

A PLAN FOR GIVING

From the monthly budget I could give...

Weekly	Monthly	
Bi-Monthly	Other	
TOTAL		

Asset Possibilities

✓	ASSET	VALUE
	Real Estate	
	Stocks	
	Bonds	
	Other Assets:	
TOTAL		

Income-Producing Assets

✓	ASSET	VALUE
	Rental Properties	
	Producing Assets Stocks	
	Bonds	
	CDs	
	Interest-Bearing Accounts	
TOTAL		

Sacrifice

<p>What I could do without, postpone, or alter...</p>	3-YEAR TOTAL	
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“We will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, ... that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God ...”

— Psalm 78:4-7

You have a wonderful opportunity to be part of transformation at King Avenue United Methodist Church. There is a plan to strengthen the ministry of KAUMC that has been prayed over by leadership and church members and is now being pursued through the efforts of a Comprehensive Campaign to preserve our Spiritual Home and Expand our Ministries. The degree of success toward fulfilling this plan is dependent upon the prayerful response you and others make to the challenge set before us. The question every person at KAUMC is being asked is, “What is God’s will for me?” Only you can discover the answer to this question. This worksheet is a tool designed to help you prayerfully discover God’s lead in this area.

YOUR PERSONAL JOURNEY AND DISCOVERY

Each person at KAUMC is being asked to begin a journey that will eventually lead you to make a three-year financial commitment to your campaign. If this pilgrimage is properly conducted, it will require you to make a number of spiritual and practical decisions. The following worksheet is designed to help you work toward that destination.

First... What are some reasons that could motivate you to give toward this project?

I Kings 5:5; Mark 8:2-3; Romans 13:7-8; II Corinthians 8:11-12 indicate several justifications

Second... What attitudes does God like to see demonstrated in one's giving?

Exodus 25:1-2, 35:4-5, 20-24, 29; I Chronicles 29:17; I Corinthians 13:3; II Corinthians 9:7 reveal some

Third... What does it mean to give sacrificially?

II Samuel 24:24; I Chronicles 21:24; and Mark 12:41-44 explain how others have interpreted "sacrificial giving"

Fourth... What does a "sacrificial" commitment require of the giver?

Romans 12:1 and II Corinthians 8:3-5 suggest several implications

Fifth... What would you be willing to do in order to contribute sacrificially?

I Chronicles 29:1-3; Acts 2:44-45, 4:32-37; II Corinthians 8:1-4 describe what some have done

Finally... before determining your commitment, consider praying: "Lord, what is Your will for my life in this matter as it relates to Your will for our church at this time? What do You want to do through me as it affects what You are trying to do through our church?"

WAYS TO GIVE

As you contemplate your commitment, consider these things:

Sacrifice... What does "SACRIFICE" mean to me?

Your commitment should be built on the theme "Not Equal Gifts but Equal Sacrifice." Your three-year commitment should be a demonstration of your understanding of personal sacrifice.

Process... What am I willing to do or do without?

Seek to translate "SACRIFICE" into a plan of action.

Amount... What kind of commitment will my sacrificial efforts generate during the next three years?

Remember, you will be setting a standard of sacrifice for others to follow.

Take a personal inventory. Consider investing from as many areas as possible:

- **Income:** How much can I budget from income to give?
- **Time and Talent:** What can I do or invest during the next three years to generate additional income?
- **Assets:** What item of value do I own that I can give to my church; e.g., real estate, stocks, bonds, personal possessions, etc.
- **Income-Producing Assets:** What income could I dedicate from rental properties, stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, interest-bearing accounts, etc.?
- **Income-Producing Events:** What fundraiser or income-producing event could I organize that would increase my contribution?
- **Sacrifice:** What can I give up, do without, postpone, or alter in order to give to my church?