

T. B. BOYD, JR., ORATORICAL CONTEST NATIONAL BAPTIST CONGRESS

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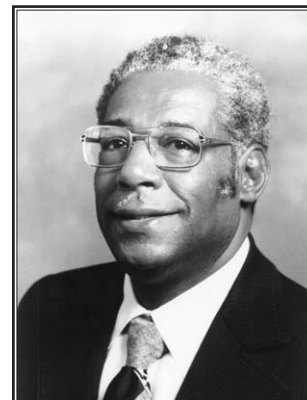
Cash Awards Totaling \$5,750

First Place Winner	\$2,500
Second Place Winner	\$1,500
Third Place Winner	\$1,000
Fourth Place Winner	\$750

Congress Theme: “Fight the Good Fight, Finish the Course,
and Keep the Faith”

“I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.”

(2 Timothy 4:7, KJV)



Dr. T. B. Boyd, Jr.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- The topic for the essay is taken from the Congress theme for the current year.
- Contestant must be entering 11th or 12th grade in the current calendar year.
- Due to the increasing number of students registering for the Oratorical Speaking class, it has become necessary to limit the number of persons eligible for the class. All participants are required to pre-register for the Oratorical Techniques for Public Speaking class (YC5300).
- On-site registration will not be allowed.
- Contestant must be an active member of a participating church represented with the Congress, and no church may have more than two contestants.
- First, second, and third place winners are prohibited from entering the contest more than once.

PROCEDURES

- All contestants must pre-register for the Oratorical Techniques for Public Speaking class (YC5300).
- Students in the 10th grade may also register for the Oratorical Speaking class for exposure purposes; however, 10th grade students are not eligible to participate in the contest.
- The essay should be a maximum of five hundred (500) words, which is equivalent to five (5) oral minutes. The title, which includes the Scripture and theme, should not be included in the five hundred (500) word maximum.
- The essay must be written by the contestant.
- Four (4) copies of the contestant's essay must be presented Wednesday during class, one for each judge. Orientation and designated time for competition will be given Wednesday, June 17th from 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. All contestants must be present. Contest will be held Wednesday, June 17th, 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Thursday & Friday, June 18th and 19th, 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Due to the number of participants and the structure of the course, the instructor may revise the time schedule as needed.
- In order to receive awards or certificates, contestants must be present for the public presentation in the Congress General Assembly on Friday evening at the George R. Brown Convention Center. The panel of judges will listen to the reading of the essays and select three (3) to present to the Congress General Assembly.

Each contestant will be judged on the following:

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| (1) Method of presentation | (3) Continuity |
| (2) Contents of the theme | (4) Grammar |

(Application on Back)

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONGRESS

T. B. BOYD, JR., ORATORICAL CONTEST CONTESTANT'S APPLICATION

Contest will be held at the George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas
June 17-19, 2009 (Wed.-Fri.), 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Please type or print clearly and submit in class.

Contestants must register for Course No. YC5300. Regular class fees apply. Pre-registration \$120/On-Site \$130
No additional charge to enter contest.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Home Address (no P.O. boxes): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Church Membership: _____

Pastor's Name: _____

Church Address (no P.O. boxes): _____
Street

_____ City State Zip Code

Parent/Guardian: _____

Present High School Grade Level (Circle One) Junior Senior

Youth Congress Class Registration: _____

Course Title: _____ Course Number: _____

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The undersigned, on behalf of him/herself and his/her minor children, hereby releases, acquits, and forever discharges the NATIONAL BAPTIST CONGRESS, its officers, directors, successors, and assigns from any and all claims of any kind or character, and from all liability now accrued or hereafter to accrue, and from all damages, claims, choices, debts, demands, actions, rights of action, causes of action, losses, or injuries to person or to property, resulting or to result or sustained or received by him/her or his/her minor children during his/her attendance and presence in connection with the NATIONAL BAPTIST CONGRESS, due to his/her participation in classes, seminars, lectures, meetings, events, parades, religious events, and similar activities, and for said children not being met on time by *the undersigned* or by his/her other parent, guardian, or chaperone upon the conclusion of said events. *The undersigned* understands that, without this Release and Disclaimer, said children will not be eligible for said events.

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICIES

- **Cancellations:** Request for cancellations received before May 15, 2009 will be charged a fee of \$25.00. After May 15, 2009, all cancellations will be charged 50% of the applicable registration fee. We reserve the right to cancel a class or seminar if it does not meet the minimum enrollment requirements. Attendees will be notified if their class is cancelled. In such cases, attendees may select another class—at the same fee that was paid for the cancelled class.
- **Class Change:** All class changes will be charged a processing fee of \$18.00.
- **Refunds:** Requests for refunds will be processed by mail, after Congress, with proof of class registration or cancellation. Refunds will not be issued on site. Requests for refunds for cancellations or no-shows will not be honored after Friday, June 19, 2009.
- **Badges:** Replacement name badges cost \$5.00 per name badge.

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Where are you residing during Congress?

Hotel _____

Phone No. _____ Room No. _____

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Scheduled day and time to speak _____

Have all copies of essay paper been submitted? Yes () No ()