

New Day Baptist Church Calls Alex Beane as Executive Associate Pastor

New Day Baptist Church has called Alex Beane as their new Executive Associate Pastor. Senior Pastor, Chris Hubler, describes this new position as the “nuts and bolts role” behind the church. Chris will be tasking Alex to develop the “how-to” plans for accomplishing the God-given visions that he has for the church.

Alex currently works as a chaplain for Tyson Foods. He is also a captain in the National Guard. Additionally, he is finishing up his doctorate from Wesleyan University in Church Retention. He was ordained in the American Baptist Church and has been a pastor at a couple of their churches but left due to differences in theological beliefs. After they moved to Alexandria, they discovered New Day Baptist Church and became members. Pastor Chris calls him a “Bible guy” and said he asked him “about a million theological questions” and he “passed



New Executive Associate Pastor, Alex Beane, with his wife, Ceress, and their boys, Willie, Jack, and Charlie.

them all” in complete agreement with SBC doctrine.

Alex is married to Ceress and they have 3 boys;

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ECBA Approves Reports, Votes to Help Fund Student Ministry and H.I.L.L. Scholarships for Pastors at Semi-Annual Meeting

The ECBA Semi-Annual Meeting was held Thursday, March 11th at 7:00 pm at the All Seasons Banquet Facility in Albany IN. The meeting was originally scheduled to be held at Integris Community Church but because the church had such a huge response to their new Karate ministry, they did not want to interrupt the class schedule. For their first session, Integris had 41 people sign up and 45 show up. They now have 60 in the class. Therefore, they found another location for the ECBA meeting just down the street.

The evening began at 6:00 pm with a delicious Mexican themed meal provided by Integris and prepared by Jim and Donna Healy. Following dinner, Moderator Greg Haisley, Pastor of Integris Community Church, called the meeting to order and opened with prayer. There were 17 messengers representing 7 churches and church plants seated for the meeting. The group approved the Annual Meeting minutes, noting that the November Quarterly Meeting had been canceled due to Covid concerns. The ACP and treasurer's reports were approved, along with the team reports, which are found in this newsletter.

Under new business, the nominating committee presented the team leaders for the 2021-22 year: Church Health – Tami Hubler (New Day), Association Ministry – Sharon Armstrong (Old Town Hill), and Church Planting – Jeremiah Kinney (Remedy City) and

the messengers approved. The Leadership Council made a motion to provide funding to Remedy City in the amount of \$2,600 for collegiate ministry using the OMC and General Fund balances. The Leadership Council also made a motion to provide up to \$1,000 in scholarships to the SCBI H.I.L.L. event for pastors May 3 - 5. Both motions passed.

With no other new business, the meeting was adjourned in prayer. The next ECBA Quarterly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 13th, at New Day Baptist Church in Alexandria.

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Dr. Ron Ross

The Katecheo

Recently, during our Semi-Annual Meeting on March 11, as reporting was taking place, someone asked if our Educational Ministry would ever offer classes for those wishing to expand their understanding of religious subjects in the context of a classroom experience. For those who are unaware, ECBA has offered classes periodically through the endorsements of three different schools dating back to the early 1980s.

Our current ECBA Education Coordinator has had the privilege of teaching for each of three entities; however, at this time, only the SBC Seminary Extension remains an option, subject to a required number of students.

In spite of the inability for prospective students to receive college credit for any class taken, our Educational

Coordinator is willing to offer a class for those interested. He is requesting that those interested follow these guidelines:

Pray ... asking God to narrow down the interest area of study to one specific area, and then email that area to: roro062@att.net

Next month, our Coordinator will reveal the requested areas of study submitted by those interested in a class. In the event of several different requests, he will also formulate a possible theme for such a class that could, hopefully, incorporate the requested areas of study.

This is a great time to consider launching a class that could be reduplicated in the months and years ahead in hopes of expanding our educational ministry.

New Day Calls Associate Pastor

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Willie, Jack, and Charlie. A former special education teacher, Ceres is now a stay-at-home mom. She is also a talented musician and plays guitar and sings as part of the NDBC Praise Team. They live in a home on 15 acres and have developed a paintball area for the church and especially the church youth, with which Alex works.

