

Mission Task Force
May 19, 2010

Mission Statement of the Mission Task Force:

The mission of the Mission Task Force at First Baptist Church of Coos Bay is to assist and encourage each individual in our congregation to be actively involved in carrying out the Great Commission given to us by Jesus in Matthew 28:18-20.

Goals:

1. Members of the MTF will model this active involvement in carrying out the Great Commission.
2. Each of “our” missionaries will be assigned to an MTF member to function as a liaison between that missionary and our congregation.
3. Create an environment where we can be a mission-minded church, obeying the command of the Great Commission as a foundation of every area of our church life. The mission of the church is missions.
4. Select a small number of missionaries with whom we would establish a special relationship as “our” missionaries. The relationship to include regular communication, prayer support, encouragement, and financial and/or project support.
5. Present “our” missionaries on a rotating basis once a month in a Missions Moment to our congregation.
6. Hold an annual Missions Fair for an in-depth presentation of missions and “our” missionaries to the congregation.
7. Make recommendations to the church board regarding which missionaries are “our” missionaries and the amount of financial support they will receive from the church.
8. Establish a savings account for missions that can be used as needed for special needs, projects, mailings, and other appropriate missions expenses.
9. Communicate missionary reports, needs, prayer requests, and other information on a regular basis to the congregation via church bulletin, church website, announcement slides, annual Missions Fair, and other appropriate means.
10. Organize and encourage direct involvement in missions through VBS, Good News Club, mission projects, short-term mission trips, career missionary service, and other appropriate activities.
11. Organize and encourage small groups with similar interests and/or gifts to meet regularly to pray for missionaries and/or work on projects for missionaries.
12. Encourage and assist in educating the children and youth in our church about missions and involving them by coordinating Children's Story, SS and children's church activities with Mission Moment Sundays, Missions Fair, and visits by missionaries.
13. Work with the Pastor to take every opportunity possible to hear from our missionaries when they are present.
14. Work with the Pastor to present the Biblical basis for missions to our congregation periodically.
15. Seek ways to encourage reading of missionary biographies including a book report page on the church website.