

## **SECTION IV REPORTS**

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT**

Below is a summary of our meetings during this past year.

February 7, 2014

- The board approved Sallie Donnor to fill a vacancy on the Board in Conemaugh Valley.
- Dr. Smith reported on the staff's RAFT meeting that took place in January.
- Dr. Waltz gave the financial report and the financial statement was approved as presented.
- It was reported that there is difficulty in leasing the lower level. A recommendation to pay off the Girard House indebtedness was approved.
- A motion passed regarding maps in the Holman Christian Standard Bible to resolve that we encourage individuals to take any complaints directly to LifeWay.

May 2, 2014

- The board approved Sue Crofutt to fill a vacancy on the Board in Conemaugh Valley.
- Dr. Waltz gave a financial report; we are 12% under budget through the first quarter.
- Plans remain in place to lease the office lower level; to use the Temple Baptist Church property in York for a re-start or new church plant; to sell the Keystone Worship Center property in Mechanicsburg then use funds to help churches or use the land for a church plant.
- All board members should have received the full financial report via email before the meeting; the budget process is somewhat delayed as we await NAMB's numbers.
- The board approved a motion to revise the Loan Policy to allow churches to apply for a 2<sup>nd</sup> lien against church property.

November 6, 2014

- Dr. Waltz gave a financial report; once October credit card statements are in, we will be \$15-20,000 to the good. We'll need to manage this by watching spending although no essential things have been cut.
- The board approved Staff Housing Allowance requests for 2015.
- The board approved the following policy updates: Credit Card, Flexible Spending, Corporate Vehicle.
- The board approved the following new policies: Cell Phone, Wellness.

Brian Harrison  
Executive Board President

## **COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

Created a new marketing brand for the Baptist Resource Network (BRN)

Launched a redesigned BRN Web site

Joined the social media community with a BRN FaceBook page

Enlisted online subscribers for BRN communications pieces – Website, FB page and electronic version of The Penn-Jersey Baptist

Began weekly blog posts (3/wk)

Pam Smith  
Director of Communications

**Baptist Convention of PA/South Jersey  
Balance Sheet  
December 2014**

**Note: The Report Option to include Open Transactions is selected.**

**Accounts**

	<b>Assets</b>	
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<b>Current Assets</b>		
<b>Checking</b>		
001002 - Cash - Integrity Bank	\$35,740.62	
<b>Total Checking</b>	<u>\$35,740.62</u>	
<b>Savings</b>		
001041 - Converge 3 Year Term Investment	\$203,637.67	
001043 - Integrity CD - 10 Month	\$100,584.84	
<b>SBC Foundation</b>		
001020 - SBF Growth Fund	\$107,499.00	
<b>Total SBC Foundation</b>	<u>\$107,499.00</u>	
<b>Guidestone Financial Resources</b>		
001024 - GuideStone Investment Accounts	\$774,560.55	
001042 - Growth Allocation Fund	\$127,583.75	
<b>Total Guidestone Financial Resources</b>	<u>\$902,144.30</u>	
<b>Total Savings</b>	<u>\$1,313,865.81</u>	
<b>Stocks</b>		
001038 - 286 Shares of Metro (METR)	\$7,307.30	
<b>Total Stocks</b>	<u>\$7,307.30</u>	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>\$1,356,913.73</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
001450 - Baptist Resource Center	\$268,250.00	
001460 - Volunteer House	\$225,525.00	
001470 - Mission House	\$82,600.00	
001480 - Clearfield Co. Property	\$88,389.00	
001490 - Mulberry Street Property	\$300,000.00	
001500 - Warren Mission House	\$85,000.00	
001510 - Trinity Bapt Church	\$471,000.00	
001520 - Temple Baptist Church	\$1,800,000.00	
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<u>\$3,320,764.00</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u><u>\$4,677,677.73</u></u>
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<b>Liabilities, Fund Principal, &amp; Restricted Funds</b>		
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<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
<b>Payroll Deductions</b>		
002160 - State Income Tax	\$328.25	
<b>Total Payroll Deductions</b>	<u>\$328.25</u>	
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>\$328.25</b>
<b>Property Funds</b>		
002410 - Building Equity	\$3,320,764.00	
<b>Total Property Funds</b>		<b>\$3,320,764.00</b>
<b>Investment Gain/Loss</b>		
002990 - SBF Growth Fund Gain/(Loss)	\$7,764.51	
002993 - Growth Allocation Fund Gain/Loss	\$4,351.80	
003001 - GuideStone Investments Gain/Loss	\$29,670.99	
<b>Total Investment Gain/Loss</b>		<u>\$41,787.30</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<u>\$3,362,879.55</u>
<b>Fund Principal</b>		
002994 - Reserve Balance	\$72,199.41	
002995 - Non-Reserve Balance	(\$38,961.43)	
Excess Cash Received	(\$30,889.93)	
<b>Total Fund Principal and Excess Cash Received</b>		<u>\$2,348.05</u>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>		

