



pastor's **PEN**

Dear Lakeview Family,

We are now at the beginning of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (LMCO) season. For those of you that are new to the Southern Baptist world, the LMCO is an annual offering collected by Southern Baptists to support international missions. In 1918, the Women's Missionary Union officially named the offering in honor of Lottie Moon, a missionary to China, who urged churches to give sacrificially for the sake of Christ's name among the nations.

This offering is not to buy Christmas presents for missionaries as some have thought. Every dollar goes directly to the field. The offering helps free missionaries from the burden of fundraising and allows them to stay in the field 100% of the time. It brings tangible help through medical supplies, clean water, and most importantly, the message of the gospel.

In fact, on the field, \$10 provides one month of missionary language training. One hundred dollars provides supplies for a missionary to serve in a refugee camp for a week. Three hundred dollars provides a one-year license renewal for a missionary doctor and \$2500 provides one year of homeschool curriculum for missionary children. The need is more urgent than ever.

As you have been taught and have thoroughly believed for decades, the Great Commission is the mission of the church. As has been aptly asserted, "The mission of the church is to go into the world and make disciples by declaring the gospel of Jesus Christ in the power of the Spirit and gathering these disciples into churches, that they might worship and obey Jesus Christ now and in eternity to the glory of God the Father" (DeYoung and Gilbert, *What is the Mission of the Church?*).

Please pray about what God is leading you to give. I have all faith that the people of God at Lakeview will continue to sacrificially give to the LMCO so that the nations might be glad and sing for joy in Jesus Christ. Indeed, may God be gracious to Lakeview Baptist and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that his way may be known on earth, his saving power among all nations (c.f. Ps 67:1-4).

Love and Gratitude,
Pastor Brian



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Together, we find the lost, give help to the hurting, share the hope of Christ, and witness God grow His Church around the world. Your generosity today changes lives.



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congregational CARE UPDATE

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROUS BENEVOLENCE GIVING

You folks are amazing! Thank you and bless you for your generosity to the Benevolence Fund. Our next offering will be November 30th at the end of the evening service. In the month of November, we are also asking for each person to bring to church a can of soup (a rich and hearty soup with pull top is preferable), but we appreciate any kind. We have received over 1,100 cans so far. Thank you for your generosity to those in need.

ACCEPTING DONATIONS IN THE LOBBY DURING THE WHOLE MONTH OF NOVEMBER



jim's JOTS

2026 BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS

On November 19th, there will be two opportunities for church members to gain information on the 2026 budget: one at 5:30 PM and one at 6:00 PM. On December 7th, at 10:45 AM, 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.



praise WORTHY

“LET EARTH RECEIVE HER KING” SUNDAY, DEC. 7 | 6:00 PM

This year's concert entitled “Let Earth Receive Her King” will be held Sunday, December 7th, at 6:00 PM and you do not want to miss it. Invite a friend to come and hear the Gospel message proclaimed through word and song... from classic carols to new Christmas favorites. You will hear sounds of the season and praise to the Son of God.

LAKEVIEW HOLIDAY CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 23 — Sunday School & AM Worship Service
 - Thanksgiving Service (PM)
- 26 — Church Office Closing at Noon
 - NO Wednesday Night Activities
- 27 — Church Office Closed
- 28 — Church Office Closed
- 30 — Sunday School & AM Worship Service
 - Lord's Supper (PM Service)

DECEMBER

- 03 — Last ESL for the Semester
- 07 — Sunday School & AM Worship Service
 - “LET EARTH RECEIVE HER KING” (PM Service)
- 09 — Church-Wide Family Christmas Banquet
- 10 — Family Christmas Caroling
- 14 — Sunday School & AM Worship Service
 - “A CHRISTMAS PLAYLIST” (PM Service)
- 17 — Business Meeting
- 21 — NO Sunday School
 - AM Worship Service (Lord's Supper)
 - Sunday School Fellowships (in lieu of PM Service)
- 23 — Church Office Closed
- 24 — Church Office Closed
 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- 25 — Church Office Closed
- 26 — Church Office Closed
- 28 — NO Sunday School
 - AM Worship Service
 - NO PM service

