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## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NORTH TULSA FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Press Release

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## First Baptist Church North Tulsa hosts the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention October 17-20, 2011

*Mark your calendars and plan to attend this state-wide celebration hosted in Tulsa.*

[First Baptist Church North Tulsa](#) (FBCNT) will host the 114<sup>th</sup> Session of the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention (OBSC) on October 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. The OBSC was founded in 1847, and is under the current direction of Dr. C.W. Whitlow, President. An estimated 500 to 600 guests will be visiting the city for the convention. The OBSC holds membership in the [National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.](#) (NBC, USA, Inc.) The NBC, USA, Inc. traces its history back to 1880 when 151 persons from 11 states met in Montgomery, Alabama and organized the Baptist Foreign Mission Convention. Today, it is the largest traditionally African American Baptist convention in the nation, claiming 6.5 million members. According to their website, their purpose is to "... unite national Baptist churches, district associations and state conventions in Christian evangelism... to fulfill the Great Commission of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through preaching, teaching, and healing."

In anticipation of out of town guests, several steps have been taken to ensure they have the best experience:

- Mayor Dewey Bartlett, House Representative Jabar Shumate, and Senator Judy Eason McIntyre, are a few public officials who will kick off the convention with an official welcome to the city on the 17<sup>th</sup>;
- 300 Maps are being provided by the Tulsa Metro Chamber;
- FBCNT is providing a special edition of their First Baptist Newsletter, which will preview the events during the convention, including the itinerary for all four days; and
- Delegates attending the convention will get a special discount by making reservations at the [Downtown DoubleTree](#) no later than October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Guests can call the DoubleTree to reserve a room (616 W. Seventh Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, USA, 74127-8983; 1-918-587-8000). Mention the Oklahoma Baptist State Convention to get the discount rate.

The Downtown DoubleTree is also the site for the convention's **T. Oscar Chappelle School of Religion Annual Banquet**, which will take place on October, 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. The banquet is to help raise funds for the OBSC's School of Religion. The school was founded in 1954 and continues to help Christians develop their skills for service. Guests have the ability to sponsor a table of ten, which will be listed in the convention program, or they can purchase tickets for general seating.

**For details on how to register, make reservations for the banquet and to reserve a vendor booth** (local Tulsa businesses only) **send an email to Peige Davis, Director of Public Relations, First Baptist Church North Tulsa at [fbcnt1414@yahoo.com](mailto:fbcnt1414@yahoo.com).**

Several events are open to the public free of charge. Please see [OBSC's facebook page](#) for additional information or join to our mailing list.