

HISTORY OF BAPTIST GENERAL STATE CONVENTION, USA, INC.

As slavery receded and the people began to come in larger numbers from the South, more and more they felt very keenly the need for a state-wide fellowship. Therefore, in the Zion Baptist Church, at Ninth and Carpenter Streets, Springfield, Illinois, on October 2, 1902, the Baptist General State Convention was organized, and the Rev. J. F. Thomas minister of Olivet Baptist Church, Chicago, was the first president and served the state from 1901 to 1909.

Cities in which the Baptist General State Convention has been held, year, president, secretaries and churches from its organization in 1902.

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ANNUAL SESSION</u>	<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>
1902	Springfield, Zion Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1903	Quincy, First Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1904	DuQuoin, St. Paul Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1905	Springfield, Zion Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1906	Cairo, First Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1907	Elgin, Second Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1908	DuQuoin, Mt. Zion Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1909	Quincy, First Baptist Church	Rev. J. F. Thomas	
1910	Springfield, Union Baptist Church	Rev. F. J. Fisher	
1911	Metropolis, First Baptist Church	Rev. F. J. Fisher	
1912	Chicago, Olivet Baptist Church	Rev. F. J. Fisher	
1913	Aurora, Third Baptist Church	Rev. F. J. Fisher	
1914	Carbondale, Rock Hill Baptist	Rev. F. J. Fisher	
1915	Rock Island, McKinley Baptist	Rev. F. A. McCoo	
1916	Chicago, Olivet Baptist	Rev. F. A. McCoo	
1917	Cairo, Nineteenth St. Baptist	Rev. S. J. Williams	
1918	Paris, Second Baptist	Rev. L. K. Williams	Rev. H. B. Hawkins
1919	Springfield, Zion Baptist	Rev. L. K. Williams	Rev. H. B. Hawkins
1920	Chicago, Olivet Baptist	Rev. L. K. Williams	Rev. H. B. Hawkins
1921	East St. Louis, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. L. K. Williams	Rev. H. B. Hawkins
1922	Chicago, Olivet Baptist	Rev. L. K. Williams	Rev. H. B. Hawkins
1923	Champaign, Olivet Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. E. L. Randall
1924	Cairo, Mt. Moriah Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. E. L. Randall
1925	Chicago, Pilgrim Temple Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. E. L. Randall
1926	East St. Louis, True Light Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1927	Peoria, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1928	Quincy, First Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1929	Cairo, Nineteenth St. Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1930	East St. Louis, New Hope Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1931	Chicago Heights, Union Inst.	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1932	Peoria, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1933	East St. Louis, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen

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1934	Champaign, Pilgrim Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. A. McEwen
1935	Champaign, Salem Baptist	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1936	Carbondale, Hopewell	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1937	Evanston, 2 nd on Benson Avenue	Rev. J. J. Olive	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1937	Rev. J. J. Olive died, September 2, and Vice President W. M. Bennett became President on that date		
1938	East St. Louis, True Light Baptist	Rev. W. M. Bennett	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1939	Peoria, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. W. M. Bennett	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1939	Session	Rev. J. L. Horace	Elected President
1940	Chicago, Monumental Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1941	Cairo, Mt. Moriah Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1942	Champaign, Mt. Olive Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1943	Peoria, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1944	East St. Louis, True Light Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1945	Chicago, S. Shore Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1946	Chicago, Greater Salem Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1947	Chicago, Zion Hill Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1948	Freeport, St. Paul Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1949	Springfield, Zion Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1950	East Moline, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1951	East St. Louis, New Hope Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1952	Chicago, Original Providence	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1953	Peoria, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1954	Chicago, Original Providence	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1955	Chicago, Shiloh, West Side	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1956	Rockford, Bethel Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. M. D. Dickson
1957	East St. Louis, Mt. Sinai Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. R. L. White
1958	Chicago, St. Luke Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. R. L. White
1959	Peoria, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. J. L. Horace	Rev. R. L. White
1960	Chicago, Union Tabernacle Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1961	Decatur, Antioch Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1962	Chicago, Liberty Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1963	Springfield, Union Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1964	Chicago, Union Tabernacle Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1965	East St. Louis, Mt. Sinai Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1966	Chicago, Union Tabernacle Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1967	Chicago, Olivet Baptist	Rev. J. A. Wilson	Rev. R. L. White
1968	Joliet, Mt. Olive Baptist	Rev. O. D. Pelt	Rev. R. L. White
1969	Chicago, Shiloh, West Side	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1970	East St. Louis, Friendship Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1971	Joliet, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1972	Chicago, Greater Galilee Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1973	Decatur, Ebenezer Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1974	Rockford, New Zion Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1975	Chicago, Fellowship Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1976	East. St. Louis, Mt. Pisgah Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. R. L. White
1977	Chicago, Friendship Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. T. A. Clark
1978	Joliet, Mt. Zion Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. T. A. Clark

