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Valeria Sherard  
State Mission Offering

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## God's Plan for Sharing in Alaska

Organization	CP	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
Alaska Iu-Mienh First Baptist Church	\$290.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$290.00
Anchor Baptist Church	\$604.14	\$0.00	\$1,022.37	\$1,178.37	\$0.00	\$2,804.88
Anderson Church Plant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Aquillaq Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Big Lake Baptist Church	\$3,894.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,894.28
Bodenburg Butte Baptist Church	\$1,149.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,149.00
Calvary Baptist Church	\$1,245.32	\$0.00	\$1,012.32	\$1,005.00	\$0.00	\$3,262.64
Catalyst Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Christ Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
City on a Hill Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Clearwater Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cliffside Community Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cold Bay Chapel	\$354.90	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$604.90
College Heights Baptist Church	\$23,937.99	\$0.00	\$3,745.00	\$7,445.00	\$0.00	\$35,127.99
Community Bapt Church, Coffman Cove	\$2,242.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,242.50
Community Baptist Church, Nome	\$212.64	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$212.64
Cross Roads Baptist Church	\$6,711.00	\$0.00	\$1,967.46	\$1,233.34	\$0.00	\$9,911.80
CrossCountry Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Dillingham Bible Fellowship	\$3,705.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,175.00	\$0.00	\$5,880.46
Eagle River Korean Baptist Church	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church	\$1,531.99	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,081.99
Fairview Loop Baptist Church	\$12,092.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,092.52
Faith Baptist Church	\$5,060.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,640.00	\$0.00	\$9,700.33
Faith Recovery Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
False Pass Christian Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Filipino Bible Church, Anchorage	\$1,750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,750.00
First Baptist Church, Anchorage	\$14,916.51	\$0.00	\$4,225.00	\$10,802.00	\$0.00	\$29,943.51
First Baptist Church, Eagle River	\$15,322.76	\$300.00	\$2,472.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,095.47
First Baptist Church, Fairbanks	\$3,754.53	\$0.00	\$1,461.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,215.53
First Baptist Church, North Pole	\$14,894.00	\$0.00	\$805.00	\$650.00	\$0.00	\$16,349.00
First Baptist Church, Delta Junction	\$28,315.00	\$5,289.00	\$5,784.00	\$13,960.00	\$0.00	\$53,348.00
First Baptist Church, Juneau	\$3,312.35	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,332.35
First Baptist Church, Kenai	\$4,473.87	\$0.00	\$1,037.65	\$1,689.65	\$0.00	\$7,201.17
First Baptist Church, Ketchikan	\$6,678.49	\$10.00	\$1,505.00	\$1,690.00	\$0.00	\$9,883.49
First Baptist Church, Kotzebue	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
First Baptist Church, Palmer	\$8,833.33	\$0.00	\$3,330.00	\$2,550.00	\$0.00	\$14,713.33
First Baptist Church, Petersburg	\$5,243.81	\$0.00	\$1,529.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,772.81
First Baptist Church, Sitka	\$3,567.72	\$0.00	\$1,520.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,087.72
First Baptist Church, Soldotna	\$4,468.00	\$0.00	\$875.00	\$1,018.75	\$0.00	\$6,361.75
First Baptist Church, Valdez	\$11,990.84	\$0.00	\$3,177.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,167.84
First Baptist Church, Willa	\$8,282.73	\$0.00	\$2,982.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,264.73
First Baptist Church, Willow	\$2,268.60	\$615.00	\$873.00	\$6,854.00	\$0.00	\$10,610.60
First Hmong Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
First Korean Baptist Church	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$330.00	\$0.00	\$1,230.00
First Native Baptist Church	\$1,196.00	\$720.52	\$1,047.57	\$1,065.96	\$0.00	\$4,030.05
Friendship Baptist Mission	\$1,414.34	\$600.00	\$1,530.00	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	\$4,594.34
Frontier Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Frontier Southern Baptist Church	\$925.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$925.52
Gilead Ministries	\$308.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$308.00
Glacier Valley Baptist Church	\$9,945.23	\$0.00	\$3,338.00	\$3,296.00	\$0.00	\$16,579.23
Grandview Baptist Church	\$15,702.58	\$40.00	\$2,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,942.58
Greater Friendship Baptist Church	\$7,132.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,132.08
Hillside Baptist Church	\$6,479.50	\$0.00	\$1,170.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,649.50
Iglesia Bautista Hispana Sunset Hills	\$385.40	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$435.40
Immanuel Baptist Church	\$616.67	\$0.00	\$1,863.75	\$856.25	\$0.00	\$3,336.67
In His Steps Community Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Journey Church	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120.00
Juneau Korean Church	\$180.00	\$0.00	\$242.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$722.00
Kasaan Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ketchikan Filipino Baptist Mission	\$260.10	\$0.00	\$810.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$1,470.10
Kiana Baptist Mission	\$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 Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Korean New Central Baptist Church	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$340.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$940.00
Lighthouse Community Church	\$5,160.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,160.00
Living Water Church	\$441.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$441.30
Malamalama Fou Church	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Misc. Contributors-Cash	\$0.00	\$8,301.79	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$90.00	\$8,541.79
Montana Creek Baptist Church	\$9,113.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,158.00	\$0.00	\$10,271.99
Moose Creek Baptist Church	\$1,298.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,298.00
Moose Pass Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Moriah Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Morning Star Baptist Church	\$3,207.81	\$0.00	\$700.00	\$1,723.50	\$0.00	\$5,631.31
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Mount Redoubt Baptist Church	\$1,200.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,200.00
Mountain View Community Church	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00

