

TUESDAY MORNING — Business Update

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“We belong together,” says Yeats in annual address

The cooperative work of Missouri Baptists to obey the Great Commission shows that “we belong together,” Executive Director John Yeats said last night in his address to messengers and visitors at the MBC Annual Meeting.

Yeats’ remarks closed out the first day of the two-day event at the St. Charles Convention Center.

“The Lord is on the move,” said Yeats. “In the context of a most difficult year, the Lord is faithful and He is with us.”

Yeats focused his wide-ranging message of unity on seven key functions of a state convention:

1. Sound the trumpet; that is, convene Missouri Baptists to decide how we carry out our cooperative work.
2. Strengthen churches through discipleship and leadership development.
3. Support pastors and other servant-leaders of the Lord serving the local church.
4. Coordinate the work of local churches engaged in starting new churches.
5. Send the light to the nations; that is, collect, account for, and distribute Cooperative Program gifts from nearly 1,800 churches to the ministries Missouri Baptists have designated.
6. Synchronize the work of MBC’s entities: the Missouri Baptist Children’s Home, The Baptist Home, Hannibal-LaGrange University, Southwest Baptist University, Missouri Baptist University, and the Missouri Baptist Foundation.
7. Shine the light in the public square by informing Missouri Baptists about legislative issues and advocating on their behalf.



Dr. John Yeats

“The beauty of Southern Baptists’ cooperative work is that no matter the size, every church is valuable,” said Yeats. “Every association has worth. Every state convention is needed. Every SBC entity has an immeasurable role to play in the Kingdom of God. We must count everything as loss for the sake of the cross. It’s how we do our work, now and until we hear the trumpet call pronouncing the Day of the Lord.”

Yeats closed his message with a challenge for Missouri Baptists to be 21st century “sons of Issachar,” men and women who understand the times and know what to do. This is drawn from 1 Chronicles 12:32.

Specifically, Yeats urged his listeners to pray, think biblically, and act decisively. “As 21st century ‘sons of Issachar,’ we carry the power to exert catalytic influence in our respective communities and spheres of influence,” said Yeats.

Muniz appoints Tellers for 2020 Annual Meeting

Missouri Baptist Convention president Jeremy Muniz presented his appointments to the 2020 Tellers Committee during the Monday afternoon session of the Missouri Baptist Convention. This committee serves during this year’s annual meeting.

The Tellers committee assists the presiding officer with vote-taking, collecting ballots, tabulating results, and announcing the results to the presiding officer.

Those appointed to the Tellers Committee are all currently serving as Disaster Relief volunteers. The list includes: – Chairman-Toby Tucker, FBC, Arnold; Michael Beasley, Trimble Baptist, Trimble; James Bone Sr., FBC, Arnold; Kay Clemons, Country Meadows,

Independence; Leighton Clemons, Country Meadows, Independence; Pam DePriest, Bethesda, St. Charles; Al Groner, FBC, Monroe City; Glen Locklear, FBC, Wentzville; Dean McCullough, FBC, Arnold; Mary McCullough, FBC, Arnold; Wesley Moser Sr., Cadet Baptist, Cadet; Glen Ogden, Potosi Southern, Potosi; Mary Ogden, Potosi Southern, Potosi; Ernie Snead, Geyer Road, Kirkwood.

Credentials Committee Report

The MBC Credentials Committee reported to the Convention on Monday afternoon and made the recommendation on pages 35-36 of the *Book of Reports* with the following additions and one deletion to the list of newly affiliating churches:

New Churches	City	Pastor	Association
Cornerstone	Camdenton	Robert Vander Berg	Lake of the Ozarks
Highland Home Church	Boonville	Derek Tamm	
Iglesia Bautista Casa de Gracia	Liberty	Arnaldo Achucarro	Clay-Platte
Storyline Church	St. Louis	Josh Wilson	St. Louis Metro
Yesu Ni Jibu Church	Kansas City	Fataki Mutambala	
Re-affiliating Churches			
Life Pursuit Church	Rogersville	Gary Hinkle	Webster
Mission Home	Marshfield		Webster
Delete			
Emmaus Road Church (merged with Villebrook)	St. Louis	Robert York	St. Louis Metro

Additions to Executive Board Report

During the Monday morning meeting of the Executive Board the following items were reported for inclusion in the Executive Board Report. (To be added to the Executive Board Report on pages 40-41 of the *Book of Reports*.)

