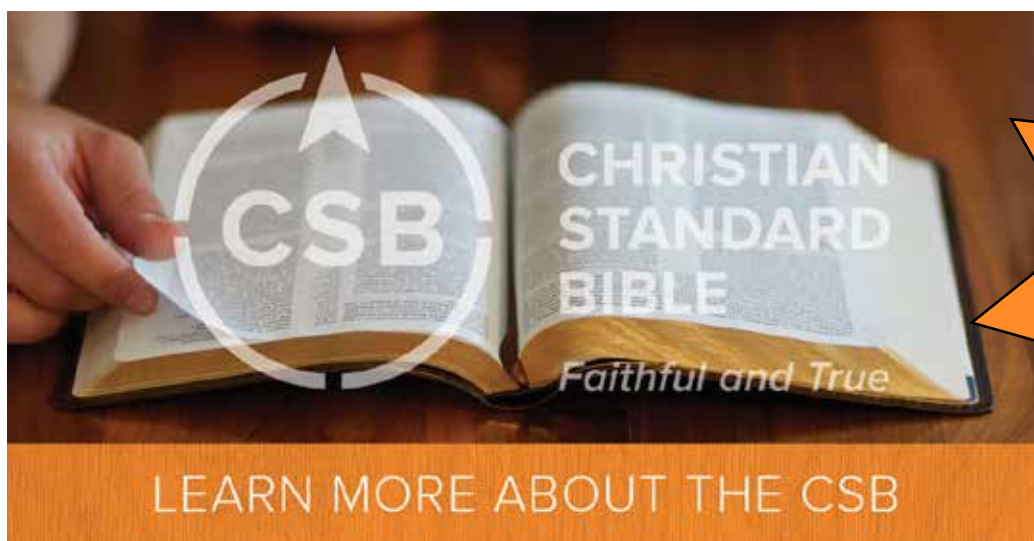


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pictured (l to r):(back) Sylvia Rylander, Jae McKee, Jimmy Stewart, Betsy Shilling; (front) Adam Long, Debra Long, Randy Covington



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January - October 2017 Gifts from ABC Churches

