

2014 ANNUAL REPORT

GEORGIA BAPTIST CONVENTION

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Psalm 85:6 Will You not revive us again
so that Your people may rejoice in You?



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**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
ONE HUNDRED NINETY THIRD ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA**

**Held in Warner Robins, Georgia
November 10-11, 2014**

2014 OFFICERS

Don Hattaway..... President
Stephen Fountain..... Vice President
Eric Rentz..... Vice President
David Chauncey..... Vice President
Tim Jones..... Vice President
Danny Henson..... Recording Secretary
Freddie Rhodes..... Assistant Recording Secretary
Tom Vann..... Assistant Recording Secretary
J. Robert White..... Executive Director

2015 COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, AND BOARDS OF THE CONVENTION

2015 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(As of May 1, 2015)

Bryan Alexander, Douglasville..... Chairman
Mike Stone, Blackshear..... Vice Chairman

Terms to Expire 2015

Mark Harris, Molena..... Centennial
Dave Nelson, Gray..... Central
Wayne Woods, Moultrie..... Colquitt County
Billy Edmondson, Canton..... Etowah
Wesley Hunt, Calhoun..... Gordon Memorial
Josh Bennett, Hiawassee..... Hiawassee
Dale Davis, Locust Grove..... Kimbell
Bob Frey, Rossville..... Lookout Valley
Jason Jones, Sylvester..... Mallery
David McLendon, Epworth..... Morganton
Bill Compton, Flowery Branch..... Mulberry
John Lemmings, Bremen..... Polk-Haralson
Stan Jordan, Stockbridge..... Southside
Pozie L. Redmond, Jr., Atlanta..... Southwest Atlanta
Steve Brooks, Thomasville..... Thomas County
Jerry Pickard, Milledgeville..... Washington
Bryan Alexander, Douglasville..... West Metro

Members At Large

*Tom Moore, Vidalia..... Jim Holmes, Helen
*Jon Reed, Dacula..... Denny Mack, Evans

Terms to Expire 2016

Jack Lee, Jesup..... Altamaha
John Sterner, Summerville..... Chattooga

* Indicates a layperson

Walter Jarrell, Glenwood.....	Emanuel
Chris Porter, Maysville	Enon
Keith Etheridge, Lincolnnton	Georgia
Vacant	Gilmer-Fannin
Gerral Richards, Alpharetta.....	Hightower
Barry Crocker, Cumming.....	Lanier
Vacant	Mell
Jeff Powell, Lizella.....	Mid-State
Darey Kittle, Dalton	North Georgia
Brad Butler, Ellabell.....	Ogeechee River
Randy Jacoby, Folkston.....	Piedmont-Okefenokee
Gary Hartman, Ellerslie	Pine Mountain
Doug Turner, Alpharetta.....	Roswell
Philip Lehman, Conyers	Stone Mountain
Ernie Jones, Valdosta	Valdosta
Leon Pirkle, Dahlonega.....	White County

Members At Large

Wayne Bray, Douglasville	Vacant
Brian Fossett, Dalton.....	Carl Marshall, Lawrenceville

Terms To Expire 2017

James K. Brown, Monroe.....	Appalachee
Rusty Couch, Atlanta	Atlanta Metro
David Biggers, Fitzgerald.....	Ben Hill-Irwin
T. J. Bennett, Blakely	Bethel
Tim Jones, Columbus	Columbus
Chris Dotson, Eastman	Dodge
Inman Houston, Lawrenceville.....	Gwinnett Metro
Keith Pisani, Stone Mountain.....	Greater Atlanta
Ken Thrift, Royston	Hebron
Matt Stephens, Vienna.....	Houston
Bobby Hutto, Dublin	Laurens
Jim Pitt, Morven	Mercer
Brad Boynton, Guyton.....	Middle
John Autry, Bostwick.....	Morgan County
Richard Walker, Powder Springs	Noondah
Morgan Kerr, Savannah.....	Savannah
Freddy Gardner, Broxton	Smyrna

Members At Large

Don Patterson, Waycross	Jimmy Blanton, Columbus
Matt Alexander, Madison	Craig Bowers, Locust Grove

Terms to Expire 2018

Wesley Morris, Cartersville	Bartow
Fred Odom, Jakin.....	Bowen
Myles Brown, Carrollton	Carrollton
Levi Skipper, Clermont.....	Chattahoochee
Justin Terrell, Fairburn	Fairburn
Nelson Grist, Orchard Hill	Flint River
Michael Truitt, Americus.....	Friendship
Kenneth McEntire, Demorest.....	Liberty
Jody Strickland, Chatsworth.....	Murray County
Eric Rentz, Jesup	New Sunbury
Fred Lodge, Blairsville.....	Notla River
Jeff Waters, Hawkinsville	Pulaski-Bleckley

