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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

3:00 pm	Registration Open	Ballroom Foyer
5:30	Supper	Salon E-H
7:00	EVENING SESSION* <i>Symptoms of a Dying Church</i> Speaker: Mark Clifton	Cumberland Ballroom

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

7:30 am	Breakfast	Salon E-H
9:00	SESSION ONE <i>Knowing and Reaching Your Community</i> Speakers: Jonathan Locklear & Noah Taylor	Cumberland Ballroom
	 <i>Reaching College Students</i> Speakers: Reaching College Students Task Force	Salon A/B
10:00	SESSION TWO <i>Messy Ministry: Reaching the Hard to Reach</i> Speaker: Jim McComas	Cumberland Ballroom
	 <i>Keeping Our College Students</i> Speakers: Derek Altom, Eddie Moody, Leslie Nichols	Salon A/B
10:50	Refreshment Break	Ballroom Foyer
11:10	SESSION THREE <i>Church Mergers</i> Speaker: Mark Clifton	Cumberland Ballroom

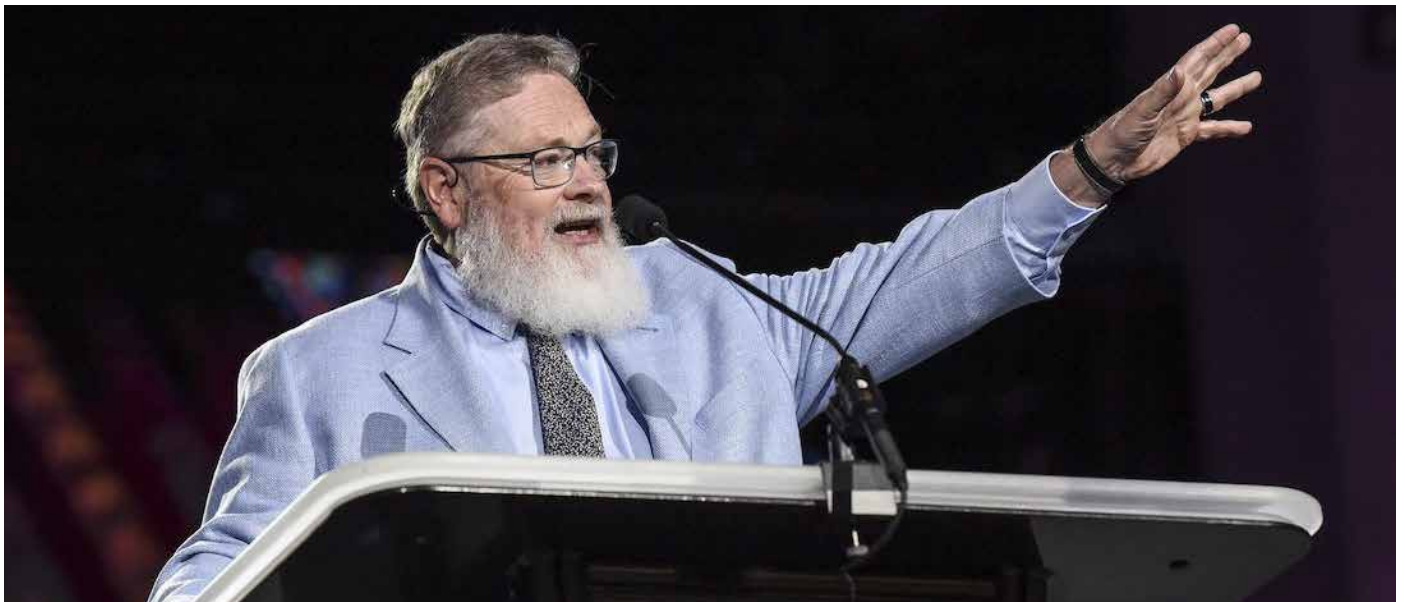
12:00 pm	Lunch	Salon E-H
12:30	Board Chair Meeting	Chattanooga
1:30	SESSION FOUR	
	<i>Creating Healthy Church Systems</i> Speaker: Dr. Brad Ransom	Cumberland Ballroom
	<i>Helping Pastors Be Healthy</i> Speaker: Tom Jones	Salon A/B
1:30	New Board Member Training	Jackson
5:30	Dinner	Salon E-H
7:00	EVENING SESSION* <i>Prescriptions to Revive a Church</i> Speaker: Mark Clifton	Cumberland Ballroom

