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BLUE SPRINGS CHRISTIAN CHURCH



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YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER
WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT
COMES ON YOU; AND YOU
WILL BE MY WITNESSES
IN JERUSALEM, AND IN
ALL JUDEA AND SAMARIA,
AND TO THE ENDS
OF THE EARTH.

ACTS 1:8



Acts 1:8 records the final words Jesus shared with his disciples before returning to heaven: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." As we read the story of Acts, it is clear how passionate and sold out these first followers of Jesus were in being his witnesses. They were acutely aware that heaven and hell hung in the balance. Over the next thirty years, Christ's Church grew from 120 to over 100,000 as his disciples shared the message of Jesus in Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and beyond.

Since 1981, BSCC has been seeking guidance and power from the Holy Spirit to be Jesus' witnesses. Over these decades we have been blessed to see lives changed, marriages and families healed, ministries thrive, and hundreds of new believers grow up in Christ. For my wife Tammy and me, it is not an overstatement to say that being a part of BSCC has been one of the most profound parts of our lives and family.

The past several months our Overseers and Ministry Staff have been asking the Holy Spirit to guide us into ways that BSCC can multiply our impact for Jesus in our Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. We are convinced this Multiply initiative will provide us with that opportunity.

We invite you to join us on this journey. Our hope is that every BSCC'er will participate. We look forward with great anticipation to what God will do in us and through us as together we seek to make an even greater impact for Jesus in Blue Springs, Kansas City, and our world. Let's do this, Church!

Together on mission,

Pastor Dave

WHERE WE ARE



The history of our church has been to take important steps of faith together in order to reach more children, students, and adults with the good news of Jesus. In 2000 we stepped out in faith through an initiative called Time to Build that enabled us to relocate from Lake Village subdivision to our current South 7 Highway location. In 2004 we took a step of faith through God's Dream - Our Challenge that enabled us to add both staff and land. In 2008 we took another step of faith through Building Lives Together, enabling us to construct the Student Center. We are confident that the Multiply Initiative is a next important step of faith for us in our efforts to be Jesus' witnesses in Blue Springs, metro KC, and beyond.



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WHERE WE ARE GOING

Multiply is a two year generosity initiative that we believe will enable BSCC to partner with the Holy Spirit in ways that will multiply our impact for Jesus for many, many years to come. We believe it will take us about five years to implement all the parts of the initiative. Just before returning to heaven, Jesus told his disciples, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Through this initiative we intend to strengthen our witness for Jesus in our Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

MULTIPLYING OUR IMPACT THROUGH OUR CHURCH

The outreach, ministries, and programs that make up our annual general budget are the life blood and core of what BSCC does. They are the primary means and main strategy we use for guiding people into a fully devoted relationship with Jesus – together. So, they make up the largest part of Multiply.

Our general budget funds take care of our buildings and grounds, staff salaries, provides materials and supplies for children's and student ministries, curriculum for adult small groups, materials for community outreach, and everything else that we do at BSCC. But it does even more than that.

Every week children, students, and adults gather to worship and grow in their love for God. Every week children, students, and adults meet in small groups to study God's Word and grow in their love for People. And every week dozens of students and adults serve in many different ministries in many different ways to grow in their Heart to Serve.

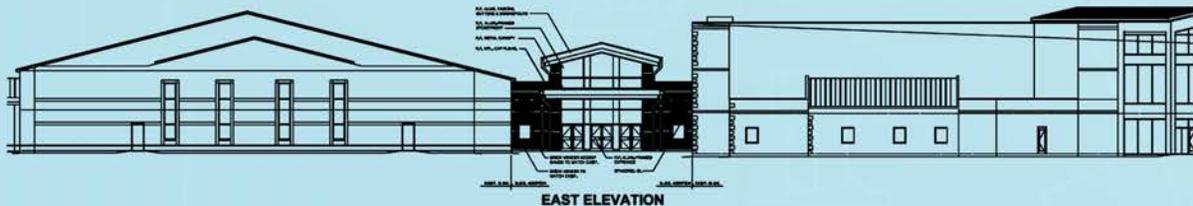
The ministries, programs, and outreach of BSCC change lives both in our church family and in our community. In the past ten years, we have baptized 514 people into Christ through the ongoing ministries of BSCC. So far in 2023, we have baptized an additional 36 people. A total of 550 people baptized into Christ in just under eleven years because of how God has used BSCC to reach the lost and the hurting.