Baptist Convention of PA/South Jersey  
Balance Sheet  
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Accounts

Total Temporarily Restricted	\$1,184,107.31	
Total Permanently Restricted	<u>\$128,342.82</u>	
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>		<b><u>\$1,312,450.13</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Fund Principal, &amp; Restricted Funds</b>		<b><u><u>\$4,677,677.73</u></u></b>

**BAPTIST RESOURCE NETWORK  
BUDGET-2015**

<b>2015</b>		COOPERATIVE	OTHER	TOTAL	Percent	Increase/
<b>Proposed</b>		PROGRAM	SOURCES	BUDGET	Change	(Decrease)
<b>ANTICIPATED INCOME:</b>						
4010	Cooperative Program	866,393		866,393	100.00%	\$ 0
4020	North American Mission Board		2,141,012 [1]	2,141,012	101.77%	\$ 37,210
4030	Lifeway Christian Resources		60,000 [2]	60,000	100.00%	\$ -
4032	Lifeway Campus Ministry		14,000 [2]	14,000	92.29%	\$ (1,170)
4090	Annuity Board		40,000 [3]	40,000	100.00%	\$ -
4012	BRN Philadelphia		90,349 [4]	90,349	105.86%	\$ 5,000
4015	BRN Northeast		35,000 [5]	35,000	87.50%	\$ (5,000)
4016	BRN West		85,585 [6]	85,585	100.00%	\$ -
4017	BRN South Jersey		36,379 [7]	36,379	100.00%	\$ -
4018	BRN Northwest		12,000 [8]	12,000	100.00%	\$ -
	CP/Partnering		15,000 [9]	15,000		\$ 15,000
	Volunteer House		11,000 [10]	11,000		\$ 11,000
	Warren House		7,000 [11]	7,000		\$ 7,000
4110	Interest/Gains Income		27,070 [12]	27,070	123.05%	\$ 5,070
4111	Rental Income		20,000 [13]	20,000	100.00%	\$ -
4200	Lottie Moon Christmas Offering		225,000 [14]	225,000	100.00%	\$ -
4210	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering		125,000 [15]	125,000	100.00%	\$ -
4220	Ed & Mary Price Missions Offering		50,000 [16]	50,000	100.00%	\$ -
4230	World Hunger Offering		15,000 [17]	15,000	100.00%	\$ -
<b>TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME:</b>		866,393	3,009,395	3,875,788	101.22%	\$ 74,110
<b>ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:</b>						
<b>MISSIONS BEYOND PENNSYLVANIA/SOUTH JERSEY</b>						
5000	Cooperative Program (25.7%)	222,663		222,663	100.39%	\$ 863.00
5010	International Missions		225,000 [14]	225,000	100.00%	\$ -
5020	North America Missions		125,000 [15]	125,000	100.00%	\$ -
5030	State Missions		50,000 [16]	50,000	100.00%	\$ -
5040	World Hunger		15,000 [17]	15,000	100.00%	\$ -
<b>TOTAL MISSIONS BEYOND PA/SJ</b>		222,663	415,000	637,663	100.14%	\$ 863.00
<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>						
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
	Admin Staff Salaries	149,882	20,000 [13] 5,070 [12] 12,000 [4]	186,952	113.45%	\$ 22,159.00
5101	Executive Director Travel	10,000		10,000	100.00%	\$ -
5103	Executive Director SBC/Conf	1,000		1,000	100.00%	\$ -
		160,882	37,070	197,952	112.61%	\$ 22,159.00
<b>PASTOR/STAFF SUPPORT</b>						
5120	Field Support West		15,900 [6]	15,900	99.90%	\$ (16.00)
5121	Field Support S. Jersey		15,900 [7]	15,900	72.11%	\$ (6,150.00)
5122	Field Support Philly		15,900 [4]	15,900	132.50%	\$ 3,900.00
5123	Care Fund	500		500	100.00%	\$ -

