



REGION 1 DANNY SMITH First Baptist Church, Tunica

In 1983 as I began my journey into Southern Baptist life, the Cooperative Program was one of the significant attractions for me to our denomination. In addition to the doctrinal distinctive that shape us, I believe that the Cooperative Program typifies the heart of giving in Southern Baptist life. We do more to advance the Gospel together than we could ever do apart. My appreciation of the voluntary cooperative model continued to increase over the years as I became more informed and involved in denominational life. In those early years through the ministry of the Baptist Student Union at Delta State University, I saw CP dollars and congregations at work together with the resources of time, talent, and treasure. As I began to pastor, I came to understand the importance of local church budgeting that reflected a belief in the spirit of CP giving so that there could be CP going.

Whatever we give as a local church enables us to be a part of the going for whomever and wherever. I have the honor to pastor a retired IMB couple who are a face of CP giving for us. One significant part of the Cooperative Program that I look forward to emphasizing through Margaret, Lottie, Annie, and Disaster Relief, is what 100% of those gifts are able to do because of CP dollars that are faithfully, frequently, and freely given every month from the regular tithes and offerings of our congregations. I believe in CP: Christ's Purpose accomplished by Congregational Partnership through the Cooperative Program.



REGION 2 ROB ARMSTRONG Harrisburg Baptist Church, Tupelo

The global COVID-19 pandemic has heightened our awareness to the frailty of human life. Unfortunately, before this crisis, I believe we had grown apathetic and cold to the reality of death. One effect of our apathy towards death is that we ignore the cause of death, which is sin. The truth of the gospel is that every person who dies without Christ will die a second death when Christ returns. The people around us are in deep need of the gospel. Regardless of how nice or comfortable life is for them, apart from Christ they have no hope. This reality is why the Cooperative Program exists. It is the result of our shared obedience to the Great Commission to reach the world for Christ. It is my hope and prayer that Harrisburg Baptist Church, myself and even Mississippi Baptists will be revived with a zeal for reaching the lost and

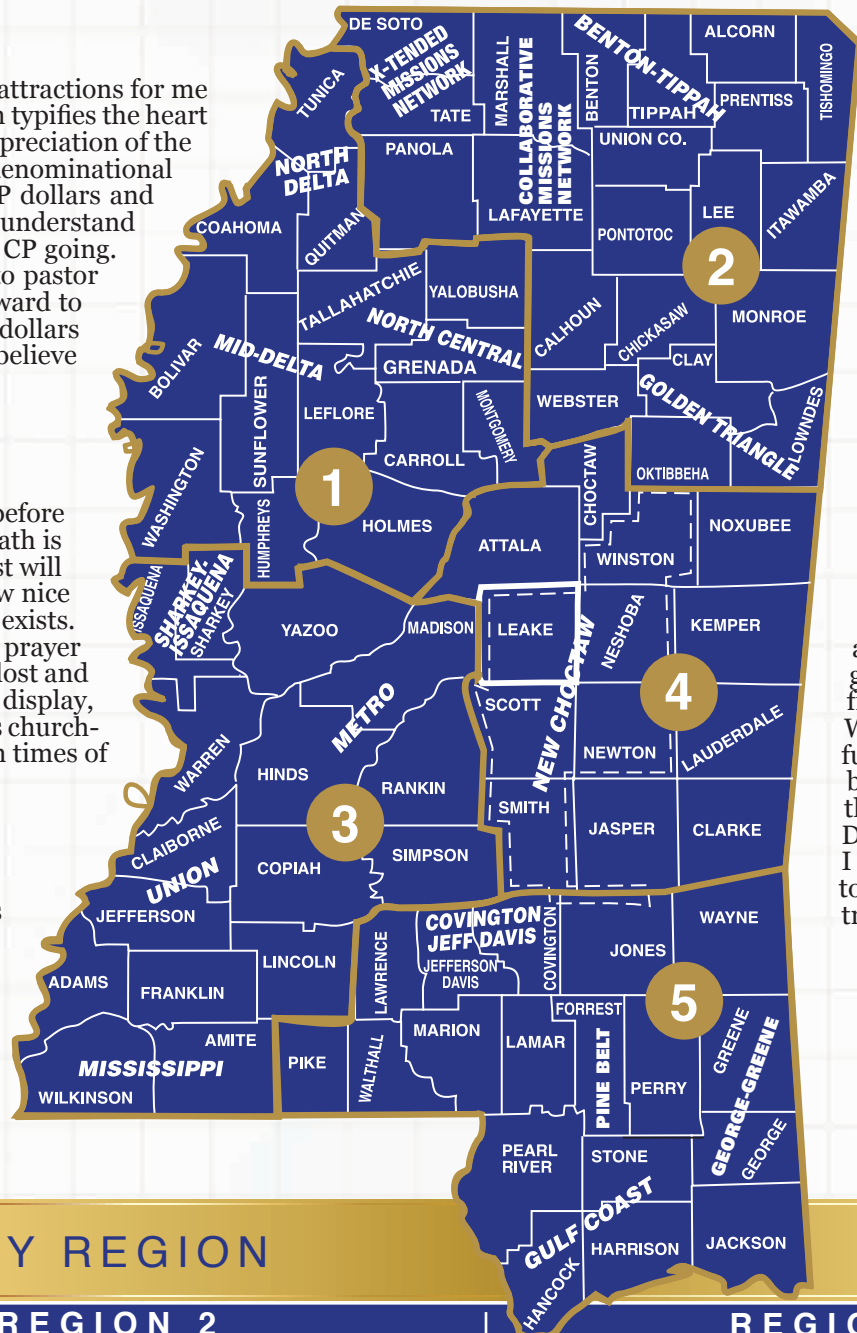
advancing the Kingdom! I support the CP because I believe that it is more than just dollars to send others. I believe it is a display, like the one between Paul and the Philippian church, of our partnership in the Gospel. The CP sends missionaries, supports church-planters, trains pastors, cares for children in crisis, impacts College campuses, equips churches, and provides resources in times of crisis and disaster. I am proud to be a part of the unified effort the CP makes possible.



