PURSUING THE BOLD LIFE

MIDPOINT OF THE BOLD INITIATIVE

EXPECT GREAT THINGS FROM GOD



ATTEMPT GREAT THINGS WITH GOD

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LETTER FROM PASTOR ROB

WHEN THEY SAW THE **BOLDNESS** OF PETER AND JOHN, AND DISCOVERED THAT THEY WERE UNEDUCATED AND ORDINARY MEN, THEY WERE AMAZED AND RECOGNIZED THESE MEN HAD BEEN WITH JESUS.

ACTS 4:13

God has called us to live out a **BOLD** faith in Jesus for the sake of others. This has already been a powerful season of life-change at First Christian Church and God has only begun to show us what He is capable of when we fully trust Him.

As we approach the midpoint of our two-year **BOLD** discipleship journey, I want you to lean in and be encouraged by all God continues to do in us, and through us. We know we can expect great things from God, and He is always



inviting us to take a Next Step as followers of Jesus. That's why we will keep attempting great things with God and be faithful to *Pursuing THE* **BOLD** LIFE together.

Nothing will stop us from **BOLDLY** proclaiming the Gospel so that lives are transformed through the power of Jesus Christ. In our neighborhoods. Throughout our community. Around the world.

Everyone in the FCC family has a role in *Pursuing The BOLD Life* together. Whether you are new to this journey and making a first-time commitment, finishing strong through the next year, or taking another step of generosity and increasing your commitment, keep putting God first in all you do. He is faithful and we can trust in His plan for our life. All for His glory!

Boldly Praying for You Rob

WHAT WE SET OUT TO DO

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BOLD is an opportunity for every person at FCC to take their next **BOLD** step in the story Jesus wants them to tell.

SECONDARY GOAL \$2.75 MILLION

From December 2021 through December 2023, every gift given to FCC will go to the **BOLD** initiative as we partner with God to be **BOLD FOR CHRIST** and **BOLD FOR OUR NEIGHBOR**.

WHAT GOD HAS DONE

People have been baptized into Christ!

102

Total **BOLD** Commitments 34

First-time givers since the launch of **BOLD**

149

Total number of givers since the launch of **BOLD**

\$1.725M

Total committed to **BOLD**

W. France

\$721K

Total given to **BOLD**



Kids involved in First Steps Preschool \$81,500

Given to our mission partners

220

Kids participated in Adventure

Week



Meals packed for Lifeline Christian Mission

WHERE WE ARE GOING



God is calling FCC to take **BOLD** steps beyond our current ministry and relocate the church campus, extending our ministry further into the surrounding communities.

Although God has not identified the specific location yet, we are trusting Him to provide an ideally-suited property for the relocation and we want to be ready when God reveals His plan.

We are raising \$1.5 M as the initial funds to purchase property and begin the construction of FCC's future campus.

WHAT IS YOUR ROLE?

NEW COMMITMENT

You recently joined our church family and are wondering, "What is the **BOLD** Initiative and how do I become a part of it?" **BOLD** is for anyone who would call FCC their church home and we welcome you to the family! We hope you will join us on this **BOLD** journey and consider making a ONE YEAR generosity commitment.

FINISH STRONG

Others made a commitment one year ago and perhaps for some of us, this journey has been as difficult – or possibly more difficult – than we had envisioned. Maybe you went to a completely new level in your generosity and are still adjusting your life to it. Maybe you have experienced job loss, job change or unexpected financial expenses. Persevere to finish strong in this journey you began. We all stand together, encouraging one another. We know the Lord is faithful. He will provide, and we want to finish strong in our commitment to **BOLD**.

INCREASE

Some of us made our **BOLD** commitment one year ago, and it is possible that we had an increase in faith or finances. you may be sensing the Lord stretching you to take an additional step of faith in your generosity. We challenge those of you to respond to His generosity by increasing your commitment. Consider asking yourself these questions: Am I still giving in a way that changes me? Pray and ask yourself if He is Inviting you into another step of faith with an increased commitment.

GENEROSITY JOURNEY

How is your giving fueling your growth as a disciple?

INITIÁL GIVER

An Initial Giver decides to give for the first time, out of a response to God's Word about giving. This is someone who decides to give something and trust God and the leaders of the Church with this gift.

