

THE CORNERSTONE

The object of the Alaska Baptist Foundation (ABF), is to promote the biblical message of stewardship and cooperation. Stewardship is the act of surrender to the will and direction of Christ. Cooperation is a manifestation of stewardship. We see an example of this in scripture in the church at Antioch and their cooperation with the church at Jerusalem for the mutual support and strength of God's work.

This biblical backdrop gave rise to the establishment of the Cooperative Program (CP) of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) in 1925. The CP seeks to achieve five key objectives. These objectives have both practical and spiritual significance:

1. A unified and comprehensive budget of funding for statewide, national and international missions and ministries.
2. Consistency and stability in the funding for entities and outreach activities of the SBC are realized.
3. The principle that "we can do more together than alone" is achieved.

4. The CP reduces competitiveness between entities.
5. Every church can stand hand in hand, shoulder to shoulder, on level ground and contribute proportionately to the work of advancing the Kingdom.

There is no room for pride when we look at the CP. Stewardship, as exercised by the Christian, has no ego.

In this universal spirit of cooperation the ABF offers several donor advised ministry trusts that support the CP through the Alaska Baptist Convention. Let us partner together in Christ, each using our gifts to advance and strengthen the whole.

Please direct questions about the ministries of the ABF and advancing your giving through the CP to foundation@alaskabaptist-foundation.com

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