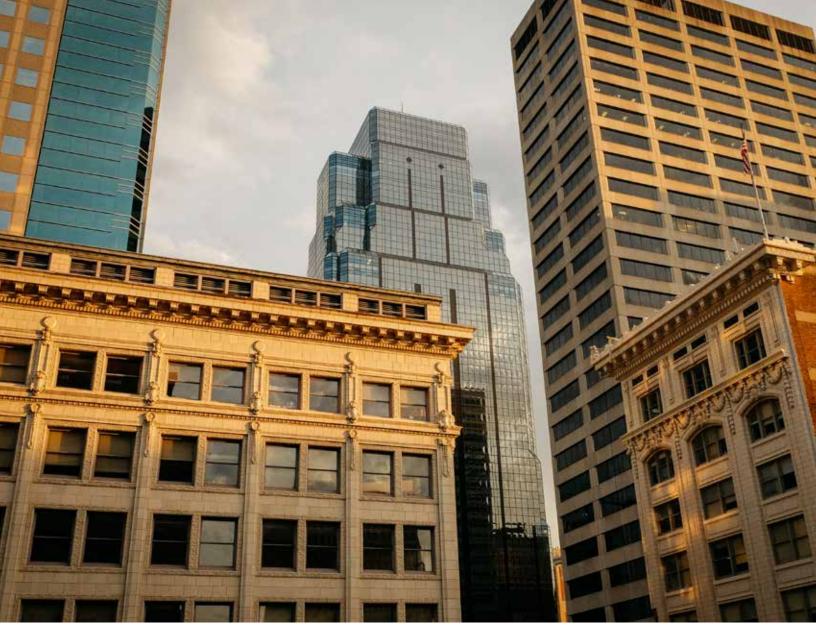
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## **SCHEDULE**

#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

3:00 Registration Opens Ballroom Foyer 5:30 Supper Salon E-H

7:00 **EVENING SESSION\*** Cumberland Ballroom

Doing Church Solo

Speaker: Dr. Gary McIntosh

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 Breakfast Salon E-H

9:00 SESSION ONE Cumberland Ballroom

How Your Church Can Minister to Your Community

Speaker: Daryl Crouch

10:00 SESSION TWO Cumberland Ballroom

The Mediterranean Sea Rules Speaker: Robert J. Morgan

10:50 Refreshment Break

11:10 SESSION THREE Cumberland Ballroom

Dreams, Dangers, Directions: Insights on Vision to Use Today Speaker: Dr. Gary McIntosh

12:00 Lunch Salon E-H

12:30 Board Chair Meeting Chattanooga Room

1:30 SESSION FOUR Cumberland Ballroom

Confronting Isolation

2:30 New Board Member Training Chattanooga Room



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2:30	SESSION FIVE	Cumberland Ballroom
	Making Associations Work Stan Bunch	
5:30	Supper	Salon E-H
7:00	EVENING SESSION*	Cumberland Ballroom
	Growing God's Church Dr. Garv McIntosh	



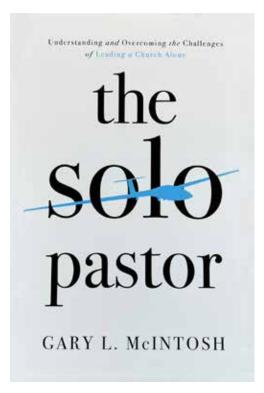
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## **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



#### Dr. Gary McIntosh

**Gary McIntosh,** writer, speaker, pastor and professor is the keynote speaker for general sessions. Author of 32 books and manuals, McIntosh's writings emphasize principles of healthy leadership, effective outreach, and sustainable growth. McIntosh is the founder of the Church Growth Network. He is the distinguished professor of Christian Ministry & Leadership at Talbot School of Theology, where he has taught in the Doctor of Ministry program for 39 years. For fun, Gary enjoys fishing with Carol, his wife of 55 years (but admits she *always* catches the largest fish). The couple has two children, eight grandchildren, and two great grandsons.



