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**Lottie Moon Offering Results!**

**Church Total Received**

Mt. Zion $828.00

Joppa Missionary $1,500.00

Waldo Missionary $713.00

Hillerman Missionary $1,216.00

County Line Missionary $1,250.00

Vienna First $1,665.00

New Hope $1,000.00

**Let our office know your church’s results so that we can share in a future newsletter!**

 Every one of us has heroes. Most of them are people who have made an impression or impact on our lives. What I find interesting is the fact that God uses ordinary people to do great things. Abraham Lincoln said, “God must love the common man, he made so many of them.”

 We have legends in the Bible that God used like David, Daniel, Elijah, Noah, Jonah, Joseph, Mary, Peter, Paul and John. But, many times the Bible characters I identify with are not on the “Who’s Who” list, but are on the “Who’s That” list. Men and women short on pedigree, but long on faith. Folks like the Shiphrah and Puah, the two midwives who dared to deny Pharaoh because they answered to God, not man. Or Ehud, who was used by God because he was left-handed (by the way, I’m left-handed) or Asa, a son of godless parents who became a godly king. Tychicus was used by God as a courier to deliver holy telegrams. All are ordinary people who believed in an extraordinary God.

 It was a risky move on Jesus leaving the ministry in the hands of a dozen ordinary men. What if they had failed or had just given up? What would have become of his ministry and the Father’s plan? But, at the same time, it’s a risky move to now leave it in our hands to share the gospel. Like the disciples, I pray we are ready to stand up and be bold this year for Christ. We are nothing special, but we have a very special message to share. Remember, God keeps drawing straight lines with ordinary crooked sticks.

Terry Mathis

Director of Missions

**Our office will be closed on**

**February 17th!**

**February 7 – Dr. Ed Hollis**

**Vienna 1st**

**February 11 – Kim Coram**

**Immanuel**

**February 26 – Beverly Turner**

**UBA Admin. Asst.**

***Church Contributions for Budget***

***(rec’d & deposited in November & December)***

 ***NOV. DEC.***

Brookport First $ 0.00 776.97

County Line $ 400.00 0.00

Cypress First $ 57.00 47.31

Dixon Springs $ 142.00 0.00

Hillerman Missionary $ 355.91 482.75

Immanuel $ 218.34 191.69

Joppa Missionary $ 859.88 791.19

Karnak First $ 741.57 535.92

Life Church Eastland $ 271.00 264.00

Metropolis First $ 2,061.15 1,940.07

Mt. Zion $ 292.92 483.05

New Beginnings $ 87.51 0.00

New Hope $ 0.00 0.00

New Salem $ 0.00 30.00

Oak Grove $ 57.19 43.75

Seven Mile $ 0.00 0.00

Simpson $ 208.00 208.00

Vienna First $ 433.33 433.33

Waldo $ 466.67 466.67

Weaver Creek $ 25.00 25.00

**Compassion**

***“Moved to Move”***

***Matthew 9:35-38***

**Secretary’s office hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

***If you have information that you would like to have included in our monthly newsletter, please call or email the UBA office by the 20th of the month. We would be happy to promote any special events (revival, singing group, special programs/ministries, etc.)***

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