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WELCOME!

Welcome to the 2024 IARBC Annual Conference - hosted by your camp on the North Shore of Clear Lake! Our staff has been praying that the conference will bring challenge and encouragement to our Church's leaders and their families.

We are excited to provide extra time and a place for our association to come together. Your children will love our children's classes taught by the Contenders from Faith Baptist Bible College. Our staff counts it a privilege to serve our churches in this way.

— Phil Betz & The IRBC Staff

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COUNCIL OF 10 2023-2024

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Chairman – Tim Moore

Faith Baptist Church, Mason City
Presides over meetings, coordinates the Annual IARBC Conference
with the State Representative and manages technology

Vice Chairman – Dan Fields

First Baptist Church, Creston
Assists the Chairman

Secretary – Ben Hartwig

Calvary Baptist Church, Greene
Records minutes, keeps records, and sends correspondence

Treasurer – Jacob Saylor

Faith Baptist Church, Cambridge
Responsible for all funds and securities, pays bills and gives receipts,
oversees the deposit and transfer of funds, oversees the
signing of checks, chairs the Revolving Loan Fund Committee

Nathan Gast - Urbandale Baptist Church, Urbandale

Greg Gosnell - Horton Baptist Church, Waverly

Tom Hlad - Walnut Ridge Baptist Church, Waterloo

Dave Peters - Hagerman Baptist Church, Waterloo

Bruce Thompson - Berean Baptist Church, Pella

Will Hatfield - CrossRoad Baptist Church, Ames

Tim Capon - State Representative

Sadie Hatting - Administrative Assistant

MISSIONS MINISTRIES IN IOWA

CAMPUS MINISTRIES HELPING OUR LOCAL CHURCHES

Lighthouse Campus Fellowship (LCF)

Iowa State University, Ames
Pastor Geoff Drew, CrossRoad Baptist Church, Ames

Lighthouse International Fellowship (LIFE)

Iowa State University, Ames
Pastor Will Hatfield and Pastor Geoff Drew, CrossRoad Baptist Church, Ames

Campus Bible Fellowship International

University of Iowa, Iowa City
Faith Baptist Church
John and Rebecca Park – BMM
Ann Den Uyl – ABWE

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IARBC ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES — 4/24/23

I. Call to Order – David Cotner

II. Prayer of Blessing – Daniel Hartwig

III. State Representative's Report – Tim Capon

Tim expressed his thankfulness to churches, their pastors, friends of the fellowship, and for the ministries that the fellowship has hosted or been a part of this past year.

Tim made us aware of Iowa Cares: A deacon's fund for pastors. Tim encouraged people to get involved in the Friends of the Fellowship by regularly giving to the fellowship. Two churches closed this past year.

Tim Capon urged us:

- Don't take things for granted that they are just going to be okay.
- Reach out for help. The earlier the better.
- Pray, pray, pray

Churches can die. But churches also can be born.

IV. Ministry Partners' Reports – Alpha, BCP, BM, FBBC, & IRBC

Alpha Women's Center: Some significant laws have been changed in this past year! The Ankeny parking lot needs to be resurfaced for \$6,000. Matching funds of \$3,000 has been offered. This last year saw increase in client visits. They have been able to have many substantive spiritual conversations

Baptist Church Planters: They are working with a number of churches in the Iowa area with leadership development. They encourage churches to help out other churches. There are a number of resources available to help churches in various transitions.

Brotherhood Mutual: Insure about 76 churches in the association. They are available to help beyond the scenes with ministry needs. Through the Ministry Partner program with the IARBC, Brotherhood Mutual should be sending the association \$10,000. Also, because the loss ratio is lower, they are able to give \$5,000.

FBBC: President Jim Tillotson shared that Faith ranked #1 in the state for colleges. Some great professors investing in the next generation. They are encouraging students to go out further to serve in local churches. He shared the need for help building 2 garages May 12-13th.

IRBC: Phil Betz shared how The Rock has been a great help to them in their ministry. There was an increase in retreat attendance. “Riding for the Brand” is the theme for this summer. He emphasized how the camp want to assist churches in discipleship.

V. State Treasurer’s Report – Jacob Saylor (Vote to Approve Budget)

C-10 motions to approve the treasurer’s report. Seconded Nick Oliver. Motion carries.

C-10 Motions to approve the proposed budget for 2023/2024.

Seconded by Aaron Moore. Motioned carries

***VI. New Officers Election – David Cotner
(Introduce C-10 Nominees & Revolving Loan Officer Nominees & Then Vote)***

Currently serving on the C-10	Elected 2023
Dan Fields	Bruce Thompson
Greg Gosnell	Jacob Saylor
Ben Hartwig	Nathan Gast
Tim Moore	Thomas Hlad
Dave Peters	Will Hatfield

VII. Vote for Adjournment – David Cotner

NEW PASTORS

SINCE APRIL 2023

Community Baptist Church, Ankeny

Sawyer & Karina Gogerty (Youth & Music Pastor)

Miles & Mary Grismore (Senior Care Pastor)

Mark & Becki Lounsbrough (Christian Education & Discipleship Pastor)

First Baptist Church, Eldora

Bob & Judy Van Sant (Pastor)

Harvest Baptist Church, Williamsburg

Jordan & Laura Sauser (Senior Pastor)