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## **DOING CHURCH SOLO:** JOYS, CHALLENGES, AND INSIGHTS

## **MONDAY EVENING**

**CUMBERLAND BALLROOM | 7:00 PM Speaker: Gary McIntosh** 

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I. Joys o	f Doing Chu	ırch Ministr	y Solo	



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IV. A Few Ideas	for Doing Church	Ministry So	lo	
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## **GROWING GOD'S CHURCH:** PROMISE, COMMAND, AND DISPLAY

## TUESDAY EVENING

## **CUMBERLAND BALLROOM | 7:00 PM Speaker: Gary McIntosh**

I. An Ancient Metaphor	
II. Does God Want His C	Church to Grow?
1. God	the growth of His Church.
2. God	the growth of His Church.
3. God	the growth of His Church.



III. How Is God Growing His Church Today?
1. Spiritual
2. Intentional
3. Strategic
4. Generative
5. Connectional
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### **FACING FACTS:**

## WHAT THE LATEST DATA TELLS US ABOUT **FREE WILL BAPTISTS** AND WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT

"He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap" (Ecclesiastes 11:4).

Recent data regarding Free Will Baptists and other denominations has prompted many conversations. However, data that does not lead to action is not useful. This article will report the data and offer ways we can use that data to help our denomination be more effective.

#### Where did the data originate?

Most of this data can be found in the Cooperative Election Study (CES), which began in 2006. The CES is used to survey over 50,000 Americans every two years. You can access the data set on the Harvard University website. Until statistician Ryan Burge began examining this data for information regarding religious groups, it was primarily used by political scientists to study elections.<sup>1</sup>

The second set of data is from the United States Religion Census which dates to 1906. The National Association of Free Will Baptists provides the Religion Census with data every ten years.<sup>2</sup> The data set provided is derived from yearly reports that churches, associations, and states submit to the NAFWB. The Religion Census analyzes the data in conjunction with the United States Census.

#### What does the data indicate?

The data provides important information about the educational, family structure, and financial condition of Free Will Baptists as well as information on the location of NAFWB churches. Much of the data was reported recently by Ryan Burge in his article "The Socioeconomic Status of American Religion Traditions" where he examined the top 20 denominations in America.<sup>3</sup>

#### **Education**

Of the 20 largest Protestant denominations, CES results indicated that Free Will Baptist congregations have the lowest number of congregants with a college degree (**Figure 1**).

Burge also compared the increase in the college-educated population from the 2008-2010 administration to the 2022-2023 administration of the CES (**Figure 2**).

Results indicated that Free Will Baptists who earned college degrees only grew by 3%. By comparison, during the same period, overall college degree recipients in America grew by 9%.

The findings are consistent with data the NAFWB collects about enrollment in our colleges (Figure 3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Burge, R. (2024). The Socioeconimic States of American Religious Traditions Graphs About Religion. Accessed: https://www.graphsaboutreligion.com/p/the-socioeconomic-status-of-american?r=1btmz6&utm\_campaign=post&utm\_medium=web





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://cces.gov.harvard.edu

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.usreligioncensus.org

Figure 1

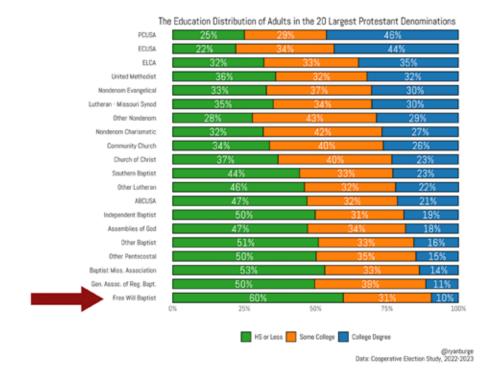


Figure 2

#### Share With a College Degree in 2008-2010 vs 2022-2023

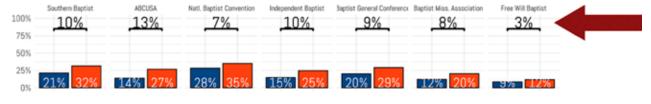
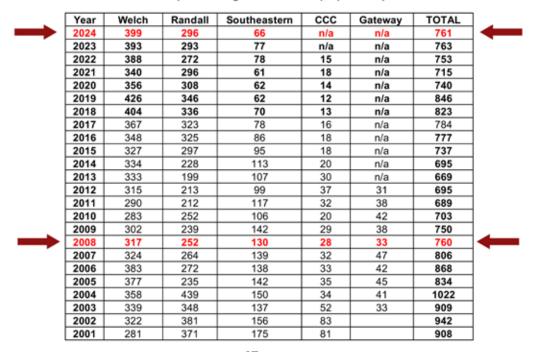


