

MBA of Texas July 2019 Mission Reports

July beginning balance: \$61,771.61 / **Offerings:** \$20,683.67 / **Missionary Support:** \$10,950 / **Adm. Salary:** \$2,600 / **Expenses:** (\$10-designated) Office expenses (postage, ink, paper-\$339.70) = \$349.70 / **July 31st balance:** \$68,555.58

Souls Saved: 4 Baptized: 1 Letter: 3

Since November 1st there have been 25 saved, 14 baptized, 8 joining by letter, and 1 surrendering to the ministry.

The MBA of Texas was shared with: Fellowship BC in Conroe; Heartland BC in Longview; Life Point MBC in Early; the ETBMC at Mt. Sylvia MBC in Mount Pleasant; and the Southwest Mission Rally at Life Point MBC in Early.

Leland Acker- Life Point MBC- Early

July: was another great month for Life Point BC as we continued to see first time visitors, and attendance has held steady in the low-to-mid 20s. Currently we are doing outreach via personal visitation, phone calls, and social media.

Stats: We averaged 18 in SS; 22 in MW; and 11 on WE. Our offering was \$2,030.12 with \$350 given to missions.

By the numbers: We made 15 visits, 22 phone calls, 551 reached on social media, with 5 first time visitors and 4 repeat visitors.

Glenn McCarver- Borderland MBC- El Paso

New Members: Last month, we welcomed two new members to our congregation in El Paso. Bobby and Paula McCarver moved from East Texas to the Borderland. If the last name sounds familiar, it should. These are my parents. They are already a great blessing to the work here!

Door Knocking: The first of July, my dad went door knocking with our congregation for the first time. He was instrumental in an elderly lady visiting our services for the first time. While she grew up a Baptist, she married a man who was Lutheran and for all the years they were married, she attended with him. Her husband passed away last December, so when my dad knocked on her door to invite her to our meeting, she said she would come. The next day, she was there and sang along with us. She said she will come back and bring someone with her. Pray for her to follow through and return.

Come join us: We are excitedly planning to begin a second service (in a different part of town) in the next couple of months. This area is on the eastside of El Paso (and home to the largest populated zip code in the US). As the scope of our ministry continues to increase, we pray that others will come and join us here to see God's Word carried to the Borderland!

Victor Rice- Shiloh MBC- San Antonio

Praise: Before any figures are reported I want to praise the Lord for a great month of answered prayers, support, both spiritual and financial, and the Lord adding to the church. For without the Lord none of this is possible.

One Sunday morning service an older lady that visited for a month came forward after accepting the Lord and request to join by baptism. The following week we had Sis. Blakeley, who is serving in the Air Force, and had been coming for 1½ years, and a member at New Hope in Ark. came forward to join by letter and her pastor (dad) presented her letter at the service.

Stats: We averaged 15 in SS; 28 in MW; 16 SE; and 15 on WE. Our offering was \$5,059.01 with \$369 given to missions and \$1,200 paid on rent. We had **4 saved, 1 baptized, and 1 to join by letter.**

One Monday at work I was in Kerrville getting one of our trucks oil changed when a gentleman who was the organist for the church of Scientology carried on a conversation about religion and I shared there is a big difference in man's religion verses God only. The result as I was sharing about how we are sinners with hope in man and shared a verse concerning the woman caught in adultery that he wanted explained. Afterwards he realized he was a sinner and cried out to the Lord as Savior. And he said he guessed he wasn't going to be their organist anymore and was going back and have the female pastor explain why she was not presenting the full bible.

The last Sunday morning service, we had prior to the baptism, a man come forward professing Christ as Savior and request joining by baptism. We went to Faith MBC to use their baptistery. Afterwards a young 10yr. old girl pulled me aside and asked to be baptized after hearing Acts chapter 8. I explained how she was a sinner and needed to ask forgiveness and call upon Jesus Christ as Savior. Upon her praying to the Lord with me and her grandmother, she received Christ. Praise the Lord for He is good all the time.

David Smith- Lifeline BC- Mansfield

VBS: We had 10 children come out on average each of our 3 day VBS. One family has visited our church from this outreach already. There were about 10 volunteers who helped us each day. We are so thankful for each one that came to help us. Our Mobile Church became a real blessing as we utilized it for our VBS. We were able to play outside with the kids and have crafts in the cool indoors as well. It served us well. We are anticipating more opportunities as God opens the doors for us.