## January-June 2016 Gifts from ABC Churches

Organization	CP	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
Muldoon Road Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Beginnings Baptist Church	\$980.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00
New Birth Christian Church	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$650.00
New Grace Christian Church	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00
New Hope Baptist Church	\$8,077.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,577.00
New Hope Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Hope Fellowship	\$175.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
North Bear Street Baptist Church	\$134.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$134.12
North Tongass Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northern Lights Missions	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$175.00
OnMission Church	\$1,050.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
Pioneer Baptist Church	\$853.28	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$1,283.28
Rabbit Creek Community Church	\$1,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00
River In The Desert Community Church	\$145.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$145.00
Riverside Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Roots Family Church, Kasilof	\$540.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$640.00
Roots Family Church, Soldotna	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
Sabbath Peace Fellowship	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
Salcha Baptist Church	\$2,057.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,720.00	\$0.00	\$5,777.11
Sand Lake Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sand Point Baptist Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Schrock Road Community Church	\$693.00	\$126.00	\$84.00	\$84.00	\$0.00	\$987.00
Settler's Bay Community Church	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,720.00	\$0.00	\$2,320.00
Shannon Park Baptist Church	\$837.67	\$0.00	\$81.05	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$1,218.72
Shungnak Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Slavic Bridge	\$15.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15.00
Solid Rock Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
St. John Baptist Church	\$3,535.34	\$0.00	\$335.00	\$95.00	\$0.00	\$3,965.34
Sunset Hills Baptist Church	\$10,779.35	\$0.00	\$4,437.84	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$15,317.19
Tenakee Community Church	\$317.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$317.00
The Church @ Commodore Park	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$110.00
The Crossing @ Birchwood	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00
Thorne Bay Baptist Church	\$245.14	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$384.00	\$0.00	\$629.14
Togiak Baptist Mission	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
True North Church	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,878.00	\$0.00	\$10,378.00
True North Church Girdwood	\$2,165.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,165.87
UBC-Chinese Fellowship	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$670.00
University Baptist Church, Anchorage	\$3,068.50	\$0.00	\$580.00	\$592.00	\$0.00	\$4,240.50
University Baptist Church, Fairbanks	\$5,244.00	\$0.00	\$3,681.00	\$3,127.15	\$0.00	\$12,052.15
Valley View Baptist Church	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$390.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,890.00
Wasilla Korean Baptist Church	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
Whittier Christian Community Church	\$355.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$355.36

**Totals** **\$326,438.87** **\$17,052.31** **\$66,128.72** **\$86,840.97** **\$90.00** **\$496,550.87**

**2000 Club receipts as of June 30** **\$8,662.00** **\$8,065.00** **\$3,380.00** **\$3,085.00** **\$23,192.00**

**GRAND TOTAL as of June 30, 2016** **\$519,742.87**

### Legend:

**CP:** Cooperative Program, January - December  
**SMO:** Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering, August - July  
**AA:** Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, January - December  
**LM:** Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, June - May  
**WH:** World Hunger, January - December

