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Monthly Mission Report August 2017

Beginning Balance **\$1,069,815.41**

RECEIPTS:

Interstate Salaries	\$59,834.30
Foreign & National Salaries	\$54,072.94
Designated	\$30,100.24
Undesignated	\$19,715.49

TOTAL RECEIPTS **\$163,722.97**

BALANCE FOR SALARY/EXPENSE **\$1,233,538.38**

DISBURSEMENTS

Interstate Salaries	\$68,252.25
Foreign Salaries	\$18,679.20
National Salaries	\$23,079.20
Designated	\$30,100.24
Salaries & Expenses of Sec-Treas. Office	
Office Salaries	\$11,220.47
General Office	\$2,832.63
Postage	\$300.00
Automobile Expense	\$295.22

\$14,648.32

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS **\$154,759.21**

BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD **\$1,078,779.17**

Surplus for August **\$8,963.76**

We must never lose sight of the reason why God has placed us here and what our mission is all about. In Acts 1:8, the church was given specific instructions in carrying out the Great Commission. They were to begin in "Jerusalem". This was their own community involving neighbors, friends, family, people all about them. Then they were to reach "Judea". This involved their own country. They were to be concerned with those who spoke the same language, had the same customs, lived in the same environment and under the same government. Then they were to go to "Samaria". They were to reach out beyond the confines of their own country and begin evangelizing their own continent. Finally, they were to evangelize "the uttermost part of the earth;" all nations from pole to pole, from sea to sea. How quickly our world could be evangelized if every church would take this plan seriously and begin with its own immediate community, reach out to its own country, its own continent and then send ambassadors to all nations. Notice, Jesus said, "ye shall be witnesses unto me." We are not sent out to spread our culture or to convert people to an ideology or a theological proposition. We are to introduce people to the Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit does the rest!

This month, the missionaries reported **830 salvations** and **32 baptisms**. As we praise the Lord for these dedicated missionaries and their families, may we also intensify our prayers for more men to answer God's call to preach and to go wherever God leads.

May the Lord continue to bless and prosper His churches as we remain committed to the mission of Christ.

Respectfully,

Bryan Sellers