

EVANGELISM INITIATIVE

“Then Jesus came near and said to them,
‘All authority has been given to Me
in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and
make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
teaching them to observe everything I have
commanded you. And remember,
I am with you always, to the end of the age.’”
Matthew 28:18-20 HCSB

What would happen if Montana Southern
Baptists began to recognize where we live
for the mission field that it is?

What if we intentionally prayed for lost people
in our families, communities and
across the state?

What if we lived like the missionaries
God calls us to be and actively engaged our
communities with the Good News of Jesus?

What if our churches held cutting-edge
harvest events and ministries
and were prepared to effectively assimilate
new believers into our local congregations—
all in a state that had been prayed for
and sown with the Gospel?

Imagine Montana Southern Baptist churches
revived, consistently baptizing and integrating
new believers. Imagine a spiritual awakening in
whole communities across the state.

That is **Across Montana 2010!**

TIME LINE

TILLING THE SOIL
AUGUST 15-SEPTEMBER 11, 2010

SOWING THE SEED
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HARVEST SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 19, 2010

PRESERVING THE FRUIT
SEPTEMBER 19-OCTOBER 17, 2010



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LIVING LIKE MISSIONARIES

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Sharing the Good News of Jesus where
we live and work, worship and play

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TILLING THE SOIL AUGUST 15-SEPTEMBER 11



Just as farmers take time to prepare the soil to receive the seed for a successful planting season, pastors will lead their congregations to spend four weeks praying for God to prepare hearts to receive the Gospel. The focus will be praying for every person across every mile of our state, particularly those who need a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Some ideas for the prayer emphasis include prayer walks in local and/or neighboring communities, a month of nightly prayer meetings in homes of church members, and weekly prayer meetings at the church building.

SOWING THE SEED SEPTEMBER 11-18

The goal for Across Montana 2010 is to reach every home in our state with prayer, a Gospel presentation, and an invitation to attend a local Southern Baptist church.

To sow the seed of the Gospel, congregations will spend seven days going door-to-door, sharing the simple plan of salvation, via word and/or in print, and inviting every family in their area to attend church with them on Sunday, September 19.

Additional ideas for the seven-day Gospel blitz include hosting evangelistic block parties, movie nights at the park, and/or open-air concerts.



HARVEST SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 19

Congregations have prayed. They have invited the community to church. Then, on one coordinated Sunday, in Southern Baptist churches across Montana, pastors will preach evangelistic messages and extend effective invitations, with the goal of having newcomers place their faith in Jesus.

PRESERVING THE FRUIT SEPTEMBER 19-OCTOBER 17

Experienced farmers know the value of enjoying and preserving the fruit of their labors. In the same way, pastors and congregations will be intentional about following up with newcomers and connecting new believers to the life of the church.

In the four weeks following Harvest Sunday, they will visit newcomers. They will celebrate baptism with new believers. And, through the relationship-oriented, small group ministry of Sunday School or Bible study classes, they will involve newcomers as well as new believers in an experience of Christian living and an exploration of their new faith in Christ.

