THOUGHTS & TRAVELS

BibleMethodist
CONNECTION OF CHURCHES

Events:

Mother's Day

May 9th 2021

National Day of Prayer

May 7, 2021

Annual Conference

Location: Calvary Bible Fellowship, …. 16th Oklahoma City, OK

Date: June 18, 2021

Merging Conference

June 19, 2021

Youth Camp:

Location: Whitehouse, TX

Date: June 21 23, 2021

Father's Day:

Serving churches in:

- Colorado
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Idaho
- Oklahoma
- Texas

June 20, 2021

Family Camp:

Location: Arrowhead Conference - Retreat Center, Cleburne, TX

Dates: July 27 - August 1, 2021

Evangelists: Rev. Stephen Stetler, Nathan Brown, Larry and Pat Jewett

Financials:

Conference Operating Finances:

Conference Operating Receipts: (March)	$3,895.09
Conference Operating Expenses: (March)	$6,241.95
Total	($2,346.86)

Camp Finances

Camp Budget (estimated)	$35,000.00
Camp Offering	$13,248.91
Anticipated need	$22,871.09

My deepest Thanks to all who contribute to Conference and Camp funds.

Prayer and Praise:

- During your Sunday morning pastoral prayer, please pray for the church in Dallas, Texas and Pastor Pedro Anaya.
- Pray for the President, Congress, Judiciary, Governors and local governments.
- Pray for Tim Keep and Bible Methodist Missions.
- Pray for the Muir's as they minister in Mexico.
- Pray for Troyers. Paul is in Asia working on visas.
- Pray for Marika Herrer ministering in South Africa.
- Pray for Shirley Fogleman as she flyer home and readjusts to the US.for Shirley.
- Pray for R.G. and Sarah Hutchison. They are presently in the US.
- Pray for David Martinez who is studying in preparation for ministry in Mexico.

- Praise the Lord for His manifest presence in the IHC Gatlinburg, TN.
- Praise the Lord for answer to prayer regarding a church finding a pastor.
- Praise the Lord for the opportunity to open the process of some ministerial students credentialing with Southwest Conference.
- Rejoicing over the renovations done to the church in Lakewood.
- Praise the Lord for new people attending Lakewood, CO
- Praise the Lord for reports of some new people attending Southwest Churches.
- I am thankful the following people from the Southwest Conference could attend IHC: Eric and Nancy Going and family, Dennis and DeJuanna Cable, Terry and Judy Jolly, Andrew and Angie Blankenship, Aaron and Melissa Johnson, Chucky and Jamie Dodd.

Thoughts:

Thank the Lord for the focus of this year's IH Convention. The theme is "When He is Come" referencing the Holy Spirit's initiation into the life and ministry of the Church.

Service after service has been marked by music and ministry that glorifies God's interaction with humanity. Pastor John Manley was especially used of God to make us aware of the Spirit's ability to slake the thirst of one whose life is dry spiritually. Conference President Blake Jones ministered from the theme of revival Wednesday morning and was a tool of anointing calling us to understand and embrace the Person of the Holy Spirit. Wednesday evening Dr. Noel Scott reminded us of the importance of a full surrender to the infilling of the Holy Spirit.

Thursday morning Pastor Joe Smith challenged us to allow the sanctifying separation of the Spirit to fill us with happiness that is filled with kindness and helpfulness.

Personal:

Saturday I flew from Greenville, SC to Denver through Baltimore. Pastor Johnson and Melissa hosted me for dinner. Sunday we enjoyed a good morning worship service. It was a privilege to Joe and his family as well as another new family I had not meet.

Monday I flew from Denver on a return flight to Greenville, SC. Melba met me at the airport and we drove to Gatlinburg, TN. That evening we did the initial setup for the Bible Methodist Connectional booth. Early Tuesday morning I was back in the Convention Center finalizing the booth. Then I had the privilege of attending the Convention Committee and Advisory Committee meeting.

This week has been occupied with worshiping the Lord through attending services, visiting with friends and making connections with new friends.

Saturday we plan to attend the 50 Anniversary celebration of Jollys and then worship with them Sunday morning in Millersburg, KY

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Pictures from IHC - Gatlinburg, TN

Left: The Bible Methodist Booth

Below right: Dennis and DeJuanna Cable and Clair Sams

Blow left: Aaron Johnson and Clair Sams

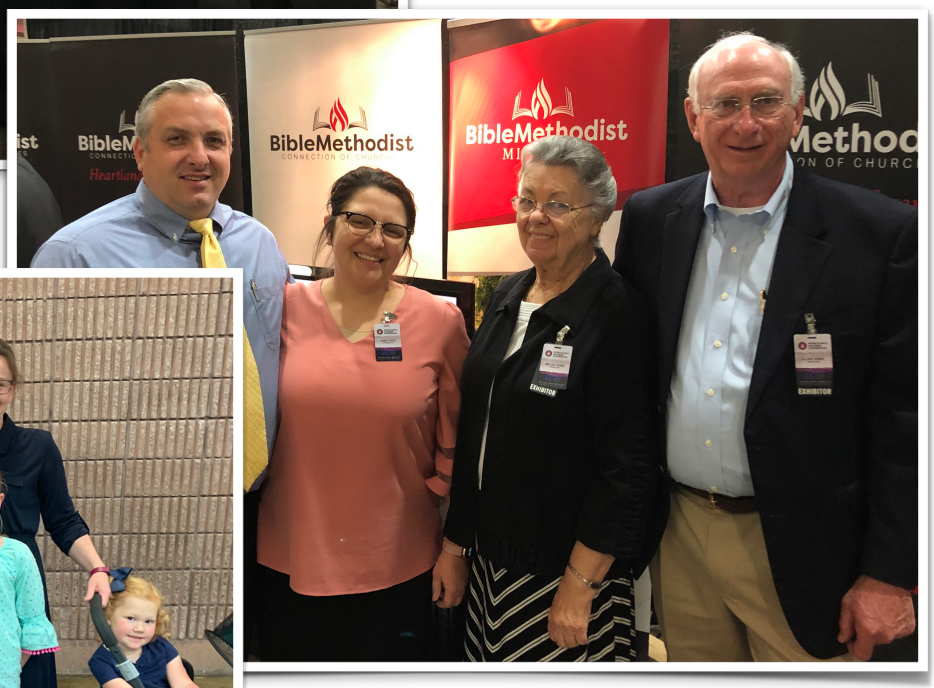
IHC - Gatlinburg, TN

Left: Darrell Stetler II, David Ward, Clair Sams, Chris Cravens, John Parker

Below: Chucky and Jamie Dodd, Melba and Clair Sams

Below left: Eric Going family.

Below right: Terry and Judy Jolly



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