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So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

—EPHESIANS 4:11-13 (NIV)

Dear Mission Partner,

Thanks to your America for Christ (AFC) Offering contributions, American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) supported communities distressed by the devastation of COVID-19 last year, as the pandemic swept our country and Puerto Rico. We helped families who lost homes to floods, wildfires and storms, along with children living on the edge because of poverty, and seminarians preparing to devote their lives to sharing the Good News. These are just a few of the ways we minister to those in need; there are many more.

We have been answering God's call to heal broken families and communities—as well as cultivate strong Christian leaders and equip passionate disciples—since 1832.

The world's needs today are as great as they were close to two centuries ago. By awarding grants to mission partners also doing the work of healing broken families and communities with the healing power of God's love, we increase the numbers of those in need who receive support across the United States and Puerto Rico, at the same time increasing the impact of your AFC gifts.

So, when you contribute to AFC, you increase our capacity to fulfill the biblical mandate in Ephesians 4:11-13: "Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service."

Our America for Christ Offering 2021 campaign—"For the Purpose of Equipping Saints," based on Ephesians 4:11-13—focuses on our discipleship and leadership empowerment ministries, which nurture the faithful followers who find their call and life's work as the hands and feet of Christ.

ABHMS' **Discipleship Ministries** sends more than 5,000 Discipleship and Christian Education Guides to regions, churches and individuals annually and provides 62 Church Life and Leadership workshops in English, Spanish, French and Karen, available for download at abhms.org. On average, more than 1,000 Bible studies—ranging in subjects from stewardship and eco-justice to children in poverty—are distributed each year, and, in 2019, several hundred

American Baptists attended discipleship workshops addressing the church's viability in these changing times.

Our **Leadership Empowerment** work in 2019 broadened a three-year Lilly Endowment grant focused on fostering **clergy financial literacy, health and wholeness**. More than 35 ministry partners and ABHMS staff were trained to integrate a related toolkit—adaptable for native populations, speakers of languages other than English and people living with disabilities—into a variety of congregational and community ministries.

Chaplaincy, Pastoral Counseling and Specialized Ministries developed a three-phase plan to strengthen connections of its ministry professionals as they combat denominational isolation.

And a two-year integrative program for missional entrepreneurs, **Co-Creators Incubator**, was launched last year. The inaugural cohort fostered a spirit of collegiality and collaboration among six entrepreneurs creating innovative ministries in the name of Jesus, while providing resources to enhance their ministries. Each received a \$3,000 seed grant, hands-on training at two summits in King of Prussia, Pa., mentorship from an interdisciplinary team and monthly virtual meetings with experts to help their ventures flourish and grow.

On behalf of American Baptist Home Mission Societies, thank you for your past generous support of our transformational mission. Our ministries, along with the ministries of our mission partners, are making a difference in the lives of so many individuals and families. With your help, we can bring God's healing touch to so many more.

May we count on your generosity once again?

With gratitude,



Dr. Jeffrey Haggray
Executive Director
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Biblical reflection: In different rooms

By the Rev. Dr. Leslie D. Callahan

Like many other children around the nation, my 8-year-old daughter is attending second grade virtually this fall because of the global pandemic. While this presents many challenges for her and for me, one upside is that I get a more thorough understanding of the gifts of her teacher and classmates, as I eavesdrop on their instructional interactions.

Ephesians declares that the Creator of the cosmos, the Giver of life itself, has brought us redemption and has given us belonging in the body of Christ.

Sometimes these interactions are hilarious, like the Monday when I heard her classmate complain about the unfairness of having five days during the week and only two days for the weekend. At other times, their conversations alert me to matters more poignant than funny. Last week, I heard the teacher explaining a math lesson on place value with the following words: “Even if your classmate is in another room, they’re still a member of this class.” It is so clear to second graders: Belonging isn’t geographically bound.

Questions of belonging and geography were among the most salient matters for the early Christian community. In that instance, members were not in different rooms or even

in different homes; they were in different countries and of different nationalities, language and cultural groups, and ethnicities. Yet God had made these disparate and disconnected people one holy community, one people and one body, through the grace and love of Jesus Christ exemplified in the cross. The letter to the Ephesians proclaims this cosmic reality, challenging the church then and now to live up to its meaning and to walk worthy of this high calling.

