

**990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax****Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)**

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OMB No 1545-0047

2016**Open to Public Inspection****A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2016, and ending 09-30-2017****B** Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☐ Initial return
☐ Final
☒ Return/terminated
☐ Amended return
☐ Application pending

C Name of organization
BAPTIST FOUNDATION
OF MARYLAND/DELAWARE INC

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
10255 OLD COLUMBIA ROADCity or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
COLUMBIA, MD 21046**F** Name and address of principal officer
TOM STOLLE CPA
10255 OLD COLUMBIA ROAD
COLUMBIA, MD 21046**D** Employer identification number

52-1731731

E Telephone number

(410) 290-5290

G Gross receipts \$ 700,247**I** Tax-exempt status☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**J** Website: ▶ WWW.BCMD.ORG/BAPTIST-FOUNDATION**H(a)** Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No**H(b)** Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶**K** Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶**L** Year of formation 1991**M** State of legal domicile
MD**Part I Summary**

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities TO PROFESSIONALLY MANAGE THE INVESTMENT OF ALL FUNDS ASSIGNED TO IT BY THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF MARYLAND/DELAWARE, INC. AND TO PROFESSIONALLY MANAGE THE INVESTMENT OF ALL FUNDS ENTRUSTED TO THE CARE OF THE ORGANIZATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE WISHES OF THE DONORS		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	12
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	11
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2016 (Part V, line 2a)	5	0
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	390	100,671
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	120,771	113,066
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	114,065	385,713
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	743	797
		235,969	600,247
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	326,874	380,217
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)		0
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	64,933	68,251
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	391,807	448,468
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-155,838	151,779
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	10,404,860	11,000,277
	22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	115,975	107,529
		10,288,885	10,892,748

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here*****
Signature of officerTOM STOLLE CPA DIRECTOR/TREASURER
Type or print name and title**Paid Preparer Use Only**Print/Type preparer's name
ROBERT P KOLLRA CPA/PFSPreparer's signature
ROBERT P KOLLRA CPA/PFS

Firm's name ▶ WEBERMESSICK

Firm's address ▶ 1740 EAST JOPPA RD 3RD FLOOR

BALTIMORE, MD 21234

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture. See instructions. Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university _____
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 ☒ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☒ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☒ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations 1

9 Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A) BAPTIST CONVENTION OF MARYLAND/DELAWARE INC	520621637	1	Yes		305,790	0
Total	1				305,790	0

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, 8, or 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grant.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)**12****13** **First five years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	
15 Public support percentage for 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	

16a **33 1/3% support test—2016.** If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this boxand **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization► ☐**b** **33 1/3% support test—2015.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization► ☐**17a** **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2016.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization► ☐**b** **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2015.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization► ☐**18** **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions► ☐

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e)2016	(f)Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests—2016.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐
- b 33 1/3% support tests—2015.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐
- 20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
1		No
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
2		No
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
3a		No
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
3b		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
3c		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes" and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
4a		No
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
4b		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
4c		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
5a		No
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
5b		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
5c		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
6		No
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
7		No
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8		No
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
9a		No
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
9b		No
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
9c		No
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>		
10a		No
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		
10b		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)**11** Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?**a** A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?**b** A family member of a person described in (a) above?**c** A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI

	Yes	No
11a		No
11b		No
11c		No

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**1** Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in **Part VI** how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.

	Yes	No
1		

2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in **Part VI** how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.

	Yes	No
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**1** Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in **Part VI** how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
1		No

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**1** Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?

	Yes	No
1		

2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization (s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in **Part VI** how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
2		

3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.

	Yes	No
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations**1** Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions)**a** ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.**b** ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.**c** ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a government entity (see instructions).**2** Activities Test **Answer (a) and (b) below.****a** Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in **Part VI** identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.

	Yes	No
2a		

b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in **Part VI** the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.

	Yes	No
2b		

3 Parent of Supported Organizations **Answer (a) and (b) below.****a** Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in **Part VI**.

	Yes	No
3a		

b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** the role played by the organization in this regard.

	Yes	No
3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1** ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1	
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4 Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5 Depreciation and depletion	5	
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

	(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1	
a Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)		
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2	
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6 Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount

		Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2 Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7 <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2016	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2016 (reasonable cause required--see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016			
a			
b			
c From 2013.			
d From 2014.			
e From 2015.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2011 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2016 from Section D, line 7			
\$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2016, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2016 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
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b Excess from 2013.			
c Excess from 2014.			
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e Excess from 2016.			

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Constitution of the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware, Inc.

Article I • Name

The body will be called the Baptist Convention of Maryland/ Delaware, Inc.

Article II • Mission Statement

Section 1—The Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware will intentionally assist in the starting and strengthening of congregations so that together we can fulfill Jesus' commands in Matthew 28:19-20 and Acts 1:8.

Section 2—This Convention is an autonomous body and is neither limited nor restrained by any authority or decision of any other Baptist body and will achieve its objectives through such means as this Convention alone determines.

Section 3—This Convention does not have any ecclesiastical authority to limit the autonomy of the local congregation.