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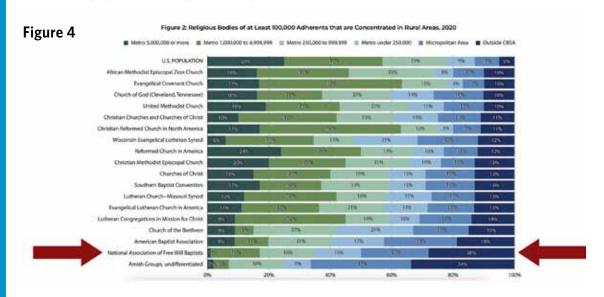
Free Will Baptist College Enrollments (September)



In 2024, only 761 students enrolled at our three colleges. In 2022, Free Will Baptist churches reported a membership of 101,353. Free Will Baptists are likely undercounted since seven states or districts reported no members. The low attendance at Free Will Baptist colleges is likely related to a low overall college attendance by Free Will Baptists.

#### Why might the educational level be so low?

One hypothesis regards the locations of most Free Will Baptist churches. Data from the Religion Census indicates that many NAFWB churches are located in rural communities (**Figure 4, below**). Twenty-eight percent of NAFWB churches are located where only 5% of the US population resides. Put another way, the map (**Figure 5, opposite**) from the Religion Census depicts the US counties where NAFWB congregants are a large percentage of the population.



Compare the map in **Figure 5** with the map **(Figure 6, opposite)** depicting the counties where the largest percentage of the US population has earned a college degree.<sup>4</sup>

One could hypothesize that one reason Free Will Baptists have a lower percentage of college educated congregants is they reside in communities with a lower percentage of residents who have earned college degrees.

#### What are the implications?

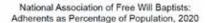
A strong correlation can be drawn between educational attainment and income earned.<sup>5</sup> That appears to be the case with Free Will Baptists. When comparing Free Will Baptists to other religious traditions in America, Free Will Baptists have the lowest average household income based on CES data (**Figure 7**, **page 16**). The correlation between education and income can be found in the scatterplot graphed by Ryan Burge (**Figure 8**, **page 16**).

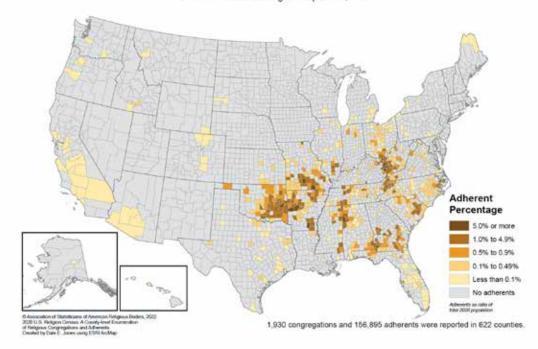
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Zhang, L., Liu, X., & Hu, Y. (2024). Degrees of return: Estimating internal rates of return for college majors using quantile regression. American Educational Research Journal. Prepublished March 12, 2024: https://doi.org/10.3102/00028312241231512

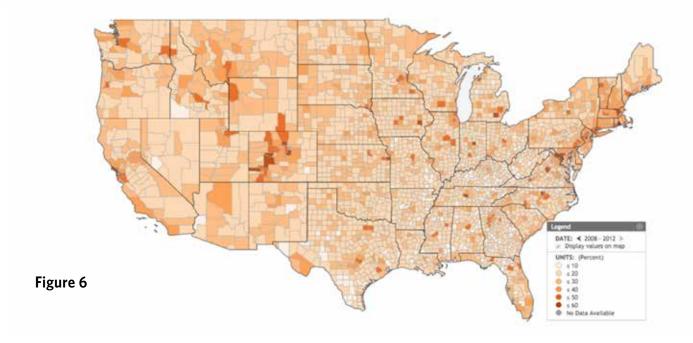


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Educational\_attainment\_in\_the\_United\_States#/media/File:US\_bachelor's\_degree\_by\_county\_in\_the\_United\_States.png









These results indicate Free Will Baptists have a greater number of challenges than other groups. Ryan Burge put it this way: "Southern Baptists have statistically the same income as the average American, but the same can't be said for Free Will Baptists. They are clearly the most economically disadvantaged."