Further, Ephesians declares that the Creator of the cosmos, the Giver of life itself, has brought us redemption and has given us belonging in the body of Christ. And within that body, the Giver has placed particular charisms embodied in apostles, prophets, evangelists, and pastors and teachers, who equip the saints for the work of ministry and acts of service that build up the body, so that the community can be whole and growing. Ultimately, when the body of Christ functions as it ought, every part of the body nurtures and nourishes every other part. All of us—whatever kind of cell we are, in whatever part of the body we reside—build up and grow up until we reach the full measure of Christ’s maturity.

Throughout the New Testament, we learn that the earliest Christian congregations expressed their connectedness and community by means of mutual aid. The local church assisted individuals in need and so built the connection. Scattered congregations in one region assisted congregations in crisis in other regions and so strengthened the sense that there is one universal church, one body in Christ.

Through our gifts today, in a time of crisis and division, we, too, exhibit this core value. Mirroring the grace of the One who has called us to live lives filled with gratitude, we extend generosity and love in material and tangible ways to signify the common spiritual bond we enjoy. We incarnate the proclamation that we are one. We are in different rooms but no less a part of the same household—members, indeed, of the same body.



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To the God who calls us all to ministry: A prayer for the United States and Puerto Rico

By the Rev. Dr. Corey S. Fields

May we, as American Baptists, be so bold and courageous as to invite your Spirit among us—your nonconforming, radically inclusive Spirit, uncontrollable as the wind itself.

Make us true disciples of the dusty, boundary-crossing Savior from Nazareth, who calls us to self-denial and living as His hands and feet, for such a time as this.

We thank you, God, that, although sometimes evil may seem to prosper, you are always raising up apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to equip the saints for works of service. We remember and are grateful that these are not the headline-makers, neon sign holders or flashy performers. You have shown us what true service is, how to “have the same mind as that of Christ” and how the last are first.

In an ever-changing world, in a troubled nation, may your church stand firm. May she stand firm not in an imagined doctrinal purity or some spurious claim to unadulterated tradition, but in love of neighbor, selfless service and a passion for justice.

For all of the ways that two or three gather, we give you thanks. Strengthen and uphold the body, whether it gathers under towering cathedrals or on dirt floors, whether with lights and screens or rickety pews and worn hymnals. We claim the promise that no weapon formed against you or your church shall prosper.

We pray that you would heal us from within. As modern believers cede their witness to gain political power and hand over 30 pieces of silver for seats in the courts, call us again to the waters of the Jordan to hear the cry, “Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near.” Flip over our tables and drive out our money-changers if you must, so that we will no longer neglect “the weightier matters of the law.”

Meanwhile, for those who lead our churches, we give. For those who blaze new trails in ministry, we give. For those who give hope to our children and comfort the afflicted, we give. For all the foot washers and fishers of people, we give. We thank you for continuing to take our small offerings of bread and fish and multiplying them to feed the multitudes.

It is in Christ’s name and for His sake we pray. Amen.



The Rev. Dr. Corey S. Fields is senior pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Newark, Del., and a member of ABHMS' board of directors.

Stories from the mission field:

Discipleship

Gifts to AFC support ABHMS' Discipleship Ministries

Even in the midst—or especially in the midst—of the COVID-19 pandemic, the persistence of kingdom ministry is essential. Your gifts to America for Christ (AFC) support ABHMS' ministries of discipleship in the quest to equip people for the work of faith-initiation (evangelism) and faith formation (Christian education).

In the spring of 2020, the Rev. Dr. Jeff Johnson, ABHMS national coordinator of evangelism and discipleship, provided Got Style?® training on natural ways to share the gospel to five dozen core clergy, key church leaders and general laity from the Kachin Baptist Churches of America. Unable to gather in person, participants across the country connected online for multiple hours of inspiration and instruction.