Organization	CP	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
Agape Fellowship	\$1,851.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,851.43
Alaska Iu-Mienh First Baptist Church	\$187.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$187.00
Anchor Baptist Church	\$1,515.17	\$0.00	\$895.21	\$487.40	\$0.00	\$2,897.78
Anderson Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Aquilla Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Big Lake Baptist Church	\$7,185.47	\$1,495.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,124.00	\$0.00	\$13,804.47
Bodenburg Butte Baptist Church	\$3,009.59	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$825.00	\$0.00	\$3,834.59
Calvary Baptist Church	\$4,883.78	\$0.00	\$1,011.00	\$934.00	\$0.00	\$6,828.78
Catalyst Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Christ Community Church	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$910.00
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	\$58.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58.95
College Heights Baptist Church	\$40,529.17	\$635.00	\$3,956.00	\$9,827.00	\$0.00	\$54,947.17
Community Bapt Church, Coffman Cove	\$3,689.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$176.00	\$0.00	\$3,865.25
Community Baptist Church, Nome	\$542.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$542.32
Cross Roads Baptist Church	\$11,673.00	\$0.00	\$1,687.81	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$13,610.81
CrossCountry Church	\$1,950.00	\$0.00	\$22.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$2,172.00
Dillingham Bible Fellowship	\$7,360.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$8,160.12
Eagle River Korean Baptist Church	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church	\$2,061.99	\$0.00	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,611.99
Fairbanks Korean Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fairview Loop Baptist Church	\$20,481.90	\$113.93	\$2,547.14	\$5,335.04	\$0.00	\$28,478.01
Faith Baptist Church	\$4,126.45	\$0.00	\$1,752.00	\$2,655.85	\$160.00	\$8,694.30
Faith Recovery Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Filipino Bible Church, Anchorage	\$2,625.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,625.00
First Baptist Church, Anchorage	\$18,215.61	\$540.00	\$2,540.00	\$574.00	\$0.00	\$21,869.61
First Baptist Church, Eagle River	\$24,182.01	\$920.00	\$2,762.00	\$2,678.00	\$140.00	\$30,682.01
First Baptist Church, Fairbanks	\$6,270.61	\$870.00	\$1,515.50	\$2,090.00	\$0.00	\$10,746.11
First Baptist Church, North Pole	\$25,861.00	\$700.00	\$1,410.00	\$3,611.00	\$0.00	\$31,582.00
First Baptist Church, Delta Junction	\$47,867.80	\$25.00	\$11,884.49	\$19,313.25	\$0.00	\$79,090.54
First Baptist Church, Juneau	\$7,756.00	\$435.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,064.00	\$0.00	\$11,755.00
First Baptist Church, Kenai	\$6,056.22	\$250.00	\$1,229.37	\$1,653.37	\$0.00	\$9,188.96
First Baptist Church, Ketchikan	\$13,163.41	\$0.00	\$2,866.00	\$2,636.00	\$0.00	\$18,665.41
First Baptist Church, Kotzebue	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
First Baptist Church, Palmer	\$1,500.00	\$1,025.00	\$1,534.96	\$1,677.00	\$0.00	\$5,736.96
First Baptist Church, Petersburg	\$8,191.32	\$0.00	\$1,283.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,474.32
First Baptist Church, Sitka	\$8,801.08	\$0.00	\$900.00	\$1,216.00	\$0.00	\$10,917.08
First Baptist Church, Soldotna	\$5,656.00	\$770.00	\$732.50	\$930.00	\$0.00	\$8,088.50
First Baptist Church, Valdez	\$15,699.32	\$2,569.00	\$3,340.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$23,608.32
First Baptist Church, Wasilla	\$10,547.00	\$0.00	\$1,941.30	\$5,037.50	\$0.00	\$17,525.80
First Baptist Church, Willow	\$3,971.02	\$1,120.00	\$150.00	\$4,294.00	\$0.00	\$9,535.02
First Hmong Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
First Korean Baptist Church	\$1,500.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$468.00	\$0.00	\$2,568.00
First Native Baptist Church	\$2,038.00	\$39.60	\$1,020.00	\$1,045.01	\$0.00	\$4,142.61
Friendship Baptist Mission	\$2,104.97	\$1,700.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,110.00	\$0.00	\$5,964.97
Frontier Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Frontier Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Frontier Native Church	\$200.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.76
Frontier Southern Baptist Church	\$1,749.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,749.00
Gilead Ministries	\$874.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$874.00
Glacier Valley Baptist Church	\$13,339.68	\$730.00	\$3,341.00	\$3,606.00	\$0.00	\$21,016.68
Grandview Baptist Church	\$29,351.70	\$1,640.00	\$1,941.00	\$3,105.00	\$0.00	\$36,037.70
Greater Friendship Baptist Church	\$9,648.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,648.49
Hillside Baptist Church	\$10,046.07	\$570.00	\$520.00	\$850.00	\$0.00	\$11,986.07
Hoonah Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Iglesia Bautista Hispana Sunset Hills	\$730.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$730.71
Immanuel Baptist Church	\$1,128.76	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,553.19	\$0.00	\$4,181.95
Journey Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Juneau Korean Church	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$505.00	\$405.00	\$0.00	\$1,210.00
Kasaan Fellowship	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ketchikan Filipino Baptist Mission	\$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
Kobuk Baptist Mission	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Korean New Central Baptist Church	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$320.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,320.00
Lighthouse Community Church	\$5,335.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,335.00
Living Water Church	\$349.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$349.46
Malamalama Fou Church	\$270.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$420.00
Misc. Contributors-Cash	\$0.00	\$10,059.37	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,209.37
Montana Creek Baptist Church	\$11,086.48	\$0.00	\$426.00	\$327.00	\$0.00	\$11,839.48
Moose Creek Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Moose Pass Community Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Morning Star Baptist Church	\$5,065.23	\$0.00	\$872.00	\$1,307.00	\$0.00	\$7,244.23
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
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	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Muldoon Road Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Organization	CP	SMO	AA	LM	WH	Total
New Beginnings Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
New Birth Christian Church	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
New Grace Christian Church	\$2,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,700.00
New Hope Baptist Church	\$11,811.00	\$561.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$13,372.00
New Hope Fellowship	\$525.00	\$50.00	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$695.00
North Bear Street Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
North Tongass Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northern Lights Missions	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
OnMission Church	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Pathway Discipleship Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Pioneer Baptist Church	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Rabbit Creek Church	\$1,660.09	\$570.65	\$0.00	\$1,141.33	\$0.00	\$3,372.07
River In The Desert Community Church	\$1,896.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,896.00
Riverside Chapel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Roots Family Church, Kasilof	\$950.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,050.00
Roots Family Church, Soldotna	\$250.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$375.00
Sabbath Peace Fellowship	\$1,320.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,320.00
Salcha Baptist Church	\$4,681.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,620.00	\$0.00	\$9,301.10
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	\$3,126.00	\$1,026.00	\$684.00	\$684.00	\$0.00	\$5,520.00
Settler's Bay Community Church	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,890.17	\$0.00	\$2,490.17
Shannon Park Baptist Church	\$1,931.36	\$0.00	\$937.60	\$870.00	\$0.00	\$3,738.96
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	\$6,187.53	\$215.35	\$420.00	\$70.00	\$0.00	\$6,892.88
Sunset Hills Baptist Church	\$18,295.59	\$1,418.50	\$3,313.25	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$23,077.34
Tenakee Springs Community Church	\$319.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$319.25
The Church @ Commodore Park	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
The Crossing @ Birchwood	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
The Way	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Thorne Bay Baptist Church	\$414.64	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$414.64
Togiak Baptist Mission	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
True North Church	\$11,134.45	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$11,500.00	\$0.00	\$24,634.45
True North Church Girdwood	\$2,341.36	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$4,341.36
UBC-Chinese Fellowship	\$1,249.60	\$0.00	\$230.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,479.60
University Baptist Church, Anchorage	\$3,273.48	\$0.00	\$1,661.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,934.48
University Baptist Church, Fairbanks	\$7,936.00	\$0.00	\$4,505.00	\$3,928.80	\$0.00	\$16,369.80
Valley View Baptist Church	\$4,800.00	\$0.00	\$570.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,370.00
Wasilla Korean Baptist Church	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,300.00
Whittier Christian Community Church	\$912.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$1,012.56
	\$512,757.31	\$31,533.40	\$80,286.13	\$114,348.91	\$2,300.00	\$741,225.75
	<u>4Q 2016</u>	<u>1Q 2017</u>	<u>2Q 2017</u>	<u>3Q 2017</u>	<u>4Q 2017</u>	
2000 Club receipts as of October 31, 2017	\$55.00	\$7,732.50	\$8,221.50	\$12,639.00	\$12,715.00	\$41,363.00
						\$782,588.75