## Alaska Baptist Convention Cooperative Program Support

	2016		2015	
<b>June</b>				
Receipts	\$58,122.81		\$58,664.36	
CP Goal	57,531.16		59,484.00	
Variance	591.65	1.03%	(819.64)	-1.38%
<b>Year-to-Date</b>				
Receipts	\$326,438.87		\$333,389.70	
CP Goal	345,186.96		356,904.00	
Variance	(18,748.09)	-5.43%	(23,514.30)	-6.59%

Please Pray for  
our Pastorless Churches

Aquilaq Baptist Mission, Ambler  
Chinese Fellowship, Fairbanks  
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Juneau  
False Pass Christian Fellowship  
First Baptist Church, Anchorage  
First Baptist Church, Soldotna  
Friendship Baptist Mission, Fairbanks  
New Hope Baptist Church, Anchorage  
Riverside Chapel, King Salmon  
Shungnak Baptist Mission  
True North Church, Girdwood



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Years ago, an endowment was established that funds the operating expenses of Mission:Dignity. This covers staff salaries, printing, postage and other expenses.

Every dollar of current Mission:Dignity annual gifts is used for monthly distributions to retired pastors and their widows in need.

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Assisting Retired Ministers and Spouses



# MILEPOST MOMENTS

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## **Condolences**

Our condolences to the family of Rubye Thomas-Reynolds, who passed away on July 15. Following a stroke in May, she had been living with her grandchildren in Seattle. Rubye, an active and longtime member of St. John Baptist Church (Fairbanks) was the longest serving associational WMU director for Tanana Valley Baptist Association, as well as a WMU vice president. Rubye modeled a missions lifestyle, keeping missions alive in her church with monthly missions emphases. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family, [lisaraye44@yahoo.com](mailto:lisaraye44@yahoo.com).

## **Emmanuel Baptist Church, Juneau**

The “Out of Ashes” dedication service was held on June 26, when EBC, along with members of Juneau Korean Church, worshipped in their newly



repaired building, following a devastating fire on December 2, 2015. The congregation has been meeting at Glacier Valley Baptist Church. Peter Oh, pastor of Juneau Korean Church, led the music; pastor Todd Buck brought the sermon based on Matthew 21:10-13, Isaiah 56:4-2 and 2 Chronicles 7:11-22.

## **Frontier Baptist Church, Fairbanks**

In 30 RVs, 249 people took a road trip to Seward, via Denali and Anchorage, with the goal that each person witness to five people a day. They distributed

1000 gospel tracts and enjoyed the beauty of Alaska. This picture was taken after a prayer time on their last day in Seward.

## **New Birth Christian Church, Fairbanks**

NBCC held their 5<sup>th</sup> annual Birch Lake Outreach, June 24-26 and three children were baptized. While making S’mores, the children were taught about the goodness of Jesus.

## **Anchor Baptist Church, Craig**

Anchor Baptist raised \$10,000 to send local children to summer Bible camp! Successful fundraisers and community support blessed this ministry. With the help of a visiting mission team, church members were able to complete a portion of their new building and hope to be conducting services in it by the end of the summer.

## **Roots Family Church, Kasilof**

At the end of June “Contagious Camp 2016” took place on the Kenai Peninsula. Doug Burrows, former pastor of First Baptist Church, Soldotna brought a mission team from Texas to help with the camp. Forty-six staff and students from Texas, First Baptist Church (Soldotna), Whittier Christian Community Church, Roots Family Church-Soldotna and Roots Family Church-Kasilof attended the camp. Three students were saved!



**August 1, 1977:** The first tanker with Prudhoe Bay oil, the ARCO Juneau, left Valdez.

**August 4, 1962:** Apartheid opponent Nelson Mandela was arrested by security police in South Africa.

**August 7, 1938:** A Pan-American Airways “Baby Clipper” landed on the Juneau airfield in a trial flight.

**August 11-16, 1965:** Six days of riots began in the Watts area of Los Angeles, triggered by an incident between a white member of the California Highway Patrol and an African American motorist.

**August 17, 1896:** George Carmack and companions discovered gold. Canada’s Yukon Territory celebrates the anniversary as Klondike Discovery Day.

**August 21, 1959:** President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a proclamation admitting Hawaii to the Union as the 50th state.

