

## MBA of Texas September 2023 Mission Reports

Since September 1st, **3 saved, 2 baptized, 0 joined by statement. 0 Surrendered to Preach**

### **From your Sec/Treas. Desk:**

*\*\* Please note 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 continuing a search for God's man to step into this vital ministry, the 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.*

### **Lifeline Baptist Church, Texas Intercultural Ministries Report, Sept 2023**

**44 on Back-to-Church Sunday:** Praise God for a good attendance, however, we almost had that many on the previous Sunday. We were blessed to have new guests in our worship service.

**Building Plans Developing:** We are moving forward with building plans for a new addition to the back of the church house. We are excited about the new possibilities because our growth has nearly maxed us out on a couple of occasions. Pray we can get this done sooner than later.

**Alice's Ladies Group is Growing:** Alice was so excited to see around 13 ladies present which was a great boon for her group. Pray for her as she ministers to these ladies. She is getting ready for a new year of meetings.

**4 TBI Students Do Door-to-Door:** We were so happy to have Amanda, Trinity, Boo, and Kourtney helping us do door-to-door BLESS Ministry. This is a very special way to meet people by praying for them at the door. The Church surprised me with a beautiful birthday cake on my birthday which was during BTCS. Praise God for some fine folks that remembered me. Just a few folks in picture above waving hi to everyone out there that is praying for us and supporting us in the MBA of Texas. Without your support we would not be this far ahead with our church plant. **We are debt free, own our own property and building.** We pray that once the addition is built we will be able to pay the pastor's salary completely by ourselves. Pray for us to achieve this goal in the not-too-distant future. Robert Baidya Eco-Farm funds are coming in! Thank God for over \$2000 this month!

**You can reach us at:** 817-726-8781 We invite you to come and visit our church: 1951 N Main St., Mansfield, TX. [www.lifelinechurchmansfield.org](http://www.lifelinechurchmansfield.org). God Bless you all, David Smith  
Worship Avg: 34; Wed nite small group: 10; Gen Offerings: \$3381; Missions: \$250;  
Lifeline paid pastor: \$450; Bangladesh Missions: \$3000

### **Fellowship Baptist Church, Conroe, September 2023 Report**

Dear Churches of the Missionary Baptist Association: Greetings from our great city of Conroe, Texas! God has been working here at Fellowship in some wonderful ways in and through our membership. We have seen both gains and losses within our membership. Our greatest blessing is transformed lives through our efforts in our service to God.

We had the tremendous honor of hosting both our Trinity River Association monthly dinner fellowship and Mission Rally this month with many in attendance from our local area churches. Bro. Victor Rice, our Missionary from San Antonio, came and shared about his work and

delivered a wonderful message. He and his wife Ramona stayed after and shared a great lunch that was supplied by our ladies here at Fellowship.

We have had our new families stepping up to take on tasks around our church that are inspiring to us, such as the installation of a rear television in our sanctuary and improvements to our audio-visual system. Another new family has volunteered to head up our “Trunk or Treat” for October 28th. Our theme will be geared towards the wonder works of Dr. Suess. What a great work and witness it is to have these new people take on responsibilities for our work!

I have been working with several families who have been asking questions about our doctrine and work here at Fellowship. Please be in prayer with us that they will allow both the Holy Spirit and God’s Word to lead them towards a decision to join with us.

I have been counseling some in areas of personal, parenting, marital, and substance abuse recently as God has been bringing hearts in need of relief and rescue. Pray for my ability to give clear, comforting help to hearts that need direction both personally and spiritually. While our attendance has seen a decline this month with several on vacation or sickness, we have been blest with many new and exciting opportunities ahead, such as our Adult Sunday School teacher teaching new curriculum for his Sunday School class to engage and learn from; the material is a more interactive format and the class has seen more interaction of its members.

Please pray that God would send us a worship and youth leader / teacher. I have been pulling several duties within the church that I pray God will provide needed leadership. The church needs a variety and value beyond seeing me as a “one man band” doing these jobs in the church.

My wife had the privilege to attend the ABA Ministers’ Wives with our sponsoring churches Pastor’s wife for a few days. They really enjoyed the bonding from sharing God’s word, their stories, mutual struggles, and successes together in the piney woods of east Texas.

