



SENT

***A SENDING BASE TO
MOBILIZE A SENT PEOPLE***



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Dear Harvest,

In August of 2014, twenty-seven people gathered in a living room for the first vision night of what they hoped would become a word-centered, vertical-worshipping church on the South Side of Indianapolis. Those 27 people believed that God had paved the way for a church of this nature to be planted in our community. The excitement and faith in the room was contagious, but no one could have dreamed what God was actually going to do.

A year later, on September 13, 2015, Harvest Bible Chapel Indy South formally launched as a church. The passage preached that Sunday was Paul's prayer in Ephesians 3. This beautiful prayer crescendos into a powerful closing, "Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

The first two-and-a-half years of our church have been the story of a God who is able to do far more abundantly than anything we could have ever dreamed. Jesus is being glorified. Lives are being changed. God is at work. And yet, we believe God has only begun the story of what he wants to do through our church. This **SENT** campaign is the launch of the bold vision God has called us to in the days ahead. As a group of pastors and elders, we believe now is the time for us to pursue this vision of establishing a permanent facility for our church family. God will entrust to us a facility where disciples will be made here in our own community and vertical churches will be planted out of this facility in nearby communities and far away countries. The **SENT** vision is about establishing a sending base that mobilizes a sent people.

For months, we have been seeking the Lord in prayer, asking God to lead us wisely and boldly in what he has called our church to in the days ahead. What follows in this resource is the vision we believe God is calling us to. This is a vision that makes us shake. It's a vision we know cannot happen unless our good God shows up once again in power. It's a vision we know cannot happen unless all of us band together, completely surrendered, telling God we will go "all in" to see this vision become a reality.

The days behind us have been truly miraculous, and we praise God for what he has already done. We now turn our eyes to the days ahead and say to our God, "Come and do far more than anything we can ask for or imagine." We ask you as a church to join us in the vision that **SENT** embodies, to join us in a posture of faith-filled prayer, and to join us in a season of radical, joyful giving towards this vision. Let's journey together as a church to find out what it looks like for us to live as the **SENT** people God has called us to be.

You are **LOVED**, and you are **SENT**.



Brock Graham



Mark Wiley



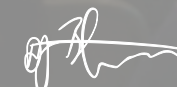
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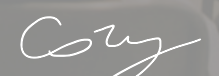
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The Harvest Indy South Pastors & Elders

PRAYING FOR SENT

*Prayer is the ultimate catalyst for our **SENT** vision and the ultimate act of dependence by which God's people completely rely on Him to carry out His vision for His church.*

HOW DO I PRAY FOR THE SENT VISION?

6 SENT PRAYERS

- 1. Prayer:** Greater intentionality and consistency for all of us.
- 2. Participation:** All of us all in.
- 3. Provision:** All needs met for the fulfillment of the **SENT** vision.
- 4. Pursuing God's Mission HERE:** Disciple-makers unleashed all throughout the South Side of Indy.
- 5. Pursuing God's Mission NEAR:** Vertical churches planted in communities across Central Indiana and beyond.
- 6. Pursuing God's Mission FAR:** Partner organizations for the planting of churches across the globe.

*"You can do more than pray after you have prayed, but you cannot do more than pray until you have prayed."
- John Bunyan*

Join Us For DEAP (Drop Everything And Pray) Nights

Every night from April 8th - May 5th
7-8pm at the church office (146 South Park Blvd)

THE SENT VISION

SENT HERE: REACHING
THE SOUTH SIDE



SENT NEAR: REACHING
CENTRAL INDIANA



SENT FAR: REACHING
THE NATIONS



ABOUT SENT

A SENDING BASE TO MOBILIZE A SENT PEOPLE

From the very beginning, God has sent out His people. Sent people carry the Gospel, and the Gospel changes everything. Yet, there are still billions around the world who have not had the opportunity to experience the radical transformation of the Gospel. We believe God is calling us back to the joyful pursuit of unleashing a people sent by God to make disciples to the very ends of the earth. God is calling us to go and live for His glory. And when we live sent, transformation happens: in you, in your neighborhood, and in the nations.

SENT HERE: REACHING THE SOUTH SIDE

Since September of 2015, the Lord has begun the work of Harvest Bible Chapel Indy South in Clark-Pleasant Middle School. We praise God for all He has done during our time meeting in the middle school, but we now



clearly see that God has provided land in an amazing location. Our elders believe He is leading us to establish a permanent home for Harvest Indy South. Though our location will move from a portable church to a permanent facility, nothing about the mission changes. We are still after the simple mission Jesus has left us

of **glorifying God by making disciples**. This sending base will be the hub in which disciples gather for the purpose of being equipped, encouraged, and sent to boldly share the gospel and make more disciples all over the South Side.