[alaskahistoricalsociety.org](http://alaskahistoricalsociety.org); [www.historyplace.com](http://www.historyplace.com)

# Transplanting Families to Plant a Church on the Alaska Frontier

By Mark Kelly (excerpted from SBC Life)

“Paul and Rebekah Kim had traveled to Anchorage in October 2015 so Paul could participate in the annual gathering of PrayerLink, which included a prayer event focused on that city and its surrounding region.

PrayerLink is a national organization composed of prayer coordinators with SBC entities, state Baptist conventions, and ethnic fellowships. Paul, who also serves as the national Asian American relations consultant with the SBC Executive Committee, is pastor emeritus of Antioch Baptist Church in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Rebekah serves as one of two Southern Baptist chaplains at Harvard University. Together they have planted a church a year for the past thirty-five years across the United States and overseas.

During that visit to Anchorage, the Kims were struck by the need for the Gospel to be proclaimed among the state’s 736,000 people. God spoke to Paul’s heart about the Good News of Jesus being preached in places where no one had heard it. Rebekah sensed the Lord saying that, although Alaska is a frontier state, Alaska’s frontier was in Fairbanks.

When 330 people gathered in Fairbanks June 19 for the church’s first service, 264 came from eleven churches the Kims had started over the years in far-flung places like Turkey and South Korea.

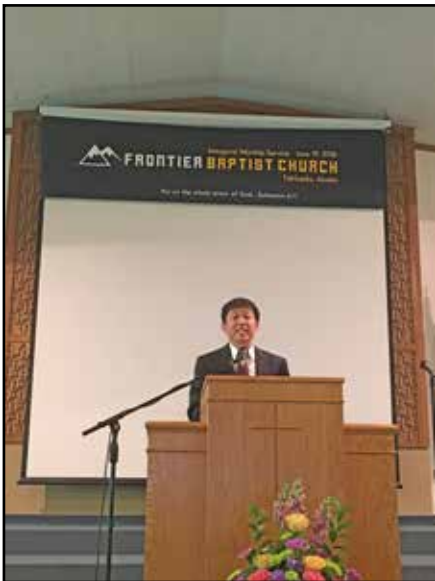
**Frontier Baptist Church** will focus on reaching college students at the University of Alaska campus in Fairbanks, much like the Kims’ other church plants have focused on making disciples of students. In fact, the church planting team is largely composed of people the Kims have led to Christ and discipled as students over the past thirty-five years.

Each time the Kims plant a church, people in their church network move to the new city to help. Not only have former students moved to other cities in the United States to help start churches, but they have even left jobs and home to start churches overseas—in places like China, Uzbekistan, Japan, and Russia.

“Many people ask me, ‘Why start churches for students? They don’t have money to give and are only going to graduate and move away,’” Paul Kim said. “But Jesus trained his disciples for three years. We intentionally focus on university campuses for the future leaders coming out of them. My wife and I have devoted our lives to raising up leaders for the twenty-first century.”

James Suh is pastor; Paul Kim is associate pastor. They meet in the facilities of First Baptist Church, Fairbanks.

Mark Kelly is a national correspondent for SBC LIFE and is a member of Johnson Ferry Baptist Church in Marietta, Georgia. Visit <http://www.sbclife.net/>



