



2026 *Prayer Calendar*





Thank you

for committing to pray throughout the year for the Great Commission Ministries listed in this prayer guide, which are all made possible by Alabama Baptists' gifts through the Cooperative Program. In this guide, you'll find prayer prompts for ministries related to the State Board of Missions, state convention entities and the Southern Baptist Convention. Know that your prayers and your gifts through the Cooperative Program are making a difference around the world.



"Giving through the Cooperative Program provides you the opportunity to be on mission around the world 24/7, 365 days of the year. Together, we are making a world of difference for Christ in a world where an eternal difference needs to be made."

RICK LANCE

The Local Church

Pray

Missions begins at the local church. Pray this week for your church's involvement in the Great Commission and the partnership that exists among Alabama's 3,200-plus Baptist churches, church plants and missions through the Cooperative Program.

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Rick Lance and the State Board of Missions

Pray

Pray for Executive Director Rick Lance as he provides leadership at the State Board of Missions for a staff of missionary colleagues who help provide resourcing, conferencing and encouragement for Alabama Baptist churches in many areas of Great Commission Ministries.

(Connect with Dr. Lance at RickLance.com)

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Revival and Spiritual Renewal

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In these early days of 2026, pray for revival and spiritual renewal to take place in believers, in our churches and in our nation. Pray for state missionaries who are providing resources and conferences to help Alabama Baptists as they pray and seek genuine revival.

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Office of LeaderCare

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Bryan Blass as he assists Alabama Baptist churches and associations to be on the leading edge of training and development of current and future leaders in order to fulfill the Great Commission and grow healthier churches. (*Learn more at leadercareAL.org*)

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"The fundamental key to the success of the Cooperative Program and all Convention ministries is the local church . . . Unless local Baptist churches find value and sense ownership in the Cooperative Program and the endeavors it supports, the vitality of the effort cannot be sustained."

CHAD OWEN BRAND AND DAVID E. HANKINS

Evangelism

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Rob Jackson as he leads efforts to evangelize the lost and seeks to equip Christians to share the Gospel. Pray that the E3 (Evangelize, Establish and Equip) Conference coming up March 1-2 in Montgomery will be effective in encouraging Alabama Baptists to tell the Good News. ([Learn more at EvangelizeAL.org](http://EvangelizeAL.org))

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Office of Worship Resources

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Karen Gosselin who serves as coordinator of Worship Resources, assisting Alabama Baptist congregations in proclaiming the Gospel through music and engaging a lost and dying world with the truth and hope of Christ that worship brings. (*Learn more at AlabamaWorship.org*)

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The Board of Aid for Students in Church-Related Vocations Pray

Your CP gifts fund scholarships for students at the University of Mobile pursuing a church-related vocation. Pray for the board as they interview applicants and for each student who has sensed a call to the ministry.

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Global Hunger

HUNGER SUNDAY IS FEBRUARY 15

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Kristy Kennedy as she communicates with Alabama Baptists about hunger needs in Alabama and the world. As Alabama Baptists give and hunger needs are met, pray that many will respond to Christ in faith.

(Learn more at alsbom.org/hunger)

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"The Cooperative Program, even though it funds a global organization, is a local church program. It is structured and promoted as the avenue through which local churches participate in God's global mission . . . The Cooperative Program is for, and by, the local church."

D. SCOTT HILDRETH

Children's Honor Choir

Pray

Pray for this auditioned choir of 4th-6th graders from all around Alabama as they lead in worship during their tour coming up March 6-8 and that God will raise tomorrow's worship leaders from this group of young musicians!

(Learn more at AlabamaWorship.org/childrens-honor-choir)

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North American Missions

Pray

During this Week of Prayer for North American Missions, pray for church planters across the U.S. and Canada. They have been deployed by the North American Mission Board to spread the Gospel to key urban areas and beyond.

(Learn more at alsbom.org/annie)

March

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Alabama Baptist Disaster Relief

Pray

Pray for the Yellow Shirt Army – those trained Alabama Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers serving in our state and beyond when disasters strike. Pray for State Missionary Mark Wakefield, disaster relief strategist, as he leads and coordinates the ministry. This month begins an intensive time of volunteer training, so pray for leaders and learners alike in this ministry.

(Learn more at sbdr.org)

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Serve Tour Birmingham

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Pray for volunteers who will be serving across the Birmingham area March 20-21 to help local churches, bivocational pastors, low-income schools and other organizations needing assistance. Pray that these efforts will have a lasting impact on the lives of Birmingham's most vulnerable.

