Dear Pastors and Church Family,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Each year, the Baptist Convention of DC and Vicinity set aside a special time to emphasize Home Missions Day. This is our opportunity as a body of believers to come together in unity, generosity, and service—showing the love of Christ not only within our congregations but also throughout our communities.

This year, we are focusing on a tangible and timely need: blessing the next generation. Many of our local schools face shortages of basic classroom supplies, and too many children carry the heavy burden of unpaid lunch balances. As the people of God, we are called to “bear one another’s burdens” (Galatians 6:2), and we believe this is a practical way to do so.

Therefore, we are asking each of our churches to give **$200** toward this initiative. Collectively, these gifts will enable us to either provide essential supplies to a school in need or to relieve the burden of past due lunch bills for students. Together, we can demonstrate that the Church sees, cares, and responds to the needs of our children and families.

We know that **$200** is a sacrificial gift for some congregations, but we also believe that by uniting our efforts, no single church will carry this load alone. With God’s help and your faithful support, we will make a meaningful impact.

Please join us in prayerfully supporting this initiative, and let’s continue to show the love of Christ in action. Contributions may be sent to:

**Gethsemane Baptist Church**

**5119 4th Street, NW**

**Washington, DC 20011**

**Attn: Pastor Emmitt Young, III (BCDCV Financial Secretary)**

Thank you for your faithful partnership in the gospel. We are stronger together, and we are grateful for your unwavering support for the work of missions here at home.

In Christ’s Service,



President Andre D. Ivy,

Baptist Convention of DC and Vicinity