



## Palmetto Baptist Association

*"A Body of Churches Being His Hands and Feet"*

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### Contributions from the PBA Churches

Year: October 2020 – October 2021  
Reporting: October Receipts and YTD Total

Churches	Receipts	Year-to-Date
Beaverdam	443.33	443.33
Big Creek	318.00	318.00
Calvary	245.50	245.50
Cedar Falls	-	-
Cedar Grove	433.00	433.00
Columbia	307.76	307.76
Eastview	-	-
Friendship	72.60	72.60
Hillcrest	500.18	500.18
Macedonia	-	-
New Hope	310.88	310.88
Open Door	-	-
Piedmont Heights	192.36	192.36
Pelzer First	83.33	83.33
Rehoboth	-	-
Revive Church	665.00	665.00
Riverside	-	-
Tabernacle	-	-
Washington	600.00	600.00
Waycross	500.00	500.00
West Pelzer	118.52	118.52
White Plains	321.83	321.83
Whitefield	299.36	299.36
Williamston First	-	-
Fuente de Vida PBA Hispanic Church	100.00	100.00
<b>Total Received</b>	<b>5,511.65</b>	<b>5,511.65</b>

Balance Brought Forward <u>Total All Accounts</u> October 1, 2021	\$ 42,261.14
Total Receipts from Churches	\$ 5,511.65
Deposit- Designated Account: Hispanic Church Mission	\$ 454.00
Interest on Checking October 2021	\$ 1.85
Deposit- Love Offering PBA Fall Celebration	\$ 731.00
Deposit- SCBC CK for Operation Care- World Hunger	\$ 150.00
Deposit- WMU Dues	\$ 144.00
Deposit- Designated Account: Indonesia Missions	\$ 6,000.00
PBA Total Disbursements: Designated & General Fund for October 31, 2021	\$ (6,400.15)
<b>Total all accounts: Designated &amp; PBA Operations October 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 48,853.49</b>

<b>*DESIGNATED FUNDS ACCOUNT BALANCE:</b>	
Hispanic Church Mission	\$ 13,793.85
ESL Mission	\$ 2,508.60
PBA Indonesia Missions	\$ 14,577.08
<b>Total Designated Accounts October 2021</b>	<b>\$ 30,879.53</b>
<b>** PBA Operations General Fund October 2021</b>	<b>\$ 17,973.96</b>
<b>*Designated Funds Total</b>	<b>30,879.53</b>
<b>**PBA Operations General Fund</b>	<b>17,973.96</b>
<b>Total PBA Funds for October 2021</b>	<b>48,853.49</b>

### Birthday – Anniversary – Wedding

#### December 2021 Birthdays

06, Mrs. Martha Greer, wife of Macedonia Pastor  
12, Rev. Zack Terry, Pastor of Cedar Falls

#### December 2021 Wedding Anniversaries

02, Rev. & Mrs. Dale Hart, Pastor of Friendship  
05, Rev. & Mrs. Brandon Couch, Assoc. Pastor of Beaverdam  
07, Rev. & Mrs. Ron Fousek, Pastor of Big Creek  
22, Rev. & Mrs. Mickey Gambrell, Retired DOM

#### January 2022 Birthdays

12, Mrs. Lori Burton, wife of New Hope Pastor  
12, Rev. Mark Roberts, Pastor of Calvary  
16, Mrs. Melanie Roberts, wife of Calvary Pastor  
16, Mrs. LeAnn Sargent, wife of Revive Pastor  
19, Rev. Dale Hart, Pastor of Friendship

#### January 2022 Pastoral Anniversaries

01, Rev. Mark Roberts, Pastor of Calvary- 19 years  
01, Rev. Jayson Bond, Pastor of Eastside- 1 year

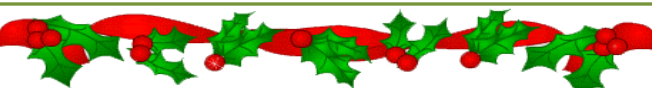
#### January 2022 Wedding Anniversaries

09, Rev. & Mrs. Mike Baker, Director of Missions

### Christmas Prisoner Packets

Packets due in PBA December 2, 2021

For Information on Approved Packing List from SC Department of Corrections please contact the PBA.  
Printable list of items: [www.scwmu.org](http://www.scwmu.org).



*Palmetto Baptist Association and Operation Care will be closed December 20-December 31, for the Holidays.*

*~ Wishing you a Merry & Blessed Christmas ~  
"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord"*

*Luke 2:11*

*Happy New Year!*



**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**  
**November 28 - December 5, 2021**  
**100% of offerings go to the mission field.**  
**Week of Prayer and Mission Study for International Missions**

PBA Senior Adult Luncheon Tuesday December 7, 2021

Washington Baptist Church, Pelzer SC

Program @ 10 am ~ Lunch at Noon. Mark your calendar!

