

Corsicana pastor nominee for BGCT president

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CORSICANA—Danny Reeves, pastor of First Baptist Church in Corsicana and second vice president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, will be nominated for president at the BGCT annual meeting, Nov. 13-15.

“For Texas Baptists, he sets a good example of commitment to ministry and missions,” said Jason Burden, pastor of First Baptist Church in Nederland, announcing his intention to nominate Reeves.

“Danny Reeves stands out among his peers as a leader,” said Burden, who has known Reeves since their years as students at Baylor University’s Truett Theological Seminary. “He is the kind of passionate leader our people can rally behind, and I’m proud to be able to bring his nomination to the floor of the convention.”

Reeves possesses the gracious demeanor that makes him easy to relate to, the charisma that inspires others to follow his leadership and the intellect to engage with Texas Baptists of varied backgrounds, Burden noted.

“He is the kind of person we want to represent us as Texas Baptists,” he said.



Danny Reeves Reeves, who described himself as “Texas-born, Texas-bred and part of the Texas Baptist family my entire life,” said he has felt honored to serve as a BGCT officer this year and humbled to be considered as a candidate for president.

If elected, Reeves said, he wants to promote unity, strengthen solidarity and encourage cooperation among Texas Baptists.

“When there is togetherness and unity among God’s people and they are working with the Spirit of God, great things happen,” he said. “That’s what I want to see in our Texas Baptist family.”

The BGCT faces the same challenge individual Texas Baptist churches face—presenting the gospel to a post-modern, increasingly post-Christian culture, he said.

But the challenge also presents opportunity, because Christians today find themselves in a setting similar to the church of New Testament times, he added.

“We face the grand challenge and have the great opportunity to set sail into a societal storm, putting out into high wind and waves,” he said.

The BGCT can help equip churches to face the challenges, and by working together under God’s Spirit, Texas Baptists can present the message of Christ in a way that draws people, he added.

“Jesus was contagious in all the right ways,” he said. “His love was contagious. His compassion was contagious. His grace was contagious.”

Reeves grew up in Monahans, where he was ordained to the gospel ministry by Southside Baptist Church after he responded affirmatively to God’s calling at Paisano Baptist Encampment.

He earned his undergraduate degree at Howard Payne University and both his master of divinity and doctor of ministry degrees from Truett Seminary.

He has been senior pastor at First Baptist in Corsicana since 2011. Previous pastorates include First Baptist churches in Edna and McGregor. He also served on staff of churches in Mart, Big Lake and Blanket.

He and his wife, Charissa, have three children—Courtney, Emily and Ryan.