



2009 Annual Report

ENGAGE

Engaging the world with the Gospel

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."
John 3:16*



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COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

A LOST WORLD...
ENGAGED BY OUR WITNESS...
CHANGED BY OUR LORD.



“More and more men and women believed
in the Lord and were added to their number.”

Acts 5:14 NIV



COOPERATIVE PROGRAM
LOVE IN ACTION

A LETTER FROM DR. JORDAN



The task of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma is twofold—to assist churches by equipping leaders and to provide channels for extending the work of the local church. The local church is the central point of impact for the work of the Kingdom. This fact is founded upon Biblical truth, and it is incontrovertible.

Local churches have across history united together in associations and conventions to strengthen their ability to reach beyond themselves in ministry to one another and to penetrate the lost world from their front door to the ends of the earth. Cooperation is the hallmark of local churches who seek to extend their reach into multiple areas of ministry and mission action.

This report is a visual and written account of the work of the BGCO in serving the local church through equipping leaders and members in numerous areas of ministry. It also chronicles many of the ways our local churches extend themselves in Oklahoma and around the world through cooperative ministry and missions.

Not every story can be told. It would take a huge book to detail the extent of our cooperative efforts together through the convention. In fact, hardly a day goes by that I am not made aware of the vast work of ministry and missions we are able to accomplish because we are a cooperative people.

I hope you will take time to read through this report. I think you will be blessed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anthony L. Jordan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Anthony L. Jordan
Executive Director - Treasurer



ADULT MINISTRIES

2009 State Men's Retreat

The major focus of the Family & Men's Ministry was placed on the 2009 "Rewired" Men's Retreat that took place April 24-25. Exciting new venues were added to last year's retreat concepts of releasing men to love God and others through their passions. This year, more opportunities were offered to help men connect and have fun with their sons and other men, while learning spiritual truths that can be applied to life. Over 2,400 men attended the Men's Retreat with 20 professions of faith and 13 rededications!

Faith Riders

Faith Riders motorcycle ministry continues to experience unprecedented growth. Over 40 Oklahoma churches have now been commissioned or are awaiting commissioning. In August, 50 men and women from 12 churches participated in the Sturgis, South Dakota, mission. Working in evangelism and as chaplains, Oklahoma Faith Riders made 2,873 personal contacts in four communities and contributed to 836 individuals praying to receive Jesus Christ.

Escape 24

Escape 24 weekend retreats at CrossTimbers Mission Adventure Camp are designed for dads to reconnect and have fun, adventure, and create memories with their sons or daughters. The three weekend escapes impacted over 200 dads, daughters and sons as they connected and reconnected with each other.

Sunday School & Adult Discipleship

The One Day Initiative includes videos, "customizable" training and other resources to promote One Day in participating churches. This resource is a cutting-edge concept in equipping Sunday School leaders with quality training. One Day decentralizes training so that any church can host its own seminar with quality materials and a consistent message. At this time, 285 Oklahoma churches have registered to participate in the One Day Initiative. Sixteen of these churches have reported a combined attendance of over 2,000 leaders.



Worship & Music Ministry

Church Music Oklahoma, an annual training event, was held July 31 - August 1 at Oklahoma City, Southern Hills, with over 145 attendees, including 20 pastors. Reports from participants were positive. The Friday evening concert with the Gettys featured the Oklahoma Baptist Symphony (OBS) and a 150-voice mass choir representing about 25 churches.



Women's Missions & Ministries

The continuing purpose of the Women's Missions & Ministries office is to encourage women to embrace and echo God's heart for the world through missions, evangelism, discipleship, prayer and leadership development.

This ministry is training and equipping leaders through its annual S.W.E.E.T. Saturday event. S.W.E.E.T. stands for Statewide Women's Enrichment and Education Training. Over 600 women representing more than 125 churches attended this leadership development opportunity. In April, the Oklahoma Ladies' Retreat encouraged and challenged more than 2,300 women to "Embrace Grace." Nearly 300 churches brought women to this annual event at Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center. Mother/Daughter Weekends at CrossTimbers Missions Adventure Camp provided "Escape 24" overnight events for 153 moms and their daughters. Oklahoma Baptist Nursing Fellowship hosted two Baby Boot Camps at the Hope Pregnancy Centers in the Oklahoma City and metro area.

