

98th Annual Messenger Assembly of the *American Baptist Association*

June 18 - 20, 2024
Springfield, Illinois

DELIVERED US FROM DARKNESS
TRANSLATED US INTO THE KINGDOM
REDEMPTION THROUGH HIS BLOOD
FORGIVENESS OF SINS
HE IS THE IMAGE OF THE INVISIBLE GOD
FIRST BORN OF EVERY CREATURE
ALL THINGS CREATED
CREATED BY HIM AND FOR HIM
BY HIM ALL THINGS CONSIST
HEAD OF THE BODY, THE CHURCH
HE IS THE BEGINNING

It's All **JESUS** About



...IN ALL THINGS HE MIGHT HAVE PREMINENCE.
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The 2024 ABA Meeting will be held in Springfield, Illinois. We will utilize the BOS Center, President Abraham Lincoln Springfield, and Wyndham Springfield City Center for our meetings. We have rooms secured at the Presidential Abraham Lincoln Springfield - a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel and the Wyndham Springfield City Center. The hotels are across the street from each other and the Bank of Springfield Center is attached to the DoubleTree with an underground walk through. There are many restaurants within walking distance. We will open the block for hotel reservations Tuesday, January 9, 2024 and the last day to receive our rates will be Wednesday, May 24, 2024.



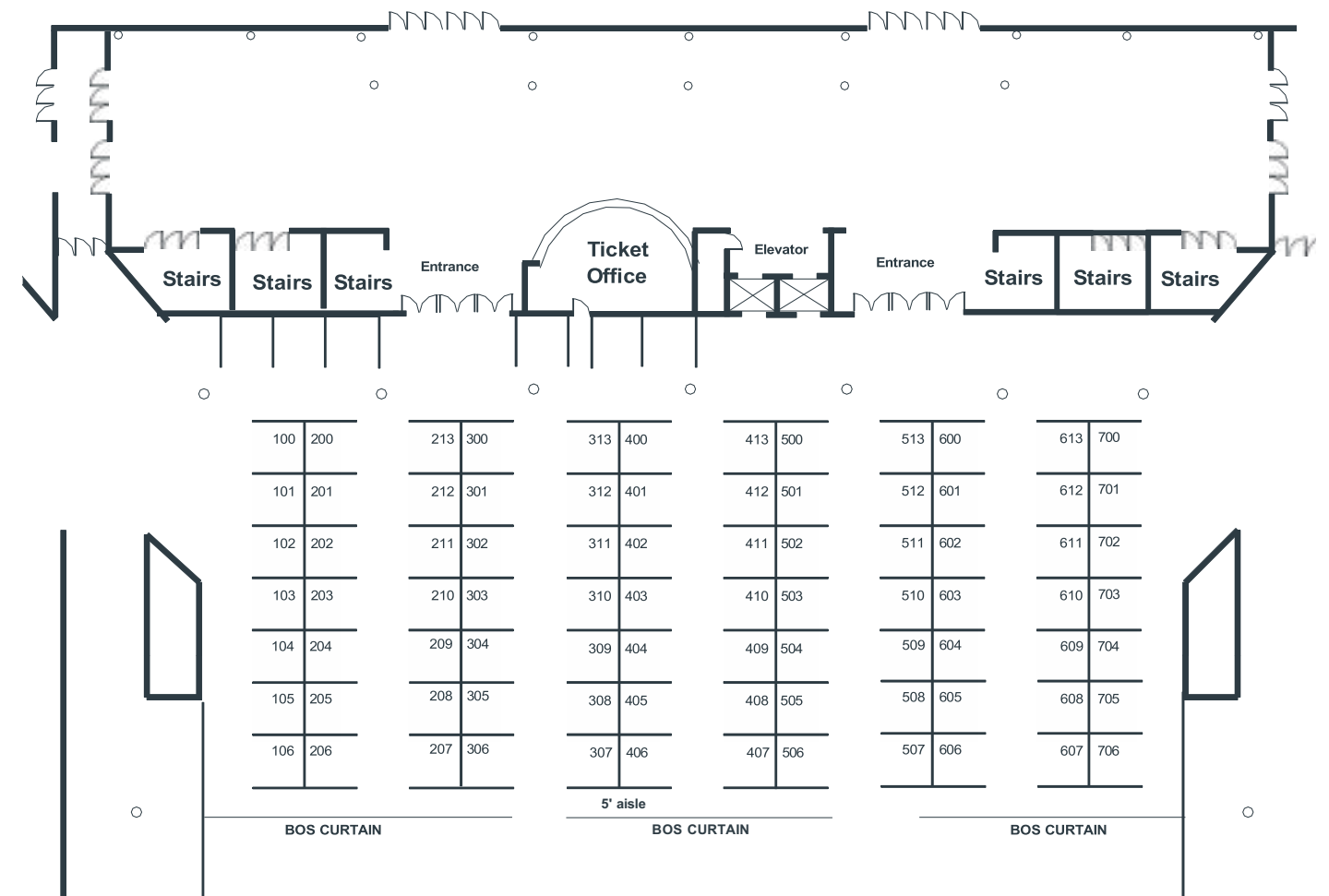
SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

We will have a Sunday morning service in the Wyndham Ambassador Ballroom beginning at 10:00 AM, on Sunday, June 16, 2024.

