SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, EVANGELICALS, AND THE FUTURE OF DENOMINATIONALISM

OCTOBER 6-9, 2009

Schedule and Information

Hosted by the Office of Church Relations and the R. C. Ryan Center for Biblical Studies at Union University in recognition of the 400th anniversary of the Baptist movement.
Welcome from the President of Union University

What a joy it is for me to welcome you to Union University. We are delighted to have you on our campus for this most significant conversation regarding “Southern Baptists, Evangelicals, and the Future of Denominationalism.” I truly believe that this conference will be helpful to all who attend and to hundreds and thousands of others who will listen to the presentations at a later date or read the presentations in their forthcoming published form. Your presence with us here this week means much. You will help us ask the right questions as we seek to explore these issues in the weeks to follow.

We hope that you will take time to visit the campus, especially if this is the first time that you are here. Three of our sessions will be in the chapel in the Penick Building. The rest of the time we will be in the Grant Events Center. If you need anything while you are here, please contact Rachel Ware, who is serving as our conference coordinator this week. The Office of Church Relations (led by Dr. Jerry Tidwell) and the Ryan Center for Biblical Studies (led by Dr. Ray Van Neste) are our official hosts for this week. I want to thank Rachel, Jerry, and Ray for their outstanding preparation so that the rest of us can enjoy this week together. We certainly appreciate the fine speakers who have given of their time to lead us this week. Chris Mathews will help lead our music in some of the sessions. We are grateful to Andy Morris and those in the bookstore for providing the book service center in the Grant Center this week. For all who have helped to make this week a special one on the Union campus, we are indeed grateful.

Please know how glad we are that you have joined us. If we can assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to ask. We pray that this week will be used for good in the life of churches across the country in the days and years ahead. Welcome to Union University!

Cordially,

David S. Dockery
Tuesday, October 6
5:00 p.m.  Ed Stetzer: Denominationalism: Is There a Future?
6:00 p.m.  Dinner
7:00 p.m.  Jim Patterson: Reflections on 400 Years of the Baptist Movement: Who We Are. What We Believe.

Wednesday, October 7
7:30 a.m.  Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m.  Harry L. Poe: The Gospel and Its Meaning: Implications for Southern Baptists and Evangelicals
10:00 a.m. Timothy George: Baptists and Their Relations with Other Christians (G. M. Savage Chapel)
Noon  Luncheon Address
Duane Litfin: The Future of American Evangelicalism
2:00 p.m.  Ray Van Neste: The Oversight of Souls: Pastoral Ministry in Southern Baptist and Evangelical Life
Afternoon and dinner on your own
7:00 p.m.  Corporate Worship
Robert Smith, preaching (G. M. Savage Chapel)

Thursday, October 8
7:30 a.m.  Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m.  Mark DeVine: Emergent or Emerging: Questions for Southern Baptists and North American Evangelicals
10:00 a.m. Daniel Akin: The Future of the Southern Baptist Convention
Noon  Luncheon Address
Michael Lindsay: Denominationalism and the Changing Religious Landscape in North America
2:00 p.m.  Jerry Tidwell: Missions and Evangelism: Awakenings and Their Influence on Southern Baptists and Evangelicals
6:00 p.m.  Banquet
7:00 p.m.  David S. Dockery: So Many Denominations: The Rise and Decline of Denominationalism and the Shaping of a Global Evangelicalism

Friday, October 9
7:30 a.m.  Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m.  Nathan Finn: Southern Baptists and Evangelicals: Passing on the Faith to the Next Generation
10:00 a.m.  R. Albert Mohler, Jr.: Southern Baptists, Evangelicals, and the Future of Denominationalism (G. M. Savage Chapel)

All sessions will take place in the Grant Events Center unless otherwise noted

If you have any questions or need assistance in any way, please call Rachel Ware at 502-649-7573.
### Campus Tours

Campus Tours will be available at 3:00 on Wednesday afternoon. Please meet in the lobby of the Grant Event Center at this time to tour the campus with one of our student ambassadors.