JANUARY

- 01 — Church Office Closed
- 04 — Sunday School & AM Worship Service
 - PM Worship Service

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE NEAR HIS HEART BANQUET



cliff's notes
ON FAMILY
MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS GIFTS WITH IN HIS HANDS MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our In His Hands ministry is partnering with Quiet Waters disability ministry again this year to organize the receiving and delivering of Christmas gifts for 35 special needs families in our church and community. We need volunteers!

If you are available to help with delivery, please plan to meet at the church on Thursday, December 4th, at approximately 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. When you arrive, you will pick up the gift packages, assigned names, and addresses. The delivery itself is simple: hand the gift to the family at the door, tell them we love them, and offer to say a brief prayer for them.

Please sign up by using the QR code below or by clicking [here](#) if you are able to join us in blessing these wonderful families with the love of Christ this season by either giving or delivering gifts.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are collecting Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoe-boxes now through TOMORROW, Wednesday, November 19th, due by 6:00 PM. Anyone desiring to participate may pick up instruction brochures in the lobby. Boxes are available while supplies last. Plain, plastic shoeboxes are optional and available for purchase in stores. When submitting your shoeboxes, please also submit \$10 (placed inside the shoebox) to cover shipping and attach a boy or girl shoebox label. For details on how to pack a shoebox and/or for online packing options, go to www.samaritanspurse.org/occ.

UPCOMING DATES:

NOV 26 — NO MPAC
DEC 4 — M&M's Lottie Moon Offering & LBC Food Pantry Donations
DEC 10 — LBC Christmas Caroling
DEC 17 & 24 — NO MPAC
DEC 21 & 28 — NO Sunday school
JAN 4 — Sunday school resumes
JAN 7 — MPAC resumes (missionary movie night)



Lakeview family
Christmas caroling

December 9 | 5:45-7:45PM

SENIOR SAINTS THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

Senior Saints will have their Thanksgiving Luncheon fellowship on Thursday, November 20th, at 11:00 AM. (please note the time adjustment to allow for extra fellowship and refreshments). This month we will be blessed with music by The James Brown Trio. Lunch is catered for \$10 per person.



fellowship MEAL

SERVING MEALS 4:45 UNTIL 5:35 PM; CLEARING TABLES AT 5:45 PM.

NOVEMBER 19

Chicken Fingers, Potato Salad,
California Blend Veggies, Rolls, Salad, Oreo Dessert

DECEMBER 3

*Last Fellowship Meal for the year
Fried Chicken, Roasted Baby Potatoes,
Green Beans, Rolls, Salad, Ice Cream Cups

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.**

sympathy

From the pastor, staff, and church family to:

Jere Cooper and family in the death of her mother.

IN memoriam

Tom Bennett

September 21, 1949 – November 10, 2025

stay connected

     @lakeviewauburn



REMEMBER IN *prayer*

THE PHOENIX AT OPELIKA

Jerry Clark
Judy Clark
Charles Knause
Jerry Knause
Dick Lane

ARBOR LAKE

Nancy Brownfield
Emaleen Fagen
Jennifer Hood
Joe Waller

ARBOR SPRINGS

Renae O'Mary

AZALEA PLACE

Barbara Blankenship
Susan Lazenby

BILL NICHOLS STATE VETERANS HOME

Ira Hayes

CAMELLIA PLACE

Linda Currie

CANTERBURY HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Dean Baker

EASE HOUSE

Anne Dodge

AT HOME

Matthew Baker
Daniel Benjamin
Matt Beth
Alice Chambliss
Dennis Clark
Jane Parker
Janice Powers
Matthew Richardson
Lottie Sides
Jackie Sneed
Larry Swango
Ilze West
Joe Youngblood

