

Patricia Battle

Thank you for submitting your 2022 Apportioned Budget Request. Due to the General Conference Session and the following District Gatherings, CFA will not finalize the budget that it will recommend to the 2021 Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference until approximately April 1, 2021. After it is finalized, we will be back in touch with you to advise you of what funding level will be recommended in the proposed budget. Remember that the conference mission / ministry and clergy budgets can spend no more than the percentage collected in the previous year.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact David Stotts by phone at 769-243-7020 or by email at [dstotts@mississippi-umc.org](mailto:dstotts@mississippi-umc.org).

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## 2022 Mission Share Funding Request

Your request is due in by January 29, 2021. Failure to send in the fully completed request by the due date will result in being left out of the apportioned budget process.

We request that you give careful consideration to your request. You will need to look at what your specialized ministry is on behalf of the annual conference. We do not anticipate increasing the 2021 budget.

### Contact information for the Chair

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### Entity Name

Mississippi United Methodist Choctaw Mission

### Director Representative

Name of the Office Director in the Conference Office with which you coordinate your funding request and work each year.

Rev. Vickie White

**Our Conference Mission Statement: The Mississippi Annual Conference—empowered by love, generosity, justice and apprenticeship—forms spiritual leaders, faith communities and connections so more disciples of Jesus Christ transform the world.**

### I. Ministry Overview

## Primary Ministry and Recipient Testamonies

What is your primary ministry in partnership with the MS Annual Conference? Please give 3 specific examples or testimonies of how your ministry is making a difference in the conference or recipients life. You may consider as one of the examples how this pandemic pause was resourced by the mission shares you received. This description may be published in the 2021 pre-conference journal.

The Mississippi United Methodist Choctaw Mission (Choctaw Mission) is a caring ministry working with the Choctaw people to enrich lives of children, young people and families living in Neshoba and Leake Counties in Bogue Chitto, Pearl River and Red Water Tribal Communities. We work with and serve low income families to give hope through Christ-centered programs. We encourage the Choctaw people to help determine and develop their vision to advance the future of the Choctaw Mission. We strive to supplement and not duplicate the programs of the Tribe by partnering with the Department of Family and Community Services through their Children and Family Services Program, Family Violence and Victim's Services and the Elderly Center Program. We visualize the Choctaw-based Mission Center to be known as a sacred space showing the love of God by honoring the culture of the Choctaw people.

At the beginning of last year we were starting to move toward an aggressive innovated way to re-think how to expand the three pillars of the Choctaw Mission; Family and Community, Spiritual Enrichment and Leadership Development; to become better in line with the evolving needs of the Choctaw people. With the COVID virus shutting down the country in Mid March the Choctaw Mission came to a complete halt causing all programs and activities for the summer to cease. May and June the Choctaws experienced a surge of the virus that was deadly causing emotional grief and sorrow. Starting in June we pivoted our mission efforts to launch the COVID-19 Campaign. It has become the centerpiece of our mission resourcing. We began working with churches and agencies that helped fill gaps because the Choctaw staff and volunteers were impacted by COVID.

Through the COVID-19 Campaign, God's mercy and grace shined in our darkness to continue to be a light of hope for the Choctaw people. These are the results from launching the COVID-19 Campaign:

We are able to provide protective personal care items, household items for disinfectants and laundry, needed items for people in quarantine, help with utilities and rent.

It allowed us to modify the food pantry to food bag drive through, vouchers and gift card for groceries.

The COVID-19 Campaign helped a grandmother to have clothes and other baby needs for premature twins. A sense of relief was in her voice when she was told we have resources to help and said thank you God.

We identified and helped 34 young people ages 9 to 18 representing 10 families for four months with back to school supplies, personal hygiene, face masks, nutrition, outerwear and other essentials. One of the volunteers helping with the distribution to the children was overjoyed to see the excitement of the children putting on their face mask. A parent wrote a note to let us know how much she appreciated the children getting gift cards for groceries since she has not gone back to work full time. She end the not with God bless. To read that note confirmed what we are doing are having an impact on the lives of the people we are helping with supplies and resources.

We were able to provide for the children program to give backpacks, face mask, and Christmas stockings to toddlers and children up to age 8. To replace the closure of the clothes closet we partnered with Diaper Bank of the Delta and Galloway United Methodist Church for drive through distributions for free diapers, baby wipes and feminine hygiene products.

Through your support of Operation Christmas Gifts, we filled 49 children wish list from low income families in the Tribal Children and Family Service Program who are not full members of the Tribe. Because we could not have the Christmas party, we carried the toys and gifts to the Social Workers to distribute to the children. When they saw the wrapped toys and gifts they were so excitement and began giving praises of how they appreciated what the Choctaw Mission is doing for the Tribal children to have Christmas joy at a time when many families are out of work since March. This show of excitement and praises of appreciation made Christmas special for the Choctaw Mission.

This overview reflects what we are doing, but it does not capture the splendor of the grounds and how God's love is a driving force even when we cannot to gather. But, we know the Choctaw Mission is "holy grounds" to give thanks and to praise God's awesome wonder. We know that God's grace and goodness have been with the Choctaw Mission throughout the years and will continue to guide us to do His ministries to work with and resource the Choctaw people.