This has implications for giving. In 2023, \$17,372,228 was given to national ministries. Although that was an increase of nearly a million dollars from 2022, 76% of all giving was to missions, with little for infrastructure and other needs. By comparison, a single anonymous donor gave \$15 million in one day to Cedarville University. The gift was part of a larger campaign of \$175 million. Free Will Baptists have greater economic challenges than other religious bodies.

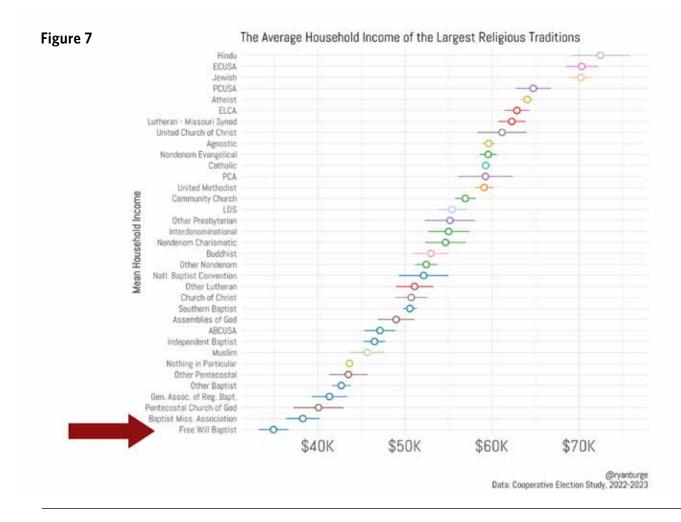
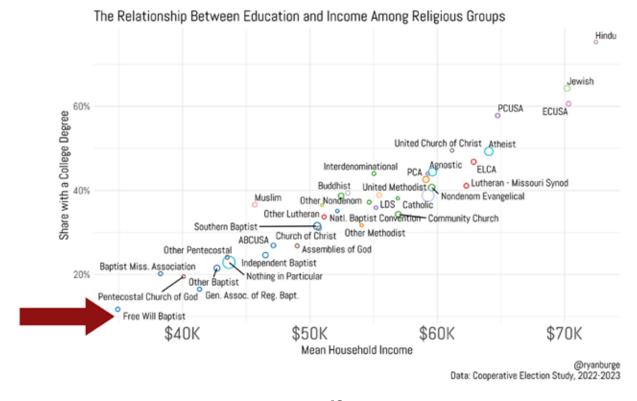


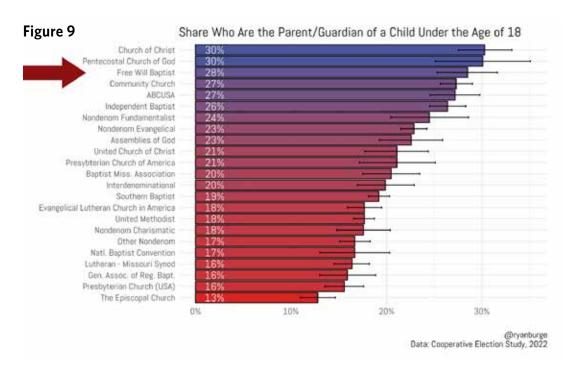
Figure 8



Many will argue with the CES findings. I think discussing them too much is akin to "observing the wind." Even if someone disagrees with the findings, hopefully we can agree on the actions needed to have a healthier denomination. Consider an annual physical where doctor warns the patient he has some health issues and needs to exercise more and lose weight. Perhaps the patient disagrees with the assessment. Regardless, if he exercises a bit more and engages in a healthier diet, he will have a better outcome. Rather than arguing about the assessment, let us agree on the action steps that follow and reap the benefits.

