



THE 155TH ANNUAL SESSION

Pivoting Beyond the Pandemic for a Greater Kingdom Witness

2 CORINTHIANS 4:16-18

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings to you in the precious, powerful and victorious name of Jesus our Lord, Savior and Redeemer. It is my genuine desire that you, your family and your church family are doing well while being blessed by the Eternal. Secondly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank God for each of you who make up The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc. Your service and resources to this, convention, has impacted many lives during the pandemic and I look forward to continuing to serve as we "Pivoting Through The Pandemic For A Greater Kingdom Witness" our scriptural focus is 2 Corinthians 4:16-18.



This communication is being sent to inform you of our upcoming Annual Convention that is scheduled for May 8th – 11th, 2022. All sessions will be at Pilgrim Baptist Church 1415 8th St NW, Roanoke, VA 24016, Dr. Dwight Steele, Pastor. Due to the pandemic, in 2020 and 2021, it was not feasible for us to meet in person. However, since most of us have followed the guidelines with vaccinations and boosters, we are making preparations to hold a session this year. We will also offer a hybrid session for your convenience. For those who will be in attendance since the pandemic has not been eradicated, we will follow the CDC and Pilgrim Baptist Church regulations. We ask that you will be diligent to seek God and pray for your safety and protection from the virus. Let us also trust God for another dynamic, beneficial and fruitful convention that will impact, empower and transform the lives of our participants. May the Grace of God be upon each of you, and may God continue to shower you with His Choicest Blessings. I look forward to seeing you in the "Star City."

In His Glorious Service,

Dr. D. Tyrone Brandon, Sr.
President, The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.

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The 155th Annual Session

**PRE-REGISTRATION
BY MAY 3, 2022**

**ON-SITE
REGISTRATION
MAY 9-11, 2022
8:00AM - 4:00PM**

In-Person and Virtual

PIVOTING BEYOND THE PANDEMIC FOR A GREATER KINGDOM WITNESS

2 CORINTHIANS 4:16-18

Host Church:
Pilgrim Baptist Church
1415 8th St NW | Roanoke, VA 24016

Dr. Dwight Steele, Host Pastor
Dr. D. Tyrone Brandon, Sr., President

Convention Hotel Accommodations

Hampton Inn & Suites Roanoke-Downtown
27 Church Ave SE
Roanoke, VA 24011
Phone: (540) 400-6000

Hampton Inn & Suites Roanoke Airport
5033 Valley View Blvd W NW
Roanoke, VA 24012
Phone: (540) 366-6300

VBSC 2021-2022 Parent Body Officers

ELECTED	President	Dr. Darran Brandon, Sr.
	Vice President at Large	Dr. Waddell Jones
	1st Vice President	Dr. Kevin White
	2nd Vice President	Rev. Matthew L. Brown
	3rd Vice President	Dr. LeRoy Mitchell
	Statistician	Rev. Preston Tyler
	Recording Secretary	Rev. Nicole Guns
	Assistant Recording Sec. 1	Dr. Kevin Donalson
	Assistant Recording Sec. 2	Dr. Shelton Murphy
	Treasurer	Minister Michelle Armstrong
	Assistant Treasurer 1	Sis. Golden Logan
	Assistant Treasurer 2	Mrs. Marilyn Hill
	Auditor	
	Parliamentarian	Dr. Carl Hutcherson
	Historian	Dr. Sylvia Tucker

AUXILIARY LEADERS	President, Women's Missionary & Educational Auxiliary	Sis. Yvette Robinson
	President, Laymen Auxiliary	Deacon Davy Cheatham
	President, Ushers Auxiliary	Bro. Mervin Brown
	President, Deacon and Deaconess Auxiliary	Deaconess Valeria Edwards
	President, The Baptist Sunday School & BTU Congress of Virginia	Dr. Kevin M. Northam

APPOINTED LEADERS

Chairman, Evangelism	Rev. H. Patrick Cason
Chairman, Clergy Division	Dr. Anthony M. Chandler
Chairman, Past President Council	Dr. Charles Whitfield
Chairman, Foreign Missions Board	Dr. Howard Heard
Chairman, Economic Development Commission	Dr. Frankie T. Jones
Chairman, Social Justice Commission	Dr. James Coleman
Chairman, CHVB Commission	Dr. Rodney Waller
Dean of Christian Education	Dr. Luther Allen III
State Director, Home Mission and Disaster Relief	Dr. Willard Maxwell
State Director, Moderators	Dr. Peter Evans
State Director, Social-Media	Rev. Matthew Brown
State Director, Women in Ministry	Rev. Rosalind M. Hairston
State Director, Prison Family Ministry	Minister Sam Moore
State Director, Music Ministry	Dr. Dwight O. Steele, Sr.
State Director, Children's Ministry	Rev. Jessica Freeman
State Director, Youth Ministry	Dr. Akeem Walker
State Director, Young Adult Ministry	Rev. Jonathan Waldon
State Director, Young Pastors and Ministers	Dr. Tyrone Jackson, Jr.
Logistics and Security	Dr. Gerald Q. Brandon
New Bodies	Dr. Cedric Malone