THE FACILITY - THE SENDING BASE

OUR PHILOSOPHY: The intentionality of a church building must be guided in all areas by our philosophy of ministry. We at Harvest have a very simple approach to disciple making. We believe every follower of Jesus is called to Worship Christ, Walk with Christ, and Work for Christ.

WORSHIP CHRIST: The Worship Center functions as the central element of the building design. We believe that the corporate worship service is not the only function of the church, but it is essential in fueling the disciple-making priorities that the Lord has called us to.

WALK WITH CHRIST: Every Jesus-follower should pursue a personal walk with Christ, discipleship relationships, and a small group community. We believe walking with Christ happens best across tables and in living rooms where we do life. For this reason, you won't see a plethora of adult discipleship or "Sunday School" classrooms in this facility.

WORK FOR CHRIST: We long to see everyone at Harvest on a serving team, using their gifts to build up the body. But this facility will also help us equip disciples to be on mission throughout the week.



SENT NEAR: REACHING CENTRAL INDIANA

It is our conviction that every person should be able to be a part of a Jesus-worshipping, Bible-preaching, vertical church where they live. We believe God is calling us to raise up leaders and pastors to plant churches in neighboring communities in Central Indiana and beyond. As we identify people driving 20+ minutes to a vertical church, we will begin to prayerfully consider planting a church in their area.

EQUIPPING MINISTRY LEADERS

We cannot be a church planting church without training pastors and church leaders. We plan to begin equipping these leaders through internships and pastoral residencies.

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS: Intended to give those exploring a call to ministry some practical, hands-on ministry experience. This is open to high school and college students.

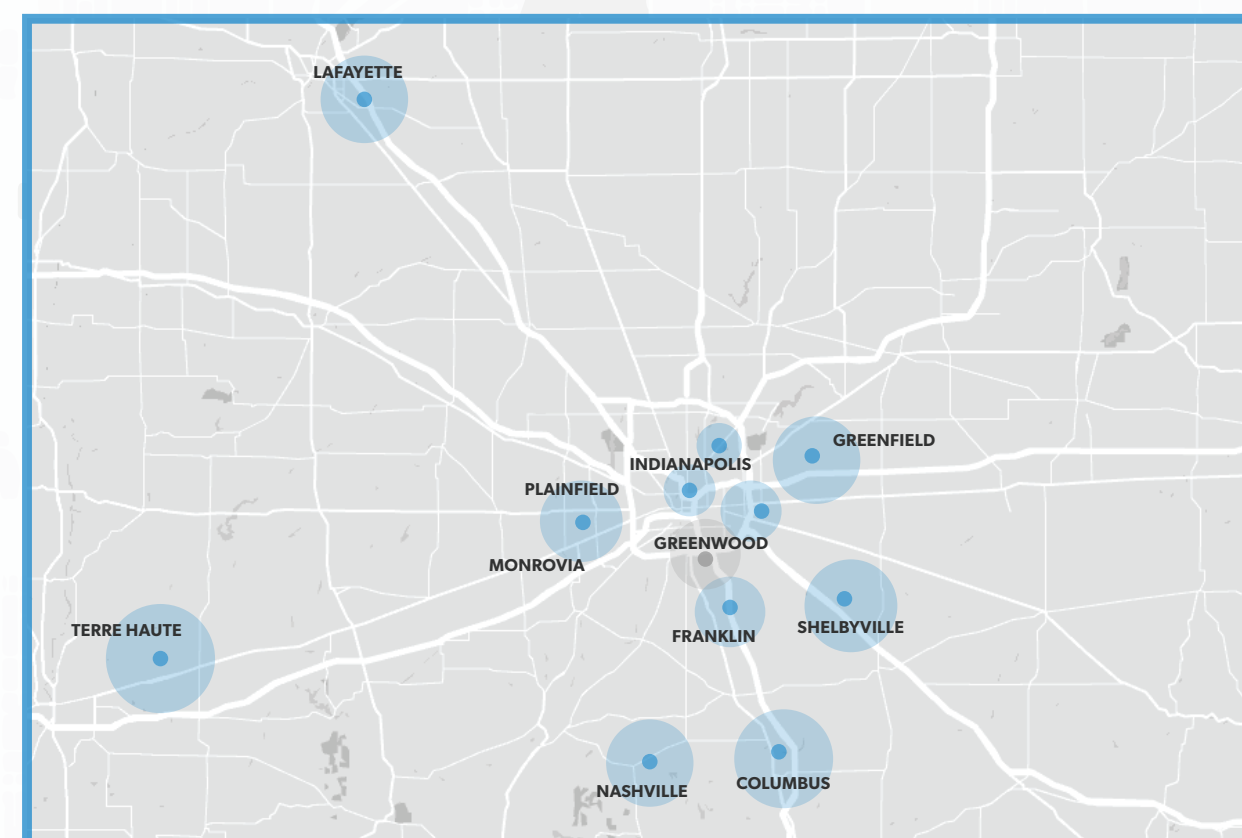
SEMINARY RESIDENTS: A 3-year commitment in which college graduates would be accepted into a role and given significant ministry experience at Harvest while completing a Masters of Divinity degree through Faith Bible Seminary in Lafayette. There is no cost for seminary and this is a paid ministry position.

