



INTRODUCTION

The issue before us in this unit is how do Baptists work together beyond the local congregation? The associational principle guides all Baptist activity in this regard. The terminology is from the working place, not the Bible. All unions, alliances are illustrations of the associational principle. No association has any authority over a local congregation.

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What is an association?
2. What are the geographical boundaries of an effective association?
3. What is a "convention" or "union" in Canadian terms?
4. What kind of ministry is done through the Baptist World Alliance?
5. What do the words "of like faith and order" mean?
6. What are the limits of associational power?