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# MONDAY EVENING BULLETIN

The SOUTH  
CAROLINA  
BAPTIST  
CONVENTION

199TH  
ANNUAL MEETING

## ▶▶▶▶ ENGAGING THE CULTURE ◀◀◀◀



### SESSION SPEAKER

**Micah Fries, Pastor**  
**Brainerd Baptist Church**  
Chattanooga, TN



Micah serves as Senior Pastor of Brainerd Baptist Church. Prior to serving at Brainerd, he was the Vice President of LifeWay Research. He served as a Senior Pastor in Missouri and an international church planter in Burkina Faso, West Africa. He holds a Master of Divinity and the Bachelor of Arts in Theology. Micah is currently a Ph.D. student, studying North American Missiology at Southeastern Seminary in Wake Forest, NC. Micah is married to Tracy and they have two daughters, Grace and Kessed, and a son, Haddon.

Micah is the author of a commentary on Haggai and Zephaniah in the Christ-Centered Commentary Series. Micah, along with Dr. Keith Whitfield, also contributed to and co-edited a book on reaching North American Muslims with the gospel for B&H Academic. Micah is a Guest Lecturer in the Doctoral program at Anderson University. Micah is also a Fellow at the Billy Graham Center at Wheaton College.

### MESSENGER MEMOS

Welcome to the 199th Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Baptist Convention!

**NEW THIS YEAR**, messengers from 2,125 South Carolina Baptist churches will worship, conduct business, and celebrate ministry accomplishments within a concentrated meeting format. The Monday night and Tuesday sessions are specially designed to increase participation among messengers who are working individuals, church staff members, or students. Messengers should note key opportunities to **ENGAGE** locally and internationally:

The **EXHIBIT HALL** area is hosting a variety of interactive experiences including a video booth where messengers are invited to **SHARE** their stories.

Explore **LUNCH & LEARN** opportunities, including "Engaging Survivors of Sexual Abuse in Healing and Hope," led by Rev. Rod West, who will share his own story of childhood physical and sexual abuse, and how God led him to receive help. West will discuss prevention and ministry to victims. In "10 Ways to Protect Your Church," Tonya Shellnutt of Alliance Defending Freedom will discuss legal needs of today's church, particularly as it stands true to God's Word. Tickets are required for both of these free events and are available at registration.

Participate in a special Tuesday night emphasis on **ENGAGING FUTURE GENERATIONS**, with worship led by H.B. Charles, pastor of Shiloh Metropolitan Baptist Church, Jacksonville, FL.

Plan to **MAKE YOUR NEXT MOVE** through international missions with the new East Asia partnership, announced during the Annual Meeting.

### DON'T MISS A MOMENT



If anyone you know is unable to attend, but would still like to take part, tell them to tune in! Sessions will be simulcast live at [scbaptist.org/annualmeeting2019](http://scbaptist.org/annualmeeting2019) (There will be a slight delay.)

## LEADING WORSHIP



The **South Carolina Singing Churchmen** are comprised of worship and ministry leaders from across the state. This men's group gathers once a month to lead a worship service in a community in an effort to promote discipleship, evangelism, and missions. From orchestra to choral music and worship band to acapella singing, the Singing Churchmen have helped spread the gospel for over sixty years.

The **Worship Community at Church at The Mill** is made up of people who love Jesus Christ as Savior and enjoy using their musical gifts to worship him. They represent every age, demographic and race. They lead out each week from hearts of humility and authenticity before the Lord and this encourages the entire body to do the same. Their objective is to point people to Jesus and help people focus their attention on Him. This ministry is led by Jeff Brockelman as Worship Pastor, Josh Epton, Associate Worship Pastor, Worship Leaders/Directors Candace Hughes, Julie McNeely and Kayla Farmer.



# THANK YOU CHURCH AT THE MILL!

## THEME INTERPRETATION

Travis Agnew is a disciple of Jesus, husband to Amanda, and father to Obadiah, Eli, and Gloria. He serves as the Senior Pastor of Rocky Creek in Greenville, SC. Travis is a trustee and an undergraduate alum of North Greenville University. He is also a graduate and doctorate alum of Southern Seminary. He has a passion for sharing help and equipping others to make disciples, so he posts weekly resources at [travisagnew.org](http://travisagnew.org).

In the word shared with the assembled convention, Travis wants to remind our gathered leaders that even if we have the opportunity to engage this culture at such a time as this (Est. 4:14), God is not anxiously dependent upon our efforts.



**Travis Agnew, Pastor**  
**Rocky Creek**  
Greenville, SC

## ADVANCE REPORT: SERVE

Healthy and vibrant communities begin with local churches serving and building relationships among those both near and far from God. Ultimately, the **SERVE Team** exists to help churches fulfill the Great Commission. We do this by helping churches identify needs and opportunities in their community, as well as by offering support, through relationships, training, and resourcing, as they launch successful ministries within those communities.

### MAKE YOUR NEXT MOVE:

#### **SERVE Re-Imagined**

Intentional process of reviewing and strengthening church based community ministries with SERVE Team.

#### **Poverty 101 and Benevolence Training**

Understanding Poverty Culture  
Church Benevolence Conference

#### **Disaster Relief Regional Trainings:**

March 14 – Summerville Baptist  
April 18 – Brushy Creek Baptist

#### **Heart 4 Schools**

March 26 – Next Level Leadership

We want to partner with your church as it develops ministries to express God's love and effectively serve in community.

Visit [scbaptist.org/serve](http://scbaptist.org/serve) to make your next move!



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