



A Fellowship Committed to Biblical Ministry



March, 2010

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL OF IFCA INTERNATIONAL

From the President's pen!

It is hard to believe, but in a few weeks we will meet again for a Regional. This time we'll be at Mesa Hills Bible Church, Colorado Springs, Co., April 19-20, 2010. Our speaker will be Dr. Stephen Wilt. We thank Father Gimmel, I mean Pastor Gimmel for this invitation. With Spring about to spring forth, it will be a great time to lay aside our busy schedule and spend time with our brothers and sisters in Christ. I'm sure it would be a great time to share with others what God is doing in your family and ministry. I'm looking forward to seeing each of you and hearing of God's blessing in your life. If you're having a difficult time, it will enable us to pray with you. The Lord bless each of you and make it possible for you to come.

Jack Merriam, President
of the Regional

because they always treat us special, feed us good meals, and on top of that you'll hear good speakers and be blessed.

Another reason you won't want to miss this one is because during our ladies' session on Tuesday morning, Nancy Holmes will be sharing what she calls 'Victory In Jesus', relating to us how the Lord brought them and their daughter, Sarah, and her husband through a horrible accident as well as Nancy losing both of her parents within a short time. You'll hear how the Lord gave them grace and gave them victory. You might want to bring plenty of tissues for it's sure to bring tears as we hear.

May your Easter be a blessed day of rejoicing and I'll hopefully see you at the Regional on April 19 & 20th.

Sandy Merriam,
Coordinator for the
Regional Women

hope in 1 Peter 1:3-5 – *“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a living hope by the **resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead**, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fades not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”*

Rocky Mountain Bible Church Mission exists to plant churches and assist struggling churches through the faithful proclamation of risen Christ; to bring this “living hope” to people who struggle through life's difficulties without hope. How grateful I am as the Director of RMBCM for faithful mission pastors who are true to this message and laboring in some difficult and challenging places of service. Although the ministry of church planting is hard we rejoice in every victory that God gives and every life that is changed because of the message of a risen Christ.

On April 10th the Executive Committee of the Board of Southwest Bible Church Mission and the Board of RMBCM are scheduled to meet to begin the merger process. Although the steps are uncertain we are confident that God will lead us through this process and the end result will be a church planting mission agency with renewed

Dear Ladies of the Regional,

Think Spring! Think sunny, warmer days! Think spring flowers blooming! Think grass greening up! Think trees showing the new green of leaves and flowering trees blooming! Yes, Spring is coming! And, along with Spring coming comes the IFCA Spring Regional!

You won't want to miss this one at Mesa Hills Bible Church,

RMBCM HAPPENINGS

Sunday, April 4th we will be celebrating the glorious truth of our Lord's resurrection – Easter Sunday! What a special time in the ministry of our churches as the message of a risen Savior is uplifted in song, message, special services, and fellowship times. What hope that message brings to the heart those who have placed their faith in Him. I love the way the apostle Peter speaks of this

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**ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL OF IFCA INTERNATIONAL SPRING REGIONAL MEETINGS
APRIL 19-20, 2010**

Mesa Hills Bible Church 615 W. Uintah Street Colorado Springs, CO 80905-1087 719-635-3566

Monday – April 19

1:00 pm Registration
1:30 – 2:30 pm Dr. Steve Wilt
2:30 – 3:15 pm Fellowship/Snack Time
3:15 – 4:00 pm Missionary/Ministry Reports
4:00 – 4:15 pm Short Break
4:15 – 5:00 pm Missionary/Ministry Reports
5:30 – 6:30 pm Supper
7:00 – 8:30 pm Dr. Steve Wilt

Tuesday – April 20

8:00 – 8:30 am Breakfast
8:30 – 9:15 am Prayer Time
9:15 – 9:45 am Fellowship/Snack Time
9:45 – 10:45 am Dr. Steve Wilt
10:45 – 11:00 am Short Break
11:00 – NOON Men's Business Mtg./Ladies' Mtg.
NOON – Lunch



ABOUT OUR SPEAKER:

Dr. Steve Wilt serves as the seventh General Director of FIM (Fellowship International Mission). He began his ministry on October 1, 2001. Steve holds a D.Min. From Dallas Theological Seminary and has over 32 years of ministry experience. He has

served on the FIM Board of Directors since 1994, filling the role of Secretary, and more recently, serving as President of the Board. As General Director, Steve oversees the operation of the Mission, ministers to the missionary family, and promotes the work of the mission. Both Steve and FIM are members of IFCA International.

