

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
MISSIONS DIVISION
2010-2011

This report deals with the time frame August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2011. The Missions Division's mission and mandate - impact Florida and the world through the life changing Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

To accomplish this daunting, Kingdom impacting assignment requires significant partnering endeavors.

The Missions Division, as well as the Florida Baptist Convention, are partnering with forty nine (49) Florida Baptist Associations, four (4) state conventions and three (3) international bodies to share the good news of God's gift of hope and life through His only Son. Forty -nine Florida Associations, West Virginia, Indiana, Nevada, Brazil, Cuba and Haiti are at the heart of these efforts to make Christ known.

Volunteers from Florida Baptist Convention churches scattered more than 100,000 strong across the globe sharing the life changing story of God's love through His only Son Jesus Christ.

Perhaps the most dramatic, Biblically epic in proportion is the mighty move of God in Haiti following the January 12, 2010 Port au Prince earthquake. Florida Baptists along with Southern Baptists responded and responded quickly to this need. Multiplied hundreds of thousands were fed, medically attended, loved and prayed over as they coped with the traumatic impact of massive family member loss and the utter destruction of their homes.

Florida Baptists and Southern Baptists went to stay. Our Haitian brothers and sisters said: "We knew you would come!" And we did!

The results: an epic, Biblical sized move of God has taken place. More than 165,000 people received Christ as Savior and Lord. Crusades and worship have become the norm. Voodoo priests and priestess are coming to Christ. The Harvest is being conserved as a mighty movement in church planting and is on-going.

There is a strange, affirming sense of the Book of Acts over the land of hurt and need. Record setting decisions for Christ through summer mission's camps, the Mobile Dental Unit, migrant ministries has made this a terrific year for Kingdom advance.

And, God is not finished yet. A major rebuilding effort is underway with strategic partners including the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The challenge remains. The Missions Division is committed to missionary focus that makes Jesus Christ known. How that looks in the 21st Century must be carefully worked out and must be solidly Biblical in nature and content. To that end we pledge to serve you and Him.