5125	Staff Travel (Out-of-State)	4,000		4,000	100.00%	\$	-
5231	Pastor's Annuity	35,700	40,000 [3]	75,700	96.43%	\$	(2,800.00)
5233	FICA	2,163	66,783 [1]	96,203	101.89%	\$	1,782.00
			15,199 [4]				
			12,058 [6]				
5235	Staff Annuity	46,480	2,812 [1]	129,631	105.33%	\$	6,560.50
			20,969 [4]				
			27,391 [6]				
			16,979 [7]				
			15,000 [9]				
5237	Staff Insurance	87,976	3,295 [6]	93,500	104.79%	\$	4,271.00
		134	2,095 [1]				
5239	Worker's Compensation	4,900	2,100 [4]	7,000	92.11%	\$	(600.00)
5243	Staff/Volunteer Appreciation	12,000	6,824 [1]	19,355	100.16%	\$	30.00
		531					
		194,384	279,205	473,589	101.50%	\$	6,977.50
	<b>OPERATIONS</b>						
5115	Penn-Jersey Baptist	5,000		5,000	100.00%	\$	-
5131	Printing/Postage/Bank Fees	4,654	2,346 [4]	7,000	116.67%	\$	1,000.00
5133	Telephone	5,700		5,700	67.06%	\$	(2,800.00)
5135	Net Aid	14,500		14,500	100.00%	\$	-
5141	Office Supplies	3,000	3,000 [12]	6,000	85.71%	\$	(1,000.00)
5201	Annual State Convention	5,000		5,000	100.00%	\$	-
5203	Annual Publications			0	0.00%	\$	(500.00)
5209	Executive Bd/Committee Meetings	8,000		8,000	100.00%	\$	-
5139	Equipment Maintenance	9,000		9,000	100.00%	\$	-
5251	Building Maintenance	6,000		6,000	100.00%	\$	-
5253	Utilities		9,000 [12]	9,000	90.00%	\$	(1,000.00)
5255	Taxes	18,000		18,000	100.00%	\$	-
5257	Custodian	1,000	3,000 [12]	4,000	80.00%	\$	(1,000.00)
5259	Liability/Fire Insurance	2,835	7,000 [12]	9,835	100.00%	\$	-
5143	Audit	2,500		2,500	125.00%	\$	500.00
5152	Volunteer & Girard House	5,000	11,000 [10]	16,000	177.78%	\$	7,000.00
5153	Warren Mission House-Pitts		7,400 [6]	14,400	100.00%	\$	-
			7,000 [11]				
		90,189	49,746	139,935	101.60%	\$	2,200.00
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>		445,455	366,021	811,476	104.02%	\$	31,336.50
<b>MULTIPLYING CHURCHES</b>							
<b>PERSONNEL</b>							
	MC Staff Salaries	49,850	677,893 [1]	736,043	104.57%	\$	32,149.00
			5,150 [4]				
			3,150 [6]				
	MC Travel	5,760	90,240 [1]	96,000	92.31%	\$	(8,000.00)
	MC Conferences	660	10,340 [1]	11,000	91.67%	\$	(1,000.00)
	MC Operations	1,320	20,680 [1]	22,000	91.67%	\$	(2,000.00)
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>		57,590	807,453	865,043	102.51%	\$	21,149.00
<b>NON PERSONNEL</b>							
5325	Regional Teams Operations	2,167	33,953 [1]	36,120	100.00%	\$	-