John & Debbie Sauser (Associate Pastor)

Indianola Regular Baptist Church, Indianola

Andrew & Rose Young (Pastor)

Nevada Baptist Church, Nevada

Matt & Marcee Reno (Associate Pastor)

Northridge Baptist Church, Des Moines

Jordan & Jenni Hines (Pastor)

True Bible Baptist Church, Des Moines

Wes & Lisa Foster (Pastor)

CHURCHES IN TRANSITION

Adel — SonRise Baptist Church

Carlisle — Carlisle Baptist Church

Cedar Rapids — Blair Ridge Baptist Church

Danville — Faith Baptist Church

Fairfield — Faith Baptist Church

Floris — Floris Baptist Church

Grinnell — Calvary Baptist Church

Grundy Center — First Baptist Church

Guthrie Canter — First Baptist Church

Monroe — First Baptist Church

Monticello — Monticello Baptist Church

Onslow — Calvary Baptist Church

Pella — Berean Baptist Church

Pocahontas — Pocahontas Regular Baptist Church

Winterset — Grace Baptist Church

MISSION WORK

Bethel Baptist Church, Britt

Greg Baum, CBM

CHURCHES REMOVED

Corning — Grace Baptist Church - Unaffiliated

Russell — First Baptist Church - Unaffiliated

Marshalltown — Center Street Baptist Church - Closed

ANNUAL REPORTS STATE MINISTRIES

State Representative

I thought it may be helpful this year to summarize what we do:

- There are always new pastors to the fellowship.
- There is always the need to communicate better.
 - So you and your church can know how to pray.
 - So you and your church can know what you are supporting.
 - So you and your church can know what is available in the way of ministries and resources.

Responsibilities and Scope of Ministry

1) Please see our IARBC By-Laws (available on our website iarbc.org)

2) The C-10 provides oversight for all of the ministries of the IARBC.

3) The C-10 provides support, oversight and counsel for the State Representative (SR) in his various ministries on behalf of the IARBC in the fulfillment of its mission. They also provide oversight for the Administrative Assistant (AA), although she is directly accountable to the SR and assists him in his ministries.

4) The Mission Statement of the IARBC is:

The IARBC (Iowa Association of Regular Baptist Churches) works together to carry out the Great Commission and to stimulate Biblically effective ministries.

5) Our tagline: Partners in the Gospel (Phil. 1:5)

6) Our logo:  **IARBC**

7) Specifically the members of the C-10:

a. Serve on several committees:

Executive Committee (EC)

* Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer of the C-10.

Annual Conference planning committee

* Held at one of our churches or IRBC in the month of April.

* Includes the EC, two other C-10 members, SR and the AA.

* C-10 selects location, theme, speakers, program, music, etc.

Men's REVIVE Retreat planning committee

* Held at IRBC in late August.

* Includes two C-10 members, SR, 2 IARBC pastors, and the Iowa Regular Baptist Camp (IRBC) Director.

* Select theme, speakers, program, music, etc.

Women's RENEW Conference planning committee

* Held at IRBC in early September.

- * C-10 member oversees this committee.
- * Committee also includes SR, AA and other ladies.
- * C-10 approves speakers.

IARBC REFRESH Pastors & Wives Retreat

- * Held at IRBC in early October.
- * Two C-10 members oversee & plan this retreat.

Mid-Winter Couples Retreat (MWCR) planning committee

- * Held at Stoney Creek Hotel in Johnston in February.
- * Includes two C-10 members, a pastor who provides music, the SR and the AA.

State Youth Committee (SYC)

- * One C-10 member serves as a liaison to the SYC.
- * The SYC includes about 8-10 pastors (youth and senior).
- * One of them serves as the chairman.
- * They oversee and plan two IARBC SYC ministries:
 - Back on Track Bible Conference (in November).
 - Youth Workers Round Table at each Annual Conference.

Resources committee

- * Two C-10 members work with the SR to compile resources to make available to our churches.

Fundraising/Communication committee

- * Two C-10 members work with the SR to develop a network of people, churches, and ministries that can partner with us financially to support the ministries of the IARBC.

Church Growth & Health committee

- * Four C-10 members and the SR work together to develop partners and resources for churches.
- * Our focus is on healthy churches (making disciples, evangelism, revitalization and church planting).
- * Formed a partnership with Baptist Church Planters (BCP).
 - Encourage churches to consider BCP for revitalization and leadership training.
 - Oversee a fund to help these churches with some associated costs, and help them process applications.
- * We encourage and help facilitate healthy churches to come alongside churches that may be in need.

b. Oversee the process of churches that desire to be a part of the IARBC.

- Work with the SR in making connections with non-IARBC churches.
- Organize a Recognition Council (like an ordination council for a church) for churches that have not had one.
- Process the application and present the church to the messengers of the IARBC at the Annual Conference.
- We have added 3 established churches since May 2014.

- We are currently working with a church plant that desires to come into the IARBC.

c. Oversee our Compassion Ministries:

Revolving Loan Fund

- * To provide low interest (1/2 the going rate) loans to IARBC churches or churches that have made application for fellowship in the IARBC.
- * Loans can be used for purchase of real property, construction of church buildings, additions to and remodeling of existing church buildings.
- * Work with the RLF committee (men from our churches elected by the messengers)
- * Process applications and oversee the repayment of these loans.