God has done great things through the ministries of BSCC, and we believe that through Multiply, God will continue to bless and grow our impact for Jesus Christ through the outreach, ministries, and programs of Blue Springs Christian Church.

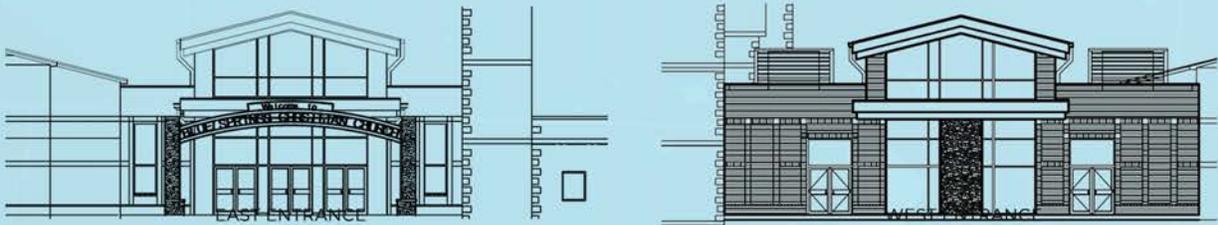
Through the two year giving to Multiply, we hope to be able to invest \$3.4 million into the weekly ministries and outreach of BSCC in 2024 and 2025.

MULTIPLYING OUR IMPACT ON OUR CAMPUS

We are one church in two buildings with many entrances. This has made it hard for new families to find their way into our church and the ministries they want to find. This has led to a perceived separation between our adult ministries and our student/children's ministries. And this makes for difficult journeys between the buildings when it rains, snows, or is windy.



To address these problems, we plan to construct a new east entrance that will give our campus the feel of being one building, while quickly connecting new families to age-specific ministries.



A welcoming archway and colorful shade sails will draw new families to the new east entrance, where they will be warmly greeted and guided quickly to age-specific ministries.

This building will connect our Lobby with the Student Center, while also creating additional space for fellowship and ministry both inside and outside. We will also be remodeling the Nursery and Coffee House to improve and enhance those ministries.

Through the two year giving to Multiply, we hope to be able to be able to raise \$1.3 million for this construction and remodel project.



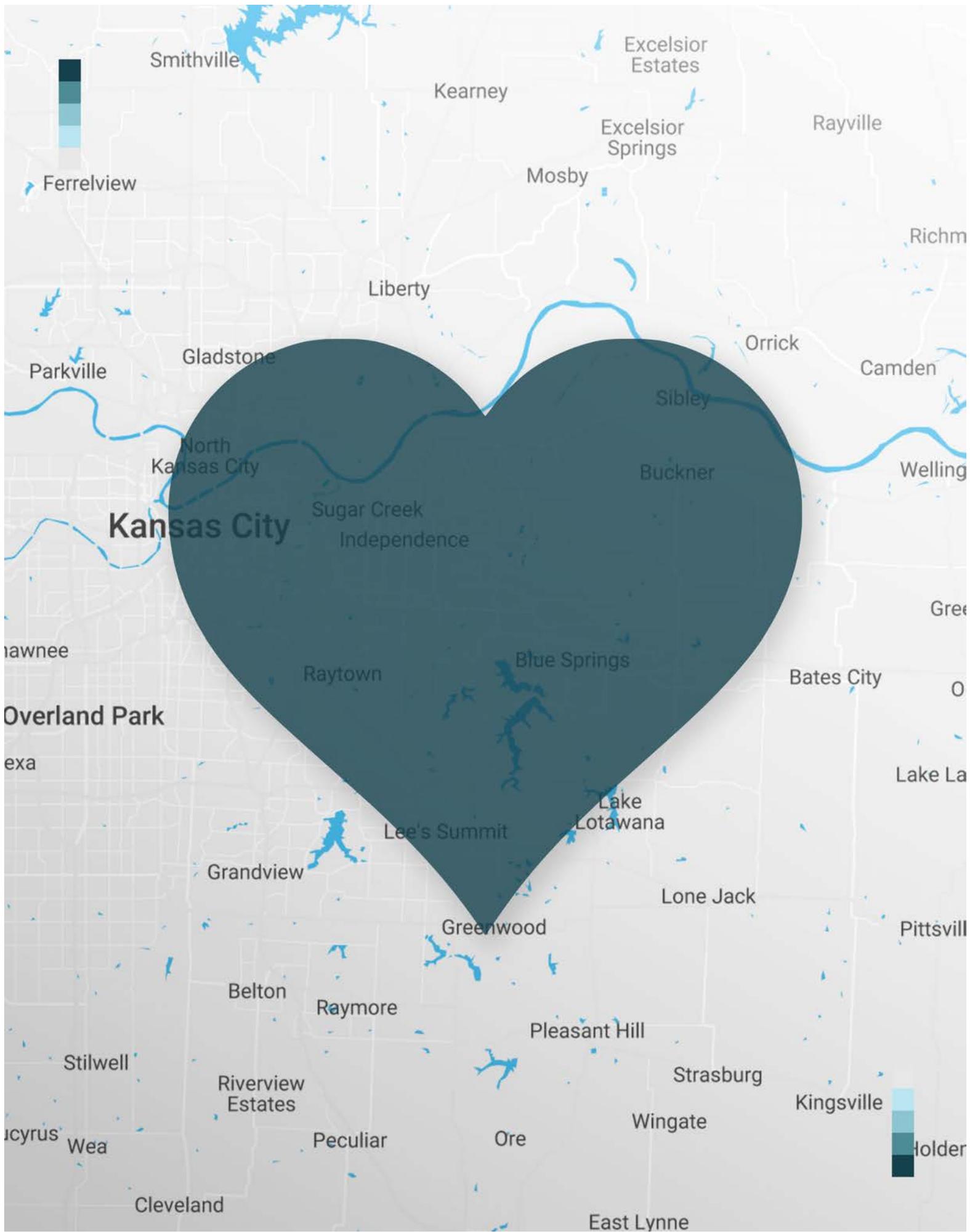
MULTIPLYING OUR IMPACT IN ANOTHER COUNTRY