5402	Church Planter Funds	39,520	791,475 [1]	841,995	119.57%	\$ 137,811.00
			11,000 [5]			
5406	Church Planter Development	2,609	40,879 [1]	43,488	96.06%	\$ (1,786.00)
5313	Printing/Postage	90	1,410 [1]	1,500	150.00%	\$ 500.00
5315	Misc	12	188 [1]	200	100.00%	\$ -
		44,398	878,905	923,303	117.35%	\$ 136,525.00
	<b>STEWARDSHIP DEVELOPMENT</b>					
5431	Travel/Planning	1,470		1,470	100.00%	\$ -
5433	Stewardship/CP Development	3,960		3,960	66.44%	\$ (2,000.00)
5439	Printing Postage	1,000		1,000	100.00%	\$ -
		6,430		6,430	76.28%	\$ (2,000.00)
<b>TOTAL MULTIPLYING CHURCHES</b>		108,418	1,686,358	1,794,776	109.50%	\$ 155,674.00
<b>MISSIONAL LIVING TEAM</b>						
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
	MLT Staff Salaries	37,875	167,845 [1]	208,798	86.08%	\$ (33,761.00)
			3,079 [4]			
	MLT Travel	1,680	26,320 [1]	28,000	77.78%	\$ (8,000.00)
	MLT Conferences	180	2,820 [1]	3,000	75.00%	\$ (1,000.00)
	MLT Operations	360	5,640 [1]	6,000	75.00%	\$ (2,000.00)
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL</b>		40,095	205,704	245,798	84.59%	\$ (44,761.00)
<b>NON PERSONNEL</b>						
<b>MINISTRY EVANGELISM</b>						
5562	CP Evang Strategies	102	17,654 [1]	18,781	135.15%	\$ 4,885.00
			1,025 [5]			
5563	Existing Church Evang Strategies		15,274 [1]	16,249	54.60%	\$ (13,509.00)
			975 [5]			
5564	Disaster Relief	2,000		2,000	100.00%	\$ -
<b>WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION</b>						
5567	CP Evang Strategies	35	555 [1]	590	100.00%	\$ -
5568	Existing Church Evang Strategies	319	4,991 [1]	5,310	100.00%	\$ -
<b>Student Ministry</b>						
5554	Campus Ministers Assistance		12,830 [2]	12,830	91.64%	\$ (1,170.00)
5555	Student Conferences		1,170 [2]	1,170	100.00%	\$ -
5587	Student Ministry Operations	318	4,983 [1]	5,301	100.00%	\$ -
<b>TOTAL NON PERSONNEL</b>		2,774	59,457	62,231	86.40%	\$ (9,794.00)
<b>TOTAL MISSIONAL LIVING TEAM</b>		42,869	265,161	308,029	84.95%	\$ (54,555.00)
<b>HEALTHY CHURCHES</b>						
<b>PERSONNEL</b>						
	HC Staff Salaries	31,549	64,148 [1]	152,694	100.00%	\$ -
			31,000 [2]			
			13,997 [6]			
			12,000 [8]			
	HC Travel	10,600	9,400 [1]	20,000	100.00%	\$ -
	HC Conferences	1,060	940 [1]	2,000	100.00%	\$ -

