

“ The key
to our behavior is our attitude,
and the key to our
attitude is our faith. ”

-Layton Talbert

did you know...

- ... that the flood levels from the 2008 in Iowa exceeded those of the flood of 1993?
- ... that from 2000 to 2007 the population of Ankeny, Iowa increased almost 43 percent?
- ... there are 298 steps from the second floor of the capital building to its gold-plated dome?
- ... that the various State Representatives met Monday evening with the Colonel, Phil Fogel of Missionary Homes, Inc. of Tampa, Florida? Col. Fogel has served both Baptist Mid-Missions and the IARBC as a Strategic Planning Facilitator.
- ... that Craig's List is not named after Craig Golden?
- ... that no matter how Don Anderson tries to leave it behind, the GARBC Annual Conference follows him wherever he goes?
- ... that the ushers have been instructed to escort any attendees with unsilenced cell phones to the hottest, smallest boiler room in the Convo?

special thanks...

- To *FBBC & TS* for providing its campus for use on such short notice!
- To *Copy Systems, Inc.* in Des Moines for providing a copier for Conference use. See its display booth for more information.
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2008 GARBC ANNUAL CONFERENCE MAIN SPEAKERS



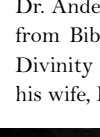
John Greening

John Greening is an eighth generation pastor. He served in youth and senior pastorates for over twenty years. In John's role as national representative, he speaks frequently, consults with churches and provides leadership for the Association. John and his wife, Daria, work together to write church educational resources. They also participate in church ministry training conferences. They have a special ministry of encouraging pastors and wives. John and Daria are the parents of two grown children.



Gary Anderson

Dr. Gary Anderson has served as the President of Baptist Mid-Missions since 1989, after having served two years on BMM's Advisory Council before being appointed as Executive Vice President in 1987. Prior to this, he served as pastor of Springville (Pennsylvania) Baptist Church from 1975 to 1987.



Duke Crawford

Dr. Anderson holds a B.A. in Bible from Bob Jones University (1972) and an M.Div. from Biblical Theological Seminary (1975). He was honored with the Doctor of Divinity Degree by Baptist Bible College and Seminary in 1990. Dr. Anderson and his wife, Barbara, have three children and make their home in Grafton, Ohio.



Duke Crawford

Pastor Crawford is a graduate of FBBC & TS and a NANC certified biblical counselor. He and his wife, Deb, have three children: Anthony, Austin, and Abby. He has served as senior pastor of Calvary since 1990.



Jerry Lancaster

Dr. Lancaster serves as senior pastor for Starkey Road Baptist Church in Seminole, Florida. He can also be heard frequently on "Radio Pulpit" on WKES in St. Petersburg. The Cincinnati Baptist Seminary graduate serves on BMM's General Council as well as the board of ABWE.



James Maxwell

Appointed to the position just last year, Dr. Maxwell serves as president of his alma mater, FBBC & TS. He has enjoyed over 40 years of vocational Christian ministry throughout the Midwest. Most recently, he served as senior pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Menominee Falls, Wisconsin.

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CROSSWORDS

GARBC Annual Conference News Sheet
June 24, 2008

*“God forbid that I should boast except in
the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
by whom the world has been crucified
to me, and I to the world.”
(Galatians 6:14)*

*“The Glory
of the
Cross”*



waves of change

Welcome to Ankeny, Iowa, and the campus of Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary! We all planned to meet in Cedar Rapids, but our sovereign God had other ideas. Even as we pray and give relief to the victims of the flood of '08, we meet by God's leading in this place to give attention to the cross of Jesus Christ.

Regional Committee Chairman Miles Grismore and all the Regional Planning Committee have been working overtime this past week to make your stay in Ankeny spiritually productive. Thank you in advance for your patience, and a special thanks to the administration and staff of FBBC who have worked so quickly and diligently the previous week. May we be flooded together with God's gracious provision this week!

in loving memory...

Dr. Colin Smith, noted regular Baptist pastor and educator, unexpectedly passed into the presence of the Lord on Sunday, June 22. A memorial service will be held Saturday, June 28 at 6 p.m. at the Newton Recreation Center in Clarks Summit, Penn. Condolences may be sent to the family at condolences@pbcc.edu.

upcoming speakers

Tuesday evening's speaker is our own Dr. John Greening. Pastor, educator, administrator and National Representative of the GARBC for eleven years, John has taught us all that "Together We Can Accomplish More!"

