

Merry

Christmas

From the staff at the Alaska Baptist Resource Network



Because of your congregation's Cooperative Program giving through the Alaska Baptist Resource Network, in October 2019 \$51,017.94 remained in Alaska for missions and ministries.



January-October 2019 Gifts from ABC Churches

Organization	СР	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
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Adelphoi	\$1,150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,150.00
Agape Fellowship Alaska Iu-Mienh First Baptist Churc	\$0.00 ch \$282.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$282.00
Anchor Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Anderson Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Aquillaq Baptist Mission	\$0.00 \$11.014.57	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$1 125 00	\$0.00 \$1 120 63	\$0.00 50.00	\$0.00 \$13 260 20
Big Lake Baptist Church Bodenburg Butte Baptist Church	\$11,014.57 \$2,368.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$1,125.00 \$0.00	\$1,129.63 \$1,800.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$13,269.20 \$4,168.00
Calvary Baptist Church	\$4,948.82	\$0.00	\$1,195.68	\$1,144.88	\$0.00	\$7,289.38
Catalyst Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Christ Community Church Clearwater Baptist Church	\$215.00	\$0.00	\$357.00	\$190.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 50.00	\$762.00 \$0.00
Cliffside Community Chapel	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00
Coffman Cove Community Bapt Ch	\$853.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$1,353.35
Cold Bay Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
College Heights Baptist Church	\$35,229.54	\$305.00 \$550.00	\$1,780.00 \$6.540.04	\$5,552.00 \$574.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$42,866.54 \$23,495,94
Cross Roads Baptist Church CrossCountry Church	\$15,831.00 \$1,350.00	\$550.00 \$0.00	\$6,540.94 \$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$23,495.94 \$1,550.00
Dillingham Bible Fellowship	\$9,003.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,660.00	\$0.00	\$12,663.12
Eagle River Korean Baptist Church	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church	\$1,952.43	\$1,222.00	\$510.00	\$0.00 50.00	\$0.00 50.00	\$3,684.43
Fairbanks Korean Baptist Church Fairview Loop Baptist Church	\$0.00 \$22,537.29	\$0.00 \$5,540.04	\$0.00 \$8,466.68	\$0.00 \$6,000.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$42,544.01
Faith Baptist Church	\$1,422.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$680.00	\$100.00	\$2,202.47
Faith Recovery Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Filipino Bible Church First Baptist Church of Anchorage	\$2,625.00 \$8,266.80	\$0.00 \$3 747 00	\$0.00 \$2 742 82	\$0.00 \$3,223.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$2,625.00 \$17,979.62
First Baptist Church of Anchorage First Baptist Church of Eagle River	\$8,266.80 \$28,189.55	\$3,747.00 \$3,405.00	\$2,742.82 \$3,218.00	\$3,223.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$250.00	\$17,979.62 \$35,062.55
First Baptist Church of Fairbanks	\$5,612.93	\$873.00	\$990.25	\$1,130.00	\$0.00	\$8,606.18
First Baptist Church of North Pole	\$28,359.00	\$0.00	\$1,581.00	\$1,964.90	\$0.00	\$31,904.90
First Baptist Church, Delta Junction First Baptist Church, Juneau	\$33,652.85 \$9,796.80	\$0.00 \$2,018.00	\$5,029.00 \$2,416.00	\$30,564.12 \$754.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$69,245.97 \$14,084,80
First Baptist Church, Kenai	\$6,507.89	\$2,018.00	\$2,416.00 \$1,845.59	\$2,577.64	\$0.00	\$14,984.80 \$11,131.12
First Baptist Church, Ketchikan	\$11,193.68	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,493.68
First Baptist Church, Kotzebue	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
First Baptist Church, Palmer First Baptist Church, Petersburg	\$3,900.00 \$10,197.09	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$1,165.00 \$1,265.00	\$1,624.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$6,689.00 \$11,462.09
First Baptist Church, Sitka	\$6,574.37	\$400.00	\$1,203.00	\$967.00	\$0.00	\$8,081.37
First Baptist Church, Soldotna	\$6,058.00	\$0.00	\$500.30	\$468.00	\$0.00	\$7,026.30
First Baptist Church, Valdez	\$16,925.89	\$4,590.00	\$3,116.50	\$3,218.00	\$0.00	\$27,850.39
First Baptist Church, Wasilla First Baptist Church, Willow	\$9,560.40 \$4,254.42	\$630.27 \$640.00	\$2,462.00 \$311.00	\$3,602.05 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$16,254.72 \$5,205.42
First Hmong Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
First Korean Baptist Church	\$1,475.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$507.00	\$0.00	\$2,382.00
First Native Baptist Church	\$2,435.00	\$0.00	\$913.27	\$1,016.00	\$0.00	\$4,364.27
Friendship Baptist Mission Frontier Baptist Church	\$2,806.33 \$0.00	\$1,250.00 \$0.00	\$2,308.00 \$0.00	\$2,200.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$8,564.33 \$0.00
Frontier Fellowship	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Frontier Native Church	\$299.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$299.46
Frontier Southern Baptist Church	\$7,274.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,274.07
Gilead Ministries Glacier Valley Baptist Church	\$324.00 \$11,881.19	\$0.00 \$3,800.00	\$0.00 \$3,585.00	\$20.00 \$4,990.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$344.00 \$24,256.19
Grandview Baptist Church	\$25,331.67	\$628.00	\$1,520.00	\$1,275.00	\$0.00	\$28,754.67
Greater Friendship Baptist Church	\$5,728.93	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,728.93
Hillside Baptist Church	\$10,681.29	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$895.00	\$0.00	\$11,976.29
Hoonah Baptist Mission Iglesia Bautista Hispana Sunset Hills	\$0.00 \$\$934.76	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$50.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$984.76
Immanuel Baptist Church	\$1,129.85	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$501.48	\$1,141.32	\$0.00	\$2,772.65
Journey Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Juneau Korean Church	\$300.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$300.00	\$290.00	\$0.00	\$890.00
Kasaan Fellowship Ketchikan Filipino Baptist Mission	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00
Kiana Baptist Mission	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Kobuk Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Korean New Central Baptist Church		\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$340.00	\$0.00 50.00	\$1,340.00
Lighthouse Community Church Malamalama Fou (New Light) Churc	\$999.00 ch \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$999.00 \$0.00
Misc. Contributors-Cash	\$429.23	\$13,460.65	\$150.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$14,289.88
Montana Creek Baptist Church	\$11,299.57	\$3,065.00	\$698.00	\$565.00	\$0.00	\$15,627.57
Moose Creek Baptist Church	\$2,915.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,915.00
Moose Pass Community Church Morning Star Baptist Church	\$0.00 \$5,953.65	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$50.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$50.00 \$5,953.65
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church	\$3,935.03 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,955.05
Mount Redoubt Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mountain View Community Church		\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$730.00	\$0.00 50.00	\$450.00 \$1.540.40
Muldoon Road Baptist Church New Birth Christian Church	\$810.49 \$300.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$739.00 \$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$1,549.49 \$300.00
New Grace Christian Church	\$5,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,400.00
New Hope Baptist Church	\$13,818.00	\$1,100.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$15,918.00
New Hope Fellowship North Poor Street Pontist Church	\$525.00 \$1.015.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$1,025.00 \$1,015.00
North Bear Street Baptist Church	\$1,015.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,015.00