#### **Toward the Future**

Free Will Baptists are also among the youngest [denominations]. This obviously has a tremendous impact on whether a congregation fills up its nursery every Sunday during worship. — **Ryan Burge**Although Free Will Baptists may be economically disadvantaged, the CES data indicates that we are the third youngest denomination in America.



More than one measure points to this finding, but the best indicator is the percentage of parents or guardians with a child under age 18. Many Free Will Baptists lack resources, but the number of youth provides great opportunities for the future that other denominations do not have. We can turn the education and economic trends around for the next generation.

#### How?

"A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach" (1 Timothy 3:2).

**Encourage presbytery boards to assess whether candidates can teach.** We can begin by focusing on the education of pastoral candidates and help them develop a teaching mindset. If you are going to reach a college-educated person, you must teach and preach substance. For a man to meet the qualifications to pastor, he must be "apt to teach." We encourage presbytery board members and others to

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take pastoral candidates under their wings and read and discuss books together. Pastors can't impart what they do not have, so we encourage candidates to use the D6 reading list as a good place to start (https://rhpweb.s3.amazonaws.com/ReadingList-Ordination.pdf). This is good for candidates as well as presbytery board members who are likely to become very familiar with many of these resources.

**Encourage ministry candidates to attend our colleges.** Too often we lose pastoral candidates to other movements. Perhaps there have been cases where a pastoral candidate encounters challenging teaching for the first time in a Calvinistic college. This could lead one to assume Calvinism has more substance than Arminianism. For this reason, we encourage ministry candidates to attend our colleges, especially until they are grounded in doctrine. When students do not attend our colleges, we encourage pastors to walk alongside the candidates and increase their mentoring efforts during this critical period.

**Make continuing education the expectation.** In professional fields, continuing education is required so professionals stay fresh and ever-learning. Continuing education takes place at conferences and webinars, and by reading books followed by tests. For us, this can take place via attendance at the National Convention workshops, D6 Conferences, Forlines Lectures, Leadership Conference, boot camps, and associational meetings, as well as through podcasts and webinars. Active learners are attracted to other active learners, so it is critical to be lifelong learners, both for ourselves and for our congregants.

**Encourage everyone to attend college.** Many question the value of college these days. However, for our students (many from economically disadvantaged backgrounds), college is critical for social mobility.

Consider the most recent *U.S. News and World Report's* Best Colleges report. Welch College was ranked first in social mobility for "Best Regional Colleges-South." The social mobility measure is based on the percentage of students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds who go on to graduate. This is an example of how Welch College changes the life trajectory of economically disadvantaged students. Additionally, Welch ranked as 5th lowest among private colleges in student debt after graduation. This is an important point when encouraging our students to attend our colleges.

When our students attend other Christian colleges or secular colleges, we encourage you to help them find a Free Will Baptist church in their area while also regularly checking in with them regarding progress. In communities that are economically disadvantaged, if these students return, there will be additional opportunities to lead and influence the community.

**Encourage churches to use D6 Curriculum.** Curriculum is critical to learning. Every teacher is prone to drift into favorite topics when they teach. The only way to counter that trend is to teach using curriculum. Curriculum requires a teacher to learn and teach both familiar and unfamiliar topics, and often they are challenged to use new techniques, providing an opportunity to acquire new skills.

Curriculum is also good for students. The student knows what is coming, and they can be prepared and continue study throughout the week (a requirement in other educational settings). D6 curriculum follows this same format, providing unified lessons across age levels and promoting further study outside the church setting. Incidentally, students who study D6 Curriculum will be better prepared for college-level learning, and college-educated students will be more enticed by D6 Curriculum.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> https://welch.edu/welch-college-ranked-1st-in-social-mobility-2025

**Encourage everyone to participate in learning opportunities.** A learning laity is a better equipped laity. Encourage your laypeople to attend the National Convention (with more than 90 seminars last year), the Leadership Conference, and your associational meetings, taking advantage of every learning opportunity. Also, consider regional Bible institutes, a class from one of our colleges, or a NAM Boot Camp on the Road. In my experience with these boot camps, our laity are like sponges soaking up knowledge. Additionally, if you know someone interested in earning an online Church Answers Certificate (e.g., worship, women's ministry), have them email questions@nafwb.org for the Free Will Baptist discount.