*Pastor James Suh.*



*Attendees of the inaugural service at Frontier Baptist Church!*



*Celebration lunch after the service.*

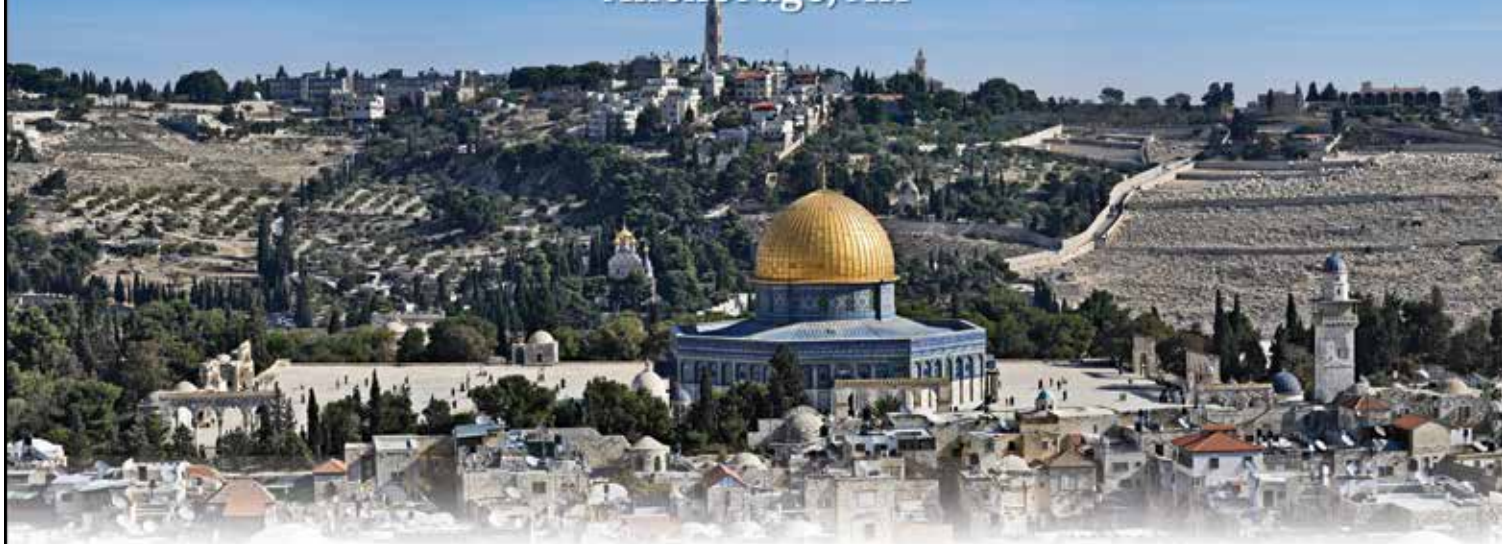


*Founding pastoral couple, Paul and Rebekah Kim are at center.*



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# SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING

**Thursday, September 8 in Kenai (6-9 pm)**  
**Friday, September 9 in Anchorage (6-9 pm)**  
**Saturday, September 10 in Wasilla (9 am-noon)**  
**Monday, September 12 in North Pole (6-9 pm)**

*A light meal is included with your RSVP*

See complete details on our website, [www.alaskabaptistconvention.com](http://www.alaskabaptistconvention.com)

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## **Please pray for Jimmy Stewart and his family!**

Jimmy Stewart, Alaska Director of Evangelism and Church Development was in an accident at his cabin near Talkeetna, Alaska on Saturday, July 23, which left him with severe burns. He is currently undergoing treatment at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. Jimmy's injuries are extensive and his long-term prognosis is multiple surgeries and a long convalescence. The next few days and weeks are critical. Daily updates are posted on the Alaska Baptist Convention website, [www.alaskabaptistconvention.com](http://www.alaskabaptistconvention.com); click on the "Jimmy Stewart Update" tab on the left hand side.

If you want to financially support the Stewart family during this crisis, please choose the "Give" tab on the left, and from the drop-down menu, choose the "Stewart Family Assistance Fund." 100% of all monies received will go to the family.

If you wish to send a check through the US Postal Service, please send it to:

Alaska Baptist Foundation  
1750 O'Malley Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507

*In the memo section of the check, please note "Stewart Family Assistance Fund."*

The staff at Harborview Medical Center encourage cards and letters to Jimmy. They may be sent to:

Harborview Medical Center  
325 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104  
Attn: Patient Jimmy Stewart





**Randy Covington**  
*Executive Director*

### WHAT IS YOUR PERSPECTIVE: 3D?

Our world is changing so rapidly today and the direction in which we are being propelled can cause a great deal of stress and concern, especially for believers. On occasion, I have the chance to watch the news on TV and the dominant theme seems to be that our country is in big trouble. Whether the problem is with politics, the economy, international affairs, or terrorism, the media pundits always seem to throw a negative spin on the direction we are heading.

Obviously, the most recent events of terrorism in America and Europe along with the targeting and killing of law enforcement officers and attempted coups can give one the feeling that everything is out of control. We almost hold our breath waiting for the next bad thing to happen. I have noticed that there are basically three major responses to the crises we see happening in our world today.

The first response is **Denial!** There are some who willingly choose to ignore the facts around us and turn a blind eye to what is happening. Either they really don't comprehend the impact of certain events or simply fail to acknowledge that things have changed in our society. Jeremiah prophesied to the people of Israel that God's judgment was coming on them, and they refused to believe that God would punish them for their sin. They buried their heads in the sand.

