

2023 CONVENTION NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION EXECUTIVE BOARD

Term to Expire in 2026

Arkansas River Valley	*Jeff Paxton, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dover
Arkansas Valley	*Steven Price, pastor, First Baptist Church, Marianna
Ashley County	Robin Allen, pastor, First Baptist Church, Hamburg
Calvary	*Brian Whitney, pastor, First Baptist Church, Searcy
Caroline	Doug Fulton, church staff, Mount Carmel Baptist Church, Cabot
Centennial	Grant Medford, pastor, First Baptist Church, Stuttgart
Clear Creek	*Joe Walden, pastor, Oak Grove Baptist Church, Van Buren
Concord	Kyle Elmore, pastor, Glendale Baptist Church, Booneville
	Jeff Ivey, church staff, First Baptist Church, Greenwood
Current-Gaines	Seth Haile, pastor, First Baptist Church, Success
Faulkner	*Mike Argo, member, Second Baptist Church, Conway
Harmony	*Reuel Cruce, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dumas
Liberty	Cody Lain, pastor, West Side Baptist Church, El Dorado
Little River	*Bobby Fischer, pastor, Kern Baptist Church, DeQueen
Mississippi County	Matt Pryor, pastor, First Baptist Church, Manila
Mt. Zion	*Grey Falanga, pastor, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Jonesboro
North Arkansas	Alan Brown, pastor, Freeman Heights Baptist Church, Berryville
North Pulaski	*Mark Dewbre, church staff, Park Hill Baptist Church, North Little Rock
Pulaski	Matt Hubbard, church staff, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock
	John Venable, pastor, New Life Baptist Church, Alexander
Rocky Bayou	Bruce Qualls, pastor, Mount Pleasant Southern Baptist Church, Mount Pleasant
Southeast Network	Tim Chennault, pastor, Lake Village Baptist Church, Lake Village
	Kevin Henry, church staff, First Baptist Church, Monticello
Tri-County	Matthew Kerley, pastor, Angels Way Baptist Church, Marion
Washington Madison	Eric Howerton, pastor, Ridgeview Baptist Church, Fayetteville
	David McKinney, church staff, Cross Church, Springdale
White River	Jon Norvell, pastor, Bull Shoals Baptist Church, Bull Shoals
District 5	*Shelly Barnes, church staff, Geyer Springs First Baptist Church, Little Rock
District 8	*Judy Lattimore, member, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Dermott

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Arkansas River Valley	Mike Cloud, church staff, First Baptist Church, Russellville
Ashley County	Ben Gilmore, member, First Baptist Church, Crossett
Calvary	James Hays, pastor, Valley Baptist Church, Searcy

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Liberty	Clark Whitney, pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, El Dorado
Pulaski	Peter Cunningham, pastor, First Southern Baptist Church, Bryant
Trinity	R. J. Platz, pastor, First Baptist Church, Lepanto
District 2	Barb Robinett, church staff, First Baptist Church, Heber Springs

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ARKANSAS BAPTIST CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRIES

Term to Expire in 2026

*Susan Akin	member, First Baptist Church, Monticello
David Blackmon	member, First Baptist Church, Glenwood
*Louanne Hughey	member, Geyer Springs First Baptist Church, Little Rock
Maggie Peeler	member, Journey Church, Jonesboro
Danny Ponder	member, East Side Baptist Church, Mountain Home
*Seth Tucker	member, First Baptist Church, Jacksonville

ARKANSAS BAPTIST FOUNDATION

Term to Expire in 2026

Aaron Andrews	member, White Oak Baptist Church, Walnut Ridge
*Natalie Johnson	member, Geyer Springs First Baptist Church, Little Rock
Jay Shell	member, Cord Baptist Church, Cord
Jeff Thompson	associational missions strategist, member, Cornerstone Baptist Church, Fort Smith
*Donny White	member, First Baptist Church, Sparkman

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Jordan Sharp	member, First Baptist Church, Rogers
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CAMP SILOAM (ARKANSAS BAPTIST ASSEMBLY)

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Laura Barajas	member, First Baptist Church, Warren
*Amy Daniel	member, First Baptist Church, Booneville
*Brandi Chappell-Gunn	member, First Baptist Church, Bentonville
Nelson Jackson	member, Boxley Baptist Church, Ponca
*Collin Quiring	member, Sager Creek Community Church, Siloam Springs

OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

Term to Expire in 2026

*Mary Pat Cook Anthony	member, First Baptist Church, El Dorado
*Julie Dodge	member, Woodland Heights Baptist Church, Conway
Suzanne Ferrell	member, First Baptist Church, Hot Springs
*John McCallum	pastor, First Baptist Church, Hot Springs
Sharon Phillips	member, Calvary Baptist Church, Camden
*Mark Roberts	member, First Baptist Church, Malvern
Bob Sexton	member, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock
*Ken Shaddox	pastor, Park Hill Baptist Church, North Little Rock

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Clay Conly	member, First Baptist Church, Rogers
Austin King	member, Second Baptist Church, Arkadelphia
John Threet	member, First Baptist Church, Fayetteville

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WILLIAMS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

Term to Expire in 2026

Brenda Doty	member, First Baptist Church, Salem
*Clint Emfinger	member, Mount Hebron Baptist Church, Searcy
Cliff Gifford	member, First Baptist Church, Corning
Johnny Harp	pastor, Lakeview Baptist Church, Cave Springs
Tim McNatt	member, Central Baptist Church, Jonesboro
*Heather Moore	member, Hillcrest Community Church, Little Rock
*Ben Rainwater	member, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock
*Trey Stafford	member, First Baptist Church, Jonesboro

BAPTIST MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE CORPORATION, MEMPHIS, TN

Term to Expire in 2026

Jay Allen	member, Journey Church, Jonesboro
Jackie McBride	member, First Baptist Church, Jonesboro
Richard Trout	member, First Baptist Church, Blytheville

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

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David Graham	member, Central Baptist Church, Magnolia
Molly Magee Shepherd	member, First Baptist Church, El Dorado

CONVENTION PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Term to Expire in 2026

B. J. Chatman	pastor, First Baptist Church, Marvell
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FUTURE SITE FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

October 24-25, 2028	Central Baptist Church, Jonesboro
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2024 CONVENTION SERMON

Preacher	Jeremy Greer, dean, Pruet School of Christian Studies, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia
Alternate	Steven Smith, pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock

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2023 Convention Nominating Committee

Rob Davis, Chair	pastor, First Baptist Church, Harrison
Ernest DeSoto	associational missionary, member Calvary Baptist Church, Malvern
Janet Gathright	member, First Baptist Church, Benton
Kelly Jones	pastor, First Baptist Church, Monticello
David McFerron	pastor, Mount Vernon Baptist Church, Mount Vernon
Sean Mills	pastor, Friendship Baptist Church, Conway
Adam Tarleton	pastor, First Baptist Church, Lincoln
Eric Varner	member, Park Hill Baptist Church, North Little Rock
Campbell Wilkerson	member, First Baptist Church, Crossett
Larry D. White	pastor, Woodland Heights Baptist Church, Conway; <i>Ex-officio member</i>