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Dear Friends,

For several years Illinois Baptists have joined together to participate in "Missions Spectacular," the largest one-day mission project of our ministry year. Last year 350 missionaries from 31 Illinois Baptist Churches came together in Metro East St. Louis, Springfield and Rockford to participate in various projects. Through these efforts in our Judean mission field countless people were touched with the gospel and twenty-nine made professions of faith in Christ.

We are in the planning stages for this year's event and to help get a grasp on what God wants us to do this year; I researched the word "spectacular" which describes this activity and discovered a challenge for all Illinois Baptists in its definition. In order for something to be spectacular, it must be remarkably large or visually impactful. The thought of five hundred missionaries from Illinois Baptist churches ministering in three areas of our state is remarkably large. The site of these missionaries all dressed in bright "Missions Spectacular" T-shirts as they minister is visually stunning. Our one-day mission project truly can be spectacular if your church chooses to be involved this year.

The cost of the event is \$20 per missionary (\$50 per family). The cost includes your T-shirt and Saturday meals, and helps provide some of the project materials. For your convenience, you can register online at [IBSA.org](http://IBSA.org) or use the enclosed registration form. The deadline to register is May 1.

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Help us make Missions Spectacular!

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