



# **Fall Semi-Annual Meeting**

**October 5, 2025**  
**Calvary Baptist Church**  
**Blue Springs, Missouri**

# Welcome to the 44th Year of Blue River-Kansas City Baptist Association!

## Agenda

### Worship Celebration

Welcome and Prayer	Dan Neighbors, Pastor Calvary
Praise and Worship	Peter Assad
Business Session	Jim Vest, Moderator
Nominating Committee Recommendations	Amy Cox
Finance Committee Recommendations	Greg Guthrie, Chairman
2026 World Cup Report	Nicolas Wilson
Associate Director of Missions Report	Brian Grout
Guest Speaker	Andy Addis, CrossPoint Church
Closing Prayer	Gregg Boll



Andy Addis is a pastor, leader, motivational speaker/trainer and author. Primarily, Andy claims his most important roles are Christian, husband and father.

Andy is the Lead Teaching & Vision Pastor at CrossPoint Church in Hutchinson, KS. He also works for the North American Mission Board as the Rural Director on the Replant Team of Rural Strategies.

## Lyrics for Worship

### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

V1

Holy, holy, holy!  
Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning  
Our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, holy, holy!  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity!

V2

Holy, holy, holy!  
Though the darkness hide Thee  
Though the eye of sinful man  
Thy glory may not see  
Only Thou art holy  
There is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power,  
love and purity

V3

Holy, holy, holy!  
Lord God Almighty  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name  
In earth and sky and sea  
Holy, holy, holy!  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
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Blessed Trinity

### **Blessed Assurance**

V1

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine;  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His  
blood.

V2

Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my  
sight;  
Angels descending, bring from  
above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

V3

Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blest;  
Watching and waiting, looking  
above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His  
love

Refrain

## Recommendations of the Nominating Committee

Moderator	Pastor Athol Barnes, <b>Grace Point</b>
Moderator-Elect	To be announced
Clerk	Amy Cox, <b>BR-KC Baptist Association</b>
Treasurer	Kim Rice

### **Administrative Committee**

\*Alan Findley, Overflow  
\*Steve Guenther, Fellowship Greenwood  
\*Luis Mendoza, Palabra Viva  
\*Michael Nelson, Grandview First  
\*Atwood Williams, Greater Faith  
Travis Yeargans, River's Edge

### **Finance Committee**

Dennis DePugh, River Boulevard  
\*Don Graves, Holy Hill  
\*Randy Jones, Heart of Life  
\*Ann Rohr, Connection Point  
Becca Soulis, South Haven  
Nicolas Wilson, Peculiar First

### **Credentials Committee**

Jim Lehman, Sycamore Hills  
Jason Ramsey, Susquehanna  
Wendel Rosbrough, Bethel  
Marvin Tigner, Fellowship  
Vernon West, Creighton First  
Clayton With, Abiding Love

### **Personnel Committee**

\*Lewis Jones, Reach Raytown  
\*Jason Shipley, Big Creek  
Keith Sisney, Norfleet  
Dale Smith, The Road  
\*Pattie Styron, Faith  
\*Kent Warner, Fellowship Greenwood

\* Indicates committee members joining in 2026

The Nominating Committee is appointed by the Moderator in consultation with an advisory group composed of the Moderator-Elect, the Director of Missions and the Clerk. (Bylaw 9.8.1).

### Submitted by the Nominating Committee:

Summer Arlint, Fellowship Greenwood  
Chris Bailey, Church at Three Trails  
Carol Bowers, Norfleet  
Kerissa Breisch, Grandview First  
Taylor Goucher, Freeman  
Chris Pinion, LifeQuest

# Report and Recommendation of the Finance Committee

Date : 09/11/2025  
Time : 8:09:45 AM

**Blue River Kansas City Baptist Association**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**August 2025**

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**Accounts**

<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents</b>		
101000 - Commerce Checking Account	\$29,441.08	
<b>Total Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents</b>		<b>\$29,441.08</b>
<b>Investments</b>		
<b>Charles Schwab</b>		
140000 - Charles Schwab	\$401,608.64	
140002 - Change in Value of Investments	\$77,162.68	
<b>Total Charles Schwab</b>	<b>\$478,771.32</b>	
<b>MO Baptist Foundation</b>		
130000 - MO Baptist Foundation	\$135,000.00	
130001 - Earnings on Investments	\$6,929.25	
<b>Total MO Baptist Foundation</b>	<b>\$141,929.25</b>	
<b>Total Investments</b>		<b>\$620,700.57</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>\$650,141.65</b>
<b>Liabilities, Fund Principal, &amp; Restricted Funds</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Tax &amp; Liabilities</b>		
201000 - Federal & FICA Tax Withholding	\$1,221.26	
201500 - State Tax Withholding	\$361.00	
<b>Total Tax &amp; Liabilities</b>		<b>\$1,582.26</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>\$1,582.26</b>
<b>Fund Principal</b>		
270000 - Unrealized Losses & Earnings on Inv	\$77,162.68	
299999 - BRKC Fund Principal	\$491,327.26	
Receipts Over (Under) Expenses	(\$33,053.34)	
<b>Total Fund Principal and Receipts Over (Under) Expenses</b>		<b>\$535,436.60</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>		
Total Temporary Restricted	\$113,122.79	
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>		<b>\$113,122.79</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Fund Principal, &amp; Restricted Funds</b>		<b>\$650,141.65</b>

**Blue River Kansas City Baptist Association**  
**Analysis of Revenues & Expenses - YTD Budget Info**  
**August 2025**

**Note: The Report Option to include Open Transactions is selected.**

Accounts	MTD Actual	MTD Budget	MTD Budget Remaining	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Budget Remaining
<b>Revenues</b>						
301000 - Member Contributions	\$22,935.17	\$40,020.87	\$17,085.70	\$244,336.53	\$320,166.96	\$75,830.43
308000 - Interest & Dividends	\$1,317.24	\$0.00	(\$1,317.24)	\$8,553.88	\$0.00	(\$8,553.88)
309000 - Miscellaneous Other Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,568.58	\$0.00	(\$2,568.58)
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$24,252.41</b>	<b>\$40,020.87</b>	<b>\$15,768.46</b>	<b>\$255,458.99</b>	<b>\$320,166.96</b>	<b>\$64,707.97</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
<b>Gospel Outreach</b>						
412200 - Vancouver Partnership	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00
414100 - Refugee & Immigrant Ministrie	\$0.00	\$208.33	\$208.33	\$0.00	\$1,666.64	\$1,666.64
417000 - People Teams Leader	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
<b>College Ministry</b>						
405100 - Impact Student Min. UMKC - 1	\$3,333.34	\$3,333.33	(\$0.01)	\$26,666.71	\$26,666.64	(\$0.07)
<b>Total College Ministry</b>	<b>\$3,333.34</b>	<b>\$3,333.33</b>	<b>(\$0.01)</b>	<b>\$26,666.71</b>	<b>\$26,666.64</b>	<b>(\$0.07)</b>
<b>Total Gospel Outreach</b>	<b>\$3,333.34</b>	<b>\$4,691.66</b>	<b>\$1,358.32</b>	<b>\$26,666.71</b>	<b>\$37,533.28</b>	<b>\$10,866.57</b>
<b>Resource Churches</b>						
421400 - Discipleship Resources	\$109.99	\$291.67	\$181.68	\$1,746.05	\$2,333.36	\$587.31
421600 - Media Center	\$117.91	\$79.17	(\$38.74)	\$540.89	\$633.36	\$92.47
422200 - Minister - Church Relations	\$387.33	\$500.00	\$112.67	\$4,041.53	\$4,000.00	(\$41.53)
435000 - Auto - Executive Director	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
435200 - Auto - Associational Director	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$565.20	\$2,000.00	\$1,434.80
435900 - Auto - Administrative Assistan	\$0.00	\$8.33	\$8.33	\$29.91	\$66.64	\$36.73
436110 - Church Revitalization Ministrie	\$927.39	\$291.67	(\$635.72)	\$3,184.45	\$2,333.36	(\$851.09)
436121 - Ministry Residency-Forest Ave	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$2,400.00	\$1,800.00
436122 - Planter/Pastor Res-LifeConne	\$0.00	\$583.33	\$583.33	\$3,500.04	\$4,666.64	\$1,166.60
436123 - Hispanic Residency	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
<b>Woman's Missionary Union</b>						
408000 - Age Level Development	\$0.00	\$83.33	\$83.33	\$200.00	\$666.64	\$466.64
409400 - Literature/Supplies	\$0.00	\$83.33	\$83.33	\$51.00	\$666.64	\$615.64
409600 - Postage	\$0.00	\$33.33	\$33.33	\$19.71	\$266.64	\$246.93
<b>Total Woman's Missionary Union</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$199.99</b>	<b>\$199.99</b>	<b>\$270.71</b>	<b>\$1,599.92</b>	<b>\$1,329.21</b>
<b>Total Resource Churches</b>	<b>\$1,792.62</b>	<b>\$2,779.16</b>	<b>\$986.54</b>	<b>\$16,478.78</b>	<b>\$22,233.28</b>	<b>\$5,754.50</b>
<b>Assist Comm. Transformation</b>						
401100 - Eleos Urban Ministries	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$0.00
401200 - Disaster Relief	\$0.00	\$41.67	\$41.67	\$330.21	\$333.36	\$3.15
401500 - Human Trafficking	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Assist Comm. Transformation</b>	<b>\$2,600.00</b>	<b>\$2,641.67</b>	<b>\$41.67</b>	<b>\$21,130.21</b>	<b>\$21,133.36</b>	<b>\$3.15</b>
<b>Church Planting</b>						
411100 - Multi-Ethnic CPC	\$1,833.34	\$1,833.33	(\$0.01)	\$14,666.72	\$14,666.64	(\$0.08)
414520 - Future Church Plant	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$6,400.00	\$6,400.00
414521 - Kaluba-Fellowship Greenwood	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$0.00
414522 - Sovereign Joy-Charles Ackma	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
414523 - The Fount-Jim Hays	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$0.00
414810 - 2819 Life Church - Emmanuel	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$0.00
414820 - Overflow Church - Alan Findle	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,200.00	\$0.00
415000 - Other New Works (Luis Sanch	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Church Planting</b>	<b>\$3,883.34</b>	<b>\$4,683.33</b>	<b>\$799.99</b>	<b>\$31,066.72</b>	<b>\$37,466.64</b>	<b>\$6,399.92</b>
<b>Equipping Leaders</b>						
421000 - Leadership Training	\$0.00	\$333.33	\$333.33	\$1,420.82	\$2,666.64	\$1,245.82
421510 - Pastor Care & Wellness	\$0.00	\$266.67	\$266.67	\$0.00	\$2,133.36	\$2,133.36
421520 - Theological Cohort	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
421530 - Pastor's Collective Quarterly	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
421540 - Pastor's Revivalization Huddle	\$0.00	\$625.00	\$625.00	\$3,294.10	\$5,000.00	\$1,705.90
422400 - Conferences & Special Events	\$0.00	\$416.67	\$416.67	\$6,534.26	\$3,333.36	(\$3,200.90)
<b>Total Equipping Leaders</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,141.67</b>	<b>\$2,141.67</b>	<b>\$11,249.18</b>	<b>\$17,133.36</b>	<b>\$5,884.18</b>
<b>Administration</b>						
401450 - Digital Media	\$0.00	\$62.50	\$62.50	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
401800 - Association Emphasis	\$0.00	\$166.67	\$166.67	\$105.84	\$1,333.36	\$1,227.52
436000 - Conv/Training - Executive Dire	\$675.86	\$291.67	(\$384.19)	\$2,140.48	\$2,333.36	\$192.88
436200 - Conv/Training - Assoc Director	\$588.07	\$291.67	(\$296.40)	\$2,271.12	\$2,333.36	\$62.24
436600 - Conv/Training - Admin Assista	\$0.00	\$20.83	\$20.83	\$0.00	\$166.64	\$166.64
451000 - Office Supplies	\$48.35	\$83.33	\$34.98	\$311.14	\$666.64	\$355.50
451500 - Postage - Administrative	\$53.29	\$70.83	\$17.54	\$325.58	\$566.64	\$241.06

