



## *pastor's* PEN

Dear Lakeview Family,

The “most wonderful time of the year” is just around the corner and as Southern Baptists committed to the Great Commission, you know what that means for Lakeview. It is time to start thinking and praying about the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Please be in prayer that the International Mission Board will reach its needed goals and for wisdom to steward its resources faithfully. Also, please pray that Lakeview would continue to be a major contributor to this important offering. I know you will because you have a robust understanding of why the Great Commission is the Church’s central task.

Unfortunately, not every church shares that understanding. A few years ago, I read an anonymous quote that is not true of Lakeview, but I do believe is true of many professing Christians in the American church: “The reason some folks don’t believe in missions is that the brand of religion they have isn’t worth propagating.” I will address that very issue in an upcoming letter I will write in a couple of weeks. (Pastor’s Pen continued on next page)

**100%** of your gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® enable gospel transformation among the unreached.

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**LOTTIE MOON**  
CHRISTMAS OFFERING

(Pastor's Pen continued)

But for now, let me offer you a few thoughts on the Great Commission as we prepare ourselves for "Lottie Moon" season.

Oswald Smith: "We talk of the Second Coming; half the world has never heard of the first."

John Stott: "His authority on earth allows us to dare to go to all the nations. His authority in Heaven gives us our only hope of success. And his presence with us leaves us no other choice."

James Fraser: "If our Master returned today to find millions of people unevangelized... I cannot imagine what explanation we should have to give... Of one thing I am certain-that most of the excuses we are accustomed to make with such good conscience now, we should be wholly ashamed of then."

Let me close with this penetrating quote from Amy Carmichael: "You can give without loving. But you cannot love without giving."

Love and Gratitude,  
Pastor Brian

#### HAPPENING AT LAKEVIEW:

##### The Carpenters for Christ @ Camp Marannook!

The Carpenters for Christ spent this last Wednesday-Saturday working hard to build cabins at Camp Marannook! What a great time of Christ-centered community and God-honoring work!



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JOTS

#### 2024 BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS

On November 15th, there will be two opportunities for church members to gain information on the 2024 budget: one at 5:30pm and one at 6:00pm. On December 3rd, at 10:45am, the church will vote on the budget. Please see the detailed information on the budget at the end of this edition of the Lakeview Life.

#### A LAKEVIEW FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Wednesday, December 13th at 6:00 PM

Join us for the Lakeview Family Christmas Banquet on December 13th at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall! Tickets will be available for purchase in the church lobby starting November 19th after the am & pm services. Tickets are \$3 for children, \$5 for students and \$7 for adults, with a \$20 limit for families.

## A Lakeview Family Christmas

*A banquet for the whole family*

**Wednesday  
December  
13th  
06:00 PM**

Tickets will be available for purchase in the church lobby after the AM & PM services starting November 19th and each following Sunday while supplies last.

Child: \$3 | Student: \$5 | Adult: \$7 | Family Cap: \$20





## youth NEWS

### 21ST ANNUAL YOUTH CHILI BOWL

Hello Lakeview family! On November 12th at 1:30pm at Margie Piper Field, we will have our 21st annual Chili Bowl. This is an exciting event we look forward to each year, where our students participate in a fun and exciting flag football game. If your student is interested in joining us, there is a sign-up in our Youth GroupMe. We also invite the church family to come watch and cheer on our students!



### FOOD PANTRY - OCTOBER REPORT

Households fed	122
Total pounds of food distributed	6,451
Average pounds per household	53
Average \$ per household	\$6.43



### HELP NEEDED IN THE KITCHEN

If you have a servant's heart and are interested in helping out in the kitchen, we are in need of a paid, part-time dishwasher. No experience required, we will train you! You must commit to working every Wednesday night during the school year (3:30 until dishes are done).

You will also need to be able to work special events such as Near His Heart, Beast Feast and other events as they are scheduled. Must be able to lift 30 pounds. If you love to serve, please contact Beth Carlson at [bcarlson@lakeviewbaptist.org](mailto:bcarlson@lakeviewbaptist.org).



## congregational CARE UPDATE

### THURSDAYS AT OLE TIMES COUNTRY BUFFET

Hope to see men of every age Thursday, November 9th, in the Eagle Room at Ole Times Country Buffet from Noon-1pm. Our special guest will be our new missions pastor. Come and bring a friend. It is a great way to get to know other men.

### FOOD PANTRY AND BENEVOLENCE

Thank you so much for your generous gifts to the Food Pantry and Benevolence ministry! If you missed our last offering, you can still give by check or online at any time! Bless you all.

### SING-A-LONG

We have two more sing-a-longs coming up! We hope you can join us on November 9th at Auburn Assisted Living and/or November 16th at Azelea Place! Please contact Jann Swaim or Travis Floyd for more details. See you there!

## thank YOU

Dear Lakeview family,

Thank you for the beautiful peace lily you gave us after the passing of Steve's father, E. L. Spencer, Jr. Your many prayers were felt this year and your presence at the visitation and funeral greatly blessed us. We love and are thankful for you!

