday, April 18, 2025

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

New Life Baptist Church

3601 SW 10th - Topeka

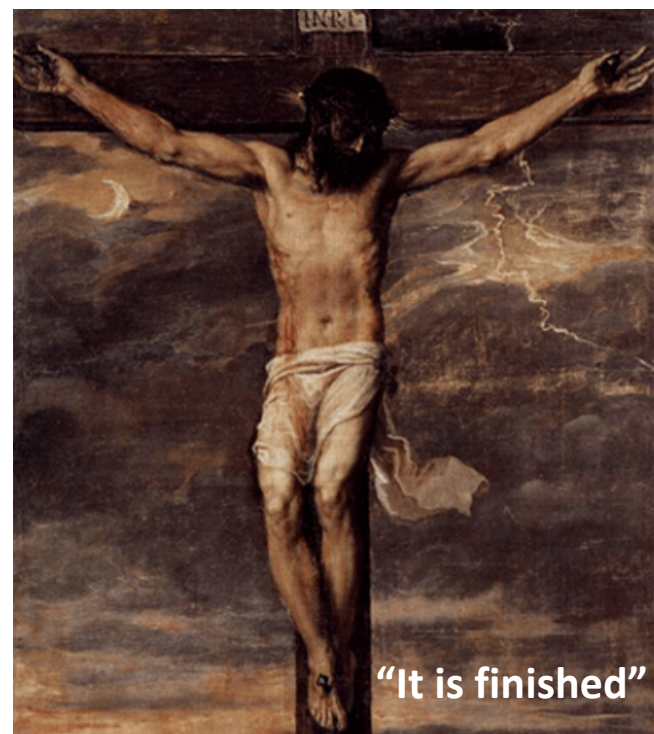
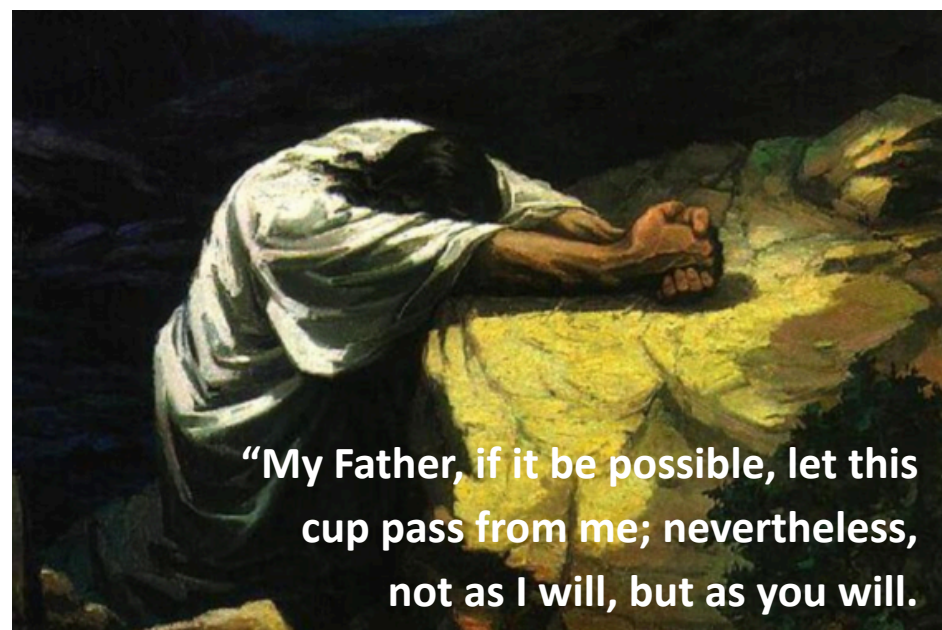
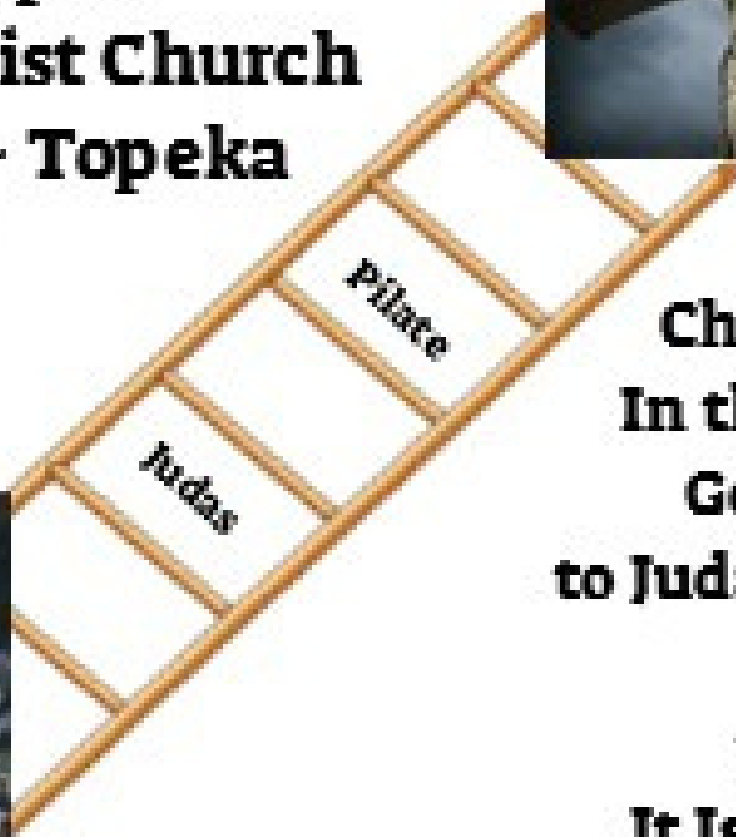
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Doors open 5 pm

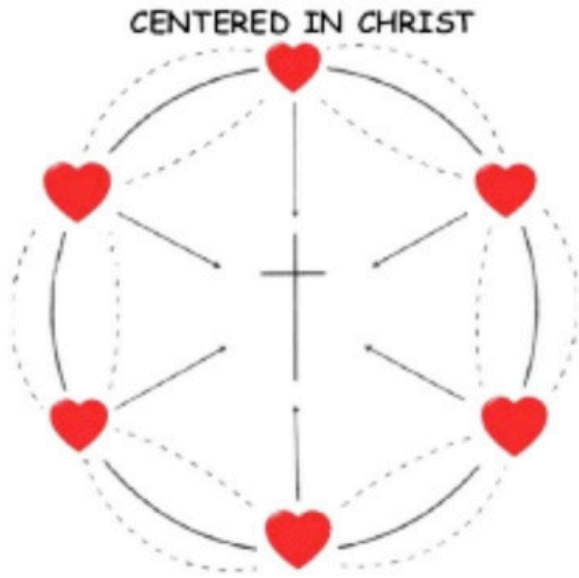
Fellowship after



**From
Christ's Prayer
In the Garden of
Gethsemane -
to Judas's betrayal
to Pilate -
to the Cross.
It Is FINISHED!!**

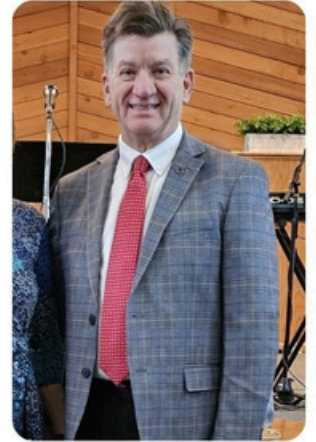


2025 SENIOR ADULT RETREAT



April 23-24, 2025
Central Baptist Church
Great Bend, KS

Mark your calendars now for this event with keynote speaker, Rev. Dr. Robin Stoops. Dr. Stoops has been engaging in a special assignment working in Mission Resource Development for the American Baptist Churches USA and is now currently serving as the interim Pastor at First Baptist Church Topeka. He previously served as the Executive Minister of the American Baptist Churches of Nebraska.



Registration information will be available soon. Watch for more details throughout the Central Region's many avenues.

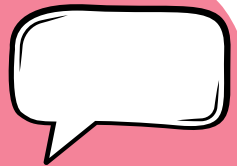
Ephesians 3:16-19

Lodging and Hotels



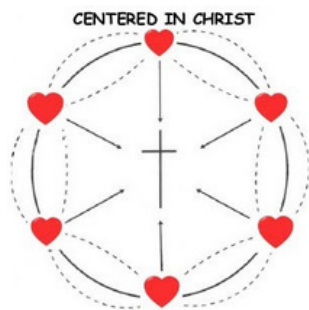
Best Western – Angus Inn 2920 10th Street 620-792-3541 Complimentary Breakfast	Super 8 by Wyndham 911 Grant Street 620-910-9523 Complimentary Breakfast
Days Inn 4701 10th Street 620-792-8235 Complimentary Breakfast	Travelodge 3200 10th Street 620-792-7219 No Breakfast mentioned on website
Holiday Inn 3821 10th Street 620-603-6565 Complimentary Breakfast	Quality Inn 3500 10th Street 620-793-8486 Complimentary Breakfast

