

Table of Contents

	<u>Page</u>
Agenda	1-2
Rules of Order	3
Minutes [Rev. Ronald Baxter]	3-7
Moderator's Report [Rev. Dr. Allison Trites]	8
Chaplaincy Committee Report [Rev. Elizabeth Johnson]	9
Leadership Development Committee Report [Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes] ...	10
Evangelism/Social Action Committee Report [Lic. Gregory Cox]	11
WMS Association Report [Ms. Tracey Kettley]	11-12
Stewardship Committee Report [Mr. Robert Douglas]	13
Kingswood Camp Report [Dr. Vincent Leung]	13-14
Kingswood (Financial) [Mr. Laurie Hennigar]	15-16
Don Ehler Memorial Fund Report (Financial) Mr. [David Rafuse]	17-18
Treasurer's Report [Mrs. Gillian Mitchell, Treasurer]	19-26
Delegates to Convention Report [Kathie Cox/Sarah Stevens]	27-31
Nominating Committee Report [Mr. Wayne Marriott]	32-34

EASTERN VALLEY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Fall Session on Saturday, November 9, 2013 at First Cornwallis Baptist Church
(Upper Canard at the junction of Middle Dyke Road & Route 341)

Theme: *'Moving Forward with a Vision for Stewardship'*

8:30am - Registration of Church Delegates and Visitors

Be prepared to give your name, church, Yes/No for lunch and email address.

8:55 – Welcome in the Sanctuary – Allison Trites

9:00 – Worship – Peter Lohnes & Team

9:15 - Keynote Speaker – Greg Jones (CABC Assoc. E.M.)

9:55 - Offering for the Eastern Valley Baptist Association

10:00 - Refreshment Break

10:15 – Break-out Group Sessions

10:45 – Debriefing from Break-out Group Sessions

11:05 – Mental Health First Aid – Karen Doucette & Jennifer Smart

11:15 – EVBA Association Business Session –

All may discuss a motion; however, only Delegates may vote

PRAYER – Allison Trites

MINUTES of May 4, 2013 – Ron Baxter

SUMMARY OF MAY 4th BREAK-OUT GROUPS' FOCI – Greg Cox

REPORTS (* Require individual adoption by motion, others by common motion):

- p. Moderator (Rev. Dr. Allison Trites)**
- p. Leadership Development & *Association Licenses (Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes)**
- p. Missions (Mr. Robert (Bob) McKay)**
- p. Kingswood Camp, Inc. Camp Ministry (Dr. Vincent Leung)**
Treasurer's Report (Mr. Laurie Hennigar)
- p. Stewardship Committee Report (Mr. Wayne Marriott)**
***Treasurer's Report (Mrs. Gillian Mitchell)**
***2014 EVBA Budget (Mr. Wayne Marriott)**
- p. Evangelism/Social Action (Lic. Greg Cox)**
- p. Chaplaincy (Rev. Elizabeth Johnson)**
- p. Gladys Manning Retirement Community Advisory Committee**
(Rev. Johan Eichhorn)
- p. Rev. Don Ehler Memorial Chaplaincy Fund Committee (Mr. Derek Ehler)**
- p. *Treasurer (Mr. David Rafuse)**

- p. **Rev. Dr. Dennis Veinotte Memorial Chaplaincy Fund**
(Rev. Dr. Carol Anne Janzen)
- p. ***Nominating Committee** (Mr. Wayne Marriott)
- Other Reports**

NEW BUSINESS The EVBA Council has no new business to be processed.

INTRODUCTION/COMMISSIONING OF NEW MODERATOR (Dr. Allison Trites)

PRAYER TO CONCLUDE BUSINESS SESSION – Moderator Gail Cook

12:10 p.m. – EVBWomen’s Business Session

12:25 – Thanks, Grace, Benediction & Lunch - Gail Cook

Lunch is provided by the 1st Cornwallis Baptist Church.

A Freewill Lunch Offering will be received for the Host Church.

1:15 p.m. EVBA/EVBWMS Mission Event

Theme “Reaching Out”

Keynote Speakers – Dr. Joao & Nora Matwawana

Offering – for Event Costs + ADC Student Relief Fund

Break-out Groups: 1. Q/A – Joao 2. Women’s Issues – Nora
3. Prayers – Tracey Kettley

2:50 p.m. Assemble in the Sanctuary

2:55 p.m. Thanks & Closing Prayer – Tracey Kettley

3:00 p.m. Conclusion of Mission Event

EVBA DATES TO REMEMBER

**Saturday, November 16, 2013 the EVBA Council meets at 9 a.m. at
Cambridge Baptist Church.**

**Saturday, February 15, 2014 the EVBA Council meets at 9 a.m. at
location TBA.**

**Saturday, March 1, 2014 the EVBA Church Leaders’ Workshop convenes
at 9 a.m. at the Berwick Baptist Church.**

**Saturday, May 3, 2014 the EVBA Spring Session is at Kingswood Camp
with registration at 8:30 a.m.**

EVBA RULES OF ORDER

The following rules of order shall apply to meetings of the Association:

Every Sitting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Persons invited to a seat may speak on all subjects under debate, but vote on none.

No person shall speak more than twice on any motion, unless by permission of the body.

All motions carried or not shall be recorded in the minutes.

The governance of the body and the regulation of its proceedings shall be strictly in accordance with parliamentary usage so called.

That the question be now put is not debatable and if resolved by a two-thirds affirmative vote, the pending question shall be put forthwith without debate and if the first mentioned motion is defeated, the debate on the pending questions shall continue until otherwise ended.

That there be a three (3) minute time limit for each speaker.

That there be 42 minutes for each issue under debate unless permission for extension is granted by the body on motion approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote. The motion to extend is not debatable.

That items be given to the Association Moderator at least 24 hours before presentation for debate.

Immediately after the opening of the Association assembly, these rules shall be read distinctly from the Chair.

* * * * *

May 3, 2013 EVBA Minutes

The spring Association Meetings were held at the Aylesford Baptist Church. Shortly after 9 a.m. the Moderator, Dr. Allison Trites, gave a welcome to those who had assembled in the sanctuary. He then extended an invitation for the Worship Team from Aylesford Baptist Church to lead the singing of songs and a hymn.

Dr. Trites invited the host pastor, Rev. Clyde Lowe, to bring a welcome and share hospitality information. Included in his remarks was an invitation to join him during the mid-morning break for a walk into the new church facility which is under construction adjacent to the current building.

Dr. Anna Robbins, the Associate Professor of Theology, Culture and Ethics, the Director of the Doctor of Ministry Degree Program, and the Academic Dean at Acadia Divinity College, was

introduced by Dr. Trites who invited her to present her keynote address entitled, “‘Spot the difference?’ Working Together as Christians in a Diverse Culture.”

Anna shared the experience of shopping for a birthday card with her four year old son who discovered a very attractive card which he encouraged his mother to buy. She mentioned to her son that the number “60” on the front of the card meant was for a person who was old. “Oh,” he said, “That would be good for Daddy!” Having captured the attention of those assembled she challenged each to take a moment to think of things that were different. This led to her observation that today it is common for differences to be emphasized. She noted that Baptists get caught up on differences. Furthermore, it is common for culture to reject big stories. Consequently the big story of God, of Jesus, of the Holy Spirit is largely rejected.

We live in a technological age with rapidly developing and changing means of communication which has resulted in a change in our understanding of authority and freedom. Furthermore, instant access to a wealth of information (e.g. Google, Wikipedia, etc.) has given us many facts to manage; however, knowledge comes with understanding the facts and knowing which are authoritative and which are not. Much contemporary communication is public (e.g. Tweet, etc.) and we are challenged to distinguish between public and private. For many, faith has become privatized; therefore, we hesitate to speak of Christ publicly. Furthermore, we are strongly influenced by our consumer society where we have many choices which lead to the conviction that you are the center of the universe. We are conditioned to be consumers.