In this part of the initiative, we plan to partner with Honduras Ministries to plant a church in the country of Honduras. Jim Martin, the ministry's president and founder, has been in Honduras since 1999. The mission of Honduras Ministries is to see communities transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ and to break the bonds of poverty and oppression that are prevalent in the ultra-poor regions of Honduras. Over the past ten years, Honduras Ministries has planted seven churches and built three church buildings.



One of the ministry's primary strategies is a Child Enrichment Program. In this program, children meet at the program center twice a week where they receive food assistance along with medical, dental, and vision help. There are also quarterly meetings with parents to help them understand how to promote a more nurturing environment for each other and their children. Most importantly, the children regularly participate in Bible classes and often hear the message of the good news of Jesus.

Our church planting partnership with Honduras Ministries will include a Child Sponsorship Program and eventually short-term mission trips to serve the new church and meet the children we are sponsoring. Through the two year giving to Multiply, we hope to invest \$100,000 in planting this new church. This money will be used for construction of the church building and furnishings, the church planter's salary, and the staff and start-up costs of the Child Enrichment Program. This financial goal does not include the monthly sponsorship of children. Approximately a year into the project we will host a Child Sponsorship Sunday where BSCCers will have the opportunity to sponsor a child for \$48 a month.



Kansas City

Overland Park

Wichita

Cleveland

East Lynne

Smithville

Excelsior Estates

Kearney

Excelsior Springs

Rayville

Ferrelview

Mosby

Liberty

Orrick

Richmond

Parkville

Gladstone

Camden

North Kansas City

Buckner

Welling

Sugar Creek
Independence

Jawnee

Greer

Raytown

Blue Springs

Bates City

Overland Park

Olathe

Lake Lawrence

Lee's Summit

Lake Lotawana

Grandview

Lone Jack

Pittsville

Greenwood

Belton

Raymore

Pleasant Hill

Strasburg

Kingsville

Stilwell

Riverview Estates

Wingate

Wichita

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MULTIPLYING OUR IMPACT IN OUR COMMUNITY



In year three of the initiative we will prayerfully look to begin a second location. This step of faith will help us to reach neighbors, friends, family, and co-workers that do not live close to our Blue Springs campus. People that we are wanting to reach with the Good News of Jesus are much more willing to drive and connect with a church that is nearby rather than one that is twenty to thirty minutes away. After gathering seed money in 2024 and 2025, we will take steps to begin a second location that is near a sizeable group of BSCCers

who don't live close to our campus, enabling them to better reach their neighbors for Jesus.