**Encourage churches without pastors to be actively learning.** Learning should not stop when a church is without a pastor. Encourage churches to utilize online resources for The Shepherding Initiative. Video-based messages, Bible studies, and coaching all are available to keep learning active when a church is without a pastor.

**Teach financial literacy.** Many communities where our churches are located lack financial literacy. Include a session on finances in premarital counseling and use a marriage mentor who will work with couples in the areas of debt, retirement, saving, and budgeting. Congregants do not have to be employed in the ministry to utilize the Board of Retirement resources, so we encourage you to point them toward their podcasts and other materials.

Make people aware of the resources Free Will Baptist Foundation offers with estate planning. Consider teaching Art Rainer's 8 Money Milestones or Dave Ramsey's The Total Money Makeover to help those in your congregation and community be good stewards of their resources.

Consider hiring a staff member from Church Answers to coach someone from your church in the areas of stewardship and financial counseling for those struggling. We must help our people increase their financial stability. This will not only benefit them personally, but also will increase the financial viability of our churches and lead to more resources for Kingdom work.

Lastly, consider using some of the MINCE activities we have promoted to help your church develop a firm financial foundation (nafwb.org/MINCE).

Yes, Free Will Baptists have many challenges, but our future is bright if we continue to methodically obey the Lord and teach our people so more people will see the light of the gospel.

In an era where many denominations are known for their controversies and in-fighting, here is a story of a denomination that quietly and methodically demonstrates obedience to the gospel in a positive light for the world to see. — **Thom Rainer, describing the National Association of Free Will Baptists** 

#### **How Your Church Can Minister to Your Community**

## **Cumberland Ballroom | 9:00 AM Speaker: Daryl Crouch**



**Daryl Crouch** served in pastoral ministry for 28 years before becoming executive director of Everyone's Wilson in 2021. Everyone's Wilson is a network of churches, businesses, and nonprofits working together for the spiritual and social transformation of the community. Its mission is to "unite the church to engage the community so everyone thrives." Born and raised in Tullahoma, Tennessee, Daryl graduated from UT Chattanooga before earning an M.Div from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and a D.Min from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Deborah, and they have four children. Daryl is a frequent writer who enjoys running and playing golf.

#### What do you mean by "reach"?

The Four Greats: A vision and model for community transformation

#### What can one church do?

Discovering the power of network

#### How will you pray for the community?

Developing a shared language and hope

#### Who is "the community"?

Exegeting the city



#### What is God already doing?

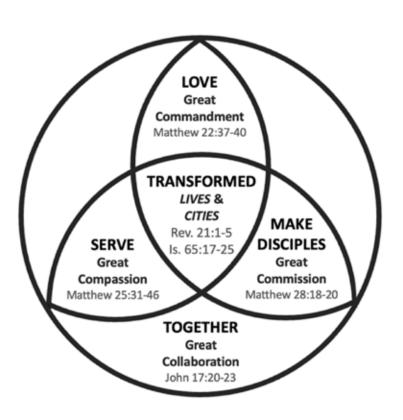
Calculating the assets and tethering them to vulnerabilities

#### How do you intend to reach the community?

Creating systems for sending, engagement, response, and celebration

#### What evil has died, and what life has come?

Naming names, keeping lists, and telling stories



#### The Mediterranean Sea Rules

## Cumberland Ballroom | 10:00 AM Speaker: Robert J. Morgan



Robert J. Morgan is associate pastor of World Outreach Church in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and the leader of Robert J. Morgan Ministries with the aim of energizing God's people to a greater understanding and appreciation of the Bible and Christian heritage. Prior to his current role, Rob pastored The Donelson Fellowship in Nashville, Tennessee, for over 40 years. He is a best-selling, gold-illuminations, and gold-medallion winning writer with more than 35 books in print and approximately 5 million copies in circulation in multiple languages. He has appeared on numerous television and radio shows and speaks widely. Rob was a caregiver for his late wife Katrina, who battled multiple sclerosis and passed away in November of 2019. He and Katrina have three daughters and sixteen grandchildren.

