

Reach **TENNESSEE**
the **NATIONS!**
Change your world!
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Can one person really
change the world?

Depends...

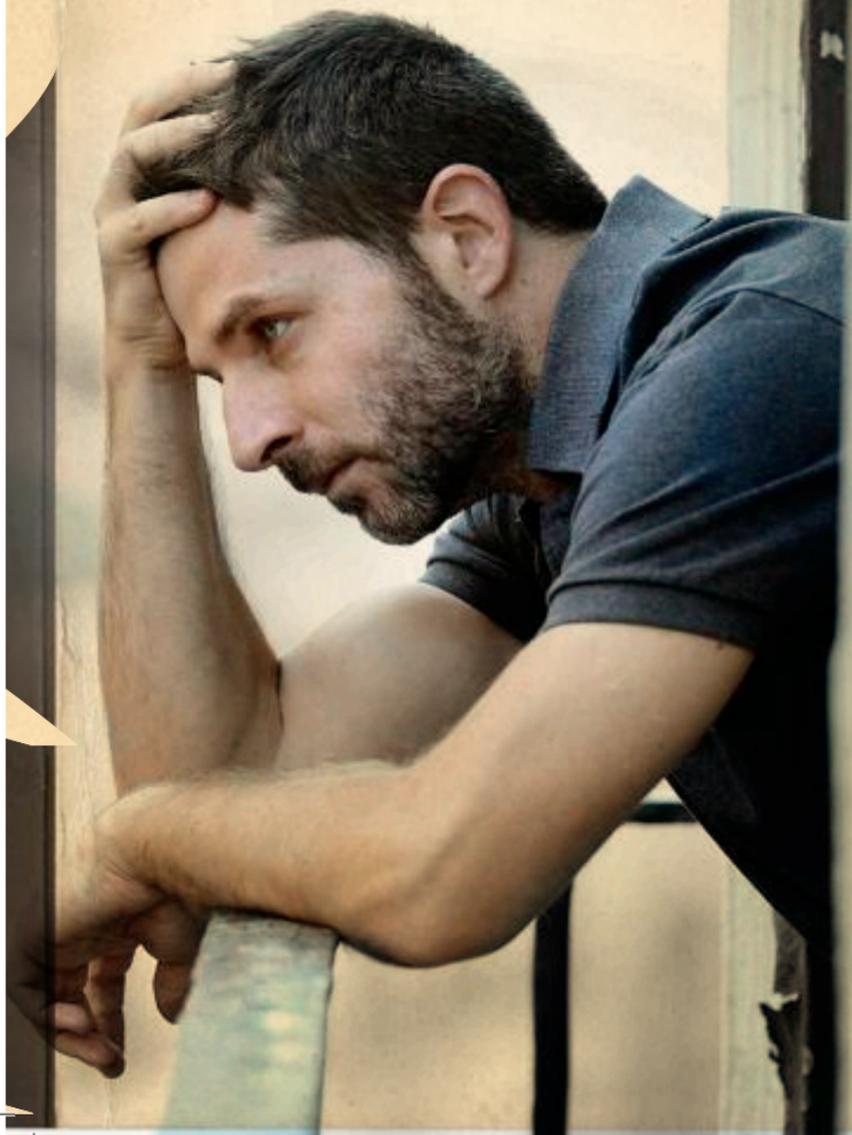

...*Do you
really
want to?*

Do you want your life to matter, like
really matter, even in some small
way? That something you did in
this life echoes through eternity?

Then *see* your world...and change it.



*Look outside. Open your
door to the mission field.*



LOOK
AGAIN.

Do you see Tennessee's Nations?