Anna challenged those present to recognize that we have much in common thanks to God’s creative art. As created beings we relate to God, to others, and to creation in Christ. We discover the joy of Christ. We can be the best story tellers. We would be wise to engage the services of key younger leaders who can create online “hubs and spokes.” “And remember,” she said, “Christ brings us together.” Anna concluded her theme with a prayer in which she gave thanks to God for the unity we have in Christ; for the opportunity we have to be Christ’s people; and for the mission we have to love people in the name of Christ.

Dr. Trites expressed thanks to Dr. Robins; and went on to thank Rev. John Beers for the service he renders as a communicator of Association information and news via email.

The offering was received, and then there was a refreshment break.

When the folk reassembled they were numbered off with Group 1 meeting with Greg Cox, Group 2 meeting with Bob McKay, and Group 3 meeting with Sarah McIntyre Stevens to brainstorm over three questions: 1. What is the purpose of the Association? 2. How do you see Association serving your church? 3. What do you want from Association? After forty-five minutes the groups reassembled in the sanctuary for a plenary reporting session. The notes from that session were turned over to the Clerk to be used by the Executive for future planning and discussion.

The Moderator then began the EVBA Business Session which included the following items:

1. Rev. Dan Jamer, after explaining that Rev. Dennis Leamont, the Clerk who prepared the 2012 Fall Association Minutes, is dealing with brain cancer, moved that the November 10, 2012 Minutes, which had been slipped into each Association Report Book, be approved with the corrected year (i.e. 2012 instead of 2013). Dr. Marc Potvin seconded the motion which was PASSED.
2. Points from the Moderator's Report (p. 7) were shared by Dr. Allison Trites.
3. Rev. Dan Jamer presented the Leadership Training Day (March 3, 2013) Report (p. 8) and concluded by inviting all present to mark Saturday, March 1, 2014, in their 2014 Planner so that they could attend the 2014 Leadership Conference at the Berwick Baptist Church when the theme will be "Building Relationships in the Church."
Dr. Trites expressed thanks to Dan for his involvement in the EVBA; announced that Dan has accepted a call to be the Pastor at Union Street Baptist Church in Saint Stephen, NB; and then offered prayer on behalf of Marion and Dan Jamer.
4. The Moderator invited Sandra Ward to the platform. She explained that at the February 16th combined meeting of the EVBA Mission Day Planning Committee and the EVBA Mission Committee it was duly passed that "the EVBA Council be asked to explore combining the Association Mission Day with the regular sessions of the EVBA." The motion was made by Sandra Ward, seconded by Rev. John Beers and PASSED.
5. Rev. Elizabeth Johnson presented the Chaplaincy Committee Report (p. 9). She expressed appreciation for the continuing ministry of Rev. Debra Mosher at Dykeland Lodge in Windsor and the beginning of Rev. Sarah Scott's ministry at Grandview Manor in Berwick. The Dykeland Chaplaincy now receives financial support from the interest generated by the Rev. Don Ehler Memorial Chaplaincy Fund, and the Rev. Dr. Dennis Veinotte Memorial Chaplaincy Fund has passed the \$7,000 mark of the \$50,000 goal. Once that goal is achieved the interest generated will help support our Chaplain at Grandview Manor. Elizabeth appealed for two people to volunteer to join the Chaplaincy Committee which meets monthly at ADC.
Rev. Hedley Hopkins asked about Rev. Debra Mosher's ministry at the Windsor Elms Village in Falmouth. Elizabeth explained that Debra has a separate contract with the Elms which does not involve EVBA.
Sheila Macdonald appealed for volunteers to be at Grandview Manor on Sunday afternoons to help move residents to the Worship Service.
6. Lic. Greg Cox presented the Evangelism/Social Action Committee Report (p. 9). Two meetings have been held since these committees amalgamated. He noted that Social Action brings world issues to the churches while Evangelism takes the Gospel to the world. Rev. Jennifer Smart is a resource person for matters relating to mental health. Rev. Dan Jamer attended the recent "Mental Health First Aid Training" event.
7. Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes presented the Leadership Development Committee Report (p. 10). He reminded those in attendance that the annual Pastors and Church Leaders Conference will be on Saturday, March 1, 2014. He then listed those who have met with the LDC and have been recommended to the EVBA for the following recognition:

- a. Renew An Association License to Minister – Michael Shaw (Bethany Memorial), and Chad Clements (Morristown).
- b. Grant An Association License to Minister for the First Time – Tara Albert (Berwick), Greg Cox (First Cornwallis), Sarah McIntyre Stevens (Bethany Memorial), and James Smith (Coldbrook).
- c. Grant An Association Lay License to Minister for the First Time – Linda Davidson (Centreville), and Mary Perkins (Berwick).

At the conclusion of the Association Session the Moderator and the Clerk signed those of the above documents that were available to be signed.

8. Bob McKay presented the Mission Committee Report (p. 11). Two Ministry Initiative Grants were awarded in 2012 by the Atlantic Baptist Mission Board of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches on recommendation of the EVBA Mission Committee. The Mission Committee was also involved in formulating the motion made earlier by Sandra Ward.
9. In the absence of the Chairman, Vincent Leung, Laurie Hennigar directed the people's attention to the Kingswood Camp Board Report (pp. 12-13) and highlighted several points in the report and encouraged those present to be sure to claim the Kingswood Camp 2013 material which has been put in envelopes addressed to each church in the EVBA. Effective May 1, 2013 Nikki Metcalfe was named Executive Director, succeeding her predecessor Kathie Cox. Laurie then gave an informative overview of the Financial Report of Kingswood Camp Society for 2012 (pp. 13-15) when receipts totaled \$203,354 and expenses totaled \$187,763.69 leaving a year-end balance of \$15,590.31. However, Laurie pointed out that although Kingswood Camp is a mission of the Association Churches, and an important ministry for children and youth who are meeting Christ, there is a disturbing decline in financial support on the part of Association Churches and people within these churches. He challenged those present not only to support the camp financially, but also to "encourage kids to come to camp." "Remember," he said, "we are going forward. We're excited! Therefore, pray for our program, our staff and our campers."
10. Robert Douglas presented the Treasurer's Report (pp. 16-20). He presented highlights and explanations relating to the report, and then moved that the Report be accepted. Rev. Clyde Lowe seconded the motion, and by vote it was PASSED.
The Moderator expressed thanks to Bob for his continuing services.
11. Rev. Dan Jamer presented the Nominating Committee Report (pp. 21-23). Dan explained that in light of his departure from the EVBA Wayne Marriott has agreed to serve as the "Past Moderator;" Rev. Ron Baxter has agreed to serve as Clerk; Rev. Rob Heffernan has joined the Leadership Development Committee; two nominees are needed for the Chaplaincy Committee; the name of Lic. Devon Rogers is to be deleted from the Kingswood Camp Committee and Kingswood Camp Trustees; and one nominee is needed for the Nominating Committee. It was duly moved by Rev. Dan Jamer, seconded by Marshall Jones and PASSED that the Nominating Committee Report be accepted.
Rev. John Beers suggested that the names of nominees be given to any member of the Nominating Committee.
Rev. Dan Jamer made the observation that the one year term for persons serving as Moderator passes so quickly that one is just learning how to function when the term is over. Therefore, Rev. Dan Jamer presented the following motion: "Effective with the elections at

the November 2013 meeting of the EVBA that the term be changed from one year to two years for the Vice Moderator, the Moderator and the Past Moderator. The motion was seconded by Bob Douglas and PASSED by the Delegates.

