



DECEMBER 2019

## PRAYER FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS



Each year the coming of the Christmas season brings with it a perfect opportunity for us to talk with people about Jesus. He is the reason for the season. And in America, those opportunities to evangelize and make disciples are incredibly abundant and readily available to us.

Yet, around the world, our international missionaries face challenges, obstacles, even barriers to the Gospel that they can only overcome through our prayers and our partnership. Will you join me in making prayer and sacrificial giving for our missionaries a priority this month?

*Click on the image below to go to the Lottie Moon Prayer page:*

<p><b>SOUTH ASIAN PEOPLES</b></p> <p><b>CHENNAI, INDIA</b></p> <p>(chin-NIGH) - One pocket of Chennai is made up of hundreds of concrete buildings constructed as a slum resettlement. This area is packed with hundreds of thousands of people. Life is rough in this part of town, with a high rate of suicide and domestic violence as well as too few job opportunities and a lack of proper...</p> <p><a href="#">CONTINUE</a></p>	<p><b>EAST ASIAN PEOPLES</b></p> <p>"As we engage Chinese Baptist conventions around the world, we are encouraging them to rise up and finish the task of taking the gospel to the nations. With the largest dispersed population in the world, the Chinese are positioned to do just that! In response to their need, we are partnering with them to establish the...</p> <p><a href="#">CONTINUE</a></p>	<p><b>SOUTH ASIAN PEOPLES</b></p> <p><b>PEOPLE OF THE MALDIVES</b></p> <p>Please pray for the approximately half a million people who live in the island nation of the Maldives. Many tourists visit this apparent tropical paradise, but underneath the surface is a reality of drugs, violence, and oppression. Islam is the official and only religion; all others are considered to be illegal. Christian...</p> <p><a href="#">CONTINUE</a></p>
<p><b>EAST ASIAN PEOPLES</b></p> <p><b>EAST ASIAN PEOPLES</b></p> <p>"December 9 is our Day of Prayer and Fasting for the East Asian Peoples. This month, our focus is on freedom. Many East Asian countries have religious freedom, but the people's hearts are still bound by expectations, traditions, and indigenous religions. Though they can freely speak and believe what they want, their hearts...</p> <p><a href="#">CONTINUE</a></p>	<p><b>SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN PEOPLES</b></p> <p><b>BAMBARA OF MALI</b></p> <p>(BAHM-bah-rah) - "In the United States, most people are seeing Christmas decorations all around. Churches are having Christmas plays and musicals. Christmas is considered to be a 'normal' holiday to celebrate. In Mali, on the other hand, Christmas is not something that is celebrated. Driving through the city or...</p> <p><a href="#">CONTINUE</a></p>	<p><b>SOUTHEAST ASIAN PEOPLES</b></p> <p><b>HO CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM</b></p> <p>(HOE-chee-men) - "Christmas is the Western holiday where people give gifts, right?" Linh's view of Christmas is limited to what she's seen in movies and the decorations that the shopping malls in the city have put up. She knows it's a popular holiday in the West and is growing in popularity in Ho Chi Minh City. She likes...</p> <p><a href="#">CONTINUE</a></p>

Click on the image below to learn more about this year's Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and to connect with this year's "Week of Prayer:"

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*Supporting missionaries among the unreached since 1888.*