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452500 - Legal Fees	\$0.00	\$166.67	\$166.67	\$0.00	\$1,333.36	\$1,333.36
452600 - ACS Accounting	\$380.00	\$366.67	(\$13.33)	\$3,040.00	\$2,933.36	(\$106.64)
452650 - Subscriptions	\$30.19	\$145.83	\$115.64	\$2,257.40	\$1,166.64	(\$1,090.76)
452800 - On-line Giving Fees	\$35.32	\$62.50	\$27.18	\$326.80	\$500.00	\$173.20
455000 - Miscellaneous Administrative	\$0.00	\$41.67	\$41.67	\$440.51	\$333.36	(\$107.15)
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$1,811.08</b>	<b>\$1,770.84</b>	<b>(\$40.24)</b>	<b>\$11,218.87</b>	<b>\$14,166.72</b>	<b>\$2,947.85</b>
<b>Operations</b>						
441500 - Janitorial Supplies	\$0.00	\$16.67	\$16.67	\$71.38	\$133.36	\$61.98
442500 - Maintenance & Repair	\$94.77	\$166.67	\$71.90	\$886.04	\$1,333.36	\$447.32
443500 - Vehicle Maintenance	\$0.00	\$166.67	\$166.67	\$1,068.47	\$1,333.36	\$264.89
444000 - Insurance - Property	\$0.00	\$458.33	\$458.33	\$3,547.20	\$3,666.64	\$119.44
444200 - Insurance - Vehicle	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$1,073.40	\$2,000.00	\$926.60
444300 - Insurance - Workman's Comp	\$0.00	\$183.33	\$183.33	\$1,234.60	\$1,466.64	\$232.04
444500 - Equipment	\$237.53	\$208.33	(\$29.20)	\$3,616.98	\$1,666.64	(\$1,950.34)
445000 - Electricity	\$115.76	\$183.33	\$67.57	\$1,223.34	\$1,466.64	\$243.30
445500 - Telephone/Internet	\$359.94	\$391.67	\$31.73	\$2,901.19	\$3,133.36	\$232.17
446000 - Water	\$16.12	\$15.42	(\$0.70)	\$133.33	\$123.36	(\$9.97)
446200 - Trash Pick Up	\$76.50	\$71.67	(\$4.83)	\$612.00	\$573.36	(\$38.64)
446500 - Building Contingency	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$55.84	\$0.00	(\$55.84)
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>\$900.62</b>	<b>\$2,112.09</b>	<b>\$1,211.47</b>	<b>\$16,423.77</b>	<b>\$16,896.72</b>	<b>\$472.95</b>
<b>Personnel</b>						
431000 - Executive Director	\$7,083.34	\$7,083.33	(\$0.01)	\$56,666.72	\$56,666.64	(\$0.08)
431200 - Associate Director	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00
431300 - Assoc Director Housing	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$0.00
431800 - Administrative Assistant	\$1,836.00	\$1,989.00	\$153.00	\$16,363.50	\$15,912.00	(\$451.50)
431900 - Office Assistant	\$1,056.00	\$1,144.00	\$88.00	\$8,448.00	\$9,152.00	\$704.00
432000 - Financial Secretary	\$350.80	\$350.79	(\$0.01)	\$2,806.40	\$2,806.32	(\$0.08)
433200 - Annuity - Exec Director	\$710.00	\$708.33	(\$1.67)	\$6,378.32	\$5,666.64	(\$711.68)
433400 - Annuity - Assoc Director	\$500.00	\$575.00	\$75.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,600.00	\$600.00
434200 - Payroll Tax Expense (FICA)	\$248.08	\$250.00	\$1.92	\$2,112.74	\$2,000.00	(\$112.74)
434400 - Christmas Bonus	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$18,784.22</b>	<b>\$19,200.45</b>	<b>\$416.23</b>	<b>\$152,775.68</b>	<b>\$153,603.60</b>	<b>\$827.92</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$33,105.22</b>	<b>\$40,020.87</b>	<b>\$6,915.65</b>	<b>\$287,009.92</b>	<b>\$320,166.96</b>	<b>\$33,157.04</b>
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>(\$8,852.81)</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$8,852.81</b>	<b>(\$31,550.93)</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$31,550.93</b>
<b>Other Expenses - Unbudgeted</b>						
601000 - Investment Account Mgmt Fec	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,502.41	\$0.00	(\$1,502.41)
<b>Total Other Expenses - Unbudgeted</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,502.41</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>(\$1,502.41)</b>
<b>Net Operating Total</b>	<b>(\$8,852.81)</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$8,852.81</b>	<b>(\$33,053.34)</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$33,053.34</b>

