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Focal Scripture. On the contrary: If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. (Romans 12:20-21).

<u>Focal Thought</u>. We are not really human beings having a spiritual experience; we are spiritual beings having a human experience. —Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) Philosopher

Plans for 2019 Annual Meeting

We are trying something new with our annual meeting this year. Instead of holding a separate meeting as in the past, your Executive Committee has chosen to have the meeting in conjunction with the Louisiana Baptist Convention's **2019 Missions-Ready Conference.** We believe this will afford our members the opportunity to hear about the broad range of missions efforts being supported by Louisiana Baptists, which includes our agricultural mission activities.

The **2019 Missions-Ready Conference** will be held on **Saturday, April 13,** at Tall Timbers Baptist Conference Center located 13 miles south of Alexandria, 10218 US Hwy. 165, Forest Hill, LA 71430. The conference will be held in the **Activities Building** (program below).

9:00 Welcome, Preview & Prayer - Carlos Schmidt

9:30 Worship - Kevin Williams

10:00 Message - Tommy Middleton

10:40 Break

11:00 Workshops

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Workshops

1:45 Break

2:00 O&A

2:40 Message - Jason Carlisle

3:00 Prayer and Adjournment

Workshops will include:

- PUSH Outreach Strategy
- Engaging Churches in Prayer for Missions
- Reaching the World in Your Neighborhood&Beyond
- Security in the Field
- Characteristics of a Sending Church
- Healthy Missions Partnerships
- Small Churches and Missions
- Leading Your Church on Missions in the Ever-

Changing Global Landscape

Missions Partner Exhibits Will Include:

- Ag Missions, Belarus, Baptist Convention of TX.
- Brazil, Haiti, London, Madrid, Nova Scotia
- Portugal, Puerto Rico, Women on Mission

Our Louisiana Baptist Agricultural Missions Fellowship's **Annual Business Meeting** will be held in the **Conference Room of Lee Lodge** at Tall Timbers sometime during the day. We will inform members of the exact time at a later date.

Please make plans now to attend. This Conference is free at no cost to you, and lunch will be provided in the Tall Timbers Dining Hall.

Persons planning to attend must pre-register at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-missions-ready-conference-tickets-56446189071 Please click on this link or copy and paste this address into your browser. Then, follow the easy directions to pre-register.

If you wish to stay at Tall Timbers the night before on April 12, there are a limited number of rooms available. Please call 318-445-6797 to make a reservation. Rooms are also available at motels in Alexandria.

<u>Project Support</u>. The greatest need of your Fellowship is always for additional funds with which to support self-help projects. Your Fellowship does not provide a handout. Rather, we provide a hand up.

Examples of projects include the following:

Egg incubation facilities for a family or village.

Rabbit project for a family.

Goat project for a family.

Sheep project for a family.

Dairy heifer project for a family.

Vegetable garden project for a family.

Drip irrigation for a family.

Small greenhouse for a family.

Water filters to provide pure water for families.

Please help us help those in desperate need to help themselves by making your check payable to <u>Louisiana Baptist Foundation</u> and sending it to P.O. Box 120, Homer, LA 71040. Indicate the funds are for <u>Ag Missions</u>. All donations are tax deductible and 100% of your contributions go directly to the mission field because the Executive Committee pays all expenses for operating the Fellowship.