Iowa Cares Fund (formerly Philippian Providers).

- * Essentially a deacons fund for IARBC pastors facing unusual financial challenges.
- * Funded by people committed to giving 4 times each year, and designated special gifts as people are led to give.
- * Work with the SR to identify possible recipients, and recommend financial gifts to be disbursed.

d. Work with ministry partners.

Faith Baptist Bible College

- * We engage many of them (administration, faculty and staff) as speakers at IARBC ministry events.
- * We help coordinate efforts to assist local churches.

Iowa Regular Baptist Camp (IRBC)

- * IRBC Board members are from our IARBC churches.
- * A number of our IARBC retreats are at the camp.
- * Periodically our Annual Conference is at the camp.

Baptist Church Planters

- * Work together with BCP and encourage churches to consider partnering with them for revitalization.
- * Helping churches with leadership training, revitalization, church conflict and pastoral transitions.
- * BCP offers a Leadership Journey track/training through our IARBC churches to help in discipling leaders.

Alpha Women's Center

- * A crisis pregnancy center (offices in Des Moines and Ankeny)
- * We help to promote the ministry of AWC.

Brotherhood Mutual

- * We have officially partnered with BM.
- * We encourage churches to consider BM for their ministry insurance needs.
- * We receive an annual Ministry Partner distribution each year that has ranged from \$5000 to \$15,000.

Canticum Novum

- * Exist to promote Christ-honoring choral and orchestral music in support of our local churches.

* They host several concerts each year in the Des Moines area.

e. Oversee and support the ministry of the IARBC Administrative Assistant (AA), Sadie Hatting. She...

- Manages our website: iarbc.org including such things as:
 - * An event calendar (including IARBC events, local events, and other major events by our churches and partners).
 - * Pulpit Supply List.
 - * A list of all of our churches by town, and their pastor(s).
 - * A map of all of our IARBC churches.
 - * Registration links for upcoming events.
 - * Church2Church (churches that have things to give away).
 - * News from our churches and area fellowships.
 - * A Giving link for online donations.
- Sends email updates to constituents:
 - * Inside Iowa
- News, events, ministries, resources, etc.
- Sign up on our website.
 - * Special Updates as needed
- Urgent prayer needs.
- People in ministry with the Lord (funeral, visitation plans)
- Helps coordinate plans, gather information, layout and print booklets for retreats and our Annual Conference.
- Prints John Studies and Pulpit Committee Workshop workbooks.
- Handles communications with churches including phone calls, emails and mailings.
- Processes our mail (Ankeny Baptist Church is our mailing address)
- Keeps our database current (people connected to the IARBC).
- Handles our financial records and banking (under the oversight of the C-10 Secretary).
- Works with the SR.

f. Search for and recommend to the IARBC messengers a new SR when there is a vacancy.

g. Oversee and support the ministries of the SR. His ministries include the following:

- Represent the IARBC to non-IARBC churches and assist them in various ways including:
 - * Working with Pulpit Committees.
 - * Suggesting men for pulpit supply.
 - * Provide resources for assessing church health.
 - * Present the IARBC to interested churches.
- Provide direction to pulpit committees during pastoral transitions:
 - * Pulpit Committee Workshops.
 - * Provide resources during the transition:
- Suggestions on how to end well with previous pastor.

- Biblical perspective during this pastoral transition.
- How to do an effective church survey.
- Interview questions (for potential candidates).
- Reference questions.
- Help with putting compensation packages together.
 - * Ministry assessment and a roadmap for revitalization.
 - * Recommendations for pulpit supply.
 - * Recommendations for possible interim pastor.
 - * Resumes and possible names to consider.
 - * Serve as a reference for names that come to them.
 - * Offer counsel along the way (church surveys, staff issues, procedural matters, candidating).
- Develop and oversee the Pulpit Supply List on our website.
- Provide counsel for pastors as needed.
 - * Ministry and personal related matters.
 - * Help men think through a possible change of ministry.
 - * Help men with their resume.
 - * Forward their resumes to our churches.
 - * Assist young men as they seek their first pastoral ministry.
- Build relationships with churches by “dropping in” from time to time on Sundays to worship with them.
- Attend as many ministries/events as possible to connect and encourage pastors and people (including events by local churches, area fellowships, FBBC, IRBC). Sandy and I do this together with rare exception.
- Attend area pastors fellowship meetings.
- Provide resources (connect people and churches to people and ministries) for those in need of assistance such as counsel, conflict resolution, legal matters, medical matters, adoption, financial matters, current issues, friends looking for a good church, church planting, church revitalization, church closure).
 - * Other Resources/Ministries:
 - Clarity in Action (domestic abuse ministry that provides help, resources and training)
 - Brains and Bibles (supports local churches with Worldview Apologetics and Bible study skills)
 - Legacy Construction (assists in every phase of construction, understanding the unique dynamics of local churches)
 - Small Church USA (encouraging and strengthening pastors, pastor’s wives and churches to revitalized health)
- Help churches plan for ordinations and installations.
- Work with our ministry partners (FBBC, IRBC, BCP, Alpha Women’s Center, Brotherhood Mutual, GARBC)
- Preach and teach.
 - * Pulpit Supply.
 - * Special events or ministries (conferences, camps, banquets, etc.)

