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Monthly Mission Report
May 2021

BEGINNING BALANCE:		**$2,375,648.05**
RECEIPTS:		
Interstate Salaries	$ 57,062.60	
Foreign & National Salaries	$ 50,065.29	
Designated	$ 34,631.26	
Undesignated	$ 11,471.96	
TOTAL RECEIPTS:		**$ 153,231.11**
BALANCE FOR SALARY/EXPENSE		**$2,528,879.16**
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Interstate Salaries	$ 74,411.80	
Foreign Salaries	$ 22,724.39	
National Salaries	$ 22,839.20	
Designated	$ 34,631.26	
Sal/Exp of Sec-Treas Office		
Office Salaries	$ 12,364.29	
General Office	$ 2,678.52	
Automobile Exp	$ 608.61	
Sec/Treasurer Exp	$ (80.39)	
Postage	$ 19.70	
	$ 15,590.73	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:		**$ 170,197.38**
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD:		**$ 2,358,681.78**
DEFICIT FOR MAY		**$ (16,966.27)**

National Missionary Jose Bernardo (C)
Cebu Island, Philippines
Baptizing Llod Reyna (L) [son] and
Boyet Reyna (R) [father]

Dear Churches of the American Baptist Association,

News: We enjoyed a busy, yet fruitful, month in May. It began in Yelm, WA, at Outpost MBM with Interstate Missionary Devin Wood. Mother's Day was spent in West Texas with Northside MBC, Snyder, and First MBC, Hermleigh. May 15th took us to Landmark MBC, Edwards, IL, while May 16th found us at Surrounded Hill LMBC in Newport, AR. On the 23rd we were in South Louisiana with Magnolia MBM in Covington and their Sponsoring Church, Pearl Hickory MBC, in Pearl River.

Names: We mourn the loss of Roselande Isma (May 2, 2021), wife of National Missionary to Haiti Jean Isma, sent out by the Westwood Missionary Baptist Church of Winter Haven, FL. Jean and Roselande had recently adopted a son who is now 15 months old. Roselande was a dear woman of God who was always ready to share the Gospel or break out into a song.

We also mourn the loss of Noemy Goulding (May 11, 2021), wife of long-time Foreign Missionary to Costa Rica, Brother Walter Goulding, who is sent out by Poplar Head MBC in Ludowici, GA. Brother and Sister Goulding have spent most of their lives ministering to the people in and around San Jose, Costa Rica. At the time of this report Brother Goulding remains in a Costa Rican hospital suffering with COVID-19 but is improving. Please pray for both missionary families.

Numbers: We rejoice over the numbers reported to our office by the missionaries for May: ***401 Professions of Faith*** and ***63 Baptisms***. This brings our respective associational year totals to ***3673*** and ***492***. Praise the Lord!

Notes: If you are in Charleston, WV, for the ABA Messenger Meeting, we invite you to *Missionary Share Time*, Monday, June 21st, 7:00 PM in the Theater; the *Missionary Committee* meeting, Tuesday, June 22nd, 10:00 AM in the Coliseum; the *Missions Program*, Wednesday, June 23rd, 7:00 PM in the Coliseum.

Needs: We are reminded that, in addition to the above-mentioned losses, there remain other prayer requests. During May National Missionary Marcus Nyenehtue's sister passed away in Liberia; National Missionaries Jose Bernardo and Abel Dimatulac both spent time in a Philippines hospital with COVID-19; and, National Missionary Roger Babelonio in Cambodia was sent back to the Philippines for surgery. Our missionaries carry great burdens, but our God offers great grace.

Furthering the Gospel,
Dr. Roger Stewart
Philippians 1:12