

Ouachita Baptist Association Ministry Plan

Mission Statement:

Ouachita Baptist Association exists to communicate the values of Christ's kingdom in order to develop strategic partnerships to advance the gospel to the ends of the earth.

Vision:

Ouachita Baptist Association is a catalyst for Kingdom growth by making disciples, engaging in ministry development, and mission deployment to impact the world for Christ until His return.

Core Values:

- **Strong visionary leadership:** We value leadership that develops and communicates an ongoing, evolving, hopeful look into the future that stirs the hearts and minds of people who know they will never see its limit.
- **Biblical:** The Bible is the inspired word of God and is our guide in pointing people to salvation through Jesus Christ, in teaching, for our manner of living and relating to others, and for proclaiming the gospel throughout the world.
- **Missional:** We have been given the mission of living out our faith in our communities and the world. We will consistently strive to understand the culture, languages, ideas, and values of the people groups locally and globally in order to communicate the gospel to all people. We will consistently assist churches in their efforts to be witnesses of the saving power of Christ to the ends of the earth.
- **Partnerships:** There is great strength and synergy when partnership is based on shared values and mission. We will identify and develop strategic partnership to develop, mobilize, and assist a growing network of Missional Christians and Churches

Priorities:

In order to impact Kingdom growth we will focus our time, energies, finances, and resources in the following areas:

Making disciples
Ministry development
Mission deployment

Goals:

1. Making Disciples:

- a. Provide ongoing training opportunities in discipleship, teacher/leader training, and evangelism outreach.
- b. Provide a Bible/Ministry Training Institute for training and continuing educational development of pastoral and lay leadership.
- c. Conduct an annual Pastor's Camp Meeting.

2. Ministry Development:

Partner churches in the development of local ministry projects and opportunities.

3. Mission Deployment:

Develop on going local, regional, state, national and international partnerships.