Section 4—This Convention recognizes the Southern Baptist Convention as our primary instrument to further the cause of Christ on a worldwide basis. This Convention pledges its loyalty and support to the purposes served by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III • Membership

Section 1—The membership of this Convention will consist of messengers who are members of Baptist churches which are in friendly cooperation with this Convention and sympathetic with its purpose and work, and which have during the preceding 12 months (October 1 through September 30) been bona fide contributors to the work of this Convention.

Section 2—Each cooperating Baptist church will be entitled to two (2) messengers; each cooperating church exceeding fifty (50) members will then be given one additional messenger for each additional fifty (50) members or part thereof; or one additional messenger for each \$750 contributed to the work of this Convention through the Cooperative Program until the maximum of thirty (30) is reached.

Section 3—Messengers to this Convention will be certified by their churches. This Convention will be the final judge of election and qualifications of its members.

Section 4—The officers of this Convention, the employed staff of this Convention, and its agencies may be messengers provided they are elected by the church in which they hold membership.

Article IV • Meetings

Section 1—This Convention will meet at least once each year, hereafter known as the Annual Meeting, at such time and place as may be fixed by this Convention at the Annual Meeting held the preceding year. The duly appointed messengers of the cooperating churches will comprise the voting body of this Convention.

Section 2—In case of an emergency, the General Mission Board is empowered to change the time and place of meeting or call a special meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting.

Section 3—Notice of any special meeting will be given at least thirty (30) days prior thereto by publication in BaptistLIFE and in such other ways as the General Mission Board may direct.

Article V • Officers

Section 1—The Officers of this Convention will be a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Corporate Secretary, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and an Assistant Recording Secretary. All but the Corporate Secretary and Treasurer will be elected at each Annual Meeting by a majority of the duly elected messengers present and voting, and will hold office until their successors are elected and installed. Employees of the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware are ineligible to serve as officers of this Convention with the exception of the Executive Director who will serve as Corporate Secretary and the Director of Finance who will serve as Treasurer.

Section 2—Nominations will be from the floor. Election will be by ballot except where there is a single nominee for an office. In the latter case, the President will instruct the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominee.

Section 3—Officers will serve for one (1) year and hold office until their successors are elected and qualified; however, the President and Vice Presidents may not serve more than two (2) complete successive terms in office. Terms of office will commence at final adjournment of the Annual Meeting in session at the time of their election and terminate in the final adjournment of the succeeding regular session of the Annual Meeting. In case of death, disability of, or other cause making necessary the retirement of the President, the Vice Presidents will succeed in order. The General Mission Board will determine when an office is vacant due to the disability of an incumbent.

Section 4—The President will preside over the deliberations of the Annual Meeting and will perform other duties as may be customary to the position or as determined in the Bylaws, and will become an ex officio member of all Convention committees and boards. The President will continue as ex officio member of the General Mission Board for one full year immediately following tenure as President of this Convention unless elected to fill a vacancy in the regular membership of the Board.

Section 5—The Vice President may, in the absence of the President or when requested by the President, preside over the Annual Meeting and will perform other duties as may be provided in the Bylaws or as requested by the President.

Section 6—The Secretary will keep accurate minutes of all sessions of this Convention and will cause these to be published in suitable form in the Annual of this Convention together with other information as this Convention or the General Mission Board of this Convention deems necessary and proper.

Section 7—The President will be authorized to sign legal papers for the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware, Inc. If unable to do so, the First Vice President or the Second Vice President will be so authorized.

Section 8—Should the President and Vice Presidents be unable to serve, the duties of the President will devolve upon the President of the General Mission Board until said Board will elect an interim President.

Article VI • General Mission Board

Section 1—This Convention will elect a General Mission Board to be known as the General Mission Board, none of whose members will be employees of said Board. Fifty-one percent will be a quorum for business.

The Rules of Order for the meetings of the General Mission Board will be those in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

The General Mission Board will be composed of three members from the geographic area of each association. For each 5000 resident members or major fraction thereof, one additional Board member will be chosen, up to but not to exceed a total of ten Board members from any association. The President of this Convention, the President of the Brotherhood, the President of the Woman's Missionary Union and the Maryland member of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee will serve as at-large members of the Board. Board members selected by virtue of their Convention offices, will not be used in determining the number of members from an association or local church.

The term of the office of the members will be four years with, as nearly as possible, the terms of one-fourth of the members expiring each year. Any member serving for a full term or three years of an unexpired term will not be eligible for reelection until one year has expired.

Membership on the Board will cease when the member dies, moves membership from a church within the Convention, or the member's church ceases to be in cooperating fellowship with this Convention. In the event a member moves from a church in one association to another within this Convention, or the member's church changes from one association to another within this Convention, the member will be eligible to serve until a successor is elected at the next Annual Meeting. Membership on the Board will automatically be terminated when a member is absent for two consecutive meetings of the Board without notification submitted to the Board President or the Executive Director. The member will be notified of such termination.

