



pastor's PEN

Dear Lakeview Family,

On May 8th, 1845, approximately 293 Baptist representatives gathered in Augusta, Georgia, and organized the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC). The SBC was created for, as the preamble of the original constitution describes, the purpose of "organizing a plan for eliciting, combining, and directing the energies of the whole denomination in one sacred effort, for the propagation of the Gospel." In keeping with this 'one sacred effort,' since 1888, the **Lottie Moon Christmas Offering** for international missions has supported Southern Baptist missionaries as they share the gospel around the world. This offering represents 59 percent of the International Mission Board's (IMB) total annual support.

The Great Commission is, in a very real sense, a primary reason the SBC was founded, so to be a Southern Baptist is to be a Great Commission Christian. A significant aspect of being a Great Commission Christian is to play a part in taking the gospel to the nations.

Indeed, Jesus commanded us to make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:18-20). That is the instrumental role we play in God's ultimate plan to make his name known among all nations (Psalm 67:1-4, 96:3).

Paul makes it clear in Romans 10:13, "for 'everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'[14] How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? [15] And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!' [16] But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, 'Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?' [17] So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ."

Paul's progression of thought here is so very critical in understanding the importance of the Great Commission:

1. People must call upon the Lord Jesus to be saved.
2. To do that, they must believe in Him.
3. To believe in Him, they must hear "the word of Christ" (10:17) .
4. Someone must preach "the word of Christ" to them.
5. Someone must be sent.

That is why we need to continue to give. Lakeview is only a role player in this. But I am sure, based on your decades-long track record, that you will play a significant role. I am so very grateful for the very evident grace that is on you. As the Apostle Paul said of the churches of Macedonia, I can say of you, "For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord" (2 Corinthians 8:3). I praise the Lord for you.

Love and Gratitude,
Pastor Brian



2026 CANNED SOUP DRIVE

Since our Fall 2025 Canned Soup Drive was such a success, we would like to invite you to participate in our Fall 2026 Canned Soup Drive. In the month of November alone, the Lakeview Baptist Food Pantry is expected to serve close to 150 households. We would love to get the whole church body at Lakeview involved by asking each individual to donate a can of soup each Sunday in the month of November. Carts for your donated soups will be available in the main lobby.

Thanks, in advance, for continuing to serve as God's hands and feet as we help to meet the needs of those in our community.

SENIOR SAINTS
2027 WINTER CONFERENCE

Join Senior Saints for a 2027 Winter Conference on January 28–29 at Shocco Springs! Al Jackson will teach on the topic: "Our Glorious Future: The Doctrine of Heaven Explained and Anticipated," with worship led by the James Brown Trio.

This conference is open to adults ages 50 and older. You do not have to be a member of Senior Saints to attend. Space is limited. The deadline to sign up is November 19th.

For more information and to sign up, please contact Jenny Swaim at swaimje@gmail.com.







youth NEWS

2026 CHILI BOWL
NOV. 15TH | MARGIE PIPER BAILEY FIELD

We will have our annual Chili Bowl flag football games on Sunday, November 15th, at Margie Piper Bailey Field. The junior high game will begin at 2:00 PM, and the senior high game will begin at 3:00 PM. We are looking forward to this fun fellowship with our students!





children's CHATTER

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are collecting Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes now through Wednesday, November 18th. Anyone desiring to participate may pick up boxes, packing instructions, and labels in the lobby, while supplies last. Clear, plastic shoeboxes are optional and available for purchase in stores. When returning your shoeboxes, please also include $10 (cash or check, 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.





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NORTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH
LAST INTEREST MEETING OF 2026

North Plains Baptist Church will be holding its last interest meeting of 2026 on November 19th, from 6 PM–7:30 PM, at the Dandelion Play Cafe in north Auburn. If you are interested in hearing more about the church plant or want to know how to get involved, please let us know you are coming by signing up here. Coffee and refreshments will also be provided. Please help us spread the word! We hope to see you there!