Exhibits

Exhibitors

Exhibitor information will be on the ABA website, www.abaptist.org, January 16, 2024. We will have 90 10' x 10' booths available for the 2024 ABA Meeting. If you are also a missionary/exhibitor, please provide its name and location.



For more information contact:
 Neal Sutton
 Director of Meeting Arrangements
 7110 North Richland Drive
 Texarkana, TX 75503
 903.244.2647

Proposed Agenda

MONDAY, JUNE 17

12:00 - 4:00 PM
Exhibitors may set up booths

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 18
3:00 - 4:15 PM

Opening Session of Messenger Assembly
Instrumental Prelude, Scripture and Prayer
Call to order by President
Welcome to Springfield
Response to Welcome
Presentation of Proposed Agenda
Posting of the Colors
Pledge of Allegiance
National Anthem
Prayer
Opening Hymn
Special Music
Presidents Keynote Address:
Bryan Sellers, Delight, AR
Necessary Business
Constitutional Changes
Presentation of Invitations for
2027 Meeting Places
Scripture Reading and Prayer

4:15 - 6:30 PM
Exhibits Open

TUESDAY NIGHT, JUNE 18
7:00 - 9:15 PM

Instrumental Prelude, Scripture and Prayer
Special Music, Choir, Hymn
Introduction of Speaker
Special Music
Annual Sermon:
Nathan Luellen, Bossier City, LA
Response and Invitation
Expression of Appreciation
Announcements
Scripture and Prayer

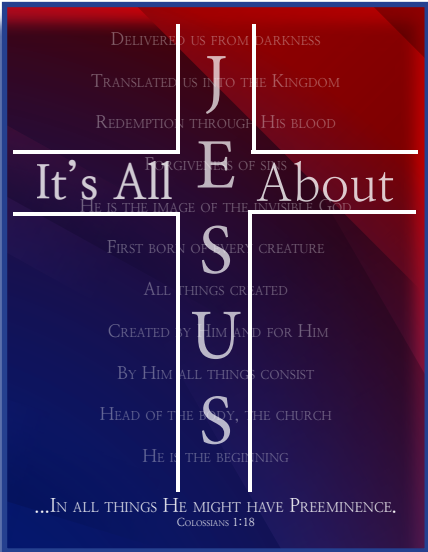
9:15 - 10:30 PM
Exhibits Open

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 19
9:15 - 11:30 AM

Instrumental Prelude, Scripture and Prayer
Hymn and Special
Missionary Committee Business
Secretary-Treasurer Report
Missionary Committee Report
Election of Missionary Committee
Election of Secretary Treasurer
Special Prayer for Mission Work
Nominations for Annual Sermon 2025

Nominations for Missions Sermon 2025
Report of Camp Trustees
Election of Camp Trustees
Report of the Chaplaincy Commission
Election of the Chaplaincy Commission
National Youth Fellowship Report
Miscellaneous Business
Announcements, Scripture and Prayer

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Exhibits Open



WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 19
1:00 - 3:00 PM

World Mission Focus

National Bible Challenge

3:00 - 5:30 PM
Exhibits Open

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, JUNE 19
7:00 - 9:15 PM

Worship and Mission Program
Instrumental Prelude, Scripture and Prayer
Special Music
Worship and Music
Missionary Committee Presentation
Mission Offering
Introduction of Speaker
Special Music
Mission Sermon:
Brant Lane, Somerset, KY
Response and Invitation
Expression of Appreciation
Memorials Committee Report
Announcements, Scripture and Prayer

9:15 - 10:30 PM
Exhibits Open

10:30 - 11:30 PM
Exhibits move out

THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 20
9:15 - 11:30 AM

Instrumental Prelude, Scripture and Prayer
Hymn
Select 2027 Meeting Place
Baptist Sunday School Report
Report of the Business Manager
Election of Business Manager
Report of the Editor in Chief
Election of the Editor in Chief
Election of the Baptist Sunday School
Committee
Report of the History and Archives
Committee
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Committee
Law Enforcement Chaplains Report
Enrollment and Finance Committee Report
Resolutions Committee Report
MBSF Report
National Women's Conference Report
Choral Music Workshop Report
Good Fight Ladies Conference Report
Election of Annual Sermon Speaker
for 2025
Election of Mission Sermon Speaker
for 2025
Announcements, Scripture and Prayer

