



THE WISCONSIN BAPTIST

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Dios te bendiga*

Jim Carlson - Hispanic Community Liaison

Dear ABC/WI Family,

I bring you greetings from our Hispanic sisters and brothers in Christ. The four Spanish speaking churches in our region are doing well in their efforts to live out the gospel in their communities. It's interesting to see that these congregations experience the same kinds of issues that any other church in our region.

They put together praise bands and use technology in worship to enhance the experience. They experience pastoral transitions and celebrate the ministries of their women's groups. They celebrate their church anniversaries and join the other Hispanic congregations to celebrate theirs. They serve potluck dinners (THE BEST) and make decisions by committee.

What sets them apart from many others is that they are doing so in a foreign country where a different language is spoken. They do so in a work environment where they tend to take many of the jobs most of us would never do. They do so at a time when the image of Hispanic immigrants is being distorted in policy debates.

What never ceases to amaze me is the strength of their faith despite these headwinds. They take the remarks made about immigrants with a level of grace. They work hard, live simply, and support the church that has helped them grow in their faith. It's been a real blessing to have the privilege of serving them. They are a great resource and an integral part of our regional leadership. As they always say to me, "Dios te bendiga!" *God Bless You

American Baptist Men 2019

Fri, May 31—Sun, June 2

Men's Annual Retreat 2019 Camp Tamarack—Registrations now open. See abcofwi.org for more info.



Milwaukee Brewers vs. SF Giants (families welcome) Sat, July 13

Contact Franklin 510-393-8546



AB Women's Ministries Annual Retreat 2019

Ladies...join us as we celebrate "Joy, Peace, and Praise."

Fri.-Sun., June 7-9 at Camp Tamarack
Presenter: Rev. Dr. Marty Carney, Pastor and Artist

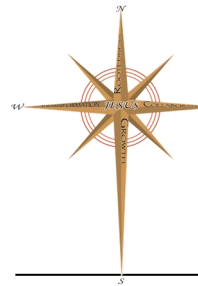
For more info contact: Rev. Jane Mathison jjmathison33@att.net.




Come celebrate those from ABC/WI's seminary site who are graduating...

10th ANNUAL COMMISSIONING SERVICE

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Trinette McCray
Sunday, May 19, at 3 pm
New Covenant Baptist Church
2315 N. 38th St., Milw.



Registration will open up in June.

Overnight Housing and Saturday Meal Plans can now be arranged directly with GLCC. Visit abcofwi.org for more info.

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Together Living Faithfully Through Christ Today

Spring into Camp Fri 5/17-Sat 5/18 Camp Tamarack, Waupaca



Join us as we get ready for the summer season! We need help cleaning cabins, clearing trails, setting up the waterfront and more. Meals will be provided on the 18th. Lodging will be free!

RSVP to kim.drost@abcofwi.org
by Tues, 5/14.

If these dates don't work for you, but you still want to help, let us know!

PEOPLE NEWS

- ◇ May May Latt began as interim pastor of Milwaukee Myanmar Christian Church on April 1, 2019.
- ◇ Congratulations to Timothy Ashley will retire as Pastor of LaCrosse, First on May 15, 2019.

ABC/WI ANNUAL GATHERING and 175th Anniversary will be on Friday-Saturday Oct 10-11, 2019 Green Lake Conference Center (GLCC), Green Lake, WI

Highlights

- ◇ Ministers Council Pre-event
- ◇ Friday Anniversary Semi-Formal Banquet
- ◇ Saturday workshops: Christian Education, Church Administration, Gifts of Generosity
- ◇ Annual AB Women's Program
- ◇ Pastor's Track and Closing Worship Preacher: Rev. Dr. Zina Jacque, Pastor of Community Church of Barrington, IL

More details to come...

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