MBA of Texas April 2023 Mission Reports

Since April 1st, **5 saved**, **1 baptized**, 3 joined by statement. **0 Surrendered to Preach**The Secretary / Treasurer of Missions for the MBA of Texas is Bro. Daniel (Danny) Mendoza.
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Please DO NOT put a person's name on the check but endorse it to: "MBA of Texas". General Fund: \$64,656.50, which includes: Minute Fund: \$9,031.00; Missionary Training Fund: \$500

2023 Resurrection Offering Total: \$10,996.00

From your Sec/Treas. Desk: I want to thank each church for giving to this year's Resurrection Offering! Every penny of what was given will go to meet the expenses and needs of supporting our State Mission efforts! Thank you very much!

** Please note in this month's report that Bro. Steven Haney, MBSF Director at Texas Tech University, has accepted a position as Pastor in Henderson, Texas. I am sharing with you all that Quaker Avenue MBC and her Pastor, Monty Hilliard are beginning a search for God's man to step into this vital ministry, Red Raider MBSF for the university campus. If God has stirred your heart about this, please reach out to Bro. Hilliard at (806) 799-6159.

Fellowship Baptist Church, Conroe, April 2023 Report

To the Churches Missionary Baptist Association of Texas,

What a great work we have here at Fellowship Baptist Church in Conroe, Texas! God has been blessing us this past month with many first-time visitors and families that are continuing to visit our church, and our members have been stepping up to facilitate the new needs that are specifically required for new people. The work of the Lord grows from those within, reaching out, and those from without, reaching in. What a great blessing and joy! We had a good turn out this month, starting off with Easter. We had been gearing up with special postcard sized invitations and shared them with our friends and family the week before Easter. While we did not have the turnout that we would have liked, we did gain a new family with three young children. What a blessing as they have been attending Sundays and Wednesdays ever since then. This will help in gaining more young families with small children soon, which we will capitalize on. Success is also met with setbacks. The week after Easter, our church was hit with a Covid outbreak that affected over half our church. We had to have virtual services that Sunday and had very few the following Wednesday. We bounced back from this well the following Sunday with members reaffirming their commitments to service. Continue to pray for a few that are still feeling some residual effects.

This past Sunday, we had **32 people in attendance with 11 being visitors** and seven of these being children. We also had six members not there due to vacation or illness. What a great blessing. Strategically, we are seeing two ladies coming from a nearby apartment complex that could be a great inroad to establishing a network of witnessing opportunities there.

Upcoming events we are asking for your help and/or contribution in are ... • Extra curriculum, props, and manpower for Vacation Bible School in late summer. • Local evangelism efforts such as donations for movie nights, youth ministries, etc. • Starting of care ministries such as Celebrate Recovery, local food bank, etc. • Working musical instruments to help establish a worship team at church.

In Conclusion, we wish to publicly thank along with the MBA of Texas and our sponsoring church of Alvin MBC, the churches directly involved with giving to our work here at Fellowship Baptist. It truly means everything to have their support both prayerfully and financially. We also have several individuals who have contributed to our work, and for that we thank you. May God continue to bless our work as He has these last two months here at Fellowship Baptist. We are looking forward to growth in church health, harmony, and telling His story to our corner in great city of Conroe and the surrounding areas that God allows our light to shine. In God's Everlasting Love, Aaron Bryan-Pastor.

Hwy. 288 Church Planting! April 2023 Report

We are so blessed to have Bobby Bryant Jr. and his family as a part of Coastal Way Baptist Church. I really appreciate the experience, wisdom, fellowship, and servant's heart that he brings to this church, and to the greater 288 Church Planting project. He is carrying on the legacy of his dad and has been a vital "behind the scenes" presence that God has used to bless our work here. I appreciate him filling the pulpit for me on the 23rd while I was enjoying some vacation time with my family, and we rejoiced with him and his wife Michelle as he baptized his daughter Shelby on the 16th. This was the first baptism of Coastal Way Baptist Church, and we pray that it will be the first of many.

