



Supports Central Region Camping

Your gift to the Region Offering can help make *Mission Possible* for a child in our ABCCR Camping Program.

In the 2009 Camping Season:

- 559 Campers attended 19 camps
- 35 campers professed faith in Jesus Christ
- 154 campers rededicated their lives to Christ
- 14 campers responded to God's Call to Christian Service.

How many lives will be touched in 2010? The Mission is waiting to happen. What will your part be? God already knows the impact your gifts will have in the life of a child.

Give: More children will meet Jesus.

Give: More children will grow in discipleship.

Give: Be a part of *Mission: Possible* as the Spirit of God works in the midst of God's people.

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Supports Churches in the Pastoral Search Process

Your gift to the Region Offering can help make *Mission Possible* for a congregation entering into a time of spiritual discernment, looking for the pastor God has chosen for them.

Most any time there are 30 to 35 Central Region churches engaged in a pastoral search. You can be a part of the Mission in providing staff support and resources for this vital ministry that affects the life of all our congregations, not just those who are looking for their next pastor.

Give: Sister churches will have the resources and coaching needed in the pastoral search process.

Give: Healthy ministry in our churches and our Region requires healthy pastors in our pulpits.

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Supports New Church Planting

Your gift to the Region Offering can help reach new people for Jesus Christ: *Mission: Possible!*

Our most recent church plants are within the Hispanic, Korean and Anglo communities of Great Bend, Hays, Overland Park and Shawnee.

Where is the next community God would have us establish a new church? Who are the people who will be won to faith in Jesus and disciples as followers of Christ? God knows. You can help make the miracle happen.

Give: New people will meet Jesus.

Give: New communities of faith will be formed, extending the mission of Christ.

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Supports Region Youth Ministry

Your gift to the Region Offering can help young people trying to find their way through an ever-changing world: *Mission: Possible!*

Opportunities for spiritual growth are made available to young people in your church through

- *Youth Leader Core* – an intense multi-week training program designed to grow and equip today's youth for leadership in tomorrow's church.
- *ABY Gathering* – a weekend senior high event that connects high school youth from across the Central Region, providing opportunities for worship, service, fellowship and spiritual growth.
- *Jamboree* – a weekend event for middle high youth from across the Central Region.
- *Selah* – an annual training and renewal event for those serving in youth ministry and leadership capacities.

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Supports Interim Ministry

Your gift to the Region Offering can help your sister-churches in times of pastoral transition. ***Mission: Possible!***

Right now about 20 churches are benefiting from the services of the Central Region Interim Minister Program. This vital program connects qualified interim pastors to churches during times of pastoral transition. In addition, churches in the Interim Minister Program receive significant financial support for moving expenses and other costs related to the interview and calling of their next pastor.

It is good to know that the Central Region Interim Ministry Program is here to stand in the gap when **your** church finds itself in a time of pastoral transition.

Give: Churches in transition will have appropriate interim leadership.

Give: Churches can remain focused on discerning God's will during times of pastoral transition.

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Supports All We Do Together As American Baptist Churches of the Central Region

Your gift to the Region Offering can help make ***Mission Possible*** as all our churches connect for inspiration, challenge, fellowship and shared ministry.

- ABCCR Annual Gathering
- New Pastor's Fellowship Days
- Senior Adult Retreat
- Mid-Winter Mission Conference
- Mission distribution center
- Camp & Conferencing facilities
- Pastoral Salary Support
- Ministry Grants
- Campus Ministry
- And Much More...



Give: So our partnership in vital ministry can be strong and healthy.

Give: So the witness of Central Region churches working together for God's glory will be OUR testimony across Oklahoma, Arkansas and Kansas.

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Supports Congregational & Leadership Development

Your gift to the Region Offering can help give church leaders vital tools for healthy, transformational leadership: ***Mission: Possible!***

Conferences that help revitalize congregations and church leaders are developed and offered across the Central Region:

- “*Following God’s Dream for Your Congregation*” – a church conference on visionary leadership.
- “*Got-Style Evangelism*” – training on helping church members find their “style” for sharing their faith in Christ in meaningful and relevant ways.
- Congregational leadership retreats led by ABCCR Staff.
- *Vital Church Leaders Conference* – a leadership conference in partnership with ABCCR, ABC/Nebraska, ABC/Dakotas and Mid-American Baptist Churches.

Give: Relevant transformational leadership resources can be produced for Central Region churches and church leaders.

Give: Pastoral leaders will have vital continuing education opportunities.

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Supports Clergy Development Initiatives

Your gift to the Region Offering can help raise up and equip women and men to respond to God’s call to vocational ministry: ***Mission: Possible!***

- Pastoral Support Networks – people and resources to strengthen your pastor for more effective and healthy ministry.
- Lay Pastoral Training – your ministry to provide training and preparation for those God calls to specialized lay ministry.
- Clergy Credentialing – your ministry to help guide, support and hold accountable those responding to God’s call to vocational ministry.

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