

MBA of Texas November 2021 Mission Reports

November beginning balance: \$101,495.04 / Offerings: \$25,497.58 / Missionary Support: \$12,950 / Admin. Salary: \$2,600 / Transition Salary: \$1,300 / Expenses: (Office: \$257.47) (designated: \$10) (designated-Simmons Family: \$1,641) (Minute Fund: \$8,137.22)(SC: 0.45)= \$10,046.14 / November 30th balance: \$100,096.48
(Minute Fund: \$11,964.15)

Statement: 2

Since November 1, 2021, **2 joined by statement.**

The newly elected Secretary/ Treasurer for the MBA of Texas is Bro. Daniel (Danny) Mendoza. Pray for him as he comes on board. The Assistant Secretary/ Treasurer is Bro. Justin Gatlin.

Beginning in January 2022, mail your church offerings to: MBA of Texas, PO Box 2318, Dayton, Texas 77535. Please DO NOT put a person's name on the check, endorse it to: "MBA of Texas".

The 2021-22 missionaries and monthly support for the MBA of Texas are: Bro. Joe Bozarth- \$3,000; Bro. David Smith- \$2,850; Bro. Glenn McCarver- \$2,500/ Bro. Victor Rice- \$1,600/ and Bro. Greg Devine- \$4,000. The 2021-22 state projects and monthly support for the MBA of Texas are: Bro. Larry Watson- \$1,500/ Bro. Steven Haney- Designated funds.

Victor Rice- Shiloh MBC- San Antonio

Homeless: The month of November was a busy time as our ridership for the homeless ministry keeps climbing in attendance with several that are being placed in housing. We are assisting in getting these settled in their new places with items to help with their home. We are seeing as God placed the homeless in homes, He then gives us new faces to work with and the van is adding mileage as we are picking up the ones that are in their new place. We are thankful to the Lord for their housing, and thankful they still want to come to church and not forsake the Lord after being blessed.

Blessed: We were blessed to be approved for the monthly support for the upcoming year as we work in getting a building. We also thank the Lord for having the opportunity to speak for the state ladies auxiliary project. Even though we were slightly out voted, I am thankful that the ministry was proclaimed. We cooked and had a Thanksgiving meal which our new members enjoyed as we fellowshiped together.

Stats: We averaged 26 in SS; 28 in MW; 16 in EW, and 14 on WE. Our offering was \$1,419 with \$500 given to missions and \$1,200 paid on rent.

Sick: We closed the month with one of our members getting Covid. Keep my wife

Ramona in prayer as she has been very ill for the last week and awaiting results for Covid also. We need prayers as our offerings have gone very low due to job losses and cut in pay for some. The Lord will provide.

Glenn McCarver- Borderland MBC- El Paso

State: We enjoyed the fellowship (and great preaching) at the state meeting. Thank you to Walnut Street MBC for hosting the meeting. Also, thank you to the MBA of Texas for supporting the work here in El Paso this past year and for voting to continue the support for the coming year! Thank you to Bro. Gilbert for his tireless efforts as Secretary-Treasurer of the MBA of Texas, and welcome to Bro. Mendoza as the newly elected Treasurer.

Brothers: This month we were blessed to have Bro. and Sis Veazey in our services. Bro Veazey presented the work that God has placed on his heart, and brought a wonderful (and timely) message. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin to work in our neighbor city of Las Cruces, NM. It is a blessing to know that instead of hundreds of miles away, we will have someone working that is only about 40-50 miles away! We as a congregation have been praying that God would send someone to the city of Las Cruces, and He has answered that prayer!

Stats: We averaged 10 in MW; 7 on WE, with 2 visitors. We gave \$350 to missions.

Shade Tree: When we moved to El Paso, we begin what we call “Shade Tree Ministries”, which is our outreach to the homeless of our city. It is time for our Fourth annual Christmas outreach. This year, like last, we would love to be able to not only help those here in El Paso, but also the less fortunate in our sister city, Juarez (Mexico). We will begin in El Paso with the homeless and then continue on to Juarez. It is our desire to share with as many as possible. If you would like to help us, you may send an offering and we can certainly buy the items here to distribute them. Simply note on the check that your offering is for this outreach. In addition to things of-need, we also include candy and gospel tracts. Thank you so much for being a part of Borderland’s Shade Tree Ministries fourth annual Christmas outreach.

Steven Haney-Texas Tech MBSF Director- Lubbock

New Student: November was busy but not so much with the MBSF. Due to the Annual MBA of Texas meeting and then Thanksgiving we were only able to have 2 Bible study meetings but God still blessed! At our last November meeting we had another new student join us and had a lot of questions which was great. This semester we have been looking at other Christian denominations and their beliefs and are now onto why we as Baptists believe what we believe. We will be losing one of our students this semester due to graduating TTU this December. Hadley is

a student from Nigeria that has been with us for the past 2 years and we will celebrate his graduating with him but will miss him as well. Please be in prayer for Hadley as he moves on from TTU to whatever God has for him next in his life. We had another blessing as well having been selected by the Ladies Auxiliary of the MBA of Texas as their mission point for this next year for our building fund! **Goal:** We are currently at \$3,500/ month of our \$4,500/ month goal and hope to make it to at least \$4,000/ month within the next year so we can afford the monthly payments and upkeep on the MBSF house we hope to purchase within the next year or two if God allows! Thank you all for your support and prayers; please continue to pray for this ministry and the students of Texas Tech University! May God richly bless you all!