Workshops



Handbells with Jan Smith
Craft Class led by Janet Crow
Spiritual Gifts with John Williams
Choir led by Bob Artz and Ruth Clark
All Group Bible Study with Waylon Upchego
Walking with Jesus led by Mike Justice & Jerry Neeley

Would you want to join others for a bus trip? First Baptist Church, Topeka has offered 14 seats on their church bus to travel to the Sr. Adult Retreat on Wednesday, April 23 to Great Bend, KS. You would return on Thursday, April 24. The bus will leave the church (3033 SW Macvicar Ave.) at 8:00 AM. Cost is \$25 each and a minimum of 10 is needed. Contact Janet Crawl at Janet@firstbaptisttopeka.org to sign up or to get more information.



ABCCR SENIOR ADULT RETREAT

April 23-24, 2025

Central Baptist Church, 3301 Lakin Ave., Great Bend, KS 67530

Guest Speaker, Rev. Dr. Robin Stoops

Theme: "Centered in Christ" Scripture: Ephesians 3:16-19 (NRSVUE)

First Time to Attend the ABCCR Senior Adult Retreat? Yes _____ NO _____

Name: _____
(If registering as a couple, please write spouse's name below)

Phone: _____

Spouse: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Home Church: _____

& City _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Full Retreat (includes program and 3 meals) per person

One Day only (Wednesday or Thursday) per person

# of Guests	Total \$
_____ @ \$95.00 per person	_____
_____ @ \$70.00 per person	_____
Total Amount Due	_____

Dietary Requirements:

Sugar Free ☐ Gluten Free ☐ Vegetarian ☐

PLEASE NOTE: We will try but cannot assure to meet all dietary requirements

Interest Groups (please mark preference)

3:15 PM Wednesday – Bells ☐ or Walking with Jesus ☐

4:30 PM Choir ☐

10:30 AM Thursday – Craft \$5 ☐ or Spiritual Gifts ☐

Abbreviated Schedule

Wed. 11:00 AM Registration Begins

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM Session #1

3:15 PM Interest Groups

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Session #2

Thurs. 8:30 AM Registration

9:00 AM Group Study

10:30 AM Interest Groups

1:15 PM Session #3

Please make checks payable to **Senior Adult Retreat** and mail payment and completed registration form to:

Senior Adult Retreat
John Williams, Registrar
C/O 5889 SW 29th Street
Topeka, KS 66614

Online registration is available at www.abCCR.org

Registration Deadline - April 8, 2025

***** \$10 Late Fee Assessed if Postmarked After April 8, 2025**

Cancellation Policy: A full refund will be given if cancelled by April 15, 2025

\$25 non-refundable cancellation fee per individual after April 15, 2025

(Cut here and retain this stub for your records and information.)

ABCCR Senior Adult Retreat: Central Baptist Church, 3301 Lakin Ave., Great Bend, KS 67530

Dates: April 23-24, 2025

Registration begins at 11:00 AM, Wednesday the 23rd

Retreat begins with lunch at 12:00 noon

Amount paid to Registrar: _____ Check number: _____ Date paid: _____

East Central Area Annual Meeting

Sunday, April 27, 2025 at 3:00 PM

First Baptist Church Gardner

324 E. Shawnee St, Gardner, KS

Registration & Refreshments

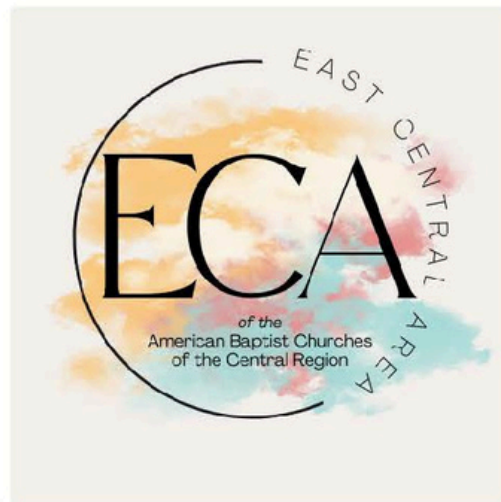
Singing

Business

Information

Devotional

Fellowship (Bring a covered dish to share for a meal together to conclude the event)





"The Lord upholds all who fall and
lifts up all who are bowed down."
Psalm 145:14 (NIV)

You can register by
scanning the QR Code



Age is determined by what grade the student is entering in the fall of 2025.