*Q&A After Evening Sessions

CONFERENCE KEYNOTE SPEAKER

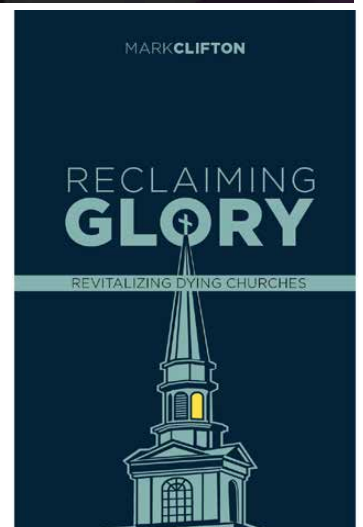
Mark Clifton

Mark Clifton is lead national strategist for revitalization/replanting at the North American Mission Board. God has used Mark to lead in the planting and replanting of more than a dozen churches across the United States and Canada. He has authored several books including *Reclaiming Glory* and produces a weekly podcast entitled *Revitalize and Replant*. Mark has served as a pastor, church planter, church revitalizer, mission strategist, coach, and mentor to young leaders. His experience includes serving as the lead mission strategist for the Kansas/Nebraska Southern Baptist Convention, serving as a church planter in Montreal, Quebec, and as the Southern Baptist National Church Planting Missionary for eastern Canada. Mark and his wife, Jill have two sons, two daughters-in-law, and four grandsons.



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MONDAY EVENING

CUMBERLAND BALLROOM | 7:00 PM

Speaker: Mark Clifton

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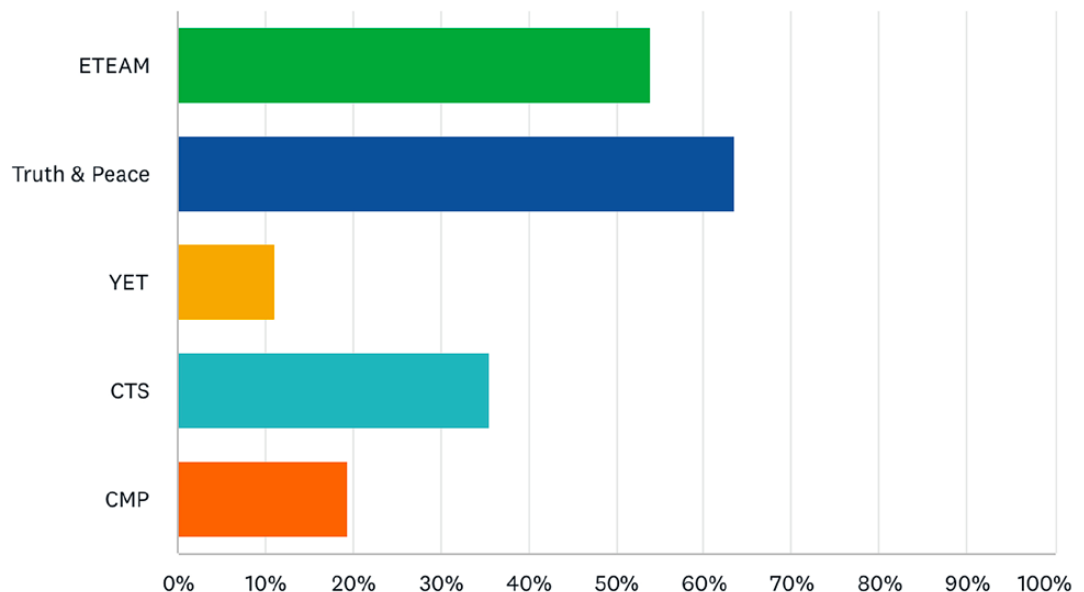
KEEPING OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Lessons from ETEAM, Truth & Peace, YET, CTS, and CMP Alumni