ASSOCIATIONS & MODERATORS

BETHANY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CLINCH RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

EBENEZER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HASADIAH ASSOCIATION

OTTER RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PEAKS OF OTTER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PIGG RIVER ASSOCIATION

ROCK FISH ASSOCIATION

SHARON ASSOCIATION

SMITH RIVER ASSOCIATION

TIDEWATER PENINSULA ASSOCIATION

UNIFIED SHILOH ASSOCIATION

VALLEY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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REV. COLEMAN WRIGHT

REV. RODNEY SANDIDGE

REV. JERMAINE SCATES

DR. ERIC HAIRSTON

DR. SHELTON MURPHY

DR. PHILIP WILLIAMS

DR. CLAY DAWSON

STAFF

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Convention Guests



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Rev. Clinton McFarland
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Atlanta, GA



Dr. Rebecca Griffin
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Richmond, VA



Dr. Tellis Chapman
Gethsemane Community
Fellowship
Norfolk, VA



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Information Technology

Vance Street Baptist
Church
Danville, VA



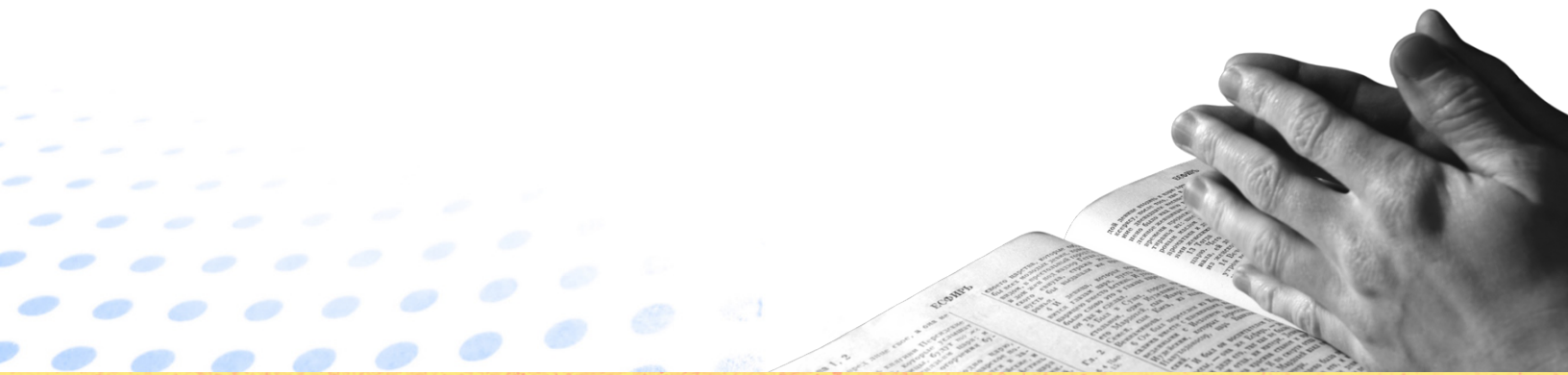
Rev. Rosalind M. Hairston
First Baptist Church
West Mundan
Chesapeake, VA



Rev. Kevin Donalson
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church
Herndon, VA



Dr. A. Lincoln James
Trinity Baptist Church
Richmond, VA



Dr. Gregory M. Howard
Assistant Dean
Shaw University Divinity School
Raleigh, NC
Union Branch Baptist Church
Chesterfield, VA



Dr. Gregory Hardy
Associate Professor
Shaw University Religion Department
Raleigh, NC
First Missionary Baptist Church
Magnolia, NC



Rev. D. Stefan Gregory
New Sawyers Creek Missionary
Baptist Church
Camden, NC



Dr. Lucius Dalton
CEO
The Dalton Management Group, LLC.
Mount Moriah Baptist Church
Washington, DC