* Indicates a layperson

Paul Cowles, Warner Robins Rehoboth
 Randy Crowe, Hull Sarepta
 Michael Gibbs, Brunswick Southeast
 *Berry Barfield, Dawson Summerhill
 *Terry Quick, Glennville Tattnall-Evans
 Andy Buchanan, LaGrange Troup
 Tim Bozeman, Sale City Tucker
 David Smith, Ashburn Turner
 Jimmy Dale Patterson, Newnan Western

Members At Large

Eddy Rushing, Rock Spring Tim Batchelor, Thomson
 Mike Stone, Blackshear Grady Caldwell, Griffin

Terms to Expire 2019

Brad Whitt, Augusta Augusta
 Michael Kirby, Ringgold Catoosa
 Allen Rea, Baxley Consolation
 Karl Hay, Mount Vernon Daniell
 Mark Grinstead, Dry Branch Ebenezer
 Tony Christie, Rome Floyd County
 Gordon Cloud, Cairo Grady County
 Walter Singletary, Clarkesville Habersham
 Scott McKinney, Wrens Hephzibah
 Randall Whitaker, Harlem Kilpatrick
 Tony Dixon, Abbeville Little River
 Jimmie Chapman, Manchester Merritt
 Roger Byrd, Dublin Mount Vernon
 Vacant Mountaintown
 Jim Bennett, Rossville Northwest Georgia
 *Mickey Justice, Dillard Rabun
 Todd Crosby, McRae Telfair
 Bill Stacey, Carnesville Tugalo

Members At Large

Bong S. Choi, Suwanee Bill Johnson, Stone Mountain
 Kevin Riley, Covington Reuben Torres, Jonesboro

2015 MEMBERS EX OFFICIO

Convention Officers

Don Hattaway, Cartersville President
 David Mills, Athens Vice President
 Jason Jones, Sylvester Vice President
 David Hardwick, Columbus Vice President
 Jeff Daniels, Rossville Vice President
 Danny Henson, Ringgold Recording Secretary
 Freddie Rhodes, Hawkinsville Assistant Recording Secretary
 Tom Vann, Rentz Assistant Recording Secretary

* Indicates a layperson

2015 Heads of Organizations

*Jackie Hardy, Social Circle President, Georgia WMU
 *Will Davis, Milton President, Baptist Collegiate Ministries
 Rob Hobby, Hazlehurst President, Church Music Conference
 Vacant President, Pastors' Conference
 John Darsey, Madison President, Preaching Conference
 Alvin Wilson, Calhoun President, Fellowship of Retired Georgia Baptist Ministers
 *Juli Paysen, Toccoa President, Ministers' Wives' Fellowship
 Matthew Gibbs, Warner Robins President, Georgia Baptist Association of Christian Educators
 Vacant Ethnic Advisory Council
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**2015 BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Terms to Expire in 2015

*Gary Campbell, Vidalia *Jay Williams, Albany
 *Ray Goff, Bogart *Russ Pierce, Centerville
 *Tim Redding, Statesboro Bobby Thompson, Vidalia

Terms to Expire In 2016

Harvey Willis, Soutee-Nachhchee Carlos Sibley, Watkinsville
 *Michael S. Jenkins, Centerville Bucky Kennedy, Vidalia
 Ray Sullivan, Cordele Dannie Williams, Lyons

Terms to Expire in 2017

*Lauri Jo Bennett, Norman Park Kenny Grant, Savannah
 Derwood Poole, Savannah *Lennie Pye, Rincon
 *Randy Rodgers, Alley Freddie Smith, Waycross

Terms to Expire in 2018

*Janie Lore, Newnan Cliff Morris, Dublin
 *Scott Rudd, Mount Vernon Mike Spivey, Soperton
 Brad Waters, Hazlehurst *Richard Wernick, Alpharetta

Terms to Expire in 2019

Fred Evers, Tifton *Betty Jane Fountain, Mount Vernon
 Mark Jones, Ailey *Schel Paulk, Guyton
 Josh Saefkow, Martinez *Lynda Yawn, Statesboro

**2015 SHORTER UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Terms to Expire in 2015

*Clyde Collier, Rome *Jerry Emerson, Rome
 *Joy Battles, Silver Creek *Ken Guice, Rome
 Don Hattaway, Cartersville *Gerald Shields, Columbus

Terms to Expire in 2016

Carlisle Driggers, Eatonton *Wanda Levan, Rome
 *Jennifer Reyonlds, Rome Stephen Anthony, Rock Spring
 *David Sparks, Marietta *Randy Womack, Marietta

* Indicates a layperson

Terms to Expire in 2017

Charlie Bridges, Dalton *Cheryl Cox, Summerville
*Jim Dudley, Rome *Bob English, Marietta
Jim Law, Woodstock *Scarlett Rackley, Douglasville

