

Lakeland Baptist Church Mission Budget Line Descriptions

Baptist Children's Home

Funds are regularly granted to benefit Baptist Children's Home in Carmi Illinois.

FCA

Funds are regularly granted to benefit Southern Illinois Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Cooperative Program

Funds are regularly granted to benefit the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program.

Nine Mile Baptist

Funds are regularly granted to benefit the Nine Mile Baptist Association.

Missionary Robinson

Funds are regularly granted to benefit the mission activities of Michelle Robinson.

Missionary Logsdon

Funds are regularly granted to benefit the mission activities of Mary Logsdon.

Pregnancy Matters

Funds are regularly granted to benefit Pregnancy Matters Carbondale Location.

DuQuoin Prison Outreach

Funds are used to promote the evangelistic outreach to the Du Quoin Impact Incarceration Program. Funds provide gifts for inmates, ministry travel and other expenses related to the outreach.

Community Group Evangelism

An important charge of the Church is evangelism. These funds support activities of those church groups formally recognized by the leadership. Activities are limited to those that intend to communicate the Gospel in word and deed. Creative and Gospel committed ideas are encouraged.

Local Missions

Funds are used to support evangelistic and mission activities of Lakeland Members. Non-members may be considered if sponsored by two Lakeland Members.

SOS Fund (Stranger, Outsider, Sojourner)

These mission funds are used to support the needs of those identified as strangers, outsiders and sojourners. (The terms derive from Scripture and are applied in the fund's purpose.) A stranger is someone who is unknown to members of our church. An outsider is anyone who is known and recognized as not an active member of any Christian church. (Traditionally, an individual who is not an active member of a church is considered cut off from the Body of Christ and thereby needs to hear and believe the Gospel.) A sojourner may be a stranger and/or a professing Christian who is not currently part of a church due to issues related to relocation. The sojourner is not a resident of the area. All requests subject to Mission Team approval.

Women's Evangelism Outreach

Funds are used to support evangelism activities of women members.

Frequent Questions & Answers***What does evangelism include?***

We hold to the classical understanding of the term evangelism. Evangelism specifically involves speaking the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In other words, there is an intention, no matter how limited, to share the Gospel in spoken word. Planners of a project that is service orientated should pray and look for an opportunity to tactfully and boldly speak the Gospel. We plan and leave the results to our Sovereign Lord.

What about the term "missions"?

The modern church has used the term "mission" in a variety of ways. What used to refer as sending one abroad to an unreached people group is now broadly used to describe service visits in the same neighborhood of a church. We don't mind using the term "mission activities" in the contemporary use as long as it assumes an evangelistic element. In fact, we find the term "frontier missions" helpful in distinguishing mission activities to unreached people groups where no known indigenous churches are established. The line items listing missionaries Robinson and Logsdon as well as the Cooperative Program are in some way involved in frontier missions.