Rev. Dan Jamer made some concluding comments relating to people being a positive force in the EVBA. He presented his version of a famous quote when he said, “Ask not what my Association can do for me. Ask what I can do for my Association.”

12. Dr. Peter Lohnes came to the platform to remind those assembled that from August 3 – 10, 2013 Tidal Impact will bring upwards of 350 young people to our Annapolis Valley to work with upwards of 15 Baptist churches to carry out morning ministries,
13. participate in a massive food drive in cooperation with Feed Nova Scotia, enjoy fun times, and participate in three evening Valley Rallies at New Minas Baptist Church, and will conclude with the Great Public Rally at the Apple Dome in Berwick on Friday, August 9th, at 6:30 p.m. which will include not only Tidal Impact youth and leaders, but also delegates from the annual assembly of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches and you if you choose to attend.
14. Dr. Allison Trites offered a closing prayer and grace for the lunch which was being provided by the members of the Aylesford Baptist Church. The EVBA adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Ron Baxter, Clerk

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, August 9, 2013 The Great Tidal Impact/CABC Oasis Rally at the Berwick Apple Dome from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 7, 2013 the EVBA Council meets at 9 a.m. at Wolfville Ridge Baptist Church.

Saturday, November 9, 2013 the EVBA meets at First Cornwallis Baptist Church in Upper Canard with registration at 8:30 a.m., opening at 9:00 a.m. and following lunch a 1:15 – 3:00 p.m. Association Mission Event if deemed appropriate by the EVBA Council.

2013 Spring Association Statistics from Registration Forms – May 4, 2013 at Aylesford Baptist Church

CHURCH	DELEGATE/VISITOR/PASTOR			CHURCH			
	DELEGATE	VISITOR	PASTOR				
Alton	3	0	0	First Cornwallis	1	1	1
Avonport	0	0	1	Hantsport	0	1	0
Aylesford	0	0	1	Kentville	9	0	0
Berwick	0	1	1	Kingston	3	0	0
Bethany Memorial	3	0	0	Mount Denson	0	1	
Billtown	0	2	0	New Minas	3	0	0
Cambridge	4	0	1	Port Williams	3	0	0
Centreville	2	1	1	West Brooklyn		2	0
Coldbrook	3	0	0	West Hall’s Harbour	1	0	1
Falmouth	2	0	0	Wolfville	4	0	1

TOTALS: Delegates = 43 + Visitors = 6 + Pastors = 11 = 60 Persons and 20 Churches

Moderator's Report- November, 2013

Our Association has seen a lot of activity since our last report. Kingswood Camp has had another good season, and we have valued the work of our new Camp Director, Nikki Metcalfe. The Camp Committee has been busy, and their detailed report highlights some measure of their activities. Their aim as ever, is both to improve the physical facilities of the camp and the spiritual effectiveness of its programs. We give thanks to God for the year round ministry of the camp, and offer our sincere appreciation for those who contribute financially and work to make the camp a servant of the churches and a means of introducing many to the kingdom of God and the nature and practice of Christian discipleship.

We shall miss our host pastor, Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes, who has made such a valuable contribution to the life and work of our Association as well as the ministry of First Cornwallis Baptist Church. We appreciate the special contribution he has made to the Leadership Development Committee. We wish Peter, Lisa and their family God's richest blessing as Peter goes to the pastorate of Grace Memorial Baptist Church in Fredericton.

We are happy as an Association that the Morristown Baptist Church, upon recommendation from the Ordination Council of our Convention, ordained Chad Clements as its pastor on September 8th. This was a joyous time with many of our pastors and people participating in the service.

One of the special events of the summer was the major youth gathering at the Apple Dome that took place in August, when our area welcomed many to worship from Halifax and other places as part of Tidal Impact.

We are thankful for the challenging address that Rev. Dr. Anna Robbins made at our Spring Association meeting in Aylesford. Her suggestions to make our Association more relevant and useful to the churches were well received. Some of the ideas for improvement that emerged from the group discussions will be shared in this fall's Association.

As agreed previously, we are devoting the afternoon session to our Association Missions program, and we are looking forward to hearing Rev. Dr. Joao Matwawana and his wife Nora share. It promises to be an enriching time.

We continue to value the wonderful ministry of our chaplains both in Windsor and Berwick, and covet your prayers for them and the Chaplaincy Committee. We express our sincere thanks to all those who have served on Council and Executive for their work in our Association. We also offer our best wishes to the new Moderator, Mrs. Gail Cook, and ask your prayers for her and all the folk who have agreed to give leadership in our Association.

May God help us all "to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:3).

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Trites, Moderator

Report Chaplaincy Committee of EVBA

The Committee has not been active over the summer but we have accomplished a few things since the last meeting.

- 1- Rev. Sarah has settled in very well at Grand View Manor and she is very well liked and appreciated. Grand View Manor has a new administrator, Ms. Gorge VanSlyke and she is very affirmative towards chaplaincy. Bob, Carol Anne and I have met with her.
- 2- We are pleased that Acadia Divinity college has chosen to use Grand View Manor again as placement for student chaplains one morning a week for the first term of Pastoral Care. There are 10 students there.
- 3- Rev. Deborah of Dykeland Lodge met with us and expressed a few concerns which have been addressed. She is completing her Masters this summer.
- 4- After much discussion vacation times have been agreed upon and a new Chaplain will receive 3 weeks vacation and one more after 5 years for a total of 4 weeks.
- 5- We have updated and have signed new memorandums of agreement with Rev. Sarah and Rev. Deborah.
- 6- We are attempting to have a fund raiser for the Rev. Don Ehler Fund and the Rev. Dr. Dennis Veinotte Fund this Fall/Winter in the form of progressive coffee parties. We are still in the organizing phase.
- 7- We have had some resignations from our committee. Gary Manthorne and Carol Dimock and Judy Saunders. We are down to 4 members.
- 8- At this time I want to personally thank Bob Douglas for all his help over the years and I hope I can still run to him for advice. He has been so knowledgeable and explained things, with patience. Thank you Bob. May God richly bless you.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Elizabeth Johnson

Report from the Leadership Development Committee

The main task of the Leadership Development Committee is to interview and prepare recommendations for the Association regarding the Association Licenses to Minister. This year the committee also accepted the task of planning and preparing the annual Leadership Retreat scheduled for Saturday March 1st, 2014 at the Berwick Baptist Church around the theme of building relationships within the congregation. We pray that all who attend will be blessed and inspired to new opportunities to strengthen God's work among our Baptist churches throughout the valley.

Three candidates were interviewed by the committee and it is a pleasure to recommend the following:

Renew an Association License to Minister

Jennifer Levy – Jennifer lives in New Minas, and serves as the Association Pastor of Christian Education and Outreach at Falmouth United Baptist and takes a course at Acadia Divinity College on a part-time basis. She is presently serving the Falmouth congregation on a full-time basis as the congregation searches for a new senior pastor.

Grant an Association License to Minister for the First Time

Patrick Brightman – Patrick lives in Centreville where he serves at the Associate Pastor of the Centreville Baptist Church with primary responsibilities in the areas of children's and youth ministries. He is enrolled in the Bachelor of Theology program at Acadia Divinity College and intends to pursue a Master of Divinity following graduation.

Renew an Association Lay-License to Minister

Laurie Perrin – Laurie lives in Wolfville and serves as a chaplain at the Wolfville Nursing Home.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dr. Peter Lohnes
Chairperson

Evangelism / Social Action Committee

At a meeting on October 23rd we discussed some ideas for a new name, for example: Social Evangelism Committee , Local Outreach Committee , Love in Action Committee, and Community Connections Committee. We are looking for more suggestions.

Support for the ABSE was discussed, but further discussion is required.

New idea: create a resource list of opportunities for churches to take advantage of reaching their communities.