**Blue River Kansas City Baptist Association**  
**Summary of Restricted Accounts**  
**August 2025**

Accounts	Beginning Balance	Restricted Revenue	Restricted Expenses	Ending Balance
<b>Temporary Restricted</b>				
<b>Miscellaneous Designated Funds</b>				
230503 - Director Ministries	\$2,036.29	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$2,386.29
231000 - Mission/Ministry Support Club	\$328.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$328.33
235600 - Church Funeral Assistance	\$22.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22.00
235700 - Human Trafficking Home	\$2,304.65	\$746.77	\$2,000.00	\$1,051.42
<b>Total Miscellaneous Designated Funds</b>	<b>\$4,691.27</b>	<b>\$1,096.77</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,788.04</b>
<b>Administrative Grants</b>				
241100 - Robert D. Meade Memorial Fund	\$222.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$222.52
241300 - Robert Lee Rosell Memorial Fund	\$1,345.32	\$0.00	\$419.39	\$925.93
241500 - Tierney Endowment Fund	\$503.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$503.17
242400 - Disaster Relief	\$12,128.58	\$0.00	\$811.61	\$11,316.97
<b>Total Administrative Grants</b>	<b>\$14,199.59</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,231.00</b>	<b>\$12,968.59</b>
<b>Church &amp; Community Grants</b>				
245100 - Rheubin L. South Missions Offering	\$8,340.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,340.13
246100 - Refugee/Immigrant	\$740.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$740.00
246300 - People Team Support	\$2,402.50	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$2,502.50
<b>Total Church &amp; Community Grants</b>	<b>\$11,482.63</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$11,582.63</b>
<b>Temporary In &amp; Out Funds</b>				
247000 - Miscellaneous Designated	\$2,884.32	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$2,584.32
247300 - Horn of Africa Missions	\$61.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$61.34
247301 - Vancouver Partnership Mission	\$1.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.15
247304 - Ethiopian Child Sponsorship	\$155.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$155.00
247305 - Shire Church Child Sponsorship	\$1,491.00	\$3,800.00	\$1,890.00	\$3,401.00
247307 - Children's Project of Ethiopia	\$4,598.28	\$155.00	\$0.00	\$4,753.28
<b>Total Temporary In &amp; Out Funds</b>	<b>\$9,191.09</b>	<b>\$3,955.00</b>	<b>\$2,190.00</b>	<b>\$10,956.09</b>
<b>WMU In &amp; Out Funds</b>				
247400 - WMU Training Event	\$421.10	\$450.00	\$799.71	\$71.39
247600 - WMU Mission Fund	\$475.93	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$475.93
247800 - WMU Girl's Camp	\$1,694.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,694.67
248000 - Misty Ernst Memorial Fund/WMU	\$3,171.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,171.49
248100 - WMU Job Corp	\$68.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$68.91
<b>Total WMU In &amp; Out Funds</b>	<b>\$5,832.10</b>	<b>\$450.00</b>	<b>\$799.71</b>	<b>\$5,482.39</b>
<b>Board Restricted Funds</b>				
242600 - Housing Grant - Executive Director	\$25,221.18	\$0.00	\$1,250.00	\$23,971.18
243000 - Capital Improvements(Rockwood Sale)	\$194.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$194.26
247200 - Block Party Trailer Rental	\$7,192.82	\$300.00	\$208.66	\$7,284.16
247700 - Portable Baptistry Rental	\$707.97	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$582.97
249100 - New Works	\$8.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8.46
<b>VISION 2020</b>				
280000 - VISION 2020	\$36,304.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$36,304.02
<b>Total VISION 2020</b>	<b>\$36,304.02</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$36,304.02</b>
<b>Total Board Restricted Funds</b>	<b>\$69,628.71</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>	<b>\$1,583.66</b>	<b>\$68,345.05</b>
<b>Total Temporary Restricted</b>	<b>\$115,025.39</b>	<b>\$5,901.77</b>	<b>\$7,804.37</b>	<b>\$113,122.79</b>

**2026 Proposed Budget**  
**Blue River-Kansas City Baptist Association**

<b>Accounts</b>	<b>2025 Budget</b>	<b>2026 Proposed Annual</b>
<b>Gospel Outreach</b>		
412200 - Vancouver Partnership	\$4,800.00	\$0.00
414100 - Refugee & Immigrant Ministries	\$2,500.00	\$1,200.00
417000- People Teams Leader	\$9,000.00	\$3,600.00
<b>NEW - Montana Partnership</b>		<b>\$2,000.00</b>
<b>College Ministry</b>		
405100 - Collegiate Impact	\$40,000.00	\$37,000.00
<b>Total Gospel Outreach</b>	<b>\$56,300.00</b>	<b>\$43,800.00</b>
<b>Resource Churches</b>		
421600 - Media Center (Textedly subscription)	\$950.00	\$950.00
421400 - Discipleship Resources (Rightnow Media, books, etc)	\$3,500.00	\$3,000.00
422200 - Minister - Church Relations (Hospitality, crisis, celebrations ministry, Diakonos partnership)	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
435000 - Auto - Executive Director	\$300.00	\$300.00
435200 - Auto - Associate Director	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
435900 - Auto - Administrative Assistant	\$100.00	\$100.00
436110 - Church Revitalization Ministries	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
436121 - Ministry Residency - Forest Avenue	\$3,600.00	\$2,500.00
436122 - Planter/Pastor Residency-LifeConnection	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
436123 - Hispanic Residency	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
<b>Woman's Missionary Union</b>		
408000 - Age Level Development	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
409400 - Literature/Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
409600 - Postage and Promotion	\$400.00	\$400.00
<b>Total Resource Churches</b>	<b>\$33,350.00</b>	<b>\$31,750.00</b>
<b>Assist Comm. Transformation</b>		
401100 - Eleos Urban Ministries	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
401500 - Human Trafficking	\$30,000.00	\$25,000.00
401200 - Disaster Relief	\$500.00	\$500.00
<b>NEW - World Cup Outreach</b>		<b>\$3,000.00</b>
<b>Total Assist Comm. Transformation</b>	<b>\$31,700.00</b>	<b>\$29,700.00</b>

**Church Planting**

411100 - Multi-Ethnic CPC	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00
415000 - Other New Works (Luis Sanchez)	\$2,400.00	\$0.00
414810 - 2819 Life Church - Emmanuel Joseph	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
414820 - Overflow Church - Alan Findley	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
414520 - Future Church Planting	\$9,600.00	\$9,600.00
414521 - Kaluba-Fellowship Greenwood	\$4,800.00	\$4,800.00
414522 - Sovereign Joy - Charles Ackmann	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
414523 - The Fount - Jim Hays	\$4,800.00	\$0.00