Registration by mail: Mesa Hills Bible Church 615 West Uintah Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80905

Registration by email: linda@mesahills.org

Registration by telephone: (719) 635-3566

All registrations should include the following information:

Name(s) _____

Phone number _____ email address _____

Number in party _____

Are you bringing children _____ If so what are their ages? _____

Which meals do you plan on enjoying at MHBC?

Dinner on April 19: _____

Breakfast on April 20: _____

Lunch on April 20: _____

LODGING: There is a limited amount of lodging available with families...contact Linda (see contact info above) at MHBC if you are interested.

OR, make your own reservation. Hotel/motel suggestions include...

Local Hotels/Motels:

- **Motel 6** (2.04 miles away) 3228 N Chestnut St (719) 520-5400
- **Super 8** (2.1 miles away) 3270 N Chestnut St (719) 632-2681
- **Comfort Inn** (3.06 miles away) 45 Manitou Ave., Manitou Springs (719) 685-5455
- **Broadmoor Hotel & Resort** – just checking to see if anyone actually reads this! ☺

Directions to MHBC:

Exit Interstate 25 at exit 143 (Uintah).

If coming from the north, turn right (west) onto Uintah St. If coming from the south, turn left (west) onto Uintah. There is a stoplight at the first corner, which is Walnut. Keep going west past the stoplight one more block, to Cooper Ave. Turn left onto Cooper, go ½ block. Turn right at the “Mesa Hills Bible Church Entrance” sign, and go up the alley. The church is to the right, at the end of the alley.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL OF IFCA INTERNATIONAL
REGIONAL BUSINESS MEETING
Fairmount Bible Church, Golden, CO, Tuesday January 19, 2010

Regional President, Jack Merriam called the meeting to order at 11:05 A.M. with a reading from Psalms and prayer. There were 12 members, 1 delegate and 3 visitors present. The President immediately turned to the following items of business.

1. He pointed out that no other names for Regional Secretary have been submitted. A motion was made and seconded to elect acting Secretary, Paul Millermon, to fill the remainder of the current term. The motion carried and Millermon was installed as Secretary.
2. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the previous business meeting as printed in the Regional newsletter. The motion was seconded and carried.
3. The Treasurer, Cal Sheppard, presented his report. As printed in the newsletter it showed a bank balance of \$1372.84. He also reported that the offering of this Regional was \$587.00. Les Gwin moved and Tom Harves seconded the motion to accept the report. It carried.
4. The President made announcements about the upcoming national convention in Springfield, Ill. He announced that the next Regional will be held April 19-20 at Mesa Hills Bible Church in Colorado Springs. Dave Kummer reminded the men that information about future Regionals is on the Regional website. Its address is: www.RockyMtnRegional.org/.
5. The President showed the form and spoke of the procedure that individuals could use to make nominations of men for directors of IFCA International.
5. Jack opened the floor for Regional nominees for Board of Directors. Greg Gemmell's name was presented. If Greg agrees, his name would be presented by the Regional as nominee for Director.
6. Jack mentioned that there are scholarships available to help new members pay their way to the national convention. Names should be given to him soon as the deadline is the end of March.
7. The President raised the issue of the possible merger of Rocky Mountain Bible Church Mission and Southwest Bible Mission. He read the motion regarding the matter from the minutes of the last Regional business session. He noted that RMBCM was to explore the possibility and report back. Jack called Paul Williamson forward to give his report on the issue. Dr. Williamson said that after our representatives met with the SWBM board our board felt that SWBM still desired a merger. He noted that since RMBCM is an extension of the Rocky Mountain Regional, the Regional needed to act on the issue. Paul discussed the issues involved including the challenge of servicing this vast territory. He explained his thoughts on how he would face these challenges. There were several questions and answers about the issue. Paul Williamson said that even though this merger would be a big commitment on his part it could bring the two works together to be a more efficient use of the Lord's resources in this very vast region. He said he believed that the board of SWBM would vote to go ahead with the merger. He said if the merger takes place, the first year the two boards will serve together to set up a new church planting entity. The President called for a motion on the issue of the merger. Tom Harves moved and Kirk Dunham seconded the motion that RMBCM go beyond the exploration and begin the merger. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.
8. Paul Williamson also appealed to the men of the Regional to be connected with the mission pastors we already have. He also spoke of the possibility of a Spanish ministry in Colorado Springs. He asked for prayer about it.
9. According to policy, the offering was taken to help with the President's expenses to attend the convention.

