The road we journeyed together through 2016

was brimming with challenge and surprise. Filling the news were stories of water crises, shootings, terror at home and abroad, five years of the Syrian war with its resulting humanitarian crisis, an opening in relations with the U.S. and Cuba, a battle over the rights of persons who are transgender, and an election cycle that left minorities and those on the margins feeling attacked and vulnerable.

In the midst of the swirling of world events, the Alliance of Baptists reaffirmed our calling to be a theological home for open-minded and open-hearted Baptists. We recommitted to accompanying and empowering our ministry partners as together we give witness to God’s justice and love globally and locally.

*Bearing Courage: Rooted in Hope*—the theme of our 2016 annual gathering—accurately portrays the individuals and congregations who were called to form the Alliance nearly 30 years ago. Their stories—our story—are now told in *Reimagining Zion: A History of the Alliance of Baptists*. Our story is a story of hope for ALL who are wounded and ignored by the church, the poor and oppressed—the world God so loves.

We have good work ahead of us. 2017 will be another year of challenge and we look forward to this work and are grateful to do this work in partnership with you. Thank you for supporting the Alliance of Baptists with your financial contributions. Under no circumstances could we do this work without you.

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Brazil. Paula Dempsey, director of partnership relations visited with the Alianca do Brasil for their XX annual meeting.

Reimagining Zion. Andrew Gardner’s celebrated work of the history of the Alliance of Baptists was published!

Partner Seminary Visits. We celebrated Alliance Day at Brite Divinity, Wake Forest School of Divinity, McAfee School of Theology and the Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond. There are gifted ministers emerging from seminaries around the country!

Church Visits. The Alliance staff visited over 50 churches in the last year!

Spirituality Gathering. In September we gathered at Camp Weed, Live Oak, Fla., and considered the intersection between faith and mental health. We enjoyed fellowship, the art of He Qi and our speaker Kate Moorehead.

Faith Formation Consultations. Ken Meyers, faith formation specialist visited with over 15 churches and partners offering insight into faith formation development for all ages.

Summer Communities of Service. Another wonderful summer with XX volunteers serving at XX sites around the country.

Annual Gathering: Bearing Courage: Rooted in Hope. Our meeting at Kirkwood Baptist Church in St. Louis provided space to celebrate all that women have brought to the Alliance and the work ahead of us. We heard from preachers Traci Blackmon, Phyllis Trible and Kyndall Rothaus. We approved statements on #BlackLivesMatter, the global refugee crisis, the expansion of Medicaid and the Cuba embargo.
$12,500 & Above
Baptist Church of the Covenant, Birmingham, Ala.
First Baptist Church, Greenville, S.C.
Oakhurst Baptist Church, Decatur, Ga.
Woodbrook Baptist Church, Baltimore, Md.

$7,500-$12,499
Central Baptist Church, Wayne, Pa.
Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.
Glendale Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.
Northminster Baptist Church, Jackson, Miss.
Northside Drive Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.
University Baptist Church, College Park, Md.

$5,000-$7,499
Broadneck Baptist Church, Annapolis, Md.
Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.
Central Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.
Greenwood Forest Baptist Church, Cary, N.C.
Noank Baptist Church, Noank, Conn.
Northminster Church, Monroe, La.
Ravensworth Baptist Church, Annandale, Va.

Watts Street Baptist Church, Durham, N.C.

$2,500-$4,999
Austin Heights Baptist Church, Nacogdoches, Texas
Covenant Church, Houston, Texas
Cumberland First Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
First Baptist Church, Savannah, Ga.
Grace Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.
Heritage Baptist Church of Cartersville, Cartersville, Ga.
Immanuel Baptist Church, Frankfort, Ky.
Knollwood Baptist Church, Winston Salem, N.C.
Lake Shore Baptist Church, Waco, Texas
Lakeside Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, N.C.
Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.
Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, Raleigh, N.C.
Sardis Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.

$1,000-$2,499
Broadview Baptist Church, Temple Hills, Md.
Christ Congregation, Princeton, N.J.

Church of the Savior, Cedar Park, Texas
Circle of Mercy, Asheville, N.C.
Ellis Avenue Church, Chicago, Ill.
The First Baptist Church in Beverly, Beverly, Mass.
First Baptist Church, Columbia, Miss.
First Baptist Church, Silver Spring, Md.
Grace Baptist Church, Statesville, N.C.
Grandin Court Baptist Church, Roanoke, Va.
Harmony Creek Church, Dayton, Ohio
Highland Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.
Highland Park Baptist Church, Austin, Texas
Judson Memorial Church, New York, N.Y.
Kirkwood Baptist Church, Kirkwood, Miss.
Lakeshore Avenue Baptist Church, Oakland, Calif.
Olin T. Binkley Memorial Baptist Church, Chapel Hill, N.C.
Park Road Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.
Peakland Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Va.
Riverside Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.
Royal Lane Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas
Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.
St. John’s Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C.
Starling Avenue Baptist Church, Martinsville, Va.
Twinbrook Baptist Church, Rockville, Md.
University Baptist Church, Austin, Texas
Village Baptist Church, Bowie, Md.
Wake Forest Baptist Church,
Winston Salem, N.C.
Williamsburg Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Va.

