



Bluebonnet Baptist Association

Churches Working Together for Kingdom Impact

What is Bluebonnet Baptist Association?

*BBA is a 168-year-old
cooperative group of
churches in the Austin –
San Antonio region of
Texas*

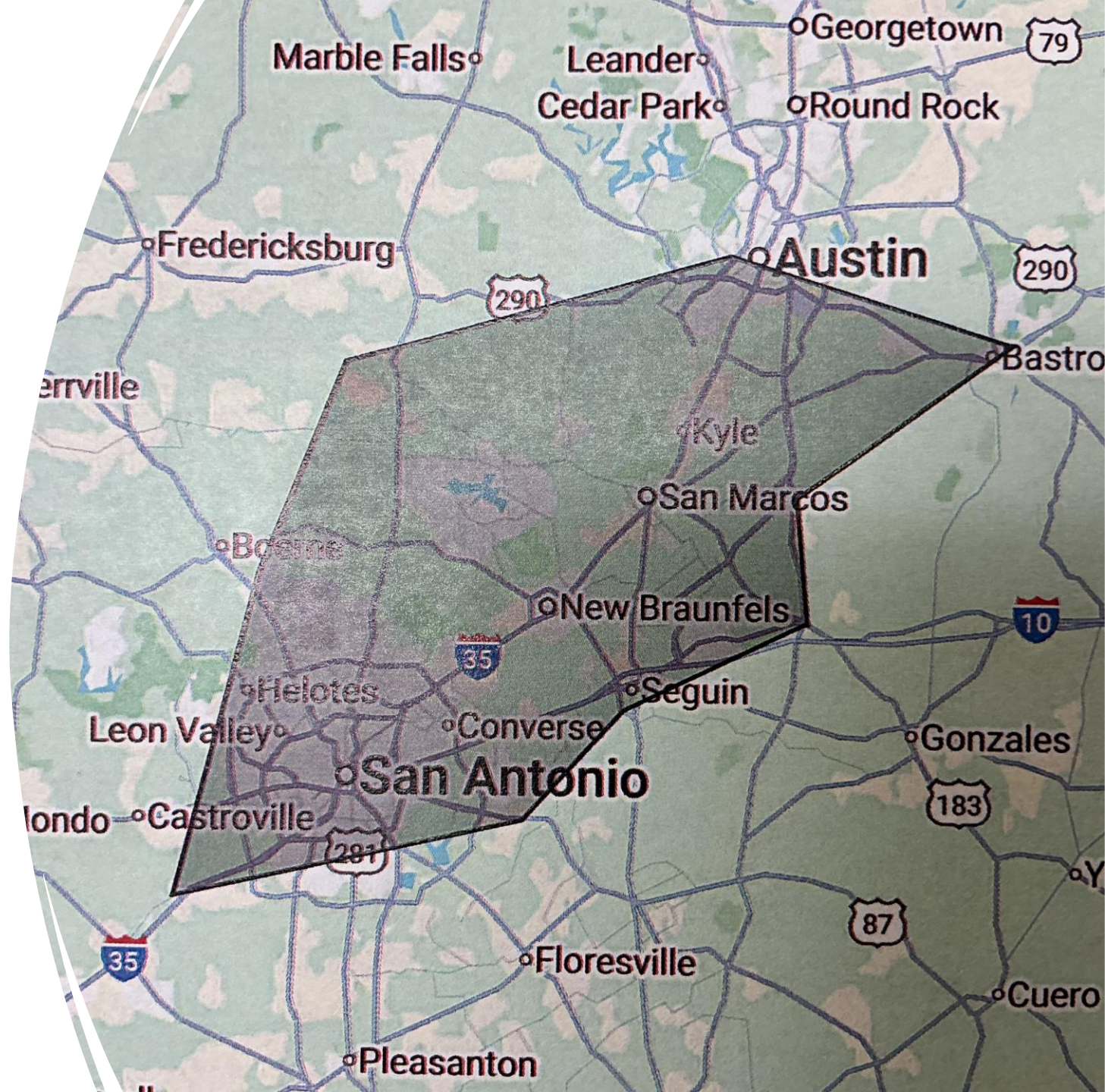
*There are currently 63
active partnering
churches in BBA*



Where are BBA Churches?

East and West of I-35 that connects the two cities

Encompasses a seven-county region



What is the Mission of BBA?

Assisting Churches

BBA serves only the local church; staff, time and resources are focused on helping churches carry out their Great Commission responsibilities (Matthew 28:19-20)



How Does BBA Assist Churches?

Three Focus Areas of Ministry

Assisting Churches in Starting New Churches

Assisting Churches in Church Health and Revitalization

Assisting Churches in Equipping Church Leaders



How Does BBA Help Churches Start New Churches?

***Church Planter
Application, Assessment
and Assistance***

***Enlisting & Connecting
Partnering Churches &
Entities***

***Overseeing the Planting
Process through a
Strategic Planning Team***

Church Plant Funding



How Does BBA Help With Church Health & Revitalization?