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Organization	CP	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
North Tongass Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northern Lights Missions	\$950.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$950.00
Pathway Discipleship Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pioneer Baptist Church of Wasilla	\$850.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$850.87
Rabbit Creek Church	\$5,630.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,630.36
River In The Desert Community Ch	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Riverside Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Roots @ Night	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Roots Family Church, Kasilof	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Roots Family Church, Soldotna	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
Sabbath Peace Fellowship	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$360.00
Salcha Baptist Church	\$2,478.64	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,105.00	\$0.00	\$4,583.64
Sand Lake Fellowship	\$891.34	\$148.56	\$148.56	\$148.56	\$0.00	\$1,337.02
Sand Point Baptist Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Schrock Road Community Church	\$1,469.16	\$670.00	\$444.00	\$444.00	\$0.00	\$3,027.16
Settler's Bay Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,640.00	\$3,484.93	\$0.00	\$5,124.93
Seward Bible Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Shannon Park Baptist Church	\$8,322.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8.322.02
Shungnak Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Solid Rock Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
St. John Baptist Church	\$7,266.65	\$275.00	\$644.06	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,185.71
Sunset Hills Baptist Church	\$19,719.62	\$3,795.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,970.65	\$0.00	\$31,485.27
Tenakee Springs Community Churc		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$376.00
The Crossing @ Birchwood	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4.000.00
Thorne Bay Baptist Church	\$472.89	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$492.89
Togiak Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transitional Ministries	\$55.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
True North Church	\$15,583.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,380.00	\$0.00	\$20,963.57
True North Church Girdwood	\$1,076.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,076.48
UBC-Chinese Fellowship	\$727.70	\$0.00	\$280.00	\$135.00	\$0.00	\$1,142.70
Unalaska Reformed Church	\$1,078.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,078.40
University Baptist Ch, Anchorage	\$4,553.42	\$0.00	\$919.00	\$1,042.00	\$0.00	\$6,514.42
University Baptist Ch, Fairbanks	\$8,368.00	\$130.00	\$3.886.00	\$5,398.00	\$0.00	\$17,782.00
Valley View Baptist Church	\$6,037.50	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$781.00	\$0.00	\$7,188.50
Wasilla Korean Baptist Church	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Whittier Christian Community Ch	\$210.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$210.85
Williwaw Church	\$578.00	\$206.00	\$0.00	\$261.00	\$0.00	\$1,045.00
	\$511,255.22	\$55,158.52	\$70,895.13	\$109,701.68	\$350.00	\$747,360.55
	4Q 2018	1Q 2019	2Q 2019	3Q 2019	4Q 2019	
2000 Club Call receipts as of Octobe	•	\$3,932.50	\$4,671.50	\$5,402.50	\$3,115.00	\$17,171.50