Because He Lives,  
Steve and Starla Spencer

# *fellowship* MEAL

WEDNESDAYS FROM 4:45-5:30

## NOVEMBER 8

Chicken Fingers, Potato Salad,  
Bahama Blend Veggies, Rolls, Salad, Apple Crisp

## NOVEMBER 15

BBQ Pork, Baked Potato Bar (Cheese, Bacon, Butter, Sour Cream),  
Broccoli, Rolls, Salad, Oreo Dessert

*Fellowship Meals are open to everyone and cost \$5 per person  
with a \$20 cap per family. Cash or Check only. Menu subject to change.*

## *stay connected*

     @lakeviewauburn

## DISCOVER LAKEVIEW CLASS THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Are you interested in joining Lakeview or just finding out more about us? The Discover Lakeview Class is for you. Bro. Cliff will walk through what we believe as a church, membership and our covenant. We need a reservation from you with the number attending for lunch and childcare. The class will follow the morning service in the Fellowship Hall. Please email Laura Gray at [lgray@lakeviewbaptist.org](mailto:lgray@lakeviewbaptist.org) to reserve your spot.

## OUR *newest*

WILLIAM BROOKS WHITEHEAD

Born: October 31st, 2023

Parents: Zac and Sarah Whitehead

## REMEMBER IN *prayer*

### ARBOR LAKE

Nancy Brownfield  
Emaleen Fagen  
Joe Waller

### ARBOR SPRINGS

Louise Morris

### CAMELLIA PLACE

Linda Currie

### CANTERBURY HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Dean Baker

### EASE HOUSE

Anne Dodge  
Harriett McNelly  
Larry Ryan

### MAGNOLIA PLACE

Nancy Thornton

### SPAIN REHABILITATION CENTER

Latriece Jones-Thomas

### VALLEY PARK MANOR

Kay Gaillard

### AT HOME

Matthew Baker  
Daniel Benjamin  
Matt Beth  
Mike Cannon  
Dennis Clark  
Jackie Cooper  
Ambers Hanson  
Fred Holmes  
John Kennedy  
Renae O'Mary  
Jane Parker  
Matthew Richardson  
Lottie Sides  
Jackie Snead  
Larry Swango  
Ilze West  
Joe Youngblood

## NOVEMBER 5 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ 1,037

EVENING SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ 487

## NOVEMBER 5 GIVING

BUDGET \_\_\_\_\_ \$92,983.47

RESTRICTED \_\_\_\_\_ \$19,724.23

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“WE BELIEVE THAT GOD’S PURPOSE FOR  
LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO  
LOVE THE LORD GOD AND TO EXPRESS THAT LOVE BY  
MAKING, NURTURING AND EQUIPPING  
DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST  
IN AUBURN AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.”



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2024 Proposed Church Budget

\$3,600,000 --- \$100,000 Increase

Recommended by the Finance Committee

Approved by the Fellowship of Deacons

*Finance Committee:*

*Anthony Brown*

*Stell Gray*

*Tim Holder*

*Mark McVay*

*Monty O'Kelley, Chairman*

*Vince Swanson*

*Bill Hutto, Treasurer, Ex Officio*

Budget Approval Dates/Times:

Wednesday, November 15, 5:30pm, Committees Available for Questions

In the Hospitality (Bride's) Room

Wednesday, November 15, 6:00pm, Presentation/Discussion in Business Meeting

In the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 3, 10:45am, Churchwide Vote

In the Worship Center

*We believe that God's purpose for Lakeview Baptist Church is to love the Lord God and to express that love by making, nurturing, and equipping disciples of Jesus Christ in Auburn and throughout the world.*

## SUMMARY

\$3,600,000 total budget amount for 2024

\$100,000 increase over the 2023 budget (3%)

