



October 8, 2021

Dear Pastor, Ministry Partner, and Supporting Church,

The independent external investigation by A. Lee Parks, senior partner at the law firm of Parks, Chesin, & Walbert of Atlanta, Georgia, into the allegations by Becky Earnhart against Austin Gardner, our former president and founder, has been completed. The entire investigative report is available on our website: visionmissions.org/accusations-against-our-founder

Additionally, the investigation by the Special Committee of Vision Baptist Church that received the spiritual abuse accusations related to Austin Gardner, a member of their church, is in the process of being completed. We have been given an informal verbal statement of their findings, but a formal written statement will be released on the website above when available.

Moving forward, Vision Baptist Missions will continue its current position concerning Austin Gardner. He is not in any contractual relationship or leadership role within Vision Baptist Missions. These changes have provided Vision Baptist Missions the opportunity, based on the growth of our mission board, to strengthen our governance, clarify our core values, and refine our policies and procedures. New leadership and organizational structures are being put in place to fill the vacancy created by his resignation, with details available on our website in the near future.

Vision Baptist Missions remains committed to evangelizing the world in our generation by assisting local churches as they send missionaries around the world. Thank you for your continued partnership and prayers.

Yours for world evangelism,

Vision Baptist Missions

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