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

	2017		2016	
October				
Receipts	\$63,532.76		\$63,687.12	
CP Goal	57,628.80		57,531.16	
Variance	5,903.96	10.24%	6,155.96	10.70%
Year-to-Date				
Receipts	\$512,757.31		\$578,794.42	
CP Goal	576,288.00		575,311.60	
Variance	(63,530.69)	-11.02%	(26,517.18)	-4.61%

Please Pray for
our Pastorless Churches

Aquillaq Baptist Mission, Ambler
Bodenburg Butte Baptist Church, Palmer
Chinese Fellowship, Fairbanks
Community Baptist Church, Coffman Cove
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Juneau
First Baptist Church, Eagle River
First Baptist Church, Petersburg
First Baptist Church, Soldotna
Hillside Baptist Church, Anchorage
New Hope Baptist Church, Anchorage
North Tongass Baptist Church, Ward Cove
Riverside Chapel, King Salmon
Shungnak Baptist Mission
Solid Rock Baptist Church, Anchorage



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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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Randy Covington, Executive Director

Mary's Song of Praise

Can there be a better story in the annals of literary history that compares with the birth of Christ? No one but God could conceive such a compelling story of love and

commitment. I am always enamored with a young lady by the name of Mary who had yet to reach full maturity, but was thrown into the position of accepting the unique plan of God for her life. While our focus should always be on the Savior who came as a gift from the Father in heaven, there is much to learn from the life of a willing and obedient servant like Mary.