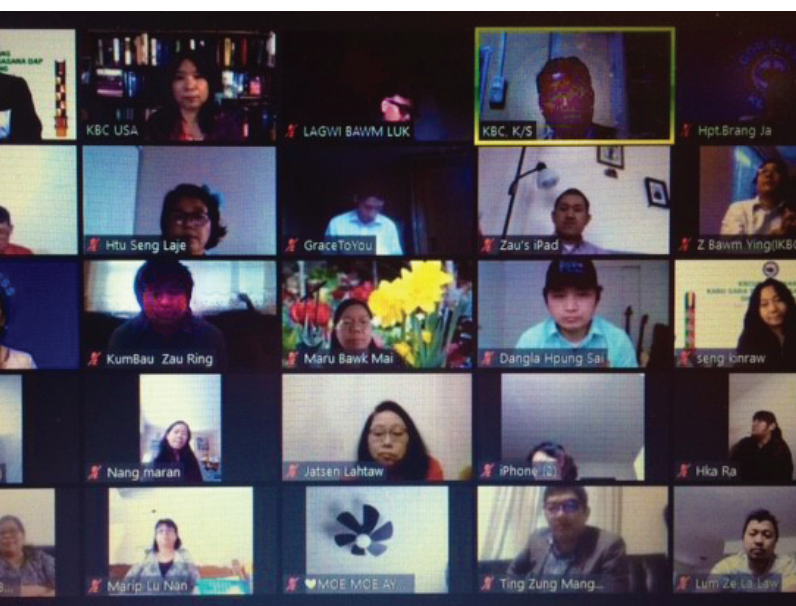
Institute, teams from each church learn key practices critical for growing young people in faith and keeping them involved in faith communities over their lifetime. Coordinated by the Rev. Dr. Christine Roush, ABHMS national coordinator of faith formation and discipleship, and led by Jake Mulder, Fuller's executive director of Leadership Formation, the Growing Young initiative has gathered teams from 30 churches stretching from Oregon to West Virginia. The teams learn both the practices crucial to faith formation and strategies for implementing those practices within their faith communities.

Through the Contextualized Ministry Pilot—a partnership with the American Baptist Churches of the South (ABCOTS), led by the Rev. Dr. Eddie Cruz, ABHMS national coordinator of congregational mission and discipleship, and ABHMS' Roush—ABHMS is seeing the power of contextualizing the gospel for reinvigorating congregations in local mission. Examples shared in a recent Zoom webinar, which was attended by 34 key pastoral leaders, include:

- Dr. Jean Robinson-Casey spoke about an ecumenical car protest initiated by Martin Luther King Christian Church, Reston, Va., in the city's largest parking lot. More than 200 carloads of devoted folks rallied to denounce recent unjust shooting and killings.
- The Rev. Bruce Carroll shared that the hospitality team of Antioch Baptist Church, Shreveport, La., provided thank you notes and lunch to first responders. Recipients, essential workers who are often unrecognized, included IT departments of the city and schools and nursing home cleaning staff. The church also hosted an ecumenical prayer walk, during which participants made their way through the city, pausing to pray at key locations, such as hospitals, city government buildings and police stations.

Prior to the co-currently translated sessions, materials were provided in Burmese, using the same Bible that Adoniram Judson translated 200 years ago. Our God-given diversity was represented across age and gender within this one Asian diaspora community. Only an organization like ABHMS could bring together such a group.

How can a church grow young followers of Jesus and deepen their faith over a lifetime? That is the question being addressed by a network of churches from across the nation, as part of ABHMS' "Growing Young" initiative. Based on extensive research conducted by Fuller Youth



Stories from the mission field:

Leadership empowerment

ABHMS' Co-Creators Incubator supports innovative thinkers, entrepreneurs

An abundance of fresh ideas wafts through our churches. Innovative thinkers feverishly scribble ideas into notepads. Mission-minded leaders constantly discover new ways to impact their communities for good. Through its



Co-Creators Incubator (CCI), American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) brings together missional entrepreneurs for a two-year integrative program that helps grow ministry ideas into viable ventures with a Christ-centered mission. “The program is intentional, relevant

and practical, providing all the tools you need to continue in your venture and surrounding you with a supportive community,” writes Alyssa Vasquez, a Co-Creator from the first cycle of CCI. “The ABHMS staff have made it clear that they are not only investing in my venture, YouBelong, LLC, but also in me, simply as Alyssa Vasquez. The staff and this program will always be a part of my story and my journey as a CEO and a missional entrepreneur.”