Section 2—The members of the General Mission Board will be elected by this Convention, after receiving nominations from the committee selected by this Convention for this purpose, and after giving opportunity for nominations from the floor of this Convention.

Section 3—The work of this Convention, except as otherwise specified, will be committed to the General Mission Board described as follows: The General Mission Board of the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware will act for this Convention ad interim promoting all the interests of the Kingdom, such as evangelism, missions, education, benevolence, social welfare, and public morals, and so on. The General Mission Board will not have authority to control the agencies and institutions of this Convention, but it will maintain general care and responsibility for the work of same. It is instructed to study annually their reports, to interpret and apply the rules of the constitution and the business and financial policy of this Convention as items may apply to any of the agencies of this Convention, to make recommendations directly to agencies and also to make whatever recommendations to this Convention concerning them it may deem advisable.

Section 4—This Convention will annually elect members to fill all vacancies on the Board.

Article VII • Agencies

Section 1—The Convention may establish agencies for the purpose of performing collateral Christian services. An agency will be a separate corporation independent of the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware in its day-to-day operations but will work in cooperation with the Convention in order to avoid costly duplication. The Convention and each agency will establish, through the General Mission Board, an agreement defining their working relationship. An agency of this Convention will act in accordance with our historic Baptist doctrine and practices.

Section 2—The trustees of these agencies will be elected by this Convention after receiving nominations from the Committee selected by this Convention for this purpose and after giving opportunity for nominations from the floor of this Convention. The number of trustees for each agency and their terms of office will be in accordance with the requirements of their respective charters and bylaws.

Section 3—All agencies sharing in the Cooperative Program receipts must include a summary of their financial report in the annual report to the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware, and the General Mission Board will request a copy of the budget of all agencies sharing in the Cooperative Program receipts along with their requests for financial assistance.

Section 4—No agency of this Convention will create any liability or indebtedness (except such as can and will be repaid out of its anticipated receipts for current operations within a period of three years) without the consent of this Convention or the General Mission Board. In order to obtain such approval, the agency must file a statement showing the source of such anticipated receipts. Such consent must be likewise obtained for a purchase of properties or construction of same, subject to liens or encumbrances which cannot be repaid out of its anticipated receipts for current operations within a period of three years.

Section 5—Proposals for the establishment of new agencies must follow one of the following procedures: (1) Authority may be granted upon favorable vote by two successive Annual Meetings, or (2) Authority may be granted by vote of one Annual Meeting provided a favorable recommendation is made by the General Mission Board, after thorough study, and provided further that the proposal has been published in two issues of BaptistLIFE.

Section 6—The agencies of this Convention are the Baptist Family and Children's Services of Maryland, Inc., and the Baptist Foundation of Maryland/Delaware, Inc.

Article VIII • Business and Financial Policy

Section 1—This Convention approves the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists as its plan of world mission work and appeals to the churches to support it and to recognize the wisdom and right of this Convention to divide equitably the Cooperative Program receipts.

Section 2—Cooperative Program gifts will be distributed on a percentage basis approved by this Convention and designated gifts according to the wishes of the donors. The Administrative Committee of the General Mission Board will recommend at each pre-convention meeting of the General Mission Board the Cooperative Program goal and the distribution of receipts for the following year. Financial reports will be given at each meeting of the Board and an annual review conducted.

Section 3—The fiscal year of the General Mission Board and this Convention will be the calendar year.

Section 4—All funds entrusted to this Convention or to any of its boards or agencies will be strictly applied according to the expressed will and direction of the donors.

Section 5—This Convention will receive contributions, legacies and bequests for the several objects which it fosters. The Baptist Foundation of Maryland/Delaware, Inc., is the agency designated for the management of trust funds.

Article IX • The Denominational Paper

Section 1—The BaptistLIFE will be the official news journal of this Convention.

Section 2—The General Mission Board of this Convention will be responsible for the conduct of this phase of our work through the Director of the Communication Center.

Article X • Woman's Missionary Union

The Woman's Missionary Union of Maryland/Delaware is recognized as an auxiliary of this Convention whose accomplishments and potentialities in good works are appreciated as being of immeasurable value to the Christian cause.

Article XI • Miscellaneous

Section 1—Neither this Convention nor any agency owned or supported in whole or in part by this Convention, will accept or receive, directly or indirectly, any gift, grant, or aid from the Federal or State governments or any governmental agency except for definite and full services rendered by the agency with the approval of this Convention or its General Mission Board. In any debatable instance that may occur, the General Mission Board will interpret this statement subject to the approval of this Convention.

Section 2—Any special campaign for funds must be specifically approved by vote of this Convention or the General Mission Board.

Article XII • Amendment

All amendments to this constitution must be submitted in writing at an Annual Meeting. A vote will be taken when the amendment is presented and at the succeeding annual session. The proposed amendment may be modified in form but not in substance upon presentation for vote at the second session. The amendment will be adopted only after an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the messengers present and voting at two successive Annual Meetings. Non-substantive changes such as grammatical corrections and title or name changes may be made by the Administrative Committee of the General Mission Board and included in their report at the Annual Meeting of the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware.