



BGM Executive Committee Proposed Agenda March 9-12, 2016

Meeting Site: Rainbow Acres
2120 W. Reservation Loop Rd.
Camp Verde, AZ 86322
928-567-5231

Housing: Days Inn
1640 W. State Route 260
Camp Verde, AZ 86322
928-567-3700

Officers: Judy Fackenthal, President
Josue Gómez-Menendez, Vice President
Paul Higgins, Budget Review Officer
Don Ng, Past President
Susan Gillies, Interim General Secretary

Committee: Felipe Candelaria, Puerto Rico
Tasha Wilson, Rochester/Genesee

Chaplain: Kay Farley, Rocky Mountains

Parliamentarian: Dennis Johnson, West Virginia

Staff: Alan Musoke, Associate General Secretary/Treasurer/CFO
Cathy Brubaker, Administrator

For those who are arriving on March 7 for a trip to the Grand Canyon, please meet Paul Higgins in the lobby of the Days Inn on Tuesday, March 8 at 8:00 a.m. (Breakfast at the hotel is served beginning at 6:00 a.m.)

BGM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RETREAT

Wednesday, March 9, 2016; 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.; The Board Rm., Rainbow Acres

Please enjoy breakfast on your own at the Days Inn and meet in the hotel lobby at 8:45 a.m. for transportation to Rainbow Acres. Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. in the Palmer Community Center at Rainbow Acres.

The Executive Committee and 4 members of the Beloved Community Action Group (Camille Brown, Shirley Fair, Wesley Sun, and Dean Parker) will participate in a retreat focusing on race and gender issues. The retreat will be facilitated by consultant Erin Hawkins, General Secretary of the United Methodist Commission on Religion and Race.

BGM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday March 10, 2016; 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., The Board Rm., Rainbow Acres

Please enjoy breakfast on your own at the Days Inn. We will be meeting in the hotel lobby at 8:45 a.m. for transportation to Rainbow Acres.

ORDER OF THE DAY, RAINBOW ACRES TOUR: At 10:30 a.m., the Executive Committee will take a break to enjoy a tour of Rainbow Acres.

1. Call to Order and Prayer
Welcome to New Members
Time of Introductions & Getting Acquainted

Judy Fackenthal, ABC President
Presiding

2. Devotions
Lighting of the Christ Candle

Kay Farley, BGM Chaplain

3. Consent Agenda: Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes

President Fackenthal

Proposed Action: To adopt the proposed agenda dated March 9-12, 2016 and to approve the November 12, 2015 minutes of the BGM Executive Committee (held in King of Prussia, PA).

4. President's Nominations of General Directors to the Board of General Ministries

Proposed Action: To recommend to the Board of General Ministries the President's nomination of Zina Jacque, ABC of Metro Chicago, as General Director and member of the BGM Executive Committee (class of 2019).

Proposed Action: To recommend to the Board of General Ministries the President's nomination of Tom Ross, ABC of Metro New York, as a General Director (class of 2019).

5. Specific Issues – Morning Session

Noted below are Specific Issues (Parking Lot Issues and Big Issues) facing the ABC family, ABCUSA and the larger Christian world that we will address during our morning session today.

- a. Welcome to Interim General Secretary Susan Gillies
Reflections as she has begun to serve

- b. What's Been Happening since November 2015:

Don Ng, Judy Fackenthal

- Meeting of Presidents and Vice Presidents
- UM AD – Tasha and Adaptive Challenge Team move it forward
- Task Force on Race and Race-based Violence

Judy Fackenthal

- c. Update: Formation of the University in Nagaland

Don Ng

- d. Other

6. Recess for Lunch

12:00 p.m. LUNCH/BREAK – Palmer Community Center

The Executive Committee will join the Ranchers for lunch in the Palmer Community Center to provide a time of community and getting to know one another. It is important to be on time so the Ranchers can maintain their routine schedules.

7. Specific Issues – Afternoon Session

Noted below are Specific Issues (Parking Lot Issues and Big Issues) facing the ABC family, ABCUSA and the larger Christian world that we will address during our afternoon session today.

- a. Mission Table 7 Priorities– How might Action Groups correlate?
- b. Reflection on Tuesday’s work for June Board Retreat
- c. Baptist/Muslim Dialogue Report
- d. Coalition to Transform Advanced Care (C-TAC), Funding Decision Judy Fackenthal, Paul Higgins
- e. Other

8. Recess for Dinner and Fellowship

6:00 p.m. DINNER & FELLOWSHIP

The Executive Committee will enjoy a catered meal together, hosted by Paul and Jeri Higgins at their new home.

Friday, March 11, 2016; 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.; The Board Rm., Rainbow Acres

Please enjoy breakfast at the Days Inn. We will be meeting in the hotel lobby at 8:45 a.m. for transportation to Rainbow Acres.

9. Reconvene

President Fackenthal

10. Morning Devotions

Kay Farley

Lighting of the Christ Candle

11. Specific Issues of the Day – Morning Session

Noted below are Specific Issues (Parking Lot Issues and Big Issues) facing the ABC family, ABCUSA and the larger Christian world that we will address during our morning session today.

- a. General Secretary’s Search—Brainstorm Best Practices
- b. Executive Session

- c. Young Adult Caucus (Proposed Action) Judy Fackenthal
- d. Convening of the Credentials & Caucus Committee Vice President Josue Gómez-Menendez
 - Report of Changed Relationships-Withdrawal of Churches
 - Caucus Annual Reports & Requests for Funding (Proposed Action)
- e. Transformed by the Spirit
- f. Rhythms of the Spirit Judy Fackenthal
- g. Other

12. Recess for Lunch/Guests Dr. Warren Stewart and Rev. Larry Jackson

12:00 p.m. LUNCH/BREAK – Palmer Community Center

Dr. Warren Stewart, pastor of First Institutional Baptist Church in Phoenix, AZ and member of the ABC Immigration Taskforce, and Rev. Larry Jackson, pastor of Bethany Baptist Church in Clarkdale, AZ, will join the Executive Committee as guests for lunch at the Palmer Community Center. Following lunch, Dr. Stewart will share information related to the work of ABC's Immigration Taskforce and will also provide information about the National Immigration Forum, one of the nation's premier immigration policy organizations based in Washington DC. Rev. Larry Jackson will share about the ministry of Bethany Baptist and the region.

13. Reconvene/Continue Specific Issues of the Day – Afternoon Session Josue Gómez-Menendez,
ABC Vice-President, presiding

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- a. 2017 Biennial Mission Summit Report Judy Fackenthal, Don Ng
 - Shift for Mission Summit
- b. 2019 Biennial Mission Summit – Site Judy Fackenthal
 - Mission Table Possibility
- c. Suggested Bylaw/Standing Rule Amendments-Statements of Concern Judy Fackenthal
- d. Other

14. Recess for Dinner and Fellowship

6:00 p.m. DINNER & FELLOWSHIP

The Executive Committee will enjoy a Brazilian meal, hosted by Gary Wagner, President & CEO of Rainbow Acres, and his wife Jussara at their home.

Saturday, March 12, 2016; 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; The Board Rm., Rainbow Acres
Please enjoy breakfast at the Days Inn. We will be meeting in the hotel lobby at 8:45 a.m. for transportation to Rainbow Acres.

15. Reconvene/ Call to Order/Announcements related to departure

Judy Fackenthal

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16. Specific Issues of the Day – Morning Session

Noted below are Specific Issues (Parking Lot Issues and the Big Issues) facing the ABC family, ABCUSA and the larger Christian world that we will address during our morning session today.

- a. Financial Reports

Paul Higgins, Alan Musoke

- 2015 Full-Year Financials
- Building Issues
- Update on Tax Exemption
- Update on Progress of 588 Associates with Developers

- b. President's Report

Judy Fackenthal

- c. Statement of Confidentiality Discussion

Judy Fackenthal

- d. Action Item Review

17. Closing Devotions

Kay Farley

18. Adjournment

President Fackenthal

For those who are staying to attend the Arizona Aloha Festival in Tempe, AZ, to experience some great Pacific Island food, shopping, music and entertainment, the group will be departing immediately upon the conclusion of the meeting, with lunch plans to be determined. Please be sure to bring your luggage with you on Saturday morning as we will be using the Rainbow Acres van, which should accommodate our luggage.

Next meeting of the BGM Executive Committee:

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 (beginning at 5:00 p.m.) – Thursday, June 16, 2016 (ending at 1:30 p.m.) at Green Lake, WI. The meeting of the full Board of General Ministries will begin on June 16, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

Future meetings of the BGM Executive Committee:

The following meeting dates/venues were set in September 2015. Please note that continued discussion may facilitate a change in venue for March 2017 and September 2017.

September 8-10, 2016 – Atlanta, GA

November 15-19, 2016 – Crowne Plaza, King of Prussia, PA

March 9-11, 2017 – Puerto Rico

June 26-28, 2017 – Portland, OR

September 14-16, 2017 – Rochester, NY

November 13-18, 2017 – Crowne Plaza, King of Prussia, PA