$500-$999
Commonwealth Baptist Church, Alexandria, Va.
Covenant Baptist United Church of Christ,
Washington, D.C.
Englewood Baptist Church, Kansas City, Miss.
First Baptist Church in Newton,
Newton Centre, Mass.
First Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio
First Baptist Church, Pittsfield, Mass.
Glade Church, Blacksburg, Va.
Madison Avenue Baptist Church, New York, N.Y.
Old Cambridge Baptist Church,
Cambridge, Mass.

Providence Baptist Church, Hendersonville, N.C.
The Riverside Church in the City of New York,
New York, N.Y.
St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church,
New Orleans, La.
University Baptist Church, Minneapolis, MN
Vienna Baptist Church, Vienna, Va.
Immanuel Baptist Church, Portland, Maine
Woodland Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas

$1-$499
Crossroads Church of Kansas City,
Kansas City, Miss.
First Baptist Church of Asheville, Asheville, N.C.
First Baptist Church of Berkeley, Berkeley, Calif.
First Baptist Church of Clemson, Clemson, S.C.
First Baptist Church of Front Royal,
Front Royal, Va.
First Baptist Church of Madison, Madison, Wis.
First Baptist Church of Rochester,
Rochester, N.Y.
First Baptist Church of Worcester,

Ginter Park Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.
Grace Covenant Church of Oak Ridge,
Oak Ridge, Tenn.
Jefferson Street Baptist Community at Liberty,
Louisville, Ky.
Lake Street Church, Evanston, Ill.
Long Branch Baptist Church, The Plains, Va.
Metro Baptist Church, New York, N.Y.
Millbrook Baptist Church, Raleigh, N.C.
New Heights Baptist Church, Gaffney, S.C.
Peace Community Church, Oberlin, Ohio
Shell Ridge Community Church,
Walnut Creek, Calif.
The Church at Ponce & Highland, Atlanta, Ga.
The United Church of Granville, Granville, Ohio

96 total Congregations!
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| **$5000 & Above** | Carol Blythe & Rick Goodman  
Sylvia & Gary Campbell  
Craig Henry  
David Knight  
Anita & David Massengill  
James Pollard  
Susan & Paul Richardson |
| **$2500-4999** | Julie Barnett  
D.H. Clark  
Lisa & Jani Darak-Druck  
Norman Gearhart  
David Gooch  
Betty & Will Hedges  
Sandra & Stephen Jolly  
Fran Langstaff  
Sarah & Rodney Macias  
Donna & Robin Poynor  
Brooks Wicker & Pat  
Hielscher  
**$1000-2499** | Eljee Bentley  
Lisa Brownlee  
Bob & Loven Bruhn  
Carol Burgess  
Eric Cain  
Eileen Campbell-Reed & Lynn Reed  
Mark Chamberlin  
Carole Collins & Leslie Lowe  
Don & Jean Davis  
Paula & Paul Dempsey  
Arthur & Amy Finkelberg Fund  
Laura Nell Ford  
Don Fulton  
Mary Jane Gorman & Duncan McArthur  
Fred & Margaret Grissom  
Randy Hall & Mary Hamrick  
Kevin Hampton  
Paul & Wendy Hayes  
Ted Hodge & Janice Yusk  
Beth Jackson-Jordan & David Jordan  
Sandra John  
Robert Kidd  
Lynn McLaughlin  
Ken & Adrienne Meyers  
Karen Moore  
Tim Moore  
Tom & LeDayne Polaski  
Mark Reeve & Leslie Withers  
Janice & Mahan Siler  
Rachel & Steve Smith  
Suzanne & Mac Smith  
Lisa Sparkes  
Ken & Betty Stapp  
Libby Stephens & Nathan Powers  
Dick Tucker  
Richard & Elizabeth West  
Cecil White  
**$500-999** | Rebecca & Bob Albritton  
Jo Ann Alley  
Betty & Dick Barnett  
Ben Boswell  
Jim Broyles  
Peggy Campolo  
Michael Castle  
Mandy England Cole  
Craig & Deborah Davis-Johnson  
Joann & Jolly Davis  
John & Leah Davis  
Daniel Day  
Claudia Dickerson  
John Evans  
Susan & Bradley Gardner  
Marjorie & Bill George  
Rhonda Gilligan-Gillespie  
Wayne Grinstead  
Carolyn & Billy Hall  
Relma Hargus  
James & Liz Harris-Lamkin  
Bettie & Stan Hastey  
Robert & B.J. Herring  
Jeanette Holt  
Myra Houser & Jason Smith  
Tammy James  
Betsy Kammerdiener  
Margie Kelbel  
Michael & Joan Kellett  
Donald Ledbetter  
Pat & Mike Levi  
Deborah Lofts  
Charles & Fannie Louise Maddux  
Daniel & Sharon Miles  
Rick Mixon  
Phill & Lisa Nall  
Barry & Rosalie Rudert  
Cody Sanders  |
|            |
Teresa Sanders
Sally Sarratt & Maria Swearingen
Cherie Smith
Dianne Smith
Eileen Stone
Cathy Tamsberg & Felicia Roper
Tillie Tice
Mica Togami
Phyllis Trible
Melanie Vaughn-West & Paul West
Donald Voyles
Charles Williams, Jr.
Nancy Plott Williams