Stats: Our average was 14 in MW and 6 in small groups. We had 2 first time guests. Our offering was \$2,150 with \$600 given to missions and \$650 paid on

rent. Also \$300 was paid toward the pastor, and \$150 for the pastor's insurance.

Faith Promise: Our folks are giving to our mission projects and it is a blessing. By the grace of God in a few more months we hope to be sending the funds to help build a water well for a village in India, which is for the orphanage as well that we are helping Sis. Terry Hilliard with.

Picnic: Two African churches joined with Lifeline to host a community picnic event. We were all able to witness to a lot of different people: Muslims, Hispanic, and many more. The gospel was presented by all these men. Bro. Ted Barker was with us too!

Daniel Tijerina- A New Beginning BC- Mission

Growth: We have been meeting at Mt. Calvary MBC in Pharr. A large family that are members has returned to have fellowship with us.

As I stated in my previous report, a Pastor friend has been attending services with us. He is helping me prepare a plan of action for the mission so that we may continue moving forward working in the Lord's Vineyard. He also helps me preach since my knee injury is not one hundred percent healed.

Praises: We give all Honor and Glory to our Lord and Savior for His care and provision for us. We also thank our sponsoring church and each one who supports the MBA, TMD, and TMB.

Stats: Our averages were 23 in MW; 12 in EW; and 6 on WE.

Future: We have submitted the TMD application to Bro. Slocumb for the 4th quarter funds. If the Lord sees it fit for us to receive the funds, they shall be used to assist us with acquiring a permanent meeting place. Plans to organize into a local New Testament Church next year are moving forward.

Joe Bozarth- Fellowship MBC- Conroe

Wonderful: We had a wonderful month. A lot of visitors, some were prospects. I'm looking forward to reaching out to those guest who have attended. Our membership has suffered a lot of sickness and one death. As I prepare this report I am also thinking about the funeral. The gentleman was a veteran and was in the V. A. Hospital, which is located across Houston from us, about 70-80 miles in downtown Houston traffic. Others have been closer and not so much traffic.

Stats: Our averages were 11 in SS; 15 in MW; 8 in SE; and 10 WE. Our offering was \$3,391 with \$364.12 given to missions and \$3,002.32 paid on the loan.

Preparing: We are still preparing for the new property to be turned into a park and play ground. We had the brush cleared and the clearing left a lot of small stumps that will need to be removed by hand. This mission is excited about getting the project finished and allowing people to come and we can reach out while they

enjoy the games prepared for them. And at the same time we are busy in planning for the year ahead. We are trying to prepare teams for outreach.

Steven Haney- Texas Tech MBSF- Lubbock

Thanks: I would like to start off by thanking all those that have supported us through thoughts, prayers, and offering, this month. We greatly appreciate all the love and generosity and it is a great encouragement. July went by quickly for us in working at Quaker and trying to finalize things at Texas Tech starting back in the fall. My family and I took about 5 days to head to Arkansas to see my family, the next week was VBS, and the following week was our church camp with our local association.

Contacts: We have had some good news about the MBSF as well. We have 3 prospective students that we have been informed will be attending Tech this fall by members of MBA of Texas churches that we are praying will desire to join up with us on campus. We have contacted them and given them some of our information as well as invited them to some of our fellowships and our back to school bash in August. If **you** know of someone who will be attending Texas Tech this fall, I would love to get their contact information to send them details about what the MBSF is and that we would love to have them come and check us out.

Hub Fest: We will also be hosting our Hub City Fest booth on August 23rd where we will have the chance to speak with and hand out flyers to over 3,000 freshmen that come through the booth spaces. Last year we handed out over 750 flyers and we are praying this year to be able to hand out over 1,000 and have the chance to speak with as many as will listen. We are praying that God will send us some students whose hearts and minds are looking for something for God to get involved with on campus and that they will want to jump in and start helping us get registered on campus and reaching other students. Please pray for us about those prospective students, our booth on campus, as well as more churches willing to come on board in support of this ministry.

Support: We are averaging \$2,900/month of the \$4,500/month we are trying to raise, of which around \$3,000 would be salary with the remaining funds being used to pay for MBSF housing cost, utilities, promotional material, and miscellaneous costs. If your church would like to hear more about the work please let me know, I would love to come and present the work and some of the plans we have for this fall! We do have a Facebook page for the MBSF under Raider MBSF that you can check out to see some of what we are doing and the events we have coming up!