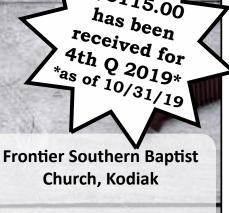
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Legend:	
CP:	Cooperative Program
SMO:	Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering
AA:	Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
LM:	Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
WH:	World Hunger

Alaska Baptist Convention Cooperative Program Support

	2019		2018	
October Receipts CP Goal Variance	\$63,772.43 \$54,246.22 \$9,526.21	17.56%	\$70,296.93 \$58,232.65 \$12,064.28	20.72%
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Year-to-Dat Receipts	\$511,255.22		\$561,805.12	
CP Goal Variance	\$542,462.22 \$(31,207.00)	-5.75%	\$582,326.50 \$(20,521.38)	-3.52%

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\$3115.00

needs assistance in the renovation of the church structure and adding to overall useable space. The church plans to refloor the bathrooms, kitchen and fellowship area.



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Randy Covington, Executive Director



Christmas Reflections

We finally got our first snowfall of the season and it has already put me in the Christmas spirit. Of course, my wife has been ramping up for Christmas since August when she began watching Hallmark Christmas movies. (I will admit I have joined her a few times.) She has also started asking those annoying questions like, "What do you want for Christmas this year?" "It's not too early to start thinking about that, you know." What she means is, "Have you started thinking about what to get me?" I'm a firm believer in the verse in Ecclesiastes 3:11 which states, *He has made everything appropriate in its time.* Don't rush it!

To be perfectly honest, I don't begin thinking about Christmas until Thanksgiving is over. How can you begin to celebrate Christmas when you haven't celebrated Thanksgiving yet?

While Christmas is certainly the busiest time of the year, it has to be my favorite. Many churches have already been planning for weeks what type of services they will offer during the Christmas season. Some will have decoration services such as Hanging of the Green or Christmas tree lighting. Some will celebrate each Sunday in December following the Advent calendar. Some will prepare musical extravaganzas with choirs and orchestras while others will prepare theatrical presentations dramatizing the birth of the baby Jesus in Bethlehem. I love them all!

