

AUGUST 2026

THE ECHOES

FIRE FOR THE HARVEST 2026



What an incredible time Fire for the Harvest 2026 was! We want to extend a huge thank you to everyone who helped make it happen.

Night One began with a powerful word from Host Pastor Darnell West about thinking beyond ourselves and preparing for the generations ahead—Think 3! We were challenged to plan and build with the future of kingdom work in mind, ensuring that the work God has entrusted to each of our ministries continues for generations to come. The evening continued with a powerful altar service and communion, setting the tone for an incredible conference.

Day Two was filled with meetings and our Fine Arts Competition (results on the next page). That evening was Youth Night, featuring guest minister Micah Wood of The Ramp. He ministered on the incredible access we have through Jesus, while challenging us to develop the appetite to step into that access through a holy life.

Day Three was packed from beginning to end. Our Men's and Women's services featured Ladies President Sis. Jean Criddle and newly appointed Men's President Rev. Mykel Wicks. Both brought challenging and timely words that encouraged everyone in attendance. That afternoon, our Missions Service allowed us to hear from multiple missionaries about what God is doing around the world and about upcoming missions trips (information on the back of Echoes).

At Wednesday night's service, Pastor Rick Shelton ministered on the difference between the presence of God and the glory of God. And the Glory showed up! What followed was a life-changing altar service as people responded.

Thursday began with an encouraging word from Pastor Bryan Warren, Assistant General Superintendent, that struck at the very core of what FGCI is all about. During our General Business Meeting, we experienced a unified and uplifting time of discussion and voted on several important issues (results on the next page). Thursday night, General Superintendent Pastor Travis Watkins brought a powerful word challenging us to reignite the flame within us and carry that fire home with us. The service concluded with the ordination and sending out of six ministers to fulfill the call God has placed on their lives.

Overall, this was a week that lit flames and ignited ministries. We came together, were strengthened, were challenged, and encountered God in powerful ways.

NATIONAL FINE ARTS COMPETITION

By: Rev. Alison Yates

We were encouraged by this year's Fine Arts Festival! It was full of high energy ministry that involved the whole congregation! This year's "Most Effective Ministry" was given to Nathaniel Leonard of Arkansas. It was exciting to hear his well prepared and strongly delivered short sermon!

Nathaniel was given the opportunity to preach his message during Tuesday nights Youth Service and it was well received. The judges also invited Eliza Lewis to minister the songs that he wrote for the Songwriting Category wrote.... The altars were filled with young people praising God!

Thank you to all the FGCI Ministers and parents for encouraging their young people to step out for Fine Arts! The future looks bright for FGCI!

1st Place

FEMALE JR SOLO-Emersynn Watkins

Short Sermon-Nathaniel Leonard

FEMALE SR SOLO-Tiffany Leonard

Songwriting-Eliza Lewis

**Vocal Ensemble-Shayleigh Barnett, 9
Corey Baskins, 12**

**Human Video
1st IWC Youth On Fire**

**2nd Shayleigh Barnett,
Corey Baskins, Carly Moore**

**"Most Effective Ministry"
Nathaniel Leonard**



FGCI BUSINESS 2026

Passed Amendment- **changes in red**

1. The General Superintendent shall be elected **Tri-annually**. He shall serve no more than two consecutive terms, after which he shall not be eligible to serve in that particular office for a period of **three** years. He shall be in the full-time pastoral or evangelistic ministry with at least ten years proven ministry. He shall have been an ordained minister in our fellowship for at least five years and shall hold no ministerial credentials with another organization or fellowship of ministers. **He shall be required to be a member or have been a member of the General Board.**
2. He shall be elected by the voting constituency at an annual convention for a period of three years. His election year shall alternate with the election year of the Assistant General Superintendent, the General Secretary-Treasurer, and the World Missions Director.. His election will take place at a General Convention held the year following **the Assistant General Superintendent.**

GENERAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

1. The General Secretary-Treasurer shall be a member of the organization and an ordained minister with not less than six (6) years' experience in the ministry, but he/she does not necessarily have to be a pastor of a church.

He/She shall serve no more than two consecutive terms, after which he shall not be eligible to serve in that particular office for a period of three years. He/She shall be elected under the same rules which govern the election of other General Officials, with the exception that the General Board shall present the nominee of which there shall be no less than three (3). **His/her election will take place at a General Convention the year following the election of General Superintendent.**

ASSISTANT GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

3. His term in office shall be governed by the same rules as that of the General Superintendent, with the exception that he shall be elected at a General Convention **held in the year following General Secretary Treasurer.**

Elected Officials

General Superintendent- Pastor Travis Watkins
National Youth President- Rev. Michael Barnett

Newly Appointed Officials

National Evangelist- Rev. Michael Barnett
National Men's President- Rev. Mykel Wicks
Missions Field Representative- Rev. Jim Yates

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— NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT —

*"She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she
laughs without fear of the future."*

PROVERBS 31:25



*Two days to step away, be refreshed in His presence,
and grow together as sisters in Christ.*



WORSHIP



TEACHING



FELLOWSHIP



RENEWAL

GATHER

October 2 & 3

2026 · Friday & Saturday

LOCATION

King Jack Park

Webb City, Missouri

WHERE TO STAY

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*"He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the
hearts of the children to their fathers."*

MALACHI 4:6

WHEN

NOV 5-7

2026 · Thu-Sat

WHERE

MT. MORIAH

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