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*"Strengthening the Ministry of the New Testament Church"*

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Dear Ohio Baptist General Convention,

“Grace to you, and peace from God, our Father, and from the Lord, Jesus Christ. Blessed be God who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in Christ; to the praise of the glory of His grace...”

I am honored and humbled by the privilege and responsibility of penning this first official correspondence as President of our beloved Convention. I am grateful to the constituent churches, voting delegates, and to the entirety of the Convention for your support and your prayers. I am wholly committed to seeking the Lord’s will for this season of our Convention, respecting our past, while embracing our future.

Thank you for a truly inspiring Adjourned Session a few months ago in Dayton. There is a palpable anticipation of what is to come in the Convention. At a recent Executive Board meeting, the auxiliary leaders and Moderators affirmed their willingness to work and their commitment to the goals of our convention as we seek to reenergize and revitalize this Kingdom work. While we are excited and hopeful, we recognize that we are not without our challenges. But we meet every challenge with this truth – God is “...able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we can ask or think, according to the power that works in us...” (Eph. 3:20 – NKJV)

This mid-winter mailing contains valuable information for you and your church. The auxiliaries and administrative teams are hard at work, planning for an exciting and beneficial year. Please review the enclosed information and govern yourselves accordingly.

Finally, it is with a heavy heart that I must inform you that our treasurer, Dr. Willie McMillan has gone home to be with the Lord. Dr. McMillan served for over 16 years as the Pastor of the St. Matthew Baptist Church in the city of Dayton. He has faithfully served this Convention over the last several years, even as his health began to fail. I am grateful for his public support and private encouragement. Please continue to pray for Mrs. Dr. McMillan, the family, and the church family during this difficult time.

“Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.”  
Yours very truly,

Pastor S. N. Winston, Jr.  
President