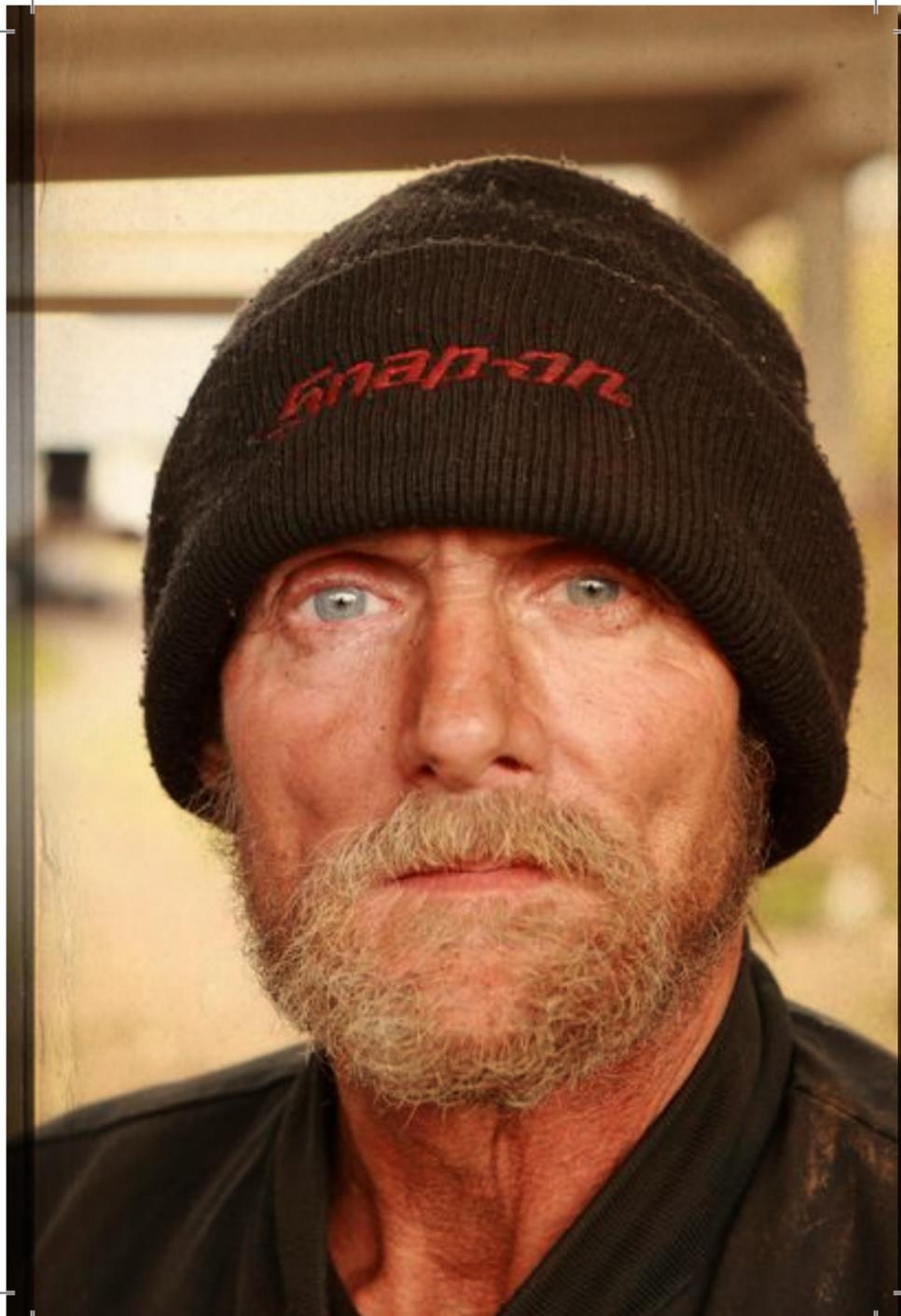
Still see Tennessee as black
and white? Look again.

- More than 1 million internationals living in Tennessee
- 146 distinct global people groups
- 45 of these among the world's most spiritually unreached
- Largest population of Kurds outside the Middle East
- Largest Hindu temple in the Southeast
- One of the largest mosques in the U.S.



Do you see
opportunities
to reach the nations?





Do you see Tennessee's Reality?

TENNESSEE
IS HURTING.

- 94 of 95 counties have double-digit poverty rates
- 31 counties have poverty rates at more than 20%
- 15.8% overall poverty rate
- 11% of all Tennessean live in extreme poverty
- 17.4% of the population lives with food insecurity
- Entrenched generational poverty cycles
- High malnutrition rates among children
- High teen pregnancy rates
- High statewide illiteracy rates
- Nationally ranks 2nd in crystal meth production and consumption
- Thousands are living homeless in our cities
- More than 57,000 people incarcerated on any given day in Tennessee

Do you see
opportunities
for compassion?