* Some special focus subjects:

- Marriage and parenting
- Evangelism, discipleship and revitalization
- What is a healthy and thriving church?
- What are the roles of pastor, deacon and members?
- How to use the John Studies.
- Provide vision for carrying out the Great Commission.
- Assist churches in need of revitalization (assessment, action plans, partnering with another local church or a mission agency).
- Assist churches in closing with dignity and purpose.

* Church Care (BCP) is a helpful

- Provide direction and general oversight for the ministries of the IARBC.
- Present the IARBC in local churches as requested.

8) Some numbers:

- a. The IARBC was established in 1935 (from churches that came out of the Northern Baptist Convention).
- b. Currently (as of 4/16/24) there are 91 churches in the IARBC.
- c. Since May 2014:
 - 65 churches have called a new senior pastor.
 - 4 churches have left the fellowship.
 - 7 churches have closed.
 - 3 churches have been added (all established churches).
- d. At any time, there have been between 7 and 17 churches that are in transition between pastors.
- e. There are 9 area fellowships.
- f. The C-10 meets 4 times per year (May, September, January and at the Annual Conference in April)
- g. We believe that the value of the IARBC is reflected in these 5 areas:
Partnership...Encouragement...Ministries...Resources...Perspective

— **Serving Christ and His churches, Tim & Sandy**

Administrative Assistant

Sadie's younger sister passed away in August 2023 leading to some time off and some delays in things getting done. She has appreciated everyone's prayers and patience through this time as there were delays—especially her responses to emails! Sadie has continued to enjoy getting to know more and more people through planning for four different IARBC events throughout the year.

Council of 10

These men are nominated by the churches and voted on by the messengers of the churches at our Annual Conference. Five men, at alternate years, are elected for a term of two years. Each man may serve up to three consecutive terms before becoming ineligible for re-election for one year. They meet several times throughout the year with the State

Representative; typically in September, January, March, and at the Annual Conference.

iarbc.org

Our website has a number of helpful features and resources for you, and more are on the way. Here are a few of them:

- * “Find a Church” feature
- * Latest News and Upcoming Events
- * Prayer Reminder/Pastor Listing (printable list of churches and pastors & wives)
- * Pulpit Supply Contact List
- * John Studies & Suggestions for Use sheet (downloads)
- * Sign-up for Inside Iowa via email and view archives of past issues
- * Link to Donate to IARBC online or through partner programs
- * Church2Church - a listing of ministry resources needed or available
- * Contact form for submitting questions, news items, etc.

Inside Iowa

This email update will come to your inbox on a regular basis. It is filled with information to keep you connected with what is happening in and around our IARBC fellowship. Here are some things to consider:

- * If you have a news item you wish to post, please contact the IARBC office or use the Contact Us form on the website to submit an article.
- * If you would like to receive Inside Iowa, use the link on our website. Please check it out and encourage others to get signed up!
- * Also, please check your spam or promotions folder to make sure it isn't getting filtered out of your primary inbox.

Pulpit Supply

You will find this list on our iarbc.org website under the “Resources” tab. Many pastors and pulpit committees have found this list to be very helpful when needing someone to fill their pulpits. The list includes men who are pastors (former & retired); missionaries (former, retired & current); FBBC & TS professors, administrators, students & graduates, and laymen. Some have made themselves available to serve as an interim pastor. We hope you find this useful in the event you need assistance in the pulpit ministry. Also, State Representative Tim Capon is happy to make himself available to fill pulpits or speak at events as often as his schedule permits, so please feel free to contact him or the IARBC office if you'd like to request for him to speak.

Pulpit Committee Support

It is a great blessing to see the hand of God as a church family waits on the Lord for His timing and plan in the calling of a new pastor. It is also a great privilege to work with pulpit committees that have been assigned the task of leading their church family through this process. Tim can help with...

- * Pulpit Committee Workshops
- * Resumes and names for churches to consider

- * Provide counsel as questions come up during the process
- * Installation service planning (suggestions and speaking)
- * Pulpit Supply Contacts (list on our website)
- * Speaking at your church during the transition

Iowa Cares

This is a ministry of our IARBC that provides financial assistance to pastors and their families in our fellowship who have experienced a significant life event resulting in a financial need. Though not intended to be a permanent means of support, this ministry has been used of God to come alongside those who need help in a time of real need. As a member of Iowa Cares, you will receive a letter 4 times a year, along with a return envelope. From the money that is sent, the Council of 10 will distribute to the needs that are brought to their attention. Contact the IARBC office at admin@iarbc.org or (515) 964-2880 if you are interested in this ministry.

Friends of the Fellowship

The financial support for our IARBC ministries comes primarily from the very generous and faithful monthly support from many of our churches. We thank you for helping us do what we do. On occasion churches send in special gifts for various reasons as God leads them do to so. In addition, there are occasional gifts from individuals that contribute to the needs of our IARBC. The last couple of years we have qualified for a “Safe Ministry Reward” in the amount of \$5000 through our Ministry Partnership with Brotherhood Mutual. But even with all of this, we typically run an annual budget shortfall and have been asking God to provide by other means. The Friends of the Fellowship has been developed to help with these ongoing financial needs. It is a way for individuals to give regular amounts that help with the financial needs of our fellowship. Of course, large gifts are always welcome! If 100 people give \$10 every month, it would amount to \$12,000 each year! We believe in what God is doing through the ministries of the IARBC. Please consider becoming a Friend of the Fellowship and promoting it to your church family. You will find a link to “Donate Online” or you can download a “Debit Authorization Form” under the “Give” tab on our website. Thank you to those of you who already give. These gifts are much appreciated as you invest in ministries of the IARBC.

