



SOUTHERN WISCONSIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Planting and Developing Prevailing Churches

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Pastors & Church Planters are invited: Count the Cost!

SWBA invites you to our upcoming training called **Count the Cost**. You may ask, what is this training and who is it for? This time our presenter, **Bill Agee**, is gearing the training for existing churches and church plants on the theme of **Discipleship**.

What are some reasons to come to this training?

1. You will be able to meet some of the new pastors coming into our association.
2. You and your church will begin the process of developing a plan for growth over the next five years.
3. Our presenter, Bill Agee, will continue the conversation with you about your plan through e-mail and phone conversations. There are two other presenters coming including Monty Patton, who is a long time pastor in the Phoenix, Arizona area.
4. Bill has planted and grown a church in a small town in South Dakota so he knows our environment.
5. God will give you the opportunity to be around teaching that is working here in the United States and around the world.
6. The statistics in the SWBA reveal most of our churches are on a plateau or in decline. This event allows you, as a leader, to be used by God to make a difference in helping set the direction of your church.

Please pray about coming. Those who attended this event in May of 2013 have found the material, knowledge, and teaching that was shared to be very beneficial. The cost is **\$60**, which includes food and materials. There will be discounted lodging at the Quality Inn Suites in Sun Prairie. You can make your reservations with Quality Inn by calling (608) 834-9889 and let them know you are with the Southern Wisconsin Baptist Association.

Please register at the link below: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cps-level-100-counting-the-cost-with-bill-agee-tickets-9440389459>

Wisconsin Church Plant prepares Young Couple for International Service

Robert and Lindsey Smith had much in common with next-door neighbors Aaron and Tia Jozwiak. The young couples were preparing for a lifetime of ministry by attending Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. Both reached out to their neighbors together by hosting Vacation Bible Schools, flag football games and soccer matches at their apartment complex.

Yet the two couples were very different in at least one area of their lives—their future ministry plans. God had been calling the Smiths to international missions. During their seminary days, the couple had been exploring what that meant for their future. They actively reached out to internationals in their community. They participated in a semester-long international mission trip. **Read the full article here:**

<http://www.namb.net/nambblog1.aspx?id=12884909333&blogid=8589939695>

New Interim Pastors have been Called



East Madison Baptist Church has called **Roger Roberts** as interim pastor. Roger Roberts (*photo on left*) has been in the ministry for 47 years. Roger has pastored many churches all over the world. Before coming to Madison, Roger pastored an international church in Belgium for the last 26 years. Fluent in Dutch, he has traveled in thirty-five countries over a period of 30 years. Roger's voice of experience and gracious manner will be a great asset to East Madison Baptist Church during the interim period.

Scott Dadam has been called as interim pastor to **River of Life** in Portage. A graduate of Bethel Seminary, Scott Dadam (*photo on right*) is also a detective with the Sauk County Sheriff's department. Scott and his family have been active members and leaders at Trinity Baptist Church in Reedsburg for many years. Scott also serves as a military chaplain where he has had significant experience with soldiers and their families.



Please pray for both of these men as they serve East Madison Baptist and River of Life during their interim seasons.

SWBA Church Giving - January 2014

Church	Amount
Agape Gospel Fellowship Inc	
Blue River Valley Church	153.77
Campus Community	600.00
Church at Wazeecha	100.95
East Madison Baptist Church	490.00
Faith Community Baptist Church	0.00
Gospel Baptist Church	561.82
Heartland Church	149.50
Hope In Christ Assembly	71.51
LaCrosse Hmong	0.00
Madison Hmong	0.00
Midvale Baptist Church	242.62
Mision Bautista Hispana	34.96
New Hope Baptist Church	100.00
Red Village Church	0.00
River of Life Church	312.09
Rolling Hills	0.00
Three Rivers Fellowship	0.00
Transformation Church	0.00
Trinity Baptist Church	750.00
United Hmong	140.55
Waterbrook Community Bible Church	175.00
Total	\$ 3,882.77

<u>Additional Giving</u>	<u>Church Planting</u>	<u>Matching Funds</u>
Gospel Baptist	80.26	

Calendar of Events



February 24-25
Count the Cost Conference
 Transformation Church,
 Sun Prairie, WI

March 13-15
Empower
 Green Lake, WI



For more information:
www.MWBC.org

April 12
SWBA Spring Quarterly Meeting
 Faith Community Baptist Church,
 Madison, WI

April 25-26
SWBA Women's Conference

April 28-29
Coaching Qualification Training
 Twin Cities, MN