



COMPASSION IN ACTION



DIXIE JACKSON
**ARKANSAS
MISSIONS**
WEEK OF PRAYER

2024

PRAYER IS COMPASSION IN ACTION.

We can do nothing more compassionate than praying. And we should never take action without first praying. Prayer *is* action. That doesn't mean it's the only action we should take. We also need to be the hands and feet of Jesus. And we need to take action by giving. But as we begin this Dixie Jackson Week of Prayer, pray each day that you, your church, and your fellow believers will see the people around us the way Jesus saw them and be **Compassion in Action.**

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DAY 1

Arkansas Missions Offering

Pray that Arkansas Baptists will learn more about how to be involved in the ministries funded by the Dixie Jackson Arkansas Missions Offering.

DAY 2

Community Missions

Community missions lead to the discovery of unchurched community residents with the aim of leading them to a relationship with Jesus. Pray that Arkansas Baptists will seek ways to be involved in pregnancy care centers, food banks, etc. to connect with those who need to hear the Gospel.

DAY 3

Medical and Dental Clinics

Medical and dental clinics are an avenue for the local church to meet needs and share the Gospel while attending to people's immediate physical needs. Pray for Coordinator Jennifer Allbritton as she works with host churches and volunteers.

DAY 4

Disaster Relief

Arkansas Baptist Disaster Relief volunteers seek to share God's grace, hope, and truth while meeting physical needs. Pray for more volunteers to be trained and ready to deploy when disasters strike.

DAY 5

Christian Women's Job Corps

Christian Women's Job Corps is designed to lead a woman from economic dependency to self-sufficiency. Pray for the women who participate to not only learn valuable skills but to encounter Jesus.

DAY 6

Block Party Ministry

Block Party Ministry trailers and equipment are tools to help the church share the Gospel with people in their community and on missions trips. Pray for the churches who host block parties to be creative as they present the Gospel and diligent to follow up with decisions made.

DAY 7

Prison Seminary Initiative

Prison Seminary Initiative is a partnership between Arkansas Baptists and Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary to train long-term inmates and "lifers" to serve as lay ministers under an ADC prison chaplain, earning an undergraduate degree in the process. Pray that inmates who participate in the degree program will cultivate a relationship with Jesus.

DAY 8

One Day Acts 1:8 Missions Experience

Pray for the upcoming One Day Acts 1:8 Missions Experience on October 5 when Arkansas Baptists from across the state will travel to the North Little Rock and Jacksonville area to spend five hours serving in a variety of compassion ministries enabling them to share the Gospel with people they encounter.

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DIXIE JACKSON ARKANSAS MISSIONS OFFERING.

“Jesus was going through all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness. Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.’ ”

—MATTHEW 9: 35–38



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Who was Dixie Jackson and why is our missions offering named after her?

In 1914, Mrs. Dixie Jackson accepted a full-time position with the Arkansas chapter of the Woman's Missionary Union (WMU). Her greatest fulfillment in this job came from traveling the state, training women, and spreading the word about Arkansas Baptist missions efforts.

In 1926, she enlisted the help of the state WMU president to establish a Week of Prayer for Arkansas state missions. Before Dixie Jackson passed away from an illness in early 1929, she had the privilege of seeing an offering added to the third annual Week of Prayer, with more than \$1,000 being collected to aid missions projects statewide.

In 1935, the annual offering was named in memory of this incredible woman. In 2023, the offering named in her honor collected \$1.874 million to aid missions projects statewide.

Every dollar given to the Dixie Jackson Arkansas Missions Offering helps **RESOURCE** and **MOBILIZE** Arkansas Baptists to **SERVE** and **REACH** people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You may participate in this year's offering by scanning the QR code below.

 **Arkansas**
BAPTISTS
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