22. The Executive Board approved a request to distribute copies of a book authored by Dr. Ronnie Floyd during the Monday afternoon session.

Nominating Committee Members Nominated

Missouri Baptist Convention president Jeremy Muniz, in consultation with the other officers, has nominated eight new members for three-year terms on the Nominating Committee, terms to expire 2023; and two members with terms to expire in 2021.

Daniel Carr, Canaan Baptist Church, St. Louis, has been nominated to serve as chairman for 2021.

New members term expiring 2021

1. Roger Brumley (M), Green Valley, St. Joseph (NW) (filling unexpired term of Becky Roberts)
2. Gene Smith (M), FBC, De Soto (EC) (filling unexpired term of Chris Pearson)

New members term expiring 2023

1. Stephan Albin (M), New Harmony, Salem (WC)
2. Jeremiah Bradford (M), McCarthy, St. Joseph (NW)
3. Mark Carter (M), Carpenter Street, Moberly (NE)
4. Bill Denoon (L), FBC, Troy (EC)
5. Josh Hartley (M), Freshwater, Jefferson City (C)
6. Cheston Pickard (M), FBC, Delassus (SE)
7. Noah Schlag (M), New Harmony, Salem (SC)
8. Jerry Shipman (L), FBC, Diamond (SW)

The new members will serve with the following members already on the committee.

Term Expiring 2021

1. Chris Bass (M), FBC, Versailles (C)
2. Todd Buck (M), Esther, Park Hills (SE)
3. Dave Dexheimer (L), Calvary, Hannibal (NE)
4. Scott Gordon (M), Claycomo (WC)
5. Anthony Hays (L), FBC, Branson (SW)
6. Carissa Schroer (L), FBC, Crocker (SC)

Term Expiring 2022

1. Kabir Bansel (L), Fellowship, Kirksville (NE)
2. David Burton (L), FBC, Goodman (SW)
3. Daniel Carr (M), Canaan, St. Louis (EC)
4. Steve Foshee (L), FBC, Desloge (SE)
5. Carson Humphreys (L), Richland, Kingdom City (C)
6. John King (M), FBC, West Plains (SC)
7. George Lakatos (M), Grace Community, Smithville (WC)
8. Rick Loft (L), Frederick Boulevard, St. Joseph (NW)

2020 Nominating Committee Report to the Missouri Baptist Convention

An (M) following a nominee's name denotes a minister and an (L) denotes a layperson. Listings followed by an asterisk (*) indicate proposed re-election to a second term.

Executive Board

Term Expiring 2023

1. Kent Brosseau (L), FBC, Crane (SW)
2. Rachel Burch (L), Lifepoint Church, Ozark (SW)
3. Rodney Everage (L), Hillcrest, Lebanon (SC)*
4. Jo Ann Hahs (L), FBC, Oakridge (SE)*
5. Mike Hayden (L), FBC, New London (NE)
6. John Hessel (M), FBC, Oakville (EC)*
7. Gina Jordan (L), Rock Springs, Licking (SC)*
8. Bonnie Lee (L), Open Heart, Columbia (C)*
9. Aaron Mick (L), Fellowship, Greenwood (WC)
10. Steven Nelson (M), Hamilton Street, Kirksville (NE)*
11. Mike Sargent (L), FBC, Meadville (NW)
12. David Slusher (M), Gill Memorial, Marshall (NW)*
13. Wanda Stull (L), Concord, Jefferson City (C)*
14. Wesley Vance (M), Fellowship, Kansas City (WC)*
15. Paul Wellinghoff (M), FBC, Eminence (SE)*
16. Tarcea Willis (L), Faith Community Bible, St. Louis (EC)