HC Operations	2,120	1,880 [1]	4,000	100.00%	\$	-
<b>TOTAL HC PERSONNEL</b>	<b>45,329</b>	<b>133,365</b>	<b>178,694</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>NON-PERSONNEL</b>						
5812	Church Plant Evang Strategies	1554	40,015 [1] 1,000 [5]	42,569	125.46%	\$ 8,639.00
5815	Existing Church Evang Strategies	105	32,975 [1] 2,000 [5]	35,080	103.39%	\$ 1,150.00
5817	Discover		15,000 [2]	15,000	100.00%	\$ -
5819	Develop		14,000 [2] 1,000 [4]	15,000	100.00%	\$ -
5820	Deploy		2,394 [6] 12,606 [4]	15,000	100.00%	\$ -
<b>TOTAL HC NON PERSONNEL</b>	<b>1,659</b>	<b>120,990</b>	<b>122,649</b>	<b>108.67%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,789.00</b>
<b>TOTAL HEALTHY CHURCHES</b>	<b>46,988</b>	<b>254,355</b>	<b>301,343</b>	<b>103.36%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,789.00</b>
<b>BRN Northeast</b>						
6203	Disaster Relief		3,000 [5]	3,000	150.00%	\$ 1,000.00
6208	Church Health/Networking		15,500 [5]	15,500	81.58%	\$ (3,500.00)
6209	Administrative Team		500 [5]	500	50.00%	\$ (500.00)
<b>TOTAL BRN Northeast (Total allocation of \$35,000)</b>		<b>19,000</b>	<b>19,000</b>	<b>86.36%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(3,000.00)</b>
<b>BRN South Jersey</b>						
6303	Administration Team		1,500 [7]	1,500	100.00%	\$ -
6304	Disaster Relief		2,000 [7]	2,000	100.00%	\$ -
<b>TOTAL BRN South Jersey (Total allocation of \$36,379)</b>		<b>3,500</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTAL ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:</b>	<b>866,393</b>	<b>3,009,395</b>	<b>3,875,788</b>	<b>101.22%</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>74,110.00</b>



## **COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT**

The Committee on Committees recommends the following to serve on the standing committees for the year 2015:

*\*Denotes Chairperson*

### **CREDENTIALS AND ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE**

Elect Ron Wilson, Pastor, The Connection Church (SC)  
Elect Thea Tynes, Pastor's wife, Truth Baptist Church (Phil)  
Elect Joan Theisen\*, Layperson, Stewartstown Baptist Church (K)  
Elect Paul Olijar, Layperson, Lower Burrell Baptist Church (SW)  
Elect Roy Andrews, Layperson, Country and Town Baptist Church (K)

### **PROGRAM AND ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE**

Elect Kevin Roberts\*, Pastor, Charleroi Baptist Church (SW)  
Elect Mark Rasnake, Pastor, Lake Marburg Baptist Church (SC)  
Elect Maxine Feltch, Layperson, Silver Spring Baptist Church (SC)  
Elect William Giles, Pastor, First John Macedonia Baptist Church (Phil)  
Elect Bayard Bastedo, Layperson, First Baptist Church of Hanover (K)

### **RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

Elect Jerry Dixon\*, Pastor, First Baptist Church of Hanover (K)  
Elect John Overstreet, Pastor, Beaver Baptist Church (SW)  
Elect Michael Couch, Pastor, New Beginnings Church (Phil)  
Vacant  
Vacant

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Elect Carol Chamberlain, Layperson, Bloomsburg Southern Baptist Church (NE)  
Elect Jeanmary SaintElien, Layperson, Haitian Baptist Church of Willingboro (SJ)  
Elect Madeline Harris, Layperson, Ezekiel Baptist Church (Phil)  
Elect Helen Paz\*, Pastor's wife, Iglesia LaFuente (SC)  
Elect Ken Cademartori, Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church (K)  
Elect Phil Huggins, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Rochester (SW)  
Vacant (NW)  
Vacant (CV)

**Given by:**

### **COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**

George Tynes\*  
Michael Mummert  
Fanny Grote  
Chuck Chamberlain  
Edgardo Paz  
David Bestman

## **Nominating Committee Report**

**In keeping with the Constitution and By-Laws, the 2014 Nominating Committee is submitting nominations for the Executive Board, the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, and for the offices of Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, Historian, and Parliamentarian as follows:**

