

Winter 2024

Dear CBFGA friends and family,

For nearly the entire history of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Georgia, we have collected a special mission offering to be used exclusively within the state of Georgia. Our State Mission Offering has helped fund many good mission opportunities in Georgia.

Several years ago, our Missions Team deepened our relationship and support of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Together For Hope rural poverty coalition work. TFH is working to connect and serve alongside partners in the poorest 301 counties in the United States, more than 40 of which are in Georgia. These partnerships are connecting churches, public service providers, non-profits, and local ministries in a web of support for our most vulnerable neighbors.

CBFGA is a part of the Black Belt Region of TFH which stretches from southern Alabama through Eastern North Carolina. The Fuller Center for Housing – www.fullercenter.org – is the major housing partner for the Black Belt Region and is no stranger to many Georgians. Based in Americus and founded by long-time Georgians and CBFGA partners, Millard and Linda Fuller, The Fuller Center partners with individuals, churches, and other organizations to provide adequate, affordable shelter for all people in need worldwide.

In 2024, Together for Hope is partnering with the Fuller Center to sponsor the construction of new homes in Sumter County. CBFGA is grateful for this work and excited that we – and you – can be a part of this great opportunity and ministry.

This year, the CBFGA State Mission Offering will help fund these construction efforts for our neighbors in Sumter County. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 for these efforts!

Here's how you can help:

Publicize the State Mission Offering throughout the year with your congregation. You can find publicity materials on our website, www.cbfga.org/state-mission-offering, for you to download and use as your congregation desires.

Give as a congregation to this great ministry opportunity. Encourage Sunday school classes, discipleship groups, missions teams, and more to actively support mission work within our state.

Finally, be on the lookout for ways to physically participate in this great project. That's right, we will have opportunities to be a part of actually building these homes! CBFGA will publicize the opportunities for hands-on service as they become available.

Please don't hesitate to contact the CBFGA office if you have any questions about the State Mission Offering or participating – 478-742-1191 or ilong@cbfga.org.

Let us recognize the new things God is doing in our midst and support them through our generous giving!

Blessings,

Jody Long, Executive Coordinator

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