There are other mission strategic reasons, beyond proximity, for taking this step of faith. A second location brings together the best aspects of the smaller church and larger church. A smaller church appeals to many people because it is not as intimidating and feels easier to establish relationships. While a larger church has resources and opportunities that a smaller church is unable to provide. Our second location will be smaller and more intimate, while also providing ministries and resources that would typically be associated with a larger church. This step of faith will enable us to maximize our funds and resources by utilizing them at both locations.

Adding a second location will also inspire the development of emerging leaders. This new location will create opportunities for BSCCers to take leadership steps in Worship Ministry, Small Groups, Children and Student Ministries, and Guest Services. Who knows, God may raise up a couple of our current volunteers to eventually become part of the paid staff at the new location.

Through the two year giving to Multiply, we hope to be able to set aside \$200,000 in preparation for this second location. This money will be used for facility and staffing costs.



MULTIPLY GENEROSITY INITIATIVE TWO-YEAR GOAL:

We will strive to Multiply our Impact for Jesus...

IN ANOTHER COUNTRY | PLANT A CHURCH IN HONDURAS
\$100,000

THROUGH OUR CHURCH | TWO YEAR MINISTRY BUDGET
\$3,400,000

ON OUR CAMPUS | CAMPUS CONSTRUCTIONS
\$1,300,000*

IN OUR COMMUNITY | BEGIN A SECOND LOCATION
\$200,000*

TOTAL | **\$5,000,000**

**The cost of these last two projects exceed these numbers; however, by God's grace we have received a large gift that will allow us to underwrite a significant portion of the cost of these projects.*

WHAT'S NEXT

HOW CAN YOU ENGAGE DURING THE MULTIPLY SERIES?

1. PRAY FERVENTLY

Pray that God will work in the hearts of His people at BSCC and that we will listen and obey.

2. ENGAGE FULLY

Commit to engaging in this discipleship and mission advancement adventure and lead others to do the same. Make plans to worship with BSCC every week during the Multiply series. If you are not yet part of a small group at BSCC, join one for Multiply at bscc.org/small-groups.

3. CHEER LOUDLY

Encourage others in your sphere of influence to be a part of Multiply. Then rejoice in the amazing things God does in this special season.

4. GIVE GENEROUSLY

Live and give in a way that stretches you to take your faith to a new level of generosity.

ONE MISSION, ONE FUND

What's a "**ONE FUND**" initiative?

You may have been part of church campaigns in the past where you were asked to give a second gift 'above and beyond' your usual gifts to make special projects like a new building or a new ministry possible.

Normally, you gave that gift to the "Building Fund" and you also continued to give to the "General Fund." This type of giving is potentially confusing to people who either don't have a baseline for their "usual giving" or who aren't able to really celebrate the total giving they are engaging in at BSCC in one single number.

We believe that it is all ONE MISSION that we're on - the mission of guiding people into a fully devoted relationship with Jesus - together.

All four areas that we will be focusing on over the next two years in multiplying our impact for Jesus are a part of this one mission; they will all contribute to this one mission. The Multiply initiative will last for two years. In those two years, every gift given to BSCC (*outside of \$1 for One and Packs & Kids*) will go to the Multiply initiative for mission advancement.



YOUR COMMITMENT

As you prayerfully discern how God would ask you to give during these two years, use this gift chart as a discipleship tool. Let it inspire and challenge you towards greater generosity for Christ's Kingdom as we seek to give God our first and our best.

TWO YEAR GIFT CHART

Gift Needed	Two-Year Gift Level	Annual Gift	Monthly Gift	Gift Level Total
1	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$500,000
1	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$10,417	\$250,000
2	\$150,000	\$75,000	\$6,250	\$300,000
3	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$300,000
4	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$3,125	\$300,000
7	\$65,000	\$32,500	\$2,708	\$455,000
10	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$500,000
12	\$35,000	\$17,500	\$1,458	\$420,000
20	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$1,042	\$500,000
25	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$625	\$375,000
30	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$300,000
40	\$7,500	\$3,750	\$313	\$300,000
50	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$208	\$250,000
Many	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$104	\$250,000

TOTAL GIFT GOAL: \$5,000,000

\$ What I/we would normally give in a year.
(Regular General Fund giving. Does not include \$1 for One or Packs & Kids giving.)