WORSHIP RESIDENTS: For those we believe are called to be future worship leaders here at Harvest and in churches we plant.

CHURCH PLANTING RESIDENTS: A 9-12 month training at Harvest to plant a church in Central Indiana or other domestic location.

EQUIPPING CORE GROUPS

We believe that where God calls us to plant a church, He will also raise up a core group of people to be part of the church plant. We will intentionally be equipping and training the core groups that will make up the launch team for these churches.



Potential church plant locations in Central Indiana. Larger circles represent the area of reach, relative to population size.

CHURCH PLANTING & MISSIONS DIRECTOR

God is already bringing potential church plant locations to our attention as there are people regularly joining our Sunday gatherings from all over Central Indiana. We believe the Lord is leading us to hire a Director of Church Planting and Missions who can oversee all of the efforts involved in our domestic and international church planting and missions around the globe.

SENT FAR: REACHING THE NATIONS

The Great Commission is a global call. We must be burdened for our neighborhoods and burdened for the nations. This is the season for us at Harvest to intentionally expand the vision God has given us in reaching the nations.

ESTABLISHING GLOBAL PARTNER CHURCHES

We will be heading into a season of identifying a Director of Church Planting and Missions who will lead the efforts of outlining the criteria and the right global partner churches in each of the following continents:

- Europe
- Asia
- Africa
- South America

Once each global partner church is identified, we will then pour our global mission trips, time, and resources into equipping these native churches to make disciples, raise up local pastors and missionaries, and plant churches across their country and continent.

EXAMPLE: God leads us to a disciple-making, church-planting church in India that has a heart to multiply across India and Asia. They need a church partner to come alongside them that can help train and resource them. We partner with them through trips, time, training, and money to equip them to be the multiplying church God has called them to be!

To further our efforts of planting churches locally and globally, we will also be locking arms with a church planting network.



OUR GOALS

100% PARTICIPATION

This God-sized vision is impossible unless all of us are in it together. Our first goal is for 100% of the people at Harvest Indy South to engage in the SENT Vision.

WHAT WE ARE ASKING OF YOU

God has called **YOU** to live sent. To be a Jesus follower is to be sent. We are called to go and make disciples. So as we enter into this season as a church family, we are asking 4 things of you:

1. PRAY

Pray that God would multiply our efforts to make disciples here, near, and far. Pray that He would do exceedingly, abundantly more than anything we could ask or imagine, all for His glory.

2. COMMIT

Help us reach our goal of 100% participation in this life-changing experience. Stand side-by-side with your church family.

3. GO

Be willing to live sent and follow wherever God calls you to go here, near, and far.

4. GIVE

Ask God to show you during this season what a sacrificial gift looks like and take whatever bold steps are required to see it through.

RAISE \$5.9 MILLION

With 100% of us all in, we are excited to watch God provide. Our second goal is to raise \$5.9 million in total giving over the next two years to carry out the vision God has given us.

SENT HERE - \$5.15 MILLION

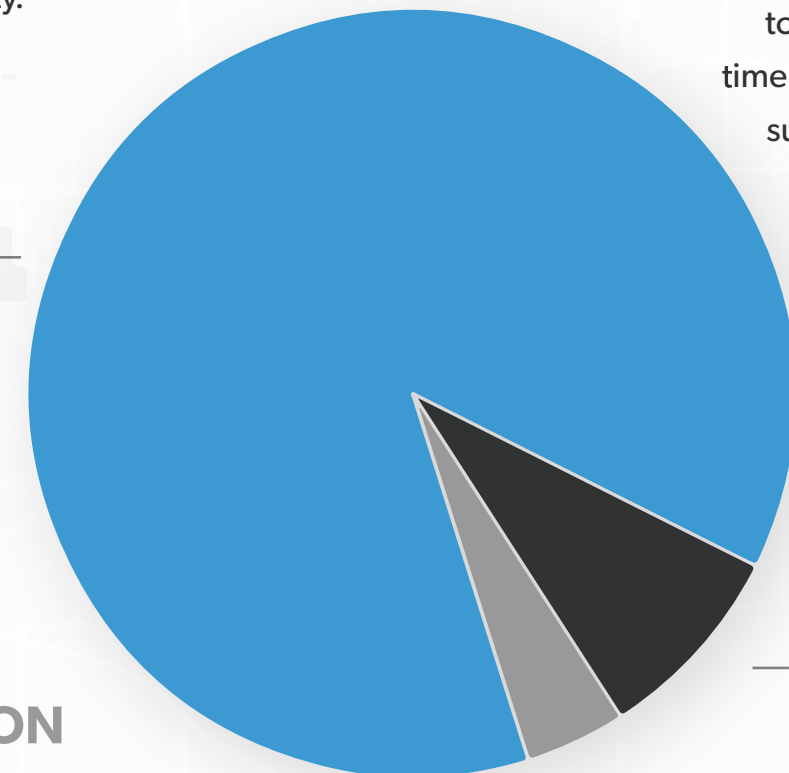
The ongoing disciple-making work at Harvest; site preparation and construction of new Harvest church facility.

SENT NEAR - \$0.5 MILLION

Internships and residencies to equip ministry leaders; time, training, and money to support core groups and new church launches; Director of Church Planting.

SENT FAR - \$0.25 MILLION

Trips, time, training, and money to support international plants; Equipping ministry leaders; Director of Church Planting.



INTRODUCING **ONE FUND**

You may have participated in church campaigns in the past in which you were asked to give toward a special initiative like new ministries or new facilities. Normally you gave this gift to a “building fund” as you also continued to give to the “general fund” of the church. This traditional two-fund approach can be confusing, especially to those who have not yet engaged in giving.

We are taking a **ONE FUND** approach where all money given to Harvest during the two years of this campaign will be in support of the entire **SENT** vision. In other words, every aspect of ministry that God is calling Harvest to in the coming two years will be funded through **SENT**, and every dollar given will be counted towards the **SENT** vision. This is about more than a building; it is about the mission God has given us to make disciples here, near, and far.

On Sunday, May 6 you will be invited to make a two-year **SENT COMMITMENT**. We believe that God will reveal to you the **ONE** number that will represent your joyful, abundant, and sacrificial generosity over the next two years. As you prayerfully prepare for Commitment Sunday, we have included a sample commitment card and a giving guide on the next two pages to help you as you consider your commitment to **SENT**.

“But since you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you – see that you also excel in this grace of giving.” 2 Corinthians 8:7



As you pray and discern how God would ask you to give during this time, allow this Giving Guide to be a tool for you. Allow it to be something that inspires and challenges you towards greater generosity to fulfill our mission **to mobilize a sent people**.

GIVING GUIDE				
\$5.9 MILLION TOTAL				
GIFTS NEEDED	TOTAL GIFT	ANNUALLY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY
1	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$4,808
1	\$350,000	\$175,000	\$14,583	\$3,365
2	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$10,417	\$2,404
5	\$125,000	\$62,500	\$5,208	\$1,202
6	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$962
7	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$3,125	\$721
8	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$481
12	\$35,000	\$17,500	\$1,458	\$337
14	\$30,000	\$15,000	\$1,250	\$288
15	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$1,042	\$240
16	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$833	\$192
20	\$18,000	\$9,000	\$750	\$173
22	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$625	\$144
24	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$96
25	\$7,500	\$3,750	\$313	\$72
35	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$208	\$48
45	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$104	\$24
60	\$1,000	\$500	\$42	\$10
<i>*Weekly and Monthly numbers have been rounded</i>				

SENT
COMMITMENT CARD
SAMPLE

MY 2-YEAR
COMMITMENT TO

SENT

WHAT I/WE NORMALLY GIVE IN A YEAR: \$

+

MY/OUR EXPANDED GIVING FOR SENT: \$

=

1-YEAR SUBTOTAL: \$

X2

2-YEAR GIVING TOTAL: \$

+

GIFTS FROM OTHER RESOURCES:
(STOCKS, BONUS, SAVINGS, ASSETS, ETC.) \$

=

MY/OUR TWO YEAR SENT COMMITMENT:
(MAY 2018 - MAY 2020) \$

NAME: _____

PHONE: (_____) _____ EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

We will provide you with one of these commitment cards on **Commitment Sunday, May 6, 2018.**

MY NEXT STEP IN GIVING

FIRST-TIME GIVER

I have not yet given financially to the work of God, but I desire to take my first step of faith toward joyful, radical sacrifice in order to help continue to advance Jesus' kingdom.

REGULAR GIVER

I periodically or sporadically give financially to the Lord, but I desire to take another step of faith toward becoming a regular giver toward the Lord's work.

EXPANDED GIVER

I have been regularly giving to the Lord, and I am sensing that God is calling me into deeper faith and dependence on Him. I am going to expand the percentage of my giving pattern to continue the work of Christ.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 10 & 12 - Town Hall Meetings

- 6:30 - 8:30 PM at Harvest Offices; *146 South Park Blvd, Greenwood.*
- Overview of the vision and Q&A with Pastors and Elders.

April 8 - May 5 - Drop Everything and Pray (DEAP) Nights

- Each night from 7:00 - 8:00 PM at the church offices. Join us for as many as you are able!

May 6 - Commitment Sunday

- Complete commitment cards for the **SENT** Vision. Don't miss this milestone weekend in the history of Harvest Indy South!

May 20 - Kick-Start Sunday

- Commitment giving officially begins.
- Bring your Kick-Start gift to help **SENT** start off with great momentum!