(Learn more at alsbom.org/servetour)

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Next Gen Ministries

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Pray for a team of state missionaries – Belinda Stroud, Patty Burns, Josh Meadows, Karen Gosselin and Larry Hyche – along with Trish Jackson of Alabama WMU as they provide Alabama Baptists with conferences and other resources to reach the next generation. (*Learn more at kidzlinkAL.org/nextgen*)

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"As the program and power of the local church depend on the doctrine of cooperation on God's and the church member's side, so the program and power of the earth-wide Kingdom of Christ depend on the cooperation of churches of like faith and order."

L.R. SCARBOROUGH

Bible Drill

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Belinda Stroud, children's specialist in the Office of Sunday School & Discipleship, as she assists participating Alabama Baptist congregations with their Bible Drill ministries for children, youth and high schoolers. Pray for regional Bible drills taking place this time of year.

(Learn more at kidzlinkAL.org)

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Alabama Baptist Education Commission

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Pray for the Alabama Baptist Education Commission as they seek to be good and equitable stewards of the funds entrusted by Alabama Baptists during each year's Annual Meeting in adopting the Great Commission Ministries budget.

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Partnership Missions

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About 400 missionaries with the International and North American Mission Boards call Alabama home. Pray for State Missionary Scotty Goldman, director of the Office of Global Missions, as he seeks to help Alabama Baptists make missional connections with these missionaries.

(Learn more at a18c.org)

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Sunday School and Discipleship

Pray

This week, pray for Sunday School and discipleship efforts taking place through churches across Alabama. Lift up the Southeast Regional Disciple-Making Conference April 20, that participants would leave with a renewed passion for discipling others. (*Learn more at makingdisciplesAL.org*)

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"The Cooperative Program is scripturally sound, efficient and economical in its operations. It enables the individual Baptist, however small or large his gifts, to have a part in the world-wide and state-wide efforts to extend the Kingdom of Christ."

A. HAMILTON REID

Senior Adult Ministries

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Frank Jones as he plans statewide and regional events to encourage senior adults and provides fellowship and training opportunities that will help leaders be better equipped for senior adult ministry. Pray that the Encourage Senior Adult Conference on May 6 will truly be a time of encouragement for all who attend.

April (Learn more at alsbom.org/senior-adults)



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Alabama Baptist Children's Homes & Family Ministries

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Pray for Rod Marshall, president and CEO of Alabama Baptist Children's Homes & Family Ministries, as he leads in their ministry to provide foster care, campus foster homes, family care, college care and Pathways Professional Counseling.

(Learn more at alabamachild.org)

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Alabama WMU

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Pray for Candace McIntosh, executive director, as she leads Alabama WMU in encouraging missional living by challenging, equipping and empowering Alabama Baptists to fulfill the Great Commission. Pray for the many events which take place for all ages throughout the year around the state and at WorldSong Missions Place. *(Learn more at alabamawmu.org and worldsongretreat.org)*

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Our Southern Baptist Seminaries

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Pray for the thousands of students enrolled in six Southern Baptist seminaries. Pray for the presidents, administration, faculty and staff as they provide equipping for students preparing themselves for the work of Gospel ministry.

(Learn more at sbc.net)

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"Without question, what holds us together is a voluntary commitment to cooperate in doing and supporting mission work, and time has shown that God has chosen to bless our journey."

CARLISLE DRIGGERS

Collegiate Student Missions

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Chris Mills as he helps deploy dozens of Alabama Baptist college students this summer to mission points in Alabama, the U.S. and the world. Pray for the students who serve and that many people will receive Christ as the Gospel is shared. (*Learn more at onemissionstudents.org*)

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Vacation Bible School

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Patty Burns, Vacation Bible School strategist, as she equips Alabama Baptist VBS leaders in one of the most time-proven tools to reach out to children, students and families with the Gospel and training in the Scriptures. As summer begins, pray for spiritual fruit to come from Vacation Bible Schools being held by churches across Alabama.

(Learn more at kidzlinkAL.org)

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SBC Annual Meeting

Pray

As messengers gather for the Southern Baptist Convention in Orlando June 9-10, pray that a spirit of unity and a focus on the Great Commission will prevail and that the Lord will be honored by the gathering. Pray for Jeff Iorg, president/CEO of the SBC Executive Committee, and Clint Pressley, SBC president, and others who will be providing leadership.

(Learn more at sbcannualmeeting.net)

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Intercultural and Deaf Ministries

Pray

Pray for the staff of the Office of Associational Missions & Church Planting as they encourage Alabama Baptists to reach out to all with the Gospel in our culturally diverse state. Pray for State Missionary Kristy Kennedy as she coordinates efforts to reach Alabama's Deaf population for Christ. (*Learn more at alsbom.org/deaf*)

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Men's Ministry

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Larry Hyche as he encourages and equips Alabama Baptist men to be missional in their thinking and intentional with their actions – all for the sake of making disciples and glorifying God. Pray especially for events like Fortify and Called, coming up later this summer, which help equip young men to handle complex, life-changing issues.