+\$ My/Our expanded annual generosity
 as part of the Multiply initiative.

=\$ x 2 years 

\$

Gifts from my/our stored resources +\$

MY/OUR TOTAL 2-YEAR MULTIPLY COMMITMENT

\$

December 2023 – December 2025

COMMITMENT SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 19.

Use this commitment card sample to help you prayerfully consider what level of generosity God is calling you to during Multiply. You will get a fresh new card to fill out on Commitment Sunday.

THE GIVING JOURNEY

GROWING IN GENEROSITY



The Giving Journey is a tool designed to help each of us grow in our faith and generosity for the sake of Jesus and his mission.

The Giving Journey focuses on the behaviors and attitudes of our hearts rather than on amounts or percentages.

Each step of the journey represents growth in a lifestyle of generosity and sacrifice.

These are not steps you slowly ascend to get to God, but simply a way to evaluate your growth in generosity. In 2 Corinthians 8:7, the Apostle Paul encourages us to grow in every part of our walk with Christ, including the grace of giving. Our prayer is that God would help each of us grow in our faith and generosity for the sake of Jesus and his mission. Where do you find yourself on this giving journey?

THE GIVING JOURNEY

GROWING IN GENEROSITY

FIRST-TIME GIVER – *2 Corinthians 8:7-15*

A First-time Giver is someone who decides to give for the first time in response to God's Word about giving. This is someone who decides to give something and trusts both God and church leaders with their gift.

CONSISTENT GIVER – *2 Corinthians 9:6-8*

A Consistent Giver is someone who decides to give something and gives it consistently to exercise the discipline of regular giving. Often, this is someone who determines to give a recurring gift online at bscc.org/give. Those who do not give online can become consistent givers, also, but doing so requires more discipline.

INTENTIONAL GIVER – *Luke 14:28-35*

The Intentional Giver starts to make their giving an intentional choice that reflects how they prioritize and spend their money. They are someone who is beginning to think about their giving in relation to other things they spend their money on. This may be the point when someone begins to tithe, giving in proportion to their income, a percentage to God.

SURRENDERED GIVER – *Colossians 1:15-23*

A Surrendered Giver is someone who emphasizes the price Christ paid for them on the cross and is surrendered to honoring God with 100% of their resources as a result. Their giving governs their spending and saving rather than their spending and saving governing their giving.

ETERNAL GIVER – *1 Timothy 6:6-19*

An Eternal Giver is someone who emphasizes the long term impact of their generosity rather than just the shorter term of month-to-month generosity or even year-to-year. An Eternal Giver makes decisions in the short term that have longer term effects as it relates to their generosity capacity. They think of what home they buy, what car they purchase, how much savings they choose to keep, all in relation to their generosity capacity. An Eternal Giver is driven by the things of eternity, putting their hope in God and not in the things of this earth.



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OUR PRAYERS

HOW CAN I PRAY FOR MULTIPLY?

Anything of importance or impact can only be accomplished through seeking God's guidance and help through prayer. Here are some ways that you can pray for the Multiply Initiative and your part in it.

1. One Sentence Prayer

Whenever you see the Multiply logo, pray this simple prayer, "Father, please work in us and through us to multiply our impact for Jesus."

2. Prayer and Fasting

Sacrifice some of your time and comfort by skipping one or more meals and spend that time in prayer. Pray for your and/or our church's participation in Multiply. Pray for one or more of the Multiply initiatives. Pray that God would multiply your impact for Jesus.

3. Prayer Walk

While at church, take some time as an individual or in a group to walk to four parts of our campus and pray for the four Multiply initiatives.

Walk to the Connection Point and pray for the ongoing ministries of BSCC. Pray that God would use our regular, weekly ministries to guide people into a fully devoted relationship with Jesus – together.

Walk between our buildings and pray for the new entrance building. Pray that God would use it to make it easier for new families and individuals to find their way on to our campus and into our ministries so they would experience the love and grace of Jesus.

Walk into our Worship Center and pray for our second location. Pray that God would guide our planning and our steps as we seek to follow him in reaching more and more people in Eastern Jackson County.

Walk to the Mission Board in the Lobby and pray for the Honduran church plant. Pray that God would guide Honduras Ministries to the community that God wants us to reach. Pray that we would be more than just financial partners in this ministry, that we as a church and individuals will be actively involved in this church and community.