With a desire to edify those who serve, the Women's Ministry Office facilitated their annual Ministry Wives' Weekend in which close to 200 ministry wives participated. The Women's Ministry Office hosts a women's emphasis at the State Evangelism Conference and, in 2009, brought evangelism events to four college campuses in cooperation with Baptist Collegiate Ministries. Finally, the Women's Ministry Office conducted a Missions and Ministries Celebration highlighting state, national and international missions. A Missionary Parents Fellowship luncheon and a dinner honoring current and emeritus missionaries were held.

Leadership Development

The BGCO Leadership Development office exists to connect Southern Baptist leaders in Oklahoma to their churches, their colleagues and their callings through: conferences, consultations, counseling and training sessions.

The Pastors' Conference was held at Broken Arrow, The Church at BattleCreek, on November 10, 2008. Attendees heard sermons, testimonies and theme interpretations from six presenters. The Oklahoma Bible Conference was held at Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center on May 4-6, 2009. Oklahoma pastors came together to renew their passion, connect with each other and prepare for the upcoming January Bible Study.

A photograph of three children in a grassy field under a blue sky, playing with several colorful balloons (white, blue, yellow, orange). The child in the foreground is a boy in a yellow shirt, reaching up to hold a blue balloon. Two other children, a girl in a pink shirt and a girl in a dark shirt, are also playing with balloons in the background.

CHILDHOOD MINISTRIES

BGCO Childhood Ministry's philosophy is: Developing leaders who will lead children to Christ, equip children with Bible skills and provide opportunities for children to serve others.



Vacation Bible School

"Boomerang Express: It All Comes Back to Jesus" was the 2009 VBS theme. As kids traveled across Australia, they discovered the vastness of God's love and learned that no matter where they go or what they do in life – it all comes back to Jesus. With over 78,000 children and volunteers involved and 2,683 decisions for Christ to-date, the 2009 VBS was a huge success.

Mission Ignition

This missions event was held in two locations simultaneously. It was a huge hit for kids with 830 attending in Oklahoma City and 700 in Tulsa. Eight missionaries and 197 volunteers greatly contributed to the success of both events. The children moved to different rooms every ten minutes to experience a variety of activities such as mission projects, talking with a missionary, crafts, Bible skills games and team building games. Nine children received the "Outstanding Service Award" for their selfless acts of service. Church mission groups were recognized for cooperative efforts of service in their communities and around the world.





Nuts and Bolts of Childhood Ministry Conference

This conference, held February 14, was a new training opportunity for part-time and volunteer preschool and children's ministry leaders. The Childhood Ministry office was very pleased when 45 individuals attended. The conference will be offered three times a year to offer practical help to establish and grow healthy preschool and children's ministries. Sessions led by Willa Ruth Garlow and Mark Jones were Enlisting Workers, Extended Teaching Care and Leading a Child to Christ.

CrossTimbers Children's Mission Adventure Camp

This summer, campers were challenged to live a life that is "Inside Out." Based on Psalm 19:14, "May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to You, Oh Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer," everyone should be reflecting Christ on the outside because He's changed all Christians on the inside.

CrossTimbers welcomed 1,477 campers and sponsors from 47 churches. This was an increase of 68 percent in registration over last year! This year, 305 lives were changed at CrossTimbers, including 144 children who accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

The camp featured action-packed, kid-friendly activity areas like the new high and low ropes courses, target sports and waterfront. The mission activities at CrossTimbers are the backbone of the camp program. The foreign mission emphasis this year was the country of Nepal. Kids enjoyed the Missions Hike down a mountain, crossed a suspension bridge and visited a replicated Nepali school. Hands-on missions allowed children to paint a hand-made chai tea cup and watch it be fired inside a kiln. They learned about house churches in Nepal and took an offering for personal water filtration systems. The home mission focus was the Hispanic churches of Oklahoma. Boys and girls met Hispanic church planters each week and learned how they could pray for the work. They also enjoyed cooking homemade tortillas. Campers were challenged to give an offering to buy Spanish Bibles.