CAMP CHRISTY

**JUNE
2-6**

High School Camp: (\$280) before May 1 (\$300) after May 1

Director: Damion Denison **Registration Deadline: May 19, 2025**

**JUNE
9-13**

Middle School Camp: (\$280) before May 1 (\$300) after May 1

Director: Damion Denison **Registration Deadline: May 26, 2025**

**JUNE
16-20**

Junior Camp: (\$280) before May 1 (\$300) after May 1

Director: Erin Isham **Registration Deadline: June 2, 2025**

**JUNE
23-25**

Primary Camp: (\$140) before May 1 (\$150) after May 1

Director: Becky Rider **Registration Deadline: June 9, 2025**

**JUNE
26-27**

Day Camp: (\$90) before May 1 (\$100) after May 1

Director: Tonya Koehn **Registration Deadline: June 9, 2025**

CAMP WHITE MEMORIAL

**JULY
14-18**

High School Camp: (\$395) before June 1 (\$415) after June 1

Directors: Morgan Aspinwall & David Vandiver **Registration Deadline: June 30, 2025**

**JULY
14-18**

Middle School Camp: (\$395) before June 1 (\$415) after June 1

Director: Wallace Smith **Registration Deadline: June 30, 2025**

**JULY
21-25**

Junior Camp: (\$395) before May 1 (\$415) after May 1

Director: Kami Minor **Registration Deadline: June 30, 2025**

No registrations will be accepted after the cutoff date.

Mark Your Calendar **ROOTED** *in the* **LION** *of Judah* *& the* **LAMB**

**American Baptist
Women's Ministries**

**Summer Conference
FBC Herington, KS
June 6-7, 2025**



ABW Summer Conference Mini Project

A family attending First Baptist Church of Herington has had multiple medical and financial difficulties. The father was in a bad accident about a year ago and was off work for many months. During this time their 3 year old son was diagnosed with leukemia. Dad went back to work, but Mom is now off work to care for the son. They have a 3 hour round trip commute 3 times a week for medical treatments. With all that has happened, they have found themselves in a time of need. Please consider helping them by bringing to the 2025 Summer Conference non-perishable food items, paper products, and/or cash to aid them during this difficult time.

**AB Women's Ministries Central Region
Summer Conference
June 6-7, 2025
First Baptist Church
201 E. Hawley St., Herington, KS 67449**

(One form per person, please)



So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Colossians 2:6-7 NIV

PLEASE MARK: FIRST TIMER _____

ABW MINISTRIES VITAL PARTNER _____

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Last Name _____

First Name _____

Address _____

Church _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

WORKSHOP SELECTIONS (Indicate your 1st & 2nd choice by NUMBER for EACH session from the following descriptions)

Friday 1:30 - 2:30 pm (Session One)

1st Choice

2nd Choice

Friday 2:40 - 3:40 pm (Session Two)

Saturday 9:00 - 10:00 am (Session Three)

Registration Costs

Full Conference \$100 (includes 3 meals) \$ _____

One Day \$50 Fri. ___ Sat. ___ \$ _____

105th Anniversary Special - 50% off registration fee by May 15 This year we received a generous monetary donation. The Board decided to use it to help offset the cost of this year's conference registration fee. 105th Anniversary Special - 50% off \$ _____

If postmarked after May 31st add \$25 \$ _____

If Scholarship Recipient deduct amount received \$ _____

(Attach scholarship documentation)

Total Payment \$ _____

Abbreviated Program Schedule

Fri. 9:00 - 9:45 am	Registration	Gathering
9:45 - 11:55 am	& Session	Lunch
12:00 pm 1:30	Workshops	Workshops
- 2:30 pm 2:40	Devotional	Dinner
- 3:40 pm 3:50	Session	Registration
- 4:15 pm 5:15	Devotional	Workshops
- 6:30 pm 6:30	Session	Lunch &
- 7:45 pm	Business Mtg.	Session
Sat. 8:30 - 9:00 am		
8:30 - 8:50 am		
9:00 - 10:00 am		
10:10 - 11:55 am		
12:00 - 1:35 pm		
1:45 -		

For paper registration - Please make check payable to:

AB Women's Ministries CR
Add \$25 late fee if postmarked after May 31st

Mail registration and payment to:

Lois Chiles
201 Cottonwood Dr., Lansing, KS 66043
Questions - 913.727.2232/913.683.8680 or
Lchiles@kc.rr.com
Online Registration is available through May 31 at
www.abwmcr.org

Special Diet Needed - We will attempt to accommodate but we can't guarantee all items can be provided.