My wife and I will be attending the State Messenger Meeting in San Antonio November 14th and 15th. I am getting promotional materials ready for our booth display. I am looking forward to sharing the great work God has for us here at Fellowship. Look for the blue banner and stop and talk with us awhile! Take our information home and share it with your church to either begin or continue to pray for the work here in Conroe at Fellowship Baptist  
In God’s Everlasting Love, Aaron Bryan-Pastor.

### **Hwy. 288 Church Planting September 2023 Report**

**September is the beginning of the season of associating. Local associations across the state of Texas come together in September and October**, and eventually the MBA of Texas in mid-November. For us, it means a season of reflecting on the past year while praying about what God has in store for the upcoming year. This does not mean that we know everything that God has in store for the next year, but we do know the desires and direction that He has confirmed in our hearts. Every time I drive on Highway 288, I am increasingly excited to see what God has in store for us.

- I traveled to the meetings of two different local associations in the month of September. On the 14th, the Red River-Bowie Association met at Avery Missionary Baptist Church. Visiting this association is a homecoming for me personally, as I was baptized and eventually sur rendered to preach at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church of Clarksville. It was a great day of fellowship

and encouragement. I am grateful for everything that the churches of this association have meant to me in the ten years since I originally surrendered to preach. On the 16th, I visited the meeting of the Timberland Association at Oak Flat Missionary Baptist Church of Huntington. It was a great day of making new relationships and enjoying the sweet spirit of their time of worship together. I'm looking forward to more association meetings and local church visits in October.

- Coastal Way Baptist Church is enjoying a season of growing in faith and unity, all while wrapping up some of the business of becoming legally established. They are praying about and discussing outreach, and other plans for 2024. Please remember them in your prayers for continued growth and the Lord's direction.

As with any mission work, finances have been a significant consideration for this work from the beginning. We have faced the realities of higher housing costs in a growing area, the needs of my large family, and the inflation that affects all of us. On the one hand, this is a cause for great praise to see how God has provided abundantly through your generosity to make this work possible. On the other hand, we see the needs and challenges of funding 288 Church Planting on a long-term basis. Please remember us in your prayers, and in your consideration of financial support. The support of the MBA of Texas makes a huge difference but is not enough on its own. We look forward to seeing how God continues to bless us financially, but also with a spiritual harvest.

In Christ, Pastor Greg Devine.

### **Shiloh Baptist Church, September 2023 Report.**

**Work:** The month of September has been a blessing and very busy. I was the moderator for the Mission Valley association where able to share and hear messages and fellowship, then I was asked to preach the Mission Rally at Fellowship MBC in Conroe where I was blessed and honored by the Lord sharing the work and preach what the Lord laid on the heart based on the theme "*We are the light of the world*". We stayed at Brother Luis Carrillo's then went with them to Emmanuel MBC, where I was blessed to see the Hispanic work that brother Luis is doing and seeing a multitude of nationalities from Mexico, Cuba, Colombia and El Salvador all working together to serve and to be a big family. I was truly blessed hearing their testimonies and how they came to America. Then we went to Anderson County to Memory Lane MBC in Palestine Texas for a quick drive and back to share the work and fellowship with dear brethren and sisters that asked about the homeless ministries. We then went back home where we were blessed by the Lord to baptized Sister Bailey the granddaughter of Sis. Linda that came from the homeless ministry invited her to come to church and now is blessed having both her and her granddaughter and being sisters in Christ. Brother Jacob who comes from the homeless ministry after accepting Christ invited his mom and dad to witness his baptism. **We are thankful at Shiloh MBC** for the Lord Blessing with the increases as we plant and water the Word of the Lord. We are busy discipling the new converts that we have been blessed with and showing how God will work in their life's as they cast their burdens and place their continual trust in the Word. Some struggle and some are understanding God's Grace. As we close my lovely wife Sister Ramona celebrated her birthday on the 28th of this month and being she has been my biggest helpmate for the Shiloh and traveling with me to the associations meeting I blessed her by taking to a bed and

breakfast cottage in Borne Tx for two days to unwind and stop and enjoy God's beauty before we hit the month of October. We are so thankful for the new Bibles being sent out by the Texas Women Aux. as we have been handing out to each new member after they are baptized to read and follow along as we do our bible reading at church and home. **Building Fund:** The building fund has been a true blessing for us this year as we were blessed by the TMD funds of over \$34,000.00 and what we raised along with many churches contributing to the fund we are over \$65558.60.

