

NEWS FROM THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE
An Update through 9/30/2020

As you have been advised, the Fall Festival, scheduled for October 17-18, 2020, has been cancelled. Last year we raised over \$26,000 during our annual event (which was the majority of our 2020 annual budget). This year we must ask you to prayerfully consider what you can contribute to help fund the 2021 Missions of FUMCD. Without this help, we will need to make painful decisions to reduce and/or eliminate some of the programs detailed below.

In spite of the COVID-19 pandemic, your Missions Committee and Missions dollars have been working hard. Because of your generosity and hard work during the 2019 Fall Festival, we were able to set an annual budget of \$30,650 for 2020, which enabled us to contribute to Duncanville Outreach (DOM), Dallas Bethlehem Center, Project Transformation, Central Elementary, Wesley Rankin, Open Table, the Lelt Foundation, Brazos Valley Mobility, Panama Missions (Ceballos), Wes MacGruder Missions (South Africa), and Lath Family Mission (Japan). Most budgeted funds have been distributed, except for on-going work with DOM, Open Table, and Central Elementary. All budgeted funds, except for PIP Days (which was cancelled in the Spring and Fall), will be distributed by year-end.

This church has a rich history of helping (as evidenced by the many programs we support) and we hope to continue in 2021. We have set a goal of \$25,000. Please designate "Fall Festival" when you submit your donation to insure that the funds will go specifically to missions.

Thank you in advance for your continued generous support.

**Blessings,
Julie Kirk-Bair, Missions Chair**