REGION 3 JIMMY PORTER First Baptist Church, Anguilla

It was fifty-nine years ago I answered the call to become a minister. The journey has been filled with numerous blessings, thousands of new friends and many wonderful pastorates. There have been many ups and downs on that road but looking back there were always two constants, the Lord and the Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention. This program made it financially feasible for me to attend and graduate from our colleges and seminaries. The Cooperative Program has provided services and opportunities to grow and learn how to be a better leader and minister. Mississippi Baptists are composed primarily of small congregations of which many would not be in existence today without the impact of the Cooperative Program. As Baptists,

we may differ on methodology and sometimes theology but the one area where we all must agree is support for the Cooperative Program. It reaches around the world revealing through its amazing ministries the love of God and His salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.



REGION 4 NATHAN VANHORN First Baptist Church, Meridian

I'll never forget the words of Dr. Lonnie Wascom, who was Director of Missions for the Northshore Baptist Association when I served my first full-time pastorate in Folsom, Louisiana. "There are two types of Southern Baptists," he said, "cooperative and uncooperative." I will also never forget the way Lonnie signed his e-mails. Just above his name, he wrote the words: "Better together." Southern Baptists are a diverse group, a broad assortment of individuals and autonomous churches. Yet, we are better together. Because of the Cooperative Program, Southern Baptists form a whole greater than the sum of its parts. Giving to the Cooperative Program remains the most effective means by which SBC churches can support present and future ministries at home and abroad. CP giving has personally blessed me. When I was at Mississippi College, I received Ministerial Aid. During my first two summers in college, I worked as a camp counselor at Central Hills Baptist Retreat, a Mississippi Baptist camp made possible through CP funding. Upon moving to New Orleans at the outset of the 2008 economic recession, CP dollars made seminary affordable during lean financial times. I could go on. But the CP is so much bigger than my story, because it is our story—or rather, God's story through cooperating Southern Baptists. CP giving funds church plants, campus missionaries, Baptist Children's Village locations, ongoing evangelistic efforts within our state and country, Christian camps, disaster relief, and so much more. As a pastor, I have been blessed to serve churches that prioritize CP giving, and I pray that your church families will partner with us. We truly are better together. I pray that God's story through Southern Baptists continues to expand His Kingdom and glorify His name, and I am convinced that faithful giving to the Cooperative program is a key means through which we can cooperate in that initiative. God bless you.