At this time our goal for the Social Action Committee / Evangelism Committee is “fact gathering” in order to help us understand how social action and evangelism can work together effectively.

**Respectfully submitted,
Greg Cox**

*** * * * ***

The Eastern Valley WMS Association joined with the Mission Committee to plan the Spring Association Mission Day. The meeting was held in Alyesford Baptist Church, Saturday April 27, 2013, with approximately 50 people in attendance. Karen Wile chaired the meeting.

Nicole Metcalfe, Executive Director of Kingswood Camp, updated the group on the needs of Kingswood Camp.

During the potluck lunch, the participants were encouraged to peruse the tables that had been set up with books to be shared and pick up application forms for Ministry Initiative Grant.

The afternoon session began with praise and worship. Rev. Deborah Stephens and Boyd Langdon united the congregation in song, singing four musical selections.

The offering was taken.

The guest speaker, Emily Zinck’s presentation was titled: What Difference Can I Make Where I Am? Following her presentation the group was organized into three groups, which rotated between three workshops:

1. Question and Answer time with Emily Zinck, 2. Youth and leaders from First Cornwallis Baptist Church spoke about their experiences during their short term mission trip to Bolivia and 3. Prayer let by Rev. Marc Potvin.

The meeting closed with recitation of the Mitzbah Benediction and prayer.

At the September 7th Association Council Meeting a motion was passed stating that the November 9, 2013 Association be a full-day event with the EVBA planning the morning session and the EVBWomen and the Mission Committee planning the afternoon session. Both groups met Saturday September 28th and the Fall Association Mission day is in the planning stages.

The theme of the November meeting is Reaching Out. Joao and Nora Matawana will be the guest speakers, discussing Reconciliation in Africa. There will be three workshops: Question and Answer time with Joao Matawana, Nora Matawana will lead the second group discussing dealing with women's issues and Tracey Kettley will lead the third group in prayer.

There was a discussion about whether the Eastern Valley WMS Association and the Mission Committee had amalgamated to become one body or whether we were separate identities meeting to plan the Association's Mission Day. The conclusion of the discussion was that that each group was a separate organization, united for one common cause-to plan the Spring and Fall Mission Days. Whether this united group would also discuss grant applications was yet to be decided.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance on Hand:	\$154.48
Paid to speaker:	\$100.00
Collection:	\$271.30
Kingswood Camp:	\$100.00
Aylesford B. Church	\$ 71.78
Balance on hand:	\$154.00

Respectfully yours:

**Tracey Kettley
Secretary**



Stewardship Committee

The committee has had two meetings during the year but has had numerous email meetings to review financial updates as well as dealing with issues relating to salary, benefits etc. for new Chaplaincy staff at Grandview Manor. As a result of these discussions Stewardship and the Chaplaincy committee meet with management of Grandview and arranged for a \$2,800 increase in their financial support to the Association.

At our initial meeting it was suggested that we must request Council to resurrect a previously formed committee to re-look at what we really want the Association to be in the present day, to something which will be meaningful to our contributing churches. This is suggested as a result of declining financial support from our churches. In the interim our Committee will try to obtain email addresses of Treasurers of our churches in an effort to communicate with them and encourage financial support from those not already contributing.

During this past month we met to review the 2014 Budget which suggests that we will have an \$8,500 shortfall, which is primarily as a result of decreased church giving's and a return to our previous \$5,000 donation to Kingswood Camp. While the budget is included in the Association report it will be the recommendation of our Committee that the budget be tabled to our May Association meeting. With actual yearend results we can prepare a more meaningful and accurate budget. This can be prepared by Stewardship in January, presented to Council for review in February and onto Association in May.

**Respectfully submitted
Bob Douglas**

Kingswood Camp Report, 2013

To the Eastern Valley and the Annapolis Digby Baptist Associations.

It is with praise and Thanksgiving that I prepare this report to the Associations on behalf of the Board of Directors, Kingswood Camp Society. We praise and Thank God for His blessings on our camping ministry this year. We are also thankful to the many individuals in our Associations who have worked tirelessly and have given generously their time and resources to support this ministry. Among them are the Executive Director, Nikki Metcalfe, the Board Treasurer, Laurie Hennigar, the Camp staff team, the Board members and the many donors and volunteers who together weave a beautiful tapestry that is Kingswood Camp under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

The summer camp registration totalling 282 this year showing a small increase (6) over 2012 in the number of paid campers. Following are a number of interesting observations about the campers this year:

- 1. 60% of the campers are in some way connected to the churches and a total of 44 churches of various denominations are represented.**
- 2. 40 % of the campers came to camp as a result of the efforts of our Outreach programs.**
- 3. 42 of 154 (27%) of the church related campers came from the Annapolis-Digby Baptist Association**
- 4. 58% of the campers (160) were returnees; 114 came to camp for the first time.**

For details of the summer camp report, please contact the Executive Director, Nikki Metcalfe (nichole@kingswoodcamp.ca) or go to the Kingswood Camp web-site: www.kingswoodcamp.ca

We have had very positive feedbacks from the campers, parents and camp staff of their experiences at camp this summer. A number of the parents remarked on the positive changes they noticed in their children after camp.

As a service to the schools Nikki and the senior staff team have been offering day camps to the children of primary and junior high schools in June. This service has become an effective way of recruiting campers. This year nine schools participated bringing a total of 509 students. 25 of them came to our summer camps.

Kingswood Camp has also decided to make the camp available on weekends in the month of June for Church Youth Groups and Church Retreats. If you are interested in using the camp facilities for these purposes please contact Nikki for further details.

During the months of September to May of the following year, the camp is available for rental to churches and other Christian groups.

A total of 16 rentals are anticipated for 2013. We hope that more of our church groups would plan to use Kingswood Camp in their programs. Please refer to our web-site for details.

The program and personnel sub-committee of the Camp Board worked diligently to recruit, interview and train camp staff for the ministry of the campers. Similarly the maintenance sub-committee members are dedicated to ensuring that the facilities are in good working condition. The Board, in response to the evident need to provide an indoor activities facility to enhance the camping ministry year round has established a building sub-committee to make plans for the construction of a recreation building. We are thankful that the Louis Millett Grant money will be a substantial help in this endeavour. We realize, however, that many volunteer workers and donations are needed in the coming days to make the recreation building a reality. We welcome your support in any form. Please contact any members of the Kingswood Camp Board to indicate your interest in this project.

**Respectfully submitted,
on behalf of the Board of Directors, Kingswood Camp Society,
Vincent Leung, Chair (vincentleung1@hotmail.com)**

Kingswood Camp Society
Comparative Balance Sheet

	As at 21/10/2013	As at 21/10/2012
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Account Receivable	5,721.44	0.00
Baptist Foundation	52,503.93	6,096.87
Valley Credit Union	76.54	1,290.07
Total Current Assets	<u>58,301.91</u>	<u>7,386.94</u>
Capital Assets		
Canoes & Equipment	4,053.87	4,053.87
Building	28,700.00	28,700.00
Boat House	11,983.74	0.00
New Building	108,151.09	108,151.09
Securities	60,990.00	60,990.00
Land	180,000.00	180,000.00
Total Capital Assets	<u>393,878.70</u>	<u>381,894.96</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>452,180.61</u>	<u>389,281.90</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Account Payable	0.00	0.00
EI Payable	56.30	80.50
CPP Payable	96.88	74.58
Income Tax Payable	82.20	37.23
Total Receiver General	235.38	192.31
HST on Sales	0.00	0.00
HST Paid on Purchases	-2,497.36	-3,769.44
HST Owning(Refund)	-2,497.36	-3,769.44
Short Term Loan	37,000.00	8,000.00
Medical/Dental	0.00	444.22
Life Insurance	0.00	31.50
Pension	0.00	252.00
Total - Convention	0.00	727.72
Total Current Liabilities	<u>34,738.02</u>	<u>5,150.59</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>34,738.02</u>	<u>5,150.59</u>
EQUITY		
Owners Equity		
Retained Earning - Previous Year	443,895.91	428,305.60
Current Earnings	-26,453.32	-44,174.29
Total Owners Equity	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>417,442.59</u>	<u>384,131.31</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>417,442.59</u>	<u>384,131.31</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>452,180.61</u>	<u>389,281.90</u>

