

From My Laptop to Yours.



Gary Haugen has spent years investigating social injustice. After graduating magna cum laude from Harvard University with a Bachelor of Arts degree, he moved on to receive his Juris Doctorate from the University of Chicago, cum laude, where he was the Ford Foundation Scholar in International Law.

In the Mid 1980s, He served on the executive committee of the National Initiative for Reconciliation (NIR) in South Africa. The NIR, chaired by then-Bishop Desmond Tutu and Michael Cassidy of African Enterprise, was a movement of Christian leaders devoted to the cause of political reform and racial reconciliation.

From there he moved to the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights where his work focused on a structural examination of the Phillipine government's persecution of human rights abuses committed by the police and military. From there, he joined the US Department of Justice and in 1994 was detailed to the United Nation's Center for Human Rights where he served as the Officer in Charge of the UN's investigation of the Rwandan genocide. During the fall of 1994, he directed an international team of lawyers, criminal prosecutors, law enforcement officers and forensics experts in the gathering the evidence against the perpetrators.

Through all of this, Haugen has seen first hand the injustice of the world. He has gotten to know the victims. The International Justice Mission was an idea he carried with him all those years which is not a reality. With almost 300 employees in 14 countries, IJM secures justice for victims of slavery, sexual exploitation, and other forms of violent oppression.

Come and see a replay of an interview with Gary Haugen on November 18th at 11:30 AM and join me in dialogue about social injustice. Where is God calling you to begin?

For Christ and His Kingdom,

Mission Churches & Church Plants

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Purpose Statement

The Austin Baptist Association is an alliance of participating churches fulfilling the Great Commission.

Vision Statement

The Austin Baptist Association will be a catalyst alongside Great Commission churches to reach all people groups with the Gospel transforming our community and world through the power of God.

Church News



Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar!

November 18th—Pastors are invited to watch an interview with Gary Haugen



Pastorless Churches

Friendship Baptist Church
Onion Creek Baptist Church

Welcome

Westoak Woods Baptist Church has called **Patrick Wilson** to serve as their pastor. They are looking forward to him joining them the middle of November. Please be in prayer for the Wilson family as they move to Austin.

Iglesia Bautista Emanuel

Is looking for a portable collapsible projection screen. If you have one that you are willing to donate or sell, please contact (512) 321-3246.

Onion Creek Baptist Church

Is seeking a full time pastor for small established congregation. Our average attendance is 50 to 60. Located at the edge of southeast Austin near airport. Pastoral experience necessary. Seminary preferred, but not required. Sermon samples would be appreciated. Please send resume to mksgr11500@aol.com or mail to P.O. Box 18148 Austin, TX 78760

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church

Needs a pianist for Sunday mornings & evenings, Sunday evening choir practice and Wednesday evenings. If interested, please call Sandi Mercer at (512) 444-2139, (512) 370-2991, or email at sandi624@sbcglobal.net.

Rosedale Baptist Church

Is seeking a part-time Minister of Music. For information or referrals, please contact Jarred Parnell at the church office at (512) 453-1325.

Travis Oaks Baptist Church

Is seeking a part-time music director to direct the adult choir and lead the Sunday morning worship service. Call the church office at (512) 267-2196 or fax resume to (512) 267-6840.

Wyldwood Baptist Church

Is looking for part-time youth minister; bi-vocational is also acceptable. Contact Mike Schwartz at (512) 303-3443

Gene R. Hill will be at the ABA for the tax updates for 2008 returns on February 12, 2009.

10 AM—12 PM Update for Ministers

1:30—4 PM Update for Churches

If you handle the tax returns for either of these groups—please make plans to attend.