## II. Stewardship Report

### 1. How is the work of your committee/entity vital to the conference mission statement as printed above?

The Choctaw Mission is a caring ministry showing the love of God through Christ-centered programs, empowering young people and families to know there is hope, and to brighten their day with a ray of sunshine to let them know God cares for them in all their daily living. The mercy and goodness of God are blessing us to continue to be a place where love and respect exist to transform lives for the glory of God. We see the love of God through the appreciation for the small things. We see generosity when Choctaw families contribute to the programs. We see God at the Choctaw Mission on "holy grounds"

**2. Describe how your 2020 mission shares have made a difference in your ministry on behalf of the people of the Mississippi Annual Conference.**

We are blessed through our United Methodist connection to be a faith center. Without the generosity of many of you across the church and the support of the Mission Shares we would not be able to exist for the Choctaw people. Your mission investment are changing lives. You are changing the lives of families to know they too can contribute and you are expanding opportunities for children and young people.

**3. Do you have a Board of Directors that provides oversight to your ministry/entity?**

Yes

**If yes, what percentage of your directors contribute to your budget?**

100%

**III. Stewardship Vision Plan for 2022 Apportioned Mission Shares**

**2022 Mission Share Request**

40000

**2021 Mission Share Approved by the 2020 Annual Conference**

40000

**Attach your complete budget for 2021 and proposed budget for 2022. The budget you provide may be published in whole or in part in the pre-conference journal for the 2021 Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference.**

Note, there is no prescribed format for this document. Please use your organization's routine report(s) in this area.

2021budget2022proposedbudget.pdf (<https://mississippi-reg.brtaapp.com/files/tables/registrations/1023082/questions/313965/3d21819fcfba47cc8c95c4b51b425736/2021budget2022proposedbudget.pdf>)

**Attach your 2020 year-end Receipts and Disbursements report.**

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**2021 BUDGET**

**REVENUE**

MS Conference Mission Shares	\$40,000.00
Meridian District Mission Gifts	\$ 3,000.00
GBGM – Advance Special	\$ 1,750.00
Proceeds from Fundraisers	\$ 5,000.00
Mission Teams Contributions	\$ 6,000.00
United Methodist Women	\$ 1,200.00
Grants	\$15,900.00
Choctaw Circuit	\$ 8,100.00
Donors	\$ 9,500.00
Other Sources	<u>\$ 900.00</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$91,350.00</b>

**EXPENSE**

Salaries & Wages	\$41,200.00
Payroll Taxes	\$ 3,381.00
Contract Labor	\$ 2,100.00
Building and Grounds	\$ 1,150.00
Utilities	\$ 6,500.00
Telephone/Internet	\$ 1,200.00
Property Insurance	\$18,000.00
Tools and Mechanical Equipment	\$ 150.00
Program Expense	\$10,500.00
Professional Fees	\$ 4,600.00
Office Expense	\$ 2,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$90,881.00</b>

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**2022 PROPOSED BUDGET**

**REVENUE**

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GBGM – Advance Special	\$ 2,000.00
Proceeds from Fundraisers	\$ 6,000.00
Mission Teams Contributions	\$10,000.00
United Methodist Women	\$ 1,500.00
Grants	\$15,000.00
Choctaw Circuit	\$ 7,500.00
Donors	\$10,000.00
Endowments	<u>\$ 1,250.00</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$98,250.00</b>

**EXPENSE**

Salaries & Wages	\$41,200.00
Payroll Taxes	\$ 3,155.00
Contract Labor	\$ 1,750.00
Building and Grounds	\$ 700.00
Utilities	\$ 6,000.00
Telephone/Internet	\$ 1,200.00
Property/Liability Insurance	\$20,500.00
Program Expense	\$15,000.00
Professional Fees	\$ 4,000.00
Office Expense	\$ 1,500.00
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>\$ 1,725.00</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$96,730.00</b>

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**2020 year-end Receipts and Disbursements**

Receipts

Mississippi Conference Mission Shares	\$33,370.00	
Meridian District	\$ 2,750.00	
GBGM – Advance Special	\$ 1,569.00	
Fundraiser/Grants	\$34,218.00	
Endowment	\$ 1,224.00	
Choctaw Circuit Cost Share	\$ 6,107.00	
CARES Payroll Protection Program	\$12,631.00	
Contributions	<u>\$16,148.00</u>	
Total Income		\$108,017.00

Disbursements

Salaries/Wages/Contract Labor	\$32,345.00	
Payroll Tax	\$ 2,327.00	
Buidling & Grounds	\$ 412.00	
Utilities	\$ 3,541.00	
Property Insurance	\$12,402.00	
Liability Insurance	\$ 8,963.00	
Programs	\$13,657.00	
Audit & Professional Fees	\$ 4,575.00	
Office Supplies	\$ 1,204.00	
Choctw Circuit	\$ 2,575.00	
Bank Fees	\$ 154.00	
Other Expense	<u>\$ 701.00</u>	
Total Expense		\$ 82,856.00

Net Income                      \$25,161.00