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April 2024

Project Update: In April I was able to complete the largest install in ABATech history, and the response from the pastor and church was *"the new equipment has exceeded our expectations."* I want to congratulate pastor John Mark Williams of Marlow MBC in Sheridan, Arkansas, for his vision in leading his church down this path. He knows that in today's technology driven world, individuals/families will "visit" a church online first to determine whether or not they will ever visit that church in person. I installed a computer, Easy Worship projection software, a PTZ Optics camera, a new Allen & Heath QU16 Digital Soundboard, and a Peavey IPR2 3000 Power Amp, along with three new Audio-Technica wireless microphones for this church. Their live stream begins between Sunday School and Worship with a series of full-screen announcement slides. Once the song service begins, the slides are replaced with a live feed of the service with slides in a smaller box in the upper-right corner of the screen (like picture-in-a-picture) so that people watching online can see the same slides as people in the sanctuary see on the TVs that are on the stage. During the song service, the slides show the lyrics while during the sermon they show the message outline and scriptures. It is a very professional presentation that rivals that of much larger churches, and for a fraction of the cost with the help of the ABA Tech ministry. My cost on the Peavey amp, for example, was \$649 while local dealers were selling it for \$799. My cost on the PTZ Optics camera, as a distributor, is 20% below retail. As always, I do not mark up the price to churches, so churches pay what I pay, nor do I charge for my installation service.

Financial Support Update: First, let me share with you the importance of financial support to this ministry. I've never stressed it because it has always felt awkward and uncomfortable to me, but I want to share with you how the money given to this ministry helps me help the churches. First, this ministry does not pay my salary, but for projects like the one to Arkansas, I have to take unpaid time off work to go do a ministry project, which hurts me financially. Love offerings from the project church is often insufficient to replace the income I lose by taking off work and cover expenses incurred traveling to the project. I am able to use the financial support of this ministry to replace that lost income when that occurs. Additionally, it is very difficult to know in advance what scenarios may arise on the field when you are doing a large install several hundred miles from home, so I have to be prepared. With the Arkansas install, I spent several hundred dollars on various cables and equipment that "might" have been needed but were not. These materials were non-refundable, but I refuse to charge churches for materials not used on their project, so the ministry "ate" several hundred dollars on that project. In short, these projects are not often "profitable" to me from a financial standpoint, and often create a deficit. It is thanks to the financial support of my sponsor church and other supporting churches that I am able to continue helping the churches. Thank you to those who have supported this ministry for so long. I love helping the churches!

To those who do support the ministry or would like to begin, I need to advise you of an important change. While my sponsor church remains White Rock MBC, the office of missions treasurer has changed hands. I had previously asked that my support be mailed to the mission's treasurer's home, but we are going to now change that to the church address. I've asked the church to replace the current mailbox with a locking mailbox that is safe for those who mail tithes to the church or financial support to a church missionary. So, if you would like to support the ministry, please make checks to ABA Tech and mail them to White Rock MBC, 12545 State Hwy 7 W, Center, TX 75935.

Personal Update: Thank you to those who prayed for my recent health concerns. The dermatologist removed the precancerous places on my nose and face, and the retina specialist determined that the nevus on my eye is non-cancerous and not likely to become cancerous in the next ten years. Also, thank you to those who have prayed for Caleb's greenhouse business. He will have his first major sale Memorial Day weekend with over 500 plants available for purchase. We also just bought him his first vehicle.

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Financial Report

February Deposits

Church	Amount
White Rock MBC, Center TX	\$1000
Grace, Hope IN	\$100
Florida State Baptist Assoc.	\$250
Hyde Park, West Monroe LA	\$50
Nevills Chapel, Mt Pleasant TX	\$100
First Springhill Assoc.	\$75
Alto MBC, Alto TX	\$50

March Deposits

Church	Amount
White Rock MBC, Center TX Alto	\$1000
MBC, Alto TX	\$50
Grace, Hope IN	\$100
Florida State Baptist Assoc.	\$250
First Springhill Assoc.	\$75
Hyde Park, West Monroe LA	\$50
Nevill's Chapel, Mt Pleasant TX	\$100

April Deposits

Church	Amount
White Rock MBC, Center, TX	\$1000
Alto MBC, Alto TX	\$50
Grace, Hope IN	\$100
Florida State Baptist Assoc.	\$250
First Springhill Assoc.	\$75
Hyde Park, West Monroe LA	\$50
Nevill's Chapel, Mt Pleasant TX	\$100

The new missions treasurer has promised to have me financial reports at the beginning of every month so that I can provide you the information regarding the support of this ministry. Thank you for your patience and for continuing to support the ministry over the last couple of years when I was unable to provide timely financial reports. Honestly, I was not sure who was still supporting and who might not be anymore. I was very grateful to see that most everyone has stuck with me! The new missions treasurer has gone back and provided me with all deposit history for 2024. I had included January on my last report, so I am happy to provide a report for the months of February through April.

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