ABHMS' Chaplaincy & Specialized Ministries cares for caregivers

ABHMS' Chaplaincy & Specialized Ministries calls us to provide spiritual support and counselling to those who find themselves in some of the most vulnerable times, as they strive to provide support to others who are struggling. Those who are called to chaplaincy, pastoral counseling and other related ministries are often forgotten. “It’s been a hard season, and last week was one of my hardest in quite a while,” shares endorsed chaplain the Rev. Joy Freeman, BCC, after a monthly ABHMS check-in Zoom call with chaplains and pastoral counselors. “It seemed every patient and staff member I cared for was struggling with deep pain and suffering. I found myself present to grief, despair, hopelessness, weariness, frustration, anger—basically all the big, hard, suffering, drenched feelings. There was no respite for me.”

ABHMS' In Support of Excellence teaches pastors about financial well-being

ABHMS' In Support of Excellence is a one-year, cohort learning experience for pastors that combines the personal, pastoral and prophetic dimensions of money. In addition to focusing on their own financial well-being, participating pastors are equipped to be financial resources in their congregations and communities. After hosting a virtual financial education series in Savannah, Ga., offering both practical and theological resources on money matters, Rev. Lolita Hickman said, “Sound money and other resource management is one of the most valuable life skills the Church can teach. Jesus taught many lessons about stewardship, urging believers to use our God-given gifts—talents, time and treasure—in ways that please God and help our fellow persons.”

Endowed gift to bless two African American female pastors yearly

Restoration Ministries of Greater Cleveland Inc. has blessed American Baptist Home Mission Societies' with



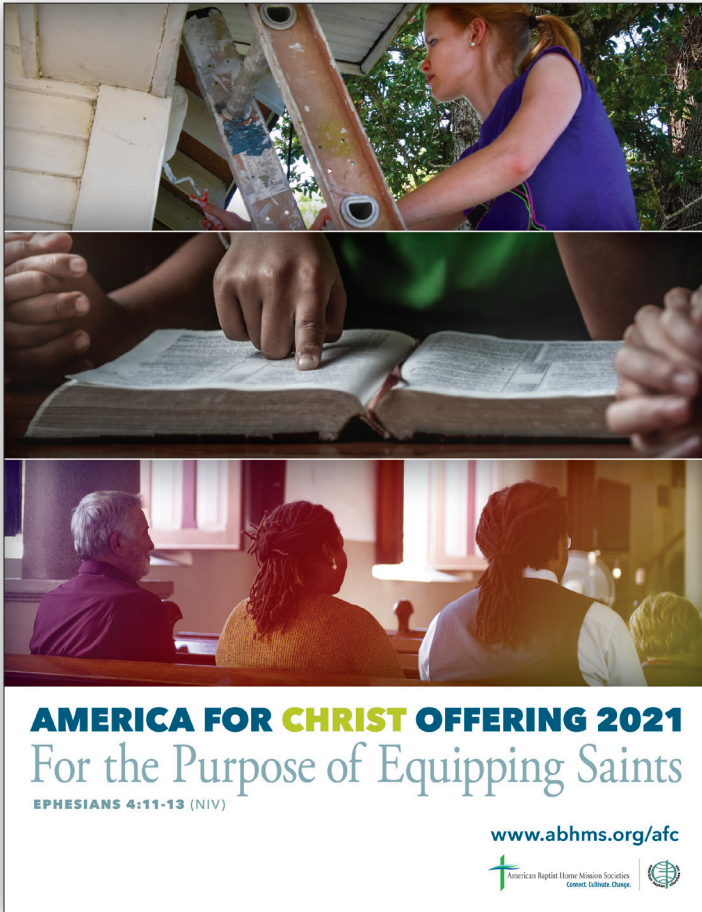
a \$70,000 endowed gift. “When we sold our building, the Lord blessed us with a decent sum of money,” says Rev. Christine A. Smith, the church’s senior pastor and author of “Beyond the Stained-Glass Ceiling: Equipping & Empowering Female Pastors” (Judson Press, 2013). The endowment, aptly named the Beyond the Stained-Glass Ceiling Endowment, will support at least two African American female pastors yearly who serve congregations of 300 or fewer members as senior solo pastor.