20 DAY STUDY OF STEWARDSHIP

HOW TO USE THIS STUDY

This guide provides twenty daily readings, each exploring God's call to Christians to become stewards of His bountiful provision. They are intended to encourage us, to rebuke us sometimes, and to instruct us.

Explore the wide range of biblical teaching about our heart's attachment to the treasures of this world. Experience why Christian giving is such an adventure. Most of all, renew your heart and change your life by soaking in the gospel hope which motivates us to live for His glory and to care for others.

Each day's reading has four parts. Expect to spend about **20 minutes** each day in this study.

- READ:** Slowly read the passage listed. The passages are relatively short, so take time to consider each phrase.
- APPLY:** Use the thought-provoking questions and seek the Spirit's guidance for your own response to the passage. These are not quick fill-in-the-blank questions; they are intended to cause you to slow down and meditate on the truth of God's Word.
- PRAY:** Pray for a genuinely transformed life to live as Christ lived. You may use this time to pray for other issues as well.
- DO:** Daily suggestions that help drive the message in practical ways deep into your heart and life.

This study is a resource from Redeemer Presbyterian Church

Day 1: Your Only True Treasure

Matthew 6:21 *"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

- READ:** Matthew 6:19-21
- APPLY:** Where is most of your treasure? Is that where your heart is?

When you give, does that frighten you or excite you? Why?
- PRAY:** Pray for a renewed heart that tells treasure what to do, not more treasure that tells your heart what to do.
- DO:** Look at your bank statement and your credit card statements. Specifically, where does most of your money go? Are those your priorities?

Day 2: God's Ownership of Creation

Psalm 24:1 *"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof."*

READ: Psalm 24

APPLY: Do you act like God "owes" you something? Why?

What causes you to forget God's loving control of the world?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed heart that daily remembers God's active control of the world and a thankful heart that praises His loving care.

DO: How might living as if God owns everything influence: the way we shop, the presents we put under the Christmas tree, the vacations we plan, our giving to the needy?

Day 3: God's Ownership of His People

1 Corinthians 4:7 *"For who sees anything different in you? What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?"*

READ: 1 Corinthians 4:7-14

APPLY: Would you treat your things differently if they belonged to someone else? What if you acted as if God owned every thing you have: your home, your clothes, your furniture, your money, your time?

What have you received from God? How is your life different because of Christ?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed, joyful heart, using the words of Psalm 100: *"Know that the Lord is good. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture."*

DO: Think of ten big purchases that you've made in the past year or so. Discretely (or even just mentally) label them, "Provided By and Belonging to God. For His Use Only."

Day 4: True Security

Luke 12:20-21 "But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

- READ:** Luke 12:13-21
- APPLY:** How much money do you want left when you die? Why?
- What does becoming 'rich toward God' look like? Does that reflect your own lifestyle? Why or why not?
- PRAY:** Pray for a renewed heart that treats money as a mere thing, and treats God as the only true security.
- DO:** Look at your long-term goals: home, retirement, children. How much accumulation of wealth is required to meet those goals? What if your lifestyle was greatly simplified-how much less would you need? Would you give away the difference?

Day 5: Who Do We Worship?

Matthew 6:24-25 "You cannot serve both God and money. Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear."

- READ:** Matthew 6:24-34
- APPLY:** If you gave until it lowered your lifestyle, would you be worried? Of what?
- What would you give up to become enormously rich? Would you give up friends and family? Would you give up your time? Christ? What would you give up just to be 'comfortable'?
- PRAY:** Pray for a renewed heart that worships Christ alone and rejects the idol of Mammon.
- DO:** Catch yourself worshipping, daydreaming, or worrying about money. Worship Christ instead, using the same loving terms: "If I only had more of Jesus...", "With more of Christ in my life we could...", "I hope my new job gives me plenty of time to serve Jesus..." etc.

Day 6: Contentment

Hebrews 13:5 "Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, for he has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you.'"

READ: Hebrews 13:1-6

APPLY: Are you content with what you have? If not, why?

How do you handle the pressure to 'keep up' or conform to a higher standard of living?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed heart that is content with God's provision, that isn't always looking to new things for satisfaction.

DO: Carefully look at a few ads today. What type of 'salvation' or 'better life' do they promise (approval, peace of mind, comfort, prestige, etc.)? How do they entice people into thinking that their life isn't good enough without this thing?

Day 7: Money at the Root

1 Timothy 6:10 "For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil."

READ: 1 Timothy 6:6-10

APPLY: Take an honest look at some of your most intense desires. Does money play a role in them? In what way does it play a role?

What do you think about people who have a lot more money and possessions than you do? Are they better people, more secure, live a better life?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed heart that recognizes the power of money to turn your desires away from Christ and is able to counter that power by remembering the beauty of Christ.