Mary's song of praise, recorded in Luke 1:46-55, portrays a childlike faith in God that was most likely learned as a little girl in the synagogue. Since teaching was an oral tradition and memorization the final test, she must have committed most of the psalms to memory. It is no wonder the song that poured from her heart and lips encapsulates the full character of God learned through the singing of psalms.

Praise becomes the natural expression of love and thanksgiving, voicing the joy we experience deep in our souls. I am always moved when I read the lyrics of her song of praise.

... because the Mighty One has done great things for me, and His name is Holy. (v 49)

Perhaps Mary learned the truth about His **Holiness** from singing Psalm 99.

His mercy is from generation to generation on those who fear Him. (v 50)

Psalm 118 is a pleasant reminder that His **Mercy** endures forever.

He has done a mighty deed with His arm...

He has toppled the mighty from their thrones. (v 51-52)

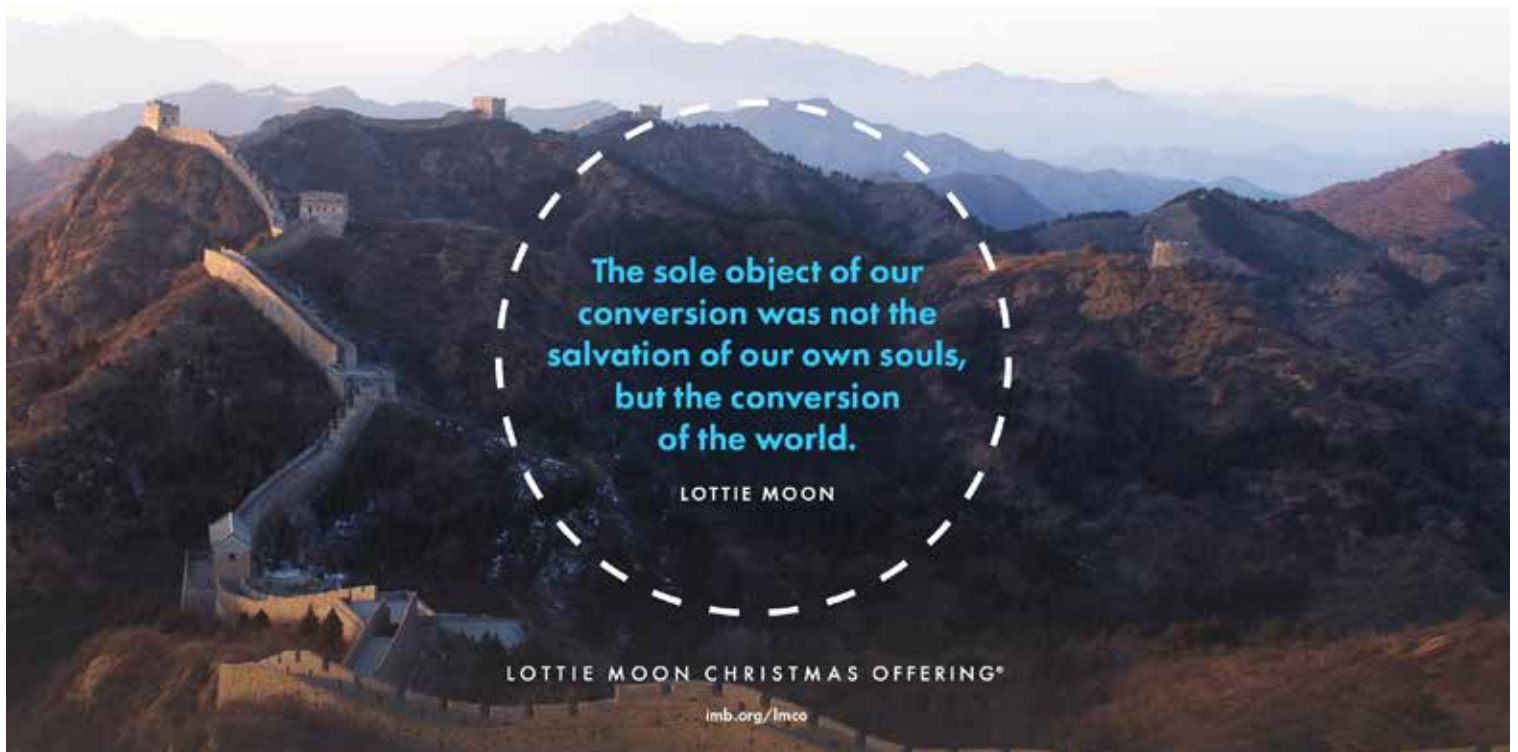
His **Power** to display His mighty works would be demonstrated once again through her conception and delivery of a Messiah and it evoked a song of praise such as found in Psalm 66.

