

KINGDOM GROWTH

Through Revitalization & Planting

Every year in September, churches in the Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware unite together to pray and financially support ministries that reach people in unique ways.

100% of the State Missions Offering will be used to support BCM/D churches in the planting and revitalization of churches.

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The **STATE MISSIONS OFFERING** is an annual contribution from BCM/D churches, given over and above their regular Cooperative Program support. This year, the SMO will be dedicated to equipping and resourcing BCM/D churches in their mission to plant and revitalize churches as we strive to expand God's Kingdom.

Statewide Goal: \$100,000



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STATE MISSION OFFERING PRAYER GUIDE

Sunday:

Pray for church plants within the BCM/D

Pray for Growth and Impact: Pray that the church plants would grow in number and spiritual impact within their communities.

“And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” (Acts 2:47b)

Pray for Provision: Pray for financial and material provision for the needs of the church plants.

Scripture: “And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:19)

Pray for Unity and Fellowship: Pray that the church plants would be unified in purpose and strengthened through fellowship.

Scripture: “How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity!” (Psalm 133:1)

Monday:

Pray for church plant and church revitalization pastors and their families

Pray for Spiritual Strength: Pray for the pastors' spiritual strength, wisdom, and perseverance in their ministry.

“Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong.” (1 Corinthians 16:13)

Pray for Emotional and Physical Health:

Pray for protection over their emotional health and physical well-being.

“The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters.” (Psalm 23:1-2)

Pray for Family Relationships: Pray for strong, healthy relationships within their families despite the demands of ministry.

“But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” (Joshua 24:15)

Tuesday:

Pray for families and individuals who feel called to go and be the support team for church plants and revitalizations

Pray for Discernment: Pray that individuals and families would discern God's calling clearly and obediently respond.

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean

not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.” (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Pray for Preparation: Pray for adequate preparation and training for those preparing to support church plants.

“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.” (2 Timothy 3:16)

Pray for Courage: Pray for courage and boldness as they step out in faith to support church plants.

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9)

Wednesday:

Pray for churches to raise up church planters

Pray for Discipleship: Pray that churches would effectively disciple and mentor potential church planters.

“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.” (2 Timothy 2:2)

Pray for Vision: Pray for churches to have a vision for planting new churches and for raising up leaders for this purpose.

“Where there is no vision, the people perish.” (Proverbs 29:18a KJV)

Pray for Resources: Pray that churches would provide the necessary resources and support for church planting initiatives.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.” (1 Peter 4:10)

Thursday:

Pray for the churches who have sent valued members of their congregation to go and plant or revitalize churches

Pray for Strength and Encouragement:

Pray that sending churches would be strengthened and encouraged as they support church planters.

“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.” (1 Thessalonians 5:11)

Pray for Continued Unity: Pray for unity within sending churches as they navigate sending teams and resources.

“I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.” (1 Corinthians 1:10)

Pray for Fruitfulness: Pray for fruitfulness and impact in the communities where church planters are sent.

“So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.” (Isaiah 55:11)

Friday:

Pray for the next generation, that young people would be called to loving and serving the local church through planting new churches and revitalizing dying churches

Pray for Spiritual Awakening: Pray that young people would have a spiritual awakening and a deep sense of calling to ministry.

“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.” (1 Peter 2:9)

Pray for Mentorship: Pray for older mentors to guide and encourage young people as they discern their calling.

“The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray.” (Proverbs 12:26)

Pray for Boldness: Pray that young people would have boldness to step out in faith and obedience to God’s calling.

“For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.” (2 Timothy 1:7)

Saturday:

Pray for pastors and support teams who feel called to go and revitalize dying churches in need of new life

Pray for Renewal and Revival: Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit to bring renewal and revival to struggling churches.

“Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?” (Psalm 85:6)

Pray for Vision and Leadership: Pray for God to raise up visionary leaders who can guide these churches toward a new season of growth and impact.

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Pray for Unity and Healing: Pray for unity among church members and healing of past hurts, enabling them to move forward together in God’s purpose.

“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.” (Ephesians 4:3)

Sunday: *Pray for cities and towns that are in need of vibrant healthy churches*

Pray for Open Hearts: Pray that hearts in these cities and towns would be open to receive the gospel message.

“Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.” (Matthew 9:38)

Pray for Favorable Conditions: Pray for favorable conditions, relationships, and opportunities for church planting efforts.

“And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.” (Galatians 6:9)

Pray for Spiritual Breakthrough: Pray for spiritual breakthrough and revival in these areas through church planting.

“The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.” (2 Peter 3:9)

Feel free to use these prompts and prayers in your personal or group prayer times, trusting that God will use them to advance his kingdom and build up his church.

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