

Remaining Initiatives of our Director of Missions:

December 2019

Initiative #4

WHAT – That we become a network that has a church planting process in place that features churches partnering in sponsorship of new work alongside the BCNM and/or NAMB.

HOW - The DOM will lead the network executive board to elect a team for the purpose of working alongside him to develop and implement such a church planting process.



Dr. David McFadden, DOM

Initiative #5

WHAT – That we become a network that has a church revitalization process in place that features churches partnering together to help the revitalizing church alongside the BCNM or other entities.

HOW - The DOM will lead the network executive board to elect a team for the purpose of working alongside him to develop and implement such a revitalization process for our churches.

Initiative #6

WHAT – That we become a network that has a church internship program in partnership with the Eastern BSU and the BCNM to help pastors and churches in ministry.

HOW - The DOM will lead the network executive board to elect a team for the purpose of working alongside him to develop and implement such an internship program for our churches in partnership with the ENMU BSU.

Initiative #7

WHAT – That we endeavor to become a network of churches that effectively uses technology to communicate with member churches about partnership possibilities within our network of churches, with the Baptist Children's Home, the ENMU BSU and/or the Foundations of Faith Dairy Ministry, as well as other entities.

Initiative #7 continued...

HOW - The DOM will use text messaging and other means to make pastors and churches aware of partnership possibilities with one another. He will work to develop the network website to be more of an interactive resource, with listings of partnership possibilities and resources available for churches. Work will also be done to move from a monthly newsletter to a weekly or every other week email newsletter.

Initiative #8

WHAT – That an annual mission banquet be held in lieu of an annual or semi-annual meeting, for the purpose of conducting business, hearing reports and celebrating victories and kingdom expansion resulting from our partnership endeavors. The goal would be for the meeting to last no more than 1½ hours.

HOW - The annual mission banquet will be held at a venue where folks can participate in the program while sharing a meal together around tables.

WHEN will these initiatives come to fruition?

Some will happen after we have visited and approved or disapproved the merger proposal. There is already work being done with Initiatives 4 and 5. Initiative 7 is already in place. Initiative 6 will hopefully be in place before the fall semester 2020. The first annual mission banquet will be scheduled in October 2020.



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Eastern Border Baptist Associations Newsletter



"Area Executive Board" Meeting Decisions

• **Merger of the two associations:** Merger of the associations was approved. Committee members from each "area" were elected to work on the Constitution/By-laws, budget, and transition to one association. Their recommendations will be brought to future Executive Board meetings, and if approved, to a joint association meeting of messengers from both associations for approval. Committee members are Kevin Dotson, Michael Erwin, Beau Lamb, Mark McAfee, Gary Mitchell, and Randy Rankin.

• **Ministry House Future:** After extensive discussion, we reached a decision from each "Area Executive Board" meeting that we sell the ministry house (after the current missionary family is no longer residing there) and that proceeds of the sale be invested for future mission work. Those elected to serve on the committee to go forward with this action are: B J Brooks, David Hale, and Steve Smith.

• **Bounce House Trailers:** The Baptist Children's Home in Portales plans to build storage facilities for their trailers. They generously offered to expand their building plans to include space for our ministry trailers. These will be "pull thru", making it easier to park the trailers after use. The vote at each of the "Area Executive Board" meetings was to gratefully accept this offer!

Budget \$ At A Glance

Tucumcari Baptist Association:

Receipts\$723.87
Disbursements\$350.00
Ending Balance
Sept. 30th\$11,436.34

Eastern Baptist Association:

Balance Forward
Oct. 1st\$27,134.83
Receipts\$13,177.82
Disbursements\$8,549.91
Ending Balance
Nov. 30th\$31,762.74

Financial Peace Class Offerings

As Coordinators for Financial Peace University, Dave & Donna want to make the class available to our pastors, ministerial staff and their spouses. They will lead a class in Portales, Clovis, and Tucumcari, and are able to offer this course, which ordinarily costs \$130, for only \$40 per family for the first 42 pastor/staff families. **If members of our churches, other than ministerial staff and family, wish to attend, the cost will be \$100 per family.**

• Portales area class meetings will be at Emmanuel Baptist Church on Monday evenings at 6 PM, starting January 6th.

• Clovis area class meetings will be at First Baptist, Clovis starting Tuesday, January 7th, at 6 PM.

• The Tucumcari area class will start on Thursday, January 9th, at 6 PM. Location to be announced.



Final Paper Version of the newsletter

We are transitioning to an email newsletter. **This is the final paper version of the newsletter.** To subscribe to the email version, please text Elaine with your name and email address. We are working on ways our churches can share with members who do not have email addresses. Meanwhile, you can find some of the news items on our Facebook and web pages. Thank you to Donna Emiro for the great job she has done editing the newsletter for so many years!

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