We celebrated a fantastic evening on October 7th! With over 150 people attending, we were able to look at our past and look toward our future. There were several special guest that included:

- * Dr. Clint Anderson, Williamson Baptist Association
 - * Dan Davis, Pastors in Covenant
 - * Jonathan Dodson, Ausin Area Church Planters' Network
 - * Dale Gore, form DOM of the Austin Association
 - * Dr. Randy Newberry, International Mission Board
 - * Dr. Jim Richards, Southern Baptist of Texas Convention
 - * Dr. Hugh Townsend, North American Mission Board
 - * Dr. Steve Vernon, Baptist General Convention of Texas
- We were also given the pleasure to recognize our longest serving pastors
- * Dr. Ciro Garcia, 46 years, Iglesia Bautista Betania
 - * Dr. Marvin C. Griffin, 39 years, Ebenezer Baptist Church
 - * Rev. Gerald Dickerson, 38 years, Teri Road Baptist Church
 - * Rev. Ken Thompson, 38 years, Walnut Creek Baptist Church

We elected a new member to our leadership team as well as new officers for 2009:

- * Dr. Tom Goodman, Moderator, Hillcrest Baptist Church
- * Dr. Terry Colley, Vice-Moderator, The Baptist Church of Driftwood
- * Dr. Bruce M. Murray, Treasurer
- * Jonathan Dodson, Austin City Life
- * Kim Edlund, Marshall Ford Fellowship
- * Juan Sanchez, High Pointe Baptist Church
- * David Sweet, Hays Hills Baptist Church
- * Steve Washburn, First Baptist Church, Pflugerville

We also discussed our current budget and passed a budget for the 2009 fiscal year. If you have any budget questions, please contact our ABA treasurer, Dr. Bruce M. Murray, with those questions.

A special thanks goes out to our ABA staff and volunteers who worked diligently for weeks leading up to this event. From taking your registrations to building a wonderful power-point presentation, thanks to Charlotte Coffee, Ken Goad, Carolyn Butler, Vicki Davis, Nell Hankins, Rita Kennamer, Evelyn Mueller and Bruce Murray.

Another special thanks to Jean Murray for taking fabulous pictures of the event!

Thanks to Marilyn Monroe and her Chef About Town staff for a wonderful meal that was beyond what we imagined.

And finally, thanks to Hillcrest Baptist Church for hosting us in your facility.

We are glad you made the choice to come—we hope to see you again soon!

Friendly Will Baptist Church has 18 antique wooden pews available. Each are nine feet long.

If you are interested in one or all of these pews, please contact Emmanuel at 442-5629.



IN THE CITY. FOR THE CITY.

Austin has never seen an event like In the City, For the City. It is simply a chance for believers all over the city to come from all different churches to one location and see how they can help in transforming Austin together!

Bring your family and friends to see what ministries are doing in the city and see how you can join in mission to reach Austin for Christ.

Join over 100 ministries and city leaders to celebrate what God is doing in Greater Austin. See how you can be a part.

- **Ministry Expo**
Connect with civic, church and ministry organizations to collaborate in mission.
- **Speakers and discussions**
Learn how the church can assist the city in critical areas of need.
- **Evening celebration of God's work**
Be inspired by ministries already making a real difference. Catch the vision of what's possible!



2008
Nov 16
4:00 - 8:30 pm

The Bob Bullock
Texas State History Museum
1800 North Congress Avenue

Presented by Abba and partners.

Joining together to make a real difference in greater Austin

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For more information or to reserve exhibit space e-mail carolyn@abbaconnect.net



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“The Invincibles”

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Pete Bailey

1953

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Annual November Food Drive
for the
Baptist Community Center Mission
is coming
November 9th & 16th

Help us be good Stewards!

If your address has changed, please notify the ABA office as soon as you can so that we may correct our database—this will help your newsletter be delivered more quickly and we won't give the postman all our change!

If you are interested in receiving this newsletter via e-mail, please let us know by email at charlotte@austinbaptist.org

Your church can help by collecting canned food items to help replenish items in food room that will be distributed to needy people of Austin. Contact the BCCM for more information.