He has satisfied the hungry with good things...

He has helped His servant Israel... (v 53-55)

Mary needed to know that God was a **Compassionate** God and Psalm 116 allowed her to reflect on His promise to deliver those who trust in Him.

What is your song of praise? During this Christmas season, my prayer for each of you is that, like Mary, you will be reminded of God's holiness and mercy as well as His power and compassion, and His sincere desire to bless you and provide for you an abundant life.



**The sole object of our
conversion was not the
salvation of our own souls,
but the conversion
of the world.**

LOTTIE MOON

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING*

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MILEPOST MOMENTS

The staff of the Alaska Baptist Convention reserves the right to edit submitted information for content and space.

Hillside Baptist Church, Anchorage

Blake Hart, Minister of Education at HBC, is also a chaplain with the National Guard, and was promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant.

First Baptist Church, Anchorage

Thank you to the women who participated in the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer on November 7. On offering of \$250 was collected and the ladies enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship.

University Baptist Church, Fairbanks

Jubilee Bells (bell choir) will perform with Fairbanks Symphony on December 3 at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks campus. On December 16, there is a Christmas party for preschoolers and children, followed by their Christmas program on December 17. That evening, a music presentation "A Graceful Sounds Christmas" will be followed by a finger foods fellowship. The church will have a candlelight service on Christmas Eve and the Chinese mission will have their annual Dumpling Party on December 31.

The Church @ Commodore Park, Anchorage

On Friday, November 17, The Church @ Commodore Park hosted a Thanksgiving dinner for the residents in Commodore Park.



Position Vacancy

Shannon Park Baptist Church in Fairbanks is looking for a part-time Children's Minister to be responsible for the oversight and organization of all children's ministries, nursery through grade 6. For a full job description and responsibilities, please visit [ABC website](#).

Pastor Search

Bodenburg Butte Baptist Church is an established rural church seeking a bi-vocational pastor to help expand its ministry to reach young families and youth in our community. Located at Mile 12.5 Old Glenn Highway, six miles south of Palmer, Alaska, this little church with a big name has a heart for missions and an eye to the future. We invite you to be a part of it. Resumes and a letter of testimony should be sent to BBBC, P.O. Box 814, Palmer, AK 99645 or by e-mail to Barbara at aboundingjoy@gci.net

Christmas Wish List for Birchwood Behavioral Health

This Christmas, please consider donating one of the following items for the residents of BBH:

- adult coloring books (for girls)
- Legos (for boys)
- gift cards to WalMart or Target
- age-appropriate Christian literature from Vine & Branches

(girls ages 13-18; boys ages 8-13)

Also consider donating your TIME as a Pass Partner* to take residents off-campus for activities like movies, shopping, zoo trip, sports events, trampoline park, fun outdoor events, etc. *Pass Partners will need to be vetted by BBH staff.

Contact Birchwood Behavioral Health by calling 907.349.2222 or by visiting their [website](#).



Jimmy Stewart, *Director of Evangelism*

Do we allow the Word of God to abide in our hearts?

When I arrived at the hospital last year, doctors didn't give me much chance of survival. At 58 years of age, they assumed my heart was not physically fit and in order to survive, my heart and other organs would be traumatized for weeks. How strong is your heart, both physically and spiritually? When crises come, your heart will be affected. I have seen dear brothers and sisters in Christ abandon their church, friends and their faith because of some catastrophic event. Some even walk away from God over seemingly insignificant occurrences. Yes! People get discouraged; pastors, I know the constant demand of ministry is tiring and there are disappointments that make you weary. But I also know God's Word strengthens, uplifts,

sustains, and builds us up to handle times of trouble and defeat.