2019 GOAL

**\$165**  
million

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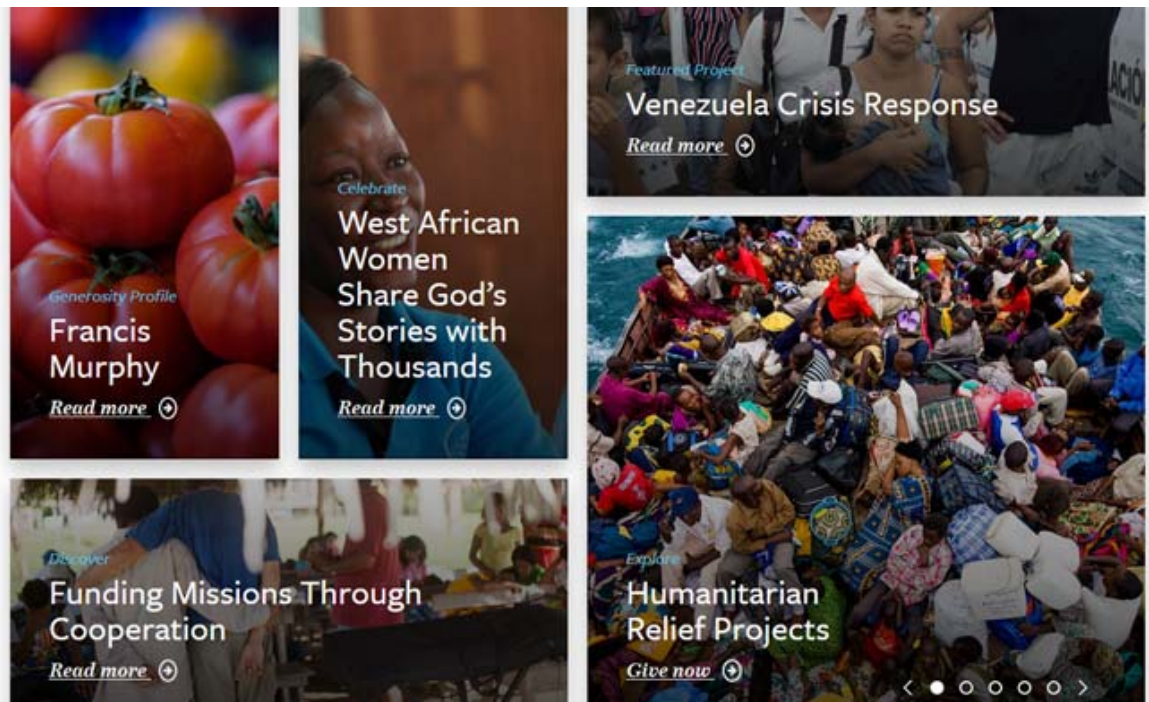
[WHO IS LOTTIE?](#)

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[2019 RESOURCES](#)

Click on the image below to learn more about our missionaries and how our giving matters:





Thank you for joining with us to make this Christmas season really special around the world!

- Mike

*Click here for all the resources you need for your church!*

The image shows a 'RESOURCES' section. On the left is a collage of images including a person's face, a CD/DVD, and a group of people. On the right is a text box with the heading 'RESOURCES' in green, followed by the text 'Lead your church and family to pray and give toward reaching the unreached with the IMB.' Below this text is a button labeled 'ALL RESOURCES'.

## JANUARY EVENTS



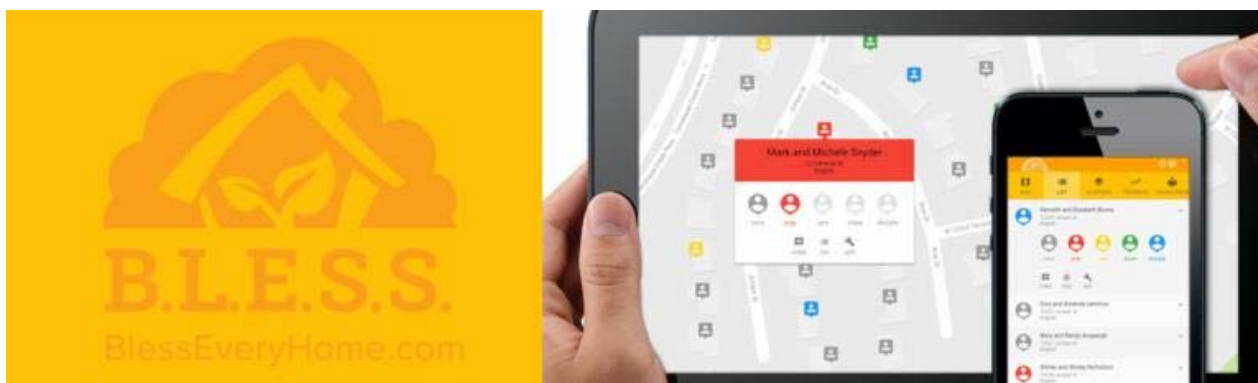


## Prayer Summit - January 27-29, 2020

Last year some of our pastors were refreshed and renewed by participating in a *Prayer Summit* under the leadership of Dennis Fuqua. This January 27-29, 2020, Dennis is coming back to lead another *Prayer Summit* at the DaySpring Conference Center in Parrish, Florida.

This is a three-day event from Monday afternoon through Wednesday afternoon. It promises to be a very special time for pastors and leaders to come together for the sole purpose of praying together.

Look for all the details along with a couple of videos that were sent as a separate Constant Contact email on Monday, December 9, 2019.



### Bless Every Home Neighborhood Prayer Ministry

Praying for the Lord to Reign in Every Home in our County  
January 13 @ 11:30am  
TBBA Office - 1060 W. Busch Blvd.

