



Uniting together
to love our
neighbors in
Pennsylvania
and South
Jersey

GROW

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?



The Annual State Missions Offering of the
BAPTIST RESOURCE NETWORK
of PENNSYLVANIA/SOUTH JERSEY

BAPTIST RESOURCE NETWORK of PA/SJ

Theme: #LovePASJ, Loving our Neighbors in Pennsylvania/South Jersey

Scripture: *"I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another"* (John 13:34 CSB).

Goal: \$50,000 | www.lovepasj.com

The Baptist Resource Network (BRN) seeks to accelerate Kingdom movement by helping churches truly love their neighbors. The #LovePASJ initiative, which is supported by this offering, is a three-phase plan to help churches KNOW our neighbors through exegesis and prayerwalking; SHOW Christ's love to them through evangelism and compassion ministry; and help them GROW through intentional discipleship and leadership development. To help ensure your church members are well informed about the importance of this ministry and the 2023 #LovePASJ Week of Prayer and Missions Offering, we suggest the following activities:

Step 1:

Gather your mission emphasis team and begin to pray for God's guidance as you make plans for your church's #LovePASJ Offering observance and ministry. Pray He will guide you to set the appropriate monetary goal and outreach plans.

Step 2:

Meet with your pastor or church staff to choose a time for the emphasis. Though churches can observe the week of prayer any time of the year, we do have two suggested weeks, July 30-August 6, or the more traditional week, September 10-17. Some churches may use the entire month of September to encourage members to put their spiritual gifts to work by serving in the church or community while emphasizing personal evangelism and missions. In any case, the #LovePASJ materials are undated and can be used anytime that is best for your church.

Step 3:

PA/SJ state team members are delighted to come to your church and tell stories from the frontlines of how the #LovePASJ Missions Offering makes a difference for Christ in our region. Visit www.brnunited.org/team to learn more about your BRN team and the areas they serve.

Step 4:

Visit www.lovepasj.com to download presentation slides, social media graphics, bulletin inserts/prayer guides, videos and more, many of which are available in English, French, and Spanish. *Need it in your language? Please feel free to work directly with Shannon Baker, our director of communications, to make that happen.* We will continue to post resources as they become available. Also, feel free to order more envelopes and posters, as needed, while supplies last.

Step 5:

With materials in hand, you can dedicate a portion of your worship service and/or small group or Sunday school class to share the larger story of what God is doing across Pennsylvania and South Jersey and then take up a special offering. Once offerings are received, please feel free to share them with the BRN through your normal giving channels or online at www.brnunited.org/give. We heartily thank you for your partnership in the Gospel!

The #LovePASJ State Missions Offering is inspired by Ed and Mary Price, church-planting pioneers in PA/SJ.