NORTH PLAINS
BAPTIST CHURCH

CHRISTMAS BANQUET DONATIONS

If you have any Christmas-themed mugs (no Santa mugs, please), that you are willing to part with, we would love to have them for the church-wide family Christmas Banquet. There will be boxes in front of the welcome desk in the lobby for your donations. Thank you in advance.





congregational CARE UPDATE

THURSDAYS AT OLE TIMES COUNTRY BUFFET

Hope to see men of every age THIS Thursday, November 12th, in the Eagle Room at Ole Times Country Buffet from Noon–1 PM. Mike Felton and Tom McClendon team up to tell of the amazing privilege they had in teaching local pastors and sharing the gospel with Muslims in SE Asia. Come and bring a friend. It is also a great way to get to know more men in our church. See you soon!

If you have to miss this one, the following meeting will be on December 10th, 2026 with Justin Abercrombie, our new Youth Pastor, as our guest.



jim's JOTS

2027 CHURCH BUDGET APPROVAL PROCESS

On November 18th, there will be two opportunities for church members to gain information on the 2027 budget: one at 5:30 PM (in the Bride's Room) for one-on-one questions and one at 6:00 PM (in Room N108/109) for open discussion. On December 6th, at 10:45 AM, the church will vote on the budget, without discussion. Please see the detailed information on the budget at the end of this edition of the Lakeview Life.

fellowship MEAL

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

NOVEMBER 11

Chicken Mole, Rice, Green Beans,
Salad, Rolls, Apple Crisp

NOVEMBER 18

Sliced Turkey, Sweet Potato Casserole,
California Blend Veggies, Salad, Rolls, Apple Crisp

Fellowship meals are open to everyone and cost $5 per person with a $20 cap per family. Cash, checks and cards accepted.
Menu subject to change.



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REMEMBER IN *prayer*

ARBOR LAKE
Nancy Brownfield
Joe Waller

AZALEA PLACE
Barbara Blankenship
Susan Lazenby
Nita Sims

BILL NICHOLS STATE VETERANS HOME
Ira Hayes

CAMELLIA PLACE
Linda Currie

CANTERBURY HEALTH CARE FACILITY
Dean Baker

CHAPMAN HEALTH CARE
Jerry Knause

EASE HOUSE
Anne Dodge

MONARCH ESTATES
Bill Thornton

THE PHOENIX AT OPELIKA
Jerry Clark
Judy Clark
Charles Knause

AT HOME
Matthew Baker
Daniel Benjamin
Matt Beth
Dennis Clark
Nelda Kennedy
Jane Parker
Jackie Snead
Larry Swango
Ilze West

NOVEMBER 8 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE	1,298
EVENING SERVICE	530

NOVEMBER 8 GIVING

BUDGET	$105,031.69
RESTRICTED	$31,551.00

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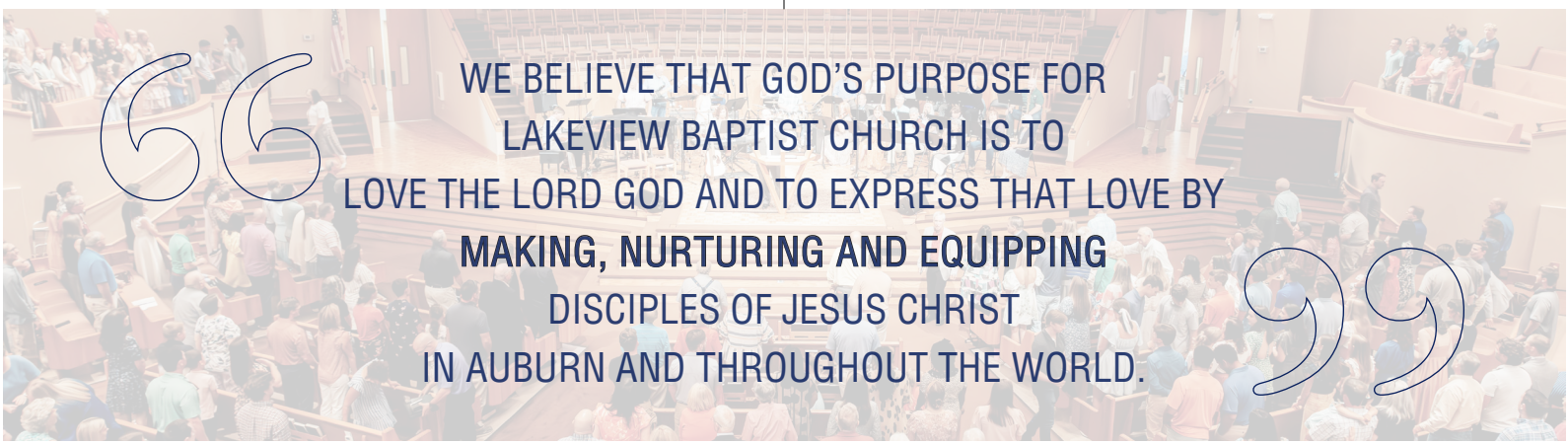

