AFFIRMING

- Serve Local Churches as fundamental unit of Mission
- Provide pastoral needs for local churches
- Network Churches in Mission
- Share local Ministry Stories Green Shoots
 - Emails
 - Conversations
- Church Celebrations
 - Installation Services Ordination Services Historical Anniversaries
- Provide accurate record keeping data bases and files
- Provide yearbook/directory to local churches
- Assist in creating unity as American Baptists with other Christian Communities

SUPPORTING

- Assist local churches in calling Pastoral Leadership
 - Counsel the Search Committee
 - Identify potential Pastoral candidates
 - Relate to seminaries, AIM, Bible Schools, para-church organizations
 - Provide background checks
 - Encourage pastors to meet ABC/USA ordination standards
- Assist local churches in conflict resolution
- Assist churches in finding Ministry resources
- Assist local churches in Mission Stewardship
- Assist Auxiliary Organizations

CHALLENGING

- Motivate local churches to honor Christ's mandate for the whole Gospel for the whole World
- Challenge the Associations in the work of the Gospel
- Encourage mission engagement at all levels
- Build relationships with local churches
- Preach Biblical Sermons
- Help congregations understand trends and best practices
- Identify and provide resources which challenge local churches in mission
- Help congregations in missional learning experiences
- Provide ABC/USA Resources
- Provide experiences of fellowship, i.e. Annual Meeting

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North Aroostook South Aroostook Bowdoinham Cumberland Damariscotta East Kennebec Lincoln Penquis West York

CAMPS:

Baptist Park Baptist Youth Camp China Lake Camp

AUXILIARY ORGANIZATIONS:

ABCOM Institute for Ministry American Baptist Women's Ministries Ministers Council

American Baptist Churches of Maine



PURPOSE:

"To further the cause of our Divine Redeemer through cooperative ministry by affirming, supporting, and challenging the local church in mission."