Chris said that they did not have an open search for an associate pastor. He said he had been praying that God would send them someone to help with his pastoral needs. He loves casting the vision but gets bogged down in all the details and is excited to have Alex's skill set on board in

these areas. He spoke with the church's elder board and all three churches (Alexandria, Pendleton, and Muncie campuses) were completely on board and called Alex as their Executive Associate Pastor. Chris said his first assignment was to task Alex to develop a plan for how a new believer in Christ could be developed to the point of being ready to become a deacon in 5 years.

New Day now has 3 pastors on staff: Senior Pastor, Chris Hubler; Pastor at New Day - Muncie, Dale Trego; and Executive Associate Pastor, Alex Beane.

Upcoming Events In April

April 10—9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m., Transformed Women's Retreat at Northside Baptist Church, 3021 E 71st Street, Indianapolis IN 46220 (in person) or virtually via computer. Check <https://scbi.org/events/transformed> for more details.

SBC Emphasis for April

April 11 —Baptist Doctrine Study

April 18—SBC Seminaries Sunday

April 25—Cooperative Program Sunday



Please pray for our pastors and their wives on these special occasions.

Birthdays

April 6—Troy James, The Cross, Anderson

April 10—Sharon Jones, Faith Christian Fellowship, Anderson

Wedding Anniversaries

April 26—Troy and Kim James, The Cross, Anderson

Pastor-Church Anniversaries

April 26—Jeremy Cowin, First Baptist Church—Montpelier, 6 years

April 27—Chris Hubler, New Day Baptist Church—Pendleton Campus, 8 years

Muncie New Day's Kids Club Restarts

By Deneia Trego

New Day Baptist Church Campus in Muncie holds their Kids Club every 3rd Friday from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. March 19th was their 1st time back since the Covid restrictions and they had 6 children, ages K—5th grade. They made crafts and talked about Spring and all the things they see in the spring and who created them. Some of the things the children said they saw in the spring were gardens, plants, and trees and that they even see the bugs come out (which was what the boys were all about). When Mrs. Tammy got to the lightning bug, the kids were excited and talked about how they light up and how they would catch them. Mrs. Tammy explained to them that we, also, are like lightening bugs; when we have Jesus in us, we too, have new life in us. We should light up just like the lightning bug and our light should shine just as bright. The children then had pizza and played games.

Here are some pictures from Kids Club.



Another Baptism at Muncie New Day

On Sunday, March 7th, Pastor Dale Trego at New Day Baptist Church Campus in Muncie was blessed to baptize Izabella Waycott. Izabella is the great-granddaughter of Tom and Jean Howard who are members of the church. Following baptisms, New Day - Muncie always presents a Bible to those who were baptized. Because of a tight schedule, Pastor Dale didn't have time to get changed from the baptism, so his grandson, Case Trego, volunteered to present the Bible to Izabella and congratulate her on her baptism.



“Get Out of the Cave” Men’s Retreat Draws 50 Men

The ECBA Men’s Ministry held their first retreat entitled “Get Out of the Cave” on Saturday, February 27th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Old Town Hill Baptist Church in Muncie. Fifty men attended this free event financially supported by the ECBA Church Health Team.

The morning began with a welcome from Men’s Ministry Coordinator, Joe Fox, from Old Town Hill Baptist Church. He also spoke about Disaster Relief and the opportunities we have had to help people through this ministry. Additionally, he had the ECBA Disaster Relief trailer and equipment on display in the parking lot for the men to view. The morning speaker, Doug Jividen, Church Planting Catalyst North Indiana for

session, volunteers from Old Town Hill served a scrumptious lunch of huge smoked pork chops, green beans, and scalloped potatoes plus a variety of desserts.

The afternoon session began with Pastor Greg Haisley, Integris Community Church & 2021 ECBA Moderator, speaking on the “The Power of Prayer.” He shared



Fifty men attended the “Get Out of Your Cave” Men’s Retreat.

Comments from the attendees were good. New Day Baptist Church Senior Pastor, Chris Hubler, said that he usually has difficulty sitting through events like this but was captivated by the sessions the whole day. Several men said they are looking forward to having another men’s retreat again.