Every year, hundreds of Free Will Baptist youth participate in programs led by D6 Family Ministry and IM, Inc. Alumni from these programs provide a snapshot of Free Will Baptist youth. The programs include **ETEAM**, **Truth & Peace**, **Youth Evangelistic Team (YET)**, **Church Training Service (CTS)**, and the **College Missions Program (CMP)**. We surveyed recent participants of these programs, and the results that follow point to best practices to help youth transition into adulthood.

The Sample

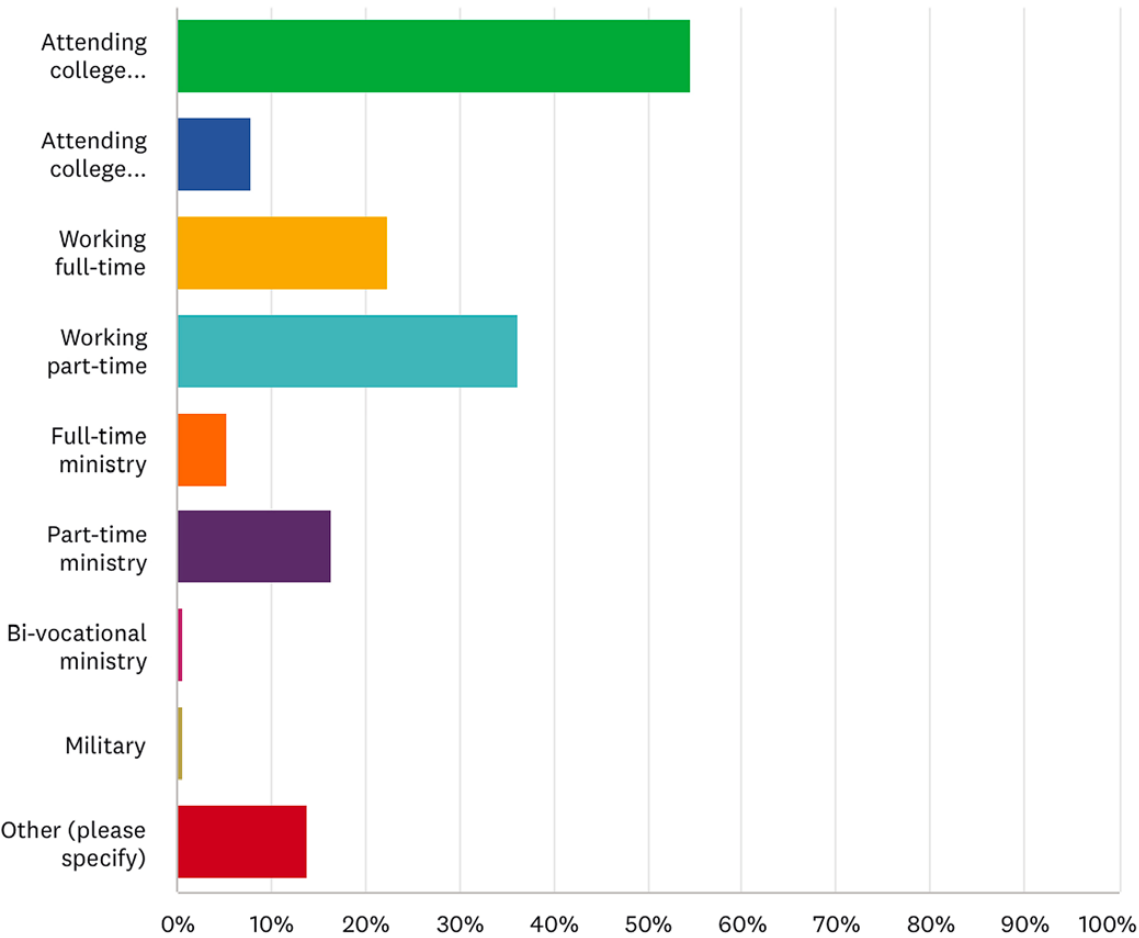
The sample consisted of 160 alumni who responded to a survey invitation. Respondents (see the chart below) can be broken down as follows: ETEAM (54%), Truth and Peace (64%), YET (11%), CTS (36%), and CMP (19%). Many respondents participated in multiple programs. Thirty-one percent were male, and 69% were female. They ranged in age from 17 to 27, with a mean age of 19.66, a mode of 19, and a median of 19. All of the respondents are part of Gen Z.