NOVEMBER 16 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE ————— 1,233
EVENING SERVICE ————— 514

NOVEMBER 16 GIVING

BUDGET ————— \$67,401.26
RESTRICTED ————— \$28,747.00

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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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2026 Proposed Church Budget

\$4,100,000 --- \$200,000 Increase

Recommended by the Finance Committee

Approved by the Fellowship of Deacons

Finance Committee:

Stell Gray, Chairman ('25)

Tim Holder ('25)

Dale Martin ('26)

Glenn Sollie ('26)

Robert Melvin ('27)

Vince Swanson ('27)

Bill Hutto, Treasurer, Ex Officio

Budget Approval Dates/Times:

Wednesday, November 19, 5:30pm, Committees Available for Questions

In the Hospitality (Bride's) Room

Wednesday, November 19, 6:00pm, Presentation/Discussion in Business Meeting

In the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 7, 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.

BUDGET SUMMARY

\$4,100,000 total budget amount for 2026

\$200,000 increase over the 2025 budget (5%)

\$42,000 automatic increase to the Missions budget

5% across the board cost of living adjustment for equipping and support staff

Anticipated inflationary impacts built into ministry area line items

Able to meet the ministry needs expressed by pastors and directors

LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

<u>Description</u>	<u>2025 Annual Budget</u>	<u>2026 Proposed Annual Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<i>\$200,000 INCREASE (5%)</i>			
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$3,900,000	\$4,100,000	\$200,000
EXPENSES:			
BUDGETED MISSIONS MINISTRY GIFTS	\$819,000	\$861,000	\$42,000
OFFICE	\$766,384	\$722,063	(\$44,321)
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	\$330,745	\$340,292	\$9,547
PASTORAL MINISTRY	\$252,309	\$262,953	\$10,644
PRAISE MINISTRY	\$235,174	\$248,687	\$13,513
UNIVERSITY MINISTRIES	\$188,260	\$236,079	\$47,819
YOUTH MINISTRIES	\$193,192	\$210,881	\$17,689
FAMILY MINISTRIES	\$187,751	\$196,311	\$8,560
MISSIONS MINISTRY ADMINISTRATIVE	\$139,073	\$146,205	\$7,132
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES	\$76,858	\$138,527	\$61,669
UTILITIES	\$145,605	\$133,605	(\$12,000)
MEDIA MINISTRY	\$110,714	\$119,032	\$8,318
CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY	\$103,221	\$108,579	\$5,358
FOOD SERVICE MINISTRY	\$86,214	\$89,376	\$3,162
PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES	\$70,257	\$82,468	\$12,211
INTERNATIONALS MINISTRIES	\$67,763	\$77,668	\$9,905
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0
LADIES MINISTRIES	\$18,925	\$18,925	\$0
PERSONNEL MINISTRY - CONTINGENCY	\$18,000	\$14,294	(\$3,706)
V. B. S. MINISTRIES	\$11,650	\$13,150	\$1,500
M-PAC MISSIONS MINISTRY	\$3,005	\$4,005	\$1,000
LIBRARY/MEDIA	\$900	\$900	\$0
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,900,000	\$4,100,000	\$200,000

