



*“So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.” Colossians 2:6-7 NRSV*

**American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin**  
**173<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gathering** *for all ages*

**REGISTRATION BOOKLET**

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| <b>Friday-Saturday</b><br><b>October 13-14, 2017</b> | <b>GREEN LAKE CONFERENCE CENTER</b><br><b>W2511 State Rd. 23</b><br><b>Green Lake, WI 54941</b> |
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*rootedness collaboration growth transformation*  
**Together Living Faithfully Through Christ Today**

*You Are Invited:* Our American Baptist family from across the state joins together once a year for Christ-centered fellowship, worship, and equipping for ministries and mission. 2017 begins our journey under the vision, Together Living Faithfully Through Christ Today, responding to the imperatives of rootedness, collaboration, growth, and transformation, and inspired by Ephesians 3:18-19. *This gathering will not be the same without you.*

## FRIDAY SCHEDULE — OCTOBER 13

All events on Friday and Saturday are in Bauer Lodge, unless otherwise noted

- 1:00 PM Tee Time for Pre-Gathering Optional Golfing Event at Lawsonia. See registration form for details.
- 4:00 Check-in opens for Green Lake Accommodations (Kraft Centre-Lobby) / Exhibitor set up opens
- 6:00 Annual Gathering Registration Opens
- 7:00 Evening Program: Call to Order of the 173rd Annual Gathering  
Opening Worship featuring Storytellers and Music  
Followed by Region President and ABWM 140th Anniversary Reception sponsored by ABWM  
Informal jam session for musicians, singers, and lovers of musical fellowship

## SATURDAY SCHEDULE — OCTOBER 14

- 7:30 AM Breakfast for paid guests (see next page for meal details) (Kraft Centre-Dining Hall)
- 8:15 Registration for Saturday Arrivals
- 8:30 Conference Choir Practice (time may be adjusted; see next page for details)
- 8:45 Presenters and Facilitators Prayer by Invitation (Bauer-Beaty)
- 9:00 **Plenary: Worshipful Work**  
Keynote Presentation: The Roots of our Witness as American Baptists: Dr. Jeffrey Haggray  
*Executive Director, American Baptist Home Mission Societies and Judson Press*  
Looking to our mission and ministry in our region:  
Facilitated Small Groups, Intergroup sharing, Business items (elections, reports, acknowledgements)
- 12:00 PM Lunch for paid guests (see next page for meal details) (Kraft Centre-Dining Hall)  
The Ministers Council will hold their annual meeting over lunch in the Tower Dining Room, a room off of the main dining hall. Elections, planning, encouraging. All ministers are welcome.
- 12:45 Conference Choir Practice (time may be adjusted; see next page for details)
- 1:15 **Break Out Sessions**  
Option 1: American Baptist Women Ministry (ABWM) Annual Meeting with a program featuring American Baptist Missionaries Jon and Amanda Good, who will serve through ABC International Ministries' partners, the Baptist Union of Hungary and Hungarian Baptist Aid with a focus on evangelistic outreach, discipleship, and church development. *EVERYONE is invited to hear their presentation.*  
Option 2: Men's Ministries Program: "Engaging with Young Adults for Intergenerational Discipleship" —an interactive and strategic session focused on bridging the generation gaps among males of all ages.  
Option 3: Self-guided tour of American Baptist history throughout the GLCC grounds. Map and informational booklets will be available from GLCC Front Desk.
- 2:45 Closing worship service  
Conference Choir; Dr. Jeffrey Haggray, Preacher; Offering for ABHMS
- 4:00 Adjournment

## **REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATIONS INFORMATION**

Program advance registration is requested & preferred!  
See separate registration form.

**Location: Green Lake Conference Center (GLCC)/  
American Baptist Assembly**  
**www.glcc.org**

GLCC, located on 900 scenic acres on the shores of Wisconsin's deepest lake, offers a sacred space for all parts of the Christian family to gather for equipping, renewal, and transformational conversations.

### **There are two parts for registration:**

#### **1. Program Registration, arranged with ABC/WI**

- ⇒ Program Fee: \$25 Adults; no fee for non-delegates 17 & younger
- ⇒ **Children/Youth** Programming for children, toddlers thru middle schoolers, will be provided by Caroline Jungwirth Overzet through the Children's Center at GLCC. Caroline runs a full GLCC summer program. She and her teachers will provide activities for children and youth during Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Saturday afternoon sessions. Fee: \$20 per child
- ⇒ Please complete requested information on the enclosed registration form and submit forms and fees to the Region Office.

#### **2. Meals and Accommodations, arranged with GLCC**

- ⇒ Meal costs listed below are ages 12 & older and ages 6 thru 11, respectively; meals are free for children 5 & younger.

#### **Overnight Guests—RATES GUARANTEED UNTIL AUGUST 15**

- ⇒ Friday night room: \$94 per room for up to 2 adults; there is a \$15 surcharge for additional adults; children 21 and under stay free with an adult; various bed arrangements available (2 suites that sleep 6 are available for \$114)
- ⇒ Meals: Sat. breakfast and lunch are added to every overnight stay: \$21.50 ages 12 & older/\$15 ages 6 thru 11 (plus tax)

#### **Saturday Only Guests**

- ⇒ Meals: Breakfast \$9.75/\$7; Lunch \$11.75/\$8 (plus tax)
- ⇒ Every day guest will also be charged a \$5 day use fee

#### **Other details for both overnight and day guests**

- ⇒ You must call GLCC directly to make your reservations: **Phone #: 920-294-3323**. Mention you are with "ABC Wisconsin."
- ⇒ A credit card is needed to secure all reservations. Charges will not occur until check-in.
- ⇒ Additional overnight stays and meals can also be requested at time of reservation. Dinner costs are \$13.50/\$9 (plus tax)
- ⇒ All meal charges will be charged 5.5% sales tax, unless the bill is being paid directly by a tax-exempt organization. A tax exempt form with tax ID# must be provided at check-in.