As I reminisce about past Christmases, a wave of nostalgia hits me and reminds me of God's faithfulness through the years. There were times when the kids were small and finances so tight that we couldn't buy gifts for them. There were times when we lived overseas and ached to see family and spend the holidays with them. There were times when we surprised family with an unexpected visit, or they surprised us. Of course, is Christmas really Christmas without cookies and pies and candy canes and all that good food? Oftentimes, my tendency is to get so wrapped up in the trappings of Christmas that I miss the real point of the celebration. God **loved** us so much that He **gave** His only Son, Jesus. He was born of the virgin Mary and came to **save** us all from our sins. He died for us and took the penalty of our sin upon Himself. He is the Savior of the world! That is what we celebrate! My prayer for each of you is that you will worship the Savior who came as a little baby into the world to bring us back into relationship with the Heavenly Father. May your Christmas be blessed in every way this year.

Alaska Baptist Resource Network Hiring Administrative Assistant

We are currently receiving applications for employment.

<u>Administrative Assistant to the</u> <u>Director of Evangelism/Church Development,</u> <u>and Director of Church Planting/Missions:</u>

- Hired by the Executive Director
- Collecting church planter monthly reports
- Designing quarterly 2000 Club mailers
- Keeping LifeWay Sunday school materials updated
- Other duties as assigned

This is a part-time position.

Please submit applications to Randy Covington, Executive Director at <u>randy@alaskabrn.com</u>.

Applicants are required to have a working knowledge of Southern Baptist churches and their programs; to be active in an Alaska Baptist Convention church; and to have full recommendations from Baptist leaders.

ABC EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

Applications will be accepted through Monday, December 2, 2019

Attain a goal Execute a plan Communicate Effectively



Praise God that He is faithful and true in His gift of graciousness and blessing!

Thank you Alaska Baptists and friends from around the world as you have been faithful in giving to our Valeria Sherard State Missions Offering and "Hooked on Alaska" emphasis this fall. To date, we have received \$35,138.45, just over one third of our goal of \$90,000. I remind us all of our collective goal to see a gospel centered church, work or missional family in every community across Alaska in the next generation.

I remember a very cold night spent shivering on a western Alaska riverbank several years ago, futilely attempting to keep a fire going with wet sticks and driftwood. This most enjoyable night was primarily due to a group of individuals' over-eagerness to attain a goal, poor execution of an agreed upon plan and failure to communicate effectively.

The story begins at our comfortable base camp with the arrival of a group of five men who had booked a seven day semi-guided caribou hunt. All appeared physically capable, well outfitted and experienced in the outdoors. Following the customary pleasantries of arrival and welcome we proceeded to make sure that firearms were properly sighted in, everyone was had the proper license, tags and current game regulations and then we began to pack food and camp gear for a trip upriver.

Following a 2 ½ hour boat trip upriver, we arrived at the campsite that provided good shelter from fall storms that often assault western Alaska, offered reasonably good access to high tundra hills that were good for spotting and was near where the caribou had been crossing the river in good numbers. After unloading gear we discussed the hunt plan and communication options should the hunting prove to be poor and a move necessary. Spirits and expectations were high as we agreed that unless I received further communication, I would return in six days to bring them back to base camp for their departure.

Six days (and no communication) later I returned to pick up the hunters and upon arrival, found them somewhat frazzled and frustrated but successful. The caribou had begun crossing further upriver, increasing the distance that the hunters had to travel in order to be successful. Each day the animals moved about a mile further away until, on the last day the final hunter to fill his tag was just under six miles from the river camp! From the vantage point of the high tundra, it had been discovered that the distance from the river to the caribou would have been substantially reduced had the camp been moved one mile upriver.

Due to the hiking distance from camp to the last caribou taken, and the waning daylight, the hunters had elected to field dress the last caribou and leave it to be packed out the following day...the same day that I was to pick them up for their departure.