DO: Take one alluring aspect of money and write a list of the ways it affects your life. For example, "The ways that I act like money gives me pleasure are..." or "The ways that I act like money makes me better than other people are..."

Day 8: The Antidote

1 Timothy 6:18 *"Do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share."*

READ: 1 Timothy 6:17-19

APPLY: John Newton's method was to figure out what a "barely decent" lifestyle was (home, food, clothing), and then to give one penny away for every penny spent on oneself. What would your life be like if you followed that method?

What do you think about people who have a lot more money and possessions than you do? Are they better people, more secure, live a better life?

PRAY: Ask the Lord to grant you a heavenly understanding and perspective of generosity. (Our very life is a gracious act of generosity from the Lord)

DO: Think about the impact generosity can make, write a list of ways a generous spirit can create change in this world.

Day 9: The Motive

2 Corinthians 8:8-9 *"I want to test the sincerity of your love. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich."*

READ: 2 Corinthians 8:1-15

APPLY: Do you beg God to be able to give more than you do now? What is your goal?

What typically motivates your giving? Guilt, duty, expectation of God's blessing or thankfulness?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed lifestyle that places a priority on giving.

DO: Give away some cash (not a check) this week simply because you love Jesus. Don't let anyone know about it or claim it on your taxes.

Day 10: A Cheerful Giver

2 Corinthians 9:7 "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

READ: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

APPLY: Is giving money away fun for you? If yes, when did that joy begin? If not, why not?

Do you desire to give more than you do now (*see yesterday's passage*)? What stops you from giving?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed lifestyle that expresses grace, that holds onto possessions loosely, and that finds joy in giving.

DO: As you give, either on Sunday or at another time, use the act of giving as a specific act of worship.

Day 11: Joyfully, Radically Sacrificial

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

READ: Luke 6:38

APPLY: Do you regularly give from your income? Why or why not?

What would it take to move your giving up one level, giving away a few percent more next year?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed lifestyle that moves up each year in giving to biblical proportions, from nothing to tithing to beyond.

DO: What is your current income level? In this season of life, what percentage of your income could you joyfully, radically, and sacrificially give away?

Day 12: Proportion

1 Corinthians 16:2 "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income."

READ: 1 Corinthians 15:58-16:4

APPLY: Do you give each week just to "pay for your seat" at church or as an act of worship?

Is your giving regular or sporadic? How would regular giving increase both the proportion and the joy of generosity?

PRAY: Pray for a lifestyle of consistent, regular giving to the Lord what he has called you to give.

DO: Take the amount that you feel God calls you to give and divide it by 12 (monthly) or 52 (weekly).

Commit to giving that regular amount at worship, doubling on weeks you may be out of town. Giving by check instead of cash helps by keeping a record of consistency.

Day 13: Investing in the Kingdom

Luke 12:33 "Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted."

READ: Luke 12:33

APPLY: What do you consider 'safe' in this world? How does that compare to the safety of God's eternal kingdom?

Do you have the same concern for the poor as Jesus did? Why or why not?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed lifestyle that sees people as more eternal than things and thereby puts more effort, time, and money into people for the sake of Jesus Christ.

DO: Find a person that you know that has a practical need. Try to meet (at least part of) that need by getting rid of something that you have. Don't give away something worn out; give away something you like.

Day 14: Sacrifice of First Fruits

2 Corinthians 8:3 "For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability."

READ: Deuteronomy 26:1-4, 9-11

APPLY: What would be the 'first fruits' of your life: your pre-tax income, your investments, your time, your abilities, your 'earning potential'? How are those a gift from God?

What kind of a plan could you create to give first to God in everything?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed lifestyle that seeks to give God the first of everything in all areas of life.

DO: How could you encourage other Christians to help each other give first to God? How could our church community do that?

Day 15: Live to Love

1 John 3:18 "Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth."

READ: 1 John 3:16-18

APPLY: How does this passage address Christians today? How does it address you?

What are some ways you could demonstrate your love for others in the area of generosity?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed church that hungers to give and that sees God's remarkable outflow of his favor.

DO: Put your money where your mouth is. If you say you love God and you see others in need, in what way can you love them generously?

Day 16: Outpouring of Grace

2 Corinthians 9:6 "Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."

- READ:

2 Corinthians 9:6-10
- APPLY:

The idea of 'sowing and reaping' is common in Scripture. Where else does it apply?

Do you give because you are motivated that God will reward you in this life somehow? Or does something else motivate your giving?

If you were generous but your financial situation stayed the same (or became even worse), would you stop trusting God? Why or why not?
- PRAY:

Pray for a renewed church that sows generously .
- DO:

To sow generously implies giving until it actually lowers our current lifestyle. What would it take to lower your lifestyle?

Day 17: Adventure

1 Chronicles 29:5 "Who then will offer willingly, consecrating himself today to the Lord?"

- READ:

1 Chronicles 29:1-20
- APPLY:

Where does your ability to be generous come from? Were you always as generous as you are now, or have you grown in that area?

