

## **The Baptist Union of Denmark**

## Information for new Baptist Churches from the Baptist Union of Denmark

**Information for the churches**: The BUD sends special information to all member churches via email once a week or as required. Up to 3 persons in each church can receive these messages. Names and mail addresses of the 3 persons are to be sent to the secretary, Mrs. Gitte Elleby by mail: <u>info@baptist.dk</u>. These information mails can also be read on the BUD homepage: <u>www.baptistkirken.dk</u>

**Newsletters:** Every Wednesday the BUD sends an electronic newsletter to all, who are interested. Sign up for the weekly newsletter on the homepage.

**Names and addresses:** Names, addresses and other relevant information about the leaders of the churches will be printed in "The Baptist Handbook" and some of the information will also be found on the homepage. The information is to be send to Gitte Elleby at the General Office. Gitte will also tell you which information is relevant.

**The magazine 'baptist.dk':** All church members are entitled to receive the magazine directly by post. Every church administers its own mailing list. Blind people can get a taped version of the magazine. Ask Gitte Elleby at the General Office for more information. The magazine is free of charge but donations for the project will be highly appreciated!

**The membership book: "To Be a Church Member"** is not available any longer. A new edition is expected for sale at the end of 2012.

**Greeting cards**: Illustrated postcard used by many churches as a greeting on the anniversary of the baptism of their church members. Every year the BUD designs new greeting cards which are sold from the General Office.

**Information for the newsletter**: If a church wants to inform the newsletter and the homepage about time and place for your Sunday services information must be sent to: info@baptist.dk in good time and best for several weeks at a time.

**Economi**: Members of The BUD contribute to the community with an amount of money equivalent to 7,5% of their church collect. The contribution can be settled every month or quarterly on the following account in "Danske Bank": 3201 3201112417. In addition to this the churches can choose to support the different mission projects of BUD. See more on: <u>www.baptistkirken.dk</u>. Every second year it is possible to purchase special envelopes for offerings to the church. Ask about this at the General Office.

**Summer rally:** National meeting for all BUD churches where we meet in a great Baptist fellowship for mutual inspiration and encouragement. The rally takes place during the school holidays and has programs for all ages.

**BUD conference 1 & 2:** The highest authority of resolution in BUD. Here all decisions of importance to the Union of Baptist Churches are made. Conference 1 takes place during the Summer Rally, and the second part takes place a Saturday in the autumn. 3 delegates from each member church, the Board of Leaders and representatives from the nationwide organizations have the right to vote. It is important to participate in these conferences to be able to know what goes on in BUD and to get into contact with other churches.

**The procedure of changing churches:** On the homepage under: "Værktøjskassen/blanketter" you can find the form: "Flyttebevis". When somebody moves into another church the receiving church sends this form to the church from where the person leaves which hereafter strikes the name off their list.

**For further information**: The BUD Board of Integration will be pleased to give further information and answer any of your questions. Please contact the chairman of the board, Finn Günther at: <u>finn@famgunther.dk</u> or phone: 51430501/ 41834802