We began to strategize how to accommodate the flight reservations and the retrieval of the last caribou. One of the party agreed to remain behind and take a later flight home in order to accompany me and three others in packing out the caribou the following day. We then loaded the party, their animals and gear into the boats and headed downriver to base camp.

The following day five of us travelled back upriver and hiked in to retrieve the caribou. The hike took much longer than anticipated and upon arriving at the site, we discovered that a wolverine had claimed the head, cape and antlers. It challenged us for quite some time as we loaded our backpacks with meat and began the long trek back to the boat, arriving by headlight about an hour after dark, wet, tired and soon-to-be-cold. We kindled a small fire and began roasting caribou strips for dinner.

The temperature dropped well below freezing that night as we all huddled together trying to gain warmth from our struggling little fire, waiting for and anxiously anticipating daylight sufficient for us to safely begin our trip back downriver to base camp. As daylight approached and the frost thickened on the exposed surfaces of the riverboat a very dense fog settled on the water and further prevented our departure. Following fourteen frigid, hungry and sleepless hours on the riverbank we were finally back underway headed to the base camp where this whole adventure had begun a week earlier.

Hindsight reveals much and every time that I re-tell or re-live that night on a steep, cold, beaver-chewed riverbank I think of all of the events and decisions that led us to that unfortunate gathering. A small dose of strategic communication and a slight change of location and plan could have provided a group of hunters a much more enjoyable experience and a chance for another group to avoid a very long hike and a very cold night on the river bank.

In our efforts to strategically achieve **a gospel centered church**, **work or missional family in every community across Alaska**, we need to meet and exceed our State Mission Offering goal. I pray that you will join me in effectively communicating to your churches, congregations, friends and families wherever they may be the urgency that we share in making the gospel available to every person in Alaska. Commit to pray. Commit to Give. Commit to Go.

For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 New King James Version (NKJV)

Alaska Baptist Convention (dba Alaska Baptist Resource Network [ABRN]) Meeting of the Executive Board

November 11-12 2019, Summary of Board Actions

submitted by Debra Long, Operation and Finance Administrator, ABC

1. Approved the Executive Board Committee Structure for 2019-2020.

2. Approved the May 6-7, 2019, Executive Board Meeting Minutes as amended.

3. Approved the September 24-25, 2019, Annual Meeting Minutes as amended.

4. Approved Rebecca Parkey, member of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Juneau, to serve as a board of director for Birchwood Behavioral Health with term expiring 2022. This will be her first term appointment.

5. Approved the October 2019 Financial Reports.

6. Approved the adjusted 2020 Alaska Baptist Convention/Alaska Baptist Resource Network (ABC/ABRN) Budget.

7. Approved to spend up to \$40,000.00 of designated Account 8470 Capital Needs/Improvements to paint the downstairs interior, refloor the downstairs and recarpet the stairs, and replace the downstairs window blinds.

8. Approved the 2020 annual housing allowances for Randy Covington, Jason McKee, and James Stewart.

9. Approved to invite a CPA or financial assessor in 2020 to assess the 2019 ABC/ABRN and Alaska Baptist Foundation financial records.

10. Approved establishing a designated account entitled Capitol Ministries where funds can be received for support of these ministries.

11. Approved to allow a one-time transfer of funds up to \$2,000.00 from Account 8330 Affinity Group Training to cover Rachel Frederickson's salary and employer payroll taxes for the remainder of the year 2019 to scan historical documents converting them into digital format for easier retrieval and storage.

12. Approved to move up to \$500,000 (\$400,000 of restricted and \$100,000 of unrestricted funds) from the

Alaska USA Federal Credit Union to be invested in CDs or another money market at the Executive Director's discretion to earn maximum interest.

13. Approved a 2-year support commitment to Kobuk Baptist Church/Mission for support of the ministry in the Kobuk River villages from the ABC/ABRN missions offering fund Account 8196 of \$500 per month for a total of \$12,000 over the 2 years.

14. Approved the Special Offering goals for 2020: Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering (VSSMO) to be \$90,000; Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (AAEO) to be \$95,000; and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (LMCO) to be \$150,000.