(Learn more at alabamamen.org)



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"God Himself is on mission, the so-called 'missio-dei,' and He calls His people into a covenant of mutual labor."

L. DRUMMOND

Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission

Pray

Pray for the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission as they encourage Southern Baptists to strive for the preservation of religious liberty and remain Biblically faithful regarding critical moral and ethical issues in a rapidly changing culture.

(Learn more at erlc.com)

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Shocco Springs Baptist Conference Center

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Summer is an extremely busy time for Shocco Springs! Pray for Russell Klinner, executive director, and his staff as they seek to glorify God by providing a distinctly Christian environment for guests to experience Shocco's purposes of training, evangelism, inspiration, recreation and spiritual resources.

(Learn more at shocco.org)



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Office of Communications & Technology Services

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Pray for State Missionary Doug Rogers and the team of specialists who help keep Alabama Baptists aware of how Cooperative Program gifts are making an eternal difference for Christ in our state and beyond.

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Alabama Christian Life Commission

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Pray for CLC members as they seek to be a voice for Alabama Baptists related to vital concerns including religious liberty, the sanctity of human life from the womb to the tomb, opposition to the expansion of legalized gambling and alcohol, and many other moral and ethical issues.

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"Ours is a joyful, sacrificial, co-working commitment to the greatest cause in the history of the world. We cooperate so that every life might be saturated with and transformed by the hope of the gospel of Jesus Christ."

TONY WOLFE

Church Revitalization

Pray

Pray for Rob Jackson and his staff as they seek to provide effective resources to strengthen local Alabama Baptist congregations. Pray that together we can be healthy leaders guiding healthy churches endeavoring to be even more effective in Great Commission Ministries.

(Learn more at churchhealthAL.org)

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Calling Out the Called

Pray

Pray for those individuals whom God is calling into ministry, and pray for your church to identify, disciple, and support those in your church and community that have responded to a calling from God. Pray also for Calling Out the Called Sunday coming up on August 9, that many more will experience God's calling on their lives. (*Learn more at callingouthecalled.org*)

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Youth Ministry

Pray

As another new school year is upon us, pray for State Missionary Josh Meadows as he leads in providing equipping opportunities and other resources for local Alabama Baptist churches to reach youth and students for Christ. (*Learn more at ymlink.org*)

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Collegiate Ministry

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There are more than 300,000 unreached college students on Alabama's college and university campuses. Pray for Ben Edfeldt, director of the Office of Collegiate & Student Ministries, as he leads 17 state missionary colleagues who serve as campus ministers to reach and disciple university students in Alabama with the Gospel. (*Learn more at BCMLink.org*)

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The Alabama Baptist

Pray

Pray for Jennifer Davis Rash, editor-in-chief, and her staff as they aim to provide Alabama Baptists with concise and balanced reporting of events from the world of religion with moral and ethical issues examined from a biblical standpoint.

(Learn more at thealabamabaptist.org)

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"Money given to the church and the Cooperative Program will go farther, rise higher, spread wider, work deeper, and last longer than when given to any other place or cause."

M.E. DODD

Church Planting

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Brian Harper, lead church planting strategist, who encourages and equips church planters to start new congregations in network with Baptist associations. Pray for church planters, their families and team members as they spread the Gospel. (*Learn more at plantalabama.org*)

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University of Mobile

Pray

Pray for Charles Smith, president, and the staff of UM as they seek to make the university a place where students are equipped to follow God's calling in an academic community where the Gospel of Jesus Christ is at the core of everything that is done. (*Learn more at umobile.edu*)

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State Missions

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This is the annual Week of Prayer for State Missions! Join with other Alabama Baptists in praying for five strategic priorities: Alabama Woman's Missionary Union, disaster relief, partnership missions, church planting and church revitalization. Also pray about how God may be leading you to support these initiatives through the Myers-Mallory State Missions Offering.

(Learn more at myers-mallory.org)

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The A. Earl Potts Scholarship

Pray

Your CP gifts help fund a college scholarship named in honor of Dr. A. Earl Potts, executive director of the Alabama Baptist State Board of Missions from 1984 to 1990, for students at the University of Mobile. As a new school year is now underway, pray for the Alabama Baptist students who benefit from this scholarship as they seek to honor the Lord through their education and eventual careers.

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“People working together voluntarily is the genius of the Cooperative Program . . . Our unity is not built on organizational charts, legal contracts, or other binding agreements. Our cooperation results from being cooperative, nothing more.”

JEFF IORG

Celebration 250

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2026 marks our nation’s 250th birthday! Pray for prayer gatherings taking place across the state on September 30, followed by 12 district revival services on October 1. Pray that many would come to know the Lord through these efforts.