Greg Haisley spoke on the “Power of Prayer.”

that mountains can be moved through the power of prayer. We may not care if an actual mountain can be tossed into the sea, but we do care about the mountains in our lives that need to be moved. That power can flow from God through us when we are connected to The Vine and are available to be used. He was followed



Joe Fox opened the event. He and Denny Smith, SCBI DR head, shared about their ministry through disaster relief.

NAMB, spoke on “Living by Faith.” He emphasized to the men that we are all just sticks that needed to be connected to The Vine to be used for God’s glory. He even had the men echoing him, “I’m a stick,” throughout his session. After the morning



Thanks to these volunteers, Susan Hargis, Jenny Voke, and Darla Fox (all from Old Town Hill), the men enjoyed a good meal.



Doug Jividen spoke on “Living by Faith,” emphasizing that we are all just sticks that need to be connected to The Vine to be useful.

by Jim Shields, SCBI Team Leader for Highland Lakes Camp & Disaster Relief, sharing about “Serving, Even When It Hurts.” He encouraged the men to get out of their caves and be the man God wants them to be. And, that time is now, not when we feel like we’re ready; we don’t know how much time we actually have.



The men were offered a huge smoked pork chop, scalloped potatoes, and green beans for lunch.



Disaster Relief not only had a display in the room, they also displayed the ECBA trailer and equipment in the parking lot.



The men enjoyed the meal and fellowship.

ECBA Church Health Team Report

Children's Ministry/VBS Coordinator - Brenda Brooks

In January, the Church Health Team financially supported 4 individuals from our ECBA churches plus our VBS Coordinator to attend the virtual SBC National VBS training. Our goal is to invest Church Health monies to equip ECBA churches to reach children at an early age with the gospel message and a love for missions. In March, the team that attended the training met to discuss VBS timelines in order to share the 2021 VBS materials purchased by our Church Health Team. We are excited to see what the Lord is doing with our children's ministry during the pandemic! Our 2022 goal is to send these same individuals to the National VBS training – on site – in Tennessee!

Women's Missionary Union Coordinator - Tami Hubler (Assistant - Carol Mohler)

Local

Spring - A WMU luncheon called GROW is tentatively scheduled in late spring. The WMU team is currently looking for a Greenhouse / Nursery to host the event. The event will be focused on Kingdom growth and sharing more about WMU and the importance of supporting missions. Carol Mohler will be in touch with the ECBA churches once the event details have been finalized.

Summer – LifeWay's Glory Simulcast with Jackie Hill-Perry has been purchased and scheduled for Saturday, June 26. This event for women will be a day full of intensive Bible study, worship, and laughter, leaving you to walk back into the world with opened eyes, seeing how His glory fills the whole earth. Whether your Bible is dog-eared and underlined or you're just figuring out the whole Jesus thing, this space is for you and for God. More information will be sent out to the churches in April. *Each church will be able to host the event at their own location providing flexibility during Covid.*

The Migrant Camp Ministry Event is still postponed due to Covid concerns.

State Level

SCBI Transformed Women's Event will be held virtually and in-person on March 13 and April 10th. Register online at scbi.org.

SCBI Wives in Ministry Event will hold a virtual fellowship event on May 22. More information will be available on the SCBI website.

International

The Church Health team has an International Missions scholarship program for participating ECBA churches' High School Students. The goal is to invest our resources in High School youth to further the gospel and solidify their faith by sending them on a life-changing International mission trip prior to college and other world influences. *Currently, there are no ECBA churches planning International Missions trips due to Covid travel restrictions.*

Men's Ministry Coordinator – Joe Fox

Joe Fox has accepted the role of Men's Ministry Coordinator in 2021. Under Joe's leadership, a very successful Men's Retreat (Out of the Cave) was held on Saturday, February 27th at Old Town Hill Baptist Church, Muncie. Fifty men from our ECBA churches attended the FREE event (financially supported by the Church Health Team). SCBI State and Local Guest speakers challenged our men in Kingdom work. Praise the Lord!

