The All Africa Baptist Youth Fellowship (AABYF) organized a continental mission conference from August 2 to the 6th at Bowen University, Iwo State in Nigeria. The theme of the conference was “THUS SAITH THE LORD”, taken from Zachariah 1: 1-7.

It has been a critical conference in a double sense. Firstly because of the questions and concerns raised and discussed during this international gathering, among others: what is the exact message the Lord is communicating to the young people in this modern, digital and globalized world, called a global village and who is really listening to the Lord in this noisier generation? For the AABYF with its international delegates to jointly hold the meeting with thousands of young people from the Nigerian Baptist Convention Youth Conference (NBCYC), the Youth department of the hosting Convention, we call it critical as it is for the first time in history that this Regional Body of the BWA Youth Department (the AABYF) has given a try to such a joint-organization. An attempt to anticipate on that BWA will be doing in 2020? It has been an experience anyway as the outgone leadership of the AABYF has wished it.

The above thousand and seventy participants who attended the program were challenged and invited by speakers from Togo, Kenya, Ghana, South Africa, USA and Nigeria to listen to the voice of the Lord who has always spoken to His people and who continues to speak in the present.

International registered delegates were as follows: Niger (1), Ivory Coast (10), Zimbabwe (1), Togo (6), Benin Republic (1), Zambia (1), Sierra Leone (2), Liberia (16), Ghana (3) Cameroon (7), Kenya (6), USA (1) and the Federal Republic of Nigeria (3)

At the end of the activities, the international registered delegates elected during the General Assembly that took place on the 4th of August a new team of 11 officers (list attached to this brief report) to serve AABYF. The new Executive Committee with a tenure of last four years is under the leadership of Prince Adoeye Adigun Gbenga from Nigeria, who then succeeded Koffi Soké Kpomgbe from Togo.

We express our Gratitude to the Hosting Convention, and the BWA and all the conventions and unions represented the conference.

For the AABYF
The immediate past President,

Koffi Soké Kpomgbe
During praise time: Singing
Empower Baptist Young People

Appreciation greetings the New AABYF EC.

Some of the international delegates during their visit to the Seminary of Ogbomoso

New AABYF President Elect
Prince Adoeye Adigun Gbenga

Venue of the AABYF 2017 Conference:
Bowen University, Iwo Nigeria

During Empower

Prince Gbenga (newly elected AABYF President) during prayer time

Appreciation greetings the New AABYF EC.