Committee on Order of Business

2021 Chairman: Randy Shipman

Term Expiring 2023

1. Tyler Bridges (M), McCarthy, St. Joseph

Credentials Committee

2021 Chairman: Caleb Smith

Term Expiring 2023

1. Walter Pollard (L), FBC, Iberia
2. Josh Wilson (M), FBC, Park Hills

Missouri Baptist Christian Life Commission

Term Expiring 2023

1. Geoffrey Box (M), Emmanuel, Doniphan
2. William Harding (L), Main Street, Greenville
3. Brandon Martin ((M), FBC, Thayer
4. Mary Warner (L), Fellowship, Greenwood

Missouri Baptist Historical Commission

Term Expiring 2023

1. Gaylord Mustin (L), Pleasant Valley, Liberty
2. Beverly Nelson (L), FBC, Jackson
3. David Updegrave (M), FBC, Wellington*

Missouri Baptist Foundation

Term Expiring 2021

1. Terry Thompson (L), Skyline, Branson (filling unexpired term of Scott Sullivan)

Term Expiring 2023

1. Dan Case (L), Concord, Jefferson City*
2. Don Currence (M), FBC, Ozark
3. Michael McCoy (L), Freshwater, Jefferson City
4. Charles Washburn (L), FBC, Chillicothe

Missouri Baptist Children's Home

Term Expiring 2023

1. Mary Ann Allen (L), Oakwood, Kansas City
2. Tracy Byrd (L), Faith Community Bible, St. Louis
3. Wayne Carrigan (M), Boone Creek, Licking*
4. Betty Cox (L), Illmo, Scott City*
5. Ron Crow (M), FBC, Diamond
6. Mark DeShon (M), Immanuel, Moberly*
7. Muriel Elder (L), McCarthy, St. Joseph*
8. Beverly Hawkins (L), Second, Lebanon*
9. Welby Jones (M), Sterling Acres, Kansas City*

The Baptist Home

Term Expiring 2023

1. Phillip Burden (M), FBC, Ozark*
2. John Canterbury (M), Iron Mountain, Ironton
3. Randy Ewart (M), Alexandria Baptist*
4. Kenette Harder (L), Pleasant Valley, Liberty
5. Michael McMullen (L), Life Connection, Independence
6. Allen Nichols (M), FBC, Lilbourn
7. Richard Young (M), South Haven, Belton*

Hannibal-LaGrange University

Term Expiring 2022

1. Randy Harr (M), FBC, Stewartsville) (Filling unexpired term of Bryan Gruber)

Term Expiring 2025

1. Chris Baker (M), FBC, Wentzville
2. Richard Clouse (M), Carpenter Street, Moberly*
3. James Freeman (L), Country Meadows, Independence*
4. Ken Hagen (L), FBC, Macon
5. Jason Hoke (M), FBC, Wentzville

Missouri Baptist University

Term Expiring 2023

1. Jesse Barnhart (M), Parker Road, Florissant*
2. Nick Catrow (M), Faith, Waynesville*
3. Jason Fleenor (M), Stoutsville*
4. Michael Gregory (M), Tower Grove, St. Louis
5. Chad Hodges (M), Canaan, St. Louis*
6. Tom Keller (L), FBC, Union*
7. Dorothy Shumans (L), FBC, Buffalo
8. T.D. Stubblefield (M), FBC, Chesterfield
9. Gary Urich (L), Crossway, Springfield

Southwest Baptist University

Term Expiring 2021

1. Mark Berry (L), FBC, Fenton (Filling unexpired term)

Term Expiring 2025

1. Lance Adams (L), Waypoint, Durham, NC
2. Fred Broome (M), Calvary, Republic
3. Cheryl Mayfield (L), FBC, Viburnum
4. Rick Powell (L), Connection Point, Raytown
5. Josh Trimble (L), New Hope, Tecumseh, OK

Retiring MBC Executive Board Members

During Monday's Executive Board meeting the following MBC Executive Board members were recognized for their service to the Missouri Baptist Convention:

Don Amelung – 2018-2020

Larry Heenan – 2014-2020

Carl Rees – 2018-2020

Mark Still – 2013-2020

Linda Welch – 2014-2020