Weiss Scholarships aid college students

Cerise Barton of Federal Way, Wash., and Kurt Kaufman of Denver have been named recipients of the prestigious Daniel E. Weiss Scholarships, administered by ABHMS. Barton is attending Candler School of Theology, Atlanta, while Kaufman is attending Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Shawnee, Kan.

Promoting the America for Christ Offering 2021 in your church

1. Gather a team or taskforce for the America for Christ (AFC) 2021 home mission offering.
2. Determine a three-month schedule for promotions.
3. Review the enclosed materials. Then visit abhms.org, click “Learn More” in the America for Christ box, and then click “Resources” to access the AFC videos and downloadable resources. If you need more printed materials, please contact Kim Wilkins at kim.wilkins@abhms.org or 610.768.2413. The videos will be available at abhms.org after Jan. 1, 2021.
4. Set a goal to assist American Baptist Home Mission Societies in raising \$1,000,000 that supports home mission throughout the United States and Puerto Rico. Gather an AFC offering prayer team and meet once weekly before worship for five minutes of prayer.
5. Meet with the pastor and/or church’s leadership team to share the promotions schedule.
6. Incorporate “Mission Moments” into worship. Each Sunday for a month, take three to five minutes during worship to present a Mission Moment. The updates can include showing the AFC videos, reading an insert or allowing testimony from individuals who have volunteered for a home mission team or participated in any other kind of training or workshop. The videos will be available at abhms.org after Jan. 1, 2021.
7. Invite a home mission staff member as a speaker to your church. Please complete the virtual speaker-request form included in the AFC packet, visit the website and download the form, or call the ABHMS Development office at 610.768.2420.
8. Involve children and youth during a Mission Moment. Ask them to help pick up the offering during worship and distribute AFC bulletin inserts. While inserts can be included in the bulletin, you may, instead, want to highlight them during the Mission Moment, allowing the youth to distribute them to the congregation.
9. Have fun. Design an AFC Offering 2021 bulletin board. Include materials from the offering packet. Allow the children and youth to add art that conveys ideas from the “For the Purpose of Equipping Saints” theme.
10. Record and celebrate your progress. Use a Sunday in March to hold a celebration and to THANK the congregation for their generous support and for meeting the goal!
11. Complete the AFC evaluation form (pages 11-12) and return it to American Baptist Home Mission Societies.



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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the national goal?

American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) is promoting the America for Christ (AFC) Offering 2021, which seeks to raise \$1,000,000 to support American Baptist mission and ministry across the United States and Puerto Rico.

What is the AFC 2021 theme?

The theme for the AFC 2021 Offering is “For the Purpose of Equipping Saints” based on Ephesians 4:11-13: “The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry.”

How can I support AFC 2021?

You can give during the congregational offering Sunday at your church, or you can give an individual gift online by visiting abhms.org/AFCnow. Also, consider encouraging your congregation’s Mission Committee to include an America for Christ Offering contribution in its annual budget.

How is my gift making a difference?

Your generous AFC gifts support our mission—connecting our partners to cultivate leaders and equip disciples who bring healing and transformation to communities across our nation and Puerto Rico. Your contributions share God’s love by:

- Cultivating Leaders — Strong leaders advance the mission of faith communities.
- Equipping Disciples — Broadening the understanding of what it means to be a follower of Jesus.
- Healing Communities — We believe the power of Christian love can—and will—change the world.
- How is the AFC Offering used?
The offering is distributed in three parts:
 - 59% supports the ministries of ABHMS;
 - 12% supports the offering’s promotional and deputation costs and
 - 29% supports regional ministries. (ABHMS is the only mission board to share its offering with American Baptist Churches USA regions.)

Whom do I contact for more materials or if I have a general question?