How do you live both adventurously and with security as a Christian?

As a community, how can we live with a greater sense of adventure?
- PRAY:

Pray for a renewed church that recognizes the adventure of the Christian life, the thrill of being a colony of God's people in the world.
- DO:

What is one thing that you are frightened to do for God? Commit to praying for the grace to do that within the next six months. Unite with other Christians (in your small group or with friends) to help each other complete your plan.

Day 18: Pleasing God

Philippians 4:17 "Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit."

READ: Philippians 4:10-20

APPLY: When you give, do you think of your offering going to God or just going to 'pay the church's bills?'

What is a better use of God's resources: luxuries or necessities? Why should Christians live a 'wartime lifestyle' instead of a 'comfort lifestyle'?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed church that constantly gives out as much as it receives, based on the needs of people surrounding the church.

DO: Pick something of your own that someone has given to you (not that thing you keep in the back of your closet!) and give it to someone who needs it.

Day 19: Community of Care

Acts 2:46 "And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts."

READ: Acts 2:42-47

APPLY: Most people feel that modern Christians could never share their possessions like the Christians in Acts 2. Is that true? Why or why not?

In a world where some philanthropists give away millions to charitable causes (often for the fame and recognition it brings), how generous would 'ordinary' Christians have to be to catch the attention of the world?

How could our giving bring attention to Jesus instead of ourselves?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed church that is so generous that the whole city would notice.

DO: As you read biographies of Christians, notice how generous they were (or weren't). Try to explain how their use of money fit into their lives as a whole.

Day 20: Praise to God

2 Corinthians 9:15 "Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!"

READ: 2 Corinthians 9:11-15

APPLY: Are you content enough in all situations to willingly be generous on every occasion.

How does giving of your financial resources encourage greater giving of your whole life to God?

Looking back, what has been the greatest lesson that you've learned? How do you think and act differently toward God?

PRAY: Pray for a renewed church full of people with renewed hearts that are free to risk everything for the gospel.

DO: Look for other books on Christian stewardship to continue growing in your understanding.

***"...Everything comes
from you, and we have
given you only what
comes from your hand."***

- 1 Chronicles 29:14

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How is this campaign different from a traditional capital campaign?

Traditional church capital campaigns involve a designated building fund where people are asked to give specifically to support a special initiative such as a building or expansion project. We will instead be using a **ONE FUND** approach where all money given to Harvest during the two years of this campaign will be in support of the entire **SENT** vision (including the establishment of a sending base, support for church planting, and the ongoing disciple-making ministry of Harvest Bible Chapel Indy South). In other words, every aspect of ministry that God is calling Harvest to in the coming two years will be funded through **SENT**, and every dollar given will be counted towards the **SENT** vision. This is about more than a building; it is about the mission God has given us to make disciples here, near, and far. This vision will require each of us to go “above and beyond” our normal giving by asking God to show you during this season what a joyful, sacrificial gift looks like.

I drive by 10 churches on my way to Harvest every week, why are we planting more churches in Central Indiana?

The number of churches in America is not growing but declining. Statistics show that every year the churches that close their doors are outpacing those being started. The numbers also suggest that if we are going to reach the greater Indy area, more gospel-proclaiming, Bible-preaching, Jesus-worshipping churches must be started. The reality is that there are over 400,000 people within a 10-mile radius of the Greenwood Park Mall and the majority of those are not currently associated with a church. Communities around us are hungry for vertical churches. We believe God is calling us to equip and send disciples to see His glory spread through Indy and beyond.

If we are going to plant churches around Central Indiana, will some of us go to help these churches get planted?

Yes! The prayer when this church was started was for God to call the people to us whom He was leading to help start this church! In the same way, every time God opens the door for us to plant a church within driving distance of Harvest, each of us should seek the Lord to see if He is calling us to help get a fresh work started in a location of Central Indiana in need of a life-giving church.

Why are we seeking to build now?

We said from day one that we would wait on an “evident move of the Lord” to show us where He wanted to set up a permanent facility for Harvest. When discussions with a public school system began on the piece of property north of the football field for \$100 an acre, we began to say, “I spy God...” Since then, the Lord has continued to pave the way and clear every detail for us to acquire this land and begin the process of establishing a facility on this site.

Where specifically will we build the new church facility?

The Clark Pleasant Community School Corporation has offered to sell us land just north of the middle school football field. This location is another example of God at Work in that it is beautifully and strategically located right off of an I-65 exit and easily visible from both directions on the interstate. Literally tens of thousands of cars will pass our church building and see our church name every day.

What will be included with the new building?

For this initial phase, our hope is to build a worship center, lobby, Harvest Kids/Students space, and offices.

What is the timeline for the new church facility?