What Are They Doing Now?

These young adults are doing a variety of activities that can be broken down as follows (see the chart on page 15): attending college full-time (55%), working part-time (36%), working full-time

(22%), part-time ministry (16%), attending college part-time (8%), full-time ministry (5%), military (1%), and other (mostly attending high school) (14%). Many participants were engaged in more than one activity.



Where Are They Going to College?

Of those attending college, 43% attend a Free Will Baptist college, and 22% attend a non-Free Will Baptist Christian college. Fifteen percent attend a community/junior college, 14% attend a state university, and 1% attend a private, non-Christian college. Four percent of respondents indicated “other.”

Respondents’ classifications can be broken down as follows: Freshman (34%), Sophomore (28%), Junior (16%), Senior (18%), and Graduate Student (3%).

When asked if participation in ETEAM, Truth & Peace, and/or YET influenced college selection decision, 57% said yes, and 43% said no. On a scale of one to five, the top factors influencing college decisions were major (4.11), followed by finances (3.15), student life (3.05), geography (2.82), and legacy (parents attended) (1.87).

What Are Their Majors?

The sample was asked to list their specific college majors, which clustered around the the following areas.

Majors	Percentage
Education Majors.....	21.2%
Business.....	15.9%
Nursing.....	13.78%
Pastoral Ministry, Theology, Youth and Family	9.54%
Intercultural Studies, Missions	9.54%
Psychology	8.48%
Science, Medicine.....	8.48%
Music and Worship.....	7.42%
Math	5.3%
Humanities	4.24%
Other: Culinary Arts, General Studies, Office Studies ..	5.3%

Church Involvement

We are well aware of the sad news about youth in the church, or the lack thereof. It has been reported that 70% of youth stop attending church and start leaving when they graduate from high school. Only about half of them return to church within ten years.¹ In a recent study, only 10% of Gen Z (born between 1997-2012) attend church at least once a month.² Gen Z is the least church generation in American history.³ How does this sample compare?



Are They Going to Church?

When asked about church attendance, 99.25% of the respondents reported regular attendance. Regarding attendance patterns, 86% reported attending weekly and 13% attending bi-weekly.

How Did They Develop Their Attendance Patterns?

Seventy-five percent referred to their parents, family, or being raised to go to church as the source of their attendance patterns. The sentiment could be summed up by one respondent: "I was raised going to church every time the doors opened!" This is consistent with other research that indicates teens tend to take after their parents' religion.⁴

Where Do They Go to Church?

Respondents attend the following churches: Free Will Baptist (85%), non-denominational (7%), SBC (5%), other denomination (e.g. other Baptist churches, Evangelical Covenant) (3%).

When asked why they chose the churches they are attending, the following responses were typical: "While I'm away from my home church, I wanted an atmosphere that felt like my home church with sound doctrine and great preaching."

One respondent not attending a Free Will Baptist church stated, "A FWB church was not within a good driving distance from my school, so I knew I would have to search a bit harder for a church. I wanted a church with doctrinal teaching and clear concern for their youth/college students. I also wanted a church active in missions and discipleship. The church I have been attending for nearly 3 years offered each of these and more."