One-on-One Coaching

*Leadership Team
Consultations & Training*

*Assisting with a Church's
Visioning & Strategy Process*

*Partnering in Specific Growth
Projects*



How Does BBA Help With Church Leader Equipping?

Skill Builder Gatherings

*Customized Coaching and
Training*

Peer Networking

Intern Partnership Plan



LEADERSHIP

What Other Assistance Does BBA Offer to Churches?

Oasis Retreat for Church Leaders & Spouses

Partnership with Oakwood Counseling Center

Help with Church Administration (budget & finance, policies, group 501c3, etc.)

Supply Preaching & Worship Leading

Help with the Pastor Search Process

Mediation / Conflict Management

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How is BBA funded?

Primarily through the freewill contributions of the member churches

Some churches give a set percentage of their undesignated offerings; some give a set dollar amount

A few generous individuals who give to BBA

An association budget is proposed annually by the Administrative Team and approved by the messengers at the October annual meeting

BBA also maintains several designated accounts that supplement the budget; funded through prior year budget surpluses and designated contributions



How is BBA Governed?

*Annual Meeting of Church Messengers
(October)*

Executive Board (primarily senior pastors)

*Administrative & Mission Coordinating
Teams (elected by messengers each year)*

*Officers: Moderator, Vice-Moderator,
Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Clerk, Trustees*

Our books are audited by an outside CPA



Who Carries Out the Work of BBA?

Robby Partain - Executive Director (full-time)

Linda Gibson - Ministry Assistant (full-time)

J.K. Minton - Church Health Consultant (part-time)

Dustin Wooten - Church Planting Consultant (part-time)

Dale Hendrix, CPA - Church Administrative Consultant (contractor)



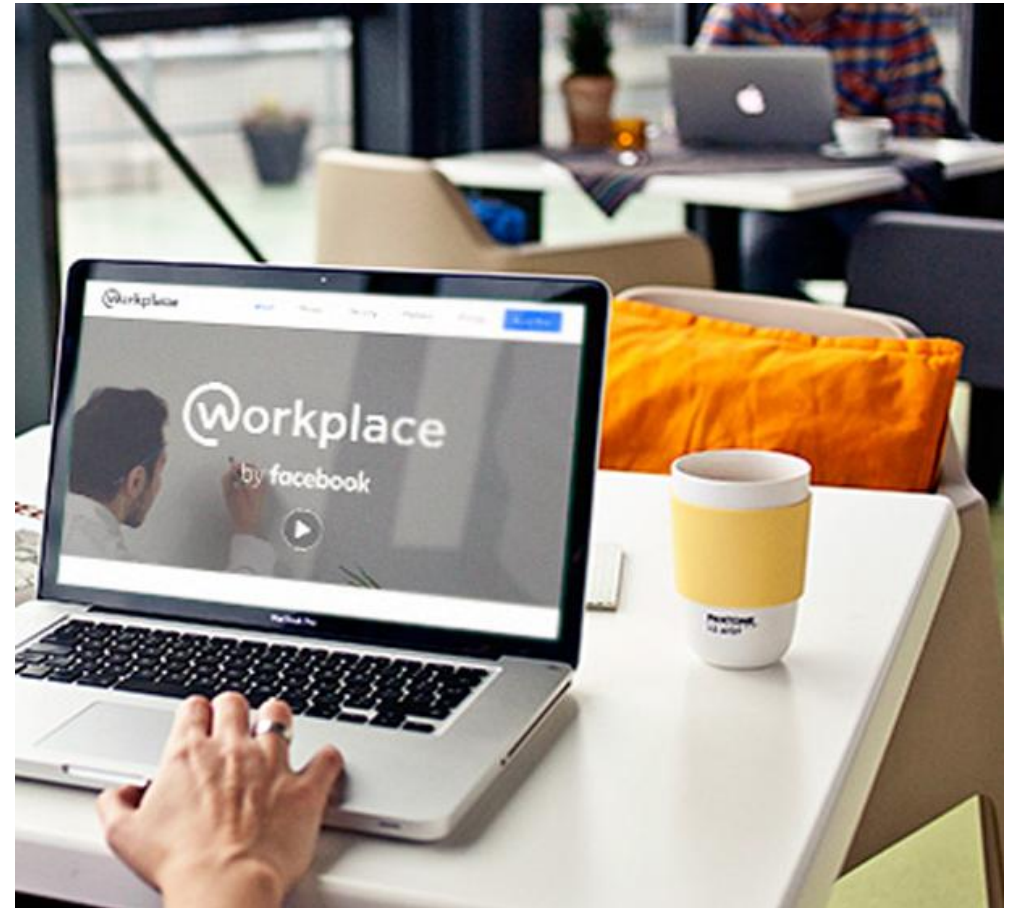
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Where Does the Staff Work?