**Stats:** Salvations 3; Joined by Lettered 0; Baptism 2; Church Offerings \$1906; Paid out to Missions \$300 Attendance Sunday Morning Bible Studies 23; Sunday Morning Worship 25; Sunday Evening 18; Wednesday Evening 17

With a thankful heart Brother Victor Rice

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NOTE: We have a new email address: [shilohmbc2010@gmail.com](mailto:shilohmbc2010@gmail.com)

### **Landmark MBC, Rockdale, TX: Bro. Larry Watson September 2023 Report**

September 2023 Rockdale News Average 15 in Sunday Morning, and 7 in Wednesday Evening Services. August Offerings \$2999; August Missions \$569; [Landmarkbaptistrockdale@gmail.com](mailto:Landmarkbaptistrockdale@gmail.com)

#### **ROCKDALE NEWS:**

First and foremost, I want to express my gratitude for the unwavering dedication of our church members. They have remained faithful in gathering for every service and the work is spread heavily over the faithful few, their commitment is a blessing to me as their pastor. Recently, my wife had the pleasure of hosting a lady's lunch, which was filled with great fellowship and heartwarming conversations. The ladies enjoyed the opportunity to grow and support one another. A couple weekends ago we were blessed to have a surprise visit from a missionary at the end of one of our services. We are excited to share that he will be joining us on the 2nd Sunday in October to share about their ministry and we anticipate hearing about the important work God is doing through him and learning how we can support the mission. This month we have faced challenges as well. Illness and family losses have caused some of our members to be absent from our services. We would greatly appreciate your prayers for their healing, comfort, and strength during this difficult time. Your support through prayer means the world to us. As always, we humbly ask for your prayers for our ministry in Rockdale. As we strive to be a light in our community, we pray that the Lord will guide us, send us visitors who are seeking His truth, and inspire individuals to join us in our efforts. Once again, we express our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support, both in prayer and in your commitment to our church. Together, we are making a difference in the lives of those around us, and we are excited to see how God will continue to work through our faithful congregation. May the Lord bless you abundantly, and may His grace and love be with you always In Christ, Pastor Larry Watson.

### **Borderland B.C. September 2023 Report**

#### **Dom**

Several months ago, we met a young man named Dom. He was introduced to us by our daughter and her friend, Jackie. Cala had brought Dom and Jackie over to play games and eat a

meal with us. We would later find out that Dom claimed to be bi-sexual. That was the last we heard from him until last month. Cala and a friend came across Dom, and she took the opportunity to witness to him. After a lengthy conversation, Dom not only accepted Jesus as his Savior, but also renounced his former sinful lifestyle. He truly chose to “turn from his wicked ways” and turn to Christ! Pray for Dom in his new life!

### **Visitors (new and old)**

We live near Ft. Bliss, one of the largest military bases in our nation (if not the world). During our time here in El Paso, we have been blessed to have many members of the Army to attend our services. This month, we were blessed to have two first time visitors, Allen and Jack. Both are mechanics (tanks and helicopters), and we were glad to not only welcome them to our services, but also provide a home cooked meal for them as well. Jackie, who hasn't attended in many months, returned one Sunday this month. Please pray that we will be able to see all three come to know Jesus for salvation in the near future.

### **Vehicle Fund**

We have been blessed to have received offerings towards our vehicle fund. As the funds come in, we have been looking in our area for vehicles that meet our needs. We are looking for something that will seat at least 9, but not more than about 15. At our annual local association meeting in Two Grey Hills, they voted for our vehicle fund to be the project for the coming year! Thank you to all who have and are contributing to this great need here in the Borderland!  
Sunday morning- 8; Midweek- 6; Missions- \$50

In His Service, **Glenn McCarver**

The Secretary / Treasurer of Missions for the MBA of Texas is Bro. Daniel (Danny) Mendoza.

His cell phone number is: (281)-948-5915.

**MBA of Texas, PO Box 2318, Dayton, TX. 77535.**

***Please DO NOT put a person's name on the check but endorse it to: "MBA of Texas".***

**Sept. Deposits: \$17,297.63. Sept. Expenditures: \$22, 455.97.**

**Current Acct. Balance: \$37, 810.44**

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