Host church will provide the main dish. Churches are asked to bring side dishes and two gifts for door prizes. List of items to bring will be mailed out to your Senior Adult Director.



Please call the PBA Office (847-7348) by Thursday 12/2, to let us know how many from your church will be attending. Invite someone!



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## Rev. Mike Baker, Director of Missions

What a difference a year makes! We were thrown a world-wide curve ball meant to strike us out, but with God's help and your faith, we swung the bat, hit the ball, and ran the bases! Covid-19 did not win. My verse through this is from Paul's heart and his writing to the Philippian church... "but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus!" (3:13)

Thank you, pastors, staff, volunteers, and churches, for pressing on in faith! We don't know what the future holds, but by faith, I know Christ will be in it! This year we came back together! We celebrated the PBA ministry at New Hope with a tremendous gathering of our brothers and sisters! The youth came together for TNT at Hillcrest for a soul stirring testimony from Cary Sanders. Operation Care continued to serve as volunteers went in and out in all weather. Operation Care gave me the opportunity to talk and pray with 134 people who have terrible circumstances to deal with. Three of those made professions of faith! PTL. Only God knows how many others prayed privately to be saved! The Christian Learning Center is active with Jr. High kids studying the word of God taught by Mrs. Joan Moody. And new this year, Waycross Baptist Church and Pastor Dickie McCuen took on Woodmont Middle CLC giving those students the place to study the Bible off campus! This year we restarted the Sunday School Clinic planned by Rev. Ryan Steed with 48 in attendance! PTL!

Finally, this year, I challenged our churches to reach out to South East Asia in a year we could Not Travel! On November 2, 2021 PBA mailed a check for \$14,557.08 to the IMB to be designated to two islands in the South Pacific for the purchase of water filter pots, training of young national evangelists, and opening of doors for churches to be planted in villages we could never get to otherwise! Praise God! I must add this special note of thanks to Riverside Baptist and Pastor Ryan Steed; they collected and gave \$6,000 alone to this mission effort! From the children's Sunday School Classes at Washington Baptist Church to individuals who saw this vision, I say THANK YOU! The funds have already been sent to the field and on November 14<sup>th</sup> the first pots began to be distributed.

Love Y'all

Mike Baker, DOM

Following are comments from our IMB staff in the field who will access the funds immediately!

*Dear Palmetto Baptist Association family, thank you so much for your generous giving to the Advance team to see the unreached, reached. I appreciate our partnering together in the expansion of God's kingdom in SEast Asia. I'm grateful for your gift and your prayers as I am leading a team to take the gospel to those who haven't had a chance to hear. Pray with us that we can find key people living amongst these people groups that are open to receiving the gospel and want to see their friends and family also come to Christ. Sharon*

*Dear Pastors of Palmetto Baptist Association,*

*Greetings from SEast Asia! First of all, I want to express my heartfelt thanks for your generosity in giving your contribution to Sharon's and Shelly's and my work here in SEA. Although Sharon is working on a different island than we do (Sulawesi) she and I are working together with my CH here in Central Java to start a new work in the area of Central Sulawesi.*

*In addition to that, we are focused on our Unreached People Group here in Central Java (Pantura UPG). We have been focused in on them for almost 20 years of ministry. M.J did a good job in developing the Water Filter Ministry as he worked with the Impact Center and North Coast Java team to distribute them in the area in order to build and establish relationships with people that do not know Christ, so we can build on those relationships and share the Good News of Jesus with hundreds of people.*

*With the McVey family taking a Leave of Absence, we have been asked to continue that ministry among the North Coast Javanese and in turn use those Water Filters you helped purchase to open up doors to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. We will periodically send you photos of Water Filter Distributions and also give reports about sharing the Gospel*

P.S. Pray for ongoing weekly ministries of the Ladies Prayer Group and backpackers providing food and snacks to 186 kids per week! You can help! Call Beverly Adkins at 864-940-1478. Pray for our ongoing Hispanic Outreach Fuente de Vida meeting on Sunday nights. You can help! Call me or Bobby Ramsey at 864-245-2265 Pray for Men United in Prayer, meeting Tuesday mornings at B&R Restaurant in Williamston, they will be providing 100 Thanksgiving meals. You can Help! Call Ray Bunton at 864-934-2687. Pray for Tree of Love project sharing with children from our schools this Christmas call PBA @ 864-847-7348.

**Note to Pastor and Staff:** January 18, 2022 Annual Seminar this year with Dr. Tony Beam, Director of SCBC Office of Public Policy and Director of Church and Community Engagement for NGU. Coffee at 10:30am, seminar with lunch 11-1pm., Steak, potato, salad, and dessert!

11/30/21- International Mission Study PRAGUE, PBA Office 6:30pm, speaker Rev. Larry Baldwin. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome!

1/10/22- PBA Administrative & Executive Committee Meeting all PBA pastors and church representatives are encouraged to attend.