We are currently planning to begin work on the land in the Fall of 2018 with construction of the building subsequently beginning in late 2018/early 2019. If we are able to maintain this schedule, it is possible that we would worship in the new facility for the first time in the Spring of 2020! Of course, many factors will impact this schedule, but most prominent would be successful completion of the land purchase and all zoning approvals, raising of funds to support the project, and weather.

Why is the worship center the size it is?

- We believe a worship center of 1,200 allows us to maximize the Lord's calling on our church to be a church-planting church. We can send out hundreds at a time over the years to establish new churches. This will allow the new church plant to start on a healthy foundation and at the same would leave our church as a sending base with sufficient people and resources to continue healthy disciple making and church planting efforts.
- The growth reality of the early years of Harvest led us to believe that a worship center of 1,200 seats would best allow us to accommodate the trajectory the Lord has our church on while leaving room for us to continue to grow once in the facility. 80% full in a church worship center is considered full. At current growth trends, to build even a 1,000-seat worship center would have meant being 75% full in both services upon opening our doors.

But won't a worship center that large lead to less of a family feel?

No. We believe strongly that what makes a church feel like family is not the church facility but the people who make up the church facility. We will have the opportunity in this new season to be more intentional than ever to love any person that God brings into our gathering at Harvest. But the people of Harvest, not the building of Harvest, will create the culture of family and love for each other.

What is the plan if God continues to bring more people such that we outgrow the new facility?

The decision to build a 1,200-seat worship center was saturated in prayer and the Elders believe this is the appropriate size for Harvest Indy South. Therefore, we do not currently plan to further expand the worship center in the future. We believe that as long as we stay focused on the mission God has given us, He will continue to bring people and we will continue to make disciples and plant churches here, near, and far.

What will change about Harvest once we move into the new building?

Nothing about the mission of our church will change. We will still exist to **glorify God by making disciples**. We will remain committed to the four pillars: Unashamed Worship, Unapologetic Preaching, Unceasing Prayer, and Unafraid Witness. We will remain committed to discipling kids and students and to uncommon community small groups. The primary change is that we won't be setting up curtains and chairs and kid's classrooms in order to carry out the mission.

How much will this initiative cost?

We are seeking to raise \$5.9 million in total giving over two years to support this **SENT** vision. These funds will be applied to the ongoing ministry of Harvest Bible Chapel, new facility construction, and church planting as outlined in the **SENT** campaign materials. The total cost for the new facility is still being finalized as part of the design process, but we are targeting \$8-9 million which includes architectural design services, site work, construction, and furnishing of the new facility.

Will we take on debt to complete the facility?

We are praying that our great and mighty God, who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly more than we ask or imagine (Eph 3:20), will raise every dollar to fulfill this vision He has called us to. Should He choose to fulfill this vision through the responsible borrowing of funds, our Elders have compiled a “debt position paper” to guide us in how to biblically and wisely handle the issue of financial debt. If you would like to review this paper, please contact one of our Elders.

How can I participate?

As a follower of Jesus Christ, you are sent to carry the gospel into the world in which you live and work. At Harvest, we want to live our lives based on the mission that Jesus has given each of us to be witnesses here, near, and far. So specifically, we are asking that you pray, that you be willing to go where He calls you, and that you give generously to support this vision for our church. We will be giving you an opportunity to share your intentions by filling out a commitment card and bringing it to church on our **Commitment Sunday, May 6, 2018**.

Should I turn in a commitment card even if I do not feel I can increase my giving?

Yes. By having a good estimate of the church’s overall income, it helps those who are planning the projects to accurately manage the budget. In addition, one of our primary goals is 100% participation because this God-sized vision is impossible unless all of us are in it together. And by using a One Fund approach, every dollar given to Harvest during the two years of this campaign will be used in support of the **SENT** vision.

How long is my commitment to SENT?

We are asking that everyone make a two year commitment. The fulfillment period for your commitment will begin with our **SENT Kick-Start Sunday** on May 20 and will culminate on May 31, 2020. However, it is our hope and prayer that your experience giving joyfully and generously to this campaign will lead to a lifetime of joyful generosity to the work that God is doing in His church on an ongoing basis. **SENT** is an opportunity for everyone at Harvest to take a next step towards developing a generous heart for God’s church and His mission!

What if I have never given to Harvest before?

The One Fund approach of **SENT** was crafted specifically with you in mind. This is a call to sacrificial generosity for absolutely everyone at Harvest and every dollar given will be part of supporting the vision which God has given us.

Are there additional ways besides cash that I can give towards SENT?

Be creative as you explore ways you and your family can give towards **SENT**. You might have stocks, property, or other assets. Or you may have some stored resources that God has blessed you with in the past that He might be calling you to give out of during this time. Please let us know if you need assistance with facilitating gifts of property or stock by contacting our Financial Assistant Carol Wingels (carol@harvestindysouth.org) or our Executive Pastor Mark Wiley (mark@harvestindysouth.org).

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