



Saturday Edition

Penn-Del Tips

The official newsletter of the American Baptist Men of Pennsylvania and Delaware

Visit us on the web at www.abmopad.org

Friday in the books...

We hope everyone had a great time at Friday evening's program. The music, games and messages were all both entertaining and inspiring.

Ron Frazer of Point Man Ministries challenged us to put on the armor of God every morning. He spoke of how if the growing men is not part of your church's vision, then your church needs a new vision. As "point men", we need to be out leading our churches and clearing the way for those that follow behind us

Gordon Douglas gave us humor, Gospel and insight while speaking of the trials he's faced through his life—from being a "kicked out kid" to being a parent and Pastor. He even asked, "What's the difference between a Pastor and a convict?" The answer is that the convict got caught. All have sinned

No matter where you are or what you do, God loves you. No matter what. He won't make the bad things good, but he will lead you through the bad and get you to do some good for others.

Saturday Night—"Band of Brothers"

Saturday Devotions Recap

Hopefully you were at devotions this morning, but even if you weren't, Bill Scott provided a synopsis for us:

Amidst the multitude of personal concerns, national crises, natural disasters, and all manner of potential international catastrophes, we are encouraged by the words of Psalms 46:1, "The Lord is my refuge". We can respond to our challenges, and difficulties like Chicken Little, who turned a falling acorn into the paranoid cry, "The Sky is falling!", or we can go to God to find:

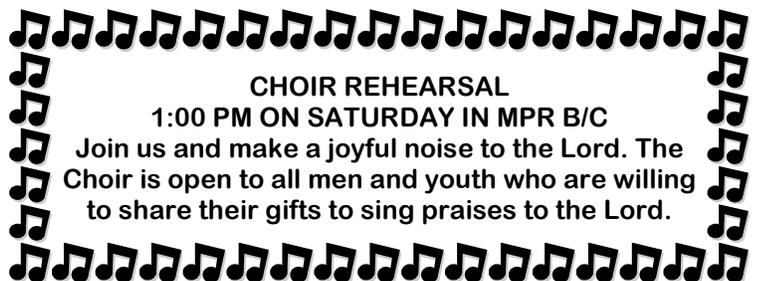
- a place of safety from threats and stresses
- a source of security in an unstable world
- a sanctuary for healing and renewal, and
- ultimately a stronghold from which to launch a counterattack against our doubts and fears

According to the Psalmist, even when the world is literally falling apart – God is the one secure place to be!

Board of Managers

Your Board of Managers is the entity that plans, coordinates, and executes all A.B.M.O.P.A.D. activities. If you have a desire to be engaged in the Lord's work on a regional basis, consider being a part of the board. There are many positions on the board other than those elected at each retreat. By your approval, the latest revision of the board organization contains assistants to many of the primary positions. This is a great way to become involved, and learn the workings of the board without the responsibility of the primary position. It also provides a path of succession where you may want to eventually become a primary member of the board.

The forms to nominate or apply for a position on the board are in the center of the program booklet for each annual retreat, and on the WEB Site (www.abmopad.org). Consider joining us for this expression of the Lord's work.



Are you feeling called by God to Pastor a church, be a stronger church leader, or just grow in the faith?

Stop by the display tables in the CUB and see Steve Brotzman of the Academy of Christian Training and Service. Many of our courses are online and all are affordable.