

THE BRIARWOOD WEEKLY

MARCH 5, 2023

FAITH PROMISE GOALS

Ask the Lord the amount you are to give to world missions this year.
Bring your Faith Promise cards to church this Sunday to turn in.

HALLELUJAH GOAL

\$2,755,815

- Belize Pastoral Training
- Ministry to Indigenous Tribes
- Latin America Mobile Bible Institute
- Malaysia Church Revitalization
- Malawi Church Planting
- New Zealand Church Planting

STRETCH GOAL

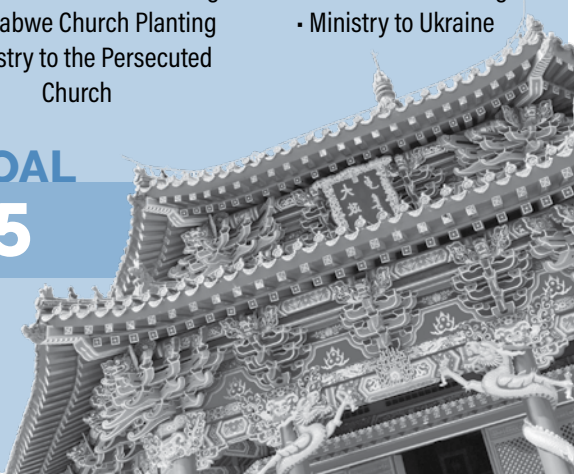
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- Bibles for Middle East
- Poland Church Planting
- Indonesian Church Planting
- Zimbabwe Church Planting
- Ministry to the Persecuted Church
- India Church Planting
- Ministry to Ukraine

OPERATIONAL GOAL

\$2,455,815

- Missionary Support
- Local International Outreach
- Global Ministry Operations



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ARE YOU CALLED TO MISSIONS?

1. Are you growing as a Christian and desire for God's name to be magnified among the nations?
2. Do you have a burden for the lost and regularly share the Gospel?
3. Are you seeking to be Biblically equipped and trained in missions?
4. Does your local church affirm your spiritual gifts and call to missions?
5. Does your character reflect a strong witness for the Gospel?
6. Do you consistently pray for missionaries and the impact of their work?
7. Have you served on a short term mission trip?
8. Are you drawn to people of different cultures?
9. Do you possess a strong faith and trust God for the impossible?
10. Do you live within your means and give sacrificially to faith promise?

Our Global Missions Pastor, Bryan Wintersteen, would love to meet with you! To schedule an appointment, please email hmcDougall@briarwood.org.

WHAT IS FAITH PROMISE?

For 58 years, God has allowed Briarwood to send out missionaries and support them financially and prayerfully. Our annual missions offering is called Faith Promise. We ask every member of Briarwood to prayerfully seek the Lord's guidance as to the amount—over and above your regular tithe and offerings—that He would have you give to world missions.

BASED UPON BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES

The Bible teaches us to obey the Lord in the giving of His tithe and to honor Him in the giving of our offerings. Faith Promise is a type of offering whereby we have the opportunity to give to support world missions—**Systematically, Sacrificially** and **Supernaturally**. As with the Lord's tithe, we can give **systematically** by prioritizing an amount each month that we give after the tithe. We can also give **sacrificially** by choosing to deny ourselves of something so that we may give support to missions. And then we also can give **supernaturally** when our Lord provides extra resources that are beyond our understanding so that we may give.

ENCOURAGES GOD'S PEOPLE

By **Faith** we anticipate prayerfully what He will give to us. By a **Promise** we consecrate those funds when they arrive as offerings to the Lord to be given when He entrusts them to us. Sometimes the Lord gives more resources to us so we are able to fulfill these commitments. Then, at other times, He stretches our resources like the "fishes and loaves" and the feeding of the 5,000. No matter which way He does it, it always strengthens and encourages His people when He blesses us and proves Himself faithful.

STIMULATES US TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER

As the Lord provides resources to us, in the act of worship we give them back to Him, and in seeing the hand of the Lord we are motivated to praise Him even more. Then, to discern what the Lord wants to do through us and to discern where He wants us to place these resources, we have to call upon Him in prayer. "Lead us, O Lord, and guide us to ever increasing faithfulness with what you have entrusted to us for the praise of Your Holy Name."

Stories of COURAGE

WOMEN BUSINESS LEADERS

Thursday, March 16 | 6:00 PM
Regions Room | Cooney Hall
Samford University



Stacia Gaines



Madison Murphy



Toni Vines



Jenny Waltman

Living courageously by faith.
Loving others sacrificially.
Holding on to hope.

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