**Total Church Planting** **\$56,200.00** **\$49,000.00**

**Pastor Care & Equipping (Changed from just Equipping Leaders)**

421510 - Pastor Care & Wellness (Diakonos)	\$3,200.00	\$2,500.00
421520 - Theological Cohort	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
421530 - Pastor's Collective Quarterly	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
421540 - Pastor's Revitalization Huddle	\$7,500.00	\$4,500.00
421000 - Leadership Training	\$4,000.00	\$3,000.00
422400 - Conferences & Special Events	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

**RELOCATED - Pastors Appreciation Banquet** **\$4,500.00**

**NEW - Urban Church Renewal** **\$2,000.00**

**NEW - Bi-vocational Training** **\$1,200.00**

**NEW - Sabbatical Preacher/Supply** **\$1,400.00**

**Total Equipping Leaders** **\$25,700.00** **\$27,100.00**

**Administration**

401450 - Digital Media	\$750.00	\$750.00
452650 - Subscriptions (Google, Microsoft, Zoom, etc)	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00
401800 - Semi-Annual Meetings	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
436000 - Conv/Training - Executive Director	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
436200 - Conv/Training - Assoc Director	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
436600 - Conv/Training - Admin Assistant	\$250.00	\$250.00
451000 - Office Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
451500 - Postage - Administrative	\$850.00	\$850.00
452500 - Legal Fees	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
452600 - ACS Accounting	\$4,400.00	\$4,400.00
452800 - Online Giving Fees	\$750.00	\$750.00
455000 - Miscellaneous Administrative	\$500.00	\$500.00

**Total Administration** **\$21,250.00** **\$21,250.00**

**Operations**

441500 - Janitorial Supplies	\$200.00	\$200.00
442500 - Maintenance & Repair	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
443500 - Vehicle Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00

444000 - Insurance - Property, Vehicle, Work. Comp.	\$5,500.00	\$11,000.00
444200 - Insurance - Vehicle - <b>combined</b>	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
444300 - Insurance - Workman's Comp - <b>combined</b>	\$2,200.00	\$0.00
444500 - Equipment	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
445000 - Electricity	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00
445500 - Telephone/Internet	\$4,700.00	\$3,000.00
446000 - Water	\$185.00	\$200.00
446200 - Trash & Sewer	\$860.00	\$960.00
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>\$25,345.00</b>	<b>\$24,060.00</b>
<b>Personnel</b>		
431000 - Exective Director <i>salary</i>	\$85,000.00	\$88,000.00
431100 - Exective Director <i>housing</i>	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
431200 - Exec Dir Hsing paid from design annuity	-\$15,000.00	-\$15,000.00
431200 - Associate Director	\$69,000.00	\$62,520.00
431300 - Associate Director Housing	\$15,000.00	\$24,000.00
431800 - Administrative Assistant	\$23,868.00	\$24,584.04
431900 - Office Assistant	\$13,728.00	\$14,139.84
432000 - Financial Secretary	\$4,209.44	\$4,335.72
433200 - Annuity - Exec Director	\$8,500.00	\$8,800.00
433400 - Annuity - Assoc Director	\$6,900.00	\$6,252.00
434200 - Payroll Tax Expense	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
434400 - Bonuses - Christmas and Longevity	\$1,200.00	\$1,600.00
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>\$230,405.44</b>	<b>\$237,231.60</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$480,250.44</b>	<b>\$463,891.60</b>

## MINISTRY REPORTS

### Student Ministry Report

By Travis and Britney Hamm, Directors of Collegiate Impact ([travis@collegiateimpact.org](mailto:travis@collegiateimpact.org))



Staff, student leaders, and volunteers at Core Team Training, 8/16/25

The semester is off to a fruitful start for Collegiate Impact as we seek to bring the hope and peace of Jesus to college students in Kansas City. On August 16, we launched the semester with an all-day Core Team Training. For the first time ever, we had student leaders in attendance from every one of our seven campuses where we have on-campus ministries (UMKC, Park, MCC Blue River, MCC Longview, MCC Maple Woods, Johnson County Community Col-

lege, and Spurgeon/Midwestern). Also in attendance that day were volunteers from church partners who play a key role in serving with our ministries. God is answering our prayers for momentum as a citywide ministry and for student leaders, especially on our two-year campuses!

In the first few weeks of the semester we have made new connections with over 365 students and had over 70 gospel conversations with nonbelieving students! Just a couple weeks ago, one of our students, who became a believer last summer, led her coworker to Christ. This is exactly what we want to see happen...students coming to trust in Christ, growing in their faith, and being equipped to share the hope and peace of Jesus with those in their spheres of influence.

One UMKC student, Sarah, has been living this out faithfully for the last year since coming to UMKC on scholarship with the track team. She has been leading a Bible study for her teammates since January. We asked how we could help support her, and as a result of that conversation, we hosted a Spa Night for the track team on September 6th. Eleven ladies from the track team enjoyed sweet and salty snacks, Italian sodas, and a variety of spa stations. To conclude the night, I (Britney), shared a devotion with them on what it means to find joy in Christ based on Psalm 16. Sarah told me the next week that one of her teammates passed on what she'd learning from the teaching to another teammate who wasn't at Spa Night. We look forward to continuing to serve and minister to the track team.

On Saturday, September 13, Nathan Schaffer, a volunteer at MCC Blue River and pastor at Life Connection Independence, led a student to the Lord. This student was raised RLDS and realized during an on-campus Bible study that his Bible was different from everyone else's while going through John. Nathan gave him an ESV study Bible provided by a CI donor. Nathan will be discipling this student.

Seven churches have partnered with us in a Prayer & Outreach drive during the months of August and September, and church partners are coming alongside us to provide food for meals, goodie bags, volunteers, and other forms of support. We are so thankful for this! Thank you for your prayers and support, BRKC; you are helping to sustain us during this busy time of year!

