

Reporter

News & Updates from Around Wisconsin



Wisconsin Association of Regular Baptist Churches

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Anchor Baptist Church, Genoa City

Anchor Baptist Church of 315 Sumner St., Genoa City, Wisconsin, announces the ordination of its new pastor, Ryan Vanderwarker, on Sunday, May 2, 2010. Pastor Ed Fuller of the Wisconsin Association of Regular Baptist Churches, was the speaker at this service. On Saturday, May 1, Pastor Ryan presented his biblical beliefs to a council of other pastors who interviewed him. He defended and expounded upon his understanding of God's Word as it relates to the church, to life, and to many practical matters. The council voted unanimously to ordain Ryan to the ministry.



First Baptist Church, Kiel

Our first VBS in our new building went pretty well. We were unsure of the turnout since we skipped VBS last year, but we did see some new faces. Please pray with us for Debbie Kramp and her children; Deb attended VBS almost every night with her kids and expressed interest in church attendance. The biggest event of the year for us is on Sunday, July 18, when we will dedicate our beautiful new building to the glory of God! The official dedication will take place during the morning service, followed by an open house from 1:00-3:00 p.m. The evening service will be a praise/thanksgiving service with time for testimonies. Please join us on this special day if you are able! We would appreciate notice if you are planning to attend so that we can better plan for the day. Our new church contact information is First Baptist Church of Kiel, 1275 Teckla Place, Kiel, WI 53042; phone: 920-894-7565.

Ladysmith Baptist Church, Ladysmith

On April 23, Pastor Dave and Elaine Smith flew from Chicago to Kiev Ukraine by way of Warsaw, Poland. While in Ukraine Dave spoke at a Church in a village during the Morning Service. Then another church for the evening service. We each gave our testimonies to the students of Baptist Bible College. We then flew to a city in Eastern Europe. While there, I (Dave) taught Pastors from Central Asia. They came to Eastern Europe for training and stayed at Tim and Luda's apartment with us. The subject was Biblical Counseling. These pastors were like dry

sponges soaking up the precious truths from God's Word. On Three Saturdays, Elaine was able to hold a Bible Study with a Central Asian Woman who lives in Eastern Europe and who recently received Christ as Savior (a former Muslim). This lady has only had a New Testament in her native language since December of 2009 and has read it through 5 times and is on her sixth time. The Old Testament has not been translated into her language yet. Our trip was exciting and beneficial to us to see how Tim and his family live and see what their ministry involves.

Memorial Baptist Church, Verona

Over the past year we have experimented with conversing during occasional morning worship services with individual missionaries via Skype. While this technology driven method is not without its challenges, this fresh approach to seeing the faces of our missionaries who are still on their respective fields, hearing their voices, and praying with them as a church family has been a major blessing. On **July 18**, we will attempt to hold our first-ever missionary conference utilizing this web-based technology. **"Around the World in 80 Minutes"** is the theme of the conference; two of our missionary couples will join us in person and we will spend time with five other missionary families via Skype and several others via pre-recorded video. Following the worship service, the congregation will gather together in the church fellowship hall to enjoy an **Ethnic Potluck Fellowship** featuring some of the favorite recipes submitted by our missionaries.

Calvary Baptist Church, Wisc. Rapids

We will send a 10 person Belgium/Switzerland Team: (August 5-21) to serve alongside Jonathan and Sarah Weber, while in Belgium. While in Switzerland, they will minister to the European missionaries from EBM for their European Missionary Conference. Pray as they prepare for the children's conference lessons on 'Biblical Worldview' in Switzerland; for unity with the team and job assignments for each on the team (where each will serve in conjunction to the age categories of the kids they will be teaching.) Pastor Steve Barton will plan and lead all the worship sessions with the adults. Our second Outreach Soccer Camp will be held the week of August 2-6, led by Coach Roger Jacobs. With 17 years at the helm of the men's

soccer program at Baptist Bible College, we are excited for this outreach opportunity for boys and girls of our community. We were invited back to host the 5th Worship Service on Sunday, August 22 as part of a local annual Balloon Rally at Alexander Field in Wisconsin Rapids. The outdoor service will be filled with praise and worship. We are thankful for this opportunity to share the love of Christ with our community. A discipleship fishing trip to Canada was enjoyed by several couples and another trip is planned later in the summer. Calvary will host an Outreach Golf Scramble on Saturday, September 18 as an invitational outreach event where the gospel is clearly presented. Our outreach ministry for those ladies wanting to reach other ladies who enjoy crafting or scrap booking has been meeting. Newer ladies are attending and friendships are being built while the gospel is shared. An Adult Co Ed Volleyball Tournament is planned for October. If your church is interested in organizing such an event as any of these please contact Pastor Steve Barton, Pastor of Outreach and Worship.