It seems a sense of belonging is what attracted most of them to the churches they attend. Here is one example: "My family has attended our church for my entire life. I am to the age where I could go somewhere else if I wanted but I do not want to because I am in a church that truly loves me and teaches the word of God the correct way." Notice, the respondent never considered not going to church (the case with most Gen Z) but chose to stay at that church for many reasons, including a sense of belonging. Incidentally, this is consistent with previous research about churches that attract and keep young people.⁵

Are They Ministering in Church?

It is clear these respondents attend church, but are they involved? Yes, 87% reported being involved in church ministry, most of which were involved in multiple ministries. The ministry types include children and youth ministry (54.5%), worship (singing, playing) (40.33%), A/V ministries (11.99%), Sunday School/CTS/discipleship (9.81%), preaching/teaching (7.63%), and hospitality/greeting (8.72%).

A typical response follows: "I run my church social media, make the media for slides/announcements, teach kids class every week, and sing in our worship band every week. I also am part of a weekly discipleship group as well."

In addition to being involved in their churches, the sample expressed interest in continued involvement in the denomination. Eighty-nine percent reported plans to attend future National Conventions.

How Has ETEAM, Truth & Peace, YET, CTS, and/or CMP Impacted Their Lives?

Students were asked to share ways the programs had impacted their lives. The following alumni provided specific examples: ETEAM (71%), Truth and Peace (56%), CTS (37%), CMP (50%), and YET (71%). Some sample responses are included below:

ETEAM

- + ETEAM taught me that missions isn't just overseas, opened my eyes to [North American Ministries], and gave me peace about my calling to church planting.
- + I felt called to youth ministry during one of my ETEAM trips and have now added a missions minor because of CMP.
- + ETEAM and CMP opened my eyes to the realization that this is what God wants me to do. It placed peace in my life that I can do missions overseas. God has placed this passion on me through these opportunities.

Truth & Peace

- + Truth and Peace changed my life. It really made me come out of my shell and comfort zone. It forced me to realize that I was missing out on a lot of what God had planned for me. It's when He revealed that I needed to just stay home for college and to start my girls ministry.
- + Truth and Peace helped me to build a good foundation in the FWB denomination and develop in my leadership skills.
- + ETEAM and Truth & Peace gave me the foundation I need when it came to looking for a church in college!
- + Truth & Peace showed me I could make a difference in my community. I go to college in my hometown and I felt like because I wasn't moving away that I couldn't have an impact. However, my experience at Truth & Peace showed me that I could be a leader in my church and in my college community. I participate in a weekly Bible study group on campus and have shared my own testimony as well as devotions because of the preparation Truth & Peace gave me.

CTS

- + CTS itself taught me the importance of memorizing Scripture at a very young age. Passages that I memorized when I was in elementary school for Bible competitions I can still to this day recite! For that I am very thankful!
- + CTS taught me so much Scripture that has stayed in my mind and helped me recall those verses in times of need.
- + CTS taught me an enormous amount of Bible that has helped me so much in recent years especially going to public school. I believe Bible competition [shows] how vital studying God's Word is and developing those patterns from a young age.
- + CTS helped instill a love for studying Scripture.

CMP

- + CMP has positively impacted my life in so many ways! From this opportunity I learned more about myself and how God is planning to utilize my spiritual gifts for His kingdom. I was impacted by living with missionaries and seeing their day to day, as it opened my eyes to how to live your life on mission for God. Furthermore, CMP allowed me to fully surrender my future to Christ, so that He can use me for His glory.
- + CMP showed me the need for more missionaries and placed a burden on my heart for the people of the country in which I now serve.
- + Participating in ETEAM and CMP led me to understanding how important missions is. I learned how it starts at home and in your local church and community and that it isn't just overseas. It was also eye opening to learn how no matter how I want things to go, God's timing and plan is greater than my own.

YET

- + YET taught me to use my talents for the Lord and also showed me that no matter how small your ministry might feel, you're always making an impact.
- + YET taught me how to lead others in worship while also worshipping as well.
- + I've continued to serve as part of worship teams.

Specifics Regarding What These Programs Do

Thirty-four percent of the respondents indicated something they had been given as a result of being part of their particular program. "CTS gave me extra motivation" and "ETeam gave me confidence in evangelism."