Contact personnel in ABHMS’ Development office:
Kim Wilkins, Development Coordinator, 610.768.2413
Vincent Dent, Chief Development Officer, 610.768.2420
Monique Sadler-Taylor, Director of the Annual Fund and Major Gifts, 610.768.2410

Where do I find the electronic versions of AFC 2021 materials to download?

Visit abhms.org/AFC for downloadable items and the opportunity to show the videos directly from the Internet (available after Jan. 1, 2021).

Mission Moments:

America for Christ Offering Videos

The online videos can be used during a “Mission Moment” in worship or in a small group setting to illustrate how America for Christ Offering contributions impact and transform lives across America and Puerto Rico. Go to abhms.org/AFC to download the videos (available after Jan. 1, 2021).

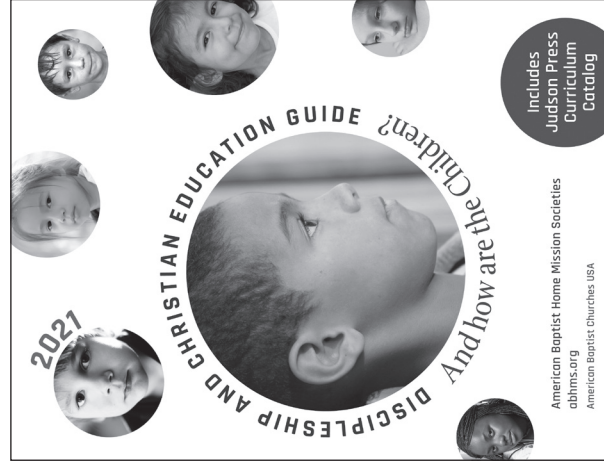


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Ministry focus: Discipleship

“The Discipleship and Christian Education Guide” is published annually by American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS).

Print copies are mailed to all American Baptist regions and, by request, to churches and to individuals. A PDF may be downloaded at <https://abhms.org/resources/publications/discipleship-guide/>, and additional print copies can be requested through customer service at 1-800-458-3766.



Reflection on the 2021 Discipleship & Christian Education Guide theme

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs” (Matthew 19:14).

“How are the children?” This greeting of the Masai with its traditional response, “All the children are well,” reminds us of the importance of children’s welfare as a measure of the well-being of any society.

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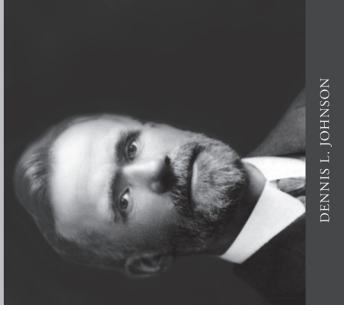
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To Live in God

REFLECTION GUIDE



New for use by individuals and in small group settings is the free “To Live in God Reflection Guide,” a companion resource for “To Live in God: Daily Reflections with Walter Rauschenbusch” (Judson Press, 2020). In solitude or in community, deepen your inward communion with the Spirit, expand your outward obedience to the call of Jesus Christ in service, and learn to walk in solidarity with the people God loves. The Reflection Guide features suggested reading plans, questions for reflection, and an outline for forming your own Circle of Spiritual Companions. Download it at judsonpress.com.

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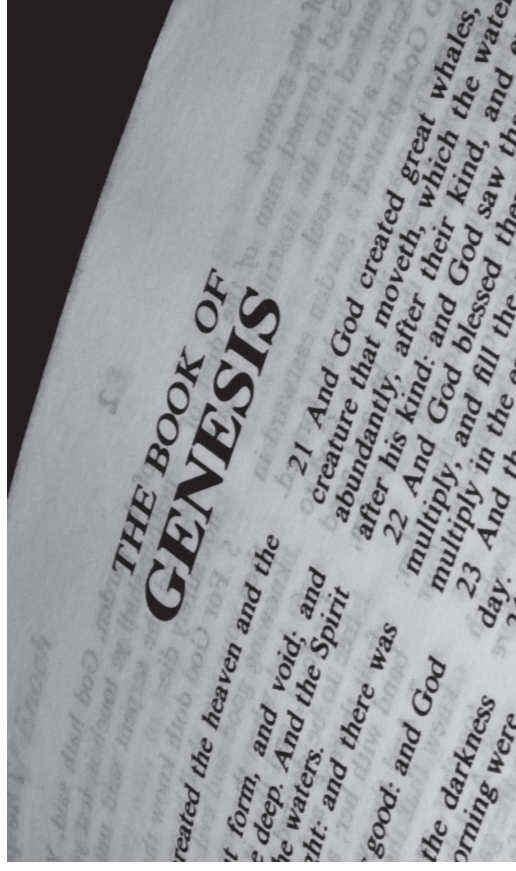
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Ministry Focus: Evangelism