Larry Watson- Landmark MBC- Rockdale

Streaming: We have much to be thankful for this November! I was able to attend the state meeting, and meet some of you all. Our church is grateful for the continued support from the MBA. We did have some low attendance days, people have been out sick or traveling for the holidays. Due to that, we finally made the decision to stream our Sunday Morning service to our Facebook private group. Once we get the hang of it, and work out all the details, we may move over to our public page. At this time though, we do share the group to let people know they're welcome to join and listen. We're open for suggestions if there is anything that works well for those of you currently streaming.

Stats: We averaged 13 in SS; 13 in MW; 9 in EW; and 6 for WE. Our offering was \$1,982 with \$200 given to missions.

Friendships: We also had a nice visit with our former pastor Bro. David Gonnella, and his wife Judith. It was a sweet time of fellowship, and we were blessed with a message he brought for our afternoon service.

Fellowship: We have a couple of fellowship activities planned for December and we're hoping that we're able to reach those outside of the church as well. Please remember us in prayer, as always we are praying for you all.

Daniel Tijerina- A New Beginning BC- Mission

Blessings: The month of November was filled with blessings. We had the opportunity to gather and learn about giving thanks to God for everything especially for His One and Only Son.

I was blessed to travel to this year's MBA Annual meeting to thank the churches for their prayers and support. We held our Thanksgiving meal at our home.

Missions: We are working closely with some missionaries in Mexico and praying and seeking direction as to how we can be a blessing to them.

Some of our members have been taking piano classes with other church members

at Gethsemane. The classes have been a blessing.

Stats: Our average attendance was 8. The weather and distance that some of the members need to travel have kept us from gathering.

We thank the Lord for His provision and grace. Thank you to all of the churches of the MBA and to our sponsoring church-Unity MBC of Longview.

Joe Bozarth- Fellowship BC- Conroe

Ladies: November was a great month for us. Attendance was up and there were quite a few activities. The Ladies Auxiliary had a special evening meeting one Monday night and enjoyed fellowship among each other.

Stats: Our average attendance was 21 in SS; 24 in MW; 13 in EW; and 12 on WE. Our offering was \$5,162 with \$549 given to missions and \$3,002 paid on the loan.

Thanks: Our Thanksgiving dinner was held on November 21st. There was a short skit, special music and lots of good food. The Youth Group called Russia one Sunday morning this month and spoke to Holly Naimushina for nearly an hour. They learned about the mission work in Russia and are excited to communicate with the team in the future.

David Smith- Lifeline BC- Mansfield

Jase Fuller: Jase is our student and outreach Minister. He comes from Amarillo and is a student at Texas Baptist Institute. He came with a TBI team back in September to help us do some outreach. He has a soul-winner's heart and loves to teach and work with young people. We look forward to what God will do with this young man.

Joined: We rejoice that Bro. Terry Edwards and his wife Connie have joined with us. They have closed their church in Crowley and merged with Lifeline. Bro. Terry has been a member at Sublett Road BC for many years dating back to the time of Harmon Hunt.

Stats: Our high attendance was 32! We averaged 18 in MW and 12 in small groups. We had **2 to join by statement**. We gave \$370 to missions and paid \$725 on rent.

5 Acres: Bro. Terry's church, Crossroads BC, has closed its doors and decided to merge with our church. They have five beautiful acres of land which will be liquidated in order to purchase property and build a building in the Mansfield area. We praise God for His amazing Blessings!

Greg Devine- Rosharon Church Plant

288: Thank you very much for your interest in and prayers for the Rosharon Church Plant! We are excited about all the things that God has done, and so glad that you will be a part of our journey. We have hit the ground running since Unity

MBC voted on November 10th to send me out as their missionary to the 288 corridor south of the Houston metroplex. On the 17th, the messengers of the MBA of Texas voted to add me as a state missionary with a salary of \$4,000/ month. This is a huge step towards meeting the needs of myself and my family and we are so grateful to be added to this program.

Costly: With projected living cost of \$3,500/ month plus rent (which will cost over \$2,000/ month in our target area) we still have a huge gap to make up for our monthly needs. After that, we will be looking to build a monthly budget beyond my salary and housing to pay for ministry needs. We are thankful that we already have some churches and individuals who have made pledges to support us monthly, with even more who are looking forward to have us visit them in the near future. Thank you Friendship MBC in Clarksville for the opportunity to share the work on the 21st, and to Chapelwood MBC in Huntsville on the 28th. Friendship shared a generous food pounding, and Chapelwood voted the same day to partner with us. God is already blessing!

Searching: Please pray that God would guide our efforts to move to the Rosharon area. We have made rental applications for 4 different houses, and are still waiting to hear back as I'm writing this report. There are a number of houses in the region, but few in our more specific target area. We are ready to move! We know that God is in control and that we will land in the house that He has chosen for us. Please pray also for our sending church and pastor as they are working hard to establish themselves as our sending church. We are working daily in the initial stage of this church plant. December is going to be a great month, and we are looking forward to coming to visit many of you as we celebrate Christmas and the New Year.