**DIRECTIONS TO GLCC can be found on their website at:**

**<http://glcc.org/travel-maps.html>**

## **Friday Night Jam Session**

Musicians, bring your unplugged instruments (voices included!) and join in on this time of fellowship and worshipful music-making. Our conference musician will get the night going but will quickly let the Spirit take over!



## **Conference Choir**

Attendees are invited to join a choir led by our guest musician Ms. Hornrette Washington. The choir will sing during closing worship.



## **Informal Connecting Time**

Feel free to make opportunities for informal connecting with exhibitors, colleagues, new friends, etc. We don't expect your whole weekend to be programmed!



## **Giving Opportunities**

Region offering envelopes will be available to contribute to ABC/WI ministries, with designations possible. Saturday closing worship offering will be to support AB Home Mission Societies.



## **Sunday Worship Option in Green Lake**

You are invited to worship with local ABC congregation, Federated Church, Green Lake.

9 AM Traditional, Liturgical  
10:30 AM Informal, Family,  
Contemporary



## **More info ...**

As more information becomes available about the Annual Gathering program and logistics, we will share those via regular and special region communications and on our website [www.abcofwi.org](http://www.abcofwi.org).

## Dr. Jeffrey Haggray, Keynote Speaker and Preacher

Executive Director, American Baptist Home Mission Societies and Judson Press



At the heart of Haggray's ministry lie his passions for motivating Christians to impact communities with their deeply-held faith; encouraging emerging leaders to discern and respond to God's call; and emphasizing God's loving concern for humanity's well-being, wholeness and justice. Haggray works closely with diverse national and regional partners to provide a clear vision of the Christian mission in today's world, to cultivate relationships and to develop resources for transformational ministry with congregations, communities and regions across the United States and Puerto Rico.

Having served congregations in New Jersey; Washington, D.C.; and Georgia, Haggray understands the day-to-day needs of local congregations involved in disciple-making, worship, leadership development, evangelism and mission engagement. As a regional executive minister in the Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Region for eight years, Haggray learned that, when congregations and institutions can access the human and material resources they need to transform their communities, there is no limit to the impact they are able to make.

"When a compelling mission-driven vision is coupled with faith in God and a strong determination to succeed, the required resources often follow," he says. "The United States of America is a strategic mission field for proclaiming the Christian gospel, developing Christian disciples, promoting justice, and collaborating and networking for ministry. As we impact America for Christ, we impact the world, and I am motivated by that prospect."

Haggray is married to Shelby Martin Haggray, also an ordained American Baptist minister. They reside in Atlanta, Ga., with their three children, Geoffrey Micah, Gregory Martin and Sophia Sebiya.

Education: D.Min., Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C.; D.D. (Honoris Causa), Alderson Broaddus College, Philippi, W.Va.; M.Div., Yale Divinity School, New Haven, Conn.; B.A., University of Virginia, Charlottesville. Full bio available at [www.abhms.org](http://www.abhms.org)

### Annual Gathering Musician: Ms. Hornrette Washington

A native New Yorker, Hornrette Washington started playing the piano at the age of four, and it was apparent early on that she was gifted and destined for greatness. As a young adult, she established an interdenominational children's choir, "The Starlets of Corona," which sang at churches throughout the five boroughs and in the southland doing community work at prisons, drug rehab centers and senior facilities. Over the course of 35+ years she has served faithfully over five choirs, sign ministry for the hearing impaired, and a liturgical dance group. Ms. Washington had the pleasure of doing her first CD "The Essence Of Gospel" which captured her versatility on the piano. Hornrette has received numerous awards, serving as consultant, musician, and praise and worship leader not only throughout New York, but also with and behalf of American Baptists nationally and internationally.



**ABWM Speakers: Rev. Dr. Jon and Amanda Good** are endorsed to prepare for ministries in Hungary. Amanda will assist with music education at the school managed by the Baptist Church in Debrecen, as well as those managed by Hungarian Baptist Aid (HBAid). She will also assist with discipleship ministries of the Baptist Church in Debrecen. Jon will assist the Baptist Church in Debrecen with its evangelistic outreach, church planting and church development ministries, and will assist in the training of Christian leaders through the Union's seminary. Amanda and Jon will also work with the church planting efforts of HBAid. Languages used in ministry: English and Hungarian.



Rev. Dr. Marie Onwubuariri  
Regional Executive Director, ABC/WI



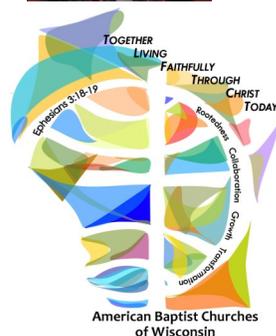
Rev. Jacqueline Colbert  
President, ABC/WI



Mrs. Delight Antos  
Vice President, ABC/WI

Information provided in this booklet is also available at [www.abcofwi.org](http://www.abcofwi.org)

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...this year hosted at ministry partner, Green Lake Conference Center/American Baptist Assembly in Green Lake, WI



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