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

#### **Term Expiring 2017**

Elect Matt Smart, Pastor, New Hope Baptist Church (CV)  
Elect Jennifer Musser, Layperson, Bucks County Community Church (PHIL)  
Elect Robert Fontell, Pastor, Calvary Christian Church (PHIL)  
Elect Donald Lowery, Layperson, Chambersburg Baptist Church (K)  
Elect Dave McCoy, Pastor, Nippenose Bible Fellowship (NE)  
Elect Sue Crofutt, Layperson, Faith Emporium (NW)  
Elect Jason Hunter, Pastor, First Baptist Church Clarion (NW)  
Elect Kathy Bowers, Layperson, The Bridge (SC)  
Re-elect Darius Nable, Pastor, Church of the Good Shepherd – Cherry Hill (SJ)  
Elect April Betner, Pastor, Delaware Valley Baptist Church (SJ)  
Vacant (NE)  
Elect Danilo Cosico, Layperson, SJ Bible Church International (SJ)  
Elect David Crowe, Pastor, Greene Community Church (SW)  
Elect Richard Goforth, Layperson, Pittsburgh Baptist Church (SW)

### **CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

#### **Term Expiring 2017**

Elect Steve Sheldon, Pastor, Wrightsdale Baptist Church (SC)

### **CONVENTION OFFICERS**

Elect as Recording Secretary, Jane Koppenheffer, Layperson, Country & Town Baptist Church (K)  
Re-Elect as Assistant Recording Secretary, Emma Tentarelli, Layperson, Cultivate Church (SJ)  
Re-Elect as Historian, Fred Boehlke, Layperson, Paoli Baptist Church (BRN Phil)  
Re-Elect as Parliamentarian, Garret Rain, Pastor, Emmanuel Baptist Church (SC)

**Submitted by:**  
**Nominating Committee**  
Kathy Sheldon, Chairperson  
Nick Boonstra  
Ed Roman  
Clarence Hester  
Jonathan Pokoe

**Program and Arrangements Committee**  
**Given at the Annual Meeting November 6-7, 2014**

The Program and Arrangements Committee moves that the program be approved as printed.

The Program and Arrangements Committee moves that the annual meeting convene in the Central Region on November 5-6, 2015.

**Submitted by:**  
**Program and Arrangements Committee**  
Bob Garber, Chairperson  
William Anderson  
Jeff Auker  
Dave McCoy  
Curtis Morris

**Disaster Relief Report**  
**Karlene Campbell**  
**State Director**

**April 2-5, 2014**

SBC-DR Region 1 Roundtable was held at Country & Town Baptist Church. Region 1 includes the Baptist Convention of Pennsylvania-South Jersey, Baptist Convention of Maryland-Delaware, Baptist General Association of Virginia, Southern Baptist Conservatives of Virginia, Baptist Convention of New York and Baptist Convention of New England.

A Directors/Leadership meeting was held.

A Field Office Administration Training was taught by Cathy Miller from the North American Mission Board.

**August 28 – September 4, 2014**

Four volunteers from the NEPBA took the NEPBA Recovery Unit to Long Island, N.Y. to respond to flooding that took place there in early August. They worked out of the SBC-DR Rebuild facility in Central Islip, but the Recovery operation was separate from the Rebuild operation. Two volunteers worked in feeding. The other two worked with volunteers from Virginia and New York to clean up four homes.

**October 19 – 30, 2014**

Southern Baptist Disaster Relief was called upon by the American Red Cross to assist with meal preparation for the Pennsylvania State Police Manhunt of Eric Frein. Because of the nature of this response only trained/badged volunteers were used.

Cresco Feeding Response by the numbers:

Response dates: Oct. 20 - Nov. 4, 2014 (Feeding ended on 11/1)

Total responders: 37

PASJ responders: 25

No. of PASJ participating Churches: 10

Partnering State responders: 12

PASJ volunteers committed but stood down: 12

Partnering State vols. committed but stood down: 32

(\*Our daily team roster was full through Nov. 19)

Total Volunteer Days: 198

Partnering States who sent vols: MD/DE, VBMB

Partnering States who had vols. committed to respond but were stood down: VBMB, NY, North Jersey, NC

Partnering States who agreed to pursue responders: SBCV

Total Meals prepared: 9,670

Total Showers: 117 (\*NEPBA Shower/Laundry was on-site since day 1; recovered 11/4)

Total Laundry Loads: 29  
Total Chaplaincy Contacts: 51  
Ministry Contacts: 4  
Other Decisions: 1

Other Partnering Agencies: PA State Police, The Barrett Township Fire Hall, American Red Cross, The Salvation Army

**Throughout 2014** Kenton Hunt and Craig Campbell along with Eddie Blackmon (NAMB) and Dennis and Elaine O'Neill (Baptist Convention of New York) attended various meetings held by the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, Department of Homeland Security. Kenton Hunt was/is the lead for Baptist Convention of PA-SJ in this endeavor.

