

to train and deploy responders to catastrophic events. Associational fund raising also provides significant help to those families in distress.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION TRAINING AND SERVICES

Jesus taught us that peacemakers are blessed! REBA can train church leaders in peacemaking and conflict resolution and can bring those skills into a local church to aid with resolution and reconciliation.

COUNSELING REFERRALS

Two Christian Counseling organizations have partnership with the Redwood Empire. If you are seeking wise counsel and a facilitator for therapeutic conversation, we can refer you to excellent counselors.

PULPIT SUPPLY

Mission Catalyst Bob Lawler and a group of vetted ministers are available to fill the pulpit when pastors need assistance. Churches without pastors can also engage our Mission Catalyst for guidance during their interim period and pastor searches.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Bob and Georgiana are available and count it a privilege to pray for any expressed need in the Association. The desire of your Associational Staff is always for your spiritual and ministry success. Let us lift you up.

Many Thanks to our REBA churches and church members for their financial support and personal participation in these vital Associational services!

In dynamic missional partnership, we will expand God's Kingdom in Napa, Sonoma, Solano, and Marin!



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the Redwood Empire Baptist Association is a collaborative network of fifty Southern Baptist Churches located to the North and East of San Francisco, CA.

Our **REBA** churches are a beautiful array of diverse congregations! Ten different languages are spoken among our Association of churches. Some of our churches are over 70 years old, while some have only recently been planted. Worship styles and approaches to ministry based on culture and generation also contribute to the variety. And, in this **Diversity** ...

our churches find **Unity**, points of contact for equipping and assisting one another, in **the Four Missional Objectives** of our Association. We hold that all churches, regardless of their differences, ground their purpose and activities in

INCARNATIONAL MINISTRY– serving our neighbors needs
EMBRACEABLE EVANGELISM– telling them the Good News
LIFESTYLE DISCIPLESHIP– teaching them the way of faith
CHURCH PLANTING– multiplying those faith communities

The **mission** of our Redwood Empire churches is to invest in one another in ways that encourage, equip, and mobilize these four essential activities. Financial giving, collaborative training, and partnership ministry are keys to accomplishing our mission.

To stir and lead the churches and their pastors to participate in this missional partnership, the Redwood Empire employs a **Mission Catalyst** (formerly titled the *Director of Missions*) and an **Administrative Assistant**. Since August of 2010, these associational servants have been Mission Catalyst Bob Lawler and Administrative Assistant Georgiana Maddox.

Reach Bob at domlawler@att.net or 707.249.4139.

Reach Georgiana at redwoodempire@att.net or 707.761.1346

Current services we provide to & through our Redwood Empire churches:

PEER LEARNING COHORTS

Pastors and church leaders can gather monthly on both the East and West sides of the Association for encouragement, learning, and networking.

RightNow MEDIA SUPPORT

We make an expansive, contemporary video archive available to pastors & leaders to resource their teaching, preaching, and personal development.

ORGANIZATIONAL ASSISTANCE

REBA offers guidance and coaching to church leaders to help them define mission, capture vision, and articulate values. We also help them develop church structures and functions (bylaws) and achieve legal compliance.

TOPICAL TRAINING

We produce Association-wide and individual training events to address mission-critical equipping needs within the church, like *Disciplemaking*.

FOOD OUTREACH SUPPORT

We make “Hunger Funds” available to any church ministering the gospel through a food ministry or event. Request an application for consideration.

EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH SUPPORT

REBA leverages its denominational connections to acquire and distribute funding and materials for local church outreach-evangelism events.

CHURCH PLANTING SUPPORT

REBA partners with the North American Mission Board to promote, support, and sustain church planting and planters across our region.

SEMINARY ENDORSED LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (ADVANCE)

Gateway Seminary’s certificate and diploma programs are available to church members through the associational School of Ministry. The program also provides qualified REBA pastors and leaders an opportunity to teach in the local church or at San Quentin State Prison. Ask us about **ADVANCE**.

DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE

Wildfires and earthquakes are stark realities in our region. REBA connects with **SEND Relief**, the North American Mission Board’s Disaster Relief arm