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 20
1:00 - 3:45 PM

Instrumental Prelude, Scripture and Prayer
Hymn
Special Music
Election of Officers
Miscellaneous Reports
New Missionary Committee Report
New Sunday School Committee Report
Other Business
Passing the Gavel
Recognition of Officers
Scripture and Prayer
Adjournment

2025 MEETING IN SPRINGFIELD, MO
JUNE 17-19, 2025

2024 Schedule of Events

10:00 - 11:30 AM
MISSIONARY COMMITTEE
BANK OF SPRINGFIELD CITY CENTRE

11:45 AM - 1:30 PM
ABA OFFICERS LUNCHEON
PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN
OTTAWA

1:00 - 3:00 PM
THE GOOD FIGHT MINISTERS' WIVES
CONFERENCE
WYNDHAM GRAND BALLROOM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2024
7:00 - 8:30 AM
MISSION BUILDERS' BREAKFAST
WYNDHAM VISTA 1, 2, 3



7:00 - 8:30 AM
LAW ENFORCEMENT & PUBLIC
SERVICE CHAPLAINS' BREAKFAST
WYNDHAM VISTA 4, 5

11:45 AM - 1:15 PM
MEXICAN BAPTIST INSTITUTE
LUNCHEON (by invitation)
PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN
OTTAWA

11:45 AM - 1:15 PM
34TH ANNUAL PREACHERS,
DEACONS, & WIVES OVER 55
LUNCHEON
PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN
SALON A & B

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024
7:00 - 8:30 AM
NATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
NEW OFFICERS' BREAKFAST
WYNDHAM VISTA 1

7:00 - 8:30 AM
ANNUAL MISSIONARIES' BREAKFAST
WYNDHAM AMBASSADOR BALLROOM

6:00 - 8:30 PM
18TH ANNUAL POST DINNER
WYNDHAM VISTA 4, 5, 6

TUESDAY - THURSDAY
SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS
BOS CENTER LOWER LEVEL
Reservations must be made with
Neal Sutton

SECURITY:

Your Security Committee is committed to providing the most secure environment for the 2024 Messenger Meeting. We continue to move toward vetting everyone who attends our sessions and related events. The first consideration is the issuing of Badges (Credentials) and asking everyone to wear them at all times when attending sessions. We are working with the Enrollment Committee to improve this process. Please be advised that Illinois does not permit concealed or open carry of firearms anywhere in the state. Illinois does not recognize the CWP (Concealed Weapons Permit) from any other state. Only sworn LEO's for other states are permitted to conceal carry in this state. Please be forewarned. We will continue to update everyone as we move closer our meeting dates.

Wayne Hunter, Chairman
Security Committee

Meal Functions & Name Badges

BANQUET MEALS THAT REQUIRE TICKETS

Please contact the person listed for each event to purchase ticket.
WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION. Not only will you enjoy good food, but also great fellowship. All tickets must be finalized by Friday, May 24, 2024.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

7:00 - 8:30 AM

INTERSTATE MISSION DEVELOPMENT
PLATED BREAKFAST
WYNDHAM EMBASSY
Contact: Vernon McNully
501.284.9099
imdmcnully@arismail.com

Plated Breakfast includes:
Scrambled Eggs, Hash
Browns, Sausage and Bacon, Biscuits and Gravy,
Coffee, Juice and Water.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

7:00 - 8:30 AM

MISSION BUILDERS' PLATED
BREAKFAST
WYNDHAM VISTA 1, 2, 3
Contact: Brant Lane
606.677.6683
brant@macedonianms.org
or
Paul Lamb
606.677.6683
paul@macedonianms.org

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

7:00 - 8:30 AM

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC
SERVICE CHAPLAINS' PLATED
BREAKFAST
WYNDHAM VISTA 4 & 5
Contact: Wayne Hunter
352.572.7809
waynehunter65@gmail.com

Anyone serving as a Chaplain is invited to attend. This includes Law Enforcement Chaplains, Fire or Public Safety Chaplains, Military Chaplains or others serving in a Chaplain Capacity. Active Duty or Retired Law Enforcement Officer or Firefighters are invited to attend. To have an accurate count, please contact Wayne Hunter as soon as possible preferably by email.

NAME BADGES

Name badges will be distributed at from Monday at 4:00 PM until Tuesday at 5:00 PM. On Monday, the Name Badges will be at the Wyndham Mezzanine Desk. Name Badges will move to the BOS Center on Tuesday. To have your name badge ready when you arrive in Springfield, please register online on abaptist.org, or email Doug Clements at aba.badge@gmail.com or use the ABA Name Badge Facebook page. Include your Name, Church, City and State.

