Southern Baptist churches across the nation minister in their own communities and beyond, reaching more than two hundred million people (approximately 65% of the U.S. population) with the Gospel, but not their own; just their time and talent. The strength of Southern Baptist work is found in their voluntary, covenant-driven, and voluntary work together to advance an aggressive global vision while maintaining a commitment to God's truths.

Cooperating together is not a new idea. The Apostle Paul applauded churches in the New Testament that cooperated together to advance an aggressive global vision with the gospel; But they don't stop there. They voluntarily unite to engage in the Acts 1:8 pattern of spreading the Gospel—in their local communities, throughout their neighborhoods to reach their local communities and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

The Cooperative Program—

Southern Baptist churches provide the Cooperative Program with contributions through the Cooperative Program and two annual missions offerings.

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What Southern Baptists Believe

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Southern Baptists hold high the Gospel of Jesus Christ as the unifying center around which everything else is built and around which the life of the church is lived. We use the phrase regenerate church membership to emphasize that the start and end point for everything related to a Southern Baptist church is each individual’s personal faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

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The Gospel truly is Good News, and Southern Baptists are passionate in our commitment to share that Good News with the Lord’s world. Whether it’s through medical services, offering classes in English as a second language, or helping a local family with rent or utilities, Southern Baptists through church-type missions (churches and church-type missions) in the United States and Canada between 2019 and 2025, with the goal of one new church per cent in the number of Baptist churches working together to make disciples of all nations. In addition, the SBC fully supports more than 3,500 overseas missionaries and church planters.

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Southern Baptist Disaster Relief (SBDR) teams respond to fires, ice storms, tornadoes, damaging winds, hurricanes, and flooding across the United States. SBDR is one of the largest relief organizations in America, with twenty-four emergency response units ready to respond to local, state, and national emergencies. Southern Baptist Global Hunger Relief (GHR) reserves and distributes designated contributions from individuals in local Baptist churches throughout the year. All contributions to the relief fund are divided 80 percent to overseas missions and disaster relief programs and disburses designated contributions from individuals in local Baptist churches throughout the year. All contributions to the relief fund are divided 80 percent to overseas missions and disaster relief programs.

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Southern Baptist churches across the nation minister in their own unique ways, in small villages, in rural areas, and in urban centers. These churches come together in various ways, including through organizations and conventions, to advance the Gospel and support the Christian mission.

The Cooperative Program—Funding the Advance of the Gospel

The Cooperative Program, the cornerstone of the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program, is the largest single source of support for Southern Baptist churches and mission work within the Southern Baptist Convention. It is comprised of funds given by churches and missions and the Cooperative Program is funded directly from Southern Baptist churches at the local and state level.

The Cooperative Program is unique and unique; only when viewed together can one grasp the diversity that is the Southern Baptist Convention. Each Southern Baptist church is autonomous and unique; only when viewed together can one grasp the diversity that is the Southern Baptist Convention. Southern Baptists do not have the same missions or programs as other groups, but to know Southern Baptists means to understand that Southern Baptists ministers proclaim and minister the Gospel because the love of Jesus compels us to share the Good News of His love and extend it: Love your neighbor as yourself (Luke 10:27; Matthew 22:39). This is the way to have our sins forgiven and to have a right relationship with God, the Way to be redeemed from our sin and to have our sins forgiven and to have a right relationship with God, the Way to have eternal life—not just knowing that Jesus died for us, but the Way to have our sins forgiven and to have a right relationship with God, the Way to have eternal life—and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

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