1. The Karen Baptist Convention

The KBC is the co-operation and co-ordinating body of all the Karen Baptist Churches in Myanmar.

2. Brief Historical Background

The first Karen Baptist convert was a former illiterate and uncouth man named Saw Ko Tha Byu. He was converted through the ministry of the American Baptist pioneer missionary Adoniram Judson. Later he asked for baptism, and on a trip to Dawei with George Dana Boardman, the first American Baptist Missionary to the Karens, he was baptized at Dawei on May 16, 1828, at the age of 50. His conversion turned him into a flaming evangelist. By the time of his death on September 9, 1840, at age 62, there were 1270 Baptist church members among the Karens. He was also given a title of "The Karen Apostle" by The American missionaries.


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3. Vision and Mission

**Vision** - The vision of the Karen Baptist Convention is to organize all the Karen Baptist Churches in Myanmar for co-ordination and co-operation in holistic Mission.

**Mission Statement** -
Karen Baptist Convention is the co-operating body organized with all the Karen Baptist Churches in Myanmar. The KBC is committed to strive for the oneness of the Karen Baptist Churches, and working together in Church planting, holistic development of the Church leaders and church members, spiritually and physically which will lead to the fullness of life with dignity through worship, fellowship and meeting, training, publishing of literature and co-operation with churches and organizations, inside and outside the country.

The Convention, however, shall have no power to interfere with the internal affairs of its churches and associations in its endeavor to fulfill its purposes.

4. The Organization

The following churches associations co-operate fully in the work of the Convention.

(2) The Pathein Myaungmya Sgaw Karen Baptist Association.
(7) The Toungoo Thandawn Bwe Moh Bwa Karen Baptist Association.
(17) The Kayah Poo Baptist Association.
(20) The Myro Baptist Association.

5. The Departments of the Convention

(1) Finance and Property Department
(2) Evangelism and Mission Department
(3) Christian Education Department
(4) Publication Department
(5) Care and Counseling Department
(6) Leadership Promotion Department
(7) Christian Social Service & Development Department
(8) Theological Department
(9) Department for Youth Work
(10) Women's Department
(11) Ministers' Department
(12) Communication Department
(13) Men's Department
(14) Literature and Culture Department

6. Standing Committee

(1) Social Ministry Board

7. Projects of the Convention

(1) Study Bible translation Project
(2) 21st Century Second Phase 10-year project

8. Commissions under the Supervision of General Secretary

(1) Church Affairs and Peace
(2) Partnership in Mission

9. The Institution and Work Centre

(1) The Karen Baptist Theological Seminary
(2) The Go-Foward Printing Press
(3) Rural Mission Development Centre
(4) KBC Care Clinic

10. The Administration Officers of the Convention

President - Rev. Dr. Greeta Din
Vice President - Rev. Dr. Mar Gay Gyi
Vice President - Rev. Lah Po
General Secretary - Rev. Dr. Samson
Associate General Secretary - Rev. Ywar Du Moo
Chief Executive officer for Social Ministry board - Dr. Yi Aye Hla
Treasurer - Thramu Ker Kaw Htoo

Directors of the Departments

(1) Finance and Property - Thramu Ker Kaw Htoo
(2) Evangelism & Mission - Thra Htoo Ka Baw
(3) Christian Education - Thramu Daffodiil
(4) Publication - Thramu Tin May Phyu
(5) Care & Counseling - Thramu Htoo Ku Kalu Paw
(6) Leadership Promotion - Thrau Htoo Dr. Lay Htoo
(7) Christian Social Service & Development - Thramu Ju Paw
(8) Theological - Thramu Lah Paw
(9) Department for Youth Work - Thra Eh Keh Ler
(10) Women's Department - Thramu Myaung Mya Paw
(11) Ministers’ Department - Rev. Kwa Lar