



# CB North Central E-Central E-mail



Great Commandment Passion, Great Commission Focus

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## "How are we going to reach this missing generation of young people in our church?"

This was the question that I was just asked in a church. "That is a great question!" I answered. Then I asked, "Do you even know what this missing generation is called?" The answer became a question, "College age?" He had no clue! Everywhere I go I intentionally ask church leaders about this missing generation of young adults and they are nowhere to be found.

Did you know 59% of young people who have regularly attended church with a Christian background say that they have dropped out of attending? If you are like me, you want to find out why. You need to read the new book by David Kinnaman entitled, You Lost Me. It is the best book I have read in some time. Find out why the church may be losing the next generation of twentysomethings called Millennials. Buy the book!



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(Review by Pat Phinney)

### From our Regional Director:

## CB Globalization

*"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and*

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*Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." Acts 1:8*

It was an exciting day. I was enjoying a phone interview with a young pastor who was considering the placement of a CB church in the North Central region. After the interview he asked me, "So what are your plans for the rest of the week?" I told him I was days away from leaving on a trip to Asia. An old proverb says, "Curiosity killed the cat!" Of course he had to ask why. When I told him I was heading to a CBGlobal Meeting in the Philippines, the phone went deathly quiet. He said, "What, Conservative Baptist is global? I had no idea!"



CBGlobal, Manila, Philippines

I was blessed to attend a recent CBGlobal Conference in Manila, Philippines on November 27-30. Thirty delegates made up of pastors and organizational leaders from the United States and Asia attended. As a reader, maybe you are like the young pastor who asked, "What, CB is global?" It all started back in Macau on April 1-3, 2005. There was the need to strengthen our bond as a CB Family worldwide and work together with various resources to enhance the fulfillment of the Great Commission. The time had come for national associations of CB churches to recognize formally that they are members of the CB global family.

Consequently, CBGlobal was conceived with groups from America,

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NCD will help you identify the eight qualities and six growth factors for a healthy church.

Healthy NCD is seeing a steady growth through conversions and the ongoing discipleship of those who are part of the church.

### Valuable Information About Your Church's Area

Customized demographic information available about your church location. This is a free service for all CBNC churches. Call Pat at 952-322-7173 at his home office.

### Ministry Quick Links [CBAmerica](#)

### NCCBA

[www.nccba-gc2.com](http://www.nccba-gc2.com)

WEBSITE

Hong Kong, Taiwan, Indonesia, Japan, Macau and the Philippines. Of course the goal of CBGlobal is to reach outside of the scope of Asia. Did you know there are healthy CB church plants in other countries like India, China, Portugal, Argentina, Brazil, Zaire, Italy, Ivory Coast, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Jordan, France, Senegal, Madagascar, Uganda, Austria, Rwanda, Bangladesh, and Myanmar? Here is the exciting news. Groups of churches in countries where there is a Conservative Baptist identity will be invited to join the CBGlobal Family in order help fulfill the Great Commission to the "remotest part of the earth."

Recently one of my friends heard we were going to Disney World with all of the grandkids in 2013 and asked, "What will that be like?" I asked, "Have you ever been there?" No was the answer. Trying to explain my experience at the CBGlobal Meetings is like trying to explain Disney World to someone who has never been there. It is nearly impossible, but allow me to share a few personal highlights:

- God is mightily at work. Hundreds of churches are being planted all over Asia. Did you know there are over 1,200 CB churches in Asia alone with members that exceed 100,000 strong? Vision 2025 (2025 Churches by Year 2025) was set in 2007 and by God's grace over a thousand churches has been planted. Amazing!
- The Gospel transcends all cultures. Jesus said look at the fields. They are ripe for harvest. I saw thousands of young people walking the streets in Manila night and day that are searching for truth in their lives. Did you know that hundreds upon hundreds of people are coming to faith in Christ in Asia? I heard story after story from CB pastors how the Spirit of God is moving in their countries.
- Asian pastors have similar hearts. I spend a lot of time with pastors. In their hearts they genuinely want to experience a healthy church; the salvation of lost souls; the discipling of new converts; the development of servant leaders; the

**CHILD ABUSE REPORTING laws by State on our website under RESOURCES**

**Your Church and the Sex Offender**

Free website links to National Sex Offenders website

Call Pat at 952-322-7173 for a power point presentation.

**New Staff Background Checks**

CBNC is now able to perform background checks for member churches. Call the office, 715-538-2298.

**Antioch School of Evangelism & Church Planting**

**Go to College at Your Home Church**

(Accreditation by [DETC](#))

Would you be interested in being able to offer college level material in your local church? Would you be interested in being able to facilitate in providing a bachelors degree from your local church? Are you interested in being able to develop your current and next generation leadership?