Terms to Expire in 2018

David Harper, Rome *Stacy Howell, Bogart
Philip May, Silver Creek *Sherod Salmon, Rome
*Tony Swafford, Rome *Rickey Underhill, Rome

Terms to Expire in 2019

Bob Bagley, Dalton *Bryan Griffin, Rome
*Vivian Johnson, Douglas *Richard Mills, Rome
*Bryan Rice, Rome Ben Smith, Waycross

**2015 TRUETT-MCCONNELL COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Terms to Expire 2015

David Baker, Dacula Rudy Camp, Gainesville
James Dollar, Clermont *John Howard, Helen
Grady Sutton, Flowery Branch *Terry Williams, Flowery Branch

Terms to Expire 2016

*Allen Carroll, Lilburn Paul Dennis, Newnan
*Lee Evans, Warner Robins Robert Jolly, Cumming
*Keith Kelly, Rutledge Tony Samples, Dallas

Terms to Expire 2017

Frank Cox, Lawrenceville Mike Dorough, Warner Robins
*Brett Duncan, Cumming *David Henson, Ellijay
*Phillip Jones, Gainesville Jamie Powell, Perry

Terms to Expire 2018

*Bill Bonner, Fayetteville *Randy Crenshaw, Tifton
*Wayne Farr, Norcross Thomas Hammond, Alpharetta
Dan Rosser, Ellijay Richard Statham, McDonough

Terms to Expire 2019

Phil Bray, Dearing *Jay Burkette, Clermont
Tony Hamilton, Snellville Russell Harbin, Braselton
*Bruce Thompson, Cartersville Darrell Westmoreland, Helen

**2015 GEORGIA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES AND FAMILY MINISTRIES, INC.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Terms to Expire in 2015

*Evelyn Bagley, Chatsworth Eddie Brannon, Calhoun
*Laura Daughtry, Quitman *Emily Garrett, Marietta
*Helen Gilleland, Sandy Springs *C. H. Reese, Dawson

Terms to Expire in 2016

*David Baxter, Savannah Maudie Hutto, Ringgold
*John Haulbrook, Mableton *Ted Jarriel, Dublin

* Indicates a layperson

*Carolyn Mock, Ludowici.....*J D Rutledge, Norcross

Terms to Expire in 2017

Russ Barker, Demorest.....*Kenneth Grace, Palmetto
*Michael Lively, Waynesboro.....*Diane Simmons, Oglethorpe
Howard Turner, Brunswick.....*Howard Wells, Blairsville

Terms to Expire in 2018

Ken Brooks, Cochran.....*Gearline Eley, LaGrange
*Johnny Jennings, Ringgold.....Harold Ledford, Hiawassee
*Sue Loftin, Newnan.....*Kathy Mims, Albany

Terms to Expire in 2019

*Susan Allen, Statesboro.....*Darlene Collins, Wrens
Chad Cooper, Whigham.....Ben Crowdis, Cuthbert
*Cindy Evers, Tifton.....*George Roberson, Jesup

**2015 BAPTIST VILLAGE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Terms to Expire in 2015

*Richard Harris, Macon.....*Jackie Hardy, Social Circle
*Linda Paulk, Waycross.....H William Perry, Statesboro
Keith Rustin, Cochran

Terms to Expire in 2016

*Billy Cochran, Blackshear.....Freddy Hogg, Ivey
*Jane Butler, Macon.....Ernie Pirkle, Pooler
*Susan Wiggins, Blakely

Terms to Expire in 2017

*Glenn Cullars, Milledgeville.....Porky Haynes, Quitman
*Robert Herndon, Macon.....Rob Hobby, Hazlehurst
Brad Marchman, Macon

Terms to Expire in 2018

Jamie P Archer, Millen.....John Gibbs, Ocilla
*H A Griffin, Waycross.....*George H Steedley, Brunswick
*Ruby Turner, Brunswick

**2015 BAPTIST RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES OF GEORGIA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Terms to Expire in 2015