Kingswood Camp Society

Comparative Income Statement

	Actual 01/01/2013 to 21/10/2013	Actual 01/01/2012 to 21/10/2012
REVENUE		
RECEIPTS		
Personal Donations	1,778.36	2,102.76
Churches-Annapolis-Digby	739.76	3,426.50
Churches-Easten Valley	9,442.59	6,551.16
Eastern Valley Baptist Association	14,000.00	9,000.00
Digby-Annapolis Association	1,000.00	2,000.00
Revenue from Fund Raising	26.60	2,192.36
Camp Rentals	10,260.00	7,310.00
Organization Donations	16,050.00	23,560.00
Camp Registrations	62,490.43	61,362.07
Tuck	6.00	0.00
Government Grants	2,758.00	3,395.00
Interest Income	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00	104.33
U B Woman's Mission Society	1,755.00	0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>120,306.74</u>	<u>121,004.18</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>120,306.74</u>	<u>121,004.18</u>
EXPENSE		
EXPENSE		
Advertising & Promotions	0.00	1,782.14
Capital Projects	7,007.17	26,783.44
Postal Expenses	518.12	685.11
Dues & Fees	736.30	829.66
Electricity - NSP	5,217.56	5,833.38
Food	16,715.42	13,998.50
Honorariums	0.00	2,960.00
Insurance	5,598.00	5,270.00
Interest & Bank Charges	1.02	0.00
Kitchen Supplies	0.00	381.84
Miscellaneous	795.00	300.00
Office Supplies	1,061.18	2,190.62
Program Supplies	4,124.62	2,414.73
Training & Manuels	125.00	137.71
Conferences	0.00	294.25
Propane	1,925.01	1,890.59
Propane Rental	322.84	325.28
Property Taxes	237.80	0.00
Repairs & Maintenance	8,429.81	7,457.24
Sundry Expense	4,655.83	1,867.28
Telephone	752.41	1,014.58
Travel	684.38	103.74
Tuck	686.78	1,335.33
Wages & Salaries	79,140.52	80,805.90
EI Expense	2,069.58	2,070.35
CPP Expense	2,710.31	2,248.24
Medical/Dental	481.25	0.00
Pension	324.00	0.00
Employee Insurance	71.44	0.00
Rental Costs	374.68	129.44
Bank charges	43.63	0.00
W C B	1,950.40	2,069.12
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>146,760.06</u>	<u>165,178.47</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>146,760.06</u>	<u>165,178.47</u>
NET INCOME	<u>-26,453.32</u>	<u>-44,174.29</u>

REV. DON EHLER MEMORIAL CHAPLAINCY FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORTS

FUND BALANCE

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DEC. 31, 2012

REVENUE:

Individuals	\$2,020.00	
Church Groups	56.00	
Baptist Churches	-	
Eastern Valley Assoc. Offering	-	
West Hants Baptist Fellowship Services -		
Windsor	322.00	
Falmouth	192.00	
Scotch Village	-	
Mt. Denson	287.60	
Hantsport	844.50	
Upper Vaughan	154.00	
Windsor Plains	228.00	
South Rawdon	540.91	
Kempt	-	
Dykeland	<u>281.65</u>	
	2,850.66	
Christian Unity Service	-	
Dykeland Component -		
Individuals	-	
Music Fund Raiser	<u>-</u>	
	-	
Memorial Donations	-	
Ladies Breakfast	-	
Men's Breakfast	-	
Concert - I'm Still Here	-	
Interest -		
Bank Interest	3.85	
Baptist Foundation - Int.	<u>2021.87</u>	
	<u>2,025.72</u>	
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 6,952.38

EXPENDITURES:

Eastern Valley Association of Baptist Churches	2,025.72	
	<u>-</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$ 2,025.72

EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>4,926.66</u>
FUND BALANCE, JAN. 1, 2012	68,606.24
FUND BALANCE, DEC. 31, 2012	\$ <u>73,532.90</u>



Eastern Valley Baptist Association Comparative Income Statement

	<u>Actual Jan 01, 2013 to Oct 31, 2013</u>	<u>Actual Jan 01, 2012 to Oct 31, 2012</u>	<u>Difference</u>
REVENUE			
Operating Revenue			
Church Allotments	13,741.68	16,448.37	-2,706.69
Convention rebate	7,162.75	7,813.67	-650.92
D Ehler Memorial Fund - Interest	1,033.48	1,003.44	30.04
Pastor Leadership Workshop	0.00	40.00	-40.00
Association offereings	475.81	727.85	-252.04
Interest income	0.00	616.46	-616.46
Chaplancy-Grand View Manor	7,666.70	7,000.00	666.70
Chaplancy - Dykeland Lodge	0.00	695.76	-695.76
Miscellaneous	0.00	24.02	-24.02
Donations - Dennis Veinot	<u>560.00</u>	<u>6,736.00</u>	-6,176.00
			-
Total revenue	<u>30,640.42</u>	<u>41,105.57</u>	10,465.15
			-
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>30,640.42</u>	<u>41,105.57</u>	10,465.15
EXPENSE			
General and Administrative			
Chaplancy committee	54.82	41.92	12.90
Evangelism committee	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mission Committee	150.00	0.00	150.00
Leadership Development	354.51	0.00	354.51
Stewardship Committee	0.00	0.00	0.00
Social Action committee	0.00	0.00	0.00

Postage	65.57	63.42	2.15
Bank Charges	105.37	0.00	105.37
Convention delegates	160.00	920.74	-760.74
Association meeting expenses	299.54	0.00	299.54
Registry of Joint Stocks	0.00	11.43	-11.43
Miscellaneous	0.00	215.98	-215.98
Travel (Moderator/other)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Web page	<u>150.00</u>	<u>303.50</u>	-153.50
Total general and administrative	<u>1,339.81</u>	<u>1,556.99</u>	-217.18
Payroll expenses			
Chaplains	24,729.65	23,287.13	1,442.52
Chaplaincy supply	100.00	1,100.00	-1,000.00
Travel Allowance - Chaplains	0.00	0.00	0.00
Kingswood Director	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00
Continuing education	0.00	0.00	0.00
EI Expense	664.02	577.48	86.54
CPP Expense	1,550.19	437.19	1,113.00
Workers Compensation Board	487.83	377.27	110.56
Pension	572.52	0.00	572.52
Convention Benefits	<u>2,195.44</u>	<u>0.00</u>	2,195.44
Total Payroll Expense	<u>39,299.65</u>	<u>34,779.07</u>	4,520.58
Grants and Donations			
Kingswood- Donation	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Church assistance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transfer to/from Funds	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	0.00
Total grants and donations	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	5,000.00

TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>45,639.46</u>	<u>36,336.06</u>	9,303.40
NET INCOME	<u>14,999.04</u>	<u>4,769.51</u>	19,768.55