Our State Evangelism Conference is February 5-6, hosted by Rabbit Creek Church in Anchorage. Every year, guest preachers and musicians minister to our hearts with His Word. This year, the three guest preachers will bring powerful messages and our worship team will be inspiring. Visit our [website](#) or complete information. I urge you to attend, and bring all your ministry leaders with you. Worship leaders will have one-on-one time with Jason Breland; church planters, with Stuart Bell; and mission advocates, with Mark Edworthy. Long-time pastor and leader in the Southern Baptist Convention, Rob Zinn, will bless all of us. A special luncheon is planned for Tuesday, but you must [RSVP](#) to attend. I look forward to seeing all of you during this exciting and inspiring time.

A graphic featuring a golden, ornate throne with a patterned cushion. The text "THRONE OF GRACE" is written in large, golden, serif capital letters across the middle. Below it, in smaller golden capital letters, is "HEBREWS 4:12-16". At the bottom left, it says "State Evangelism Conference" in bold, orange, sans-serif font. At the bottom right, it says "Feb 5-6, 2018" and "Rabbit Creek Church, Anchorage" in bold, orange, sans-serif font.

THRONE OF GRACE

HEBREWS 4:12-16

State Evangelism Conference

Feb 5-6, 2018
Rabbit Creek Church, Anchorage

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**Prayer is simple.
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- 2** Choose a location.
- 3** Regularly pray for the church planting teams there.

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**For information about church planting opportunities in Alaska, contact
Jae McKee, State Director of Church Planting and Missions, 907.344.9627
jae@alaskabaptistconvention.com**

Alaska Baptist Convention (ABC) Executive Board Actions

November 6-7, 2017

submitted by Debra Long, Operation and Finance Administrator, ABC

1. Approved the new committee structure of the ABC Executive Board. Copy is in master file.
2. Approved the May 8-9, 2017, ABC Executive Board Meeting Minutes. Copy is in master file.
3. Approved the Sept. 26-27, 2017, ABC Annual Meeting Minutes. Copy is in master file.
4. Approved the October 2017 Financial Reports. Copy is in master file.
5. Approved creating four designated accounts, one account for each NAMB funding bucket. The designated accounts are to be named: Existing Church Evangelism Strategies, Church Plant Evangelism Strategies, Church Planting Development Funds, and Church Planting Funds using the next available account numbers. Also approved updating the chart of accounts with the NAMB description on how these funds are to be used. Copy of NAMB's description on how these funds are to be used is in the master file.
6. Approved revising the 2018 Budget to \$893,508.84, which is broken down as \$698,791.84 Cooperative Program funding; \$100,000.00 NAMB funding; \$60,000.00 LifeWay funding; and \$34,717.00 Other Resources funding. A copy of the 2018 budget is in the master file.
7. Approved to invite Cheryl Dowd to assess the Alaska Baptist Convention's 2017 financial records in 2018.
8. Approved to change the 73rd annual meeting place from Muldoon Road Baptist Church to First Baptist Church, Wasilla; and change the 75th annual meeting place from First Baptist Church, Wasilla to First Baptist Church, Anchorage.
9. Approved Jae McKee as our recommended candidate to serve as the ABC's full time State Director of Church Planting and Missions, employed by NAMB.
10. Approved to clarify the meaning of ABC Bylaws Article VI, Section 2—that the Executive Board authorize the Executive Committee to act on its behalf with full authority when the Executive Board is not in regular session.
11. Approved Hillside Baptist Church to be the first quarter 2018 recipient of the 2000 Club Call.
12. Approved Christ Community Church to be the second quarter 2018 recipient of the 2000 Club Call.
13. Approved the following special offering goals for 2018: Valeria Sherard State Mission Offering to be \$90,000; Annie Armstrong Easter Offering to be \$95,000; and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to be \$150,000.
14. Approved the following resolution: Whereas, there is a homeless problem in Alaska; And Whereas, we have a biblical mandate in Luke 14:13-14 and Matthew 25:34-40 to provide for those who are in need; now therefore be it Resolved, on this 7th day of November, 2017, that Alaska Baptist Convention churches bind together the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving in a Day of Prayer for guidance and vision in ministering to the homeless.
15. Approved to form a task force consisting of Jimmy Stewart, Cliff Day, Paul Frost, one member of the Executive Committee, and one representative from each region elected by the ABC President. The purpose of the task force is to investigate how local churches may minister to the homeless population. Their first report will be presented at the May 2018 Executive Board meeting and the final report presented at the November 2018 Executive Board meeting.
16. Approved to elect Barbara Sandberg, member of Glacier Valley Baptist Church, Juneau, to replace Brea Mearig on the Birchwood Behavioral Health Board of Directors with term expiring 2020.
17. Approved to elect Ted Sutton, pastor of First Native Baptist Church, Anchorage, to replace George Stewart on the Birchwood Behavioral Health Board of Directors with term expiring 2019.
18. Approved the 2018 housing allowances submitted by Randy Covington, Jimmy Stewart, and Jae McKee. A copy of each housing allowance request can be found in their personnel file.