GEN Z

Do you see Tennessee's Children

Children born after 9/11 are part of the largest generation ever.

- 9 out of 10 will not profess faith in Christ by adulthood if current trends continue
- 80% of Christians accept Christ by age 18

We are facing the largest unchurched, unreached generation in American history. Will the child you love be among the nine?



Do you see
opportunities
to change the
future?

Will the child you love



be among the nine?

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I CAN'T
FIND
MY WAY.

Do you see Tennessee's "Spiritually Lost"?

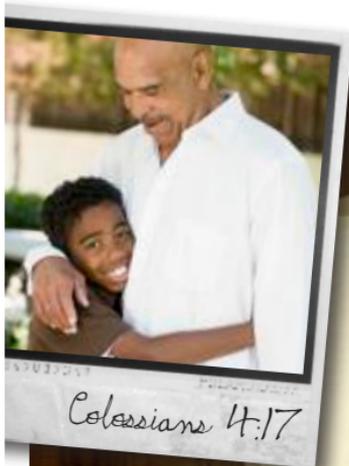
- Approximate population: 7 million
- Unchurched/spiritually lost: 4 million
- Total households: 3 million
- Approximately 80% of the population of most counties in Tennessee will not worship in any church this Sunday
- 40-60% of Tennesseans classified themselves as unclaimed (*not part of any religion*)
- 2017 baptisms: 20,700 (projected 2017 ACP total; 2% increase over 2016 ACP)

We know it is Jesus who changes people's hearts, but you and your church make a difference because you carry His gospel and His compassion to a hurting world just steps from your door.



Do you see
opportunities
...to change Tennessee?
...to change your world?

Now that you've seen Tennessee, will you **watch** or will you **reach**?



"See to it that you complete the ministry you have received in the Lord."

Colossians 4:17



The good news...*you're not alone.*



To be a part of the Tennessee Baptist Mission Board means you and your church are part of a network of more than 3,000 churches working cooperatively to reach Tennessee, reach the nations, and change the world for the glory of Jesus Christ. Through *Cooperative Program* giving, *the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions*, and the ministries of the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Tennessee Baptists are seizing opportunities to make Christ known and to show compassion to hurting people.

How? Through our network of Tennessee Baptist Churches.





You're a Part of Something.

SOMETHING
BIGGER!

Together we are...

...Reaching the nations in Tennessee:

- 42 of 146 people groups have been engaged
- More than 125 1-5-1 groups have been started among 32 different people groups between 2014-2017.
- 17 Ethnic church planting centers have been started that has equipped more than 150 ethnic church planters since 2014.

...Meeting spiritual and physical needs:

- Disaster Relief
 - Prenatal Care
- Addiction Recovery
 - Mobile Medical
- Christian Women's Job Corps
 - Christian Men's Job Corps
- English as a Second Language
- Vocational Training
 - Feeding Stations/
Food Pantries
- Mississippi River Ministry
 - Cumberland Regional Ministry
- Appalachian Regional Ministry
 - And more

...Changing the future of Gen Zers

- Nearly 249,000 Tennessee children participating and hearing the gospel through VBS and Back Yard Kids Clubs
- Decisions made through VBS or Back Yard Kids Clubs
 - 5577 (*Annual Church Profile (ACP) 2016*)
 - 5533 (*Annual Church Profile (ACP) 2017*)

...Reaching our Tennessee neighbors and communities

- 24 Baptist Collegiate Ministries on Tennessee campuses ministering to potentially 350,000 university students

- 275 Total new churches
- 110 New church plants
- 93 1-5-1 plants
- 53 Newly aligned churches
- 16 new satellite churches

**Totals reflect growth since 2014*



So why do we work together?

It would be impossible for most churches to participate in an Acts 1:8 missions strategy alone. Financial resources simply don't stretch that far. However, joining our resources together through the Cooperative Program, Tennessee Baptist Churches are literally facilitating missions in Tennessee, North America and around the world. *We really can do more together.*





We do missions



What is the Cooperative Program?

The Cooperative Program is how Southern Baptists financially work together in Great Commission work. Churches give a percentage of their undesignated financial receipts through the Tennessee Baptist Convention in support of a broad range of missions and ministry opportunities across Tennessee, North America, and around the world. Seriously, we're talking hundreds of millions of dollars annually working together to multiply missions to reach people for Christ.

s together through Cooperative Program giving.

What is the benefit for your church?

By being connected to thousands of other Tennessee Baptist churches, your church is connected to a network of biblically likeminded believers and has access to a variety of resources to help strengthen your church to fulfill its Great Commission calling.

How is your Cooperative Program giving multiplied?

As your church gives, a portion of your Cooperative Program offering remains in Tennessee to support work with Tennessee Baptist Churches. The remainder is forwarded to the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee where it is divided among the International Mission Board, North American Mission Board, six Southern Baptist seminaries, Southern Baptist Disaster Relief and the Southern Baptist Ethics and Religious Liberties Commission.

**YOU >> CHURCH >> TBC >> SBC >>
IMB + NAMB + SBC Seminaries + Disaster Relief + ERLC**



We also do missions together through the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions.

Every dollar received through GOTM – **100 percent** – stays in Tennessee to support church planting, compassion ministries, discipleship, literacy ministries and other mission opportunities directly related to reaching Tennessee for Christ. For nearly 100 years, GOTM has been a vital resource that supports missions in Tennessee in ways the Cooperative Program does not.



What is it we are trying to do together?

Tennessee Baptists agreed at our 2014 SUMMIT that we wanted to see God's Spirit move in such a way that it changes our spiritual reality. But it is one thing to say and quite another to do, to "*complete the ministry [we] have received from the Lord*" (Col. 4:17). Tennessee Baptists affirmed the Five Objectives to make sure we stay on task.

One Vision, FIVE OBJECTIVES



As Tennessee Baptists, we are engaging in Great Commission ministry resulting in:

1. Seeing at least 50,000 Tennesseans annually saved, baptized and set on the road to discipleship by 2024
2. Having at least 500 Tennessee Baptist churches revitalized by 2024
3. Planting and strategically engaging at least 1,000 new churches by 2024
4. Realizing an increase in annual local church giving through the Cooperative Program that reaches at least 10 percent by 2024
5. Realizing an increase in annual giving for the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions that reaches at least \$3 million by 2024

Big objectives requiring *big faith* mixed with a *big effort*, but we are confident in a *Big God*.

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Mission

Making Christ Known by Serving Churches

Vision

Tennessee Baptist Mission Board is a premier Great Commission organization that:

