

MBA of Texas September 2021 Mission Reports

September beginning balance: \$94,512.92 / Offerings: \$20,272.81 / Missionary Support: \$12,450 / Admin. Salary: \$ 2,600 / Expenses: (designated-\$210)(Office-\$357.95)= \$567.95 / September 30th balance: \$99,167.78
(Minute Fund: \$10,456.57)

Saved: 2 Baptized: 1

Since November 1st, 12 were saved, 5 were baptized, 10 joined by letter, and 2 joined by statement.

The MBA of Texas was shared with the Red River Association at Austin Chapel MBC in DeKalb; the Mission Valley Association at Shiloh MBC in San Antonio; the Tri-County Association at Landmark MBC in Athens; the Southwest Association at Ridgecrest MBC in Levelland; and Landmark MBC in Floresville.

The MBA of Texas State meeting will be held at Hillsboro MBC in Waco on November 16th-17th. The meeting information is on page 2 of the 2020 Minute Book. For a Missionary Booth call Bro. Paul Clark at 254-580-5068.

Glenn McCarver; El Paso; Borderland MBC

Trouble: The day after our sponsoring church (Northside BC) voted to send us to El Paso in July of 2017, we headed to camp from Snyder to Ruidoso, NM. When we got near Tatum, NM our van broke down as well as their bus. Fast forward four years, and as we were headed to our local association, our van (different one) began to overheat just outside of Tatum, NM! We limped our way into town (it took about 2 hours to drive about 8 miles), and the only thing in town is a tire shop. After talking to the owner, he said that he would look at it for us. Just when he thought that he had it temporarily fixed, it started spewing out anti-freeze, again! At this point, he said that it would be tomorrow before he could continue looking at our van. Then, there was a new problem, we went to get a room at the only motel in town, and they were closed for a Jewish holiday. So, now, our only option was to limp our way to the next town 22 miles away (Lovington). We made it about 5 miles before we had to pull over, and wait for the engine to cool down. Then, within about 10 minutes of each other two vehicles stopped. The first wasn't able to help us, but the second was an older truck. As it is pulling in front of us, I said tell him to just pull us the rest of the way. From my mouth to God's ears is literally what happened! He pulled us the last 16 miles to the hotel.

Blessing: The next morning, when I called the ONLY mechanic in Lovington, I found they wouldn't be able to look at it. Here is what it means to have great friends (family) and a great sponsoring church is a blessing! Instead of going to the meeting (that we were all going to attend), they (Bro. and Sis. Davis and Bro. and

Sis. Rice) drove to our rescue! Bro. Victor Rice spent the time he had planned to report on the work in San Antonio fixing our van. Words cannot begin to say or do justice the blessing that all four were to us! Thank you doesn't begin to convey our gratitude, but thank you to Bro. Victor for fixing our van, Bro. Ron (and Northside) for providing the parts and transportation, Sis Tammy and Sis. Ramona for their patience and for the fellowship we were able to enjoy! Thank you to all the good Samaritans that helped us along the way. Most of all, thank you to God for preparing everyone's hearts to be of help and supplying the needs!

Stats: We averaged 9 in MW; 7 on WE; with 2 visitors and 1 first time visitor.

Larry Watson; Rockdale; Landmark MBC

Visitors: Praise the Lord for another month to serve Him. This month we had some low attendance weeks, due to families having to quarantine, and some traveling for funerals. In spite of that we still had a few visitors and we're grateful that everyone has remained healthy as far as covid is concerned. We did decide to postpone reinstating our second service, due to so many out, and will re-evaluate that now that almost everyone is back.

Repairs: We're excited that the work on our building was completed this month. We have a beautiful new roof and a fresh coat of paint on our exterior! Again, we are so grateful for God's blessings!

Stats: We averaged 12 in MW (High of 20); 12 in SS; 7 on WE, and 3 first time visitors. Our offering was \$1449 with \$145 given to missions.