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #1

When Your Plans Collapse, Make Sure You Don't (Acts 27:1-2)

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #2

Trust the Slow Work of God (Acts 27:3-8)

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #3

Speak Your Mind without Losing Your Leverage (Acts 27:9-12)

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #4

Let Divine Grace Hold You Together (Acts 27:13-17)



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#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #6

Expect God to Do Exactly As He Has Said (Acts 27:20-26)

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #7

Minister in the Moment (Acts 27:27-36)

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #8

Don't Underestimate the One Percent (Acts 27:37-44)

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #9

Shake the Serpent into the Fire (Acts 28:1-6)

#### Mediterranean Sea Rule #10

Look Around for What Christ Wants You To Do Next (Acts 28:7-31)



Dreams, Dangers, Directions: Insights on Vision to Use Today!

**Cumberland Ballroom | 11:10 AM Speaker: Dr. Gary McIntosh** 

I. One Man's Story: An Ancient Case Study		
II. Some BIG implications from	faith and life?	
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#### III. Finding God's Dream (Vision) for Your Church.

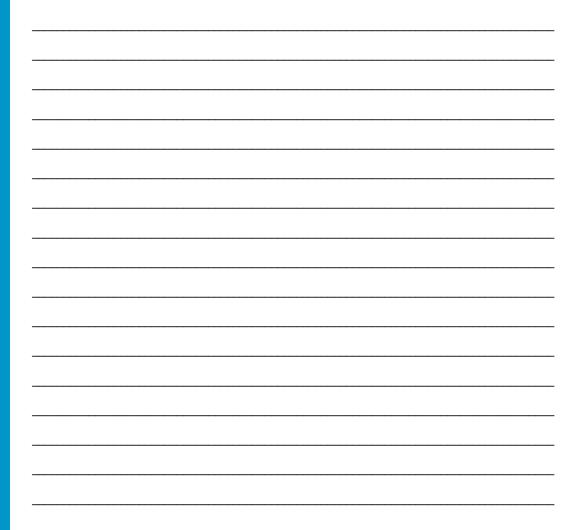
1. Commit to	·
2. Stay close to	(Genesis 39:2, 3, 21, 23; 7:9)
3. Pray and keep an eye on the	
4. Don't just do something,	
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5. Keep it	_ and
6. Don't preach the	
7. Coach the	·

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#### **Cumberland Ballroom | 1:30 PM**





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#### **Making Associations Work**

## **Cumberland Ballroom | 2:30 PM Speaker: Stan Bunch**

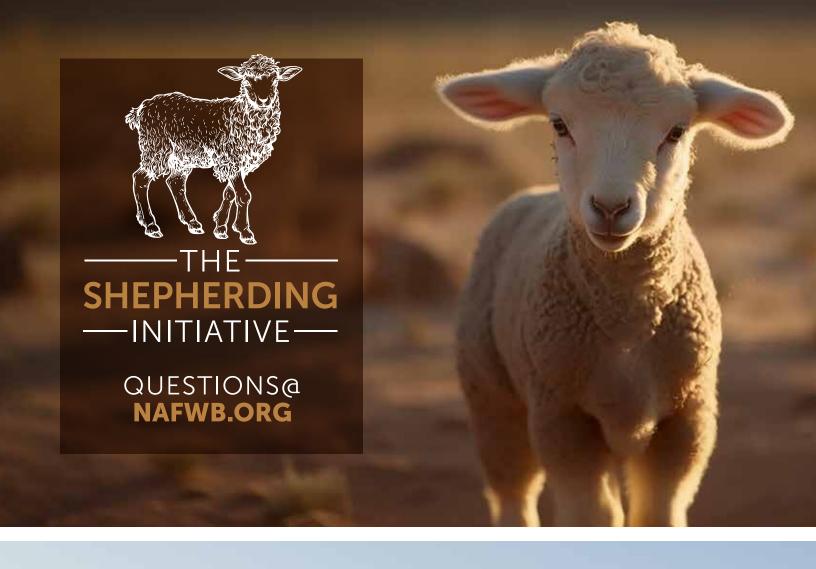


**Stan Bunch** is the executive director of the Missouri State Association of Free Will Baptist Churches. Born and raised in Berryville, Arkansas, Stan attended Randall University in Moore, Oklahoma, where he met his wife Brenda. After pastoring for several years, the two were appointed to overseas missionary service in Panama, Central America, through IM, Inc. After nearly three decades of ministry in Panama, the Bunches returned to Missouri when Stan accepted his current role. Stan and Brenda live in Buffalo, Missouri, where they enjoy a rural lifestyle. They have three adult children.

