



# AB Girls of Ohio

## Conference 2010

This year the American Baptist Girls of Ohio and the National American Baptist Girls will meet together. Check it out – you will want your girls to be there.

Come to the National Gathering and experience God’s power at work in the world. There will be a strong emphasis on mission— and there will be *two* day-long mission trips to sites in the Ohio area, plus you will have the chance to do hands-on mission projects at the hotel. There will be great music and a lot of fun, too! Please come — you will have a great time!

The worship and music leader will be Hornrette Washington from the Antioch Baptist Church, Corona, NY and is particularly gifted in creating interactive worship experiences and helping conference participants lead worship themselves.

Hands-On Mission Trips; Evening Worship with Women and Fundraiser for AB Girls Ministries what more could you ask for. Come join us July 10-15, 2010.

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## Soul-ed Out for Jesus

Mark 1:4-11

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Have you ever been to a movie or theater play that was so popular that all the tickets sold out? People stand in line for hours to get tickets to great performances or events. I want to share with you about the person who was the warm-up act for Jesus. His purpose in life was to get people ready for Jesus. His name was John, and he became known as John the Baptist.

Large crowds came from all over the land of Judea to hear John preach. John had sell-out crowds because he was sold out for Jesus. John drew large numbers of people because he was completely committed to the task God had given him. He urged people to repent of their sins. He baptized them with water. This was a visible way of cleansing people, of washing away their sins. He was preparing their hearts for a very important person: Jesus!”

John the Baptist used every chance to tell others that Jesus was coming. He pointed others to Jesus. He did not try to take credit for himself. In fact, he was so humble that he didn’t even consider himself worthy to be a servant to Jesus and carry his sandals (verse 7). The people were eager to hear what this wild

man in the wilderness had to say. John was wearing clothes made from camel’s hair and living off the land, eating locusts and wild honey. John did not try to change his message to suit his audience. He boldly proclaimed the message God told him to give. He stayed focused on his mission of preparing the way for Jesus.

John baptized with water but he knew Jesus would baptize with the Holy Spirit. John prepared their hearts so Jesus could change their lives. We are called to give our lives and our souls to Jesus. We need to be sold out for Jesus like John the Baptist was, or you might say, Soul-ed out for Jesus. If we do that, then Jesus will change our lives. The servant who is totally committed to God’s will and following Jesus will be used in a mighty way by God.

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### Word List

MOURNING JEREMIAH GLADNESS REJOICE  
 COMFORT SORROW YOUNG WOMEN THEIR  
 SHALL MERRY DANCE WILL TURN THEN  
 THEM INTO GIVE OLD JOY AND BE

(Jeremiah 31:13) Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.