

Dear Partners:

I have been president for a little over four years at the writing of this letter. Each year the Council of BCP reviews the finances of the mission and looks to me to communicate the need to God's people all over the nation. I am privileged to have the opportunity to continually put forward the vision and needs of the mission, and I am continually blessed to see what God does through your partnership

There are a couple of things that do not get communicated very often. First, you should know that most of our administration raise their own support. They are not paid from the General Fund. Second, our administration, staff and Council work hard to keep missionary service fees as low as possible. When talking recently with other mission agency leaders, I again realized that we have one of the lowest service fees out there. The last time we raised the service fee for missionaries was January 1, 2006! All of us at BCP are humbled by this because it means more financial support is realized each month by missionaries from their personal supporters. Our costs are still going up, but the service fee to missionaries is not, and we do not have a plan in the foreseeable future to raise it. What this means to me is that we still need to raise funds for the operating expenses but for the present time it won't be through missionary service fees!

A campaign letter is the best way to share our need with you, but this campaign letter is not just about "our need to have" so we can end the year in the black. It is also about the **fun of giving!** Jesus said it best when He said that it is more blessed (fun) to give than to receive. Please read David Whipple's article in this Connect called "Are We Having Fun Yet?" It is true! Our Spring Campaign goal was \$10,000.00, and God's people generously and joyfully gave \$12,592.00! **Thank You!**

Are we having fun yet?

**End-of-Year
Campaign**

The 2018 budget expectation for contribution income is \$160,000. Currently at the end of September the income is \$107,000. This does not cause us concern because historically the majority of our General Fund income has come in the last quarter of the fiscal year. This campaign letter is about vision and partnership! We need you to pray and then give as God has blessed you – and **have fun** doing so!

I encourage you to read the *Connect*. It will give you an overview of BCP and a glimpse into what God is doing through the mission as we work to facilitate the process for churches and the missionaries they send to fulfill the Great Commission. There is always far more to write about than there is room!

In His Grip, For His Church!



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