

Location Composition

Category	0-1.5 MI	1.5-3 MI	3-7 MI
2010 Population	10,466	26,461	170,298
2010 Households	3,952	10,472	67,978
2010 Group Quarters	160	428	2,149

Missionscape: Cultural Bridges

Cultural Bridge	#HHlds	%HHlds
Home Personal Computer-HH Own	2,294	58%
McDonald's	2,137	54%
Urban Contemporary	2,029	51%
Watching Diet (Health/Weight)-Presently	1,929	49%
Controlling Diet		
Reading Books	1,832	46%
Non-Presc-For Regular Headaches	1,754	44%
Heartburn/Indigestion Aids/Anti-Nausea-Use	1,711	43%

Getting Involved

This mission site is located in the North Central Region of the Alabama State Board of Missions. For more information about this need, contact the regional Church Planting Strategist: Otis Corbitt (ocorbitt@alsbom.org)

NOTES:

The Location Summary identifies the center of the smallest ring in the map above. The location data provides various types of identification to better describe the location. The GIS data can be used to map the location in Google maps or Google Earth.

The numbers in the Evangelscape communicate the most compelling reasons why this community needs churches and believers to intercede in missional prayer and activity. This community needs eternal transformation that only comes by way of the gospel and the working of the Holy Spirit.

Churchscape indicators reveal a snapshot of the extent of evangelical presence in the focus community.

Location Composition: Listed are the total number of people and the total number of households corresponding to each of the three bands indicated on the map on page one.

Cultural bridges are those characteristics that could be used to build relationships with people in the lifestyle group. Various activities, interests, or opinions represented among the consumer behavior characteristics of the lifestyle group offer ways for believers to build relationships with people in the lifestyle group and through that relationship impact them for Christ.

Reaching Bessemer, Alabama

MISSION SITE DIGEST

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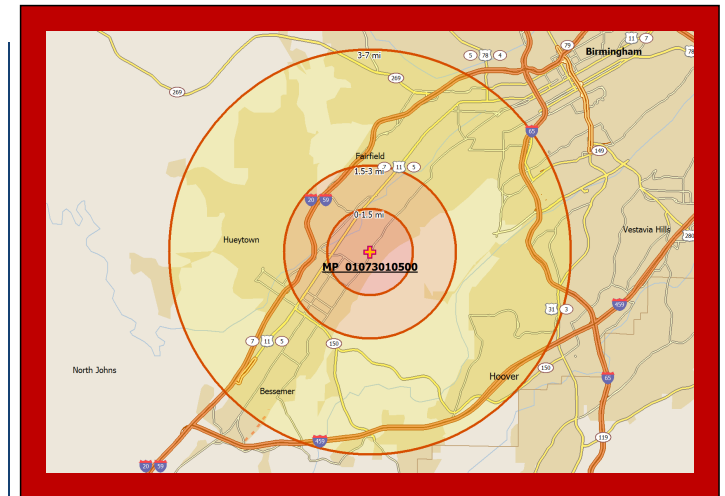
Acts 10:9-10

During the night a vision appeared to Paul: a Macedonian man was standing and pleading with him, "Cross over to Macedonia and help us!" After he had seen the vision, we immediately made efforts to set out for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to evangelize them.

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This location has been identified as one of the areas in Alabama in need of new ministries or new churches. This report has been written to assist you in gaining an understanding of where God has gathered concentrations of people in need of Him in order that your church can focus your efforts and resources where He is at work and the need is greatest. May this report assist your church in hearing God's invitation to join Him where He is calling.

Location Summary

Central Street Address	5600-5602 8th St S
Zip Code	35020
State Region	North Central Region
GIS Latitude	33.427210
GIS Longitude	-86.924480
Sitescape Category	Suburbscape
Sitescape Group	Medium Suburbs

Top Community Types



Urban Communities

The people are poor, struggling and largely single. Some are single parents with large families. Unemployment is double the national average. For the minority families in Urban Communities, struggling to balance priorities and budgets in a climate of institutional prejudice creates a lack of stability and control. Residing within major metropolitan cities and towns, most households live in apartments. Those who drive choose economy, import, and domestic cars or small trucks. This group finds employment within food and health services, education, retail, and the entertainment industry.

Households: 3,372
Percent: 85.32%



Aspiring Communities

Young, ambitious and culturally diverse, they are the evolving voice of American society. Truth is centered around "me" and everything is interconnected. The majority of people in this group are between the ages of 18 and 34. Sixty percent are renting singles; others live on military bases or in college dorms. They are four times more likely to be unemployed. Of those who work, most live in or conveniently close to metropolitan areas. Career builders who enjoy a moderate income in middle management, they thrive within the IT, sales, administration, education and health care professions.

Households: 462
Percent: 11.69%



Working Communities

Most residents are high school educated; some have even been to college. Their education affords them lower middle incomes through blue collar jobs in manufacturing, construction, health services, retail, wholesale and food service that provide a stable household economy supporting personal and family pursuits in everyday life. This ethnically diverse mix of single and married homeowners dwells in densely populated areas and small-town suburbs. Adherence to traditional family values and resistance to authority are key aspects of their psychological nature.

Households: 103
Percent: 2.61%

Evangelscape: Spiritual Indicators

SPIRITUALITY INDICATOR	BAND HHLDS	BAND %
Unreached	2,774	70.2%
Religious but NOT Evangelical	1,217	30.8%
Spiritual but NOT Evangelical	92	2.33%
Non-Evangelical but NOT Interested	1,561	39.49%

Top Lifestyle Segments

Struggling City Centers

(68% Unreached)

Struggling City Centers consists of very low-income households living in city neighborhoods. Home to the highest concentration of African-Americans in the nation-nearly 90 percent of all households-the cluster faces hard economic challenges. One-third of households haven't finished high school, with a similar percentage containing single-parent families. One in five adults are under 35 years old and the median household income is only half the national average.



Households: 1,711
Percent: 43.29%

African-American Neighborhoods (70% Unreached)

Young, working-class city dwellers make up African-American Neighborhoods. About three-quarters of the households are African-American and one in four adults is under 35 years old. This is an economically challenged area characterized by relatively high unemployment, low educational levels and single-parent families. A majority of residents have completed high school or some college, and most are earning their paychecks through jobs in health, education and food service.



Households: 1,171
Percent: 29.63%

Getting By

(76% Unreached)

Getting By stands at the bottom rung of the socioeconomic ladder, a financially challenged cluster of young high school-educated and mainly African-American households where the median income is lowest in the nation. Much of the housing consists of older rowhouses and low-rise apartments worth less than half the national average. Located in dense neighborhoods, these single and single-parent minority households struggle with high unemployment and low paying jobs.



Households: 490
Percent: 12.4%

Churchscape: Religious Indicators

SPIRITUALITY INDICATOR	MI RING	RING %
Active Evangelical HHlds	886	22.42%
Inactive Evangelical HHlds	292	7.38%