If enough interest shown:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

11:45 AM - 1:15 PM

34TH ANNUAL PREACHERS,
DEACONS & WIVES OVER 55
PLATED LUNCHEON
\$25.00 Inclusive per person
PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN
SALON A & B

*MENU: Garden Salad with Ranch and Balsamic
Vinaigrette, Garlic Bread, Chicken Primavera,
and Brownies.*

Please contact Neal Sutton if you are
interested in attending by Friday, May
24, 2024 at aba@nealsutton.com.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

7:00 - 8:30 AM

ANNUAL MISSIONARIES'
BREAKFAST PLATED
\$25.00 Inclusive
WYNDHAM AMBASSADOR
BALLROOM

Contact: Karen Murphy
903.792.2312
kmurphy@abamissions.org

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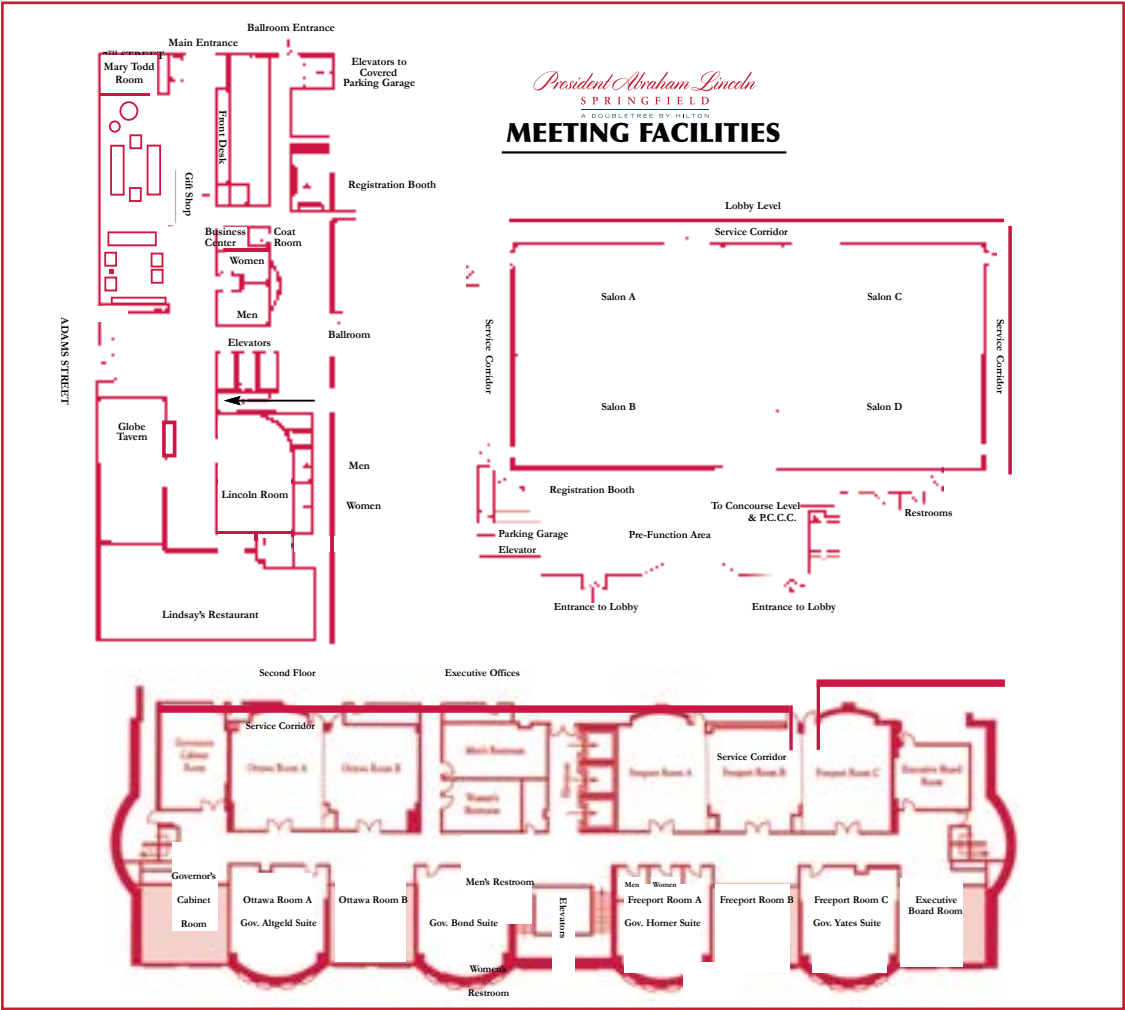
THURSDAY, JUNE 20

6:00 - 8:00 PM

18TH ANNUAL POST DINNER
\$32.00 Inclusive per person
WYNDHAM VISTA 4,5, 6

*MENU: Garden Greens, Rosemary Garlic Pork Loin served with
Au gratin Potatoes, Broccoli and Strawberry Shortcake.*

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Wyndham Springfield City Centre Meeting Facilities

