



East Mississippi Baptist State Convention  
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Evangelism Director Report

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Greetings to East Mississippi Baptist State Convention. Following is my report for Evangelism 2022.

The Evangelism Department of East Mississippi like other departments of the Convention, and in fact our world, is still greatly challenged and limited in our scope of operations due to Covid-19. However, we were able to accomplish some things.

- On April 2, 2022, we were able to pass out gospel tracts and share the gospel at the Pop-Up-Shop held at our association building in Meridian.
- On April 22-24, 2022, I along with Pastor A.G. McSwain, Jr., Springhill B. C., and Morning Star B. C. participated in an event with other churches throughout Jones County called "The Awakening". During this event three nights of worship and evangelism were carried out at the Magnolia Center in Laurel, MS. The impetus of this event was to reach lost soul and draw the unchurched. Our participation in this even was also representing EMBSC. Approximately 30 souls were saved, numerous lives rededicated and many coming for special prayer were recorded. Praise the Lord!
- On August 20, 2022, EMBSC sponsored a back-to-school bash at the association building in Meridian. Gospel tracts were once again handed out and I shared the gospel message personally. No souls were saved at the April 2<sup>nd</sup> nor the August 20<sup>th</sup> event.
- However, on August 20, 2022, after leaving the back-to-school bash I went to a funeral in Wayne County. After the funeral I was able to share the gospel and one gentleman was saved. Praise the Lord!

This is our report. On a closing note, I would like to officially thank President Goodwin, officers of EMBSC, and the entire body of EMBSC for praying for me, my wife, our son and daughter-in-law, our entire family and church family concerning the loss of our dear eleven-year-old granddaughter, Laina Michell Bridges. Laina left us too soon in an automobile accident on May 20, 2022. However, with

God's help and the many resources He sent our way (including all of you) we have come this far and have confidence that He will continue to carry us through. We love you all and to God be the glory!

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