

# BEL LOVED

*Love. Gratitude. Response.*

Fall 2022 Stewardship Campaign

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*“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.” - 1 John 4:7*

It is through giving of ourselves as God has given to us that we help the body of Christ thrive. Offering our material resources to God is a fundamental activity that is so critical to the church’s mission that failure to perform it in an exemplary way leads to decline.

Every sanctuary and chapel in which we have worshiped, every church organ that has lifted our spirits, every pew where we have sat, every hymnal from which we have sung, every church classroom where we have gathered with our friends, every church kitchen where our meals were prepared, every church camp we have ever attended—all are the fruit of someone’s extravagant generosity.

We have been the recipients of grace upon grace. We are the heirs, the beneficiaries of those who came before us who were touched by the generosity of Christ enough to give graciously so that we could experience the truth of Christ for ourselves. We owe the same to generations to come.

Without the generosity of others, we would not have the tools of faith that shaped our lives. We need to give back fully and generously if the church is going to continue to fulfill its mission. Our giving is not just about the church’s need to receive, but about the Christian’s need to give.

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Generosity is an essential quality of spiritual maturity and growth. Generosity is a fruit of the spirit, a worthy spiritual aspiration.

This year, grow one step in your own personal giving. Develop a personal plan to grow in giving to God’s purposes, of increasing the proportion of your generosity by at least one percent as you move toward a tithe.

(adapted from *Cultivating Faithfulness* by Robert Schnase)

**WEEKLY GIVING IF THE PERCENTAGE IS**  
(Rounded to the nearest dollar)

Annual Income	Monthly Income	Weekly Income	2%	4%	6%	8%	10%	15%
16,000	1,333	308	6.00	12.00	18.00	25.00	31.00	46.00
20,000	1,667	385	8.00	15.00	23.00	31.00	39.00	58.00
25,000	2,083	481	10.00	19.00	29.00	38.00	48.00	72.00
30,000	2,500	577	12.00	23.00	35.00	46.00	58.00	87.00
35,000	2,917	673	13.00	27.00	40.00	54.00	67.00	101
40,000	3,333	769	15.00	31.00	46.00	62.00	77.00	115
45,000	3,750	865	17.00	35.00	52.00	69.00	87.00	130
50,000	4,167	962	19.00	38.00	58.00	77.00	96.00	144
60,000	5,000	1,154	23.00	46.00	69.00	92.00	115	173
75,000	6,250	1,442	29.00	58.00	87.00	115	144	216
100,000	8,333	1,923	38.00	77.00	115	154	192	288
125,000	10,417	2,404	48.00	96.00	144	192	240	361

This chart shows giving as a percentage of weekly income. Find where you are on the graph and consider your giving as a percentage of income. You are invited to prayerfully consider increasing your giving this year as a percentage of your income and becoming an “Extravagant Giver”!