**Baptist Builders**  
**Sandy Rebuild**  
**February 16-21, 2014**

Seated below is the team from Thompsett that traveled to Long Island, NY. The cooks for the week are standing in the back row (plus others not pictured). The volunteers included (left to right): Tony Neimond, Doug Leshner, Steve Winey, Wes Diehl, Dave Varner, Nathan Claybaugh, Jim Winey, and Ernie Pyle.



We helped rebuild the home of Bobby Leigh in Lock Port, NY. Bobby Leigh (pictured on right) lost her husband after a long term illness the Sunday evening we arrived. She has become an active member of the church that initially housed Rebuild teams. The Church was able to provide much support during her time of lost. On our return to Sandy Rebuild March 15-21, 2015 we were able to have a reunion with Bobby Leigh as she proudly showed us her finished home. She told us that Southern Baptists have rebuilt her house and her life – a team from Thompsett led and champeroned a high school class from Juniata Menonite School who conducted additional work on Bobby Leigh's home, a few months later in 2014. Her joyous spirit is such a blessing.



# FOSTERING SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION



Last Fall the BRN took Communications to a whole new level! Pam Smith and her Communications team strategized a **new BRN logo and brand standards** that were revealed at the 2013 Annual Meeting. At the same time they revealed the **newly-designed Web site** (which is at the address [www.brnonline.org](http://www.brnonline.org)). The Communications team has a **new marketing campaign** which includes the BRN on **Face book and Twitter!** Be sure to friend us if you haven't already!



**Baptist Resource Network**  
**Pennsylvania/South Jersey**  
September 2014

The Missional Living Team (MLT) looks back over the past year...

- Secured regional Missional Living Team catalysts, one for each of the four BRN regions
- Lost the BRN West MLT catalyst; currently working toward filling that position
- Developed a workable Missional Living strategy: The Missional Living Journey
- MLT catalysts were trained and are ready to serve BRN-affiliated churches through The Missional Living Journey
- BRN Philadelphia MLT catalyst Kyle Canty coordinated more than 1,100 missions volunteers through the P2 Missions and WorldChangers opportunities this summer
- After 19 years of faithful service as missions mobilizers in southwestern PA, Larry and Melanie Hart completed their Mission Service Corps service, effective August 31, 2014
- Due to a quiet disaster season over the last year-and-a-half, the DR team has taken advantage of this time to off-load all equipment, inventory and clean it, then make necessary repairs
- State DR director Karlene Campbell is recruiting 'blue hats'
- The Pennsylvania/North Carolina Partnership entered its sixth year, with state coordinators Roger and Shirley Carlson at the helm
- Currently involved in a re-dreaming/restructuring process with the WMU of PA/SJ state leadership team

· 369 Churches ·  
· 32,593 members ·  
· 1,896 baptisms last year ·



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A Healthy Churches Team (HCT) Look Back