4. Prayer Wall

Write out your prayer for Multiply or one of the four initiatives or your part in Multiply on one of the prayer slips on the table in the Multiply Hub in the Lobby. Then roll it up and place it in one of the Prayer Towers as a prayer offering to God.



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GROUP STUDIES WEEK 1

TOGETHER ON MISSION | OCTOBER 22-28

REVIEW:

- ※ GO OVER THE OUTLINE FOR SUNDAY'S MESSAGE, "TOGETHER ON MISSION."
- ※ WHAT STOOD OUT TO YOU FROM THIS MESSAGE?
- ※ WHAT CHALLENGED YOU?
- ※ WHAT MADE YOU SEE THINGS FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE?

PRAYER:

- ※ PRAY AS A GROUP FOR WHAT GOD WILL DO IN EACH OF US THROUGH THE MULTIPLY SERIES.

SCRIPTURE:

- ※ READ ACTS 1:1-11 (FOCUS ON ACTS 1:8).



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- ※ 1. Jesus asked His followers to be patient, have a persevering faith, and wait for the gift of the Holy Spirit, which would empower them to be His witnesses all throughout Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and the ends of the earth. Being a person of great faith requires both patience and perseverance. Do you wrestle personally with either of these traits? How does this impact your faith? What do Galatians 6:9 and Hebrews 12:1-3 offer on this topic?
- ※ 2. Jesus cast a vision for His followers to spread His message to all types of places, even those in which they weren't personally comfortable. When you think about your Jerusalem, your Judea, and your Samaria, what is uncomfortable for you as you seek to share your faith in a God-honoring way? Who is in your Jerusalem? Who is in your Judea? Who is in your Samaria?
- ※ 3. Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-7. The Macedonian churches pleaded with Paul to allow them to give – and they gave sacrificially, some even beyond their ability. Their giving was a result of having given themselves to the Lord first. Paul then lists some things that they were to excel in: faith, speech, knowledge, earnestness, and love. And then he encourages them to excel in the grace of giving. How do you excel in giving? Is it by giving more? Is it by giving with a different attitude? Is it by giving more intentionally? How can someone create a plan to excel in this area?
- ※ 4. As you think about the generosity challenge of the Multiply initiative, how does this inspire you personally? How specifically can your group be praying for you as you take steps in your generosity in this season?
- ※ 5. How has our study tonight helped you develop a “fully devoted relationship with Jesus – together”?

CLOSING PRAYER:

- ※ Reflect on your answers from the previous questions and spend some time in silent prayer, asking God to give you patience and perseverance as His witness in your everyday life, courage and clarity in sharing the gospel with others, the grace to excel at giving, and an open heart when it comes to giving generously.

After a few minutes, close in prayer as a group. Encourage everyone to come back next week!



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GROUP STUDIES WEEK 2

TOGETHER IN COMMUNITY | OCT 29 - NOV 4

REVIEW:

- ※ GO OVER THE OUTLINE FOR SUNDAY'S MESSAGE, "TOGETHER IN COMMUNITY."
- ※ WHAT STOOD OUT TO YOU FROM THIS MESSAGE?
- ※ WHAT CHALLENGED YOU?
- ※ WHAT MADE YOU SEE THINGS FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE?
- ※ HOW HAS GOD BEEN SPEAKING TO YOU THROUGH THIS SERIES?

PRAYER:

- ※ PRAY AS A GROUP FOR WHAT GOD WILL DO IN EACH OF US THROUGH THE MULTIPLY SERIES.

SCRIPTURE:

- ※ READ ACTS 2:42-47.



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- ⌘ 1. Acts 2 is about the Holy Spirit coming at Pentecost and the effect this had on the early believers. Not only were thousands of believers added on that day, but the power of community in those believers increased immensely. What are the benefits of living our faith in community? Read 1 Thessalonians 2:8 and discuss what it means to share the gospel with each other, and what it means to share our lives with each other.
- ⌘ 2. What does it mean that everyone was "devoted to the apostles teaching"? Do you feel that you are devoted to the teachings of your leaders? Where do you fall short in this, and how could you be more deeply devoted?
- ⌘ 3. The communal living of these early believers is inspiring. Contrary to some interpretations, this type of living shouldn't be interpreted as socialism; rather, it was a deep care for one another through a love and devotion that comes only from Jesus. Do you feel you live in this type of way with other believers? What examples can you point to of people living in community like this today? How do Hebrews 13:16 and Romans 12:13 apply to this topic?
- ⌘ 4. Verse 45 tells us that these early believers sold their property and possessions and gave to anyone who had need. Can you think of anyone else in scripture that sold or gave up something of value to further the Lord's work? Part of our Multiply generosity challenge involves praying about what stored resources God has given us that could be given for the benefit of others. Everyone has some type of stored resources, whether it's a teenager who sells an iPad or an adult who sells a piece of property or other items of value. Is there something God is bringing to mind that you might be praying about to give as part of the Multiply initiative? How can your group be praying for you in this?
- ⌘ 5. How has our study tonight helped you develop a "fully devoted relationship with Jesus – together"?

