SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSION IN LIBERIA (1846-PRESENT)

HEEDING THE MACEDONIA CALL
ACTS 15:39-18:22
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LIBERIA ON THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA
MAP OF LIBERIA
BRIEF HISTORY OF SBM IN LIBERIA

• In 1845, when the Southern Baptist Mission Board was established, they organized two mission fields: China and Liberia
• In 1846, the mission work in Liberia started but was disrupted in 1875 and resumed
• Institutions of learning were founded in Liberia.
• Richs Institute, a boarding mission school (1887-present)
• Liberia Baptist Theological Seminary (1960-present)
IMPACT AND CONTRIBUTION

• Established and built schools, lives and churches
• The impact and contribution of the Southern Baptist Mission to Liberia is immeasurable. Today in Liberia, Baptist churches are among the most prominent in the country.
SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSIONARIES
I WORKED WITH FROM 1982-1990

Names of missionaries that impacted my life:

• Ronald E. Hill & Sharon Hill – Grand Bassa County
• Steve Halloway & Karen Halloway – Grand Bassa County
• Dr. John McSpherson – Grand Bassa County
• Dr. Daniel Scott & Family – Grand Bassa County
• Darell Cox & Family – Grand Bassa County
• Carol Lee (Journeyman) – Grand Bassa County
• Rita Masters (Journeyman) – Grand Bassa County
• Debbie Moore (President, WMU) – Monrovia, Montserado, Co.
• Donna Doodley (President, WMU) – Monrovia, Montserado Co.
• Jack Martin & Nancy Martin – Harper, Maryland County
• Earl Williams & Jean Williams – Yeakepah, Nimba County
CONCLUSION

• I am what I am today because of my spiritual upbringing as a teen in a Southern Baptist Mission Church.

• I am a Christian and leader in the Kingdom of God today because of all the Southern Baptist Missionaries that impacted my life many years ago way back in Liberia, West Africa. Memories of their tireless sacrifice will be forever etched in my mind -- and not only mine, but the thousands of lives that were touched through their willingness to “go”. There are countless others that could not make it here to give their testimonies.
• I want to take this time to thank God for the SBC of America and all the churches for giving to the work of missions that have facilitated the sending of missionaries, journeymen, teachers, doctors, and short-term mission teams through your Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

• Your support to these foreign soils has and will continue to make a difference in the lives of the needy.

• It is my prayer that the Lord will give you an increase and cause you, your church, team members and families to about in all good works.