

## **A Letter from Mr. Jackie Stuart, President of MCFMS**

The year 2021 has been a great challenge for all of us! Faced with many uncertainties and significant cost increases for vehicles, insurance, vehicle maintenance, and other travel related items, the MCFMS Board of Directors met in September to discuss and take action to address our current and future needs. The Board of Directors approved the following ministry changes and fee increases effective January 1, 2022. Our goal in making these changes is simply to cover our operating costs, provide ongoing financial solvency for the ministry, and continue to meet the transportation needs of our IMB and SBC missionaries. As always, no person connected with MCFMS receives any compensation for our work, we are all volunteers!

### **MCFMS ministry changes effective January 1, 2022**

1. The initial one-time up front payment paid at the lease signing will increase to \$150.00. The current amount of \$50.00 does not cover the actual costs of filling a vehicle with gas, oil change, and having it cleaned and sometimes detailed as needed. More often than not, missionaries return their vehicles without having changed the oil as required. The \$150.00 fee would provide for A) filling of the vehicle with gas, B) cleaning of the vehicle, and C) oil changes and tire rotations. These maintenance costs are actually now the responsibility of the missionaries, as included in the up-front payment and/or Lease Agreement. However, the current \$50.00 fee does not nearly cover the actual current costs.
2. Monthly Vehicle Lease fee will increase to \$275.00. This increase is necessary to cover the increase in our vehicle insurance premiums for 2022.
3. Beginning January 1, 2022, Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Florida will be removed from the MCFMS approved driving area because of continued logistical issues. The newly approved geographical driving area for MCFMS vehicles will still allow our missionaries to travel in ten (10) southeastern and south-central states including Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Alabama, Kentucky, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. Upon written request, exceptions may be made to accommodate missionaries who need to travel outside the approved ten (10) state driving area due to pressing medical issues or family emergencies.

We hope you will continue to pray for the ministry of Macedonian Call Foundation of Mississippi as we prayerfully face the challenges to meet the transportation needs of our friends around the world!

Sincerely in Christ,

Jackie Stuart, President  
Macedonian Call Foundation of Mississippi