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Date: March 2013
To: Pastors and Staff
Subject: Monthly Update

Dear Michigan Baptist Leader,

This month's mailer includes information on:

- The **Annual Missions Celebration and the 55th WMU Meeting on April 19-20** at North End Baptist Church in Mt. Morris. There will be training workshops, break-out sessions, mission projects, and much more. What a wonderful time this will be highlighting on how God is moving across our state through our WMU and missions organizations.
- **April 25-27 Claude King** will be touring across our state speaking on discovering ways to build an intentional, effective process for making disciples in our churches. There will even be a time for alumni of the MasterLife curriculum to meet together to discuss ways to support MasterLife in our churches.
- Ever wonder how to proclaim God's word to someone who may be an oral learner? On **May 20-23, Annette Hall**, a retired IMB missionary and expert in Bible storying, will be leading a workshop to teach others how to communicate the Bible through storying so that that oral learners can understand His word and respond to the Good News.

Be sure and mark your calendars on **Saturday, September 14, 2013** for the premier training event in our state, **THE CHURCH EQUIPPING CONFERENCE**. This will be one-stop training for every leader in your church. Further details can be found on our website www.churchequippingconference.com. **Early registration begins April 2nd.**

As we enter this season, as always, we thank you for your faithful support through the Cooperative Program. Because of your faithful giving, lives are being transformed by the Gospel, not only in Michigan, but across the world. May God richly bless you and your church families during this season of promise and celebration in our risen Savior.

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• www.facebook.com/groups/MichiganBaptists • www.Twitter.com/MichiganSBC • www.BSCM.e-quip.net •
www.BobbyGilstrap.com

**Michigan Baptists are currently looking for qualified individuals to fill several
ministry opportunities within our state.**

REGIONAL CHURCH STRENGTHENER/MOBILIZER MISSIONARY

[What Makes a Michigan Missionary?](#)

GO TO www.applications.BSCM.org to download job description

GO TO www.applications.BSCM.org to View Resourcing Regions Map

TO APPLY: Submit your resume' and a cover letter (stating which regional area you are interested in serving) to info@bscm.org.

REGIONAL CHURCH STARTER STRATEGIST

Resourcing Region 4 (NAMB/BSCM)

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MINISTRY ASSISTANT

GO TO www.applications.BSCM.org to download job description

GO TO www.applications.BSCM.org to download Ministry Assistant Application

Instructions for submission are on application

Reference Materials to Read

[Michigan Baptists' Personnel Manual](#)



Early registration begins April 2

*Saturday, September 14, 2013, 8:30 am - 4:25 pm
Cornerstone Baptist Church, Roseville*

One-stop training for every leader in your church
50+ unique leadership workshops



Keynote Speaker: Jeff Iorg

Dr. Jeff Iorg is the president of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Iorg teaches leadership, preaching, and church ministry courses at Golden Gate. He speaks frequently on these same subjects in conferences and other venues, including college campuses and leadership seminars. His publications include five books - *The Painful Side of Leadership*, *The Character of Leadership*, *Is God Calling Me?*, *The Case for Antioch*, and *Live Like a Missionary* - along with dozens of articles and curriculum materials.

For more information go to
www.ChurchEquippingConference.com



September 14, 2013

Registration Form

Registration Deadlines:

Early Registration	Apr 2 – June 5	\$18 each
On-time Registration	June 6 – Aug 31	\$30 each
Late Registration	Sept 1 – Sep 14	\$40 each

(Registration includes conference materials and lunch.)

Special offer: Free book for your pastor if six others from your church sign up.

Register online at www.ChurchEquippingConference.com or complete and mail this form.

Church name: _____ City: _____

Contact person: _____

Contact email: _____ Contact phone: _____

Name

Ministry Area

(Pastor, Worship, Deacon, Women’s Ministry, Adult, Youth, Children, Preschool, etc.)

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Total Registered: _____

Amount Due: \$ _____

Make checks payable to: Baptist State Convention of Michigan
8420 Runyan Lake Road, Fenton, MI 48430

www.ChurchEquippingConference.com.

2013 Michigan VBS Institutes

Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



VBSI #1, April 13 at
Merriman Road Baptist
Church, Garden City

VBSI #2, May 4 at Bambi
Lake Conference Center,
Roscommon

Core workshops for VBS leaders including Pastors, VBS
Directors, Age Group Teachers, Music, Missions
and Craft Rotation Leaders

Enrichment workshops to enhance your VBS including: Backyard
Kids Club, Experienced Directors, New Directors, Family Night,
Decorating Made Easy (For a complete list go to:
www.MichiganBaptist.org/Church-Strengthening/Kids-Ministry.)

Get VBS curriculum & supplies at the LifeWay VBS Bookstore

\$6.00 per person (includes lunch)
Register by April 1 at www.MI.VBSI.eventbrite.com for VBSI #1.
or by April 22 at www.MI.VBSI.2.eventbrite.com for VBSI #2.

More information and links to online registration at
www.MichiganBaptists.org/Church-Strengthening/Kids-Ministry

Women's Missions Celebration and 55th WMU Annual Meeting

Tell Your Story

**Featured Guests:
Serena Butler, Illinois
WMU Executive Director
and YOU!**

**Cost is \$25 per person for both
days and includes
Saturday lunch;
Friday only cost is \$10;
Saturday only cost is \$15**

**Worship sessions lead by the
All Girl Camp Band**

**Friday: 6:00 — 9:00 pm
Saturday: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm**

**Activities will include train-
ing workshops, mission
projects, inspirational
worship, break-out
sessions and more.**

**Registration deadline is:
April 12, 2013.**

**To register go to
www.Register.BSCM.org or to
[http://womansmissionscelebration.
eventbrite.com](http://womansmissionscelebration.
eventbrite.com)**

**April 19-20, 2013
North End Baptist Church
G-7360 North Clio Road, Mt. Morris, MI 48532**



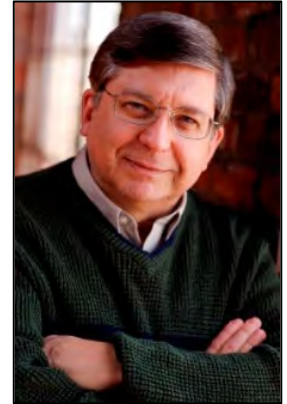
For more information
contact cindy@bscm.org.



GROWING DISCIPLES TOUR WITH CLAUDE KING

Claude King, co-author of *Experiencing God*, will be in Michigan on April 25-27, 2013 to talk with pastors and lay leaders about making disciples in our churches. He will discuss ideas for developing a disciple-making process in your church and will be providing free disciple-making resources for each church present.

On Friday night, April 26, there will be a special meeting with *MasterLife* alumni to consider ways to build on and expand the influence of *MasterLife* in our churches.



DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS, AND LOCAL CONTACT PERSONS

Thursday, April 25

8:30 am - 11:00 am

Central Assoc. Pastors Breakfast at First Baptist, DeWitt
Local contact: Dan Wilkinson, fbcde Witt@yahoo.com

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

First Baptist Church, Portage
Local contact: Chad Wells, chad@fbc-portage.org

Friday, April 26

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Springhill Missionary Baptist Church, Farmington Hills
Local contact: Nathaniel Bishop, detbaptasn@sbcglobal.net

MasterLife Alumni

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Springhill Missionary Baptist Church, Farmington Hills

Saturday, April 27

9:30 am - noon

Grayling Baptist Church, Grayling
Local contact: Jo Seidler, office@pbami.com



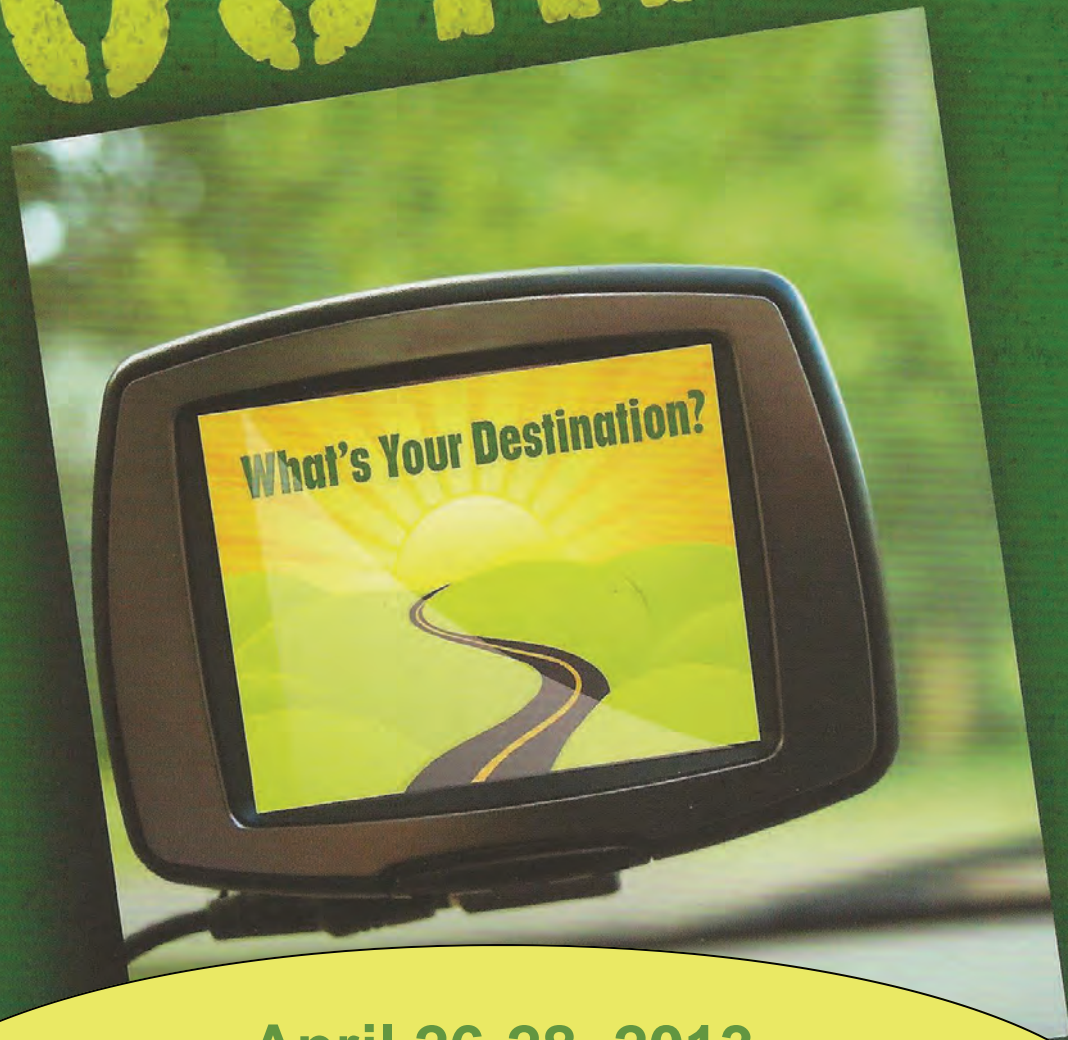
Discover ways to build an intentional, effective process for growing disciples in your church.