REGION 5 PHILLIP COOPER First Baptist Church, Sumrall

My commitment to the Cooperative Program is as deep as the river that serves as our state's western border. I have received abundant blessings from ministries funded by the CP. I am a graduate of Blue Mountain College. My wife, daughter, and grandson are BMC graduates, as well. Each of our three Mississippi Baptist institutes of higher learning receives funding from the Cooperative Program that originates with your faithful offerings to the Lord through the life of your local church. While a student at BMC, I received tuition assistance from the Mississippi Baptist Board of Ministerial Education which is funded by the CP. I owe much of who I am as a pastor today to Mississippi Baptists. But the flow of Cooperative Program blessings into my life did not end with my graduation from BMC in 1989. They have continued through the ebb and flow of thirty-five years in pastoral ministry. Each year I attend the Mississippi Baptist Preaching Conference hosted by the Pastor/Leadership Department of our MBCB. I attend the annual January Bible Study Preview, again hosted by our Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. I look forward with great anticipation to the training and fellowship enjoyed at these meetings. I could share many more reasons to explain my support of the Cooperative Program, but the overarching reason is that it changes lives! My life has been impacted tremendously by the kind generosity of Mississippi Baptists' gifts through the CP. Thank you, Mississippi Baptists, for investing in me.



**This report is a listing of contributions made to the Lord's work which were received by the business office of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board from January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019.*



TOP 25 GIFTS TO THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BY REGION

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIFTS TO CP!