If you answered yes to any or all of these we encourage you to look into this resource. **Antioch School of Evangelism and Church Planting** is a resource that will help equip your church for all of the above. We have three churches in the region that have become certified--Forest City Baptist, Rockford, IL; FBC Jackson, MN; and FBC Whitehall, WI. For further information contact the NCCBA office at 715-538-2298 or by email [nccba@trivest.net](mailto:nccba@trivest.net)

transformation of communities; and so much more. As leaders from seven countries, we spent hours each day discussing, strategizing and praying how to accomplish similar goals. I was blessed to see that the heart of pastors in Asia was exactly the same as pastors in America.

- CBAP (Conservative Baptist Association of the Philippines) 50th Celebration. So often we see churches dropping "Baptist" from their name and minimizing their association as a Conservative Baptist. In Manila, I attended a five hour celebration of CBAP in a sold-out stadium that housed over 4,000 CB Filipino pastors, leaders and church members. Honestly, I have never witnessed such a level of joy, worship and celebration among so many CB's. At one point I heard hundreds of young people chanting, "CB! CB! CB!". I thought I had died and gone to heaven. They absolutely loved their heritage and that was so much fun to experience.
- The streets of Manila are somewhat safe. I was up the first night with jet lag and only had two hours of sleep. The time you ask? It was 4:00 am and so I decided to run the streets of Manila. It was a near disastrous decision. After a mile or so I decided to "run around a block" to get back to the hotel. Bad idea! I was headed down a dark, winding and unmarked street by a river with shady looking people the entire way. I hit a dead end and my first thought was . . . I am going to die! After a prayer of protection I headed back to the main road. As I joyfully arrived I was met by an armed security guard with an assault rifle. He said to me, "Are you an American?" That was obvious. The next question was, "Are you running?" Another obvious question as I was dripping sweat at 5:00 am. He said to me sternly, "Don't ever run down there again." So I didn't!

We often get so focused on our own little world of ministry in the US and we forget that God is working well beyond our borders.

### Software Discounts

#### BIG savings on software!

Microsoft Office Pro Plus 2013, Windows 8 Professional, Photoshop, Dreamweaver, Acrobat and other Microsoft and Adobe products are available for lease to member churches. [Click here](#) for an order form.

### Bibles

CBAmerica is again offering Bibles at greatly reduced rates when ordered by the case.

Available by filling out the order form on the CBAmerica website [www.cbamerica.org](http://www.cbamerica.org) or toll-free 888-366-3010 in CASE LOTS ONLY

### Health Insurance Option

We have found a good option for pastors looking for health insurance. Call or email Pat to find out more, 952-322-7173 or [patnccba@trivest.net](mailto:patnccba@trivest.net). A link is included on [our website](#) to this insurance broker's website.

I witnessed that in Asia and I am a better person for it. Let's remember to pray for our many CB brothers and sisters that are passionately living for God all around the world. Remember that CBGlobal is alive and well!



Pat speaking at CBGlobal

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## YOUTH PASTOR to YOUTH PASTOR

### *The Power of Camp*

Although their time here at camp was not exactly marked by the blizzard that their winter retreat is called by, we welcomed 106 junior high youth and their leaders to Pine Trail Camp for an exciting time during their annual **Blizzard SnoCamp**, a group we have partnered with for many years. One of the best parts of the weekend for me was being able to see a young man who I had the privilege of being his counselor a few of the summers that he attended camp here and seeing him return to Pine Trail Camp now as a Youth Pastor and the Director of the Blizzard SnoCamp. Pastor Jason Wilson and many others have caught onto something that the Christian Camp and Conference Association called the Power of Camp, and they give the following reasons that easily answer the Why Camp? question.

The Power of Camp for your youth group:

- Build Community - Give your youth group kids an opportunity to build deeper relationships with you and each other through shared experiences away from the routine

distractions of daily life.

- Spiritual Focus - Getting close to God's creation - and away from the noise and technology that consume teen life - gives students a chance to hear from God, perhaps for the first time. With engaging, relevant speakers and time for you to help students process what they're learning, many will come face-to-face with God's love in a life-changing way.
- Intentional Connections - At camp, you won't be competing for your students' time and attention. You'll get those rare moments to share activities and talk about the important things you've been wanting to bring up.[1]

Today, when I run into students who I had worked with during my years as a youth pastor, the time they spent at camp when they were younger is always one of the top three topics they mention. Our conversations often go like this: "Remember when at camp...That was the best!" Or as one young man said to me, "Those days at camp were some of the best days of my childhood." That is a powerful statement! It has been a privilege to be a part of something that often ranks among a person's best memories, and I find it is still a platform to speak from today knowing that the very God we talked about at camp ten years ago still loves them and wants them to find True Life in Him.

