

MISSIONS & MINISTRY

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WHY YOUR CHURCH SHOULD PRIORITIZE MISSIONS PARTNERSHIPS AND SENDING MEMBERS TO SERVE (PART 2)

By Gregg Boll, Executive Director of Missions

If you missed part 1 you can read it here:
<https://blueriver-kansascity.org/?p=11013&preview=true>

2. Forming mission partnerships and sending people from your church will result in more of your members being fully disciplined to maturity in Christ; it becomes one of the church's primary means of equipping the saints for the work of the ministry (Eph. 4:11). One study some years ago surveyed current International Mission Board Missionaries and found that 90 percent of them said that a short-term mission trip as a child or youth was a very significant experience in them discerning their call from the Lord to vocational missions. Creating a culture that challenges every member to consider being sent by the church on mission raises the bar, it creates higher expectations for what a true follower of Christ does.....



THE IMPACT OF COOPERATION

By Brian Grout, Associate Director of Missions

Impact means having a powerful influence or strong effect produced by an action, idea, or event. Lenexa Baptist Church has held over 80 Impact events since 2017, both locally around KC and around the country. While they have had great success, they wanted to partner with other churches to train in the process and make a greater impact.

In 2025, Lenexa launched a Back 2 School Impact event in KC with 5 other churches. In 2026, it expanded to 19 churches in the KC metro area, all strategically located in communities to maximize the impact across the city. Each Back 2 School host location provided free haircuts, free backpacks & school supplies, health & wellness services, a kids' fun zone, along with a food pantry and clothing distribution.

Every family left hearing the gospel and being prayed with. As a matter of fact, look at these numbers and let's celebrate what the Lord did in this:



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Back 2 School KC	Totals
Salvations	130
People Prayed With	3,093
People Who Heard the Gospel	1,489
Total Attendance	6,106
Families Served	1,620
Haircuts Provided	812
Health & Wellness Services	768
Food Bags Given	2,633
Backpacks Given	3,768
Boxes of Clothes Given	218
Volunteers Serving	798

Financial Update - July Overview

MTD Budget - \$38,657.63

MTD Actual Income - \$44,147.99

MTD Actual Expenses - \$33,576.78

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FALL SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

OCTOBER 4TH | 5-8PM

Reach Raytown
8801 E 79th St, Raytown, MO 64138



2nd Annual
Chili Cook off



Mission
Fair



Business
Session



Guest Speaker
Don Whitney

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