Please specify _____

Refund Policy: Cancellation before May 31 subject to a \$25 Administrative Fee. NO refund after May 31. Substitution permitted by registrar only.

FOR REGISTRAR USE ONLY

Date Received _____ Check # _____

Amount Received _____

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS (Please designate by NUMBER your 1st and 2nd choice options for each session on the front page of this form.)

Session #1 - Friday, 1:30-2:30pm Session #2 - Friday, 2:40-3:40pm Session #3 - Saturday, 9:00-10:00am

1. **Busting Out... – Lois Chiles** Session #1
Join in making a piece of art “busting out” of its safe place by mimicking the look of a damaged canvas with a creative twist. The workshop is limited to 25 and cost is \$6. Come have some fun and be adventurous and courageous!
2. **Awake American Baptists: Help Welcome Jesus Into the Arab World - Dan Chetti** Session #1
There are unprecedented changes taking place in the Arab World. As children of pioneering missionaries William Carey and Adoniram Judson, we must learn how to read the signs of “missional times”. This is a moment of greatest opportunity in the Middle East & North Africa. As the missiologist David Garrison wrote, there is “A Wind in the House of Islam” sweeping towards Jesus. The signs are discernable to those who are observant. How can American Baptist Churches read the signs, heed the call, and respond boldly?
3. **Courage Outside the Walls - Janet Crawl** Session #1
You will be encouraged to discover how you can reach outside the walls you have built on your own or others have built for you to be able to participate in helping others in your community. There will be a focus on overcoming barriers and being bold and courageous. Suggestions will be presented for possible community connections in your home area.
4. **Bell Choir – Jan Smith** Session #2
Do you ever wonder what it would be like to ring church bells? If you know your colors, join in the fun of ringing! You will have a fun time in preparing for a musical special to be shared on Saturday during our final session.
5. **A Bangle With Baubles – Mona Huggins** Session #2
Come be a part of President Mona’s workshop as she leads you through the gems of the Bible using Scripture while you make a lovely bracelet. Cost is \$3. This workshop is limited to 25.
6. **Rooted: Practices - Jessica Henks** Session #2
Go deeper with Jessica to unpack “Rooted: Practices” as she guides you through the practical applications of Lectio Divina, Kingdom Prayer, Sabbath, and Hospitality. Learn how developing these spiritual habits help us to root ourselves more deeply in God!
7. **Special Project - 2024-25 – Sheryl Stemmons** Session #3
Join us as we discover how our International Ministries global servants are using education to share the Gospel message with girls in Southeast Asia and Central and South America. We will discuss ways we can bless our global servants so they can continue to bless these precious kids.
8. **Jeopardy - Jordan Fritz** Session #3
Come test your Bible knowledge in four different categories. You might learn something new or even learn something more than you already know. So, put knowledge to the test and join Jordan.
9. **Honey, Your Roots Are Showing - Kami Minor** Session #3
Being a well watered woman in a thirsty world. Join in to do a “roots” check by digging deep into God’s promise from Isaiah 58:11 that He will satisfy your needs and you will be a well-watered garden in a sun-scorched land.

COME SEEK LIVING WATER

American Baptist Churches USA **BIENNIAL MISSION SUMMIT** July 3–6, 2025 | Omaha, NE

Join us for the 2025 Biennial Mission Summit designed to inspire collaboration and action within local communities. This vibrant 'family reunion' will foster meaningful connections across generations. With engaging activities for all ages—including child-friendly options—workshops, and discussions, the event promises to inspire fellowship and spiritual growth.



