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### “What Is the Problem?”

I read about a Law school professor who would begin his first class every year by putting two number on the blackboard, a #4, and then out to the side, he would put a #2. He would then ask this question: “*What is the solution?*” Almost always, there would be one eager student who would yell out, “the answer is 6.” Another would say, “the answer is 2.” Others would shout out “it’s 8!” After every answer they gave, the professor would just shake his head No. After a while, when it appeared every student was totally confused; the professor would point out that each of them had made one fatal error. He would say, “*The reason why you don’t know the solution is because you have all failed to ask the key question: What is the problem?*”

That story has a great deal to do with the world we live in; *unless you know what the problem is, you cannot possibly figure out the solution.* Our society is frantically trying to find solutions to our issues, when it hasn’t even identified the problem. Politically, socially and economically, we are in a mess. According to “truth-in-accounting” website, the United States is \$23 trillion in debt, leaving each taxpayer responsible for \$788,000 each. Politicians all scramble to the microphones to give their answers, like those students in the class. Yet, none of them appear to have a clue to what the problem is.

So, “*what is the problem?*” Romans 3:23, “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;” Galatians 4:4-5 “But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.” The problem is **SIN**. The Solution is **JESUS**.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

In Chris’s Service  
Bro. Bobby

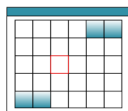




## 2019 Associational Mission Offering

Blue Spring- \$975.00  
Canton- \$465.00  
East Cadiz- \$500.00  
Hurricane- \$1,595.00  
Locust Grove- \$1,164  
Ponderosa- \$1,270.00  
Wallonia- \$3,181.90  
**Total Offerings- \$9,150.90**

*Thank  
you*



### Calendar Of Events



**Mission Board Meeting**  
12/2/19, 7:00 p.m.

**Week of Prayer & Mission  
Study for IMB & Lottie  
Moon Christmas Offering**  
Dec. 1-8

**Pastor/Staff Christmas**  
12/12/19, 6:00 p.m.

**Assoc. Choir Practice**  
12/16/19, 6:00 p.m.

**Christmas Eve**  
12/21/19  
Office Closed

**Christmas Day**  
12/25/19  
Office Closed

**Christmas Holidays**  
*December 24-31*  
*Office Closed*

### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

	Regular	Special
Church		
Bethany	155.28	
Blue Spring	1,595.89	
Buffalo	0	
Cadiz	1,020.66	
Canton	1,125.85	650.00
Cerulean	385.00	
Delmont	175.88	
Donaldson Creek	729.36	
East Cadiz	580.80	500.00
Hurricane	400.00	
Liberty Point	584.42	
Locust Grove	623.00	
Maple Grove	325.00	
New Hope	298.39	
New Jerusalem	0	
New Light	0	
Oak Grove	184.56	
Ponderosa	471.00	
Rock Front	200.00	
Rocky Ridge	334.00	
South Union	111.25	
Wallonia	200.00	
Misc. Income	1,000.00	1,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,500.34</b>	<b>2,650.00</b>
		<b>13,150.34</b>

Interest NOW Acc.	4.82	
Associational Mission Project		900.00
Deaf Ministry		250.00
Community Thanksgiving Meal		1,500.00

Subtotals	10,505.16	2,650.00
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Total income		<b>\$13,155.16</b>
<b>Monthly expense</b>		<b>\$11,007.85</b>

<b>Regular Fund</b>	
Beginning Balance	<b>\$33,710.07</b>
Interest Received	<b>4.82</b>
Gifts	<b>12,033.32</b>
Trans- Contingency Fund	<b>-100.00</b>
Trans- OMC	
Trans- Building Maintenance Fund	<b>-100.00</b>
Trans- Associational Mission Project	
Expense Checks Written	<b>-10,494.32</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$35,053.89</b>

**Treasurer: Louise Fuller 11/25/19**



**Bobby Sellers- 12/4**  
**April Noffsinger- 12/6**  
**John Mitchell- 12/7**  
**Leah Chalfin- 12/12**  
**Joe Johnson- 12/19**



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**DECEMBER 1-8, 2019**