

2026 ERA President's Report

Greetings and blessings in the Lord,

I am currently almost one year in being the president of Eastern Region. I was blessed to represent you at ACGC and attend the meeting in Charlotte last winter. I also attended the triennial for the first time. I would like us as a region to have open discussions about several changes we have before us as a denomination and a region. Typically, as a denomination we have resisted change, but it is my belief that we need to adapt to the reality of where we are, and where we are going in the future. We can no longer continue to live in the past. We must look for new ways and opportunities to be led by God. I am not saying that we throw out what is working, rather let's not keep beating a dead horse so to speak. I would really encourage us as a region to be an example to others, as we are open to "Change" where it is needed. I would also caution us to be quick to listen, as we collectively look to the Lord for wisdom in these matters. Being humble before the Lord and with others will help unify us as we move forward.

Our board and staff are a great encouragement as they work hard to meet the needs of the region. I have been blessed by the knowledge and wisdom of the current regional board. I rely heavily on their knowledge as I continue to learn my role and responsibilities as the president. I appreciate their grace and wisdom as we strive to serve the Lord in this capacity.

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