



BGM Executive Committee March 9-March 11, 2017

AGENDA

- Meeting Site:** Hilton Garden Inn Downtown Atlanta
275 Baker Street NW
Atlanta, GA 30313
Ph: 404-577-2001
- Housing:** Hilton Garden Inn
- Officers:** Judy Fackenthal, President
Josue Gómez-Menendez, Vice President
Paul Higgins, Budget Review Officer
Don Ng, Past President
Susan E. Gillies, Interim General Secretary
- Committee:** Felipe Candelaria, Puerto Rico
Zina Jacque, Metro Chicago
Tasha Wilson, Rochester/Genesee
- Chaplain:** Kay Farley, Rocky Mountains
- Parliamentarian:** Dennis Johnson, West Virginia
- Staff:** Alan Musoke, Associate General Secretary/Treasurer/CFO
Kathy Jachowski, Administrator

Wednesday, March 8 –For those going on the tour of Atlanta, meet in the lobby at 9:30 am. Paul Higgins will drive the group in a van to meet Dr. Albert Paul Brinson at the Old Ebenezer Baptist Church at 10:00 a.m. All meals on own. Al Brinson cell 757-651-9990.

The tour will include the original Ebenezer, the new Ebenezer Baptist Church across the street, Martin Luther King's family home and The King Center. The group can then go to lunch and the Carter Center. Another option would be to go to Morehouse college.

Special Note: Please review the results of last fall's survey before this meeting. (See attached)

Thursday, March 9, 2017, Breakfast on Own
8:45 a.m. – Committee convenes at Hilton Garden Inn

1. Call to Order

ABC President Judy Fackenthal, presiding

2. Morning Devotions Kay Farley, BGM Chaplain

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3. Adoption of Proposed Agenda Judy Fackenthal

Proposed Action: To adopt the proposed agenda dated March 9-11, 2017

4. Report of the ABCUSA Nominating Committee Judy Fackenthal, Chair
ABC Officers Nominated for the 2018-2019 Biennium
Josue Gómez-Menendez, President
Dean Parker, Vice President

5. Morning Session

- a. Presidents Report Judy Fackenthal

- b. Interim General Secretary's Report Susan Gillies

6. Budget Review Officers Report

- a. Year to Date Financials Paul Higgins and Alan Musoke

- b. United Missions Support Update Al Fletcher (report)

- c. Building Issues

LUNCH – Depart 12:10 P.M. for Mary Mac's Tea Room (We will be joined by Suzii Paynter, Executive Coordinator for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship.) Transportation will be provided by Paul Higgins and Alan Musoke - Reservations made.

7. Discussion of Priorities for BGM Executive Committee Felipe Candelaria and Zina Jacque

- a. What do “seek the welfare of the whole” and “harmonizing” mean for ABCUSA?
b. How do we interpret our take on our focus and direction to the new General Secretary and adapt as we feel led to the unique vision and goals of the General Secretary?
c. Ideas for building a relationship with the new General Secretary.
d. Ideas for improving Board orientation (identity, focus, vision, function)

8. Board Members Transitions

BREAK – 5:15 p.m.

DINNER – 6:00 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn

Friday, March 10, 2017, Breakfast on Own

8:45 a.m. – Committee convenes at Hilton Garden Inn

9. Morning Devotions Kay Farley, BGM Chaplain

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10. Credentials and Caucus Report

Josue Gómez-Menendez

11. General Updates

a. Creation Justice Network

Don Ng

b. Emerging Theologians Conference

Amy Chilton Thompson (report)

c. *Transformed by the Spirit/Journey Team*

Susan Gillies

Friday, March 10, 2017, 10:00 a.m. – Committee travels to American Baptist Historical Society
Tour American Baptist Historical Society with host, Priscilla Eppinger, lunch there with special guests at 12:00 (Transportation will be provided by Paul Higgins and Alan Musoke) Committee will meet after lunch with guests at American Baptist Historical Society and then travel back to Hotel.

Committee reconvenes at Hilton Garden Inn

12. Biennial Mission Summit Planning

a. Draft of June 2017 BGM/Biennial Mission Summit Schedule

Judy Fackenthal

b. Update on Baptist Talk

Don Ng

c. Pre-Biennial All Board Gathering

Judy Fackenthal

d. Request from Calvary Baptist in Denver and response letter

Judy Fackenthal

Proposed Action: To approve the response letter to Calvary Baptist in Denver

e. Cora & John Sparrowk Presidents' Award

Judy Fackenthal

Proposed Action: Vote on recommended nominations

BREAK – 5:15 p.m.

DINNER –6:00 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn

Saturday, March 11, 2017, Breakfast on Own

8:45 a.m. – Committee convenes at Hilton Garden Inn

13. Morning Devotions

Kay Farley, BGM Chaplain

14. Strategy for 2019 Ministers Conference

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15. Executive Committee Meeting Dates

Josue Gómez-Menendez

BGM and BGM Executive Committee Meeting dates and locations for 2017...

June 27-28, 2017 – Portland, OR (Nominating Committee will meet on June 26)

June 29, 2017 – Pre-Biennial Events; June 30-July 2, 2017 – Biennial Mission Summit

September 14-16, 2017(Executive Committee) – Puerto Rico

*November 16-18, 2017 – King of Prussia, PA (Nominating Committee will meet aft. of Nov. 15;
Executive Committee dinner on Nov. 15)*

BGM and BGM Executive Committee Meeting dates and locations for 2018...

- March 2019 Biennial location
- June 13-15, 2018 (Wednesday through Thursday)
- September one idea: Omaha
- November 9-11, 2018 (Friday through Sunday)

BGM and BGM Executive Committee Meeting dates and locations for 2019...

- March
- June
- September one idea: Denver
- November

15. Date and Venue for 2019 Biennial Summit