Steven Haney; Lubbock; MBSF Director at Texas Tech

6-7: We have had 4 Bible studies so far this semester and one cook out to kick off the semester! Our Bible studies are averaging 6-7 Tech students and our cook out had 8 Tech students! We have 1 student that has been unable to make our Bible studies due to a lab during that time and another that is trying to get his work schedule changed so he can make it as well! Our Student President is already planning some booths for this semester as well as getting the other students to sign up for volunteer opportunities both on and off campus! It's been great seeing the passion of our current officers to make this group into something big!

Questions: One of the biggest questions the students had at the first of the semester was why there are so many Christian denominations so that has been what we are looking at. This gives me not only a chance to go over what other denominations believe but also to spend time going over why we believe the way we do and how so many others have misused or misunderstood scripture. Please continue to pray for us as we look at ways to get more on campus through booths and volunteer opportunities, as we look for more churches to step out alongside us to reach our goal of \$4,500/month in support, as we look for a building close to campus, and for

more students to have the heart and desire to join in with our group as we try to reach the campus for Christ! You can contact me at s_haneymbsf@outlook.com or (806) 470-2850! Thank you all and may God richly bless you!

David Smith; Mansfield; Lifeline BC

Back to Church Sunday: We had a wonderful turnout for Back to Church Sunday. There were 32 present with 3 first time visitors. Pray that we see these folks return. Pray for decisions to be made for Christ.

Heather Smith: We had preliminary events to help us reach more people by inviting Heather Smith, a country gospel singer, to sing for us. As usual, she did a great job for the Savior. We all loved her music for Jesus.

TBI: Bro. Kuni Oba led a team of 6 to go canvassing our neighborhoods. We used the Bless method which has been very beneficial in our door-to-door outreach efforts. As a result we had 2 first time visitors to come for our special Sunday.

Stats: We averaged 13 in Small Groups; 20 in MW; and 3 first time guests. Our offering was \$3,225, with \$1,350 given to missions and \$725 paid on rent.

Wedding: Alice and I took off for Florida in order to attend our grandson's wedding. We are so happy for him. We thank God for Bro. Ricky Langford who filled my pulpit and Stephen Davis for taking care of Bible studies.

Victor Rice; San Antonio; Shiloh MBC

Baptism: We give thanks for having Bro. Michael Fagan's baptism and Faith MBC for blessing us with the use of the baptistery.

Meetings: We hosted the Local Mission Valley Association where my son Bro. Joseph moderated the meeting. I also attended the Tri-County Association to talk about the work and was blessed by the message and fellowship. We also planned to attend the Southwest Association but while riding up with our sponsoring pastor we found out that Bro. McCarver and family broke down in New Mexico, so we diverted to repair their car.

Stats: We had **1 baptized**. We averaged 18 in SS; 21 in MW; 15 in EW; and 14 in WE. Our offering was \$5,060 with \$506 given to missions and \$1,200 paid on rent.

Funds: Our building fund is being blessed by God as we have received a total of \$5,375 thus far.

Daniel Tijerina; Mission; A New Beginning BC

Stats: This month we have gathered in our home, in Mexico, and at Getsemani MBC in Mission. We had **two professions of faith**. We averaged 12 in attendance.

Attack: We continue to pray for God's will for us. Please pray for us as we have been under attack by the enemy as a family and individually-mentally, spiritually, and physically (health).

Thanks: Thank you to all the churches that give to the MBA and to our sponsoring church for their prayers and support. May the Lord richly bless each of you!

Joe Bozarth; Conroe; Fellowship BC

God is good: We have been having good attendance in our services. Attendance in the evening has been really good, as well. God is good! Covid has affected our attendance some but everyone has recovered and seems to be doing well.

Stats: We averaged 17 in SS; 20 in MW; 16 in EW; and 13 in WE. Our offering was \$5,226.67 with \$547.68 given to missions and \$3,002 paid on the loan.

Help: We have a young man in our church who is helping with our teens now. They are planning a day together at the end of the month.