



# MARGARET STATE LACKEY OFFERING

MISSISSIPPIANS ON MISSION

## 2025 PRAYER GUIDE



# EXTENDING

Christ's call to make disciples is both personal and far-reaching. In fact, the commission is global for every one of us as disciples and as local churches. We're thankful for the difference Mississippi Baptists make in this global call to reach the unreached with the long arm of God's love. We're also convinced that the global reach of Mississippi Baptists can only be sustained if we begin the ripple right here in our own backyard.

The Margaret Lackey State Offering is an initiative to start the global ripple here in Mississippi. The MLSO provides support for ministries on collegiate campuses, camps for children and youth, church plants in less reached areas of the state, connecting churches with both national and international mission partners, and much more. All these stated ministries extend the reach of the local church into areas that go beyond the norm of church life.

## ***We encourage you to use this guide to:***

- Pray together as a Mississippi Baptist church during your weekly worship service;
- Pray individually as a Mississippi Baptist how the Lord would have you give;
- Become familiar with and pray for the ministries supported through our cooperative efforts;
- Be reminded to pray for the lost in Mississippi and beyond.

**THE MARGARET LACKEY  
STATE OFFERING ENABLES  
MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS TO  
DO IMMEASURABLY MORE  
TOGETHER THAN ANY  
ONE PERSON OR CHURCH  
COULD DO ALONE.**



*Margaret Lackey State Offering promotional  
materials and video clips are available at:  
[margaretlackey.com](http://margaretlackey.com)*

**OUR REACH**

REACHING

# REACHING OUT WITH A HELPING HAND



*Twelve women graduated from the NOBTS Seminary  
Extension Center at the Mississippi Correctional Institute for Women.*

## **CHRISTIAN MEN'S / CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S JOB CORPS \$25,000**

Christian Men's /Women's Job Corps (CJC) is a ministry of WMU that provides life and job skill training. Mentors work alongside participants to help them achieve their goals for life and employment. CJC offers "HOPE for a Better Tomorrow." For more information, contact Tammy Anderson at (601) 292-3323. Pray for volunteers that will serve as mentors and encouragers, lead Bible Study, teach classes, prepare meals, help in the office and more.

## **CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINISTRIES \$125,000**

Margaret Lackey funds help provide discipleship materials in correctional facilities and seminary classes in prisons across Mississippi. These classes facilitate evangelism and spiritual growth for those within our prison system. For more information, contact Don Lum at (601) 292-3278. Pray for the seminary students as they study and minister to fellow residents. Pray also for the volunteers who faithfully teach and disciple the incarcerated.

## **DISASTER RELIEF \$75,000**

The volunteers of Mississippi Baptist Disaster Relief bring help, hope, and healing in Jesus's name to those affected by disasters and crisis situations. Providing services to affected communities free of charge, they seek to show and share the love of Christ. Your gifts to the Margaret Lackey Offering ensure that volunteers are ready to go when needed. For more information, contact Hubert Yates at (601) 292-3334. Pray for MSBDR leadership as they plan, prepare, equip, and coordinate volunteers responding to disasters and crises. Pray for the MSBDR volunteers for their safety and that they will be faithful to share Jesus at every opportunity. Pray for the survivors impacted by disasters and other crises.



# CARING IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES



*Pastor Brian Woodard leads Hope Church, a church plant in Webster County.*

### **COMMUNITY MINISTRY \$300,000**

Margaret Lackey grants help fund associational initiatives for evangelistic ministries and mission strategies in local communities to impact the Kingdom. For more information, contact your local Baptist association. Pray for associations and their churches to reach out to lost and hurting people in their communities.

### **LITERACY MISSIONS MINISTRY \$25,000**

Do you know a child in your community who needs homework help? Do you know someone who was passed over for a promotion due to insufficient English skills? Your gifts to the Margaret Lackey Offering help train leaders in literacy missions ministry to meet basic literacy and spiritual needs of their neighbors. For more information, contact Maria Teel at 601-292-3201. Pray that the Lord would connect literacy missions volunteers with those who are in need of help.

### **DEAF MINISTRY \$25,000**

Deaf are the largest unreached people group in Mississippi and the world. Funding is needed to help equip interpreters, train and disciple Deaf, and create ministry materials needed for the Deaf to understand the Gospel in their heart language. Margaret Lackey funds help provide this. Pray for the Lord to equip and send someone to Mississippi to plant a Deaf Church where there is none.

### **CHURCH PLANTING/CHURCH REVITALIZATION \$160,000**

Since 2020, churches across the state have been struggling to rebound. We need a fresh outpouring of renewal. Let us ask the Lord to breathe life back into our established congregations, while also praying that He will call out church planters and sending churches across Mississippi to begin new churches to proclaim the Gospel in and among the unreached communities in Mississippi.

# SERVING



# SERVING IN AND BEYOND MISSISSIPPI

*A group  
of MS  
pastors  
took a  
vision  
journey  
to  
Phoenix.*



## **CROSS-CULTURAL EVANGELISM \$35,000**

Every day more language groups and cultures are moving into Mississippi. We are grateful that the Margaret Lackey Offering provides language materials for these different cultures. For more information, contact Paula Smith at (601) 292-3287. Pray for volunteers to translate and write Bible study materials for some of the people groups from the Middle East as well as other languages besides Spanish from Guatemala.

## **PORT MINISTRY TO INTERNATIONALS \$25,000**

Through port ministries in Gulfport and Pascagoula, Margaret Lackey funding offers a Christian witness and warm hospitality to international seafarers. For more information in Pascagoula, contact Vince Smith at (228) 762-6788. In Gulfport, contact Brian Rushing at (228) 832-4311. Pray the seafarers would receive Christ and take the Gospel back to their home countries.

## **SHORT-TERM MISSION SERVANTS \$600,000**

Every year Mississippi Baptist churches send hundreds of short-term servants to North America and to many countries around the globe. They serve alongside long-term workers, helping to strengthen ministries that share the message of the Gospel. Margaret Lackey funds help assist these short-term servants. For more information, contact Chad McCord at (601) 292-3398. Pray the Father will show short-term mission servants how He wants to use them to impact long-term mission strategies in the places they serve.

*350 BSU student missionaries served the community during Christmas in the Delta.*



# MINISTERING AT CAMPS AND ON CAMPUSES

### **COLLEGIATE AND UNIVERSITY OUTREACH \$105,000**

Margaret Lackey gifts provide resources to help Baptist Student Unions across Mississippi share the Gospel with students and faculty on campus, engage students who sense a call to ministry, and mobilize students to take the Gospel to Mississippi and the nations! For more information, contact Sam Ivy at (601) 292-3289. Pray for our BSU directors and student leaders as they share the Gospel that it would bring healing to the spiritually broken students across our 29 college campuses in Mississippi.

### **CENTRAL HILLS BAPTIST RETREAT \$500,000**

Margaret Lackey gifts help provide a Christ-centered camping and retreat experience for Mississippians. CHBR hosts nearly 2500 campers each summer. While experiencing various outdoor activities, campers are taught the truth of God's word and encouraged to be authentic disciples of Jesus. For more information, contact Jason Marshall at (662) 289-9730. Pray campers will be open to the Gospel and respond through salvation or a deeper commitment to being a disciple.

### **GARAYWA CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER \$500,000**

Garaywa Camp & Conference Center is in the heart of Clinton. Many Mississippians participate in summer camps, retreats, trainings, and planning meetings. Whether child or adult, the goal is that each visitor encounters God and leaves inspired to change the world! Your gifts to Margaret Lackey ensure we can provide the best possible experience. For more information, contact Roddy Reed at (601) 924-7034. Pray that all who come through the gates of Garaywa will experience the love of Christ and will hear and respond to the work of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

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STATE OFFERING  
GOAL:  
\$2.5 MILLION



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