CROSS-TIMBERS

CHILDREN'S MISSION ADVENTURE CAMP





MISSIONS

Disaster Relief

Response to Hurricanes Gustav and Ike — August 2008:

Oklahoma Statistics:

Volunteer days — 3,204

Mud-out jobs — 180

Chain saw jobs — 160

Meals — 900,000 in 54 days

Child care provided for 100 children at Lucent Center shelter in OKC

SBC Statistics:

Ministry contacts — 19,012

Mud-out jobs — 310

Chain saw jobs — 3,699

Meals — 5,000,017 in 60 days

Professions of faith — 186

Partnership Missions

Guerrero Partnership: The BGCO hosted Seminary President Omar Bustos Busio and his wife Hortensia on sabbatical from Seminario Teológico Bautista Del Sur in Zihuatanejo, Mexico for several weeks last fall. They spoke in many Anglo and Hispanic churches across Oklahoma, promoting our partnership with Guerrero and attended our Annual Meeting.

Guerrero, Mexico: The BGCO Church Planting Group joined Sam Porter in a church planting conference in Acapulco, May 22-27. Approximately 100 planters and seekers attended. Three years ago only five attended the first conference. Today the church planting movement in Guerrero is alive and well because of the partnership involvement from many in the BGCO. Sam Porter returned to Mexico June 25-29 to attend the seminary graduation and visit church plant sites along the north coast of Guerrero.

All but four of the active church plants have “partner churches,” and those are still seeking a church partner. The goal is to have 25 church plants by the end of 2010 and for each new church plant to have a partnering church from Oklahoma.

Chaplaincy

Once again, Oklahoma chaplains attended motorcycle rallies in Sparks, Oklahoma, and Sturgis, South Dakota. This year something new was added to chaplaincy training. Chaplain associates were included, and they worked alongside chaplains endorsed by the North American Mission Board as motorcycle chaplains. The results were great. Oil Patch Chaplaincy has provided stress management classes for two different oil companies.



A new chaplain's program has been started in Canadian County for the Canadian County Sheriff's Office. They now have three chaplains who are trained and on call for the Sheriff's Office. Plans are to start more Chaplain Corp programs around the state.

Church Planting

Church Planting in Oklahoma: As of August approximately 30 new churches have been started and reported throughout Oklahoma. Each church is encouraged to engage in the Oklahoma Church Planting Process. There are four stages: discover, engage, equip and mature/multiply. Throughout the year the Church Planting Group coordinates efforts around these four stages.

Basic Training Journey: Basic Training for Church Planters is now Basic Training Journey for Church Planters. The Church Planting Group has worked with NAMB during the past two years to rewrite and update the process. In April and August the process was field-tested with over 90 people, and it met with great success. The finished process will be available January 2010.

Associational & Small Attendance Church Outreach

Associational Outreach Leadership (AOL) Partnerships: At present there are partnerships with ten associations, and seven other associations are developing a 2010 strategy plan to present to the BGCO outreach team by the end of the year. These partnering associations increased in baptisms by 3.18 percent. North Canadian Association, one of the new partners, shared that they had an increase of 72 or 29 percent in baptisms and Cherokee Indian Association had an increase in baptisms of 77percent. There were 20 new church starts from the AOL agreements last year.

Pray that the Oklahoma State Missions Offering goal will be reached this fall—\$180,000 is to be allocated for meeting the needs of the AOL partnerships.

Acts 1:8

Smaller in Attendance Churches (SAC) Church Growth Workshops: Our goal is to help pastors and key leaders of our SAC churches discover where their churches are in light of the Great Commission and where they need to go in light of the vision and/or dream God has given them. This past year we completed six workshops in six associations. We had 49 churches attend with 174 pastors and key leaders. Those churches increased in baptisms by 47percent.

