

Resolution on Prayer and Spiritual Awakening

WHEREAS, our American society has been drawing further away from God and the gospel of Jesus Christ for several decades; and

WHEREAS, the many societal evils that we see continuing to worsen are the direct result of this drawing away from God; and

WHEREAS, a nation-wide spiritual awakening to the gospel of Jesus Christ is gravely needed for the continuation of our Christian heritage in America; and

WHEREAS, our churches share a significant responsibility for this societal drawing away from God through our general prayerlessness, and the failure to practice evangelism and true discipling; and

WHEREAS, the vast majority of churches in the United States, including N.C. Baptist churches, need revival, renewal and revitalization; and

WHEREAS, the Bible clearly teaches the necessity of repentance on the part of God's people for God to send a spiritual awakening; and,

WHEREAS, the Bible also teaches the necessity of God's people to pray and seek God and His kingdom first; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the messengers of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in annual meeting on November 8-9, 2021, strongly encourage the pastors of N.C. Baptist churches to teach and lead their congregations to pray fervently in every worship service for a nation-wide spiritual awakening to the gospel; and be it further

RESOLVED, that N.C. Baptist pastors be challenged to teach and encourage the members of their churches to pray daily for a nation-wide spiritual awakening to the Gospel and to practice repentance, confession, and surrender to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, thereby receiving forgiveness and cleansing from sin, resulting in renewed commitments to obedience by the empowering of the Holy Spirit; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that this earnest prayer effort continue until God sends a nation-wide spiritual awakening to the gospel of Jesus Christ and throughout that spiritual awakening.