The second response is **Distress!** The outcry I hear from a multitude of factions, be they secular or religious, is that we are on a downward spiral that is unstoppable and there is no hope that things will turn around. Regardless of their political affiliation, activists seem to think that the selection of the other candidate will spell certain doom for our country. They are sounding the alarm that we better wake up before it's too late and take control of our destiny.

The third response is **Dependence!** Dependence on the One who created everything; the One who saw our need and provided deliverance from sin and judgement through His Son; the One who promised an eternal blessing for those who trust in Him. He is faithful! Regardless of the circumstances around us, His word is our bond. We have no reason to fear the future, because it is in His Hands. Take hope! Be of courage! Rejoice! Remember that ***"Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass."***

1 Thessalonians 5:24



**Jimmy Stewart**  
*Director of Evangelism and Church Development*

As always, this summer has gone by too fast, but I'm hearing great things about summer ministries around the state. As we look forward to our annual meeting in Fairbanks in September, you will hear a report about statistics in the Annual Church Profile (ACP). This report helps every church evaluate their ministries. And it's more than just numbers – it documents overall trends from year to year. If your church keeps attendance in worship, Bible study and Vacation Bible School, you can easily see what God is doing year to year. Giving, baptisms, missions and other things can be reported. If you aren't keeping track and reporting, I have to ask why? There are many references in the Bible about numbers and the importance of reporting. If that were not the case, we would not know that one of the 100 sheep was missing. We would not know how many were fed by Jesus. Why would the Holy Spirit inspire the writers to report those numbers? The ACP is our friend and I hope you are tracking your church statistics. Call the office of the Alaska Baptist Convention if you need assistance, 800.883.9627 or 907.344.9627.

The PastorMentor Cohort program has been a great learning environment where church leaders are studying important church processes. This fall, there are several opportunities available; the Bible Teachers/Leadership Resource Group from the State Convention of Baptists in Ohio will conduct a "Lead Like Jesus" Sunday School Training in several locations in September. This conference is for all current and potential leaders, teachers, directors and helpers in Bible study ministries in your church. Sign up online at [www.alaskabaptistconvention.com](http://www.alaskabaptistconvention.com) and click on "ABC Events." The Worship Leader Conference is in October and is specifically for worship leaders (not pastors). Rick Muchow is our featured guest and the focus will be on inspiration for worship leaders, with hands on practical evaluations for leading worship. Sign up online at [www.alaskabaptistconvention.com](http://www.alaskabaptistconvention.com) and click on "ABC Events." In November, the Adult Group and Faith Development Team from the Georgia Baptist Mission Board will conduct our Bible Study Leadership Conference. Sign up online at [www.alaskabaptistconvention.com](http://www.alaskabaptistconvention.com) and click on "ABC Events."

Let me know if you have questions and I look forward to seeing you at one of these events.



## 2016 Annual Meeting of the Alaska Baptist Convention, UBC Fairbanks

### Tuesday Evening, September 27, 2016

5:00 Registration  
 6:00 Call to Order  
 6:05 Worship through Music  
 6:15 Welcome from host church  
 6:20 Scripture and Prayer  
 6:25 Adoption of Program  
 6:30 Seating of Messengers  
 6:35 Worship through Music  
 6:45 North American Mission Board Report  
 7:05 Prayer for NAMB  
 7:10 International Mission Board Report  
 7:30 Prayer for IMB  
 7:35 Worship through Music  
 7:50 Message  
 8:20 Announcements  
 8:30 Prayer/Benediction

### Wednesday Morning, September 28, 2016

9:00 Call to Order  
 9:05 Worship through Music  
 9:10 Scripture and Prayer  
 9:15 Introduction of New Personnel to State  
 9:25 Committee on Committees Report  
 9:30 Nomination for President and Recording Secretary  
 9:40 Worship through Music  
 9:45 Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report  
 9:50 Evangelism and Church Development Report  
 10:05 Miscellaneous Business  
 10:10 Alaska Baptist Foundation Report  
 10:25 Alaska Partnership Report  
 10:35 WMU Report  
 10:50 Prayer for WMU  
 10:55 Worship through Music  
 11:05 President's Message  
 11:30 Benediction