### WMU

By Linda Graham, Associational WMU Director ([lgrahamwmu@aol.com](mailto:lgrahamwmu@aol.com))

We held our annual Equip training on August 9th at Linden Baptist Church in the Clay-Platte association. We had over 50 attendees. We heard Omar Segovia tell about his work with Hispanics in this state. We also had a bookstore available and age level breakouts.

Our watchword is found in 1 Thessalonians 2:8 which says “Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.”

This verse reminds us that we delight to share with the whole world, not only the gospel of God, but our lives as well out of love—not just pure obedience. What joy we have in making disciples of Jesus who live on mission.



### **Director's Report**

*By Gregg Boll, Director of Missions (greggb@kcbaptist.org)*

As a Director of Missions, I am uniquely blessed to visit a large number of pastors and churches over a wide area of the city in any given year. In fact, the first surprising difference I noticed in the role of DOM compared to my pastoral role of 27 years was how refreshing it was to see so many of the Lord's people worshipping in different ways in their unique cultural contexts. As a pastor, my world was somewhat smaller. Not less significant, but smaller. I interacted with my staff, members, and community, but my exposure to other pastors, churches, and ministries was limited. That can happen to us because of the extreme demands of pastoring a local church. We get so busy and focused on our ministry that we can lose sight of the bigger picture. That is why mission trips, training events, conventions, and interaction with other pastors at Associational gatherings become so vital to your spiritual and emotional health. As I visit, preach in, and meet with pastors and churches across our great Association, I am encouraged; I am encouraged by the hope and joy I see in our pastors. I see sleeping churches and complacent pastors waking up and wanting to engage their communities with the gospel. I see declining churches reaching out for help to become healthy again. I see churches celebrating baptisms again for the first time in years. The Spirit of God is alive and well in His churches and in the pastors of our Association. More of us are sensing a stirring of the Spirit of God, and the tumultuous events of our generation merely signal the approaching storm of a great revival.

If you asked me what one of the greatest goals I have for us as an Association, it would be that we would come together under the gospel and the Word of God; that we would genuinely, deeply love one another and appreciate each other's uniqueness. Peter says that's what should happen in the letter he writes. He says, "Since you have purified your souls in obedience to the truth for a sincere love of the brothers and sisters, fervently love one another from the heart". (1 Pet. 1:22)

Have you noticed that when times are good and easy, Christians have the luxury of nitpicking one another over our differences in doctrine and methodology? We should repent of this arrogance in judging another brother's theology or way of doing things. As I was thinking critically about others' theology, which wasn't my own, the Lord nudged me and said, "Gregg, why is it that your own theology and ideology are the standard by which all other people's theologies should be judged?" I'm certain that I'm right in what I believe, but what if I'm not? I have learned to appreciate the diversity within our churches in BR-KC rather than being threatened by them. I learn from the gospels that I shouldn't see the diversity in the body as a threat but as an ally. At least, that is what the disciples learned in Luke 9: John answered and said, "Master, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name; and we tried to prevent him, because he does not follow along with us." 50 But Jesus said to him, "Do not hinder him; for the one who is not against you is for you." It's ok to accept that we will never have perfect unity of theology until the Lord comes again. In the meantime, could we please discard our tendency to partner with people who only think and believe exactly as we do? You aren't guilty by association if you partner with a church that doesn't believe just like yours does. That has been the beauty of the S.B.C. for years: that we can put aside our slight differences in theology and practice to partner together for the gospel.

The assassination of Charlie Kirk, the anti-Christian motivated mass murders in Christian Schools, and a host of other events in our nation should have brought an important truth into clear focus for us. We who name the name of Christ, whatever our differences, are truly brothers and sisters in Christ who need one another, who ought to love one another and work together. The days are long gone when we had the luxury of biting and devouring one another. We have an enemy, to be certain; it isn't other believers who don't believe and practice their faith exactly like you do. It is Satan, manifesting himself through the actions of unregenerate mankind against the Church and Christ's people. Within hours of Kirk's death, I began to feel a profound kinship with every person who names the name of Christ, regardless of their particular brand of theology, whether or not they're more premillennial or amillennial, more cessationist

or non-cessationist, reformed or provisionalist, and, certainly, irrespective of their ethnicity or culture.

I could have devoted this report to the multitude of things I do throughout the year as your Director of Missions. Trust me, Brian and I stay plenty busy serving you. However, I thought it most important in this report to say, “I love you, I’m for you, we need each other as we take the gospel to a dying and hurting world.” This is the most important thing you need to hear from me.

### **Associate Director’s Report**

*By Brian Grout, Associate Director of Missions (briang@kcbaptist.org)*

Over the past nine months of serving our churches in the Association, I have witnessed firsthand both the joys and the struggles of ministry. I have seen faithful congregations pressing forward in mission, I have had the privilege of preaching in various churches, and I have also listened to the challenges and burdens many of you are carrying. We are indeed living in a time of unique difficulties—but don’t lose heart. The Lord is at work among us, and He will continue to build His church.

We are making a concerted effort to help our churches become vibrant and healthy expressions of the gospel in our communities. We have been engaging multiple churches in the Resound process for revitalization, focusing on Church renewal and helping churches become healthy missional communities. We have seen 19 different churches and pastors engage in the Pastors’ Huddle, where we are equipping pastors to lead their churches through the Facilitating Renewal Guide from the MBC.



Every church can experience renewal. Church renewal and health begin with the truth that Christ Himself is the life of the church. Strategies, plans, and efforts all have their place, but without His Spirit breathing life into the people of God, there can be no lasting vitality. This is why Paul’s prayer in Ephesians 3:16–20 is such an anchor for us:

“I pray that He may grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power in your inner being through His Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. I pray that you, being rooted and firmly established in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the length and width, height and depth of God’s love, and to know Christ’s love that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us—to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

Every pastor, church leader, and member is strengthened with power inwardly through the Spirit. Church renewal is focused on the spiritual work the Lord does, not on outward measures of success. True church health is not primarily a matter of attendance numbers, budgets, or programs. It is a matter of hearts made alive in Christ, strengthened by the Spirit, and rooted in love. When God does His renewing work in the inner life of His people, the church begins to flourish.