The Cooperative Program. Churches



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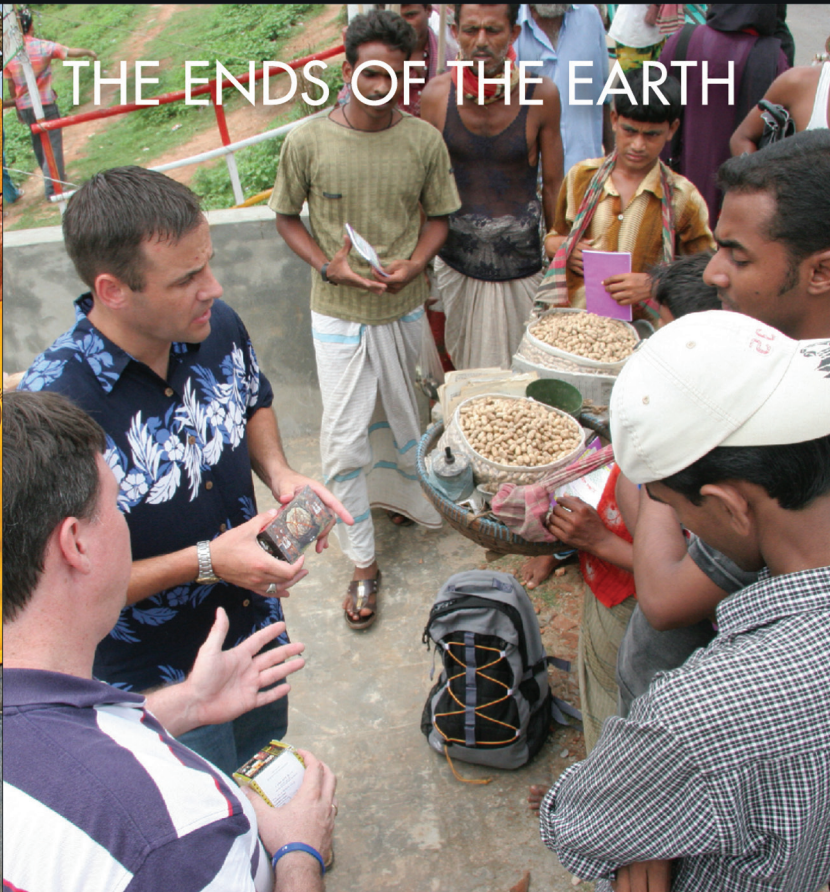
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— ACTS 1:8



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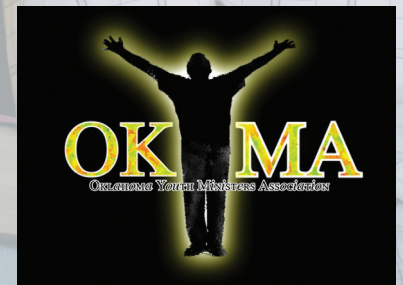
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STUDENT MINISTRIES

OKYMA

The Oklahoma Youth Ministers Association (OKYMA) held three meetings. OKYMA saw a great increase in attendees in 2009, as the last two meetings hosted record-breaking attendance of over 100 youth ministers per meeting. Attendance to the September OKYMA meeting nearly doubled from 2008 to 2009. In all, OKYMA meetings have provided training, fellowship and encouragement for over 250 youth ministers and lay leaders in 185 churches across Oklahoma.



Press On

The Oklahoma Youth Ministry Forum was held November 20-22, at Oklahoma City, Quail Springs. The Oklahoma Youth Ministry Forum is one of the most intensive youth ministry training events offered each year. The Forum had over 360 registrants representing leadership from 123 churches around Oklahoma. Worship was led by Ryland Russell from Edmond, Waterloo Road and the general session speakers were Matt Kearns, Missouri Baptist Convention, and Darren Whitehead, Willowcreek Community Church, South Barrington, IL.

Sumpherō (Some-fair-o)

Youth Discipleship is a curriculum of interactive discipleship designed to engage students in eight specific spiritual disciplines: prayer, evangelism, ministry, fasting, meditation, Bible study, scripture memory and worship. The goal of this involvement is to assist students in loving God with all their heart, soul, mind and strength (Mark 12:30). Each edition of Sumpherō contains 32 sessions of study/interaction. It has been authored and piloted by Oklahoma youth pastors and is offered as a free, online downloadable resource by the BGCO Student Ministry Team. Hundreds of churches have now accessed Sumpherō Volumes 1-3. Volume 4 was released in August.



