

## WHERE DOES THE MISSIONS MONEY GO?

Among Alaska Baptist churches, mission work is supported by your congregation's mission giving through the Alaska Baptist Convention's Cooperative Mission giving and special designated mission offerings, such as: Lottie Moon Offering for International Missions, Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions, Valeria Sherard State Missions Offering, Disaster Relief and offerings for your regional association. The Alaska Baptist "2000 Club" and World Hunger Funds are also promoted and received. The administrative costs for these designated offerings are all covered through the Cooperative Mission Offering. The Cooperative Mission Offering is not something given to...but THROUGH. When churches send their Cooperative Mission gifts to the Alaska Baptist Convention, 64 percent of that money stays in Alaska, and 36 percent of the money is forwarded to the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) Executive Committee in Nashville, Tennessee for distribution to causes listed in the budget. (The SBC budget is approved by the SBC during its annual meeting.)

The Cooperative Mission funds remaining in Alaska help to pay the administrative and operational expenses for the Alaska Baptist Convention office and programs. It provides funds so Alaska Baptists can partner with the North American Mission Board to fund 6 career missionary positions, support over 25 other mission ministries, and help provide various other training opportunities. Everything that comes in contact with the Alaska Baptist Convention has been touched in some way by the Cooperative Mission Offering. That is why Cooperative Mission giving is so important. It impacts every mission and ministry in Alaska Baptist work.

The Alaska Baptist Convention belongs to the churches, missions, and preaching points in Alaska that are affiliated with the Alaska Baptist Convention. Yet, we help to support over 10,000 missionaries in North America and the world.

"You make a living by what you get;  
you make a life by what you give."

WINSTON CHURCHILL

GOD'S PLAN FOR SHARING IN ALASKA (GPS-A) involves stewardship, a spiritual matter that encompasses



100% of ones resources and not just 10%. If every person in Alaska is going to hear the Gospel by 2020, it is going

to involve praying, engaging, sowing, harvesting and stewardship. This is a cooperative effort to tell Alaska, North America and the world about Jesus.

Honor the LORD with your possessions and with the first produce of your entire harvest; then your barns will be completely filled, and your vats will overflow with new wine.

PROVERBS 3:9-10 (HCSB)

"Will a man rob God? Yet you are robbing Me!" You ask: "How do we rob You?" "[By not making the payments] of 10 percent and the contributions. You are suffering under a curse, yet you--the whole nation-- are [still] robbing Me. Bring the full 10 percent into the storehouse so that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this way," says the Lord of Hosts. "See if I will not open the floodgates of heaven and pour out a blessing for you without measure. I will rebuke the devourer for you."

MALACHI 3:8-11A (HCSB)



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# Alaska Baptist Convention

Ethics and Religious Liberty

SBC Operating Budget



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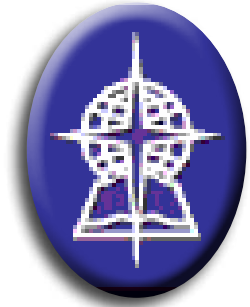
Missions Giving

# God's tithes and our offerings given to Alaska Baptist churches

Each church sends a percentage or fixed amount of its undesignated offerings to the Alaska Baptist Convention.



Love in ACTION



## Alaska Baptist Convention (ABC)

**64 percent** of undesignated receipts remain in Alaska.

### Administration/Operations

- Executive Director/Treasurer:
  - Salary/Housing
  - Annuity/Insurance
  - Travel/Reimbursements
  - Hosting/Contingency
- Executive Board Expenses/Insurance
- Annual Convention Meetings
- Workman's Compensation
- Bookkeeper and Secretaries
- Insurance and Annuity for Support Staff
- Equipment Maintenance
- Office Expenses and Acknowledgements
- Building Maintenance
- Utilities, Building Insurance, and Security
- Snow Removal/Grass Mowing
- Janitorial
- Gifts and Honoraria
- Alaska Baptist Messenger

### Missions

- Appointed Career Missionaries:
  - Salary/Housing
  - Annuity/Insurance
  - Travel/Reimbursements
- Mission Assistance to new congregations
- Training Events
- Mission Promotion
- Ministers and Spouses Conference
- Native Work
- Church/Community Missions
- Summer Missionaries and Volunteers
- 2000 Club
- Disaster Relief
- Woman's Missionary Union
- Men's Ministries
- Supplemental Annuity for Pastors
- Annuity for General Missionaries
- Partnership Missions
- Alaska Baptist Family Services
- Alaska Baptist Foundation
- Alaska Seminary Partnership
- Missionary Benefits

### Church Development

- Director:
  - Salary/Housing
  - Annuity/Insurance
  - Travel/Reimbursements
- Sunday School
- Discipleship
- Church Music
- Student Ministries
- Support Programs
- Orientation of new pastors
- Vacation Bible School Training
- Training Teens Today (T3)
- Equip.net

### Evangelism

- Director:
  - Salary/Housing
  - Annuity/Insurance
  - Travel/Reimbursements
- Evangelism Conference
- Evangelism Materials
- Evangelism Programs

## Southern Baptist Convention (SBC)

**36 percent** of undesignated receipts are forwarded to the SBC.

- 50% International Missions
- 22.79% North American Missions
- 21.92% Seminaries (six)
- 3.64% SBC Operating Budget, Annual Meeting, and, Archives
- 1.65% Ethics and Religious Liberties Commission

LifeWay Christian Resources and Woman's Missionary Union receive no direct Cooperative Program monies. Support comes from the sale of materials. LifeWay contributes \$67,000 annually toward the Alaska Baptist Convention budget. Support from wMu is for designated projects.

The Cooperative Mission Program helps Acts 1:8 and Matthew 28:19-20 become a reality.