\$21,000 automatic increase to the missions budget

4% across the board cost of living adjustment for equipping and support staff

Anticipated inflationary impacts built into ministry area line items

Able to meet all adjustment requests from pastors and directors



**LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH**

<u>Description</u>	<u>2023 Annual Budget</u>	<u>2024 Proposed Annual Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<b><i>\$100,000 INCREASE (3%)</i></b>			
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$3,500,000	\$3,600,000	\$100,000
EXPENSES:			
BUDGETED MISSIONS MINISTRY GIFTS	\$735,000	\$756,000	\$21,000
OFFICE	\$669,591	\$635,489	(\$34,102)
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	\$328,079	\$346,590	\$18,511
PRAISE MINISTRY	\$210,422	\$217,966	\$7,544
PASTORAL MINISTRY	\$207,505	\$214,022	\$6,517
UNIVERSITY MINISTRIES	\$173,864	\$179,411	\$5,547
YOUTH MINISTRIES	\$167,059	\$178,919	\$11,860
FAMILY MINISTRIES	\$166,415	\$173,947	\$7,532
UTILITIES	\$118,120	\$143,605	\$25,485
MISSIONS MINISTRY ADMINISTRATIVE	\$125,587	\$127,925	\$2,338
MEDIA MINISTRY	\$104,058	\$101,728	(\$2,330)
CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY	\$89,913	\$93,491	\$3,578
FOOD SERVICE MINISTRY	\$73,957	\$87,935	\$13,978
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0
INTERNATIONALS MINISTRIES	\$70,003	\$72,662	\$2,659
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES	\$67,529	\$71,854	\$4,325
PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES	\$59,725	\$65,475	\$5,750
LADIES MINISTRIES	\$24,425	\$24,425	\$0
PERSONNEL MINISTRY - CONTINGENCY	\$21,293	\$18,000	(\$3,293)
V. B. S. MINISTRIES	\$9,750	\$11,650	\$1,900
M-PAC MISSIONS MINISTRY	\$1,805	\$3,005	\$1,200
LIBRARY/MEDIA	\$900	\$900	\$0
 TOTAL EXPENSES	 \$3,500,000	 \$3,600,000	 \$100,000

*Specific details of each budget item are available in the Administrative Pastor's office for review by any church member.*

# MISSIONS

Account	Entity	2023	Proposed	Difference
		Annual Amount	2024 Annual Amount	
70101 SBC (10%)		\$ 350,000	\$ 360,000	\$ 10,000
70101 Lakeview Missions Causes (5%)		\$ 175,000	\$ 180,000	\$ 5,000
70102 ABSC (1%)		\$ 35,000	\$ 36,000	\$ 1,000
70725 C4C		\$ 3,860	\$ 3,860	\$ -
71105 Stateside Missionaries		\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -
71300 Mission Trips		\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ -
71455 Missions Equipping		\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -
72000 Special Missions Projects		\$ 7,162	\$ 7,162	\$ -
70150 Campus Crusade for Christ - Todd		\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -
70200 Mission Vida Nueva - Haynes		\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	\$ -
70255 Shepherd's Staff - Chance		\$ 2,760	\$ 2,760	\$ -
70260 CMCH - Ilie		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
70300 Allegro - Sodeke		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
70400 Tfer to 26950 - Martin		\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	\$ -
70500 ECHO - Motis		\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -
70550 Mustard Seed Foundation		\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -
70600 Global Service Network - Yi Han		\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -
70650 Global Partnership Services - Bass		\$ 2,400	\$ 2,400	\$ -
70700 Campus Crusade for Christ - Butcher		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
70720 SEND - Killingsworth		\$ 2,550	\$ 2,550	\$ -
70735 Filter of Hope - Martin		\$ 1,560	\$ 1,560	\$ -
70740 Allegro Solutions - Lipinski		\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -
70750 Tfer to 26950 - N. Caucuses		\$ 2,200	\$ 2,200	\$ -
70850 Pioneers [deleted]		\$ 1,800	\$ -	\$ (1,800)
70855 ARM Ministries - R. David		\$ 1,260	\$ 1,260	\$ -
70900 Harvest Evangelism		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,800	\$ 600
71000 Tfer to 26950 - S. Hutto		\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -
71110 Cornerstone Church (NYC) - Tubbs		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
71150 Mercy Medical		\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600	\$ -
71200 Biblical World Min - Nelson		\$ 900	\$ 1,500	\$ 600
71215 Chr. Miss. Fship. Intl. - Dean		\$ 900	\$ 1,500	\$ 600
71260 Tfer to 26950 - formerly Four Corners		\$ 3,648	\$ 3,648	\$ -
71450 Operation Mobilization		\$ 1,260	\$ 1,260	\$ -
71460 YWAM		\$ 2,016	\$ 2,016	\$ -
71700 Women's Hope Medical Clinic		\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -
71850 Tfer to 26950 - Launch Global		\$ 2,376	\$ 2,376	\$ -
71875 Tfer to 26945 - VET		\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -
71900 Uttermost Sports - DeVoss		\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600	\$ -
72100 Tfer to 26950 - Spec. Needs & ReGen		\$ 11,200	\$ 16,200	\$ 5,000
72200 World Gospel Mission - Johnson		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
72300 The Owen Center		\$ 2,448	\$ 2,448	\$ -
		<u>\$ 735,000</u>	<u>\$ 756,000</u>	<u>\$ 21,000</u>



## Historical Information

### Operating Budgets:

2014	\$2,750,000
2015	\$2,750,000
2016	\$2,750,000
2017	\$2,750,000
2018	\$3,000,000
2019	\$3,000,000
2020	\$3,100,000
2021	\$3,100,000
2022	\$3,300,000
2023	\$3,500,000

### Missions Budgets:

2014	\$577,500
2015	\$577,500
2016	\$577,500
2017	\$577,500
2018	\$630,000
2019	\$630,000
2020	\$651,000
2021	\$651,000
2022	\$693,000
2023	\$735,000