We look at dwindling numbers, aging congregations, or cultural hostility, and we imagine that revitalization is out of reach. But Paul reminds us that God’s power is not limited to our imagination. He can do far more than we ask or imagine. Revitalization, then, is not simply about recapturing the past, but about receiving God’s preferred future—one that reflects His glory and advances His kingdom in ways we might never have conceived.

Pastors, too often, our prayers and plans are confined by what we think is possible. You are called to shepherd God’s flock, to preach the Word, to pray faithfully, and to lead with courage and compassion. You are not alone in this endeavor. Pastors and leaders across our state, our nation, and the world are walking this same path. Together we share in the joy and the burden of ministry. Together we are strengthened by the Spirit. Together, we are trusting that God will do more than we can ask or imagine. Every Church can be renewed and always renewing. If you would like more info about church renewal or the Pastor’s Huddle, please reach out to the Associational office. We meet monthly and are training Pastors in how to lead renewal in churches.

**REHOPE**

By Jennifer Hutton, Chief Resource Officer, office@rehope.org

The first residents moved into their own tiny homes at the **ReHope Farms' Cottage Community** in the spring.



Thanks to the generosity of so many, we have been able to purchase 12 tiny homes and a community center. Our ground has been prepped for 20 cottages, so we are now starting the fundraising process for the additional 8 cottages.

These homes provide transitional housing for women who have graduated our two -year program. And mothers can live with their young children while also attending our program. The Cottage Community significantly increases our capacity to serve survivors at ReHope Farms!

**World Cup 2026** is coming to Kansas City. And with it, an increase in human trafficking. But ReHope, in partnership with other local agencies, is preparing to help fight this problem. Through our Crisis Stabilization program, we are working to provide 20 beds for victims that are identified and rescued during the World Cup.

The statistics in our 2024 Impact Report reveal your impact: changed lives!

While we continue to gather statistics for 2025, we can report that so far this year we have baptized 15 women. In October, we will have 7 women graduate from our program.

For more information on our organization, or how you can support ReHope, visit rehope.org.

## ReHope 2024 Impact Report

CRISIS STABILIZATION HOME (OPENED APRIL 2024)

Requests for Services	279
Women served	28 (w/ 3 children)
Women referred to long-term programs	13 (w/ 1 child)
Women connected to a safer environment to continue their healing	4
Volunteer hours	2629

### REHOPE FARMS

Requests for Services	379
Women served	31 (w/ 2 children)
Residential	8
Non-residential	8
Graduates from ReHope's multi-month program	9
Women in school <i>HS, college, certificate program</i>	5
Graduates	1
Associate's Degree	1
Peer Support Certifications	3
Women presently working for ReHope	6 (hired over 3 years)
Volunteer hours	5200

## Disaster Relief

*By Chris Houghtaling, BR-KC DR Director, choughtaling.philippians2@gmail.com*

Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief has been hard at work since our last report. The spring and summer months brought one disaster after another, including tornadoes, severe thunderstorms, and torrential rains. Several areas throughout our state—and beyond—were impacted.

Your Blue River Kansas City Association Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers have responded to disasters in Southeast Missouri, Springfield, Deepwater, Clinton, Warsaw, and St. Louis. Volunteers served in various roles, including Incident Command, chainsaw teams, feeding teams, shower/laundry units, and chaplaincy.

The road to recovery from Hurricane Helene also continues. Our volunteers contributed this past summer by working on homes in various stages of repair in North Carolina. At the end of August and again from late September into October, volunteers helped build a home from the ground up in North Carolina—a commitment made by Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief.

Locally, volunteers removed dangerously dead trees at Three Trails Camp in Independence. They also assisted the widow of a Kansas City pastor by clearing significantly overgrown brush from around her garage.

Following a deluge of rain in late August, the Kansas City Regional COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster) informed us about a widow in need. A city sewer main had failed, causing a sewage backup in her home. Years of accumulated items—many holding precious memories—were ruined. Carpet was destroyed, furniture was soaked, and mold began to creep into the walls.

Her story is heartbreaking. Her first husband died at age 33. She had two children with him—both of whom have since passed. After 29 years of marriage to her second husband, he too passed away this past January. Just months later, sewage flooded her basement, damaging items that represented memories of lost loved ones, including a special chest given to her by her grandmother.

She was overwhelmed and despondent. "Everything I've ever loved has always been taken away from me," she said. "I just don't care anymore. I CAN'T care anymore."

But we were able to share with her the hope of the "God who sees."

Thanks to the support of people like you, and funding from both the Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief state office and BRKC Association, we were able to go beyond typical flood recovery. We performed muck-out and mold remediation, and also restored and rebuilt what was damaged. Funds helped cover material costs and protective gear like TYVEK suits, which were essential for dealing with a sewage backup.

Over the course of several days, we watched her mindset transform—from hopelessness to joy. At first, it was just a smile. Later, full-fledged laughter. As repairs neared completion, she exclaimed, "I LOVE it! It is so beautiful! It is what I always wanted! It is beyond what I imagined!"

The team worked as if it were their own home. In addition to flood repair, a wobbly toilet and a leaky water shut-off valve were fixed. A broken, sagging garage door—part of a room that had been converted into a rec room—was also replaced. She hadn't asked for it, but the Holy Spirit led us to meet that need. The door was replaced with a secure wall and proper siding to prevent future water intrusion.



She was surprised and delighted: “I always hated that door!” she said.

Throughout the process, hugs were shared and Scripture was spoken. The difference in her countenance was clear. She was no longer alone—God had sent His people to help her. It’s a beautiful example of how we are “Transforming communities with the gospel by bringing Help, Hope, and Healing.”