Dr. James E. Coleman
Dean of the
Virginia University of Lynchburg
Leonard N. Smith School of Religion
Lynchburg, VA
Providence Ministries International
Lynchburg, VA

CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

SUNDAY HIGHLIGHTS

Pre-Convention: Mother's Day Comedy and Concert

MONDAY HIGHLIGHTS

Morning Manna

Annual Sermon

Auxiliary Breakout Session

Clergy Only (Session)

Official Opening – 155th Annual Session

Lectures

Christian Leadership School

Evening Communion Service – Dr. Tellis Chapman

TUESDAY HIGHLIGHTS

Morning Manna

Auxiliary Breakout Session

Virginia University of Lynchburg Hour

Lectures

WEMA Workshop

Evening Worship – Rev. Clinton McFarland

WEDNESDAY HIGHLIGHT

Morning Manna

Foreign Mission

Lectures

Auxiliary Breakout Session

Home/Disaster Relief Mission

Virginia University of Lynchburg Hour

Children Home of Virginia Baptist

Layman's Hour

Women's Missionary & Educational Auxiliary Missionary Hour and Queen Rally

President's Night

Presidential Address

Dr. D. Tyrone Brandon

President, Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc

THURSDAY HIGHLIGHTS

VBSC Executive Board Meeting

Auxiliary Breakout Sessions

Monday, May 9, 2022

1:00 PM

Clergy Division (Clergy Only)

Story Time

Ushers Auxiliary

Deacon and Deaconess Auxiliary

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Women In Ministry Auxiliary

Laymen Auxiliary

WMEA

Financial Fortitude and Health

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

Young Pastor and Ministers Department

**EVANGELISM SEMINAR FOR
ROANOKE IN-PERSON REGISTRANTS****“Christian Evangelism in the Digital, Post-Pandemic World!”****SEMINAR LEADER: Rev. H. Patrick Cason,
Bethany Baptist Church, Chesapeake, VA**

Pastor Cason will discuss tools and practices of effective Christian witnessing. The dialogue will focus on using social media engagement as a means to evangelize persons not connected with local congregations. Discussions will also explore intentional reconnection with persons who have not returned to congregational life following the pandemic.

THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, INC. 2022 CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

May 9 – 11, 2022



**REV. DR. D. TYRONE BRANDON,
CONVENTION PRESIDENT**

**REV. DR. LUTHER S. ALLEN III,
STATE DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**REV. BERNITA TOWNES,
VBSC CLS INTERN DEAN**

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY, 3pm – 5pm	
CLASS and INSTRUCTOR	FORMAT
<p><u>6021 Spiritual Formation (Phase I)</u></p> <p>INSTRUCTOR: Elder Elsie Goodrum, Second Calvary Baptist Church, Norfolk, VA</p> <p>This class will support greater Kingdom witness by enabling people to mature in their Christian walk. Instruction will feature a creative and dynamic approach to nurturing people from children to mature adults – to become better disciples of Jesus Christ. Students will deliberate on what it means to be a Christian.</p>	<p>These are virtual instruction classes <u>that will be taught through Zoom</u>. Participants will log in at 3 pm for virtual instruction on <u>Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoons</u>.</p> <p><i><u>Zoom Log-in information will be made available to persons registered for the Annual Session.</u></i></p>
<p><u>8066 Christianity and Contemporary Issues (Phase IV)</u></p> <p>INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Jocelyn Blount, Dean VBSC BTU and Sunday School Congress</p> <p>This class will promote greater Kingdom witness by challenging students to identify and confront contemporary issues. Students will look at issues that affect the church, home, and community, and think through practical approaches to a range of social and church concerns.</p>	
<p><u>9024 Computers in the Life of the Church (Phase IV)</u></p> <p>INSTRUCTOR: Rev. Dr. Veronica Haynes, Second Calvary Baptist Church, Norfolk, VA</p> <p>This class will train pastors, office workers, Christian educators, and others who want to utilize computer technology in the church. Issues in administration, setting up computer labs, tutorials on Bible study, as well as membership record-keeping and nurture will be covered in this course.</p>	

Layman's Hour

May 11, 2022

11:00 AM

Deacon Bro. Davy Cheatham
President VBSC Laymen's League

Women's Ministry & Education Auxiliary

May 11, 2022

1:00 PM

Missionary Hour**Dr. Rebecca Griffin, Guest Preacher****Sister Yvette Robinson***President, WEMA***WMEA King & Queen Rally**



MISSIONS

As the war crisis continues in Ukraine, the Virginia Baptist State Convention Disaster/Home & Foreign Missions would like to assist in helping the people who are in dire conditions. We have identified teams on the ground in Ukraine who are working diligently through the Lott Carey Foreign Missions. Together we are working to provide food, medical supplies and other necessary aid to Ukrainians who remain in the country, and aid refugee families, women with children who might be forced to relocate from their homes to safer areas or even into Poland and the Baltic states. We are asking that each constituent church receive an offering on Sunday, May 1st, 2022 for the Virginia Baptist State Convention Disaster/Home & Foreign Missions. This offering will be brought to the Annual Session and used to enhance our missional efforts and presence. We want to ensure that we can send financial assistance ASAP to meet these needs. We are grateful for your support; and may the Lord bless you and reward you greatly for your response in this time of need. "Carry each other's burdens and so you will fulfill the law of Christ." (Gal. 6:2)



Together, we sent 1,564 letters to the General Assembly, hosted a virtual week of action, met with lawmakers, raised our voices on social media, and publicly testified in support of Prison Fellowship's legislative priorities. Here is how your voice impacted legislation in Virginia:

Voting rights: Prison Fellowship supported a proposed amendment to the Constitution of Virginia that would restore voting rights to individuals upon their release from incarceration. While the proposal did gain more bipartisan support than in previous years, it was not successful. The fight is not over—we will continue advocating for a more just approach to voting rights restoration within the Constitution of Virginia.

Occupational licensing: Prison Fellowship spearheaded a bill that would have improved the occupational licensing application and review processes for Virginians with a criminal record. We look forward to strengthening the bill in the 2023 legislative session to remove barriers to meaningful employment.

Additional reforms: Prison Fellowship also supported legislation to create a comprehensive study of in-prison fees faced by incarcerated Virginians and their loved ones, as well as the availability of work for prisoners. We also opposed measures that would have reduced access to effective incentives for rehabilitation through earned time credits and parole.

Looking ahead: Prison Fellowship will continue its work to advance proportional punishment, reduce barriers to success for men and women who have rejected crime, and reestablish rehabilitation incentives that spur positive change.

UNLOCK SECOND CHANCES NATIONALLY

Let's keep the momentum going at a national level—unlock second chances for the 1 in 3 American adults with a criminal record today! [Ask President Biden and your U.S. senators to declare April as Second Chance Month!](#)

What is a Macedonian Church?

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ² In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³ For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴ they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵ And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. – 2 Corinthians 8:1-5 NIV

RATIONALE

The Virginia Baptist State Convention needs a steady cash flow to meet its ministry objectives all year long.

NEED

Virginia Baptist State Convention supports seminary education, children's home, home missions, foreign mission, disaster relief, convention administration and much more.

MEANS

One hundred churches are encouraged to give monthly to Virginia Baptist State Convention. We want to encourage smaller churches to participate and larger churches to carry a fair share of the weight for the Ministry of The Virginia Baptist State Convention. We have set church participation as follows:

0 – 100 Members	\$50.00 per month
101-250 Members	\$150.00 per month
251-500 Members	\$200.00 per month
501-1000 Members	\$250.00 per month
1001+ Members	\$300.00 per month

- ✚ Each church may register (4) voting delegates at the Annual Session in May.
- ✚ Each Pastor will receive a special Medallion to be worn during VBSC Sessions.
- ✚ Each Church will receive 2 complimentary tickets to the President's Banquet.
- ✚ Each Church will receive preferred seating at the President's Banquet.
- ✚ Each Church will receive a special recognition certificate during the President's Banquet.

Adopted December 2005

LOVE OFFERING FOR THE PRESIDENT

President D. Tyrone Brandon has served our convention faithfully this year as President. Let us show our gratitude on Wednesday night, May 11th, 2022, with a special offering. We are asking:

- All Churches to give a minimum of \$200.00
- All Convention and Auxiliary Leaders to give a minimum of \$100.00
- All Pastors, Ministers and Moderators to give a minimum of \$100.00
- All others to give at least \$50.00

Let's bring our LOVE OFFERING for presentation to our President on Wednesday, May 11th, 2022.

Thanks in Advance,

Dr. Waddle Jones

Vice President at Large





**Young Pastors and Ministers Department
OF THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, INC.**

155th Annual Session

May 9-11, 2022

To pre-register, this form and appropriate registration fee must be submitted by **May 3, 2022**

Registration Form

Individual Registration - \$20.00	
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Church Affiliation:	
Church Address:	
Pastor:	
Association:	

Please send completed form and check to
The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.
 813 Henry Street
 Norfolk, VA 23504

Please make checks payable to: **The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.**
 and earmarked for "Young Pastor and Ministers Dept."

*All registration will be done by the Parent Body

For The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc. Use Only	
Reviewed By:	Date:
Check #:	Amount:



The Women's Missionary and Educational Auxiliary To THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, INC.

Registration Form

Registration forms are required three times annually:

Please forward to:

VBSC State Convention Headquarters 813 Henry Street, Norfolk, Virginia 23504

ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION \$100.00

Date: _____

Association: _____

Association President: _____

President's Address: _____

Moderator's Name: _____

CHURCH MISSIONARIES REGISTRATION \$50.00

Date: _____

Church's Name: _____

Missionary President: _____

President's Address: _____

Pastor: _____

Association: _____

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION \$25.00

Date: _____

Name: _____ Telephone () _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Cell: () _____ Email: _____

Church Affiliation: _____

Pastor: _____

Association: _____



Virginia Baptist Laymen's League

THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, INC.

Official Registration Form

31st Annual Session

May 8 - 11, 2022

To pre-register, this form and appropriate registration fees should be submitted by **May 3, 2022**

Individual Registration - \$25.00	
Name:	
Title:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Church Affiliation:	
Church Address:	
Pastor:	
Association:	
Church Laymen's League or Men's Ministry Registration \$50.00	
Church Circle:	
Circle President:	
President's Address:	
Phone Number:	
Pastor:	
Association:	

Please send completed form and check to:

The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.

813 Henry Street

Norfolk, Virginia 23504

Please make checks payable to *The Virginia Baptist State Convention, Inc.****All registration will be done by the Parent Body**

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Reviewed By:	Date:
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THE VIRGINIA BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, INC.

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PARENT BODY OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS

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SECTION I - INFORMATION

Your First Name:	Your Last Name:		
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Phone Number:	Email Address:		
Church Name:	Pastor's Name:		
Church Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Church Phone Number:	Church Email Address:		
Association Name:	Moderator's Name:		
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Phone Number:	Please check if first time attendee : <input type="checkbox"/>		

PLEASE SELECT YOUR CHURCH AFFILIATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.	<input type="checkbox"/> National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission	<input type="checkbox"/> National Baptist Convention of America
<input type="checkbox"/> National Missionary Baptist	<input type="checkbox"/> American Baptist	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Gospel Baptist	<input type="checkbox"/> Southern Baptist Convention

SECTION II - REGISTRATION FEES: PLEASE CHECK ONE

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Church 1-100 Members \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> Church 101-500 Members \$400
<input type="checkbox"/> Church 501-999 Members \$600	<input type="checkbox"/> Church 1000-1499 Members \$1,200	<input type="checkbox"/> Church 1500 + Members \$1,800
<input type="checkbox"/> Association \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious and Non-Profit \$250	TOTAL DUE REGISTRATION:

SECTION III - CONTRIBUTIONS: PLEASE INDICATE THE AMOUNT YOU WISH TO DONATE IN THE SPACES PROVIDED

MISSION CONTRIBUTIONS		EDUCATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS	
Children's Home of VA Baptist	\$	VUU SDP School of Theology	\$
Evangelism Board	\$	Virginia University of Lynchburg	\$
Foreign Mission	\$	PRESIDENTS LOVE GIFT	
Home Mission Board	\$	2022 Church/Individual	\$
DEPARTMENT CONTRIBUTIONS			
Christian Education	\$	Women in Ministry	\$
Deacon/Deaconess	\$	Ushers	\$
Young Pastors & Ministers	\$	Youth & Young Adult	\$

TOTAL DUE

CONTRIBUTIONS:

SECTION IV - VOTING DELEGATES - EACH CHURCH IS ENTITLED TO 10 VOTING DELEGATES.

FOUR OF WHICH ARE INCLUDED WHEN THE FULL REGISTRATION FEE IS PAID. FOR EACH OF THE ADDITIONAL SIX VOTING DELEGATES, A FEE OF \$25 MUST BE PAID.

Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:

ADDITIONAL DELEGATES

Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:
Name:	Email Address:

TOTAL DUE DELEGATES:

SECTION V: MEMORIAL DECEASED MEMBERS

Name:	Name:
Name:	Name:
Name:	Name:
Name:	Name:
Name:	Name:

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:

Signature:

For Office Use Only

Receipt # / Date:

Registered By:



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