*LUNCH ON YOUR OWN, MEETING RESUMES AT 1:30*

### Wednesday Afternoon, September 28, 2016

1:30 Call to Order  
 1:35 Worship through Music  
 1:40 Scripture and Prayer  
 1:45 Election of President and Recording Secretary  
 1:55 Committee on Boards Report  
 2:00 State Missions/Church Planting Report  
 2:15 Nominations for Vice Presidents  
 2:25 Adoption of 2017 ABC Budget  
 2:35 LifeWay Christian Resources Report  
 2:45 Prayer for LifeWay Christian Resources  
 2:50 Executive Board Actions  
 3:00 Worship through Music  
 3:05 Last Miscellaneous Business  
 3:10 Time, Place, and Preacher Committee Report  
 3:15 Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
 3:25 Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary  
 3:35 Birchwood Behavioral Health Report  
 3:45 Prayer for the BBH  
 3:50 Resolutions Committee  
 3:55 GuideStone Financial Resources Report  
 4:10 Worship through Music  
 4:15 Executive Director Report  
 4:35 Announcements  
 4:45 Benediction

*DINNER ON YOUR OWN, MEETING RESUMES AT 6:45*

### Wednesday Evening, September 28, 2016

6:45 Call to Order  
 6:50 Worship through Music  
 7:00 Scripture and Prayer  
 7:05 Election of Vice Presidents  
 7:15 Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering Presentation  
 7:25 Offering for Valeria Sherard State Missions  
 7:35 Wayland Baptist University  
 7:50 Recognitions; Vice President Results; Installation of Officers  
 8:00 Worship through Music  
 8:15 Annual Sermon  
 8:45 Adjournment, Announcements  
 8:50 Benediction

## ABC Bylaws require all messengers be registered 30-days prior to the annual meeting

### **"Impact Alaska 2016" and Annual Meeting of the Alaska Baptist Convention**

**Monday-Wednesday, September 26-28, 2016**

**University Baptist Church, Fairbanks**

Conference hotel: Pike's Waterfront Lodge  
 \$75/night (plus tax), based on double occupancy.  
*(includes breakfast and free wifi)*

Follow the link on our website, [www.alaskabaptistconvention.com](http://www.alaskabaptistconvention.com)

Click on the "Annual Meeting" tab and follow instructions.

#### Electing your church messengers:

The Convention shall consist of messengers elected by Baptist churches in Alaska contributing to the Convention through the Cooperative Program (CP) as reflected in the most recent annual church profile:

- each church shall be entitled to two (2) messengers, and one additional messenger for each one percent of its undesignated funds given to the ABC through the CP.
- no church shall be entitled to more than twelve (12) messengers.
- Church-type missions are entitled to one (1) messenger.
- All messengers shall be resident members and in good standing of the cooperating Alaska Baptist Convention church/mission that elects them.

The week of June 6, each church or pastor received an email with a link and instructions for registering messengers for the annual meeting. Your SBC ID number is required to register. All messengers must be registered at the same time, as this is a single-use link. (If you don't think you received the link, please check your email spam folder). Contact Sylvia, [sylvia@alaskabaptistconvention.com](mailto:sylvia@alaskabaptistconvention.com), 907.344.9627, 800.883.9627 for information or assistance.

**ONLY messengers may bring motions to the floor during business session.**

# LABOR OF *Love*

FBC Palmer would like to construct a quality outdoor fellowship and ministry space. They will utilize current property to build a children's playground, covered picnic tables and to purchase outdoor equipment to increase opportunities to minister to the community.

## 2000 Club • Third Quarter 2016

**\$8065**  
has been  
received for  
2Q 2016\*  
\*as of 6/30/16

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN — AUG • SEP • OCT —

### August 2016

3-5 FUSION youth conference

### September 2016

4-11 Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering emphasis  
5 ABC and ABF office closed for Labor Day  
8 "Lead Like Jesus" Sunday School Training, Kenai  
9 "Lead Like Jesus" Sunday School Training, Anchorage  
10 "Lead Like Jesus" Sunday School Training, Wasilla  
12 "Lead Like Jesus" Sunday School Training, Fairbanks  
26 IMPACT Alaska 2016, Fairbanks  
27-28 Annual Meeting of the ABC, Fairbanks

### October 2016

15 TVBA annual meeting  
18 CBA semi-annual meeting  
21-22 Worship leader conference  
22 HPBA annual meeting

Because of  
your congregation's  
Cooperative Program giving  
through the  
Alaska Baptist Convention,  
in June 2016  
**\$38,337.80**  
**remained in Alaska**  
for  
missions and ministries.