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(Chronological)

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Puerto Rico	Starts: Ends:	Feb. 21 Feb. 23	5:00 pm Noon	Centro Cultural Yolanda Guerrero 9 Albolote Ave Guaynabo PR 00969
South Carolina	Starts: Ends:	Feb. 27 Feb. 28	9:00 am 4:00 pm	Peace FWB Church 897 Third Loop Road Florence SC 29505
Arizona District	Starts: Ends:	Mar. 8 Mar. 8	10:00 am 2:00 pm	First FWB Church 2565 E 18th St Tucson AZ 85716
Georgia	Starts: Ends:	Mar. 20 Mar. 21	2:00 pm Noon	First FWB Church 952 4th St Columbus GA 31904
Illinois	Starts: Ends:	Mar. 20 Mar. 21	6:00 pm Afternoon	Arnold View FWB Church 5115 Arnold View Ln Creal Springs IL 62922
Indiana	Starts: Ends:	Mar. 28 Mar. 29	TBD 3:00 pm	Emmanuel FWB Church 129 Southwood Dr Wabash IN 46992
Kentucky	Starts: Ends:	April 4 April 5	6:30 pm 2:00 pm	Tom's Creek FWB Church 81 Church Drive Nippa KY 41240
Kansas	Starts: Ends:	April 25 April 26	10:00 am Noon	Mercy Hill FWB Church 2110 W 45th St S Wichita KS 67026
Mississippi	Starts: Ends:	April 25 April 26	9:00 am Noon	TBD
Atlantic Canada District	Starts: Ends:	April 26 April 27	2:00 pm 6:00 pm	Holmesville FWB Church 574 McElroy Rd Holmesville NB E7J 2J9
Alabama	Starts: Ends:	April 30 May 3	7:00 pm Noon	Hyatt Regency 1000 Riverchase Galleria Birmingham AL 35244

STATE	DATE		TIME	LOCATION
Florida	Starts: Ends:	April 30 May 2	7:00 pm Noon	DoubleTree Hotel 2101 Dixie Clipper Dr Jacksonville FL 32218
California	Starts: Ends:	May 1 May 2	6:00 pm 8:00 pm	Farmersville FWB Church 239 S Dode Ave Farmersville CA 93223
Oklahoma	Starts: Ends:	May 1 May 2	7:00 pm 9:00 pm	Randall University 3701 S I-35 Service Rd Moore OK 73160
Idaho District	Starts: Ends:	May 2 May 3	7:00 pm 1:00 pm	Jerome FWB Church 810 S Cleveland Jerome ID 83338
Michigan	Starts: Ends:	May 16 May 17	8:30 am Noon	Zehnder's of Frankenmuth 730 S Main St Frankenmuth MI 48734
Northwest Association	Starts: Ends:	May 16 May 17	7:00 pm Noon	Riverside FWB Church 14024 Stewart Rd Sumner WA 98390
Arkansas	Starts: Ends:	May 19 May 20	7:00 pm 5:00 pm	Camp Beaverfork 150 Beaverfork Rd Conway AR 72032
North Carolina	Starts: Ends:	June 2 June 3	9:30 am 7:30 pm	Embassy Suites Hotel 204 Centreport Dr Greensboro NC 27409
Missouri	Starts: Ends:	June 2 June 4	7:00 pm 8:30 pm	Oasis Hotel & Convention Center 2546 N Glenstone Ave Springfield MO 65803
West Virginia	Starts: Ends:	June 6 June 7	9:30 am 2:30 pm	Central FWB Church 451 6th Ave Huntington WV 25701
Texas	Starts: Ends:	June 11 June 12	7:00 pm Evening	Collin Creek FWB Church 1905 E Parker Rd Plano TX 75074
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