Karen Ballard
Isam Ballenger
Susan & John Ballenger
Zachary & Kristy Bay
Jane Brake & Anna Mayne
Kevin Brown
Sandra Cranford
Mary Jo Crawford
Roger H. Crook
Anne Dahle
Tim & Julie Dean
Bonnies & John Dixon
Mitzi Ellington
Mary Fisher
Brett Fox
Lil Galphin
Sandra & Robert Gardner
Thomas & Judith Ginn
Michael Gross

Stephanie & Mike Hamilton
Alma Hassell
Collyn & Michael Hawn
Dennis & Betsy Herman
Tami Higdon
Jo Ellen & Jim Holmes
Cam Holzer
Bill & Molly Hornbuckle
Jennifer Hornbuckle
Melinda Huff
Allison Jackson
Mark Jensen
Robby Kerr
John King
Leah Knox
John W. Laney & Joan W. Yarborough
Meg & Dave Larko
Mike & Julie

McClanahan
Cathy McGaughey & Diane Ansley
Victor Craig Miller
Margaret Money
Jill Moore
Meredith Neill
Deborah Norton & Jonathan Sledge
Ida Mae Nutt
Nancy Osborne
Anne Owens & Kaye Gooch
Zelma Pattillo
Aubin & Mark Petersen
Sheila Plott
Marcus Pomeroy
Hoyt & Lora Ponder
Morgan & Peggy Sanderford Ponder
Geneva & Dave Pope
Walter & Mary Lynn

Porter
Mary Ann Poythress
Terry-Thomas Primer
Ann Quattlebaum
Susan Reed
Susan Rymer
Carson Rogerson
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Helen & Milton Ryder
Ken & Nancy Sehested
Robert E. Seymour
Davis Smith
Louise & Dick Stanford
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John W. & Betty J. Torbert
Becky Vaughn
Deborah Vaughn
Lillian C. Wachter
Ben & Dorothy Wagener

Douglas Washington
Lorelei Watts
Lynda Weaver-Williams
Ralph & Janice Webb
Craig Wiester
Paula Womack
Wanda J. Womack
Bill Woolf

$250-499

Allen & Terri Allen
Paul & Donna Alley
Barbara Atchley
April Baker & Deborah Lynn

Ronnie Adams
Robert E. Adrian
Matthew Alexander
Sarah & Carl Almblad
Nancy Ammerman
Mary Little Apicella
Constance G. Arthur
Jenny Arthur
Thomas Earl Atteberry
Dan & Janet Bagby
Bob & Catherine Ballance