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Lakeview BAPTIST CHURCH

2027 Proposed Church Budget

$4,400,000 --- $300,000 Increase (7.3%)

Recommended by the Finance Committee

Approved by the Fellowship of Deacons

Finance Committee:

Glenn Sollie ('26) - Chairman

Dale Martin ('26)

Robert Melvin ('27)

Vince Swanson ('27)

Justin Campbell ('28)

Monty O'Kelley ('28)

Bill Hutto, Treasurer, Ex Officio

Budget Approval Dates/Times:

Wednesday, November 18, 5:30pm, Committees Available for Questions

In the Hospitality (Bride's) Room

Wednesday, November 18, 6:00pm, Presentation/Discussion in Business Meeting

In Room N108/109

Sunday, December 6, 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.

2027 BUDGET SUMMARY

$4,400,000 total budget amount for 2027

$300,000 increase over the 2026 budget (7.3%)

$63,000 automatic increase to the Missions budget (21%)

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

Special Contingency account set at $133,578

All other categories kept at 2026 levels

Impacts of our Fall 2027 church plant (NPBC) not known or reflected

LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Description	2026 Annual Budget	2027 Proposed Annual Budget	Difference
$300,000 INCREASE (7.3%)			
CONTRIBUTIONS	$4,100,000	$4,400,000	$300,000
EXPENSES:			
BUDGETED MISSIONS MINISTRY GIFTS	$861,000	$924,000	$63,000
OFFICE	$722,063	$871,459	$149,396
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	$340,292	$350,606	$10,314
PASTORAL MINISTRY	$262,953	$274,128	$11,175
PRAISE MINISTRY	$248,687	$258,269	$9,582
UNIVERSITY MINISTRIES	$236,079	$245,490	$9,411
YOUTH MINISTRIES	$210,881	$218,690	$7,809
FAMILY MINISTRIES	$196,311	$203,932	$7,621
MISSIONS MINISTRY ADMINISTRATIVE	$146,205	$152,640	$6,435
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES	$138,527	$144,338	$5,811
UTILITIES	$133,605	$133,605	$0
MEDIA MINISTRY	$119,032	$124,038	$5,006
CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY	$108,579	$113,573	$4,994
FOOD SERVICE MINISTRY	$89,376	$92,695	$3,319
PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES	$82,468	$84,999	$2,531
INTERNATIONALS MINISTRIES	$77,668	$80,549	$2,881
CAPITAL PROJECTS	$75,000	$75,000	$0
LADIES MINISTRIES	$18,925	$18,925	$0
PERSONNEL MINISTRY - CONTINGENCY	$14,294	$15,009	$715
V. B. S. MINISTRIES	$13,150	$13,150	$0
M-PAC MISSIONS MINISTRY	$4,005	$4,005	$0
LIBRARY/MEDIA	$900	$900	$0
TOTAL EXPENSES	$4,100,000	$4,400,000	$300,000

