

A Letter from Your Senior Pastor...

Missions Funds Report

Dear Mulder Church family,

Last month, I got to share with you the impact your giving had on two families in Ensenada, Mexico, for whom 19 missionaries from Mulder built homes. This month, I want to share with you the other ways our church has given to missions over the last year. "Why would I be sharing an end-of-year missions funds report in August?" you might ask. Our church operates on a July 1 to June 30 fiscal year, so now is a good time to be able to look back over our last budget year and see how, through our budget and designated missions funds, our church has been able to partner with organizations locally, nationally, and globally to have a Kingdom impact.

Our church has a benevolence fund called the James 1:27 Fund out of which we help those in need in our own community from people who can't pay bills for basic needs to feeding the hungry to those who have gone through an extreme tragedy such as losing a home to a fire and need financial assistance. Over the past year, our church has given \$18,415 out of this fund. Also locally, we gave \$4,216 to the Elmore County Family Resource Center which exists to improve the quality of life for the citizens of Elmore County by providing coordinated, comprehensive, community-based and accessible support services. To our Snacks in a Backpack Program with the ECFRC specifically, we gave \$1,216 in addition to all our monthly food donations to help children in our school system with food insecurity which we just started in the middle of last school year.

We gave \$8,986 to Embrace Alabama Kids, \$3,000 to the First Choice Women's Medical Center, and \$1,300 to help put on Night to Shine, a prom night for our special needs community hosted by Redland Hills Church. We gave \$1,000 to Ivy's Closet which provides clothing to foster families in our community (and our kids just raised another \$573.53 at VBS a few weeks ago!). We used \$1,877 of our Outreach budget to serve local schools in Redland and Wetumpka throughout the school year and supported our Redland Volunteer Fire Department who serves us so well with a donation of \$1,500. We gave \$3,840 to Beauty by Fire, a ministry serving widows in the River Region, \$3,000 to Butterfly Bridge Children's Advocacy Center, and \$1,000 to our newest local ministry partner, CASA of the River Region which stands for Court Appointed Special Advocates. Their mission is speaking up for abused and neglected children. I look forward to you hearing more about what they do and how our church might be involved in their incredible work this year.

We gave to disaster relief and trained disaster response team members with our annual conference totaling \$9,000. In fact, I just received a thank you letter to our church from Dr. Lester Spencer, our Conference Superintendent, thanking us for our faithful generosity to both our conference disaster relief fund and our Congo Fund to which we gave \$4,745. Disaster Relief donations have gone to areas in our own nation that have been impacted by natural disasters and throughout the world, most recently to Venezuela to serve those recently impacted by devastating earthquakes. Our Congo donations go to support pastors and local churches. And finally, we gave \$10,225 to Zambia over the past year in addition to the Zambia Christmas Project through which we sent boxes to orphans and vulnerable children. Our support for Zambia has included leadership conferences and student tuition for training pastors and the next generation of Christian leaders.

I hope you can see that when you give to Mulder, you are giving to far more than the ministries of our church alone. God is using our giving and our going to transform our communities, our region, and our world. Thank you.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Jonathan

August 2026

Connecting with God
Growing in Christ
Serving Others

Building Committee Update

The Building Committee met on July 12 to discuss the preliminary space criteria report from our architectural team. Work continues to complete the master plan.

The committee covets your prayers as we navigate the process of creating space for everyone to worship and find community.

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Sunday Mornings in Kidstown

Nursery provided at 8AM, 9:30AM & 11AM (6 weeks-Pre K)

9:30AM - Build Up Jr: K-1st graders meet in Noah's Boat Shop

9:30AM - Build Up: 2nd-4th graders meet in Carter Hall

9:30AM - Route 56: 5th & 6th graders meet in Rt 56 room (behind Carter Hall)

11:00AM - Build Up: K-6th graders meet in Carter Hall

Students may be divided into smaller groups by age at 11:00 in the future based on attendance and volunteers.

Sunday, August 2nd - Prayer Walks

Please join us for our annual prayer walks. We will be gathering with other churches in our community to pray for the local public schools and the school year ahead. RES 3:00pm, RMS, 4:00pm, WES 3:30pm, WMS 4:30pm, WHS 5:30pm. We invite families, students and community members who want to pray for the 2026/2027 school year to join us at one or multiple prayer walks.

Sunday, August 9th

- **Promotion Sunday:** All school aged students will be moving up into their new grade on the 9th. We will also be having a special recognition in the services for the rising kindergartners and rising 7th graders. They will be recognized and prayed for on stage and will receive a special gift from us. If you have not already communicated with Mara and would like for your K or 7th grader to participate, please email mara@mulderchurch.com by Monday, August 3rd, with your child's name, grade entering and the service they will attend on the 9th.
- **Blessing of the Backpacks:** Students K-6th are invited to bring their backpack to church so we can pray over them during their time in Kidstown and give them a backpack tag for the new school year.

Club Kidstown & Route 56 Small Groups Kickoff - August 12th at 6pm

This is a great place for K-6th grade students to get more connected and grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus as we learn more about faith basics like praying, reading our Bible and scripture memorization in a fun environment.



