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Monthly Mission Report September 2016

Beginning Balance \$962,188.65

RECEIPTS:

Interstate Salaries	\$55,235.20
Foreign & National Salaries	\$50,495.15
Designated	\$37,143.32
Undesignated	\$14,528.17

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$157,411.84

BALANCE FOR SALARY/EXPENSE \$1,119,600.49

DISBURSEMENTS

Interstate Salaries	\$82,701.70
Foreign Salaries	\$21,019.20
National Salaries	\$26,702.40
Designated	\$37,143.32

Salaries & Expenses of Sec-Treas. Office

Office Salaries	\$11,132.65
General Office	\$2,294.30
Sec/Treas. Travel	\$1,119.72
Automobile Expense	\$263.61

\$14,810.28

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$182,376.90

BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD \$937,223.59

Deficit for September (24,965.06)

MAKING MISSIONS A PRIORITY

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8

The vision of the Lord's churches is to be both local and global from its inception. For a local church to be fully functioning, it must have a global outreach. This worldwide mission focus must be a part of the DNA of a church from its birth. Sometimes so much goes into getting a church planted that it is tempting to postpone the focus of world missions. Jesus did not tell His church to "phase in" this global focus, He put them on it from the beginning. The local church is the hope of the world, designed by God to reach the world. Make your church a headquarters for world missions. This is both a commandment and a priority with our Lord.

September was a busy month of travel representing ABA missions. I had the honor to travel to Alabama, Indiana, Louisiana and Tennessee.

For this month, the missionaries reported **789 salvations** and **47 baptisms**. Since June, **3,293** professions of faith and **211** baptisms have been reported by the missionaries. Each number represents a person's life that has been dramatically impacted by the gospel of Jesus Christ. Praise the Lord for these faithful missionaries who are not ashamed of the gospel of Christ.

Once again we are gearing up for the Thanksgiving Mission Offering. This special offering is a must in helping to erase the deficit that we have accrued for the past fiscal year. Packets will soon be mailed to the churches. Please make plans to contribute to this offering. With the help of the Lord and His churches, let us meet this goal of \$350,000.00.

Respectfully,

Bryan Sellers