$100-249

Allen & Terri Allen
Paul & Donna Alley
Barbara Atchley
April Baker & Deborah Lynn
David Morton
Beth Mosier
Linda Mulford
Frank & Marjorie
Murdock
Vik Nambari
M. Susan Nance
Terryn Nelson
Orin Newberry
Lee Nicholas-Pattillo
Matt Norvell
Beverly Odell
Dennis Pendleton for
Karrie Oertli
Marie Onwubuariri
Robert Oswald
Allen Page
Amparo Palacios-
Lopez
Patricia Parish
Kenneth & Pat Parker
Carol L. Penick
Dale Peterson
Joe & Joan Phillips
Deborah Pierce
Rebecca Gurney Powe
Ross Prater
Kristy Arnesen Pullen
Virgil Quisenberry
John Rabun, Jr.
Kenneth Ramsey
Robert Renix
Sara Reynolds
Becky Rizzo
David & Madonna
Roberts
Beverly Rodgers & Jon
Daggett
Yhanco Monet
Rodriguez
Willard Sapp
Larry & Elaine Seberg
Donald Shelley
Scott & Lisa White
Shirley
H. Stephen
Shoemaker
Jeff & Erin Sims
Larry Smith
Sue & Greg Smith
Sharon Snow
Chester (Skip) Snyder
Betsy Sowers
Jonathan Spencer
Kathy & Bill Stayton
Lila C. Stevens
Bob Stillerman
Maria Stinnett
Valerie Storms
Mary Strauss
Clarissa Strickland
Elizabeth Stroop & Lu
Stella
Nell Summerlin &
Rebecca Askew
Gordon & Edith Swan
Philip Taff
Margaret & John
Tarpley
Karen Thomas Smith
Anita Thompson
John Thomson
Robert & Elaine Tiller
John & Peggy Travis
Rhett Travis
Joshua Villines
Janice Wakefield
Melissa Walker-
Luckett
Brent Walker
Mimi Walker
Pam Washburn
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Timothy & Susan
Wegner
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Westmoreland
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Stan Yancey
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$1-99
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Carol Alexander
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Anderson
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Jennie Betton
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Goodman
Stephen Bouchard
Nancy A. Bradley
Robin Brown-Haithco
Jerry Brown
Pat Brunner
Mary Caldwell
Holmes Carlisle
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Russ Dean
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Jeffrey Dunkerley
Dunkerley II
Lynn Farmer
Stephanie Ford
Robert Fox
Tripp Fuller
Joey Fusion
Anne Garner
Marsha Garrison
Everett Gill
David Gladson
Brian C. Graves & Beth Honeycutt
Herman & Harvette Green
Jeane Hackle
Peter Haley
Jean Seidl Hamilton
Lynn Casteel Harper
Merianna Neely Harrelson
Brian & Ashley Harrington
Ted Harris
Doris Hayes
J. Lee Hill Jr
Howard Warren Hjort
Debra Holder
Lauren Holmes
Dawn & Paul Hood-Patterson
John Hough
John Hunt
Maggie Hurst
Elizabeth F. Jarrard
Katherine Kammerdiener
Kathryn Kreutzer
Stuart Lamkin
Kathleen & Paul Lansing
Judy Lester
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Leah Lonsbury
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Ted Malette
Margaret Mangham
Michelle & Rod McClendon
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Hugh & Rebecca McKinley
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Erin Newton & Randall Lathan
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Dave Parnell & Jeff Evans
Dibble Pate
Joseph Perdue
Jim & Susan Pike
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Annis & Randy Rankin
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Avery Sledge
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Michael Smith
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Victor Tupitza
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Greta Wagner
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Winnie Williams
Jocelyn Wilson
Mary Wilson
Casey Woolf
Harry Wooten
Alan & Tiffany Wright
Ministry Partners

Mutual Partners
African Baptist Churches in Zimbabwe
Aliança de Batistas do Brasil
Baptist Seminary of Mexico
Evangelical Baptist Church of Georgia, School of Elijah
Fraternidad de Iglesias Bautistas de Cuba
Seminario Intercultural Mayanese
Zimbabwe Theological Seminary

Ecumenical & Advocacy Partners
Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty
BPFNA – Hispanic Summer Program
Churches for Middle East Peace

Church World Service
Creation Justice Ministries
Equity for Women in the Church
Global Baptist Peace Conference
Latin American Working Group
National Farmworker Ministry
National Council of Churches
World Student Christian Federation

Ministry Service Partners
AMOS Health and Hope, Nicaragua
Bright Stars of Bethlehem
Calvary Latino Ministry, Washington, D.C.
Crossing Lines, Uganda
Emmaus House, Raleigh, N.C.

Hope Center at Pullen, Raleigh, N.C.
Interfaith Chaplaincy, Al Akawayn University, Morocco
Jitokese Wamama Wafrika, Kenya
JourneyPartners, Franklinton, N.C.
Oakhurst Recovery Program, Decatur, Ga.
QC Family Tree, Charlotte, N.C.
Rauschenbush Metro Ministries, New York City
Samaritan Neighborhood Center, Oakland, Ca.
Seeds of Hope Publishers, Waco, Texas
Shalom Children’s Center, Ghana
Shekinah, El Salvador
Stewart Center, Atlanta, Ga.
Strive, Chicago, Ill.
## Year in Review*

### Sources of Support

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Alliance Leadership Team & Staff
Carole Collins, director of operations & finance
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Ken Meyers, faith formation specialist
Kristy Pullen, AllianceConnect technical specialist
Jason Smith, congregational engagement specialist