CONSISTENT GIVER

A Consistent Giver exercises the discipline of giving as a disciple of Jesus by giving on a regular basis. Someone who makes their gift an online recurring gift is learning the behavior of consistency. Non-online givers can be consistent in their giving; it just requires more discipline.

INTENTIONAL GIVER

An Intentional Giver understands the pre-eminence of Christ and that He is before all things. All things were created by Him, for Him, through Him, and to Him. This giver places a significant priority on their giving. It drives their spending and their saving, as opposed to their spending and saving driving their giving.

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SURRENDERED GIVER

A Surrendered Giver recognizes the power of the Gospel and honors God with 100% of their resources as a result. This Individual gives in a way that changes them, reflecting the totality of their resources belong to God. A Surrendered Giver seeks to honor God with 100% of what He has given them, whether that means direct monetary giving or a God-honoring use of an existing resource.

ETERNAL GIVER

An Eternal Giver thinks about the long-term effects of generosity rather than month-to-month or even year-to-year generosity. This individual makes decisions in light of eternity rather than the short-term here on earth. They think of what home they buy, what car they purchase, how much savings they choose to keep, all in relation to the impact of their generosity capacity. An Eternal Giver could be someone who has a lifetime giving goal that governs their larger financial decisions. They make a lifetime or longer-term giving commitment that governs their larger purchases like homes, cars, investments, and the like.

MIDPOINT COMMITMENT CARD

	I AM NEW TO BOLD
	I would like to make a one year commitment to the BOLD generosity initiative in the ammount of:
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	"This includes your regular giving as well as your expanded giving and giving from stored resources through December 2023.
PRIMARY GOAL:	I AM ALREADY COMMITTED TO BOLD
100% ENGAGEMENT	
	\$
next bold step in the story Jesus wants them to tell.	At the midpoint of BBLD , I would like to:
	Confirm my commitment to finish strong
sedondary goal: \$2.75 MILLION	Increase my two-year commitment to:
	\$
BOLD FOR CHRIST is a \$1.25 million dollar investment over two years to accelerate the ministry God has already	
called us to do.	Name:
BOLD FOR OUR MEIGHBOR is a \$1.5 million dollar investment over two years to purchase and renovate an ideally-suited over two years to purchase and FCC's campus.	City: St: Z
property for the relocation of FCC's campus.	Phone:
	Fmail:

We've included a copy of the midpoint commitment card in the back of this booklet so that you and your family can begin to pray about your commitment and what that will mean for your journey with God as we approach the midpoint of the **BOLD** initiative. Please take time to think and pray through this, and we will provide you with a new hard copy on Commitment Sunday, October 9.

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PURSUING

THE BOLD LIFE

MESSAGE SERIES NOTES & LIFEGROUP CONTENT WEEK 1

2 Cor 8:8-12

PURSUE THE FINISH LINE

LIFEGROUP CONTENT

- PURSUE THE FINISH LINE -

-Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-12 as a group. What stands out to you in this passage?

-What stands out to you from this past year? How have you seen God at work during the **BOLD** initaitive?

-How does our generosity demonstrate the character of Jesus? How does it display that character to the world?

-What does a **BOLD** step look like for you and your family during this season? What finish line are you pursuing?

WEEK 2

2 Cor 8:13-15 Acts 4:32-37



LIFEGROUP CONTENT

- PURSUE COMMUNITY -

-Read 2 Corinthians 8:13-15 and Acts 4:32-37 as a group. What stands out to you from these passages?

-How does community amplify the impact of our generosity?

-How did the generosity of the early church help them to build a reputation?

-During this **BOLD** season what does it look like for us to be devoted to one another and to God? WEEK 3

2 Cor 9:1-8

PURSUE EAGERNESS

LIFEGROUP CONTENT

- PURSUE EAGERNESS -

-Read 2 Corinthians 9:1-8 as a group. What stands out to you from this passage?

-What do you think stirred the eagerness that Paul talks about in these first few verses?

-How does that eagerness inpsire other Christian communities to respond to needs around them?

-Who can you inspire with your own **BOLD** steps during this season?

WEEK 4

2 Cor 9:10-15

PURSUE THE GOSPEL

LIFEGROUP CONTENT

- PURSUE THE GOSPEL -

-Read 2 Corinthians 9:10-15 as a group. What stands out to you from this passage?

-As you read through these verses, what reason does Paul give for God's provision?

-How does this shape our own response to God's blessings and provision?

-How does our generosity fuel the spread of the Gospel into our community?

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