Revolving Loan Fund

The Revolving Loan Fund assists IARBC churches by loaning money needed to cover the purchasing of land, construction costs, or remodeling expenses. The money is loaned at about half the going rate of interest. Repayment of the loan is done in installments agreed upon by the Revolving Loan Fund Officers and the church. Individuals may contribute to this fund as a tax-deductible gift. Contact the IARBC office if you are interested.

Men’s Revive Retreat

Over 350 men from Iowa and several neighboring states came together for 2 days at Iowa Regular Baptist Camp. IRBC hosted the IARBC Revive Men’s Retreat. The focus of the weekend was to challenge men in regard to intentional discipleship. Tim Potter of Arch

Ministries and Grace Church of Mentor, OH was the keynote speaker. Pastor Potter walked the men through 1 Thessalonians as well as developing a biblical theology of disciple making. The men also had the opportunity to hear from a great lineup of workshop speakers. Tim Potter, Dan Fields, Scott Owen, and Les Ollila all spoke on various topics in relation to discipleship. The men also enjoyed a golf tournament, trap shoot, disc golf tournament, and various activities the camp grounds had to offer.

Women's Renew Conference

Our 2023 Women's Renew Conference was held on the weekend of September 8-9 at Iowa Regular Baptist Camp. The keynote speaker was Faith Taylor of Faith Baptist Bible College. She spoke on the topic of "Glory-Grabbing". She encouraged attendees to be glory-givers rather than glory-grabbers by keeping a right focus on God's Glory. We are looking forward to gathering at the camp again this year on September 6-7 for Women's Renew 2024!

Mid-Winter Couples Retreat

The 2024 Mid-Winter Couple's Retreat was sold out with over 100 couples from Iowa joined by our keynote speaker, Dr. Kraig Keck and his wife, Laura. We had a wonderful time of fellowship, worship, and teaching throughout the retreat! Dr. Keck spoke on "Growing a Grace-Filled Marriage". The session recordings and some pictures from the retreat are available on our website: iarbc.org/news/mid-winter-couples-retreat-recordings. The 2025 retreat will be held January 31-February 1 with Dr. Marty Herron as the keynote speaker.

Pastor's and Wives Refresh Retreat

The IARBC hosted an annual Refresh Retreat on October 9-10, 2023. Pastors and wives enjoyed a break from their normal routines to get together with others in ministry. We enjoyed good food and quiet time at the camp. There were plenty of opportunities for fellowship, and sharing burdens and joys with one another. Kraig Keck encouraged us to press on in serving God despite the challenges, knowing that God will reward faithful service. He also encouraged us that because we know God, we have something to share with those who come to us with counseling needs. Refresh Retreat was a welcome pause for those who attended, leaving them strengthened in their walks with God.

STAY UP TO DATE AT IARBC.ORG/EVENTS

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STATE YOUTH COMMITTEE

Purpose Statement

The State Youth Committee (SYC) exists to assist churches in their discipling of students and equipping of youth leaders for the glory of God.

Back On Track

We were glad to have Back On Track in November of 2023, where Pastor Jeriah Shank spoke to the students on the theme of “Defend: Impacting Our World.” Students were challenged with the importance of knowing what they believe to impact their world with the Word of God for the glory of God. We had around 273 students and leaders attend. We praise God for this conference! Join us November 22-23, 2024 at Crossroad Baptist Church, Ames with Dr. Dennis Wilkening!

Youth Worker Roundtable

We had a great youth worker roundtable in April of 2023 at the IARBC State Meetings at Crossroad Baptist Church. Pastor Aaron Mazzarella led a panel discussion with Pastor Tom Hlad and Pastor Dave Peters. There was good equipping and collaborating.

State Youth Committee: Jared Callison, Dan Cox, Ronnie Hemsworth, James Livingston, Aaron Mazzarella, Tim O’Tool, Willie Felderman, Dan Fields

FELLOWSHIP CHURCHES

MINISTRIES

Adventureland Youth Rally

On May 18th, the Southeast Iowa Pastor’s Fellowship invites you, your teens, and church family to join us at Adventureland. Though the rally is geared towards teens, this event is not restricted to teens and has been enjoyed by people from all walks of life. Due to changes within the administration at Adventureland, various weekends and rally events have been tried in the last few years.

This year we will meet at Altoona Regular Baptist Church with a large group rally and then travel to Adventureland. The rally will include a few worship songs along with a short but powerful gospel presentation.

God has used the Adventureland Rally as an opportunity to reach the lost over the years and challenge God’s people. Please be in prayer for this event and join us for the Adventureland Rally of 2024.

