

Resolution on Being Global Witnesses

WHEREAS, The Bible clearly commands that believers are to go and make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:19); and

WHEREAS, This is a responsibility primarily of the local church and not solely the NAMB or IMB; and

WHEREAS, The Bible teaches that Jesus is the only way in which man can be saved (John 14:6, Acts 4:12), and that the unsaved man will suffer eternally in Hell apart from the steadfast love and grace of God (Luke 16:22-25, 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10); and

WHEREAS, The Bible precludes the possibility of any opportunity for salvation after death (Hebrews 9:27), urging sinners instead to embrace the glorious gospel today (2 Corinthians 6:2, Hebrews 3:13); and

WHEREAS, The prospect of fellow human beings, created in the image of God, spending eternity in Hell grieves us deeply; and

WHEREAS, Church planting has proven to be one of the most effective means of reaching the lost with the gospel of Jesus Christ and is a major initiative of the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, The mark of maturity of a church is its reproduction (John 15:7); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the members of First Baptist Church of Woodsfield, Ohio on June 26, 2011, affirm our responsibility to be witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we will continue to be a faithful witness for Jesus Christ in the village of Woodsfield, Ohio; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we will do all that is necessary to plant one church within 250 miles of our church by August 1, 2012; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That we will do all that is necessary to embrace one of the currently 3,800 estimated unreached, unengaged people groups of the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ.