

Transformed by the Spirit Updates November 2017

What is TbyS?

Transformed by the Spirit is an ABC ministry that emphasizes:

1. Personal Transformation – through Rhythms of the Spirit
2. Congregational Transformation – through the *Joining God in the Neighborhood* resource
3. Cross-Organizational Transformation – through Adaptive Challenge Teams and...
4. Relational Transformation – through Experiments in Difference



“Transformation Stories” Results

One of the tools of TbyS is the encouragement of storytelling by ABC congregations. This encouragement comes in form of grant awards for both video and written stories. These grants totaled \$5,000 in 2017. This year’s award cycle emphasized the seven priorities identified by the Mission Table in November of 2015 in addition to the four dimensions of TbyS named above.

The Results of the 2017 Transformation Stories Emphasis are:

Video Story Awards:

1. Homeless Ministry – Calvary Baptist Church, 215 E. Delaware Ave, Newark, DE. 19711 - \$1000.
2. Kodiak Baptist Mission – 1944 E. Rezanof Dr., Kodiak, AK. \$500.
3. Samaritana Philippines Mission – First Baptist Church, 155 Concord Rd., Bedford, MA. 01730 \$500
4. Fairfield First Baptist Church – 12 Newhall St., Fairfield, ME 04937 \$500
5. Blackfoot Christian Fellowship – 2550 Rose Road, Blackfoot, ID. 83221 \$500.

Written with picture stories, awards:

1. F.R.O.G.S. Youth Outreach – Lakeview Baptist Church, 7 South St., Battle Creek, MI 49015 \$1000
2. Blessing Bag Project – Center Point Baptist Church, 4025 9th St. SE, Washington, DC 20032 \$500
3. OWLS – Older Wiser Learning Seniors – The Baptist Temple, 1101 Clover St., Rochester, NY 14610 \$500

Rhythms of the Spirit

Two “Rhythms of the Spirit” events were held this summer, led by the Rev. Dr. Brad Berglund and other ABC leaders. These events are designed to help participants discover the balance between prayer and activity. The first event was held at our Green Lake Conference Center July 9-13 and the second event was held in Exeter, Rhode Island, August 14-18 at Camp Canonicus.