### **Multiethnic Church Planting Center**

*By Luis Mendoza, MECPC Director (planterluis@gmail.com)*

#### **Praying for Kansas City**

Unfortunately, our city, and indeed the entire country, is plagued by acts of violence. We understand that although the entire world lies in the power of the evil one, we know that the Church has by no means lost the battle, nor can it remain idle. We fervently believe that God is in control, and that the only way we will see God's power manifest in the midst of the difficult situations we face is if God's people intercede before the Father in the name of Jesus, so that things may get better.

Based on this understanding, as a multicultural ministry and with the help of our Association and other pastors and leaders, in May 2025 we held our first information meeting regarding this new ministry. We invited all leaders and churches who wished to participate to seek God’s face and fervently pray and intercede before God so we can see a change in the situation of violence plaguing our city and our nation.

The process was very simple, finding leaders who are willing to gather a small group of people who have the desire to pray for the city in their specific areas and locations. We would like to see several of these groups developing around the city. At the same time, we would like to ask pastors leading churches in Kansas City to intentionally separate a few minutes to pray for the city during their worship services or during their Sunday School classes. We also believe that it will be great if all the groups praying can get together every other month so we all can pray together.



#### **Training pastors and leaders**

The reality is that many multiethnic pastors have not had the privilege of seminary training. Often, they have God's calling to start churches and be pastors, but they still lack biblical and theological training. One of the goals of Multicultural Ministry is for all pastors to have basic theological training so they can better teach the Word of God and, at the same time, better fulfill their task of equipping the saints for the work of the ministry.

For this reason, with the help of MBTS, and other fellow teachers who also desire to achieve this goal, we offer ongoing classes throughout the year for all leaders and pastors who could benefit from theological training.

#### **Students and pastors church planting and missionary training**

This year we began a new initiative, offering missions training for some students and church planting training for some pastors. A married couple and their young daughter, students from Rio Grande Bible Institute interned with us for three months. They wanted to gain experience working with other ethnic groups, as they plan to go as missionaries to India. Because the entire area where the Multicultural Ministry is located is filled with people from different countries, interning with us was the perfect fit and of enormous benefit to them.

During their time with us, they taught and practiced strategies and methods to evangelize different ethnic groups through non-traditional means.

At the same time, this summer we had a visit from Pastor Sergio Rebollar. He also interned with us. Sergio is originally from Puebla, Mexico. The purpose of his stay with us was to learn the basic principles of



starting ethnic churches in the United States. At the same time, during his time with us, we took the opportunity to locate the strategic points in Kansas City where we need to plant new Hispanic congregations, we developed relationships with some pastors who could host these new congregations, and we outlined what is necessary for this vision to become a reality.

As always, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the churches of our association for allowing us the possibility of ministering to the international community residing in the Kansas City area.

### [Sovereign Joy](#)

*By Jason DeRouchie, Pastor, [admin@sovereignjoy.church](mailto:admin@sovereignjoy.church)*

Thank you so much for your financial and prayer support. God is and has been at work among Sovereign Joy Baptist Church over the last six months. We joyously baptized one believer, and we sent a handful of members on short term mission trips—one family group to Ethiopia and a young man to Thailand. We have welcomed four new members and approved our constitution and bylaws. We are seeking to join the Missouri Baptist Convention and are looking forward to voting in new elders and deacons soon.

God's sustaining work is evident in our body. This summer we helped with three outreach events in Liberty—a pool party, a farmers' market, and a food truck event all in the same apartment complex. We are asking God to help us build relationships for the sake of seeing people come to saving faith and growth in Christ. We have developed a preaching team that is working together every week to help one another grow in faithfulness and care with respect to preaching of God's Word.

With a heavy heart, Sovereign Joy had to release a Pastor from his duties earlier this month. This loss is great, and it came with a loss of long-term support as well. We are trusting that God will provide for all our needs, and we welcome prayer toward this end. The members of Sovereign Joy are committed and eager to continue and participate in the work that God has begun here, and we are excited about our future. We are assessing and adjusting our structures, making sure our Sunday morning worship service is faithful to Christ, and spending extra time in prayer before Sunday services and on Wednesday nights. We believe Christ builds his church, and we desperately need him to act. After our most recent Sunday service, four or five regular attenders expressed interest in joining Sovereign Joy as members, and we plan to have a membership class for them in October. Please pray for us in this tender time.



### [Overflow](#)

*By Alan Findley, Pastor, [alan.findley@overflowkc.com](mailto:alan.findley@overflowkc.com)*

God has been moving in powerful ways at Overflow Church this year, and we are celebrating His goodness! In just the past two months, seven people have followed Jesus in baptism—a joyful reminder that the gospel is still changing lives in our city. We've also been blessed by mission teams from across the country who gave their time and energy to help remodel *The Ebb House*, our future community outreach center. Their work is preparing the way for ministries like ESL, recovery groups, counseling, and financial stewardship classes to take root in our neighborhood.

This has also been a year of milestones worth celebrating. We marked our third anniversary as a church and our first anniversary since adopting Belvidere Heights Baptist Church, seeing God knit together a new family of faith with a shared mission. On top of that, we were humbled to be recognized as the "Volunteers of the Year" at Belvidere Elementary School, a testimony of the trust and impact God is

building through everyday relationships in our community. We are deeply grateful to be part of the BRKC family of churches and excited to see how the Lord will continue to use us together for His Kingdom.

### Fellowship South KC

By Kaluba Kapapula, Pastor, kapapula2021@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. The Lord redirected our forces to community engagement after meeting a group of believers who were doing a Bible study without a church. This was God's providence after losing a lot of our initial launch team. This coming Saturday marks our first public gathering since summer. We are excited about what God is doing and how he has led us to the Swope park community.



## In Memory

BR-KC honors the life and ministry of the following pastors who have gone to be with our Lord this past year:

Lindy Reed, Grace Baptist Church

Jerry Pointer, Spruce St. Matthew

Ed Bell, First Baptist Grain Valley, retired

*For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far;*

*Phillipians 1:21-23*



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