*Dot Fordham, Cleveland.....*Gary Poteat, Hiawassee
*Dale McClain, Decatur

Terms to Expire in 2016

*Linda Dennis, Newnan.....*Tim Wilson, Fort Valley

Terms to Expire in 2017

*Ron Freeman, Cumming.....*Bonnie York, Sautee

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Terms to Expire in 2018

George Cline, Blairsville..... Jimmy McAdams, Hiawassee

Terms to Expire in 2019

*Martha Kreis, Epworth *Maudeen Merck, Cleveland
*Ron Stone, Newnan

**2015 GEORGIA BAPTIST FOUNDATION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Terms to Expire in 2015

*Douglas E. Howard, Dacula..... *Kirk J. Jarrett, Calhoun

Terms to Expire in 2016

*Ian M. Waller, Duluth *Glenn Williams, Dacula

Terms to Expire in 2017

*Barbara Copeland, Clarkesville *P. Owen Herrin, Jr., Waycross

Terms to Expire in 2018

*Wes Agnew, Jonesboro..... *Lamar Pinson, Cartersville

Terms to Expire in 2019

*John Frady, Lawrenceville *Jack Nash, Warner Robins

2015 GEORGIA BAPTIST ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Terms to Expire in 2015

*Keith Hagan, Statesboro..... William H. Ricketts, Bogart

Term to Expire 2016

*Rickey Spivey, Milledgeville

Terms to Expire in 2017

*Ryan Bowman, Fayetteville Todd Sullens, Leesburg

2015 EDUCATION COMMISSION

Terms to Expire in 2015

David Hunter, Macon David Self, Hardwick

Terms to Expire in 2016

Michael Kennedy, Americus..... Paul Ballard, Stone Mountain

Terms to Expire in 2017

*Tom Renfro, Quitman Ben Smith, Waycross

Terms to Expire in 2018

Roger Byrd, Wrightsville..... Wayne Roe, Tifton

Term to Expire in 2019

James Kinnebrew, Hillsboro

* Indicates a layperson

2015 GEORGIA BAPTIST HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Terms to Expire 2015

Jimmy A. Duren, Cumming *Rebecca Morris, Cumming
*Bill Harvill, Bogart

Terms to Expire 2016

*Janis Hooper, Fayetteville Ray Coleman, Douglas
*Jerri Stanley, Dacula

Terms to Expire 2017

Jeffrey Audirsch, Dublin *Talmadge Chandler, Bremen
*Charlene Hooper, Fayetteville

Terms to Expire 2018

*Iris Durden, Statesboro *Jesse Griffin, Milledgeville
*Michael Justus, Mount Airy

Terms to Expire 2019

Jarret Burch, Eastman Oscar Cope, Fairburn
*Paula Neely, Moultrie

2015 COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Terms to Expire 2015

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Danny Odom, Lilburn *Art Williams, Ellijay
John Yarbrough, Cleveland

Terms to Expire 2016

Bob Bagley, Chatsworth Jim Duggan, Ty Ty
*Brad Hughes, Blakely Jerry Speer, Columbus
Randall Whitaker, Harlem

Terms to Expire 2017

Daniel Ausbun, Moreland Wes Cantrell, Woodstock
*Kay Godwin, Blackshear *Dominic LaRicca, Douglas
*Bruce Thompson, Cartersville

2015 COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Terms to Expire 2015

Jeff Merritt, Palmetto David Chauncey, Marietta
Floyd Harrison, Metter John Jenkins, Stapleton
Andy Perryman, Washington Jamie Powell, Perry
Joe Ringwalt, Cartersville *John Tucker, Lithonia

Terms to Expire 2016

Danny Crosby, Waycross Adam Camp, LaGrange
Jerald Dorr, Collins Albert Holmes, Stone Mountain
Bill Hughes, Tifton Chris Hulsey, Rock Spring
Kevin Maples, Douglasville Ken Rogers, Dublin

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Terms to Expire 2017

Tim Hinds, Snellville..... Samuel Ayala, Dacula
Eric Grissino, Townsend Brad Hughes, Sumner
Randall LaRoche, Ocilla..... Fred Parker, Eastman
Chester Proctor, Vidalia Barry Snapp, Rockmart

2015 COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS

Shep Johnson, Douglas Fred Anderson, Baxley
Stephen Cochran, Cartersville Vann Dempsey, Jesup
*Valerie Ellington, Soperton *Nadine Lang, Lithia Springs
Roger Naylor, Patterson..... Jim Perdue, Warner Robins
Mike Peterson, Lafayette *Scotty Tipper, Leary

2015 MEMORIAL COMMITTEE HONORING DECEASED MINISTERS

Steve Fenion, Oakwood
Tommy Freeman, Gray (Alternate)

2015 COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

David Huff, Lilburn..... Carlisle Driggers, Eatonton
John Jenkins, Kingsland Stanely Luke, Nashville
David Meacham, Gainesville Paul Robertson, Augusta

2015 PREACHERS COMMITTEE

Butch Knight, Albany..... Fred Evers, Tifton
Bob Jolly, Cumming Phil Wages, Winterville

2015 COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Larry Cheek (Chairman), Conyers Nick Bates, Sardis
David Cardoza Joe Daniel, Eastman
John Paul Hasick, Cairo..... Steve Kegley, St Mary's
Bernard Miller, Griffin Kevin Miller, Dacula
Matt Peek, Pelham William Pope, Wray
Bobby Russell, Blackshear Jo Jo Thomas, Gainesville
*Fran Twelkemeier, Cartersville *Joan Wall, Douglas
Larry Wilbur, Brunswick

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