Rev. Dr. Gina Jacobs-Strain
is a dynamic leader serving
as the General Secretary of
American Baptist Churches
USA



Rev. Dr. Zau Sam Lahtaw
is a devoted senior pastor of
the First Kachin Baptist
Church of America in
Omaha, NE



Rev. Dr. Greg Mamula
is a dedicated executive
minister and region
missionary of American
Baptist Churches of
Nebraska



Rev. Dr. TaNikka Sheppard
is a leader of leaders who is
regional executive minister
of the Cleveland Baptist
Association and general
secretary for the North
American Baptist Fellowship



Register now at www.americanbaptists2025.com.

The Biennial Mission Summit is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2025! We will honor supporters of the event through the Biennial Golden Jubilee Society. Become a member with a gift of \$500 or more. Contributions made by May 1, 2025, will receive special recognition in the printed event program and a unique memento distributed at the event. Learn more and make a donation at www.abc-usa.org/Jubilee.



mpyc-abc.org



MOUNTAINS & PRAIRIES

Youth Conference

JUNE 14-18, 2026

**YMCA OF THE ROCKIES
SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH
GRANBY, COLORADO**



Keynote Speaker
REV. JOY
MARTINEZ- MARSHALL



FUN ABCCR FAMILY QUIZ

Fun Quiz for ABCCR Family- For any and all of our ABCCR congregations

We want your opinions!!

We are asking you to take a few minutes to complete this SHORT, FUN quiz.

Drawings **by area** from completed responses will result in six \$25 gift card winners.

One response per person.

The church with the largest percentage responses will win ONE paid individual registration to the Annual Gathering on September 26-27.

Let's see how much fun we can have!!!

Ways to play:

Respond online by **April 21**

Mail a paper copy to: Rita Adams, c/o ABCCR, 5889 SW 29th St, Topeka KS 66614

Email to: rcagrizzly@aol.com

Share the QR code to all your church members for a link to the questionnaire.

Thank you for your time and your work to distribute this to your congregation.

In His Service,

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Fun Quiz for ABCCR Family

We want your opinions!! And you could win!!! We are asking you to take a few minutes to complete this SHORT, FUN questionnaire. Drawings **by area** from completed responses will result in six \$25 gift card winners. **One response per person.** The church with the largest percentage responses will win ONE paid individual registration to the Annual Gathering on September 26-27.

Let's see how much fun we can have!!! Please respond by April 21, 2025.

There is no scoring and no penalties for wrong responses. 😊😊 Have fun!

**Indicates required question*

1 First and Last Name_____ *

. Email_____ *

2 Name of Your Church and Town_____ *

. Your position in your church *

3 *Mark only one oval.*

☐ Pastor

☐ Leadership

☐ Member

☐ Attendee

5. Which area do you think your church is in?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Crossroads

☐ East Central

☐ Northeast

☐ OIABA

☐ Southeast

☐ Western

☐ I don't know

6. Who is your area moderator?

Mark only one oval.



☐ Option 1



☐ Option 2



☐ Option 3



☐ Option 4



☐ Option 6



☐ Option 5



☐ Option 7



☐ Option 8

7. What is Gregg Hemmen's hair color?

Mark only one oval.

☐ Black

☐ Brunette

☐ Blonde

☐ Red

☐ Other: _____

8. What does RCOM stand for?

9. What was the last regional event you attended?

10. Where was the event?

11. What year?

12. Approximately how many hours did you drive to that event?

13. Where is this year's annual gathering?

14. Is the region office in Topeka?

Mark only one oval.

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

I don't know

15. What does ABCCR stand for?

16. Tell us how your church relates to your area or the Central Region? (Mark all that apply)

Check all that apply.

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Our church provides mission support to the Region

☐

Our church attends area/region events

☐

Our church has used the Region for an Interim pastor and help to find a new pastor

Other:

☐

17. What are ways the Region can help your church with a want or need? (mark all that apply)

Check all that apply.

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Able to ask for pulpit supply assistance

☐

Call upon Region staff to visit church

☐

Is the first "go to" when a pastor resigns

☐

Can answer mission questions

☐

Offers a seminar on "What It Means to be ABC"

Other:

☐

18. What word best describes the Central Region?

19. What word best describes your area?

20. Would you be willing to complete an additional questionnaire? If yes, please give us your phone number.

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes
☐ No

Phone Number_____

Ways to play:

Respond **online** by April 21

Mail a hard copy to: **Rita Adams, c/o ABCCR, 5889 SW 29th St, Topeka KS 66614**

Email to: rcagrizzly@aol.com

Share the QR code to all your church members for a link to the questionnaire.