Retired Pastors & Seniors in Ministry

We are so thankful to the Lord, and His people who give us opportunity to minister. Filling pulpits, and presenting Seniors In Ministry (SIM) is a great blessing and joy to our lives. Linda and I really believe God is doing a great work in older and younger people in these special days we are living. If we could be any help in writing salvation and life stories for witnessing to others, please let us know. Also, opportunity to do pulpit supply is appreciated. “One generation shall praise Your works to another, And shall declare Your mighty acts.” - Psalm 145:4

Blessings in His grace,

Roger & Linda Crawford, Seniors In Ministry (SIM)

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Find us on Facebook: Ministry of SIM

Sportsmen’s Outreach

Several Sportsmen’s Outreach events are held at various locations across the state each year. **Altoona Regular Baptist Church**, Altoona held their annual event on Feb. 24th. Ryan Lundquist, pastor of Mountain Shadows Baptist Church Pueblo West, CO, was their speaker. They had approximately 200 in attendance. **Walnut Park Baptist Church**, Muscatine held their Fish & Game Dinner on March 1st. The speaker was Noel Gandy, Pro staff with Buckventures. The crowd of around 90 included a good number of unsaved guests. A sold out **North Iowa Sportsmen’s Adventure** took place on March 9th at IRBC, with over 400 tickets purchased. Bruce Hamilton, Alaskan author and pastor, was the speaker. We thank the Lord for the many salvation decisions made at these events and ask you to pray for those doing follow up with these individuals.

Monopoly Madness

Nevada Baptist Church invited youth groups across the IARBC to attend the annual Monopoly Madness youth event at Nevada, Iowa on February 17, 2024. We were very excited to bring this event back. This year we celebrated 25 years since the very first Monopoly Madness event. We had 94 teens, 24 youth leaders, and 13+ churches represented at this year’s event. Several teens who do not know Christ as their Savior got to hear the gospel clearly presented by Pastor Matt Reno, who recently joined the staff at Nevada Baptist. Pastor Reno made a great comparison between being helpless in “Monopoly Jail” and being dead in our sins (Ephesians 2:1-5). Please continue praying for genuine salvations, continued discipleship and unity within our youth groups around the state.

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PARTNERING MINISTRIES

Alpha Women's Center

awcdesmoines.org

Alpha Women's Center is a crisis pregnancy center seeking to reach young women who are pregnant, or suspect that they are pregnant, with the gospel. From their two locations, one in Des Moines and one in Ankeny, they provide pregnancy tests, baby and maternity clothing, baby care supplies, classes, Bible studies, and other forms of support at no cost to the women seeking assistance.

Baptist Church Planters

bcpusa.org

Baptist Church Planters assists churches and missionaries in planting or revitalizing Baptist churches in North America. Their objectives include: serving local churches that commit to church planting; serving missionaries that are associated with Baptist Church Planters; serving newly planted churches that are affiliated with Baptist Church Planters; serving struggling Baptist churches that are approved for our revitalization ministry; serving God's people who have a passion for evangelism, discipleship, and missions.

Brotherhood Mutual

brotherhoodmutual.com

The IARBC is now a Ministry Partner with Brotherhood Mutual. As a part of their Ministry Partner Program we can earn benefits in the form of funds to be used for the ministries of the IARBC. Last year, ***we received a gift for \$15,000 through this partnership!*** There are two ways we can earn benefits: 1) Safe Ministry Rewards can be earned based on the number of ministries in the IARBC that use Brotherhood Mutual and the average loss ratio of those ministries; and 2) Ministry Partner Payments as a guaranteed annual amount if the number of ministries in our fellowship exceeds a certain number. Our responsibility is to encourage our churches to consider Brotherhood Mutual as their insurance provider. Currently about 70% of our IARBC churches insure with Brotherhood Mutual. There is no requirement that a certain number of churches insure with Brotherhood Mutual, just that we encourage our churches to consider using them for their church insurance. Brotherhood Mutual, as insurance professionals, can also offer suggestions to help keep our churches and our people safe. It has been a delight to work with Terry Townsend (a former IARBC pastor) through this process.

Canticum Novum

canticummusic.org

The Canticum Novum Music Association is an independent, non-profit association. We desire to promote Christ-honoring choral and orchestral music in support of our local churches and their musicians. Canticum Novum consists of singers and instrumentalists who are active members of IARBC churches and other churches of like faith and practice.

The name “Canticum Novum” is Latin for “new song,” and is in reference to Psalm 96:1: O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing to the LORD, all the earth.

Faith Baptist Bible College & Theological Seminary

faith.edu

Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary exists as a Fundamental Baptist institution of Christian higher education to disciple vocational Christian workers and leaders for local churches throughout the world.

Iowa Regular Baptist Camp

irbc.org

Each IARBC church is part of the ownership of the Iowa Regular Baptist Camp (IRBC)! The Camp’s mission is to assist our churches in the great commission - to make disciples. The Camp is one of the best ways the IARBC partners together. The Camp is celebrating 70 years of ministry on Clear Lake’s North Shore - reaching 7,500 campers through the summer program and the year-round retreat season!

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



Brains & Bibles | *brainsandbibles.com*

Brains and Bibles is a ministry supporting local churches with Worldview Apologetics and Bible study skills through conferences, camps, curriculum, and media.



Clarity in Action Ministries | *clarityministry.org*

A ministry that values and cares for victims of domestic abuse by providing resources to equip the local church in a Christ-honoring way.