CLOSING PRAYER:

- ⌘ Reflect on your answers from the previous questions and spend some time in silent prayer, thanking God for the community you have, asking for help to follow His teachings, and wisdom to understand what He may want us to do in this season of generosity.

After a few minutes, close in prayer as a group. Pray for the Advance Commitment Night on Sunday, November 5. Encourage everyone to come back next week!



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GROUP STUDIES WEEK 3

TOGETHER IN COURAGE | NOVEMBER 5-11

REVIEW:

- ※ GO OVER THE OUTLINE FOR SUNDAY'S MESSAGE "TOGETHER IN COURAGE."
- ※ WHAT STOOD OUT TO YOU FROM THIS MESSAGE?
- ※ WHAT CHALLENGED YOU?
- ※ WHAT MADE YOU SEE THINGS FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE?
- ※ IF YOU WERE PART OF THE ADVANCE COMMITMENT NIGHT ON SUNDAY, SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH EVERYONE ELSE.
- ※ HOW HAS GOD BEEN SPEAKING TO YOU THROUGH THIS SERIES?

PRAYER:

- ※ PRAY AS A GROUP FOR WHAT GOD WILL DO IN EACH OF US THROUGH THE MULTIPLY SERIES.

SCRIPTURE:

- ※ READ ACTS 4:1-31



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- ⌘ 1. Peter and John faced a similar fate as Jesus did when being questioned by the Jewish Council. Their lives were literally at stake when they did what they did and said what they said about it. From where did their boldness come? (Look again at verse 13.) Would people say that about you? Would people say of your actions and your words, "Wow, he/she must have been with Jesus in order to have done that." When was the last time you asked someone to pray the prayer that Paul asked the Ephesians to pray for him in Ephesians 6:19-20?
- ⌘ 2. After Peter and John's encounter with the Jewish Council, they could've gone back and told the other believers that they needed to hunker down and keep their faith a little closer to the vest. Instead, what did they do? When faced with opposition to your faith, do you exhibit the same boldness? How have recent events in our world or in your life challenged your bold faith for Jesus?
- ⌘ 3. Similar to the passage in Acts 2 from last week about the believers' generosity, these early believers in Acts 4 were boldly generous as well (vs. 32-37). Knowing what these believers had just encountered regarding the opposition from the religious leaders, their boldness in generosity certainly contains a multiplying effect to it. As you think about your own generosity and specifically your commitment for the Multiply initiative, would you consider it bold? How so, or how might you need to ask for God's power in making it so?
- ⌘ 4. Read Joshua 1:1-9. Joshua had to lead the nation of Israel into the Promised Land, but he knew that there would be battles in doing so. Why did God tell Joshua to obey Him and be strong and courageous? Share a time when you had to be courageous and do something that the Lord was telling you to do, even though it may not have made sense from an earthly perspective. Is God telling you to do something bold or courageous today?
- ⌘ 5. How has our study tonight helped you develop a "fully devoted relationship with Jesus – together"?

CLOSING PRAYER:

- ⌘ Reflect on your answers from the previous questions and spend some time in silent prayer, asking God to give you boldness in the way you share His name with others and courage in obeying the Lord as He leads you.

*After a few minutes, close in prayer as a group. Pray for Commitment Sunday, November 19.
Encourage everyone to come back next week!*



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GROUP STUDIES WEEK 4

TOGETHER IN SURRENDER | NOVEMBER 12-18

REVIEW:

- ※ GO OVER THE OUTLINE FOR SUNDAY'S MESSAGE "TOGETHER IN SURRENDER."
- ※ WHAT STOOD OUT TO YOU FROM THIS MESSAGE?
- ※ WHAT CHALLENGED YOU?
- ※ WHAT MADE YOU SEE THINGS FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE?
- ※ HOW HAS GOD BEEN SPEAKING TO YOU THROUGH THIS SERIES?