Adult Leadership Investment

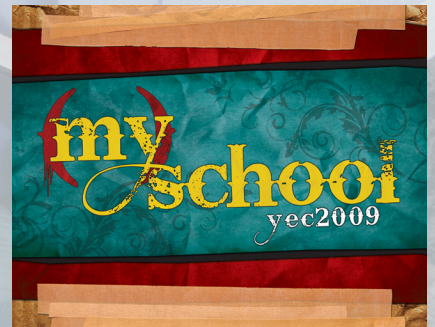
Adult Leadership Investment was offered at Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center this year on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Over 1,015 youth workers received instruction at these sessions. This was the most successful youth leadership training ever provided at Falls Creek.



YEC

The Youth Evangelism Conference was held August 7-8 at the Lloyd Noble Center in Norman with almost 10,000 attending. The focus of the weekend was to challenge and equip students to take personally their call to see the school as a place to share Christ. Over 400 decisions were made, including 41 professions of faith. The two-day event featured concerts with Skillet, Group1Crew and Blue Tree. Worship was led by Jeff Johnson and Chad Norris was the main speaker.

Mission YEC on Friday morning involved 1,314 participants from 53 churches. These students cleaned, painted and moved supplies in 18 different schools in the Norman area. Over 1,500 students took part in the pre-conference sessions on Friday afternoon. On Saturday, during the block party lunch, 1,000 backpacks containing basic school supplies for needy children were distributed to churches for delivery to local schools.



2009 Falls Creek Youth Weeks

This summer's Echo focus challenged Oklahoma students to connect with other believers in prayer, Scripture memory, service and accountability. Echo Groups have popped up in churches and schools around the state since camp. One generation passing on the Truth to the next generation is such a simple concept, but it is largely absent in our culture.

The 2009 youth weeks hosted 887 churches, 41,037 full-time campers and 51,390 total campers. During the eight weeks of camp, there were 6,246 public decisions, including 1,782 professions of faith and 876 publicly called to ministry.

GO Students

GO Students is designed to be a mission training experience to equip students and adults for ministry in a cross-cultural environment. The advance preparation, base camp training and training on the field prepare them for ministry in any culture. GO Students is a partnership between BGCO, IMB and IGO Global. Each team member spends hours prayer walking, sharing the Gospel with people of various cultural backgrounds, learning from IMB missionaries about their daily tasks and studying the Scriptures.

The 2009 GO Students team was the largest group ever sent in the history of the program. There were 251 students and adults from 156 different churches on one of the ten-day mission training experiences. The trips were divided into two locations, Cardiff, Wales, and London, England. Both locations are very multicultural and are historically closed to the Gospel. For the summer of 2010, the GO Students teams will again serve in the United Kingdom to work among the non-British immigrant population.



CHURCH SERVICES

ERLC

The Ethics & Religious Liberty Committee (ERLC) maintains a regular BGCO presence at the State Capitol in order to monitor critical moral and ethical legislation and policies that may affect Christian life. In January, more than 290 statewide watch parties were held and more than 1.5 million viewers watched *Crystal Darkness*, a 30-minute documentary designed to raise awareness of the deadly effects of crystal methamphetamine. ERLC served on the *Crystal Darkness* Executive Planning Team in an effort to educate and warn Oklahomans of the devastation of this dangerous drug. Oklahoma Baptists have been successful in the fight for pro-life legislation in our state with more pro-life measures passed through legislation to protect the most vulnerable – the unborn. In February, state legislators were greeted at our state's capitol with record-breaking crowds as they filled both the House and Senate Chambers for the 2009 Rose Day Pro-Life Rally, organized by the ERLC. The Committee addressed many moral issues throughout 2009 in the *Baptist Messenger* to coincide with SBC Special Emphasis Sundays.

Electronic Media

Through electronic media, the Communications Team continues to communicate the impact Oklahoma Baptists are having through the Cooperative Program by producing audio/visual resources that promote ministries designed to reach the lost. The Electronic Media team recently produced "The Cooperative Program Story," a four-part teaching video informing viewers of the history, process, impact and need for the Cooperative Program. Future plans include teaching videos for children and for youth. Promotional videos were also developed for both the 2009 Men's Retreat and CrossTimbers Children's Mission Adventure Camp. The Communications Team is currently working on video concepts for "One Day," a strategy developed by Bob Mayfield, BGCO Sunday School and Adult Discipleship specialist.