Similarly, the word “help” or “helped” was used by 25% of respondents. “ETEAM helped me grow closer to God.” “Truth and Peace helped me grow as a leader.” “The program helped me out of my shell.”

Finally, 18% used the word “learn” or “learned,” and another 17% used the word “taught” in describing their experiences. “I learned many ways to minister.” “I learned about God and His goodness.” “They taught me how important it is to have a servant’s heart.”

Conclusions and Implications

What does all of this mean? This sample is a true anomaly in America, not unlike the Hebrew youth found in the book of Daniel. These youth are tied to their families, churches, and denomination. How did it happen? Clearly, the role of parents and their home churches laid the foundation, while the programs built upon that foundation.

Where do we go from here? Currently, only 4.3% of Free Will Baptist churches have youth participating in these programs. Last year, we set a 3 for 30 objective to expand the percentage of churches that participate. Additionally, we must highlight the effectiveness of these programs and activities. As we live in a world turned upside down, we must engage in activities that are working. Let us highlight and expand these so we see more of our youth become like this sample.

¹ M. Yoder, (May 17, 2003). “Why Youth Leave the Church: 10 Surprising Reasons Teens Disappear.” Accessed: <https://churchleaders.com/youth/166129-marc-solas-10-surprising-reasons-our-kids-leave-church.html>

² <https://murmuration.org/guest/publication/14?s=40>

³ Samuel J. Abrams. (March 6, 2023). “Perspective: Why Even Secular People Should Worry About Gen Z’s Lack of Faith. American Enterprise Institute.” Accessed: <https://www.aei.org/articles/perspective-why-even-secular-people-should-worry-about-gen-zs-lack-of-faith/#:~:text=Pew%20Research%20repeatedly%20found%20that,boomers%20and%20the%20Silent%20Generation>

⁴ Pew Research Center (September 10, 2020). “U.S. Teens Take After Their Parents Religiously, Attend Services Together and Enjoy Family Rituals.” Accessed: <https://www.pewresearch.org/religion/2020/09/10/u-s-teens-take-after-their-parents-religiously-attend-services-together-and-enjoy-family-rituals/>

⁵ J. Mulder (June 13, 2016). “Meet the churches young people are loving (and not leaving).” Fuller Youth Institute. Accessed: <https://fulleryouthinstitute.org/blog/meet-the-churches>

Learn More

CMP & ETEAM: iminc.org/go/student-missions

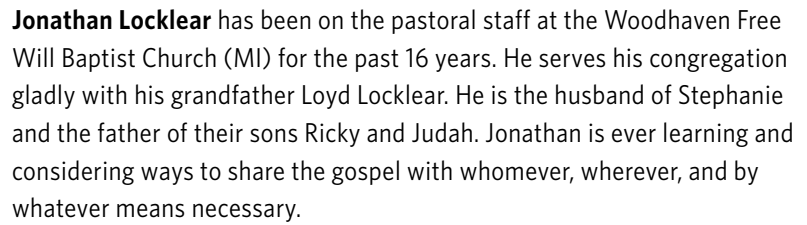
CTS: verticalthree.com/ministries/cts

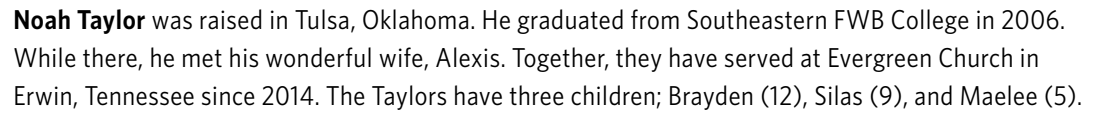
TRUTH & PEACE: verticalthree.com/ministries/truth-peace

YET: verticalthree.com/ministries/yet

Session One

Speakers: Jonathan Locklear & Noah Taylor

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Reaching College Students

Salon A/B | 9:00 AM

Speakers: Reaching College Students Task Force

College campuses often feel secluded from the communities they reside in. They can feel walled about with an ideology that opposes the biblical truth on which our churches rest. The need for a strong ministry to reach these college campuses is obvious, however, the task of discipleship on college campuses can seem large and overwhelming. If we are not careful, we can adopt defeatist attitude towards God's goal, similar to the ten spies who saw no way to victory in the Land of Promise. Scripture assures us every nation will be reached, the Worthy One will be worshiped in every language from the tongues of every people group. We need leaders like Caleb who declare the Lord is with us. So, let's go and play our role in reaching the nations!