For registration and information go to www.michiganbaptists.org/church-strengthening/disciple-making or contact Bob Wood, bob@bscm.org.

This ministry of the BSCM Church Strengthening Team is made possible by your gifts through the Cooperative Program and our partnership with LifeWay Christian Resources.

BASIC TRAINING

JOURNEY



April 26-28, 2013

For Church Starting Teams and
Revitalization of Existing Churches
Register @ www.Register.BSCM.org

Plant Your Roots in Michigan Soil



CHURCH PLANTER ASSESSMENT

- **WHERE:** Bambi Lake Retreat and Conference Center
- **WHEN:** April 25-27, 2013
- **COST:** \$550 Per Couple
- **HOW:** Register at www.assessment.BSCM.org
- For more information contact Marc Bewley at 586.530.7330 or email him at assessment@bscm.org

Bible Storying Workshop

May 20-23, 2013

9:00 am — 5:00 pm each day

Warren Woods Baptist Church, 14251 Twelve Mile Road, Warren, MI

Cost: \$50 per person (includes lunch, snacks & materials for each day)

Did you know...

- Two-thirds of the world population are oral communicators?
(That's 4.6 billion people who can't, don't or won't read or communicate by literate means!)
- Half of the US population are considered oral communicators?
- Proclaiming God's word in a culturally relevant way so that oral learners can understand and respond to it is a useful evangelism tool for missionaries, preachers and lay persons?

In this intensive 4-day* workshop participants will learn how to select and craft stories that convey biblical messages. By the end of the workshop, participants will also be able to teach others how to craft stories.

**Participants will need to make a commitment to attend all day each of the four days.*



Workshop Leader:
Annette Hall,
Chronological Bible Storying
Expert & Retired IMB Worker

Workshop sponsored by Blue Water Association Women's Missions & Ministry in partnership with Woman's Missionary Union of Michigan.

Contact Sue Hodnett @
shodnett@bluewatersbc.org for more
information and to register.

Registration Deadline: Monday, May 6th

Disaster Relief Training

Training must be renewed every three years

Basic

May 17, 2013 – 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Bambi Lake, and

Online anytime at ***michiganbaptists.org***
(click on ***web training*** and then on ***courses***)

Cost - \$15.00

Specialized

May 18, 2013 - 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Bambi Lake

Cost - \$20.00

***For Further Information, Contact
Win Williams at 810.923.2666***

OPERATION

1-Day

**A Day of Hands-On Missions Projects
for Individuals & Families**

Saturday, June 1, 2013

Metro Detroit, Flint & Saginaw

Project and registration information coming soon.
Contact cindy@bscm.org for more information.

What can you & God do in one day?



*****Join Us For Our*****

**Sunday,
June 2,
2013**

**2nd Annual
Disaster Relief
DAY OF PRAYER**



PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

- **Spiritual Strength for Volunteers**
- **Physical Strength for Volunteers**
- **Safety for Volunteers on Call Outs**
- **Travel for Volunteers As They Drive Thousands of Miles On Your Behalf**
- **Families of Volunteers While They Are Away**
- **Churches of Volunteers While They Are Away**
- **DR Needs Being Met (Vehicle Upkeep, Fuel, etc.)**
- **New Volunteers and Their New Adventures**
- **Churches As They Pray Concerning Their Involvement in Disaster Relief**



Metamorphosis Youth Camp

Where: *Bambi Lake Conference Center*

Who: *Students who have completed grades 6-12*

When: *June 17-21, 2013*

Cost: *\$155.00*

For more information go to www.michiganbaptists.org/church-strengthening/youth-ministry or contact Justin Miller (517-402-1095) or Dave Bauer (517-699-LIFE).

Your gifts through the Cooperative Program make this event possible.

FEARLESS

Girls' & Teen Girls' Missions Camps

July 8-12, 2013

Bambi Lake

A missions camp for
girls in grades 4-12.

Cost: \$155

Registration Deadline:
June 24, 2013

Contact
cindy@bscm.org
for more information.

Girls must have completed third grade to attend camp.