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

MISSIONS

21% of Overall Budget

Account	Entity	2025	Proposed	Difference
		Annual Amount	2026	
70101 SBC Mission Causes (10%)		\$ 390,000	\$ 410,000	\$ 20,000
70101 Lakeview Missions Causes (2.5%)		\$ 195,000	\$ 102,500	\$ (92,500)
70102 ABSC State Mission Causes (1%)		\$ 39,000	\$ 41,000	\$ 2,000
70103 Tuskegee-Lee Association			\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
70150 Cru - Todds		\$ 1,500	\$ 3,600	\$ 2,100
70200 Mision Vida Nueva - Haynes (Casa Gloria)		\$ 2,400	\$ 3,600	\$ 1,200
70255 Tyndale Bible Translators - Chance		\$ 2,760	\$ 5,400	\$ 2,640
70260 C.M.C.H. - Ilie		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
70300 Allegro - Sodeke		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,000	\$ (200)
70400 Tfer to 26950 - Martins		\$ 2,400	\$ 5,400	\$ 3,000
70500 E.C.H.O. - Motis		\$ 1,500	\$ 3,600	\$ 2,100
70550 Mustard Seed Found - Carroll		\$ 1,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,000
70600 Global Service Network - Yi Han		\$ 1,500	\$ 3,105	\$ 1,605
70650 Global Partnership Services - Bass		\$ 2,400	\$ 2,835	\$ 435
70700 Cru - Butchers		\$ 1,200	\$ 3,600	\$ 2,400
70720 S.E.N.D. - Killingsworth		\$ 2,550	\$ 3,600	\$ 1,050
70725 Carpenters for Christ		\$ 3,860	\$ 5,400	\$ 1,540
70735 Filter of Hope - Martins		\$ 1,560	\$ 5,400	\$ 3,840
70740 Allegro Solutions - Lipinskis		\$ 4,000	\$ 5,400	\$ 1,400
70750 Transfer to 26950 (N. Caucus)		\$ 2,200	\$ -	\$ (2,200)
70850 Kinetix Global - Coppenger		\$ 3,650	\$ 5,400	\$ 1,750
70855 ARM Ministries- R. David		\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
70900 Harvest Evangelism		\$ 3,000	\$ 5,400	\$ 2,400
71000 NAMB - S. Hutto		\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -
71105 Stateside Missionaries		\$ 15,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 10,000
71150 Mercy Medical Mission		\$ 3,600	\$ 5,400	\$ 1,800
71200 Biblical World Min - Nelsons		\$ 1,500	\$ 3,900	\$ 2,400
71215 Chr. Miss. Fship. Intl. - Dean		\$ 1,500	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,500
71260 Reaching & Teaching - Mobbs		\$ 3,650	\$ 5,400	\$ 1,750
71300 Mission Trips - Lakeview		\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ -
71450 Operation Mobilization - Hoffman		\$ 1,260	\$ 2,835	\$ 1,575
71455 Missions Equipping		\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -
71460 YWAM - Burkhalter		\$ 2,016	\$ 3,600	\$ 1,584
71700 Women's Hope Medical Clinic		\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -
71875 VET - Transfer to 26945		\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -
71900 Uttermost Sports		\$ 3,600	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,400
72000 Special Mission Projects		\$ 20,394	\$ 9,510	\$ (10,884)
72100 Tfer to 26950 - Spec & ReGen		\$ 16,200	\$ 16,200	\$ -
72200 World Gospel Mission		\$ 1,200	\$ -	\$ (1,200)
72300 The Owen Center		\$ 3,000	\$ 3,600	\$ 600
72301 Redeemer Church London			\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000
72302 Launch Global - Todds			\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
72303 Shepherd's Staff - Sibleys			\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
72304 Kinetix Global - K Smith			\$ 3,105	\$ 3,105
72305 Launch Gobal - M Webb			\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
72306 Launch Global - Gresham			\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
72307 Conexion - Training			\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600
72308 Reliant - Cagles			\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600
72309 Insight Athletics			\$ 5,400	\$ 5,400
72310 Life on Life - Foster			\$ 2,835	\$ 2,835
72311 Cru - Dooley			\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600
72312 Navigators - Encarnacion			\$ 3,105	\$ 3,105
72313 Gils			\$ 2,700	\$ 2,700
72314 Launch Global - L Webb			\$ 2,070	\$ 2,070
72315 Cru - Keels			\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600
72316 CVM - Dr J			\$ 3,600	\$ 3,600
72317 GCIM - Baxter			\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
		<u><u>\$ 819,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 861,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 42,000</u></u>

Historical Information

Operating Budgets:

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
2024	\$3,600,000
2025	\$3,900,000

Missions Budgets:

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
2024	\$756,000
2025	\$819,000