Baptist Messenger

Highlighting developments at the *Baptist Messenger* is the appointment of Douglas E. Baker from North Carolina as leader of the BGCO Communications Team and executive editor for the newsjournal. Baker had served as director of public relations and executive director of the Council on Christian Life and Public Affairs with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina since 2007. Coverage in the *Messenger* has included: outreach to Hispanics through a festival at Will Rogers Park in Oklahoma City; reports on Associational Children's Camp, CrossTimbers Children's Mission Adventure Camp, various associational camps and youth weeks at Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center. A report on the go-ahead by messengers to appoint a Great Commission Resurgence Task Force highlighted the report on the SBC Annual Meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, and the Oklahoma State Troopers Association's dedication of a memorial to fallen troopers at Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center was featured in July. With a new executive editor on board, exciting changes for the *Messenger* loom on the horizon.



Media Relations

The Communications Team communicates the impact Oklahoma Baptists are having through the Cooperative Program by serving as the voice of Oklahoma Baptists concerning public issues and developing the overall BGCO communications strategy. More than 15 media interviews and inquiries have been fulfilled on topics such as Oklahoma Baptist Disaster Relief response to victims of Hurricane Ike and Hurricane Gustav in southern Texas; resolutions passed at the 2008 Annual Meeting; the newly elected president of the BGCO; Crystal Darkness and many others. The news media continues to recognize the BGCO as a reliable and relevant news source and directly contacts the convention concerning its stance on various topics.

Information Services

Retirement and Insurance – The GuideStone Church Retirement and Insurance plans assist over half of BGCO churches and over 2,000 pastors and staff to prepare for the future. Information Services assists these participants in their planning and encourages every church to provide these benefits for their pastor and staff. During 2009, Retirement Planning Conferences were held in 27 associations and assistance was given to over 600 people.

Church Tax Assistance – Even though churches are tax exempt, their employees are not. So churches must relate to the IRS and the Oklahoma Tax Commission in several ways, including paying payroll taxes. Over 400 ministers, treasurers, financial secretaries and others are trained each fall through Regional Tax Seminars. In addition, consulting help is available throughout the year.

Annual Church Profile – The ACP collects statistical and leadership information from SBC churches and compiles it as a measure of how God is blessing our denomination. In Oklahoma, this office coordinates this effort. The ACP updates the BGCO mailing list; provides growth statistics for churches, associations and the BGCO; and determines the number of messengers each BGCO church may have at the state convention.

Church Compensation Survey – This biennial survey assists churches to provide adequate compensation for their pastors and staff. It is used extensively by ministers and church budget and finance committees to evaluate the salary and benefits they provide in relation to other churches of similar size. The survey will be updated in January 2010.

COLLEGIATE MINISTRIES

With as many as 200,000 university students on Oklahoma campuses, and with students representing virtually every American state and dozens of nations, Baptist Collegiate Ministry is vital for impacting lostness and training godly leaders. Oklahoma BCM continues to grow and move forward. One hundred sixty-seven students received Christ in the '08-'09 school year. Two hundred twenty-five students served in missions this past summer and 2,084 participated in short-term trips. They served cross-culturally in Argentina, Azerbaijan, Belize, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, China, Cuba, East Asia, Ecuador, England, Guatemala, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Malawi, Mexico, North Africa, Peru, Philippines and South Africa. They also served in Illinois, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Ohio, Texas and Utah. One hundred fifty students served at Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center and participated in discipleship training led by Tony and Melissa Tuck. Twenty-four students served at CrossTimbers and participated in discipleship training led by Keith Badgett and Kassie Sweeney.

MOMENTUM

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A missional, evangelistic experience for college students took place September 11 at Moore, First, with over 800 students attending! Michael Kelley, a writer for Threads media of LifeWay, taught on "Walking with God" and the Dutton Band led in worship.





BAPTIST CAMPS

CrossTimbers Children's Mission Adventure Camp

CrossTimbers Children's Mission Adventure Camp continues to educate, equip and engage 3rd – 6th graders in missions both close to home and across the world. There were eight co-ed weeks and one Special Needs week. Altogether, CrossTimbers housed 1,477 campers and sponsors. Join us in celebrating 144 salvations and 161 other decisions for Christ!