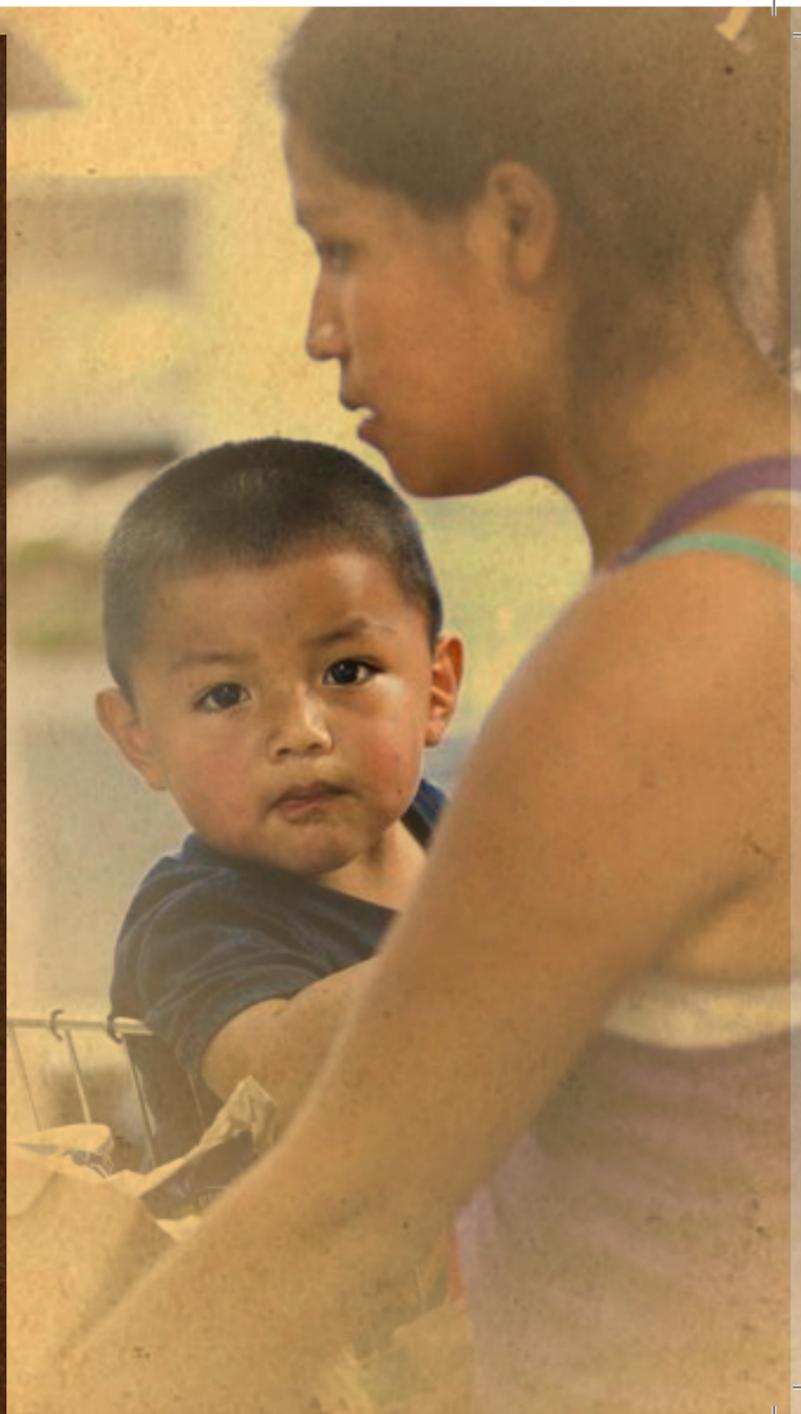
- Offers ministry support and minister equipping
- Develops missions and ministry opportunities
- Expands the network of cooperating churches
- Leverages technology
- Reflects ethnic diversity
- Cultivates resources
- Shares organizational knowledge

Values

Tennessee Baptist Mission Board is a Christ-centered, field-focused, Great Commission organization created by Tennessee Baptists to serve Tennessee Baptist churches which values:

- Relationships
- Innovation
- Stewardship
- Excellence





Baptist AND Reflector

*Telling the Story of
Tennessee Baptists
since 1835*

The *Baptist and Reflector* has been telling the story of Tennessee Baptists and Tennessee Baptist churches for more than 180 years, *making it one of the oldest continuously published newspapers of any kind in the United States.*

There are more than 22,000 subscribers to the Baptist and Reflector and there are more than 18,000 subscribers to the Baptist and Reflector Enewsletter. More than 200,000 readers annually visit the *Baptist and Reflector* online (BaptistandReflector.org).



Why is the *Baptist and Reflector* so **important?**



The mission of the paper is to share with Tennessee Baptists news that informs their biblical worldview. The *Baptist and Reflector* is the most comprehensive way for Tennessee Baptists to know how God is at work in Tennessee and how He is including Tennessee Baptists and their churches in Great Commission work.

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So, can one person really make a difference?

Yeah, they can. *The Book of Acts* is a story about a group of people working together in the power of the Holy Spirit, with a unified vision to make Christ known. And they changed the world.

If you'd like more information about what it means to be a Tennessee Baptist, contact TBMB Missionary Willie McLaurin at: (615) 371-2011 or wmclaurin@tnbaptist.org.

Together, let's...



Tennessee Baptist Churches giving through the *Cooperative Program* and the *Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions* make TBMB ministries possible.

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