The Wednesday morning session will feature Dr. Jerry Lancaster, senior pastor of Starkey Road Baptist Church in Seminole, Florida.

items for publication

Issues of *CrossWords* will be distributed every conference evening and on Friday morning. Written submissions should be delivered to the Coaches Office no later than 10 a.m. for that day's issue. Email submissions may be sent to destrope@mnsn.com with "CrossWords News Item" in the memo line.

questions?

The information table is located in the atrium entry to the Convocation Center. Dick Dayton is the answer man. For urgent matters, call 515-681-0884.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Tuesday

4:00 p.m. Conference Registration
7:00 p.m. Conference Session, Dr. John Greening

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Conference Session, Dr. Jerry Lancaster
10:30 a.m. GARBC Chaplains Ministry Focus
10:30 a.m. Workshops
11:30 a.m. Ladies' Luncheon
1:30 p.m. Business Meeting
5:00 p.m. Faith Barbeque & Reception

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM



"Serving God with Heart and Hands" is the theme of this week's children's program (grades 1 through 6). The program is highlighted by a trip to the interactive Science Center of Iowa Wednesday afternoon. A pre-school ministry will be available as well. For more details, please see your conference notebook. Enroll your child at Conference Registration.

TALENTS FOR CHRIST RELOCATED

Group and individual competition will be held at the previously scheduled times but will take place at Grandview Park Baptist Church at 1701 E. 53rd St. in Des Moines. Participants are to check in at Conference Registration in the west lobby of the Convocation Center. Questions regarding the competition may be directed to Andrea Gower.

HUNGRY? WHY WAIT?

Cafe Diem, FBBC's coffee shop, is open for business during the conference. Boxed lunches are available if ordered by 9 a.m. each morning. Menus are posted at the information table.

IOWA CHURCHES NIGHT

Wednesday night's service is Iowa Churches Night. We invite all Iowans to join us at FBBC at 7 p.m. Duke Crawford of Calvary Baptist Church in Mount Pleasant, Iowa, will be the speaker; a choir composed of members from several of Iowa churches will be leading in worship.

FBBC BARBEQUE AND RECEPTION

Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary invites everyone to a complimentary barbecue dinner in the tent between the Convo and Gray Hall before the Wednesday evening service. Eating times are staggered. Pick up your free tickets at the Faith display.

LADIES' LUNCHEON

The annual Ladies Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, June 25th from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in the big tent! Knowing God," Jeannie is a pastor's wife and an author currently serving as the GARBC Women's Ministry Coordinator. Music will be provided by Jill Fullenkamp of Calvary Baptist Church in Mt. Pleasant. Tickets are \$18 and are available at the conference registration table. Seating is limited.

PASTORS & WIVES FELLOWSHIP WITH VOGELS

All pastors and pastors' wives are invited to meet with Jim and Jeannie Vogel Wednesday at 6 p.m. as they share information about their new ministry to pastoral leaders and their spouses. Men will meet in the Eagles Nest and women in Gray Hall 102.

MINI-WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE

Regular Baptist Press is offering 15-minute mini-workshops every day of the conference. If you want to learn more about specialized training for your church, please attend! Check your conference notebook for workshop times. Space is limited, so reserve your spot

STUDENTS ALIVE!

The Students Alive! SPAM-O-RAMA will be held on the FBBC campus on Wednesday, June 25 from 5 to 9 p.m.



The speaker will be Pat Odle, the newly installed Vice President of FBBC. The challenge for the evening will focus on ministry involvement in the local church. SPAM-O-RAMA is a great opportunity for your teens to connect with friends from around the state and make new ones from around the country.

Students Alive! features the preaching ministries of Tim Snyder, John Greening, Scott Greening, Thomas Webber and Gary Anderson, and culminates with Talents For Christ competition and awards presentation.

WII WOULD LIKE TO PLAY

Compete in the Mario and Sonic 2008 Wii Olympic Games at the GLS Digital Impact booth (Chris Brown). Contestants with the highest score in one of the chosen evening session. GLS Digital Impact has produced an interactive ESL CD to use during the Olympics to reach Chinese people with the gospel. Come learn more about the CD and how you can help underwrite the costs for international duplication.

d.a. carson

"The cross, without ever being disowned, is constantly in danger of being dismissed from the central place it must enjoy, by relatively peripheral insights that take on far too much weight."