Generated On: Oct 30, 2013

Comparative Balance Sheet

	<u>As at Oct 31, 2013</u>	<u>As at Oct 31, 2012</u>	<u>Difference</u>
ASSET			
Current Assets			
Current account	1,980.90	8,959.18	-6,978.28
Baptist Foundation Restricted Dr Dennis Veinotte Mem Chaplaincy F	17,350.13	24,906.09	-7,555.96
	<u>7,403.91</u>	<u>6,162.01</u>	1,241.90
Baptist Foundation Accts	24,754.04	31,068.10	-6,314.06
Accounts Receivable	<u>2,400.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	2,400.00
Total current assets	<u>29,134.94</u>	<u>40,027.28</u>	10,892.34
TOTAL ASSET	<u>29,134.94</u>	<u>40,027.28</u>	10,892.34
			-
LIABILITY			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	0.00	0.00	0.00
EI Payable	66.24	45.45	20.79
CPP Payable	118.68	75.78	42.90
Federal Income Tax Payable	<u>70.14</u>	<u>63.83</u>	6.31
Total Receiver General	255.06	185.06	70.00

HST Charged on Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00
HST Paid on Purchases	<u>-15.36</u>	<u>-11.11</u>	-4.25
HST Owing (Refund)	<u>-15.36</u>	<u>-11.11</u>	-4.25
Total Current liabilities	<u>239.70</u>	<u>173.95</u>	65.75
TOTAL LIABILITY	<u>239.70</u>	<u>173.95</u>	65.75
EQUITY			
SURPLUS			
Surplus - Previous Year	43,894.28	35,083.82	8,810.46
Current Earnings	<u>14,999.04</u>	<u>4,769.51</u>	19,768.55
TOTAL SURPLUS	<u>28,895.24</u>	<u>39,853.33</u>	10,958.09
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>28,895.24</u>	<u>39,853.33</u>	10,958.09
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>29,134.94</u>	<u>40,027.28</u>	10,892.34

Generated On: Oct 30, 2013

Eastern Valley Baptist Association Budget 2014

	Actual 2011	Budget 2011	Difference	Actual 2012	Budget 2012	Difference	YTD	Budget 2013	Budget 2014
REVENUE									
Church Allotments	29,814	28,000	1,814	28,517	27,000	1,517	13,742	29,000	24,000
Convention rebate	7,913	8,500	-587	7,814	8,000	-186	7,163	8,000	8,000
D Ehler Memorial Fund - Interest	2,037	1,900	137	1,996	2,050	-54	1,033	2,050	2,000
Pastor Leadership Workshop	-	0		40	-	40		0	-
Association offerings	806	900	-94	1,284	800	484	475	800	500
Interest income	947	800	147	1,161	850	311		950	1,200
Chaplaincy-Grand View Manor	7,200	7,200	0	8,400	7,200	1,200	7,667	8,400	10,000
Chaplaincy - Dykeland Lodge	4,771	4,771	-0	696	4,771	-4,075		0	
Miscellaneous	771		771	24		24		0	
Chaplaincy Donations	630		630	7,291		7,291	560	0	-
Total revenue	54,888	52,071	2,817	57,222	50,671	6,551	30,640	49,200	45,700
EXPENSE									
General and Administrative									
Chaplaincy committee	47	100	-53	42	400	-358 #	55	400	200
Evangelism committee	-	150	-150	-	150	-150 #		150	150
Mission Committee	150	100	50	-	100	-100 #	354	150	150

WCB			0	547		547	499	633	
Total Payroll Expense									
	45,390	45,851	-461	41,062	46,794	-5,732	39,532	42,820	46,800
Grants and Donations									
Kingswood- Donation		-							
	5,000	5,000	-	5,000	1,000	4,000	5,000	3,000	5,000
Region 2 Working Group									
	400	400	-	-	-	0			
Church assistance									
	-	-		-	-	0			
Total grants and donations									
	5,400	5,400	-	5,000	1,000	4,000	5,000	3,000	5,000
						0			
TOTAL EXPENSE									
	51,884	54,091	-	48,413	50,819	-2,406	45,622	48,795	54,195
						0			
NET INCOME									
	3,004	-2,020	5,024	8,809	-148	8,957	-14,982	405	-8,495

CHURCH ALLOTMENTS -2013

Church	Total
Alton	\$ 550
Arlington	\$ 50
Avonport	\$ -
Aylesford	\$ -
Berwick	\$ -
Bethany Memorial	\$ 1,275
Billtown	\$ 750
Black River	\$ -
Black Rock	\$ 400
Burlington	\$ -
Cambridge	\$ 500
Canning	\$ 500
Centreville	\$ -
Coldbrook	\$ 75
Falmouth	\$ 720
First Cornwallis	\$ 250
Forest Hill	\$ 75
Gaspereau	\$ -
Hall's Harbour	\$ 200
Hantsport	\$ 500
Harmony	\$ -
Kempt	\$ 350
Kentville	\$ 1,500
Kingston	\$ -
Lockhartville	\$ -
Morristown	\$ -
Mount Denson	\$ -
New Minas	\$ 1,875
Newport	\$ -
Pereaux	\$ 1,000
Port Williams	\$ 813
South Rawdon	\$ -
Third Horton	\$ -
Tremont(New Beginnings)	\$ -
Union Church of Scotsbay	\$ -
Upper Vaughan	\$ -
Wallbrook	\$ -
Waterville	\$ -
West Brooklyn	\$ -
White Rock	\$ 125
Windsor	\$ 1,200
Wolfville	\$ -

...

Delegate for Association at OASIS 2013

It was amazing to be part of what God is doing through the lives of brothers and sisters in our Convention! It is so wonderful when God lets us in on what He is doing in the lives of His children! I had the privilege of being part of what He is doing here in the Atlantic provinces of Canada. He has given me the gift of prayer and often puts people on my heart, scripture, and often in the middle of other things happening in my life. This past year was one where I prayed for many of my brothers and sisters, some more often than others, and not because they asked, but because the Lord put them on my heart!

Then during different aspects of OASIS, I was humbled as the Lord revealed to me why I had been praying! He also spoke to me about how to vote when I was uncertain. It was amazing too, the new people I met, shared and prayed for and who continue to be put on my heart. It was so amazing to be affirmed in what God is doing in my heart for those in His family!

Hearing the stories from so many in my family of Christ also helped me appreciate how important it is for us to gather and worship, in our different styles, share our joys and sorrows, share meals with friends who have moved away, to carry out business together, pray for each other, refreshment and renewal, celebrate with each other and catch up on what the Lord is doing in and through us! (despite us)

Our new President for this year is Goldye Smith. I had the honour of speaking personally with her and she shared her journey, to this time of becoming President, with me. What a testimony of how God works in our life and our spouses' life at the same time to encourage each other and how He gives each the same message. We are not to be torn apart but to journey together with our Lord as husband and wife!

Learning more from Bruce Fawcett about what has been happening at Crandall this past year, at he and Bob and their families were constantly being brought to my heart to pray for. It saddened me to hear him say that he felt alone, separate from his family in Christ, during this time. We need to be courageous and stand together but also be sure we share our burdens as I know many were not aware of what was happening. I was excited to hear how they stepped out in faith and withdrew their application for funds from the City, trusting in God's provision and are working towards better relationships with all involved, reconciliation! What a testimony!

Dr Peter Reid was voted in again as Executive Minister, speaking on Igniting Mission – that God is on a Mission and Atlantic Canada is the flame, set to Ignite the Mission of our Lord! He spoke about the difference between the two Kings. Herod and his worldly kingdom, who “perplexed” about what was going on and who this person was. Then there is Jesus, and God's Kingdom, who was healing and feeding so many with so little food - v 1: 17 “They all ate and were satisfied.” God's mission is to set us free and to live in community, the surpassing greatness of God and abundance of “leftovers”! I am excited to see what God is going to do through Peter in the coming years as the Lord spoke to my heart saying that the work He has for Peter is not yet finished!

