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Monthly Mission Report September 2023

BEGINNING BALANCE:	\$2,415,142.39
RECEIPTS: Interstate Salaries Foreign & National Salaries Designated Undesignated TOTAL RECEIPTS:	\$ 52,811.13 \$ 52,112.45 \$ 34,103.72 \$ 10,672.34 \$ 149,699.64
BALANCE FOR SALARY/EXPENSE	\$2,564,842.03
DISBURSEMENTS: Interstate Salaries Foreign Salaries National Salaries Designated Sal/Exp of Sec-Treas Office Office Salaries General Office Automobile Exp Sec/Treas of Missions-Expense Postage	\$ 62,467.25 \$ 31,433.76 \$ 25,550.00 \$ 34,603.72 \$ 13,594.04 \$ 3,967.37 \$ 585.00 \$ 1,249.80 \$ 496.82 \$ 19,893.03
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	\$ 173,947.76
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD:	\$ 2,390,894.27
DEFICIT FOR SEPTEMBER	\$ (24,248.12)



Missions Conference, Hyde Park MBC, West Monroe, LA

Dear Churches of the American Baptist Association,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We hope this newsletter finds you doing well and prospering in the work of the Lord. For the month of September, the recommended missionaries of the American Baptist Association report 409 professions of faith and 52 baptisms. That brings the totals for this associational year to 1,776 professions of faith and 200 baptisms. We praise the Lord and thank Him for His goodness and faithfulness! Please continue to pray for all our missionaries serving near and far.

My family and I were blessed with good health and safety in our travels this past month. We are thankful to the churches who allowed us to come by and share the work of ABA Missions with them and we very much enjoyed the fellowship and worship together with God's people. We were able to attend and spend Sunday, September 17, with Promise Land MBC in Hamburg, AR. We had wonderful services, and it was a great time. We also received encouragement from Hyde Park MBC in West Monroe, LA. They invited us to be a part of their Mission's Conference, along with missionaries Kevin Amburgey and Jason Hebert, and their families. It was a great time of rest, recreation and feasting on the Word of God. We enjoyed the fellowship and are thankful for how they loved us. I enjoyed each service and was thankful for the opportunity to preach in one of them. I also was blessed to sit on a forum for the Mt. Zion Association. Other panelists were Dan Mendoza, and Michael and Judy Thompson, and the topic of discussion was "Associational Mission work." I'm thankful for the fellowship and for their hospitality.

I do want to remind you of our upcoming Thanksgiving Missions Offering to be received next month. The date we are requesting that this offering be taken is on or before November 19, 2023. This special offering is always a tremendous help to our missionaries and our office, and it helps to offset the deficits that we often carry each month. You will be receiving more information and a poster later this month but the goal for this year is \$325,000. I am always overwhelmed by the faithfulness of God, and the generosity of His people, to meet the needs of our missionaries and our associated work.

Keep on Keeping on, Justin Coburn