

THE GLOBAL CONNECTION



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* New Executive Board and Committee Members



Morning attendees At Global Awareness Conference held at Tusculum Hills Baptist Church in Nashville

Global welcomes new **Point-Man, Bruce Stevens.** Bruce serves the Kentuckiana area near Louisville, KY., in Global's new Church Readiness Response program. A ***Point-man*** makes essential contacts to establish relationships with local churches.

Global Unfolds 10/4 Emphasis

A ten year expansion project with special attention to assisting churches with certified "**Church Readiness Response Plans**", highlighted a recent meeting of Global Networks, Inc., held at Tusculum Hills Baptist Church in Nashville, Tennessee. While the staff of Global will keep a vigil on the direction of the Father in relation to movement within the ten-year development plan, it has become evident that attention must currently be placed on helping to provide security for churches across America. Plans were unveiled to assist Homeland Security by securing churches from social and environmental disasters. These plans will work in concert with trainings already available from some denominational groups.

Four certified response areas are covered in the "**Church Readiness Plan.**"

>>Greater understanding in areas of the unexpected will be a great part of the training and preparation of tailor-made response plans. Today churches are facing shootings, hostage situations, volunteer and paid worker ethical and moral issues and even media difficulties. Most churches are unprepared to deal with matters such as these.

>>Many churches choose to be a disaster responding church without having fully met needed training. Whether responding as an on-site provider or a sending unit, many issues must be adequately prepared for as a well trained church.

>>While business contingency issues are not always at the forethought of churches, it is a necessary consideration. What happens to data, programming, etc., may be of critical importance.

>>Family Response plans are the fourth area of certification included in the certification package.

Marketing plans are being implemented to reach faith-based organizations, non-profit organizations, small businesses and church and denominational groups. First, attention will go to churches and their denominations. Plans are being drawn to reach all sizes of churches by either individual attention or group trainings.

Welcome to New Board/Committee Members

Global Networks has adopted a very unique approach to leadership usage during the expansion phase. All members of the Executive Board are also members of the Executive Committee. This will allow freedom to work with those who are available at designated meeting times. The committee will brainstorm and work within its structure. The Executive Board will be the voting arm of the Corporation.

Welcome to all New Committee/Board members:
Tim Bearden, TN Baptist Convention
John Gardner, Nashville, TN
Bill Graham, FBC Clarksville, TN
John LaNoue, Tyler, TX
Leo Smith, TBM Exec. Dir.
John Wood, John Wood Ministries, Waco, TX

Living Waters Global Ministries begins church services. David Coram, Pastor and church welcomes all to attend.

Sun. 10:00
Wed. Bible Study 11:45

Prayer Ministry begins with Prayer/Share. Share your prayer requests with the office and have them sent to the prayer warriors team.

Double Endowment Global Networks is focusing on two endowment funds.

- (1) Fund to assist local churches with "**Church Readiness Plans.**"
- (2) Fund to support International training assignments.

Medical Surplus Needs Global needs a contact for every community hospital, preferably a Christian, who will take a mission assignment of gathering surplus supplies to be shipped to major points of need around the world. Please pray about this ministry.



Fellowship around a noon meal at the January meeting. Cameron and Andrea Byler's project