WARBC

Fall Conference

Growing Churches In

Changing Times

with Dr. Howard Bixby

October 22 & 23, 2010

at First Baptist Church, Hartland WI

Session One

"Diagnosing the Church's Health...The Danger of Losing the Dream"

Session Two

"Staying on Task with God's Purposes for the Church...The Biblical Basis for Church Health and Growth"

Session Three

"Outreach Evangelism as a Revitalizing Growth Force"

Session Four

"The Place of the Lost in the House of God"



Please remember the WARBC as you do your Estate Planning

Update from our State Representative . . .

I was thinking recently of our state motto (borrowed from the GARBC), "Together we can do more". We are a small association of churches, but the Lord has blessed and used us through the years. What would He do, or could He do, if we were totally united and committed to OUR ministry? I sincerely thank Him for His blessing on other Christian ministries in our state, but I long to see us move forward for God's glory.

We still have the opportunity to help Heritage Baptist in Berlin secure a prime piece of property on a great site. Maybe you have a suggestion of how we can rapidly raise the additional \$50,000 to make that purchase possible.

These last few weeks the Lord has allowed us to minister two Sundays at Victory Baptist Church in Thorp (there are some new faces there since last year); Calvary Baptist Church of the Northwoods in Hayward (again, new attenders); and Maranatha Baptist in Shiocton. There is always an encouraging response to the opening of God's Word and to invitations.

We enjoyed three days of the GARBC Conference in Schaumburg. It was good to enjoy fellowship with nine of our pastors from WI (plus wives). Wish you all could have been there, you would have been blessed! We have a great association. Do you realize that in addition to our USA ministry we have 56 international fellowships with over 9,000 churches, on 4 continents, with whom we partner? The testimonies from some of these fellowships are amazing.

For those of you that knew and prayed for Diane during her recent 5 day illness and then 4 day hospitalization - THANKS! It was a bacterial infection. She is much better, but still has a ways to go.

Thanks for your prayers, financial help and encouragements!

Ed Fuller

State Rep.

Special Congratulations!

Mark Brooks (Heritage Baptist Church, Cedarburg), and **David West**, (Lakeland Baptist Church, Crandon), for their hard work in attaining advanced degrees recently.



Steve and Sarah Svendsen (Rice Lake Baptist Church, Rice Lake) and **Darrel and Kathy Robinson** (First Baptist Church, Barron) celebrated 25th wedding anniversaries!

Digital Songs & Hymns

Project praise songs and hymns with notes for congregational singing. For more information visit www.digitalsongsandhymns.com

Men's Retreat at Camp Fairwood

September 10 & 11

Posters & brochures are available for download on the WARBC web site (warbc.org) under events.

Please note: It does take a little bit of time to download.

Camp Fairwood



It's not too late to register for camp, there are still available spots! For more information call 608/296-2801

Junior Camp II (5 th - 6 th grades)	July 19 - 24
Junior High Camp (7 th - 8 th grades)	July 26 - 31
August Family Camp	August 2 - 7
Labor Day Family Camp	September 3 - 6
Men's Retreat	September 10 - 11
Ladies Retreat	October 1 - 2
Fall Teen Retreat	October 28 - 30

WARBC State Finances

We want to keep you up to date on where the state finances are at on a regular basis so that you will be better equipped to pray and give. Checks should be sent to our WARBC treasurer:

Walt Prah, 2820 Buchberger Road, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

Your tax-deductible gifts are appreciated in meeting the needs of our state ministry

	June 2010	Year to Date Oct 09 - Sept, 10
Gen. Fund Receipts	\$2,455.00	\$20,961.11
Gen. Fund Disbursements	\$2,489.83	\$22,809.90
Balance	-\$34.83	-\$1,848.79