This seminar will focus on how local churches can establish a discipling work among the international students who flood American colleges. The panel will provide beneficial steps to engage in this campus work, understanding every local church has unique talents it holds and challenges it faces for such work. We will also examine and explore barriers that must be bridged to provide a framework for the local church entering this endeavor. This discussion will have Great Commission impact for your local church through reaching our college campuses. The harvest is plentiful. Father, please send forth workers into Your harvest.

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Speaker: Jim McComas

Reaching difficult people is the most challenging thing you will ever do...and that's exactly why you need to do it. Jim McComas provides practical advice on how to plan and prepare your ministry to make hurting people your priority.

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A young man with dark hair, wearing a blue button-down shirt and a black backpack, is smiling at the camera. He is standing outdoors in front of a blurred background of other students and a building. The text 'Keeping Our College Students' is overlaid on the left side of the image in a white serif font.

Keeping Our College Students


Speakers: Derek Altom, Eddie Moody, and Leslie Nichols

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WHAT I NEED FROM CHURCH

Young Adults in Their Own Words




To feel like a puzzle piece that fits within the larger picture. **Caroline**

My church community refreshes and prepares me to be around unbelievers during the coming week. **Brooke**

Never underestimate the power of Bible study and a good meal! Arrange for students to visit homes and get to know the congregation. **Ella**

After high school, young adults don't always have a place to fit. Why not church? So, help us understand our role in the church and in outreach. **Will**



Feeling welcome vs. feeling present. **Caleb**



I've been happy since I found "my" place to serve. **Mary**

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Mary Grace

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Caleb**





Church Mergers

Cumberland Ballroom | 11:10 AM

Speaker: Mark Clifton

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Speaker: Dr. Brad Ransom

Brad Ransom is the Chief Training Officer and Director of Church Planting for Free Will Baptist North American Ministries. He is a former pastor and is passionate about training leaders. He is the author of *Creating Healthy Church Systems* (coming March 2024, D6 Family Ministry).

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Helping Pastors Be Healthy

Salon A/B | 1:30 PM

Speaker: Tom Jones

Tom Jones is a former church planter to greater Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Liberty University in 2016 with a master's degree in professional counseling. He is a licensed professional counselor with a burden to work with pastors. He understands the strain and stress of being a pastor and creates a safe place where pastors can be open without fear of criticism and with complete confidentiality.

Tom shares thoughts and strategies to help pastors practice self-care by recognizing and processing their thoughts and emotions rather than carrying the extra weight. He will also introduce healthy steps to assist pastors in supporting one another.

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2024 State/District Association Meetings

(Chronological)