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

LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Description	2027 Proposed Annual Budget	% of Budget
Supplemental View of 2027		
EXPENSES:		
STAFF COMPENSATION	$2,278,782	0.52
MISSIONS	$924,000	0.21
FEES	$407,074	0.09
MAINTENANCE	$286,928	0.07
UTILITIES	$133,605	0.03
CONTINGENCY	$133,578	0.03
MILEAGE & LITERATURE	$80,509	0.02
SUPPLIES	$78,823	0.02
KITCHEN	$23,000	0.01
CONTINUING EDUCATION	$19,500	0.004
EQUIPMENT & LEASES	$14,456	0.003
SOFTWARE & SUBSCRIPTIONS	$11,632	0.003
PUBLICITY & MEDIA	$8,113	0.002
TOTAL EXPENSES	$4,400,000	100%

MISSIONS (21% of Overall Budget)

Description	2026 Budget	2027 Proposed Budget	Difference
70101 SBC Mission Causes	$ 512,500	$ 550,000	$ 37,500
70102 ABSC State Mission Causes	$ 41,000	$ 44,000	$ 3,000
70103 Tuskegee-Lee Association	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$-
70150 Cru - Todds	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
70200 Mision Vida Nueva - Haynes (Casa Gloria)	$ 3,600	$ 6,000	$ 2,400
70255 Shepherd's Staff - Chance	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
70260 C.M.C.H. - Ilie	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$-
70300 Allegro - Sodeke	$ 1,000	$-	$ (1,000)
70400 Tfer to 26950 - Martins	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
70500 E.C.H.O. - Motis	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
70550 Mustard Seed Found - Carroll	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$-
70600 Global Service Network - Yi Han	$ 3,105	$ 3,450	$ 345
70650 Global Partnership Services - Bass	$ 2,835	$ 2,835	$-
70700 Cru - Butchers	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
70720 S.E.N.D. - Killingsworth	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
70725 Carpenters for Christ	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
70735 Filter of Hope - Martins	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
70740 Allegro Solutions - Lipinskis	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
70850 Kinetix Global - Coppenger	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
70855 ARM Ministries- R. David	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$-
70900 Harvest Evangelism	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
71000 NAMB - S. Hutto	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$-
71105 Stateside Missionaries	$ 25,000	$ 29,100	$ 4,100
71150 Mercy Medical Mission	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
71200 Biblical World Min - Nelsons	$ 3,900	$-	$ (3,900)
71215 JAARS - Carden	$ 3,105	$ 3,450	$ 345
71260 Reaching & Teaching - Mobbs	$ 5,400	$ 6,000	$ 600
71300 Mission Trips - Lakeview	$ 60,000	$ 64,050	$ 4,050
71450 Operation Mobilization - Hoffman	$ 2,835	$ 2,835	$-
71455 Missions Equipping	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$-
71460 YWAM - Burkhalter	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
71700 Women's Hope Medical Clinic	$ 7,000	$ 7,000	$-
71875 VET - Transfer to 26945	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$-
71900 Uttermost Sports	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$-
72000 Special Mission Projects	$ 11,405	$ 27,875	$ 16,470
72100 Tfer to 26950 - Spec & ReGen	$ 16,200	$ 16,200	$-
72300 The Owen Center	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
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	$ 3,450	$ 345
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	$ 6,000	$ 600
72310 Forge - Christy	$ 2,835	$ 2,835	$-
72311 Cru - Dooley	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
72312 Navigators - Encarnacion	$ 3,105	$ 3,450	$ 345
72313 Gils	$ 2,700	$ 2,700	$-
72314 Launch Global - L Webb	$ 2,070	$ 2,070	$-
72315 Cru - Keels	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
72316 Woolseys	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$-
72317 GCIM - Baxter	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$-
TOTALS	$ 861,000	$ 924,000	$ 63,000

Historical Information

Operating Budgets:

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
2026	$4,100,000

Missions Budgets:

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
2026	$861,000