



# SECRETARY-TREASURER OF MISSIONS

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## Monthly Mission Report September 2017

**Beginning Balance** **\$1,078,779.17**

**RECEIPTS:**

Interstate Salaries	\$51,101.35
Foreign & National Salaries	\$46,712.14
Designated	\$30,414.00
Undesignated	\$18,743.52

**TOTAL RECEIPTS** **\$146,971.01**

**BALANCE FOR SALARY/EXPENSE** **\$1,225,750.18**

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Interstate Salaries	\$68,252.25
Foreign Salaries	\$18,679.20
National Salaries	\$23,129.20
Designated	\$30,414.00

Salaries & Expenses of Sec-Treas. Office

Office Salaries	\$11,587.55
General Office	\$2,869.55
Postage	\$300.00
Sec/Treasurer Travel	\$62.12
Automobile Expense	248.05

\$15,067.27

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS** **\$155,541.92**

**BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD** **\$1,070,208.26**

**Deficit for September** **(\$8,570.91)**

“We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers.” 1 Thessalonians 1:2 Pauls’ heart was filled with emotion upon hearing of the progress of this young church. They continued to “sound out the word of the Lord” even while facing great affliction and persecution themselves. They were truly an exemplary church for all believers despite the difficulty they faced each day. Pauls’ response to this was simply to offer a continual prayer of thanksgiving for them. As I thought about this great passage, I was quickly reminded of the churches all over our land that are committed to serving the Lord despite adverse circumstances. Our nation is growing more anti-Christian with each passing day. Things are shaping up quickly for the return of our Lord, but until that day, may we be steadfast, unmovable and always abounding in our service to Jesus Christ. Let us strengthen our prayers for each other and our missionaries as we labor for the Master.

For September, the missionaries reported **651** professions of faith and **22** baptisms. Since June, the total reported salvations are **3,195** and **167** baptisms. Praise the Lord for souls saved and lives changed by the gospel of Jesus Christ.

October and November are usually our biggest travel months of the year. Please continue to pray for us as we try to meet all the appointments and demands that come with this position. Please remember also that November is the Special Thanksgiving Offering for the missionaries. Please pray that we can reach our goal of \$350,000.00. May the Lord continue to shower His blessings on the churches of the American Baptist Association.

*Respectfully,*

*Bryan Sellers*