Open Positions - currently seeking passionate individuals for the roles listed below. Please contact Tami Hubler (cell: 765.356.3648) for more information:

Youth Ministry Coordinator - Open Position, nothing to report
Discipleship/Sunday School Coordinator - Open Position, nothing to report
Music Coordinator - Open Position, nothing to report

Prayer Coordinator – Open Position, nothing to report

Under new business, the Church Health Team would like to propose using some of the monies allocated for the Mission scholarship to send ECBA Pastors/Assoc. Pastors to the State HILL event May 3, 4, & 5. (Cost \$199/pastor).

Respectfully Submitted,
Tami Hubler

ECBA Church Planting Report

Jeremiah Kinney reported that there are no active church plants at this time. Church Planter, Daniel Carpenter's Daleville plant has been temporarily derailed because of Covid, but he is currently serving at Old Town Hill.

Jeremiah shared about the student ministry at Remedy City. He said that the church had seen several of their millennials move away but the student population grow. Currently, they only have about 15 non-college students attending the church. Last fall they started with a group of 8 students and now they have as many as 40. They are planning an inner city mission trip to Gary, IN for May and Doug Jividen is helping them plan this. Jeremiah shared several stories ministry opportunities the students have had: sharing the gospel with an African-American professor at BSU, assisting a young man who was planning suicide get help, and praying with a woman distraught over not having rent money and later learning how God had answered their prayers. The students have also started coming to church early to pray for the services on Sunday.

Trustee Report

There is nothing new to report. The only thing unresolved at this point is our purchase of a new block party trailer. It is still on hold due to supply difficulties because of the Covid pandemic.

Associational Ministry Report

Evangelism Ministry Report

As we begin to open back up our society to a new way of doing ministry, whether it is through Zoom, or social distancing; it is my prayer that the Lord will provide each of us with new opportunities to not only stretch and grow in those ministries but to glorify Him in all that we do. It will be my fervent prayer this year that the Lord will provide a lady to come along beside me to learn not only about the Evangelism Ministry but that the individual will be on fire for Christ and will be one whose greatest desire is seeing others come to know Him. Please join me in this prayer.

This year, I would like to schedule a time to speak at willing churches within our Association about Evangelism and what the Evangelism Ministry is all about. Evangelism really is just simply faith over fear and this ministry is available to teach others how to speak boldly the love of Christ and what our Savior has done for us all. Evangelism is simply being a part of whatever God is doing in the world to reconcile others to Himself.

This fall I would like to offer a one-day workshop of "Share Jesus Without Fear" within the Association, if there is enough interest.

The certification of Biblical Counseling is still a work in progress, and I am learning a great deal in my studies. I look forward to what the Lord is going to do in my life with this ministry and how He is going to continue to grow me so that I may be of a greater service for The Kingdom. Matthew 9:37-8.

In Christ,
Sharon Armstrong
Evangelism Coordinator

ECBA Semi-Annual Educational Ministry Report

The last quarter of 2020 and the first quarter of 2021 have continued to be somewhat unusual from other years. The restraints placed on churches by governing bodies have certainly taken their toll on most congregations. The response to authorities, coupled with the fear of the corona virus itself, has greatly reduced the number of members attending those services in many of our

local churches.

Several ECBA churches took advantage of Lily Grants which provided funds to upgrade equipment, or in some instances, initiate the purchase of equipment to live-stream services for their congregants who chose to remain at home. Many of us have been involved in those services as we watched later on Facebook Live or Youtube. This is a unique way to continue the ministry to others, and in some cases, even increasing overall weekly attendance.

As good as all that sounds, there remains a segment in many congregations that did not attend services provided by their church, nor did they watching by way of the internet, — they are not connected to the internet, and thus remain in isolation... for these we should be concerned.

EMPHASIS

A quick overview of the first half of the year reminds us of our denominational emphasis in October, "Global Hunger Relief Sunday," followed in November with "Disaster Relief Sunday" and "Week of Prayer for International Missions"/"Lottie Moon Christmas Offering." The new year began with our annual "January/Winter Bible Study" on the Epistles of John (1,2,3). February 14 was "Race Relations Sunday," and this month is "Substance Abuse Intervention Sunday" (March 21).

PREVIEW

April 11 is "Baptist Doctrine Study" and "SBC Seminary Sunday" (April 18). May 9 -16 is "Christian Home Week," and then June 6 is "Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church." July 4 is "Citizenship and Religious Liberty Sunday" followed in August with "Social Issues Sunday" (August 1), and then, in September, the calendar ends with "Anti-Gambling Sunday" (September 19).