AT LARGE		REGION 1		REGION 2		REGION 3		REGION 4		REGION 5	
CHURCH /ASSOCIATION	CP GIFTS	CHURCH /ASSOCIATION	CP GIFTS	CHURCH /ASSOCIATION	CP GIFTS	CHURCH /ASSOCIATION	CP GIFTS	CHURCH /ASSOCIATION	CP GIFTS	CHURCH /ASSOCIATION	CP GIFTS
HARVEST CHURCH	\$24,780.83	EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH	\$174,767.37	HARRISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH	\$474,999.96	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON	\$737,221.83	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, KOSCIUSKO	\$167,619.49	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SUMMIT	\$270,767.36
THE WAY CHURCH	\$12,700.67	NORTH GREENWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH	\$142,094.03	FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH	\$373,798.98	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MADISON	\$502,364.08	POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$140,432.22	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LAUREL	\$259,906.64
MERCY HILL CHURCH	\$7,502.46	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CLEVELAND	\$134,761.88	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, STARKVILLE	\$314,901.46	MORRISON HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH	\$396,821.79	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MERIDIAN	\$133,722.10	TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$199,166.70
REDEEMER BAPTIST CHURCH	\$7,200.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WINONA	\$119,900.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CORINTH	\$253,702.89	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BRANDON	\$315,921.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, COLLINSVILLE	\$116,938.71	PETAL-HARVEY BAPTIST CHURCH	\$183,558.46
BRIDGEWAY CHURCH	\$3,000.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE	\$112,792.56	NORTH OXFORD BAPTIST CHURCH	\$243,789.51	BROADMOOR BAPTIST CHURCH	\$242,000.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA	\$105,326.96	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, COLUMBIA	\$183,291.44
LIGHTHOUSE MISSION CHURCH	\$2,500.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, GREENADA	\$81,343.21	CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH	\$231,464.01	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CLINTON	\$233,436.17	CLARKE VENABLE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$103,131.77	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, PICAYUNE	\$179,186.65
IGLESIA INTERNACIONAL LAS AMERICAS	\$2,366.85	OAKHURST BAPTIST CHURCH	\$60,569.47	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BATESVILLE	\$230,124.55	BRANDON BAPTIST CHURCH	\$229,360.98	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NEWTON	\$100,777.44	CARTERVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$141,197.14
METRO GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH	\$2,250.00	VAIDEN BAPTIST CHURCH	\$53,279.07	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, COLUMBUS	\$203,548.11	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, FANNIN	\$228,238.30	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, QUITMAN	\$94,581.26	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, GULFPORT	\$136,615.26
PRIMERA PANOLA MISION BAUTISTA	\$2,083.89	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WATER VALLEY	\$48,000.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, OXFORD	\$201,359.53	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BROOKHAVEN	\$218,284.22	NORTHCREST BAPTIST CHURCH	\$90,703.88	BUNKER HILL BAPTIST CHURCH	\$109,871.69
CRISTO VIVE BAPTIST MISSION	\$2,053.06	FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH	\$45,985.98	DESOTO HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH	\$192,445.49	PINELAKE CHURCH	\$159,996.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LOUISVILLE	\$88,384.93	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, ELLISVILLE	\$109,823.11
ENGAGE CHURCH	\$1,441.60	CARROLLTON BAPTIST CHURCH	\$43,383.41	LONGVIEW POINT BAPTIST CHURCH	\$191,774.34	HICKORY RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$158,331.96	HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH	\$80,184.25	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BILOXI	\$98,778.60
CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH	\$1,200.00	CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$42,719.00	WEST HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH	\$187,512.16	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NATCHEZ	\$143,446.19	MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH	\$80,132.77	WADE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$93,267.37
EVERGREEN KOREAN BAPTIST CHURCH	\$1,200.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BELZONI	\$41,210.19	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, AMORY	\$146,799.41	PARKWAY BAPTIST CHURCH	\$138,528.00	FOREST BAPTIST CHURCH	\$65,040.90	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WAYNESBORO	\$91,161.88
SOUL CITY CHURCH	\$1,172.20	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, INDIANOLA	\$40,380.56	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SENATOBIA	\$134,542.16	PARK PLACE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$138,518.33	NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$57,443.58	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, PASCAGOULA	\$88,758.34
IGLESIA EL BUEN PASTOR	\$1,020.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, GREENWOOD	\$34,632.18	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, TUPELO	\$126,036.21	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, VICKSBURG	\$135,279.83	WILLIAMSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$56,063.36	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SUMRALL	\$84,686.59
CROSS COMMUNITY CHURCH	\$1,005.00	BETHSAIDA BAPTIST CHURCH	\$32,732.34	LABELLE HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH	\$124,403.67	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, FLORA	\$122,295.19	BAY SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH	\$55,199.57	INDIAN SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH	\$78,096.77
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH	\$1,000.00	KILMICHAEL BAPTIST CHURCH	\$31,132.04	MEADOWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH	\$118,899.67	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, FLORENCE	\$100,000.08	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, UNION	\$52,899.19	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LONG BEACH	\$77,581.63
CROSSPOINTE COMMUNITY CHURCH	\$1,000.00	CLARKSDALE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$29,502.82	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NEW ALBANY	\$114,004.74	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RAYMOND	\$100,000.00	RUSSELL BAPTIST CHURCH	\$52,251.85	MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH	\$74,458.00
IGLESIA HISPANA DE CLINTON	\$799.70	CROWDER BAPTIST CHURCH	\$26,203.68	HILLCREST BAPTIST CHURCH	\$111,602.28	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RICHLAND	\$99,470.85	FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH	\$51,712.95	SHARON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH	\$69,804.89
DISCIPLES CHAPEL	\$750.00	IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH	\$25,235.25	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, RIPLEY	\$110,301.28	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MENDENHALL	\$93,015.70	HICKORY BAPTIST CHURCH	\$49,793.82	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WIGGINS	\$68,544.03
NEW VISION COMMUNITY CHURCH	\$746.12	EASTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$24,985.42	WHEELER GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$104,456.14	MEADOW GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$89,474.85	SPRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH	\$44,775.55	ROSELAND PARK BAPTIST CHURCH	\$67,550.78
PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$600.00	SKENE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$23,043.27	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WEST POINT	\$99,940.32	MCLAURIN HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH	\$88,823.19	ENTERPRISE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$44,128.40	WHITESAND BAPTIST CHURCH	\$67,399.61
HATTIESBURG KOREAN BAPTIST CHURCH	\$600.00	EASTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH	\$22,590.93	OAKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH	\$97,769.83	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MAGEE	\$88,023.71	OAK HILL BAPTIST CHURCH	\$40,509.60	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LUCEDALE	\$64,392.37
IGLESIA BAUTISTA VIDA ABUNDANTE	\$500.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LAMBERT	\$20,965.29	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, PONTOTOC	\$95,000.00	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CRYSTAL SPRINGS	\$85,034.84	HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH	\$38,912.91	WEST MCCOMB BAPTIST CHURCH	\$64,297.84
ST MATTHEW BAPTIST CHURCH	\$450.00	SYLVIA RENA BAPTIST CHURCH	\$18,882.11	WEST JACKSON STREET BAPTIST CHURCH	\$77,400.00	HILLCREST BAPTIST CHURCH	\$80,871.07	WESTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH	\$36,143.54	NEW PALESTINE BAPTIST CHURCH	\$63,570.59