STATE	DATE		TIME	LOCATION
South Carolina	Starts:	Feb. 22	9:00 am	Gilead FWB Church 802 Cockfield Rd Scranton SC 29591
	Ends:	Feb. 23	3:00 pm	
Arizona District	Starts:	Mar. 9	10:00 am	East Valley FWB Church 2160 N Power Rd Mesa AZ 85215
	Ends:	Mar. 9	1:30 pm	
Illinois	Starts:	Mar. 14	6:00 pm	Victory FWB Church 223 Scott Troy Rd O’Fallon IL 62269
	Ends:	Mar. 15	Evening	
Georgia	Starts:	Mar. 21	1:30 pm	Colquitt FWB Church 319 E Grow St Colquitt GA 39837
	Ends:	Mar. 22	Noon	
Indiana	Starts:	Mar. 22	6:00 pm	Emmanuel FWB Church 129 Southwood Dr Wabash IN 46992
	Ends:	Mar. 23	3:00 pm	
Kentucky	Starts:	April 5	6:30 pm	Heritage FWB Church 13136 St Rte 180 Ashland KY 41102
	Ends:	April 6	1:00 pm	
Alabama	Starts:	April 17	7:00 pm	Hyatt Regency 1000 Riverchase Galleria Birmingham AL 35244
	Ends:	April 20	11:00 am	
Mississippi	Starts:	April 18	9:00 am	Cotton Heights FWB Church 1377 Cotton Gin Rd Meridian MS 39305
	Ends:	April 19	Noon	
Atlantic Canada District	Starts:	April 20	2:00 pm	Holmesville FWB Church 574 McElroy Rd Holmesville NB E7J 2J9
	Ends:	April 21	4:00 pm	
Florida	Starts:	April 24	7:00 pm	DoubleTree Hotel 2101 Dixie Clipper Dr Jacksonville FL 32218
	Ends:	April 26	Noon	
Kansas	Starts:	April 26	10:00 am	Legacy Worship Center 3310 W MacArthur Wichita KS 67217
	Ends:	April 27	1:00 pm	
California	Starts:	May 2	6:00 pm	Farmersville First FWB Church 239 S Dode Ave Farmersville CA 93223
	Ends:	May 3	8:00 pm	

STATE	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Oklahoma	Starts: May 3 Ends: May 3	9:00 am 8:30 pm	Randall University 3701 S I-35 Service Rd Moore OK 73160
Idaho District	Starts: May 3 Ends: May 4	7:00 pm 1:00 pm	Jerome FWB Church 810 S Cleveland Jerome ID 83338
Michigan	Starts: May 17 Ends: May 18	8:30 am Noon	Zehnder's of Frankenmuth 730 S Main St Frankenmuth MI 48734
Northwest Association	Starts: May 17 Ends: May 18	7:00 pm Noon	Tri-Cities FWB Church 510 N Neel St Kennewick WA 99336
Arkansas	Starts: May 20 Ends: May 21	7:00 pm 5:00 pm	Camp Beaverfork 150 Beaverfork Rd Conway AR 72032
North Carolina	Starts: June 3 Ends: June 4	9:30 am 8:30 pm	Embassy Suites Hotel 204 Centreport Dr Greensboro NC 27409
Missouri	Starts: June 3 Ends: June 5	7:00 pm Evening	Oasis Hotel & Convention Center 2546 N Glenstone Ave Springfield MO 65803
Texas	Starts: June 5 Ends: June 6	Evening Evening	First FWB Church 913 Richardson Henderson TX 75654
West Virginia	Starts: June 7 Ends: June 8	9:30 am 1:30 pm	Victory FWB Church 1702 Mill Creek Rd Pecks Mill WV 25547
Virginia	Starts: June 13 Ends: June 14	9:00 am Noon	Lifegate FWB Church 127 Soldiers Rest Ln Winchester VA 22602
Ohio	Starts: June 21 Ends: June 22	9:00 am Noon	Heritage FWB Church 575 Obetz Rd Columbus OH 43207
Tennessee	Starts: Nov. 11 Ends: Nov. 13	7:00 pm 11:30 am	Oak Grove FWB Church 2320 Old Tusculum Rd Greeneville TN 37745

STATE	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Iowa District	Starts: Nov. 16 Ends: Nov. 16	9:00 am 11:30 am	Green Rock FWB Church 918 2nd St Colona IL 61241
Mid-Atlantic District	Starts: Dec. 7 Ends: Dec. 7	9:30 am 1:00 pm	Good News FWB Church 530 Locust Grove Rd York PA 17402

Free Will Baptist Colleges

Welch College (National College)

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Future National Conventions

2024	Tampa, Florida	July 21-24
2025	Kansas City, Missouri	July 20-23
2026	Charleston, West Virginia	July 19-22
2027	Grand Rapids, Michigan	July 25-28
2028	Little Rock, Arkansas	July 16-19

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