### Shuttle Service

There will be a Shuttle Service between the DoubleTree Hotel and the Grant Center that will leave at the following times:

**From the DoubleTree to the Grant Center**
- Tuesday at 4:00 p.m.
- Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday at 7:30 a.m.
- Friday at 7:30 a.m.

**From the Grant Center to the DoubleTree**
- Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday at 9:00 p.m.
- Friday at 11:00 a.m.

### Partial Listing of Local Restaurants

**Back Yard Burgers**
- 12 Stonebridge Blvd.
- 731-668-5204

**Bauodo’s Restaurant (Italian)**
- 559 Wiley Parker Rd.
- 731-668-1447

**Chango Loco (Mexican)**
- 1869 Highway 45 Bypass
- 731-664-4088

**Chick-Fil-A**
- 3 Stonebridge Blvd.
- 731-664-1112

**Chili’s Grill**
- 2200 Emporium Dr.
- 731-660-4440

**Don Pancho (Mexican)**
- 1081 Vann Dr. #113
- 731-664-2000

**FujiYama (Japanese)**
- 10 Stonebridge Blvd #E
- 731-664-8889

**IHOP**
- 9 Stonebridge Blvd.
- 731-660-3441

**Jason’s Deli**
- 6 Stonebridge Blvd. #A
- 731-660-0564

**Jimmy John’s (Sub Shop)**
- 10 Stonebridge Blvd. #C
- 731-410-6000

**Lonestar Steakhouse**
- 2116 Emporium Dr.
- 731-668-0088

**McAlister’s Deli**
- 1012 Vann Dr.
- 731-664-1687

**Moe’s Southwest Grill**
- 1923 Emporium Dr.
- 731-554-6637

**Old Country Store**
- 56 Casey Jones Ln.
- 731-668-1223

**Old Town Spaghetti Store**
- 550 Carriage House Dr.
- 731-668-4937

**Olive Garden**
- 1067 Vann Dr.
- 731-664-1330

**Perkins Restaurant & Bakery**
- 999 Vann Dr.
- 731-661-9224

**Picasso Bistro Pizzeria**
- 10 Stonebridge Blvd #A
- 731-664-5070

**Red Robin Gourmet Burgers**
- 1025 Vann Dr.
- 731-664-1940

**Ruby Tuesday**
- 1017 Vann Dr.
- 731-512-1126

**TGI Friday’s**
- 1035 Vann Dr.
- 731-660-1542

**Zaxby’s (Fried Chicken)**
- 1155 Vann Dr.
- 731-256-8493

### Speakers

- **Ed Stetzer** Director of Lifeway Research and Missiologist in Residence
- **Jim Patterson** University Professor of Christian Studies and Associate Dean of the School of Christian Studies, Union University
- **Harry L. Poe** Charles Colson Professor of Faith & Culture, Union University
- **Timothy George** Founding Dean, Beeson Divinity School, Samford University
- **Duane Liflin** President, Wheaton College
- **Ray Van Neste** Associate Professor of Christian Studies and Director of the Center for Biblical Studies, Union University
- **Robert Smith** Associate Professor of Divinity, Beeson Divinity School
- **Mark DeVine** Associate Professor of Divinity, Beeson Divinity School
- **Daniel L. Akin** President, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
- **Michael Lindsay** Assistant Professor of Sociology, Faculty Associate of Leadership Rice, and Assistant Director of the Center on Race, Religion, and Urban Life, Rice University
- **Jerry N. Tidwell** Senior Vice President for Church Relations and Assistant Professor of Pastoral Ministry, Union University
- **David S. Dockery** President, Union University
- **Nathan A. Finn** Assistant Professor of Church History and Baptist Studies, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary
- **R. Albert Mohler, Jr.** President, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary