

AUBURN DISTRICT'S
PASTOR'S ALTERNATIVE FOR TEACHER
CERTIFICATION 2015

By, the sweet grace and will of God Almighty, in its 128 year history The Auburn District Baptist Missionary Association hosted its **first** National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. (NBC) – Sunday School Publishing Board (SSPB) **approved accredited** and **certified** School, program and courses on March 28, and April 4, 2015.

We give thanks to all the members of the Auburn District, past and present for their prayers and work to make this glorious event possible. We give thanks to our Moderator, Rev. Dr. George C. McCulloh; our Congress President (20 yrs), Rev. Dr. Steven P. Carson; Dr. Vernon R. Swift, Alabama State Convention President; Dr. Edsel M. Davis, Sr. State Director of Christian Education and Certified Dean, Rev. Jasper J. Huffman III, Ebenezer MBC, Auburn, Al.

The Bible declares in the book of “**Ephesians 4:11-12 (KJV)**

¹¹ And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

¹² For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: “

It is scripturally fitting that our first effort would be with the Under Shepherd / Servant Leader of the Church, the Body of Christ, The Pastor and Teachers. The program: PASTOR'S ALTERNATIVE for TEACHER CERTIFICATION (PATC), gives local pastors, who have pastored for five years or more and complete PATC, credentials and the ability to become certifiable to teach in various certified leadership schools (CLS) on the local, state and national levels.

God richly blessed our school with six pastors with teachable spirits, who humbled themselves for 15 hours to be taught the programs, policies, procedure, structure and standards of the NBC's Programs of Christian Education. Three of the pastors

are members of the Auburn District, two from the East Alabama Union and one from the Ebenezer Districts.

These Brethren not only completed the classes, they all completed and submitted a Form 5 for each class they wanted to teach. Three of the students submitted two form 5s and will be teaching in our Congress this year.

Form 5 are required to be written, submitted and approved for each courses before you are certified to teach. The form 5 details exactly what your plans are for teaching this course; textbook author; additional reference books used; what do you hope for your students to accomplish as a result of this course?;what will the student be empowered to do as a result of this course? What method will you use to discover the interest and needs of your students, as well as to move them towards the objectives of the course? Lesson Plans for this course: In the appropriate spaces designating hours of teaching (fifty minutes of teaching for each hour), write down the topics to be covered and the plan by which the course objectives will be reached. The lesson plan for each hour is to include both a summary of the topics to be covered and the methodology to be used (not just an outline of the chapters in the textbook). The instructor should include in the entry of each day's plan the assignments to be made to students in order to fulfill their ten hour of out –of- class activities. These activities include reading , papers, projects, and other assignments designated to arrive at the objective(s) of the course. For the standard course of instruction, complete hours one through ten. Failure to complete ten (10) hours of lesson plan will result in the application being returned. The dean is responsible for oversight of the teaching process, so it is important to read and critique the lesson plans. *** We will no longer accept “Lecture/Discussion” as a teaching method or procedure; please be creative.**

Our PATC was held at our Baptist Center. God blessed us with two of the most gifted and Spirit led instructors that could be found anywhere, in the persons of Rev. Dr. Jonathan Mc Pherson, Sr. and His wife Sis. Agnes S. McPherson. Dr. McPherson is The Regional Coordinator of Southwest Region One, NBC-SSPB, and Emeritus (20 yrs) for the States of Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee and Kentucky and the Country of Germany and the current Dean of the Alabama State Convention Congress of Christian Education. Mrs. Mc Pherson is a retired teacher of 30 yrs in Birmingham, Al.

Tremendous effort was given by our staff, our instructors and our students to achieve this great accomplishment.

Please thank and salute the following Pastors and Teachers for their dedication and work for God's Kingdom:

REV. TOMMYM H. CARWELL, MACEDONIA MBC.

REV. BERNARD HARRIS, MT. LOVELY MBC.

REV. RODNEY L. JONES, GALILEE MBC

REV. JOHN L. PINK, MT. SINAI MBC

REV. ANTHONY H. SHEALEY, MT. ZION MBC

REV. GILBERT STAPLES, FIRST BAPTIST MBC

We give all the thanks and glory to God . These Brethren are leading their teachers, officers and congregation into becoming certified by the NBC.

YOU CANNOT LEAD, WHERE YOU WON'T GO.

YOU CANNOT TEACH, WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW.

GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU!