

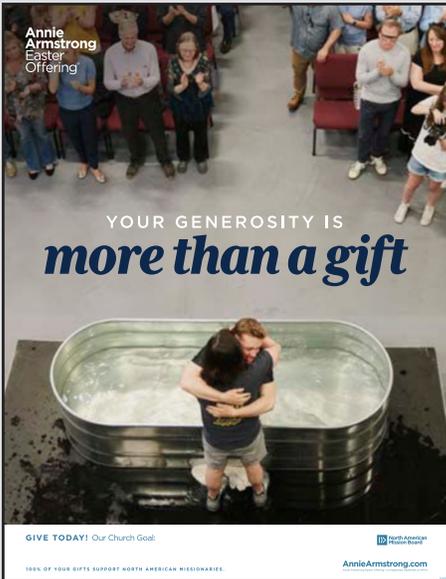
# MOUNT VERNON *on* MISSION

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## You'll be my witnesses...

This month we celebrate a special milestone - one year of our Missions Newsletter! Since our very first edition in March 2025, we have had the joy of sharing story after story of how God is moving through MVBC. From local outreach to global partnerships, we have seen Acts 1:8 lived out in real and tangible ways. Over the past year, we've not only supported missions, but we've also had the privilege of meeting missionaries within our own church family-many who have faithfully served on the field and now continue to share their experiences, wisdom, and heart for the nations with us. This anniversary edition is not just a celebration of a newsletter - it is a celebration of a year of obedience, generosity, and gospel impact - the story is still being written. Here's to another year of being His witnesses.

## MISSION *on* Emphasis



### Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

The **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** is named in honor of Annie Armstrong (1850-1938), a passionate advocate for missions and one of the first leaders of Southern Baptist mission efforts in North America. Annie was a bold & tireless champion for sharing the gospel, especially at a time when women were rarely recognized in leadership roles. She traveled extensively, wrote thousands of letters to encourage & mobilize churches, and worked diligently to raise awareness & support for missionaries serving across the United States.

Today, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering supports missionaries throughout the North American Mission Board (NAMB). 100% of every dollar goes directly to the field, helping missionaries plant churches, reach under served communities, respond to disasters, and share the hope of Christ throughout the U.S. and Canada. This Offering provides a meaningful opportunity for our church family to partner in advancing the gospel close to home.

## MISSION *on* Reflections

### MOUNT VERNON *on* MISSION ABF Mission Activities

#### ABF Outreach Highlights

The **Encouragers ABF** class has recently been active in supporting missions both locally and globally. Most recently, the class provided financial assistance to two families from the **International Learning Center**. After hearing them share about their upcoming ministry plans in Southeast Asia, the class was honored to present them with a love offering to support their work. During the Christmas season, the class packed 29 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes and covered the shipping costs to ensure they were sent out. Through prayer, giving, and hands-on outreach, **Encouragers ABF** continues to faithfully support mission efforts near and far.

## MISSION *on* Partner Spotlight



The **North American Mission Board (NAMB)** assists Southern Baptists in their task of fulfilling the Great Commission in the United States, Canada and their territories through a North American strategy for sharing Christ, starting churches and sending missionaries. **NAMB** focuses on evangelism, church planting, chaplaincy and compassion ministries to advance the work of Christ among Southern Baptists in North America. NAMB is supported through the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering and Mount Vernon's Cooperative Giving through the Baptist General Association of Virginia and the Southern Baptist Convention of Virginia.

## MISSION *on* NARY of the Month



### Paul & Cass Gregory

MVBC Church Members on Mission with Vision Outreach International

With our experience in the health care field, we were looking for a way to not only meet spiritual needs on mission trips but also provide a physical need. In 2022, we became affiliated with Vision Outreach International when Cass joined a medical team going to Niger, Africa where over 200 cataract surgeries were done during the week. In 2024, Cass returned for another trip, this time with a medical team to Colombia, Peru and Brazil, traveling by boat down the Amazon River to reach clinics to complete 150 surgeries. In both trips lives were changed with many making confessions of faith.

In February 2026, together, we joined a team going to Queretaro, Mexico. Throughout the week, Cass and I performed visual screening tests and prepped patients for surgery with help of college-aged translators. During our time with patients (some traveled 8 hours to have surgery) we would share the Gospel message, provide hope, encouragement and form relationships. After all patients were done with pre-op screenings, we would shift our focus to sharing the Gospel with their families that waited outside until surgery was done. We were excited to reconnect with the patients the following day to see their reactions after regaining their sight when we removed their eye patches. Thankfully, all the translators experienced this act of love and compassion provided to their community, and began to question why we would do this, opening the door for Cass and I to share our faith in Jesus. Success on this trip centered around 'relationships' spending days and evenings really getting to know the people we were serving. By the end of the week 43 cataract surgeries were done restoring sight along with 43 confessions of faith among patients, family members and translators.

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Saints Softball Prison Ministry Upcoming Season  
Ramadan Prayer Emphasis

**Wednesdays • 4PM-5PM • M106**  
Praying for missions & ministries of the church.  
Everyone is welcome.