

ALL TOGETHER, ALL THE TIME

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL FALL 2018

"Our culture and society continues to change before our very eyes. The church does not serve the same world as it did only twenty years ago. The church's effectiveness for the Gospel is completely dependent upon its ability to build relationships in our changing and fluid culture. I am enthusiastic about the opportunity to add to our Pastoral Team at Hope. Not only will it allow us to build more relationships with more people, but it will also allow margin, bandwidth, and flexibility for the team to shape ministry and engagement opportunities to meet the needs of this changing world." - **Pastor Rob**

"Hope will always hold a special place in my heart. The message, love and mostly people, make me connect closer to our Lord. One of the most visual ways has always been the ACF. Our ability to host this event in our building allows us to reveal God's love to the community, not only as Hope but surely by the dozens of other awesome ministries represented there. I know we track the money raised over the many years of this event but the impact on real people seeing God's love in action is most certainly more valuable. All of this is only possible because of our facility and the efforts taken to expand it and care for it over the years."

- **Mike Thomas**

"I'm looking forward to calling an additional pastor because I feel that as a community of believers, Hope is ripe with potential, bursting with ideas and enthusiasm for sharing the love of God and serving our neighbor. Having an additional person in a leadership role will provide the logistical and spiritual support we need to live out the gospel."

- **Sarah Tucker**

"I'm really glad to see Hope as a community working to cover our ongoing building maintenance expenses as part of the annual budget. Collectively, we need to make sure we have the money we need to pay for the facilities we use. This is fiscally smart and fiscally responsible stewardship." - **Mike Petix**

In order to fully fund the Pastor of Congregational Engagement and Facility Refurbishment, we seek to increase giving cumulatively by just \$2,000 per week in 2019. (An additional \$400 per week in 2020 will get us to the annual refurbishment level needed once Hope is fully staffed.) As we all work together toward this goal, we can easily reach and exceed this new level of ministry.

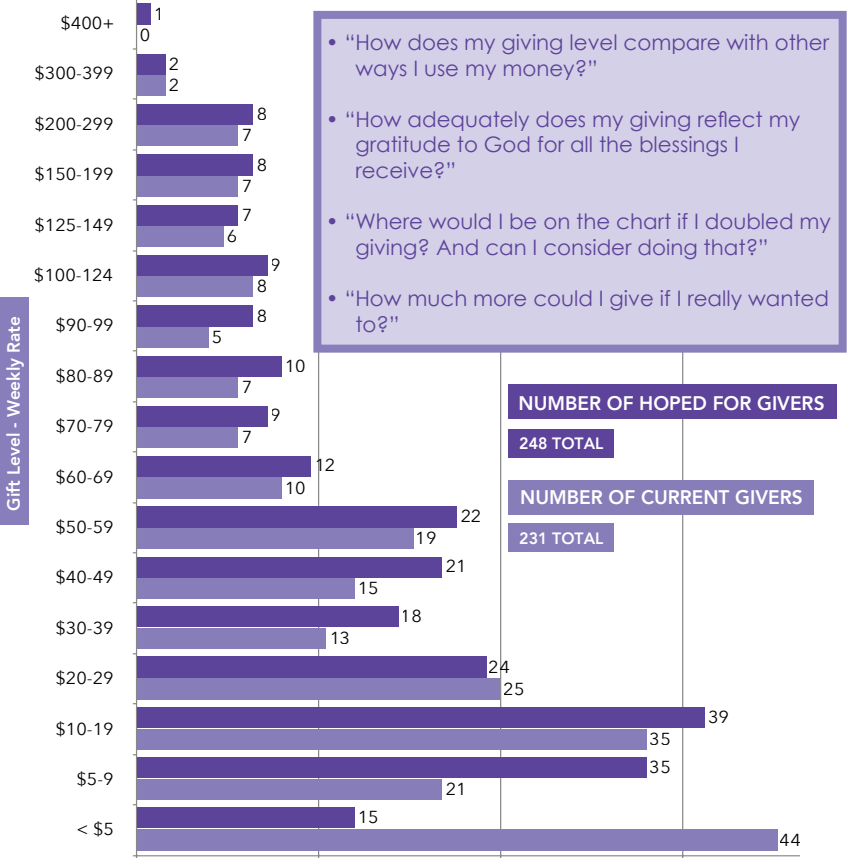


As a congregation this year, we have two tangible goals:

- 1) Calling a full-time Pastor of Congregational Engagement
- 2) Funding Facility Refurbishment through regular operations

Here is a bar graph which displays two charts of our giving. One bar shows how many gifts are currently being given at the indicated weekly amounts. The other bar shows how many gifts are needed in these levels to reach our goal.

As you review this chart, prayerfully consider these questions:



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MINISTRY INITIATIVE GOAL: \$2,000 average weekly giving increase in 2019

Ministry Goal 1: Calling a full-time Pastor of Congregational Engagement

Ministry Goal 2: Funding Facility Refurbishment through regular operations

We also have a goal to begin to identify and encourage members of Hope to include the ministry in their estate planning. This could be a gift through a will, IRA, or other means. For the first time, you will be asked on your intent card to let us know if you have already included the church in your planning or if you are interested in doing so.