This year's camp would not have been possible without the prayers and financial support of Oklahoma Baptists. A big "thank you" to the 2008 Men's Retreat for donating funds that built brand new additions to the ropes course, including a leap-of-faith challenge, two high ropes elements and two zip lines longer than a football field! The 2008 Women's Retreat donations will go towards the future renovations of the Pennington Missions Center kitchen and outside deck addition.

In 2010, the CrossTimbers camp weeks will move to a four-day week which will significantly increase the service to more children across Oklahoma. The CrossTimbers camp theme is "Ur Life, U Decide" and the focus verse is 1 Timothy 4:12, "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity." For more information about camp, go to www.bgco.org/crosstimbers.

Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center

Even after 92 years Falls Creek continues to be a place where lives are transformed and thousands of decisions are made that impact the Kingdom for eternity! Satan surely trembles when he hears the words "Falls Creek Baptist Conference Center" because he knows Jesus Christ continues to speak to the lost and saved alike, and draw them to a closer relationship with Himself at Falls Creek.

Falls Creek had near record numbers again the summer of 2009, as thousands made decisions for Christ. Imagine 6,000 + youth singing praises to our Savior and hearing the Truth of the Gospel proclaimed! Falls Creek is not just a great summer youth camp, but it is also the perfect place for year round events. Over 30,000 people visited Falls Creek this year in the retreat season. They came for Marriage Retreats, Family Reunions, Conferences, Ladies Retreats, Men's Retreats, The Ropes Course Experience, Family Retreats and Youth Retreats just to name a few. Falls Creek is also the perfect place for staff retreats and personal getaways for pastors. Falls Creek is a full service Conference Center that is ready to meet the needs of all types of groups.





BGCO AFFILIATES

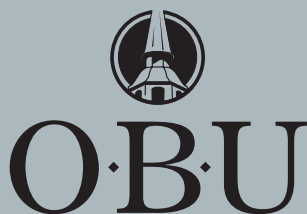
Oklahoma Baptist University

Oklahoma Baptist University welcomed Dr. David W. Whitlock as the university's 15th president in November 2008. OBU graduated 313 students in the 2008-09 academic year.

Students participated in campus worship, discipleship and ministry activities, including eight global missions ventures and eight year-round local ministry programs. In May 2009 OBU was once again recognized as the worldwide leader in the number of graduates serving as IMB missionaries. OBU students excelled in many academic fields. Business graduates placed among the top five percent nationally on the respected 2009 Major Field Test; pre-medicine graduates had a medical school acceptance rate of more than 90 percent; and students in theatre, music, broadcasting, history and political science earned state and regional honors. OBU also launched a master's degree program in nursing education in August 2008.

Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children

This year Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children celebrated 170 professions of faith while providing a home for more than 300 children on its four campuses. OBHC's AfterCare Program provided follow-up care and continued relationships with more than 784 young people. In addition, three pregnancy centers welcomed more than 3,797 client visits. Ninety percent of the young women who received ultrasounds chose life for their babies.





Baptist Village Communities

Baptist Village Communities celebrated 50 years of ministry in 2008. God has truly blessed this ministry. These communities serve over 2,100 people every day. BVC completed the "Life Without Limits" campaign raising in excess of \$700,000 for new transportation and to provide funds for the Larry and Edwine Adams Assistance Fund. The fund provides support to residents with financial needs. In 2009, BVC launched SeniorConnect in Lawton. This ministry will provide homecare services and other life enrichment events to those in the area. Construction continues on new assistance with living and memory support neighborhoods at Baptist Village of Broken Arrow. The neighborhoods will open in the spring of 2010. BVC now offers a constellation of services with eight villages, four home health agencies, case management and medical equipment. BVC continues to help shape the future of aging services.

The Baptist Foundation of Oklahoma

The Baptist Foundation of Oklahoma secures, manages and distributes perpetual gifts for Southern Baptist ministries in Oklahoma, throughout the United States and around the world.