Begin by reading Genesis 21:1-20. Ishmael was the “other” child. Born to Abram through a servant named Hagar, Ishmael was thrice marginalized: by age, by social status as the son of a slave, and by ethnicity as the son of an Egyptian slave. Genesis 12-25 focuses on Israel’s ancestors, with chapters 21-22 telling the story of the childhood of Ishmael’s half-brother, Isaac. Isaac was the son who fulfilled God’s promise to Abraham and Sarah of a child from whom a great nation would descend. Wedged into that purposeful narrative of the esteemed child come 13 verses that tell of the “other” child. That his story will not be denied—that it insists on being told—is remarkable in itself.



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“Justice for Rizpah’s Children: Radical Responses to Childhood Poverty”

Move beyond awareness to intentional engagement in effecting justice in response to the challenge of childhood poverty in the United States. Inaccurate perspectives about childhood poverty can become a barrier to action because the issues seem so complex. Grounded in the sermon “Rizpah’s Children,” this book provides concerned readers with more nuanced and accurate understanding of the situation and the human beings involved, as well as a biblically based roadmap for taking practical action. Featuring the voices of parents, grandparents, caretakers and children, each chapter highlights community organizations whose diverse efforts are focused on alleviating the impact of poverty in America.

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Ministry focus: Leadership Empowerment

Through American Baptist Home Mission Societies' Co-Creators Incubator, individuals with innovative ministry ideas—called Co-Creators—meet as a cohort. They are then paired with mentors possessing expertise in entrepreneurship, theological framing, leadership development, networking, congregational support, missiology and strategic thinking. Their meeting is one of storytelling, collaboration and experimentation. At “Demo Day,” Co-Creators pitch their ideas to Creative Partners who may choose to provide ongoing support and resources to nurture the ideas.



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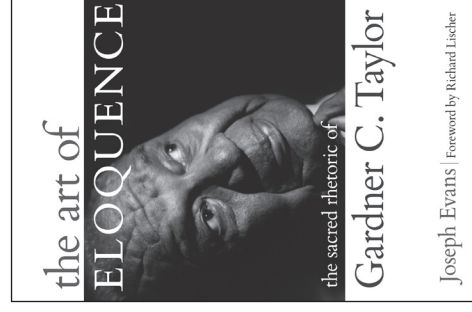


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“The Art of Eloquence: The Sacred Rhetoric of Gardner C. Taylor”

During his lifetime, the Rev. Dr. Gardner C. Taylor was hailed by TIME magazine as the dean of America’s black preachers. Newsweek honored him as one of the 12 greatest preachers in the English-speaking world. A civil rights leader, a Presidential Medal of Honor recipient and a longtime pastor, Taylor was called “the poet laureate of American Protestantism.” In “The Art of Eloquence: The Sacred Rhetoric of Gardner C. Taylor,” scholar and pastor Joseph Evans analyzes the art of Taylor’s preaching according to the five classical canons of rhetoric, celebrating in particular his excellence in narrative eloquence—the heart of his persuasive proclamation.





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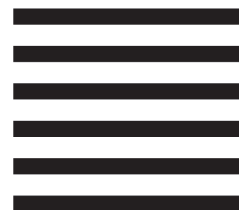
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American Baptist Home Mission Societies relies on your feedback to determine which resources are of the most value in promoting the America for Christ Offering. Please take a few minutes to provide your evaluation and feel free to include any original promotional ideas that have been successful in your church. Thank you for your help!

You can complete this evaluation online at abhms.org/afceval.