I had the privilege of leading another young man to accept Christ as Savior during my time at the Pregnancy Help Center this month. We rejoice every time God uses this ministry to add another name to the Heavenly roll book, but also continue to hope and pray that these new believers will join us for church gatherings. Amy and I have planted countless seeds of church invitations at the pregnancy center with only a few that have attended. I know that mission works, and established churches alike are struggling with seeing the younger generation commit to faithful church attendance. I pray that we are all lifted up by the words of Galatians 6:9—"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

- · Coastal Way Baptist Church continues to see a regular attendance in the mid-twenties. They had a new record high attendance of over 30 on Resurrection Sunday, including two families who attended for the first time.
- · We rejoice with one of the faithful families of Coastal Way Baptist Church in that their young son and daughter both prayed to be saved this month. The added blessing of this praise report is that when his dad told me that his son was ready, I shared a simple Gospel presentation with him, and he led his own son to Christ in their home! And then, the same thing happened with their daughter the following week. I shared with him that it does not have to be Sunday, and there does not have to be a pastor present for someone to pray to receive Jesus's gift of eternal life. Wouldn't it be exciting if we had more church members in our fellowship of churches that took up the mantle of leading people to Christ in their everyday lives?
- · We have confirmed a meeting place for a new Bible study that has a lot of potential to move us forward with the bigger vision of 288 Church Planting. It is the home of a family from a sister church, and it is northwest of Angleton.

This will be a great location to begin to reach out into the southern part of the Rosharon area, and to plant the seeds for a second church. It may be the fall before this new group begins to meet regularly, but we can now make plans to move forward with outreach in this area.

On Saturday July 29, Coastal Way will hold a back-to-school outreach in which they hope to provide school supplies to children who live in the vicinity of their meeting place. Please contact me if you or your church are interested in furnishing supplies, or an offering for them to buy supplies, or coming in person on that day to help. The schools here have specific requirements for thesupplies, so please contact me before you send anything.

In Christ, Pastor Greg Devine.

Borderland B.C. April 2023 Report

Perfect Timing

At the Texas State Meeting in November, Bro. Daniel Barrera had invited me to present our work this year. At the time we had scheduled it for later in the year, but they had a cancellation this month, so he asked me to come to San Antonio. As we were already going to be at Lubbock for our "local" (the nearest church to us is in Andrews about 4 hours away) association meeting, I was happy to be able to go. Missionary Baptist Church was more than a gracious host, and we thoroughly enjoyed the time that we were able to present the work and fellowship with this loving congregation.

About 2 years ago, Bro. Victor Rice asked me if I was in need of a pulpit. Shiloh MBC had a new one and wanted to see their former one continue to be used. We gladly accepted the offer, and Bro. Rice told me the story behind it. Fast forward to the present, and during my time to present the work here in the El Paso Borderland, I asked if there were any questions. A lady came to the front to show me a picture of our pulpit to ask me if I recognized it. She then proceeded to tell me how her daddy had built that many years ago, and that she was thrilled that it was still being used. I praise God that we are able to continue seeing that pulpit be a blessing! Thank you so much!

Dominick

One of the two people that were saved last month was Dominick. He is the one that was led to the Lord by Cala and LeAnn. I was able to meet him recently at my granddaughter's birthday party. He is in his early 20s and is very polite young man (my dogs liked him, so he can't be too bad). I would ask you to pray that he begins attending services to continue his growth in God, as well that he will decide to be baptized.

In His Service, Glenn McCarver Sunday morning- 10, Sunday evening (Mexico)- 17.Tuesday- 5, Missions- \$50

Shiloh Baptist Church, April 2023 Report.

Salvation: 2, Baptism: 1, Church offerings \$3988, Paid to Missions \$400, Sunday School attendance 20, Sunday Morning Worship 22, Sunday Evening 10, Wednesday evening 8. **Building Fund**: The building fund is \$64,833.60..

Work: The Month of April has been with great blessing and with heart aches. 1 Peter 4:1-2 "Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin: 2.) That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lust of men, but to the will of God."

We were blessed with our Easter service to have two come from the Haven of Hope ministry, Monica and Angel repent of their sins, place their trust upon the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior and requested baptism. What a way to be blessed to cap off a wonderful, blessed service. The following weekend God blessed my lovely wife Sister Ramona and I with our 29th anniversary we went to celebrate in Colorado Springs, Colorado which was the first time ever to see. We went through a snowstorm as we entered, which was very nice, and my wife wanted to see. On the Sunday morning on the day of our anniversary we attended Bradley Road BC where we presented the work of Shiloh MBC and preached a message. The fellowship was sweet as we were loved by the membership, and they stayed quite a while visiting with us and had a wonderful lunch with Pastor Eddie Vigil and getting to know him. Brother Al filled in while we were away.

This is where heart aches come after rejoicing in the Lord, we had our deacon and family leave the church seeking for a church that has programs for his two daughters and more music with orchestra for song service which after meeting and discussions to the Lord guidance which affects being we are not great size in numbers (we don't go by numbers but grow our relationship in Christ Jesus). Both our Treasure's resigned with our deacon was the assistant, and now as per our sponsoring church discussion, I have been placed as the new treasure with my wife until the Lord places someone that is qualified to do His bidding.

On the Last Sunday morning we were blessed to have Brother Carrillo, the Hispanic work in Houston sponsored by Mission Bend MBC came to share his work that the Lord has led him and preach a wonderful message. We hosted him and his lovely family and had a wonderful time. We went to Faith MBC in San Antonio after lunch to have a baptism of our newest member Sister Monica. Afterward for

the first time in the Haven of Hope van Ministry we had the purses stolen form three of our pastor wives from three first time visitors from Haven of Hope after our investigation. We were able to recover Brother Luis wife purse with her contents other than two debit card, Sister Ramona as her purse was rummage and her debit card and Sister Roberta cards were attempted use the same day, but stops were placed, then Sister Bonnie Warnell purse and ID was stolen while performing baptism service which I was informed when I got home after the services. We were not able to recover her phone and purse. We met with the Law enforcement with video of the three individuals and one admitted who had done it but after their investigation was done being one had tossed the evidence on the tracks that were in front of Haven of Hope and nothing in their processions, they were released. Pastor Victor Rice

<u>Lifeline Baptist Church, Texas Intercultural Ministries Report, April 2023</u>

"The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest."

Moving In this Sunday!! We are so excited to begin services at our new location in Venus/Mansfield. Our new address is: Lifeline Baptist Church 6144 N FM 157, Venus, TX 76084

We are making many preparations: **First Phase** 1. Preparing a new parking lot. 2. Making interior changes to accommodate classes and meeting space. **Second Phase**: 1. Making architectural plans for an all-purpose worship center immediately behind the large house. **Third Phase**: 1. Acquiring two acres immediately beside our existing property. We need a lot of help to do this, God willing. 2. Building a full-size sanctuary etc. as God permits and as the church grows.

In the Meantime: 1. We are planning a Memorial Day outreach picnic. 2. We are preparing for VBS in June and Youth camp in July. 3. We will be doing door-to-door outreach for most of the summer in totally new areas. People are stepping up to volunteer: Renting a facility is quite different from owning one. Our people are experiencing this as I write this report. We have some great folk that are stepping up and helping out. Prayers needed: 1. Pray for Jase (our youth and college minister) to be able to finish this semester at TBI and join us full time for the summer. If you would like to help with offerings to make this possible, please send to "Jase summer ministry". 2. Also, pray for Jase to get his automobile situation remedied in order to make the trips from TBI to Mansfield. 3. Pray for the members of our church as they take on new responsibilities for our church property. 4. Pray for more souls to be saved and added to the church through baptism. Bangladesh Ministry is in need of greater support Bro Robert is doing a great work there as he reaches Hindus and Muslims for Christ.

Thank you all for Prayers and Support, Bro. David Smith!

Stats: First Time Guests-4, Saved-0, Worship Avg.-29, Wednesday Small Group- 10 Gen. Offerings-\$5437, Missions-\$250, Faith Promise Missions-\$473 Lifeline Paid Pstr-\$450 Bangladesh Missions- \$1000 sent, Rent-\$725, Jase Fuller-\$2000.