Legacy Construction | *legacy-con.com*

Legacy Construction is an experienced construction company that strives to build partnerships while doing projects that last. They bring together their passion to serve the local church and excellence in construction to lead, educate, and execute your project with the utmost integrity.

MEET THE COUNCIL OF 10 NOMINEES

Doug Farrell

Calvary Baptist Church, Forest City

Church Role: Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 32 yrs as Senior Pastor, 4 years as Associate Pastor

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: IRBC Board, Council of 10, Sportsmen's Adventure Committee

Dan Fields

First Baptist Church, Creston

Church Role: Assistant Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 23 Years as an assistant pastor

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: IRBC Trustee; BCP Council; State Youth Committee

Ben Hartwig

Calvary Baptist, Greene

Church Role: Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 15 years

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: IARBC council member, secretary

Daniel Hartwig

Calvary Baptist Church, Dysart

Church Role: Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 14 years Senior Pastor

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: Past IRBC Board, Past Council of 10

Tim Moore

Faith Baptist Church, Mason City

Church Role: Lead Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 12 years Youth Pastor (5 in Minnesota, 7 in Michigan) 24 as Lead Pastor (17 in LeClaire, 7 in Mason City)

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: Past IRBC Board member, current Council of 10 Chairman, Council of 18 (2017-2023).

Dave Peters

Hagerman Baptist Church, Waterloo

Church Role: Senior Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 20 years as Sr. Pastor, 12 years in youth pastorate

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: 4 1/2 years as State Youth Rep for IARBC, IRBC Board, C10

Andy Reyes

First Baptist Church, Perry

Church Role: Senior Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 5 years Senior Pastor; 9 months Assistant Pastor

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: Baptist Bulletin author

Josh Robinson

Altoona Regular Baptist Church, Altoona

Church Role: Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 4 years Assistant Pastor, 5 years Senior Pastor

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: N/A

Dave Wood

Walnut Park Baptist Church, Muscatine

Church Role: Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 34 years Senior Pastor, 6 years Youth Pastor

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: N/A

John Woodford

Good News Baptist Church, Sioux City

Church Role: Pastor

Pastoral Experience: 2 years Intern/Associate Pastor, 16 years Pastor

Parachurch Ministry Involvement: IARBC Council of 10 one term, and RRBC Board three terms.

SAMPLE BALLOT

2024-2025 COUNCIL OF 10 BALLOT

(Vote for 6)

- _____ DOUG FARRELL
- _____ DAN FIELDS
- _____ BEN HARTWIG
- _____ DANIEL HARTWIG
- _____ TIM MOORE
- _____ DAVE PETERS
- _____ ANDY REYES
- _____ JOSH ROBINSON
- _____ DAVE WOOD
- _____ JOHN WOODFORD

OPENING SESSION

WHY I LOVE THIS FELLOWSHIP

PHILIPPIANS 1:5

Introduction:

I have my _____.

1. There are very _____ reasons.

2. There are _____ & _____ reasons.

3. There are _____ reasons.

Value = P _____, E _____,

M _____, R _____, P _____

4. There are _____ reasons.

5. And lastly, there are _____ reasons.

As a family of churches, here is my appeal to you...

* _____ to the Great Commission as a matter of priority.

* _____ for one another.

* Make a _____ to the health and well-being of our IARBC.

* _____ with one another.

* Get and stay _____ with one another.

* _____ with one another personally and corporately.

GENERAL SESSION 1

THE PRIMACY OF THE GOSPEL: MIND ON MISSION

PHILIPPIANS 1

Philippians 1:1-26

The precision of the gospel message is important. However, the primacy of the gospel message is also important. For Paul, the gospel was at the center of his mind and mission.

I. Put the _____ of the gospel at the center of your relationships with _____ (3-8).

II. Put the _____ of the gospel at the center of your _____ life (9-11).

A. That _____ may abound

B. That _____ may increase

C. That _____ may deepen

III. Put the _____ of the gospel at the center of your _____ (12-14).

A. The palace guard heard the gospel _____.

B. The believers spoke the gospel with _____.

IV. Put the _____ of the gospel at the center of your _____ - _____ (15-26).

A. _____ converts (15-18)

B. _____ converts (19-26)

GENERAL SESSION 2

THE PERSON OF THE GOSPEL: MIND OF CHRIST

PHILIPPIANS 2

Philippians 2:1-8

Jesus Christ modeled the mindset necessary for unity.

I. Embrace the _____ for spiritual unity (1-2a).

A. _____ in _____ (1a)

B. _____ of _____ (1b)

C. _____ of the _____ (1c)

D. _____ and _____ (1d)

II. Understand the _____ for spiritual unity (2-4).

A. We must have a _____ mind (2).

B. We must have a _____ mind (3-4).

III. Recognize the _____ for spiritual unity (5-8).

A. Jesus Christ _____ (7).

B. Jesus Christ _____ (8).

GENERAL SESSION 3

THE PROOFS OF THE GOSPEL: MIND TOWARD FUTURE

PHILIPPIANS 3

Philippians 3:12-16

Spiritual perfection will always be the goal, but never the achievement until the day we are glorified and ushered into Christ's presence.

I. Pursuing the prize requires _____ (12a)

II. Pursuing the prize requires _____ (12b)

III. Pursuing the prize requires _____ (13)

IV. Pursuing the prize requires _____ (14)

V. Pursuing the prize requires _____ (15)

VI. Pursuing the prize requires _____ (16)

A.