Women's Winter Wake-Up

On the Go!

Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8

Friday-Saturday, February 2-3, 2018
University Baptist Church, Fairbanks

Friday: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 - 2:00, with lunch

Register online at: tvba@tananavalleybaptistassociation.com

Cost: \$15. Send payment to TVBA, POB 60261, Fairbanks, AK 99706-0261

Association annual meeting reports

The **Chugach Baptist Association** met for their annual meeting on Thursday, October 19 at First Baptist Church in Anchorage. The Leadership Team presented a strategy plan for future engagement that involves church planting, church revitalization, and statewide missions' activity. Butch Strickland was elected by unanimous vote to serve as the new Director of Missions for Chugach Baptist Association. Tracy Simmons is the moderator of the association for 2018 and serves as pastor of Christ Community Church.



Pictured (l to r): Cliff Day, Tracy Simmons, Butch Strickland, Randy Graham

Mark Christensen, pastor of Salcha Baptist Church moderated the annual meeting of the **Tanana Valley Baptist Association**. The meeting was held Saturday morning, November 4 at

Shannon Park Baptist Church. Mark was re-elected to serve a second term as moderator. Sandy Buchanan is the administrative assistant for the association.

CrossCountry Church in Wasilla hosted the annual meeting of the **Hatcher Pass Baptist Association** Saturday morning, October 21. Worship was led by the Celebrate Recovery Worship Team at CrossCountry. Butch Strickland, DOM for Hatcher Pass Association brought the missions challenge, and Mike Balos, pastor of CrossCountry Church and outgoing moderator, brought the annual message. Scott Thompson with Faith Recovery Fellowship is the new moderator for the association.



Pictured (l to r): Mike Balos, Butch Strickland, Scott Thompson

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First Baptist Church, Soldotna, needs financial assistance to renovate and update their church parsonage in anticipation of the arrival of a new pastor and family. Renovation will include flooring, cabinetry, painting and plumbing.

2000 Club • Fourth Quarter 2017

\$12,715
has been
received for
4Q 2017*
*as of 10/31/17

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN — NOV • DEC • JAN —

December

3-10 Week of Prayer for International Missions
and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
21-Jan 1 ABC and ABF office closed
for Christmas holidays

January 2018

February

2-3 Women's Winter Wake-Up, Fairbanks
5-6 State Evangelism Conference, Anchorage

March

4-11 Week of Prayer for North American Missions
and the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
16-17 Avalanche '18 (Youth Evangelism Conference)
22 Vacation Bible School training, Anchorage area
24 Vacation Bible School training, Fairbanks area
26 Vacation Bible School training, the Valley

SAVE THE DATE!

April 5-7 Women on Mission Celebration
April 26-28 Ministers and Spouses Conference

Because of
your congregation's
Cooperative Program giving
through the
Alaska Baptist Convention,
in October 2017

\$41,906.21

remained in Alaska

for
missions and ministries.