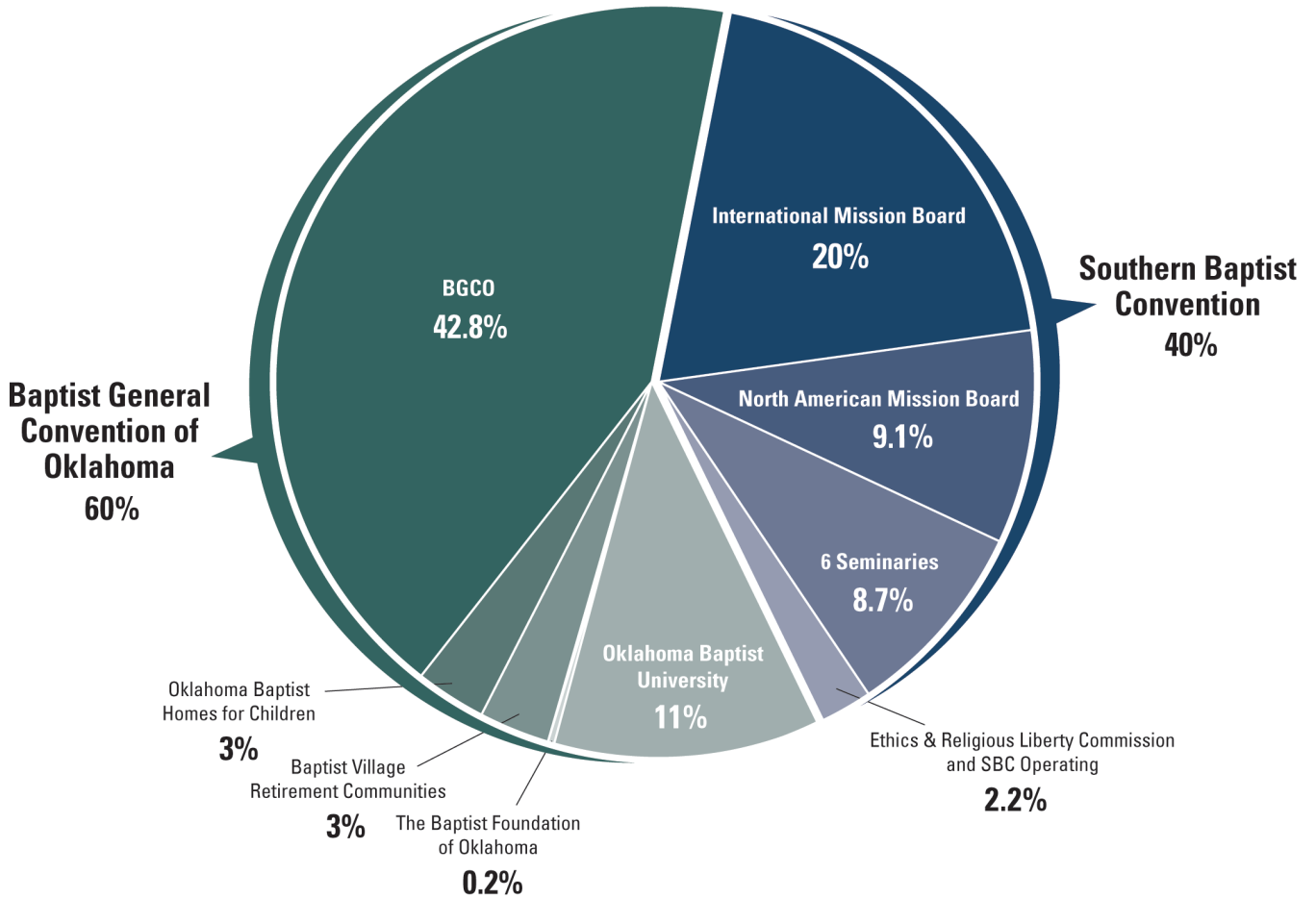
The assets held in trust by the Foundation were \$232,908,268 in 2008 and distributions were more than \$10 million to approximately 300 charitable organizations. Distributions were made to such beneficiaries as the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Baptist Village Communities, Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children, Oklahoma Baptist University, Associations and the local Southern Baptist church. The mission of the Foundation is to promote charitable planned giving and provide financial management for the gifts that strengthen Southern Baptist ministries today and tomorrow.



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2010 COOPERATIVE PROGRAM MISSIONS AND MINISTRIES PLAN

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Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma	\$ 11,130,000	42.8%
BGC0 Affiliates	\$ 4,470,000	17.2%
Southern Baptist Convention Missions & Ministries	\$ 10,400,000	40.0%
TOTAL Cooperative Program Budget	\$ 26,000,000	100.0%



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