B.

C.

D.

E.

THE PURITY OF THE GOSPEL: MIND TO CHANGE

PHILIPPIANS 4

Philippians 4:1-9

Philippians 4:1 issues the injunction to stand fast in the Lord. Philippians 4:2-9 then offers practical advice for achieving that spiritual stability. In this text, Paul presents 5 principles for maintaining spiritual balance as we react to the movements of life.

We must resolve . . .

I. To cultivate _____ (2-3)

II. To maintain a _____ of _____ (4)

III. To be _____ for _____ (5)

IV. To _____ with _____ (6-7)

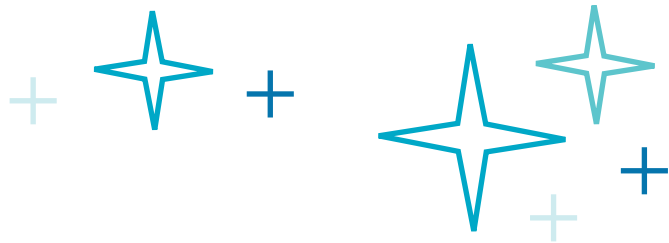
V. To think _____ (8-9)

SPEAKER BIO

DR. MATT MORRELL



Matt was raised in a pastor's home and graduated from Northland International University (B.A.) in 1998. He earned his Master of Divinity degree from Central Baptist Theological Seminary in 2002 and his Doctor of Ministry from Northland International University in 2010. During his seminary years, he served as the assistant pastor at Chisago Lakes Baptist Church in Chisago City, MN. In 2002, Matt became interim pastor at Chisago Lakes Baptist, becoming senior pastor after 10 months. He served there until May 2008, when he was called to Fourth Baptist Church. Matt and his wife, Kim, have five children.



UPCOMING IARBC EVENTS

Men's Revive with Sam Choi

August 23-24, 2024
at Iowa Regular Baptist Camp

Women's Renew

September 6-7, 2024
at Iowa Regular Baptist Camp

Mid-Winter Couples Retreat with Marty Herron

January 31-February 1, 2025
at Stoney Creek Inn (Johnston)



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WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY 9:30 AM WORKSHOP SESSIONS:

- Dr. Doug Brown // The Chapel

“What is the purpose of the church? To Transform Society or to Convert Sinners?”

- Dr. Jeriah Shank // The Refuge

“Jesus And Gender: A Biblical Theology of Gender and Sexuality from Matthew”

- Rev. Joe Humrichous // Foundations A

“A Practical Theology of Corporate Prayer-Part 1”

- Youth Worker’s Roundtable with Willie Felderman // Game Room

“Teens and Technology - What’s Going On and What Can I Do?”

- Stacy Hartwig // Foundations B

“The Importance of Truth Filled Thinking”

THURSDAY 10:00 AM WORKSHOP SESSIONS:

- Dr. Doug Brown // The Chapel

“Understanding and Evaluating Progressive Covenantalism”

- Dr. Jeriah Shank // The Refuge

“The Big Three: Same-Sex Attraction- Is It Wrong, How Does It Happen, Can It Change?”

- Rev. Joe Humrichous // Foundations A

“A Practical Theology of Corporate Prayer-Part 2”

- Youth Workers Roundtable with Pastor Aaron Mazzarella // Game Room

“God’s Resources for Youth Ministry”

- Joyce Voelker // Foundations B

“What Missionary Women Wish They Could Tell Their Supporters”

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YOUTH WORKERS ROUNDTABLE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17 @ 9:30AM

THURSDAY, APRIL 18 @ 10:00AM

(During the workshop sessions)

Anyone working in youth ministry may attend!



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THE ROUNDTABLE IS SPONSORED BY THE IARBC STATE YOUTH COMMITTEE

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East Cabins

Salvation	1-10
Faith	11-14
Adoption	15-18
Laundry & Public Restroom	
Security	19-20
Redemption	21-22
Grace	23-26
Justification	27-30
Sanctification	31-34

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Up

- Office
- Dining
- Nursery

Down — The Cove

- Coffee Shop & Concessions
- Children's Classes
- Nurses Station +

West Cabins

F/Y down	1-8, Laundry
F/Y up	9-16
Barn down	17-23
Barn up	24-31
Loops down	2
Loops up	3-5



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SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024

10:00 AM	Council of 10 Meeting
10:00 AM	Registration Begins
1 :30 PM	Opening Session (Tim Capon)
3:15 PM	Business Meeting
5:00 PM	Supper
6:30 PM	General Session 1
8:00 PM	Fellowship Time / Coffee Shop Open

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

8:00 AM	Prayer Time / Coffee Shop Open
8:30 AM	Breakfast
9:30 AM	Workshops (see pg. 36)
10:45 AM	General Session 2
12:30 PM	Lunch
1:45 PM	Camp Activities (See Posted Schedule)
5:00 PM	Supper
6:30 PM	General Session 3
8:00 PM	Fellowship Time / Coffee Shop Open

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024

8:00 AM	Coffee Shop Open
8:30 AM	Prayer Time
9:00 AM	Brunch
10:00 AM	Workshops (see pg. 36)
11:15 AM	General Session 4
12:15 PM	Homeward Bound