- The Healthy Churches Team hosted a BRN Advantage in every region this year. BRN Advantage introduced both new and seasoned pastors to the changes taking place in the Baptist Resource Network. All of the BRN Teams as well as the Executive Director were represented at each meeting.
- Building relationships is a value of Healthy Churches. They set a goal of touching every CP-giving church in PA and SJ...and have reached that goal!
- Pastor Robert Fontell was named the HCT Consultant for Philadelphia.
- The Pastor's Corner was established to highlight the work of Pastors in PA/SJ.
- Pastors' Clusters have been established for the purpose of fellowship and peer to peer training for pastors.
- Secured Mapping Center, a unique outreach resource to serve our churches, gives demographics using filters for homes with/without children; ages of adults; ethnicity of the home; the primary language that is spoken; and more.
- The Pastors Retreat centered on the rest, rejuvenation and refreshing of our pastors. Our Healthy Churches leadership team and consultants gave testimonial messages designed to minister to the heart of our pastors.
- Transformational Church Assessments were conducted at several of our churches to better assess the strengths and challenges of the church.
- We were delighted to again receive an evangelism grant from NAMB to help our churches accomplish their evangelism strategies. We have been able to assist churches all over the state.
- The Vacation Bible School (VBS) state team held trainings in seven locations.

Numbers from the  
Multiplying Churches Team  
(MCT)

- Current plants projected this year = 22
- 6 new Multiplying Church Centers
- 2 new FT Church Planting Catalysts:  
David Pearson  
Samuel Rodriguez
- Metrics created for all components of the MCT System
- Finalization of the MCT System and Strategy



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**Appalachian Regional Ministry**  
October 2014

Fifteen years ago this fall, the respective Southern Baptist State Conventions within the Appalachian region came together with NAMB and the WMU to form a partnership that would “be an intentional missions response to the spiritual and physical needs of persons living in the Appalachian region by mobilizing Southern Baptists and their resources to provide ministries, to evangelize the lost, to assist existing churches and to start new churches in the multi-state region of Appalachia.” Today, Appalachian Regional Ministry (ARM), now a ministry of NAMB continues to work across the twelve state region providing multiple short-term volunteer mission opportunities, finding resources, and assisting church planters, pastors, and associations in meeting the physical and spiritual needs in their area of ministry.

Over the past few years as the economy has tightened, there has been a notable change in short-term mission volunteers. Mission teams have gotten smaller and more intentional. At the same time there has been an increase in those desiring to enter into long-term partnerships in order to have a more meaningful and intentional mission’s experience. A second significant change has been in the growing poverty needs that were once primarily limited to the central Appalachian region but now cover the entire area served by ARM. Churches in the south that once traveled to Eastern Kentucky or southern West Virginia to help meet the needs of children in poverty are now utilizing their resources to meet the growing poverty needs of children and families in their local communities.

To address physical and spiritual poverty many children face in Appalachia, in 2013 the Georgia Baptist Convention led the way with “Christmas Backpacks for Appalachian Children.” Over 23,808 backpacks were collected and delivered to local churches, church planters, and ministry sites across Appalachia. As the backpacks were delivered and the gospel was shared, literally hundreds of parents, guardians, teenagers, boys and girls came to faith in Christ. In January 2014, NAMB adopted this project as a part of their GPS focus and titled it “LoveLoud Christmas Backpacks.” This year our goal is 40,000 and it has been extended to include the eight states that form the Mississippi River Ministry. To learn more about “LoveLoud Christmas Backpacks” visit [namb.net/backpacks/](http://namb.net/backpacks/).

The A.R.M. Mailbox Bible Club (MBC) has continued to grow with almost 6,000 people having indicated an interest. The MBC is a Bible correspondence program. We now have three MBCs where 30 volunteers weekly receive, grade, provide counsel, and work with students. One is located in West Virginia at Cross Lanes Baptist Church and the other two are located in Florida at Mary Esther First Baptist Church (FBC). The Bible lessons are available in Spanish and are handled by FBC. A rapidly growing part of the MBC are the students who are incarcerated. This club is also a part of FBC which is now processing close to 3,000 lessons a month, mainly prisoners. The letters that are enclosed with the lessons continue to testify to the transforming power of the gospel of Christ.

This past year over 45,000 short-term mission volunteers responded to the Great Commission and served in Appalachia in a variety of mission opportunities. As they served over 4,000 salvation decisions were made. This ministry was made possible through the faithful giving of Southern Baptists through the Cooperative Program and their gifts to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. For more information about ARM or to learn how you can be on mission in Appalachia visit [arministry.org](http://arministry.org) or [namb.net/arm](http://namb.net/arm).