

## REGIONAL MINISTRIES

# 65%

OF UNITED MISSION DOLLARS STRENGTHEN AMERICAN BAPTIST REGIONS THAT PROVIDE LEADERSHIP TRAINING AND SUPPORT, MINISTRY MATERIALS, MISSIONAL NETWORKS, AND RESOURCING FOR REGIONAL STAFF.

Each local region provides their own unique resources to churches, funded in part through your support of United Mission. Some of these include:

<i>Leadership training</i>	<i>Pulpit support</i>
<i>Pastoral continuing education</i>	<i>Clergy advocacy</i>
<i>Pastoral search committees</i>	<i>Mission opportunities</i>
<i>Conflict resolution</i>	<i>Eldercare ministries</i>
<i>Communicating news from the larger ABC family</i>	<i>Conferences, Annual Gatherings &amp; events and more</i>

## UNITED MISSION STRENGTHENS OTHER AMERICAN BAPTIST PARTNERS

# 9%

THE REMAINING 9% OF UNITED MISSION GIVING IS DISTRIBUTED TO AMERICAN BAPTIST PARTNERS INCLUDING:

<i>American Baptist Personnel Services</i>	<i>American Baptist International Ministries</i>
<i>American Baptist Women's Ministries</i>	<i>American Baptist Historical Society</i>
<i>American Baptist Home Mission Societies</i>	<i>American Baptist Men</i>
<i>Institutions</i>	<i>Career Centers</i>

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## WHAT IS UNITED MISSION?

As American Baptists, there is so much to do as we serve as the hands and feet of Christ.

It's time to talk about how United Mission empowers us to accomplish everything that we are called to do.

United Mission is your church's tithe to the American Baptist family.

It is through United Mission that your church supports the denomination and your region.

UNITED MISSION PROVIDES THE ESSENTIAL BEHIND THE SCENES SUPPORT IT TAKES TO KEEP SERVING AS THE HANDS AND FEET OF CHRIST.

## WHY SHOULD MY CHURCH SUPPORT UNITED MISSION?

Working together is the core of who we are as American Baptists. Our discipleship, social justice and missional initiatives can only be accomplished when we work collaboratively. United Mission allows us to come together to accomplish so much more than any one region or church can do alone.

United Mission is the vehicle that helps us serve as the hands and feet of Christ.

Join us as we work to empower churches and pastors to engage in mission and ministry for the glory of God. Support the American Baptist family through your church's giving to United Mission.

UNITED MISSION NEEDS OUR ONGOING FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

# 26%

OF YOUR UNITED  
MISSION GIVING  
SUPPORTS AMERICAN  
BAPTIST IDENTITY,  
MISSION AND MINISTRY  
THROUGH THE OFFICE  
OF THE GENERAL  
SECRETARY.

## AMERICAN BAPTIST IDENTITY AND MINISTRY ARE POWERED BY UNITED MISSION

**These mission dollars empower national staff to provide support and develop resources for regions and churches.**

National staff provide many services to regions and churches such as: trained consulting for search committees, pastoral leadership and ministry by the General Secretary and Associate General Secretaries, leadership and training to women in ministry, guidance and matching of interim ministers, opportunities to connect with partners through Missional Initiatives, and resources for regions and churches that support and encourage our American Baptist identity.

The representative process that enables all churches through their regions to be represented in all decisions made by the Board of General Ministries is funded through United Mission giving.

The American Baptist Churches Information Systems, also referred to as ABCIS, receives support for staff and systems from United Mission. ABCIS is the system used to record local church and donor giving through the American Baptist Mission Support system.

The American Baptist Churches Biennial Mission Summit and the Orientation to American Baptist Life are also powered by United Mission. The biennial event is integral to fostering American Baptists' identity and unity. Beginning in 2017, the Orientation to American Baptist Life experience was combined with the biennial, providing new ministers and seminarians the time to experience American Baptist identity, numerous learning opportunities, and ways to make connections with the wider American Baptist family.

**MANY MORE INITIATIVES  
RECEIVE FUNDING THROUGH  
MISSION DOLLARS RECEIVED  
BY THE OFFICE OF THE  
GENERAL SECRETARY  
INCLUDING:**

### **American Baptist Caucuses**

*ABCUSA Intercaucus; Asian American Baptist Caucus; National Black Caucus of the American Baptist Churches; American Baptist Haitian Caucus; American Baptist Hispanic Caucus; American Baptist Indian Caucus; American Baptist National Portuguese-Speaking Caucus; American Baptist Women's Caucus; American Baptist Young Adult Caucus*

### **Mission Initiative Fund**

### **Task Forces & Commissions**

*Immigration Task Force; Task Force on Race and Race-Based Violence; Burma Refugee Commission; Commission on Baptist Talk; Theologians Commission; and Creation Justice Network*