15. Approved the establishment of the Ministry Apprenticeship Program (MAP) as a two-year pilot project under the direction of Nathaniel Buck (pastor of Agape Fellowship). The Budget and Finance Committee of the Executive Board of the ABC/ABRN will establish a designated account entitled Ministry Apprenticeship Program with an associated account number for the chart of accounts to include a description of how funds will be distributed. The Executive Board of the ABC/ABRN will require a progress report from Nathaniel Buck and any other participating church pastors at the November 2020 Executive Board meeting to evaluate feasibility and effectiveness of the program one year in and: a second reporting by or before the November 2021 Executive Board Meeting to recommend modifications, adaptations, continuation or secession of the MAP project.

16. Approved to assign Cold Bay Community Chapel as the recipient of the 1st Quarter 2000 Club Call for 2020.



MILEPOST MOMENTS

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First Bapitst Church, Fairbanks, will be celebrating their 75th anniversary in 2020. If you have memories to share please email info@firstbaptistfairbanks. com. You may also visit https://firstbaptistfairbanks.com/75th-diamond-jubilee to share a memory or photo.



We bid adieu to Logan Wisniewski, one of the administrative assistants at the convention office. She resigns her position with the Alaska Baptist Resource Network effective December 19. We wish her well and commit to pray for her as she transitions to a new phase in her life. We are grateful for the time and ministry Logan has provided for Alaska Baptists during her employment here. Expressions of appreciation may be sent to her company e-mail (logan@alaskabrn.com) through the end of December.



Seth Myers of Fairbanks and Alie Minium of Nikiski, students at California Baptist University, were hosted for dinner by Mike Procter. Mike is on the Board of Trustees of California Baptist University.

Our condolences to the family of Opal Miller who went to be with the Lord November 5. Opal came to Alaska in 1954 where she met Dick Miller. They married in 1955. Dick and Opal partnered together in the Lord's work until Dick's death in 2011. They served in places like Kotzebue, Emmonak, Mountain Village, Sitka and Anchorage, Alaska. In 1970 they began O'Malley Road Baptist Church, now Hillside Baptist Church. Expressions of sympathy may be left <u>HERE</u>.

First Baptist Church, Anchorage conducted an ordination service on Sunday, Nov 17 for two men. Brian Riggs was ordained to the deacon ministry and Pastor Steven Thungc was ordained to the gospel ministry. Pastor Steve has been the pastor of Alaska Iu-Mienh First Baptist Church, which is sponsored by FBC-Anchorage, since 2005.



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Alaska Baptist Resource Network Building Remodel

The offices of the Alaska Baptist Resource Network and the Alaska Baptist Foundation will be closed December 13 through January 2 for remodeling. We will be working remotely December 16 to 19, and closed for the Christmas holiday December 23 through January 2. If you need to contact us during this time, please use the following numbers to call:

Randy: 907-782-6691	Debra: 907-903-6151
Jae: 907-244-1047	Sylvia: 907-227-7548
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December

1-8	Week of Prayer and Mission Study fro		
	Lottie Moon Christmas Offeri	ng	
16-20	Alaska BRN office closed for remodel		
	staff working remote	ely	
23 through Jan5 Alaska BRN and ABF offic			
closed for Christmas and New Year holidays			
15	Annual Church Profiles due		
27	Alaska BRN and ABF offices close at 1:	00	
28 Alaska BRN and ABF offices closed for Thanksgiving			
January			
5-12	January Bible Stu	dy	

February

7-8	TVBA Women's Winter Wake-up
3-4	State Evangelism Conference
10-16	Focus on wMu

Please Pray for our Pastorless Churches

Aquillaq Baptist Mission, Ambler Chinese Fellowship, Fairbanks Cold Bay Chapel Community Baptist Church, Coffman Cove First Baptist Church, Anchorage First Baptist Church, Ketchikan First Baptist Church, Ketchikan First Baptist Church, Petersburg Ketchikan Filipino Baptist Mission Riverside Chapel, King Salmon Shungnak Baptist Mission

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