Disaster Response Training

If you are interested in helping with Disaster Response, there is a training opportunity on **Saturday, August 29, 8:30am-3:30pm** at Christ Methodist Church Montgomery.

Register at the link below.

aecd-disaster.org/training/basic-training-schedule

If you are a member of Mulder Church, we will cover the cost of registration. For more info on how to be reimbursed, contact the church office.

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Debbie Banker Abby Mae Schimmer Robin Harper Carol Walker *Frank & Sheri Rose *Luke & Amanda Ballou
2 Luke Payton Harry Walker *Craig & Amy Rapp	3 Henry Payne Meagan Tanner *Michael & Kipp Griggs *Zack & Ally Lewis	4 Luke Phillips *Barry & Kathy Corbman *Hassey & Ashley Brooks	5 Hagen James Deb Krieger *Jamie & Gena Harper	6 Joey Scarborough	7 Kayla Hunter Elliott Cochrane	8 August Sims Isabella Bateman Cassidy Harper
9 Dee Wells Brennan Garrard	10 Patrick Auen *Justin & Nikki Wasden	11 Josh Sexton	12 Bo Penn *Derek & Susan Edwards	13 Jamie Harper John Auen Jerry Hamilton Brenda McDonald	14 Dianne Wilson Miller Lombardi Penelope Payne *Mark & Kim Mills	15 Eleanor Haner Larry Deloney
16 Jacob Oakley Isabelle Whatley *Josh & Kristi Smith	17 Clark Gunnells Caleb Harper Maranda Evans	18 Matt Young Lynda Hicks *DJ & Mara Holden	19 Ashley Brooks Temperance Garrison	20 Nolan Whatley Stephanie Vinson Steven Bargainnier	21 Cecelia Garrity	22 Jill Baker
23 Amy Rapp Amber Holmes	24 Boyd Taylor Jane Crosby Nathan Payne Heather Burge	25 Morgan Spiers Alice Lushington Candler Brooks	26 TJ Watson Noah Hart	27	28 Will Taylor Lindsey Payton Mike Hudson Brandon Boone	29
30 Norah Jae Bateman	31 Richard Meeks Dylan Jordan					

Financial Info for 2025/2026 Fiscal Year - 7/01/2025-6/30/2026

Budget	Contributions	Expenses	Contributions vs. Budget	Contributions vs. Expense
\$1,168,126	\$1,220,410	\$1,026,262	\$52,284	\$194,148



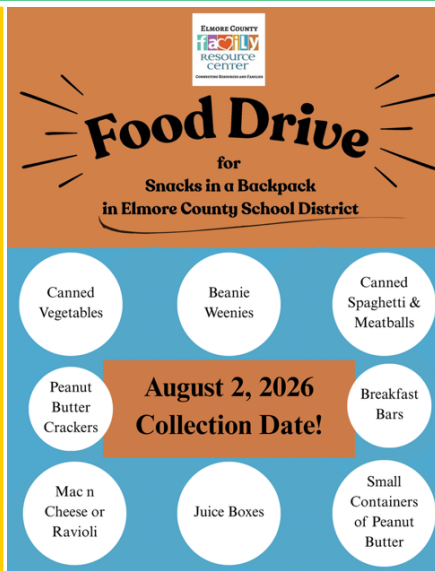
WOW JR

WOW event for girls in 5th - 12th grades!
Saturday August 15th from 2-4

Popcorn, candy, & soda bar
Games
Craft
Devotional
Collection for Snacks in a Backpack

This is a free event!
Please sign up 8/2 or 8/9
to let us know you are coming

What a Friend!
Meet a friend, invite a friend, and learn how
Jesus is the best friend a girl can have.



Elmore County
Feeding Resource Center

Food Drive
for
Snacks in a Backpack
in Elmore County School District

August 2, 2026
Collection Date!

- Canned Vegetables
- Beanie Weenies
- Canned Spaghetti & Meatballs
- Peanut Butter Crackers
- Breakfast Bars
- Mac n Cheese or Ravioli
- Juice Boxes
- Small Containers of Peanut Butter



Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program for anyone struggling with hurts, habits, and hang-ups of any kind. It is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our life. CR meets each Friday night from 6-8:30PM in Carter Hall.

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**Parent Meeting**

Calling all youth parents! We will have a parent meeting **Sunday, August 16 at 4:00pm** in the Worship Center. You will receive information about our student ministry, upcoming events, serve opportunities, and what the year ahead holds for you and your teens. Our Legends of the Fall Kickoff for the students will follow from 4:30 to 6:00PM.

Sunday, August 16, 4:30-6pm: Legends of the Fall Kickoff

Students grades 7th-12th are invited to our annual Mulder Youth Kickoff. Come find out what team you are on, get your free shirt and join us for food and games.

**Youth Mid Week**

Our Wednesday night activities will start on August 12 from 6-7pm in the Worship Center.

Youth Sunday School

Join us for Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30am in the Youth Room.

Stay Connected

Follow the youth Instagram page at "mulderyouth", check out the youth Facebook page by searching Mulder Youth, email jared@mulderchurch.com or text Jared at 260-388-8660.