Landmark MBC, Rockdale, TX: Bro. Larry Watson April 2023 Report

April 2023 Rockdale News We averaged 15 in our Sunday Morning service, and 7 in our Wednesday evening services. Offerings \$4856, Missions \$801 Landmarkbaptistrockdale@gmail.com

This month started out on a high note! Bro. John, who has been attending our services for a few months, joined our church family by statement! We are all so excited to have him here with us and encouraged by his faithfulness! The next week we celebrated our Risen Savior! It was a blessing to just be with our church family remembering what Christ has done for us all. The remaining weeks we had a few out due to travel, and work commitments, and we remain encouraged, even through the weeks where we have low attendance. We trust the Lord will continue to grow our church on His timing! We are also praying that those that are able to be at church will make it a priority in their lives. At the end of the month my family and I also were able to take a few days and get away to Rockport. It was a much-

needed time of rest, and prayer, and of course fishing and sightseeing. We visited a little church while down there on a Wednesday night and were encouraged by the message the pastor presented as well as the time of fellowship we had with their church members. We found out that some of them have family in our area, it's always funny to see those "small world" moments! We made it back home and back with our church family this past Sunday for our 5th Sunday Singing and Fellowship service. We had people share special music, and poems, as well as just all of us worshiping the Lord together. It was a wonderful time that we always look forward to! As always, thank you all for your prayers!

God Bless you all! Thank you for your prayers and support! Larry Watson

Red Raider MBSF, Steven Haney, Director, April 2023 Report

** Please note that this will be Bro. Haney's final MBSF report and I want to personally thank him for the work he has done on the TTU Campus and for Quaker Avenue MBC!

This is my last semester with Raider MBSF as is mentioned in the report due to taking the pastor position of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Henderson, TX. My last day will be May 10th, to finish up the semester completely before heading to Henderson. Bro Monty is stepping in to handle everything with the MBSF to make sure this ministry continues. He has met with the MBSF students several times over the past couple of weeks, gone to the last several Bible studies with me, and met with the new officers. He, and the church, will keep things running with the MBSF until the church can find that person God has to step into the position of MBSF Director.

I know there are those who may wonder why I am leaving or the circumstances but I myself don't truly understand. Taking a church was not in our plans for the foreseeable future, we were not looking to leave here, had not put our name out or been looking for other positions, and we were excited about the doors God was opening in this MBSF ministry and the students that were getting involved. All that simply made how God opened the door for us and Ebenezer all that more clear that it was Him working behind it all. Ebenezer Baptist Church calling us was a door that God opened unexpectedly. God is blessing Raider MBSF and I have enjoyed being here and working with the students, being with Quaker Ave Baptist Church, and serving with Bro Monty. We were truly torn in this decision and sought God's will in this, tossing out fleece after fleece which God completely answered, and we know this is God's will for us with no doubt in our minds. My family and I are excited to be with Ebenezer and are looking forward to stepping through this door that God has opened for us to work alongside Ebenezer but we are sad to be leaving here as well. I have faith and hope in God's plan to know this means that God has someone else prepared to step in to lead Raider MBSF and take it to greater heights than I ever could have, and I am praying God brings that person along quickly!

I know God is working in this MBSF and will continue to so please keep this ministry and the church as well as Bro Monty in your prayers and trust that God has a plan for Raider MBSF! As I said earlier, I am excited for the possibilities and future of the MBSF here at TTU and know God will make it into something great if His people continue to stand behind it. We have \$72,000 currently saved for the MBSF house and if the MBSF can receive the TMD funds this quarter then it is entirely possible that the MBSF can start the fall semester in the first, as far as I know, MBSF property currently in Texas. MBSF work needs to continue and needs to grow all over Texas but that can only happen with the support of the MBA of Texas and God's Churches. All that has happened for Raider MBSF is only possible because His churches have stepped up to support this ministry and I pray that support continues! If you have any questions about any of this, please let us know! You can contact me at (806) 470-2850 or contact Bro. Monty (806) 441-0618! Thank you again for all that you have done for this ministry and my family over the years and may God richly bless you!