PRAYER:

- ※ PRAY AS A GROUP FOR WHAT GOD WILL DO IN EACH OF US THROUGH THE MULTIPLY SERIES.

SCRIPTURE:

- ※ READ ACTS 9:1-31



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- ※ 1. It's remarkable that someone who was seeking to do such damage to God's plan and to Jesus and His disciples would make such an incredible turnaround to be one of the most powerful voices for God and write the majority of the New Testament. Do you know someone like this in your life who has made a remarkable turnaround for God? Or possibly is that YOUR story? What role did the act of surrender play in that story?

- ※ 2. To surrender means "to abandon oneself entirely to; to give up or relinquish; to submit or yield." Besides your salvation and surrendering your life to Jesus, what else in your life have you surrendered?

- ※ 3. Read Romans 12:1-3. What does it mean to be a "living sacrifice"? How is that different from a dead sacrifice? What things make up the "pattern of this world?" What are some things that those of us who follow Jesus do that do not conform to that worldly pattern?

- ※ 4. As you think about our Multiply initiative at BSCC, consider your upcoming pledge in light of surrender (specifically in light of this drastic surrender we see in Acts 9). Is there something God is asking you to surrender to Him during this season of commitment?

- ※ 5. How has our study tonight helped you develop a "fully devoted relationship with Jesus – together"?

CLOSING PRAYER:

- ※ Reflect on your answers from the previous questions and spend some time in silent prayer, asking God to give you clarity in terms of your involvement in surrendering and sacrificing.

*After a few minutes, close in prayer as a group. Pray for Commitment Sunday, November 19.
Encourage everyone to be at church on Commitment Sunday!*



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: WHAT ARE YOU ASKING ME TO DO?

A: First, we are asking you to pray and seek the Lord during the Multiply initiative. Make a commitment to attend a worship service and a Small Group each week of the five-week Multiply initiative, and use this Multiply Booklet as you seek God's direction. Talk with your spouse, your family, or others about what God is saying to you and about what your involvement will mean for this next exciting season of your life.

And yes, we are asking that you join us in making a sacrificial commitment to gospel-centered generosity – whatever it is that God leads you to do, follow His leading. The primary goal of Multiply is 100% engagement of our entire church family, and that includes you!

Finally, we ask that you prepare to be amazed. We serve an awesome God and He is going to move in huge ways. We anticipate an unprecedented impact from our collective Multiply commitments – something only God can do. Mark your calendar for Commitment Sunday, November 19, and prepare to see the amazing work God will do through BSCC.

Q: HOW DOES MULTIPLY CHANGE MY GIVING TO THE GENERAL FUND?

A: During this two-year period, December 2023 thru December 2025, every gift you bring to God through BSCC is a contribution to the Multiply Initiative (except for \$1 for One and Packs & Kids contributions). Through the "One Fund" approach we are taking, every aspect of the vision God is calling us toward for the next two years will be funded through Multiply. There will not be separate funds for the general fund or building fund.

Our Overseers and Finance Team will ensure that ministry and mission needs are resourced according to our church's priorities. There will still be a church-approved budget each year during Multiply. This budget, as well as each of the Multiply initiatives, will be funded, God willing, through our Multiply giving.

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Q: ARE THERE ADDITIONAL WAYS THAT I CAN GIVE MORE TOWARDS MULTIPLY?

A: Be creative as you explore ways you and your family can give towards Multiply. You might have some stocks, real estate, or other items of personal property that you wish to give. Or you may have other types of stored resources that God has blessed you with in the past that He might be calling you to give out of during this time. If you have questions regarding how to make these types of gifts, please contact David Judd at djudd@bscc.org or 816-229-7311 x239 and he would be honored to help.

Q: HOW LONG IS MY COMMITMENT?

A: We are asking everyone to make a two-year commitment. The fulfillment period for your commitment will begin with our First Big Give on December 3, 2023 and it will culminate in December 2025.

If you have any questions about anything in this book, please feel free to contact us at **MULTIPLY@BSCC.ORG**.
Or check out our Extended FAQ Resource at
multiplybscc.org/FAQ



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