

BFC Conference Proceedings – 2018

Fourth meeting

Tuesday, April 24, 2018, 7:00 P.M.

Tuesday evening's session was a well-attended service of ordination. No Conference business was conducted.

The service began with the singing of "The Church's One Foundation," "Your Great Name," and "Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)". Jason L. Hoy read Philippians 3:7-11 before praying. After the ordinands were introduced, those in attendance sang, "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God."

Newly-ordained to the gospel ministry were Brad L. Boyer, Greg W. Carder, Ezekiel R. Mack, and Benjamin J. Triestman. Two others had previous ordinations recognized by the Bible Fellowship Church: Ronnie Burgess and S. Wayne Rissmiller.

Dennis M. Cahill gave the charge to the ordinands based on 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. "It's really not about you or your sermon. It's about the Word of God and the people of God. It's your job to take the Word to the people."

It's not about preaching great sermons or preaching eloquently but preaching with the power of the Holy Spirit of God, Cahill stressed. We must preach with a deep sense of inadequacy and humility, for pride is the enemy of the preacher. And we must always exalt Jesus and the cross of Christ. When we do these things, we can trust in the Spirit taking what we preach and using it in the lives of those who hear our sermons.

Following the administering of the ordination vows, the singing of "Build Your Kingdom Here," and the benediction at 8:15 p.m., the newly-ordained pastors and their families were greeted by their fellow BFC pastors. A time of celebration and fellowship followed in Pinebrook's dining hall.