Whether at Pine Trail Camp in Saugatuck, Michigan, or at one of the many other wonderful camps around the country, get your kids, families, churches out to camp. The community, focus and intentionality can change your life. *Trevor Good*  
*Executive Director, Pine Trail Camp, Saugatuck MI*  
[www.pinetrailcamp.org](http://www.pinetrailcamp.org)  
*Youth Pastor in Chicago for 13 years*

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[1]These three power camp points can be found at [www.powerofcamp.com](http://www.powerofcamp.com).

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## **Discussion on the Supreme Court Health Care Ruling**

Click on [ruling](#) for a discussion on the contraceptive mandate ruling in December.



To purchase Richard Hammer's summary, click on [review of how the Health Care law](#) will affect churches from Church Law & Tax.

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## NEW OFFICE HOURS

The CBNC office is now open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 AM to 4 PM. The number for Jean at the office is 715-538-2298. To talk to our Regional Director, Pat Phinney, Tuesday through Friday, call his home office, 952-322-7173.

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## Pay Raises Expected for Pastors in 2013

According to the 2012 Leadership Network Economic Outlook Survey, the majority of churches expect to give pay raises. [Click here](#) for their blog post.

Want to be included in the next Compensation Handbook from Church Law & Tax? If your church [fills out the compensation survey](#) you will help determine the numbers included and will be eligible for downloadable resources.

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## Bibles at Significant Savings for CBA Churches!

### *The One Year Bible*

Available in NLT, NIV, KJV & NKJV

*The One Year Bible* divides God's Word into daily readings from the Old Testament, New Testament, Psalms, and Proverbs, creating an achievable, unforgettable devotional experience.



[Click here](#) for information on how to order.

Retail Price: \$18.99 softcover  
Price through CBAmerica: \$9.50 softcover  
(NLT & NKJV only available in case lots of 20)  
(NIV & KJV only available in case lots of 24)

Many other Tyndale Bibles available, including The Spanish OneYear Bible, Life Application Study Bible, Life Recovery Bible, and the One Year Chronological Bible. Go to the CBAmerica [website](#) to order any of these materials.

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## **BIG savings on software!**

Microsoft Office Pro Plus **2013**, Windows 8 Professional, Photoshop, Dreamweaver, Acrobat and other Microsoft and Adobe products are available for lease to member churches. [Click here](#) for a CBNC order form.

### **Upcoming Events**

**SAVE THE DATES! Invitation & Registration coming by email 1st week of Feb.**

*Relax & Renew at [The Abbey Resort](#),  
on Lake Geneva (Fontana WI)*

**Pastors and Wives Retreat: April 25-27**  
**Pastors Seminar: April 25** (includes lodging the 24th)

**Retreat Speaker**

Leo Cumings, Retired Senior Pastor, Jackson MI

**Seminar Speaker**

Bert Downs, Retired CB Southwest Regional Director  
Former President of Western Seminary in Portland, Oregon

**NCCBA Annual Meeting: April 26**



## AREA CLUSTER MEETINGS:

### Wisconsin/NE MN

Contact Wade Duroe, 715-723-1054  
Lay leaders retreat: February 16, 10 AM-3 PM  
Bloomer Baptist Church, Bloomer WI

### SW MN

2nd Tuesday of each month, next meeting February 12, 11 am  
Contact Doug Noonkester, 712-754-3310

### Northern MN/ND

Skype meeting, third Thursday of the month  
Next meeting, February 21, 10 am  
Contact Steve Daggett, 701-520-5399  
or Andrew Brown, 320-732-2179  
for information on how to attend

### Twin Cities

January 21, River of Life, Hastings MN  
Contact Steve Schoenwald, 651-437-3965

For a Pastor Cluster Leader in your area, click [here](#)

### CBNC Churches In Need of a Pastor

Please pray for the following churches and Search Committees:

- Mason Township Baptist Church--Cassopolis MI SENIOR PASTOR
- Noelridge Park Church--Cedar Rapids IA SENIOR PASTOR
- First Baptist Church--Bradford IL SENIOR PASTOR
- New Providence Baptist Church--Greencastle IN SENIOR PASTOR
- First Baptist Church--Streator IL SENIOR PASTOR
- Delavan Baptist Church--Delavan IL SENIOR PASTOR
- First Baptist Church--Elmhurst IL SENIOR PASTOR
  
- Faith Fellowship Church--Cincinnati OH WORSHIP LEADER
- Bethel Baptist Church--Jackson MI DIRECTOR of FAMILY MINISTRIES
- Calvary Baptist Church--Eau Claire WI DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP
- First Baptist Church--Whitehall WI YOUTH PASTOR

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