

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, USA, Inc.
138th Annual Session FAQs
for Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church

When and where is the Convention?

- September 3rd through September 7th at the Minneapolis Convention Center

How do I register to attend the convention? Does Fellowship cover the cost?

- There is no need to register to attend the convention
- Anyone can attend worship sessions; free and open to the public (more info below)
- The Ushers meetings and sessions are for affiliated members only.

What events are being hosted by Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church?

- FMBC is hosting the **invitation-only** NBC USA, Inc. Women's Auxiliary State Presidents and Officers Reception, Saturday September 1, 2018 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

What convention events are open to the public?

- The following events are open to the public:
 - Vendor Exhibit Hall in the Convention Center - Free
 - Daily worship services including morning, afternoon, evening and late-night worship services – Free
 - **Women in White March** – Minnesota Women wear white with purple accessories to participate in the Wednesday September 5th 2:30 p.m. event (complete details on the website www.MinnesotaStateBaptistConvention.com) – Free
 - Music workshop – registration fee to participate; attending the concert is free

What opportunities are available to participate in choirs and other musical events? Is there a fee?

- There are two opportunities to attend and participate in musical events:
 - **The Sounds of Gospel** convention kick-off concert Monday September 3rd – General Admission tickets are \$15 and VIP tickets are \$40; purchase in the Atrium before and after service and also online.
 - **The National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., Music Dept/Worship Auxiliary** will hold daily workshops that will culminate with a concert on **Thursday evening (time TBD) September 6th** at the Minneapolis Convention Center. **Workshop participation is open to all faiths** and includes minister of music, worship leader, choir director, praise dance

leader or members, and choir members, etc., are encouraged to sign-up and attend. To participate, register online at www.MinnesotaStateBaptistConvention.com website. If you don't have access to the internet, forms will be available in the atrium after service.

- **The Thursday evening September 6th Music Workshop Concert is free and open to the public.**
- **Fee** – If interested in participating in the music workshop, there is a **one-time** \$50 registration fee to help defray the cost of meals and technical support. If you need assistance with paying the fee, contact Rev. William Pierce at 612-910-5853 or go to www.MinnesotaStateBaptistConvention.com.

Is there an admission fee for events?

- **There are limited advance** ticket sales to banquets, breakfasts and luncheons at www.vitalculture.com, otherwise, tickets may be purchased onsite during the convention.
- See the following people for **The Sounds of Gospel** tickets:
 - Rev. Marilyn Taylor and Rev. William Pierce, or to purchase online and for a complete list of ticket outlets go to www.MinnesotaStateBaptistConvention.com.

I am interested in volunteering, how/where do I sign-up?

- Courtesy Driver/Transportation and Security – Rev. John Bowen, pastor, Greater Mount Vernon Baptist Church
- Volunteers/On-site registration – Rev. Dr. Charles Gill, senior pastor, Pilgrim Baptist Church – Orientation is **Saturday September 1st at 1 p.m.**
- Hospitality – Betty Jackson/612-822-2035; Greater Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

For more information or additional questions, please contact:

- Rev. William Pierce – 612-910-5853 or secondchanceproductions@yahoo.com
- Rev. Marilyn Taylor – 612-720-9713 or revmstaylor@yahoo.com

Get complete convention details at: www.MinnesotaStateBaptistConvention.com