



HAZELGREEN BAPTIST

EXALTING CHRIST

Welcome to Hazelgreen Baptist Church. We are glad you've chosen to worship with us today. If you are visiting for the first time, please fill out the welcome card provided by our ushers.

We are an Independent Baptist Church that teach and preaches the Word of God.

Pastor John R Reed

Welcome and Announcements for 8/23/2026

Announcements

Congregation Song- "Saved" pg. 500

Special Music-Lisa Ivins

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Offertory Music- Lisa Ivins

Congregation Song-"He Leadeth Me" pg. 690

Sermon-"God Will Take Care Of His Church" Phillipians 4:19-20

Closing song- "God Will Take Care Of You" pg 692

Dates To Remember:

- Missions Conferences, August 29th @ 9:30, Luncheon @ 12 & August 30th @10 am
 - September 6th, Lord's Supper
- Don't Forget to Sign Up for The Men's Group, Sign Up Is In The Back Of The Church. Any Questions, See Stephen or Jordan Reed.
- If you are scheduled to sing a special and would like to do a **sound check before service**, Bruce and Stephen will be available **Sundays at 9:30 am**.

- If you are staying for the Luncheon on Saturday after the Missions Conference please don't forget to sign the sign up on the back table.



Pastor's Corner

As we think about our upcoming emphasis on missions, Do each of us have a missionaries heart like David Livingstone? Please see the shocking 2025 statistics below.

Christians worldwide earned about \$74 trillion last year. You might be wondering where all that money ends up. The truth is both surprising and concerning. Less than 2% is given to Christian causes globally, and an even smaller portion reaches unreached people groups. **For every \$100,000 earned by Christians, only around \$183 supports frontier missions.** Most of the money stays local—in churches, programs, staff salaries, and buildings. Despite holding roughly **55% of global wealth**, the Christian community underfunds frontier missions—though the church technically has **14,000 times the resources needed** to complete the Great Commission.

In the U.S., churches dedicate between 11% and 14% of their budgets to missions, while over 70% is spent on salaries and facility costs. Globally, of the \$1.3 trillion given to Christian causes, 82% stays in countries where Christianity is already widespread, 12% goes to local evangelism, and only 6% supports international missions. Just 1.7% reaches unreached groups.

Why is this happening? Cultural and systemic reasons play a big part. Western Christianity often focuses on consumerism, comfort, and self-interest, leaving many believers unaware of how urgent the Great Commission is. Church structures and priorities also contribute, treating mission work as something that happens only after other budgets are set, rather than as the main purpose of the church. By Pastor John R Reed