SUMMARY

As local church-leaders, we understand that Christ promised to "build His Church," and He has instructed us to assist others in their personal development "in Christ." It is for that reason that our ECBA Education Ministry exists. Though limited this past quarter, this is the reason our Educational Coordinator provides articles

and information to assist local church leaders in their ministry to others. Hopefully, it is helpful and encouraging.

Dr. Ron Ross,
ECBA Educational Coordinator

Disaster Relief Report

Since our last meeting in September, our disaster relief team has remained busy despite the Covid 19 pandemic. In October, a team of 10 from Indiana, including 4 people from Old Town Hill Baptist Church, headed to Lake Charles to help with the hurricane recovery. We were able to cut trees from 8 homes before needing to return home. Our volunteers made it safely back to Indiana without any problems, even though Hurricane Delta was coming in as we left. Those serving from ECBA included George Eukart, Brian Wordon, Kyle Bell, and Joe Fox.

The ECBA team continues to help build wheelchair ramps, too. We went to Benton, Kentucky to build a ramp and put in a door for a woman who was unable to get down the hallway of her mobile home. This enabled her to leave her house. Additionally, we are helping to tear down and rebuild a veteran's condemned home in Muncie.

Most recently, our Disaster Relief Team has been in Kentland, Indiana, working on a home that was flooded with almost three feet of water for at least three days. This called for a major reconstruction of the home. We had to remove all the walls and insulation, stripping the building to bare studs and take the floors down to the joists. All the wiring and plumbing had to be removed and the kitchen and bathroom completely gutted; plus the furnace, water heater, and all the duct work had to be removed. Through the generosity of anonymous donors, the family received all new appliances, fixtures, furnace, air conditioning, water heater, shower, toilet, vanity and sink.

We give all the glory to God for being able to do this work. We are all volunteers working for our Heavenly Father Jesus Christ and are blessed to do so.

Joe Fox
Disaster Relief Coordinator

ECBA Profit and Loss Statement for January 2021

	<u>Jan 21</u>
Income	
4000 · Church Receipts	
4060 · New Day	500
4120 · Halteman - Muncie	342
4140 · Kingston - Anderson	130
4160 · North Delaware - Muncie	150
4180 · Redeemer - Anderson	196
4190 · First - Montpelier	80
4240 · Remedy City	48
Total 4000 · Church Receipts	<u>1,446</u>
Total Income	1,446
Expense	
7000 · Administrative Ministry	
7010 · Other Expense	150
7090 · Payroll	745
Total 7000 · Administrative Ministry	895
7100 · Church Health	68
Total Expense	<u>963</u>
Net Income	<u>483</u>

ECBA Balance Report January 2021

	<u>Jan 21</u>	<u>Dec 20</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
1000 · ONB			
1010 · General Budget	41,745.95	41,262.74	483.21
1011 · Discretionary Admin Team	7,493.99	7,493.99	0.00
1015 · BCM Rent Deposit	0.00	0.00	0.00
1016 · BCM Capital Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
1020 · Disaster Relief	474.28	474.28	0.00
1025 · Mission Building Capital Fund	7,167.19	7,167.19	0.00
1035 · Church P&H Fund	6,297.89	6,297.89	0.00
1040 · OMC	1,307.84	1,307.84	0.00
1051 · ECBA Endowment	0.00	0.00	0.00
1055 · Funds Temporarily Restricted	19,892.33	19,892.33	0.00
1000 · ONB - Other	<u>188.00</u>	<u>188.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total 1000 · ONB	84,567.47	84,084.26	483.21
1100 · Indiana Baptist Foundation			
1110 · ECBA Endowment	12,431.18	12,431.18	0.00
1111 · Church P&H ROI	3,496.31	3,496.31	0.00
1120 · Church P&H Fund	19,223.09	19,223.09	0.00
1125 · BCMH Temp Restricted	<u>149,357.73</u>	<u>149,357.73</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total 1100 · Indiana Baptist Foundation	184,508.31	184,508.31	0.00
TOTAL	<u>269,075.78</u>	<u>268,592.57</u>	<u>483.21</u>

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