

**AMERICAN BAPTIST INDIAN CAUCUS  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2017**

Greetings from the American Baptist Indian Caucus,

The American Baptist Indian Caucus has enjoyed an eventful year beginning with a visit to the Tuscarora Baptist Mission in Ransomville, NY on June 9-11. During this visit President Brenda Sullivan and her family joined Pastor Don Robinson and their congregation in celebration of their newly completed renovation of their historic church. It was a tremendous time to see one of our ABIC churches complete a long and worthy work to restore their facilities. It gave us inspiration and a spirit of renewal to encourage our fellow Indian churches to pursue their own efforts for restoration.

We met through conference call in preparation for our participation at the Mission Summit in Portland, OR. We were able to put together all of our plans and arrangements for the events of the Mission Summit including our agenda for the ABIC meeting, participation in the Inter Caucus gathering and all logistical plans. This continues to be the most efficient and effective meeting tool for our caucus.

We attended the ABC Biennial Mission Summit in Portland, OR. It was another encouraging experience to gather with the larger body of the American Baptist family and participate in worship, workshops, exhibition and meetings. We held our annual meeting at the Mission Summit on June 30th. We had a wonderful time of worship and presentations. First we heard from ABHMS Indian Ministries Coordinators Rev. Harvey Stewart and Rev. Ben Sullivan as they presented information on the new strategy of Cultivating Leaders, Equipping Disciples and Healing and Transforming Communities that was launched in 2017 by ABHMS and how this new strategy can be effective for ABIC churches moving forward. Then we heard from Lawrence Spottedbird from Seattle along with Yosh Nakagawa who present a partnership of sports outreach to Native American youth in the Seattle area. Each of our Regional representatives gave updates and reports on the current activities and issues in their respective regions.

We also presented a report to the Inter Caucus on "Who We Are, Where We've Been and Where We Are Going." It was an opportunity to share about the Indian Churches and how the Lord has blessed us throughout the years and still today. Along with participating in many of the events available during the Summit we especially enjoyed supporting one of our ladies Rev. Kathy Longhat as she was the keynote speaker for the ABHMS Luncheon on July 2nd. She did a tremendous job and we were very proud that she was able to represent our Native people.

On August 22-26 our Oklahoma Caucus representatives attended the OIABA Centennial Celebration at Deyo Mission Baptist Church in Lawton, OK. It was a great time of celebration. The Oklahoma churches shared their origin stories and historical presentations on the life and times of their congregations. Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Haggray was keynote speaker for two of the four day event. Rev Kenneth Kho also spoke during our time of sharing. This was such a blessing for us to see that the Lord has kept the Indian churches alive and well for so many years as this was the centennial for the Oklahoma association realizing that the Oklahoma missions were established many years before the association was formed.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

*Respectfully submitted by Brenda Sullivan, President of the American Baptist Indian Caucus*

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1	Caucus Name: American Baptist Indian	Purpose: Advocate for Indian Churches of Native People	Period 1-2019 to 12-2019		
2	Initial Work Plan Goals	Target Date(s) for Completion	Responsible Person(s)		
3	1 Winter Summit	update Areas	January 2020	ABIC executive	\$2000
4	2 Finding Committee	Regions	December 2019	officers	
5	3 2019 ABHMS	Needs assess not communities / churches		ABIC to Region Reps	1000
6	Mission Summit	attend mtg for updates, interaction	June-July 2019	ABIC Region Reps	5000
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10	Report Period	Key Findings and Analysis	Interventions / Follow-up Actions	Remeasurement	\$8000
	1-2019 to 12-2019	List any problems in reaching the goal or relevant data (i.e. state if goals were met or not met, include what caused the problem/issue)	State what will be done to meet the goal (e.g. continue with plan as listed or modify the plan; add a specific new process, etc.)	State target date(s) for re-measurement or completion of follow-up actions.	
11	Due May 15th	Goal 1 Advocate increase	Specific time modification	12-2019	
	Goal 2 Tribal inclusion	allow for hearing?	Sharing	12-2019	
12	Goal 3 Revitalize intertribal inclusion	Include all tribal churches			

**AMERICAN INDIAN BAPTIST CAUCUS**  
**Financial Report**  
**January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017**

Income	Administrative	Program	Total
Beginning Balance.....	\$5,841.85.....		\$5,841.85
Grant from ABCUSA.....	\$6,000.00.....		\$6,000.00
(includes overpayment return of \$124.20)			
In-Kind Conference calls (4-5).....	\$50.00		
		Total Income:	\$11,841.85

**Expenses**

**Biennial Meeting, Portland, Oregon**

Air Transportation.....	\$2,638.56.....	\$2,638.56
Mileage/taxi.....	678.45.....	678.45
Registration.....	288.00.....	288.00
Hotel.....	3,512.19.....	3,512.19
Meals (per diem), misc.....	890.00.....	890.00
Booth fee and related expenses.....	359.57.....	359.57
	Sub-total.....	\$8,365.77

**Inter-caucus Meeting, Tuscarora, NY**

Travel.....	\$750.00.....	\$750.00
Meeting costs.....	248.40.....	248.40
Other.....	162.00.....	162.00
	Sub-total.....	\$1,160.40

Post office box rental.....\$76.00  
Bank Charges, \$1 for 12 mos.....12.00

Sub-total.....\$88.00

Total Expenses: \$9,614.17

Ending Balance: \$2,227.68

Respectfully submitted by **Angela Russell**

Treasurer, May 15, 2018

cc: Brenda Sullivan, ABC Indian Caucus Chair