Your Church

■ What is the average attendance at your church's weekly worship service?

- ☐ Less than 50 ☐ 50-99 ☐ 100-199
☐ 200-499 ☐ Over 500

■ Which ethnic description best fits your congregation?

- ☐ Euro-American ☐ African-American ☐ Latino
☐ Asian ☐ Multicultural

America for Christ Offering

■ Does your church collect the America for Christ Offering, or is it included in your annual budget?

- ☐ We collect it. ☐ It is included in the annual budget.

■ Did your church set a goal for the America for Christ Offering 2021?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No If "Yes," what was the goal? _____

Did you reach the goal? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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■ If you used the America for Christ Web resources, which pages did you visit? Did you download any of the materials on the site?

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If you cannot access the 2021 AFC online videos, please contact the Office of Development at 610 768 2413.

■ What resources did you find most useful?

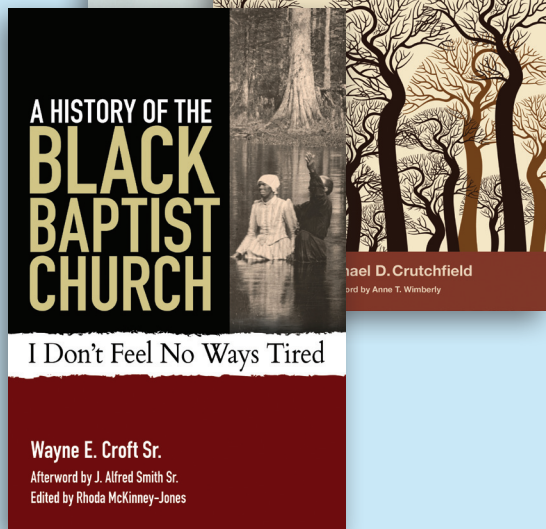
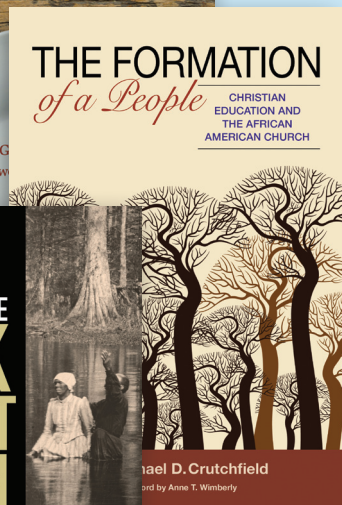
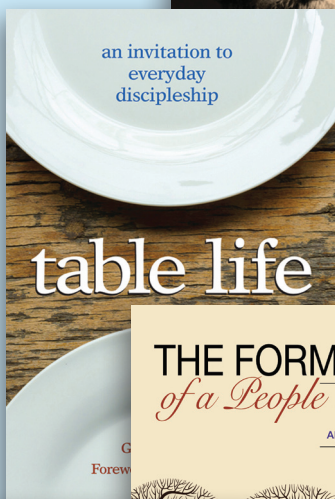
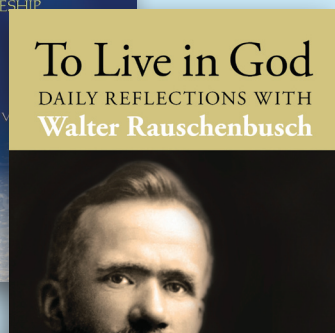
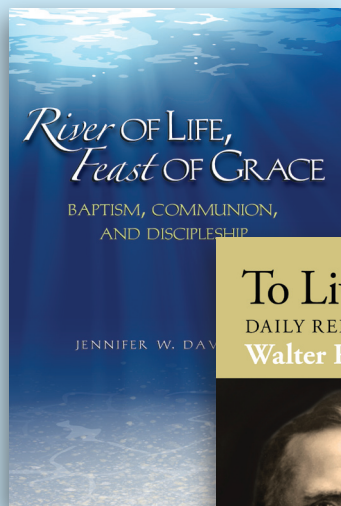
■ Do you have suggestions for other resources or stories that would be of value in promoting the America for Christ Offering?

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EPHESIANS 4:11-13 (NIV)



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