

Financial Foundations

Year Round Stewardship Plan

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Leadership Essentials

- Everyone understands **generosity** is part of **discipleship**.
- Leadership and the Pastor give generously to the church.
- **Trust** is built with the congregation **transparency** is practiced.
- There is a clear vision for the church and leadership is able to tell the "Church Story"

Engaging....

Overall Strategy

Biblical Principle

Where to Focus

Building relationships

 and meaningful
 service will strengthen
 a person's
 commitment to God's
 work within the
 Church.

- 1 Corinthians 12:12
- One Body, Many Parts

- Nominations
- Kickoff or Major Events
- Strategic Planning
- New Members
- Regular/Consistent
 Communications

Inspiring....

Overall Strategy

Biblical Principle

Where to Focus

People may give out
 of obligation, but they
 will give **generously** to a mission that
 changes lives.

Proverbs 29:18

Without Vision, the people perish

- Sharing testimonies
- Strategic Planning
- Giving Statements
- Special Offerings
- Regular/Consistent
 Communication

Teaching....

Overall Strategy

Biblical Principle

Where to Focus

When someone
 understands how God
 wants them to use
 their money, their faith
 and generosity will
 grow greatly.

Matthew 6:21

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

- Sermon planning
- Intentional Offering

Asking....

Overall Strategy

Asking forces people to consider their giving and pushes people to make a decision.

 #1 reason people don't give is they are not asked.

Biblical Principle

Exodus 25:2-7

Moses takes offering

Where to Focus

- Sermon planning
- Intentional Offering
- Regular/consistent communications

Thanking....

Overall Strategy

Biblical Principle

Where to Focus

Appropriately
 recognizing and
 thanking those who
 give encourages more
 giving.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Give thanks in all circumstances

- Thank yous
- Giving Statements
- Intentional Offering
- Regular/Consistent Communications

Reporting....

Overall Strategy

Biblical Principle

Where to Focus

 Reporting and transparency as you strive for your mission, gains trust.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Give thanks in all circumstances

- Giving Statements
- Database/CRM
- Annual Report
- Align Budget with Mission
 - Narrative Budget
- Regular Communications

Regular Communications

Be consistent

Tell your story

Look for opportunities

You will tire of your story before others do,

Publish in: Bulletins, Newsletters, social media, personal notes, annual reports, share with individuals, groups, committees, bible studies.

Self Assessment

Areas	Description	Scale 1-5
Engaging	Building relationshipsEffective Nominations	* * * *
Inspiring	Sharing testimoniesTelling your story	* * * *
Teaching	Sermon planningIntentional Offering	* * * *
Asking	Knowing members interestsMaking the ask	* * * *
Thanking	Writing Thank yousSending statements	* * * *
Reporting	Annual reportAligning budget with mission	* * * *

Stewardship Plan

Focus Areas	The Focus	Action
Spirituality	 Stewardship & cultivation of our spiritual life 	Communicate the deep connection between faithful stewardship healthy spiritual life
Ministry	 Teach stewardship in each ministry 	Incorporate stewardship into each ministry and sermons each month throughout the year.
Finance	Fiscal responsibility, financial accountability	Being transparent and good stewards of the dollars.
Outreach	 Taking our ministry outside the Church 	Hands on Ministry and resources for the hands of ministry
Gratitude	Thank you becomes natural and instant	Thank everyone. Carry thank yous and stamps you.
Publicize	Spread the word!	Be deliberate in telling each story in every medial outlet.

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