The BBA office in New Braunfels is the base of operations and is generally open Monday – Thursday

Staff utilizes the office as needed but also works from home as well as meeting church leaders when and where necessary

FYI, BBA has no debt (we own the office facility and the two acres it sits on free and clear)

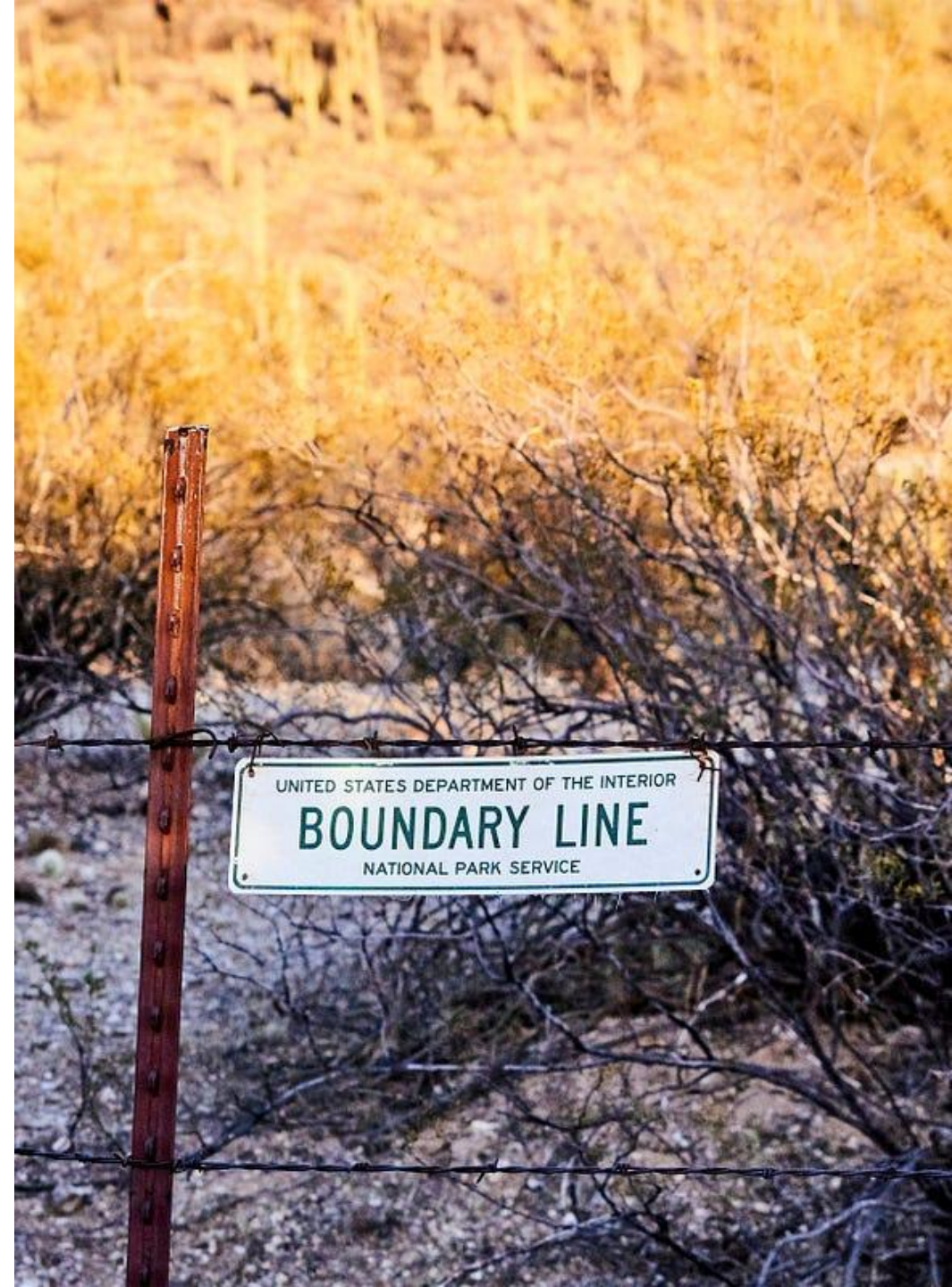


What are the Doctrinal Guidelines for BBA?

BBA's doctrinal statement is The Baptist Faith & Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 2000

BBA reserves the right to interpret and apply the doctrinal statement without regard to any other entity's interpretation and application

Member churches are not required to adopt the doctrinal statement as their own; it simply provides the major doctrinal boundaries within which the cooperative work of BBA will be carried out



How does a Church Join BBA?

The church sends a “petitionary letter” stating their desire to join along with a copy of the church’s bylaws

Leaders from the petitioning church meet with the BBA Administrative Team

The Administrative Team brings a motion to receive the church into membership at the next BBA annual meeting; messenger approval is the final step in the membership process



What is Expected of Member Churches?

***Participation: Take part
in the common work and
fellowship in some way***

***Contribution: Support
the common work of the
association on a regular
basis***



How Can I Get in Touch with BBA?

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