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October



Associational Missions

Pray

Pray for State Missionary Ken Allen, director of the Office of Associational Missions & Church Planting, and for directors of missions in 74 local Baptist associations across Alabama as they partner together and strategize to reach Alabama for Christ. Many associations have their annual meetings this month, so lift up your association as they gather.

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The Cooperative Program

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October is Cooperative Program Month! Pray for State Missionary Jay Stewart as he leads churches to participate in giving through the Cooperative Program. Pray for the strength of the Cooperative Program which enables a congregation to go into all the world, all the time, at the same time.

(Learn more at alabamacp.org)

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The Baptist Foundation of Alabama

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Pray for John Ashworth, president of TBFA, as he leads his team to help Alabama Baptists in mobilizing financial resources for Kingdom purposes. Pray for the opportunities your family and your church may have to commit your resources to accomplish great things for the Lord.

(Learn more at tbfa.org)

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Christmas Backpacks

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Pray for the recipients of the thousands of backpacks being collected this week, filled with toys, hygiene items, a copy of the Christmas Story and other gifts from Alabama Baptists.

A ministry of Alabama WMU and the SBOM, these backpacks will be distributed to children living along the Mississippi River who are among some of the poorest in the U.S. ([Learn more at AlabamaWMU.org/backpacks](http://AlabamaWMU.org/backpacks))

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*"The Cooperative Program is the glue
which holds Southern Baptists together
and enables them to stick to
the Great Commission."*

THOMAS E. HALSELL

Alabama Baptist Historical Commission

Pray

Pray for Wendy Westerhouse as she leads the Historical Commission to help churches learn, preserve and record our Alabama Baptist heritage. ([Learn more at abhconline.com](http://abhconline.com))



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ALABAMA STATE HOUSE



ALCAP

Pray

Pray for the Alabama Citizens Action Program's Greg Davis and his staff as they serve as "Alabama's Moral Advocates" to Montgomery. Pray they faithfully and truthfully represent Christ and our churches to Alabama's state legislature while also educating our churches on issues concerning morality and public policy.

(Learn more at ALCAP.com)

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State Convention Annual Meeting

Pray

The Annual Meeting of the Alabama Baptist State Convention is November 17-18 at First Baptist Church, Trussville. Pray for state convention leadership and messengers as they come together to worship and conduct business that honors the Lord and leads to more effective ministry. (*Learn more at alsbom.org/convention*)

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Alabama Baptist Retirement Centers

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Pray for the staff and residents of four campuses of care in the Alabama Baptist Retirement Centers. Pray for ABRC as it offers educational programs to help churches and associations call attention to the needs of senior adults. (*Learn more at abrc.org*)



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*"The Cooperative Program allows me
to go where I cannot go, and do
what I cannot do."*

N. F. GREER

International Missions

Pray

59% of the world today is considered unreached — meaning Jesus is not known or named among 4.5 billion people. During this Week of Prayer for International Missions, join Southern Baptists in praying for IMB missionaries who have been sent around the world to be steadfastly present among people who need to hear the Gospel. (*Learn more at imb.org*)

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December



GuideStone Financial Resources

Pray

Pray for Hance Dilbeck, Jr., as he leads GuideStone in assisting pastors, ministers, missionaries and others in planning for retirement. Your CP gifts also support GuideStone's Mission:Dignity, which gives financial aid to retirement-age Southern Baptist ministers, workers and their widows in their time of need. (*Learn more at guidestone.org*)



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Facility Services

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Pray for the Kingdom servants who minister in Facility Services. Wally Lacey and a staff of facility assistants provide a consistent labor of love each week as an act of practical stewardship for the SBOM Office Facility in Prattville.

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Christmas

Pray

As you and your family celebrate Christmas this year, pray that the joy surrounding the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, would fill the hearts of all who follow Christ. Pray that churches across our state would lift the name of Jesus high as the Light of the world, so that many would come to know Him as Lord during this season.

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Office of Financial Services & Human Resources

Pray

Every year, this office accounts for millions of dollars given through the State Board of Missions for Great Commission Ministries in our state and around the world. The end of the year is an especially busy time for the accounting staff, so pray for them as they perform this sacred act of stewardship.

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December

Thank you for taking the time throughout the year to pray for the Great Commission Ministries made possible by the gifts of Alabama Baptists through the Cooperative Program. As we pray together, and as we give together, great things can happen for God!

Continue your prayer journey by visiting **alsbom.org/pray** to sign up for regular prayer emails and notifications.

What a great time this has been to remember that we are **BETTER TOGETHER** as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission! Be sure to visit **AlabamaCP.org** regularly for stories and resources to help you and your church celebrate the Cooperative Program.



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