All Council Members came forward, as a united group, while a statement was read from them regarding a recommendation last year that CABC accept the ASBE as one of our

Convention Ministry Partners. Although they “hold to the perspective of Biblical Equality might distract them from healthy, more important conversations that are needed. of men and women, which includes both men and women exercising their gifts of ministry and leadership, no all of our constituents agree.” Therefore, they decided, at this time, not to pursue this recommendation until further study and dialogue, in non-threatening environments, be held to explore scripture together. They felt at this time that focusing on this recommendation

There were 28 changes to the General Operating By-Law of CABC because of the change from Letters Patent under the Canadian Corporations Act TO Articles of Continuance under the Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act. This was passed with one motion, with the places written out in the Book of Business. A special meeting can now be called by 5% of the members instead of 20%. We can no longer use “ex officio” members but can appoint up to less than 1/3 of the total directors, to join as members.

Under the proposed United in Mission budget for 2014 there is an increase of 4.22% from the 2013 budget. There are 3 new Ministers and support staff this coming year, and we met Cheryl Ann Beals, Minister of Clergy Formation & and Health and Paul Carline, Minister or Intercultural Ministries.

Friday night I was so excited to be able to Worship with the Youth of CAB Churches in Berwick. It was so great to be part of an Inter-generational time of Worship to our Lord! It was so awesome to see so many, over 20!

I was able to attend the session about the Black history in Nova Scotia, the AUBA, and was encouraged by learning how the Lord has worked in the lives of these brothers and sisters. History was never something I was interested in until I started to understand more about my Lord and the history of how He has worked in and through so many as written in His Word!

It was great to hear about the new Church plant New Brunswick as well as what is happening at River Cross. The Hope Mission is staying on Main street, when the body of believers moves to their new location to worship and share God’s Word.

Ministry essentials are: to Impact Leaders, Infuse Culture and Ignite Mission!

Thank you to Association for nominating me to represent you at this years OASIS!

In writing up this report these scriptures came to mind - Ephesians 3:20-21.

“ Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.” (NIV)

Prayerfully submitted,

Kathie Cox

Oasis 2013 Report

Friday, Aug. 9th

Anna Robins brought a devotional entitled, “Did God REALLY Say?” It came from Genesis 3:1-5. She begins by saying that the plan of the serpent is to plant doubt into Adam and Eve’s mind. “This is the seed that is planted into contemporary society. We continue to ask the question...Did God really say?” Her first point was that Jesus is “the way, the truth, and the life”. She went on to discuss how there are many different religions but that Jesus did tell us that He is the truth – there are no other paths to God except through Him. But we continue to question... “Did God really say that?”

Dr. Robins’ second point was that we continue to question whether Jesus said there is “no Jew or Greek, slave nor free, male or female” in Christ and that we are all equal and one in Him. Even though the word of God says this there are still people who question if God really said this in His word. Anna’s third point of the devotional was from Matthew 16:18. She commented on the scripture that nothing will be able to stop the building of Christ’s church, not even the gates of hell. Anna asked us all what the Spirit is saying to us and our churches... to not exclude even one person from the church. She ended it by saying, “If the gospel isn’t for everyone, it’s for no one.”

Family Business

- Reverend Michael Palmer is the new Vice President (p.5)
- Report from Crandall University by Bruce Fawcett: printed 165,000 copies of the Crandall news paper
- ASBE is not being partnered with at this time by the Baptist Convention even though there are many who support the cause (p 10)
- Amendments to the General Operating Bylaw no longer have the wording “letters patented” but “Articles”. Instead of “Ex-officio” they now say “appointed members”.
- 20% of member churches were able to call a “special meeting” at one time but now this number has been reduced to only 5% of member churches are able to call a “special meeting”

Bruce Fawcett brought the afternoon devotional which was entitled: “Showing Love When You Don’t Feel Like It.” The overall message here was to teach scripture with compassion, cultivate kindness, build relationships, and to be prepared for criticism and misunderstandings. In ministry there will always be people that are “hard to love” but it is important to ask for God’s help and to keep on trying to love them just as Christ loves us.

Saturday, Aug. 10th

Seminar: Building Youth Ministries That Effectively Grow Disciples, Dale Stairs

We looked at two research projects overlapping: 1. Hemorrhaging Faith and 2. Dale’s own

personal findings. First, in the Hemorrhaging faith study nearly 3000 18-34 year olds from all provinces and territories completed the survey. 72 young adults were interviewed. The purpose of this was to find out why they decided to leave the church and why others decided to stay. 7 in 10 (70%) of children who grew up in the church will leave by the time they are young adults.

Things that pushed the youth away:

- **Not given responsibility within churches and if they were given it it was without any help “sink or swim” kind of mentality**
- **Judgemental attitudes and strict rules about behaviour – there was no conversation around the rules “just obey them and that’s it”**
- **Superficial teaching (they want more than topical teaching/preaching)**
- **Not experiencing God**

Things that keep youth connected:

- **Significant mentors (or adults who invested in them)**
- **Mission Experiences (i.e. tidal Impact)**
- **Christian camp**
- **Friends who are involved in church**
- **Spiritually engaged parents**
- **Vibrant church community (people that cared about them, knew what sports or instruments they played and would ask about their week etc.)**

Study 2. Dale Stair’s own research and findings

Dale looked at the time period from the end of WWII until 2010.

Thing that are not effective:

Concerts, excessive fun events, unfocused sports ministries, and hang-out based ministries without relationships being made.

Significant Discipleship Practices:

Mentoring, missions and service opportunity, small group Bible study and prayer, and camp attendance and leadership.

From WWII-2010 and even today we see the things that have worked and the things that have not. Some still reign true for today; the overlap between the two studies was:

- **Relationships/Mentoring**
- **Camp Ministry**
- **Mission and Service Projects**

The overall conclusion was that mentoring, intentional relationships and time invested into our young people is essential.

Exec. Minister Dr. Peter Reid “Mission Ignite”, Rally #1

The gospel always involves word and deed

The mission is to set people free from systemic sin as well as individual sin.

Three Ministry Leaders: Impact leaders, Infuse culture, and Ignite mission

The worst reason for amalgamation of churches is for survival - it should be about mission

CBM Presentation: Tim and Diane Bannister - Had to step out for work

Dr. Lennett Anderson “Raised Expectations”, Luke 14

- **Its time for the salt to come out of the shaker**
- **We are called to be light of the world**
- **In order for there to be a divine intervention the church needs to work together**
- **Lets embrace the human race, there has to be unity in the community**
- **I know we like playing church but lets be the church**
- **There is more unity in the community then in the body and we want to infuse culture? Culture could teach us a few things**
- **Christianity is a verb not a noun**
- **We will be surprised who will show up at the table if its an open invitation**
- **Jesus was on a mission: everybody on the outside, Jesus brought on the inside**
- **We weren't the first invitation but we got a second one, to save wretches like us!**
- **God wants his seats filled – just like a restaurant wants their seats filled and a hotel wants their rooms filled, so does God want his table full**
- **Places like this will shut down if there aren't enough people**
- **We don't get to say who comes to the Father's house – there's an invitation to ALL people**
- **True Christianity is not exclusive but inclusive**
- **Found people find people – there is still room at the table**

These points are notes I took of Dr. Lennett Anderson's message. Most are direct quotes from him and his main point for the message. God wants us to get up and out of our churches and our comfort zones and to seek out those who are lost and not yet found. God wants us to invite ALL people – including those who are different from us to eat at the table.

Common Theme for Oasis 2013

If I had to choose a common theme for Oasis 2013 it would be that we need to bring people in and make the gospel relevant for the 21st century. Not to change the message but to make it appropriate for all people in all places.

Unfortunately I was not able to be at the events on Sunday as I am the Associate and Youth pastor at Bethany Memorial Baptist Church and had a youth service planned for that Sunday.

**Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Stevens**

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

November 9, 2013

OFFICERS

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
Past Moderator	Dr. Allison Trites (Wolfville)	542-9172 (H)
Moderator	Mrs. Gail Cook (Cambridge)	679-4450 (H)
Vice Moderator:	Rev. Wayne Merrill (Coldbrook)	670-4104 (H) New
Clerk	Rev. Ronald Baxter (Wolfville)	542-2815 (H)
Assistant Clerk:		
Treasurer	Mrs. Gillian Mitchell (Centreville)	542-3189 (H) New
Assistant Treasurer	Mr. Robert Douglas (New Minas)	678-2250 (H)
*Liason for Association (Report Booklets, emails, etc.)	Rev. John S. Beers (New Minas)	679-8211(C) New

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
1. Rev. Ellen Hunt (Upper Vaughan)	2014 (1 st)	798-0850 (O) 542-0471 (H)
2. Mr. Douglas Schofield (New Minas)	2014 (1 st)	678-6043 (H)
3. Mr. Greg Bishop (Cambridge)	2015 (1 st)	542-9386 (H)
4. Rev. Thelma McLeod (Aldershot)	2015 (1 st)	678-6755 (O) 678-8414 (H)
5. Mrs. Eugenia Trites (Wolfville)	2015 (2 nd)	542-1972 (H)
6. Rev. Wayne Fevens (Avonport)	2016 (1 st)	542-9356(O) 697-2164 (H) New
7. Rev. Robert Hefferman (Billtown)	2016 (2 nd)	678-2496 (H)
8. Rev. Sterling Gosman (New Minas)	2016 (2 nd)	681-7683 (O) 678-8188 (H)

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
1. Pastor Elizabeth Parker (Kempt)	2014 (1 st)	684-0338 (H)
2. Rev. Hedley Hopkins (Falmouth)	2014 (1 st)	792-1661 (H)
3. Dr. Forrest Bent (Port Williams)	2014 (1 st)	542-2117 (H)
4. Dr. Marc Potvin (Centreville)	2015 (1 st)	678-1946 (O)
5. Mrs. Sandra Ward (Wolfville)	2015 (1 st)	542-2461 (H)
6. Rev. Debra Mosher (Windsor Plains)	2016 (2 nd)	528-2829 (H)
7. Rev. Marilyn Rose (Berwick)	2016 (1 st)	538-3723 (H) New
Ex-Officio: Association ABW Representative –Mrs. Karen Wile (Kempt)		633-2814 (H)

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
1. Mr. Ronald Higgins (Centreville)	2014 (2 nd)	678-5312 (H)
2. Mr. Wayne Marriott (Centreville)	2014 (1 st)	681-6476 (H)
3. Mr. Jonathan Levy (Falmouth)	2015 (2 nd)	670-3069 (H)
4. Mr Allison Magee (Berwick)	2015 (1 st)	538-3632 (H)
5. Mr. Laurie Hennigar (Centreville)	2016 (2 nd)	582-3339 (H)
6. Rev. Alex Mosher (South Rawdon)	2016 (2 nd)	528-2829 (H) New

Ex-Officio: Treasurer – Association

SOCIAL ACTION/EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
1. Rev. Pamela Estey (First Cornwallis)	2014 (2 nd)	542-0097 (H)
2. Rev. Michael Shreve ((Hall's Harbour)	2014 (1 st)	542-9449 (H)
3. Rev. Bill Davenport (New Minas)	2014 (1 st)	679-0445 (H)
4. Rev. Clyde Lowe (Aylesford)	2014 (1 st)	847-3430 (H)
5. Lic. Greg Cox (Pereaux)	2015 (1 st) [C]	690-5490 (H)
6. Rev. Virginia DeAdder (Cambridge)	2015 (1 st)	678-7253 (H)
7. Ms. Charmaine Mailman (Windsor)	2015 (2 nd)	757-2421 (H)
8. Mr. Jeff Newbery (Centreville)	2015 (1 st)	542-2892 (H)

CHAPLAINCY COMMITTEE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
1. Mr. Derek Ehler (Windsor)	2014 (2 nd)	757-2344 (H)
2. Dr. Mark Parent (Pereaux)	2014 (1 st)	582-1313 (H)
New		
3. Rev. Elizabeth Johnson (Port Williams)	2014 (1 st) [C]	542-5314 (H)
4. Mrs. CherylAnn Dempsey (Morristown)	2015 (1 st)	847-9797 (H)
5. Dr. Carol Ann Janzen (Port Williams)	2015 (2 nd)	585-2230 (O)
6. Mrs. Pam Connell (Pereaux)	2016 (1 st)	582-7092 (H) New
7.		

CONVENTION EXAMINING COUNCIL

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
1. Rev. Sterling Gosman (New Minas)	2016	681-7683 (O) 678-8188 (H)
New		
2. Rev. Thelma McLeod (Aldershot)	2016	678-6755 (O) 678-8414 (H)
New		
<u>Alternates:</u>		
1. Rev. Ronald Baxter (Wolfville)	2016	542-2815 (H)
New		
2. Rev. Gail Whalen-Dunn (Lochartville)	2016	681-2271 (H)
New		

CONVENTION DELEGATES FOR 201

To be nominated at Spring Association

REGION 8 CABC NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
Dr. Marc Potvin	2014	678-1946 (O)

GLADYS MANNING RETIREMENT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TERM ENDING</u>	<u>PHONE NUMBERS</u>
1. Rev. Johan Eichhorn (Windsor)	2014 (1 st)	792-1984 (H)
2. Mr. Gary Nelson (Falmouth)	2015 (2 nd)	798-5797 (H)

THE REV. DON EHLER MEMORIAL CHAPLAINCY FUND

NAME

1. Mr. Derek Ehler (Windsor) [C]
2. Mr. David Rafuse (Upper Vaughan)

PHONE NUMBERS

757-2344(H)
542-7113(H)

KINGSWOOD CAMP COMMITTEE

NAME

1. Mr. Laurie Hennigar (Centreville)
2. Mr. Alan Haley (South Rawdon)
3. Mr. Vincent Leung (Port Williams) [C]
4. Rev. Chad Clements (Morristown)
5. Mr. John Pierce (Kingston)
6. Mr. John Gerrits (Centreville)
7. Mr. Joel Murphy (Wolfville)
8. Mr. Philip Taylor (Cambridge)

TERM ENDING

2014 (2nd)
2014 (1st)
2014 (1st)
2015 (1st)
2015 (2nd)
2016 (2nd)
2016 (1st)
2016 (2nd)

PHONE NUMBERS

582-3339 (H)
757-2340 (H)
542-5415 (H)
847-9565 (H)
765-3055 (H)
582-7189 (H)
670-3387(H) New
538-3496 (H)

From Annapolis -Digby Association (To be Appointed by Anna. – Digby Assoc.)

9. Ms. Ronda Henry 11.
10. Mr. David Longley (Margaretsville) 12.

KINGSWOOD CAMP TRUSTEES

1. Mr. Alan Haley (South Rawdon)
2. Mr. Laurie Hennigar (Centreville)
3. Mr. John Pierce (Kingston)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

NAME

1. Dr. Allison Trites, Past Moderator (Wolfville)
2. Mrs. Linda Shreve (Hall's Harbour)
3. Mr. Wendell Crosby (Kingston)
4. Mr. Wayne Marriott (Centreville)
5. Mrs. Gail Cook (Cambridge)
- 6.

TERM ENDING

2014 (1st)
2015 (1st)
2015 (1st)
2016 (2nd)

PHONE NUMBERS

542-9172 (H)
542-9449 (H)
765-8080 (H)
681-6476 (H) New
679-4450 (H)

*Past Moderator is Chairman for Nominating Committee

**The next meeting of Association is at Kingswood Camp
May 3, 2014**

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Marriott

Wayne Marriott, Chairman

The mailing address for the Association:

EVBA, PO Box 56,

Kentville, NS

B4N 3V9