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1979	Peoria, New Morning Star Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. T. A. Clark
1980	East St. Louis, Pilgrim Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. T. A. Clark
1981	Springfield, Union Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. T. A. Clark
1982	Chicago, Shiloh Baptist, South	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. T. A. Clark
1983	East St. Louis, Mt. Sinai Baptist	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Rev. T. A. Clark
1984	Chicago, Antioch Baptist, South	Rev. R. B. Lyles	Dr. George Waddles
1985	Peoria, New Morning Star Baptist	Dr. W. Clayborn Salter	Dr. George Waddles
1986	Joliet, Mt. Zion Baptist	Dr. W. Clayborn Salter	Dr. George Waddles
1987	Springfield, Union Baptist	Dr. W. Clayborn Salter	Dr. George Waddles
1988	Peoria, New Morning Star Baptist	Dr. W. Clayborn Salter	Dr. George Waddles
1989	Rockford, New Zion Baptist	Dr. W. Clayborn Salter	Dr. George Waddles
1990	Chicago, Shiloh South Side	Dr. W. Clayborn Salter	Dr. George Waddles
1991	Springfield, Union Bapt.-Hilton Hotel	Dr. Shelvin J. Hall	Dr. Alvin Love
1992	East St. Louis, Mt. Zion Baptist	Dr. Shelvin J. Hall	Dr. Alvin Love
1993	Chicago, Friendship Baptist	Dr. Shelvin J. Hall	Dr. Alvin Love
1994	Chicago, Clarion Hotel	Dr. Shelvin J. Hall	Dr. Alvin Love
1995	Joliet, Mt. Zion Baptist Church	Dr. Shelvin J. Hall	Dr. Alvin Love
1996	Peoria, Holiday City Center	Dr. Shelvin J. Hall	Dr. Alvin Love
1997	Bloomington, Holiday Inn	Dr. Lundy Savage	Dr. A. W. Staten
1998	Rockford, Clock Tower	Dr. Lundy Savage	Dr. A. W. Staten
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2000	Rockford, Clock Tower	Dr. Lundy Savage	Dr. A. W. Staten
2001	Springfield, Renaissance Hotel	Dr. Lundy Savage	Dr. A. W. Staten
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2003	Rockford, Clock Tower	Dr. Alvin Love	Dr. L. D. Tate
2004	Bloomington, Holiday Inn	Dr. Alvin Love	Dr. L. D. Tate
2005	Oakbrook, Double Tree Hotel	Dr. Alvin Love	Dr. L. D. Tate
2006	Peoria, Holiday Inn	Dr. Alvin Love	Dr. L. D. Tate
2007	Matteson, Holiday Inn	Dr. Alvin Love	Dr. L. D. Tate
2008	Collinsville, Double Tree Hotel	Dr. Alvin Love	Dr. L. D. Tate
2009	Springfield, Union Bapt.-Hilton Hotel	Dr. Louis E. Malone	Dr. Peter F. Williams
2010	Bloomington, Double Tree Hotel	Dr. Louis E. Malone	Dr. Peter F. Williams
2011	Decatur, Decatur Conf Center Hotel	Dr. Louis E. Malone	Dr. Peter F. Williams
2012	Springfield, Union Bapt.-Hilton Hotel	Dr. Louis E. Malone	Dr. Peter F. Williams
2013	Peoria, St. Paul Baptist	Dr. Louis E. Malone	Dr. Peter F. Williams
2014	Springfield, Union Bapt.-Hilton Hotel	Dr. Louis E. Malone	Dr. Peter F. Williams