The founder of the Bless Every Home ministry will be sharing at a free January 13 luncheon about how this ministry can enable church members to pray for their neighbors, care for their neighbors, and then share the gospel with their neighbors. The desire is for thousands of our TBBA church members to intercede daily for their neighbors to become Christ-followers. RSVP to Jan at [jjones@tbba.org](mailto:jjones@tbba.org) soon.

**Dr. Tommy Green's  
Challenge 2025**  
FBC Tampa  
6:30pm Thursday, January 30

To achieve any goal requires preparation, strategy and action. God has led Dr. Green to place this challenge before Florida Baptists. Please join us for a time of prayer and discussion towards his Challenge 2025 goals that he will talk about at this event. It will take all of us working together



for the glory of God to achieve these outcomes.

## SAVE THE DATE



### Executive Committee Meeting

Save the date for our next Executive Committee meeting Monday, February 3, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at the TBBA; free lunch.

RSVP with Jan [jjones@tbba.org](mailto:jjones@tbba.org) or 813-935-3839



### *Who's Your ONE Tour (Pastors & Church Members)*

Two Days of Inspiration & Training  
Calvary Clearwater - Clearwater, FL  
Sunday, February 9 @ 6:00pm  
Johnny Hunt &  
Charles Billingsley

### *Workshop*

Monday, February 10 @ 8am

#### Workshop Speakers

Stephen Rummage

Willy Rice

Steve Gaines

[Click here for more information](#)



*Florida Baptist Convention presents*

### *Sharper*

One-Day Conference at Mission Hill  
10002 N 56th St. Temple Terrace FL 33617

February 27, 2020

Staying honed and always ready to be used by God can be difficult as the challenges of the day pull you in multiple directions. The dullness takes its toll - forcing us to work harder to maintain the same level of effectiveness as we minister to our congregation and our staff.

Together we can pull back the curtain and gain insight and fresh perspectives from each other, and be encouraged to keep getting better at evangelism, discipleship, prayer, preaching, teaching, leadership, church multiplication, small groups and other critical issues.

Be renewed, be equipped, be challenged to remain *Sharper!*

We are blessed to have the Florida Baptist Convention bringing another super day of encouragement for our churches.

*Details and registration information coming soon.*

### **RECENT HIGHLIGHTS**





### Pastors Lunch and Learn

We welcomed over 30 pastors to our November 18, 2019 Lunch and Learn, which focused on our Monthly Pastors Prayer Gatherings.

As we entered into our sixth year of intentional, monthly prayer times, we were excited to have Pastors Don Grantham, Tim Encinosa and Elbert Nasworthy leading us.

## COMMUNITY & MINISTRY

### Belmont Baptist Church

- Belmont Baptist Church has an opening for a part time church office secretary. Office Hours: 9AM - 1PM Monday - Thursday \$13.00 per hour 16 hours per week. For more information (duties & qualifications) please contact the church office at (813) 988-1501.

### Carrollwood Baptist Church

- Worship Minister - Choir & Orchestra (Part Time) Carrollwood Baptist Church is seeking a part-time (15-20 hours/week) Worship minister to provide leadership to CBC's various choirs and orchestra. CBC utilizes a full choir and small orchestra during their Sunday services. The ideal candidate for this position would be someone with a music degree, a heart to lead God's people in worship, and previous experience leading a church choir and orchestra. This person may also lead some congregational music. For a detailed description and /or more information, please contact Pastor Joe Alain at [jalain@carrollwoodbaptist.org](mailto:jalain@carrollwoodbaptist.org).

### Kings Avenue Baptist Church

- Kings Avenue Baptist Church in Brandon is looking for a facilities manager/administrator to oversee their property. Knowledge needs to include equipment (A/C, electrical, etc). Please send resumes to the church: [info@bethekingsavenue.com](mailto:info@bethekingsavenue.com) or contact the church office at (813) 685-3095 for more information.

### Manhattan Baptist

- Manhattan Baptist Church is looking for a part time Worship leader; 10 to 15 hours per week. This is a paid position. If interested, please send resume to [pastorjohn@manhattanbaptist.org](mailto:pastorjohn@manhattanbaptist.org).

### Sheldon Road Baptist Church

- Sheldon Road Baptist Church is seeking a part time Worship leader. This is an immediate need and the following are the qualifications for this position. Doesn't have to be a member of Sheldon Road. Would be leading congregational music and leading the choir.

Choir meets each Sunday after the service for practice. Would like to have someone lead in music on Sunday evenings, but this is negotiable. If interested, please contact Pastor Nunez at [revmnunes@yahoo.com](mailto:revmnunes@yahoo.com).



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