

Realizing that the Hispanic culture is still centered on the family, Fernando wants to add a Marriage Conference. This would not only bless families, but encourage and train them to reach others, too.

Hispanic seniors, many of whom speak only Spanish, could grow through a ministry to meet their particular needs. Fernando says, "They need fellowship, training, encouragement and the opportunity to learn that they can help and serve." The purpose, he adds, "is to increase the prayer movement and lifestyle evangelism in order to reach our state for Jesus."

- *Pray for opportunities to minister to the Hispanic community in new ways.*

MINISTERS IN CRISIS

Just as Christ loved us and gave Himself for us, so many pastors and ministers give sacrificially to their congregations. "Finances are limited in comparison to salaries offered in the secular world," says Keith Henry, ASBC

church ministries — leadership facilitator. Many ministers serve in small single-staff churches and are on call around the clock. Busy schedules, emergency phone calls and sometimes a bivocational lifestyle add to time management stresses.



When personal crises arise, extended family members are often far away. "When someone calls on behalf of a minister, we respond at a moment's notice," says Keith. Funds from the Arizona Mission Offering have been a blessing. "Sometimes a love gift from fellow Arizona Southern Baptists tells a pastor that not only are we offering support, but we are standing with him."

- *Pray for ministers, their families and their churches.*

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Ephesians 5:2

*"And walk in love, as the Messiah also loved us and gave Himself for us, a sacrificial and fragrant offering to God."
(HCSB)*

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GOAL: \$125,000

CHURCH PLANTING: \$30,000
DISASTER RELIEF: \$25,000
CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE: \$25,000
STUDENT EVANGELISM: \$20,000
HISPANIC MINISTRIES: \$12,500
MINISTERS IN CRISIS: \$12,500



How much has God given you? Christ did not hold back: He gave *Himself* for us. And just as Christ's love is for the sake of giving, not getting, so we are to follow His example. We give of ourselves, in love. Your sacrificial giving to the Arizona Mission

Offering can touch lives and be a "fragrant offering to God"!

CHURCH PLANTING

Korean Joy Baptist Church in Sierra Vista saw people come from Buddhism to Christ. The church even started an English language service for people who do not speak Korean. The congregation outgrew their warehouse sanctuary. They tried to buy property, but land problems developed. Church members continued to raise funds with enthusiasm and determination.



Last year, God opened a door of opportunity. A former church building was for sale. It was exactly what Korean Joy Baptist Church needed. With the help of Arizona Southern Baptists through the Arizona Mission Offering, the congregation received \$20,000. They bought a move-in-ready building on a one-acre lot.

At the dedication service, Pastor Jae Ho Kim and other church leaders thanked the ASBC for their help and financial support in finding a new home for Korean Joy Baptist Church.

- *Pray for opportunities to plant churches that will meet the multicultural needs in Arizona.*

DISASTER RELIEF

Even without disasters, the Arizona Southern Baptist Disaster Relief team shares God's love with hurting communities. Steve Foster takes the shower trailer to activities such as a recent PowerPlant event in a rough area of Los Angeles. High school students learned church planting and evangelism skills while camping

out at a local church. Steve's six-unit shower trailer was in daily use.

Larry was homeless. He lived in his old pickup truck and parked behind the church in return for janitorial work. Larry was glad for the shower trailer.

The disaster relief team and students made friends with Larry. They shared God's love with him. When included in photographs, Larry said no one had taken his picture in 20 years. He felt as though he did not exist until this group ministered to him. His life was changed through the ministry of the disaster relief team.



- *Pray for opportunities for disaster relief volunteers to share God's love in any situation.*

CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE

Brad Schneeflock is excited. As the metro collegiate evangelism strategist, Brad sees that "the harvest is abundant." He dreams of sharing Jesus with every student on the four ASU campuses, Grand Canyon University and the 10 community colleges in the



metro Phoenix area. Last year, Brad added another Mission Service Corps missionary to his staff. MSC missionaries raise their own support, but Arizona Mission Offering funds allowed Brad to send the missionary couple to the North American Mission Board's Support Development Training.

Currently, Brad and five campus ministers, plus other volunteers, minister on seven campuses. Their God-sized dream is to double the ministry to all 15 college campuses in the metro area!

- *Pray for long-term leaders to reach every college student in Arizona.*

STUDENT EVANGELISM

For the first time, Zona Yuth Kamp 2010 offered live



streaming Internet coverage. This allowed people in at least 12 countries to join the more than 800 students and sponsors in the worship services. One Tucson student attending the camp in Riverside, Calif., told her mother about the live stream. The mother shared the information with her husband, serving in Iraq. The daughter in Riverside, the mother in Tucson, and the father in Iraq all took part in the worship services! Your gifts to the Arizona Mission Offering will help Arizona Southern Baptists continue to impact the lives of students.

- *Pray for more junior high and high school students to come to Christ.*

HISPANIC MINISTRIES



Fernando Amaro, ASBC Hispanic ministries facilitator, dreams of offering a Pastors/Wives Retreat so that Hispanic pastors can have a time of rest and encouragement. This inspiration and training would foster a deeper passion to reach Arizona's Hispanic population.