

First, I want to say thanks to all that had a part in our robust annual meeting. The First Baptist Church of Melrose are great hosts and the food was dynamic. Thank you ladies of FBC Melrose! There were many reports but the content was clear and useful. Bruce Kirby's message had some very challenging words for all of us.

This is an important time in planning for some new church starts in our area. We are looking at Hispanic and Cowboy Church plants coming soon. Some of the work which is being done in the Dairy Ministry may be the significant catalyst that is needed for the Hispanic plant. Please pray with us for new work in our area.

There are good reports from the Disaster Relief Team. There have been trips to North Dakota, New York and several more places this year. The Disaster Relief team is looking for a few more men and women to strengthen the team. Call the office if you are interested. The next training will take place in March of 2012 or sooner.

The partnerships with the Children's Home, BSU-Christian Challenge, BCNM and WMU have been improving. Thanks to our partners we can have a godly influence in some hard places and in unusual circumstances across the state. Thank you partners.

The New Mexico Baptist State Convention is coming up soon. Some of our churches do not attend, but let me encourage you with the fact that our future business depends on finding God's will and obeying it. The Annual Meeting is one of the steps involved in seeking God's will for His work in our state and our local churches.

October is Pastor Appreciation month. What has your church planned for your Pastor? One of our churches is doing something all five Sundays in their morning worship time. Find a need that will challenge and encourage your pastor.

Keep Looking Up, Dan



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Top Seven Church Oxymorons:

7. Brief Meeting 6. Pastor's Day Off 5. Early Sign Up 4. Clear Calendar

3. Volunteer Waiting List 2. Realistic Budget 1. Concluding Remarks

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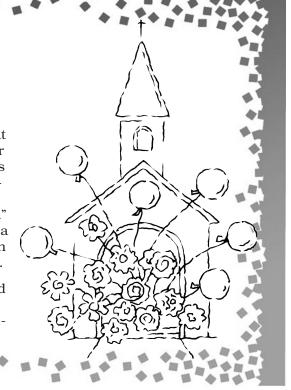


On Mission With God

October is **Pastor Appreciation** Month!

This month is a special time that congregations set aside to honor their pastors and their families for their hard work and dedication. Visit www.parsonage.org and look for "clergy appreciation" under the Resources banner for a planning guide full of celebration ideas from Focus on the Family.

Remember that appreciation and prayer support of our spiritual leaders is appropriate throughout the entire year.

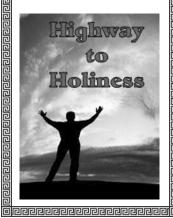


THE BAPTIST **CONVENTION OF NEW MEXICO**

ANNUAL CONVENTION

OCTOBER 25-26

This year's convention will be hosted at the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Farmington. The special guest will be Jim Shaddix of Riverside Baptist Church of Denver and Kevin Ezell, president of the North American Mission Board. The Annual Sermon for the convention will be presented by Larry Miller, pastor of Eastern Hills Baptist Church of Albuquerque.



Block Party Equipment Reservations

Please call the associational office for a full reservation schedule of the Block Party and Bouncy House trailers. (575) 763-1588

Prayer Needs

Disaster Relief Team Baptist Children's Home of New Mexico **Baptist Convention of New Mexico WMU**

A Vision for Church starts

Looking Ahead

October 25-26: Baptist Convention of New Mexico annual convention at Emmanuel Baptist Church of Farmington.

Budget (\$) At A Glance

Beginning Balance Income Expenses Ending Balance	\$8,682.61
Contingency Disaster Relief Evangelistic Trailer Fund Ministry to Churches EBA Savings Account	(\$144.15) \$2,368.73 \$ -