The President closed the meeting at 12:00 noon calling on one of the members to close in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Millermon, Secretary.

NEWS YOU CAN USE...

- You can find information about our Regional...churches and activities...on the Regional website: www.RockyMtnRegional.org The Regional Churches page has been redesigned...**please check it** to make sure your church's information is correct.

+++++ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGIONAL OF IFCA INTERNATIONAL+++++
 Financial Report as of March 1, 2010

Beginning Bank Balance (Total): \$1,372.84

General Fund

Beginning Balance:		\$972.84	
Income			
September offering:	\$587.00		
Mail-in Gift:	\$200.00		
Total Available:		\$1759.84	
Disbursements			
January Speakers:	\$225.00		
Presidents Conv. Fund:	\$200.00		
RMBCM:	\$113.48		
IFCA:	\$113.48		
Total Disbursements:		\$651.96	
Ending GF Balance:			\$1107.88

President's Convention Fund

Beginning Balance:		\$400.00
September Contribution:	\$200.00	
Special Offering:	\$153.00	
Ending Balance:		\$753.00

Ending Bank Balance (Total): \$1860.88

RMBCM HAPPENINGS (CONCLUDED)

focus and vision. It is our constant prayer that Vision America will become more than just a “catch phrase” in our IFCA International churches but a commitment and vision of ministry that will engage every IFCA church in some way. There are a number of different levels of engagement in Vision America so that every church can embrace this commitment for church planting. I would love to talk with you and/or your missions committee about these possibilities.

There is one major undertaking in the mission churches of RMBCM that I would like to introduce and ask for your prayers and support. We have invited Evangelist Tom Palmer to minister in three of our mission churches this fall. Tom will be preaching at Severance Community Church, South Routt Bible Church and Green River Bible Church. We are asking God to work in a very specific way to bring both revival to God’s people and a reaping of souls in evangelism. There is much planning to be done and we covet your prayers. The Board of RMBCM has approved a temporary fund – Tom Palmer Evangelistic Fund – to assist these mission churches in this campaign. If you or your church would like to give to that fund you may do so by making checks out to RMBCM and designating “Tom Palmer Evangelistic Fund” on a separate piece of paper. In the next several months we will include that on our donation receipt as well.

I would be remiss if I didn’t take this time to once again express our deepest gratitude for all that you as a regional do to assist RMBCM. We are here to serve you and if I can be of service to your church please don’t hesitate to call on us.

Dr. D. Paul Williamson
 Director

NEWS YOU CAN USE...

SINCE our Spring Regional is at Mesa Hills, we are **not** having our Regional in conjunction with the **Frontier School of the Bible Ministry Conference, this year.** THAT conference will be **June 1-3**, and will feature Dr. Bob Evans. **There is a link to the brochure for the Conference on the Regional webpage: www.RockyMtnRegional.org** It sounds like it will be a good conference, if you can attend!