

#685 Investing in God's Mission (Matthew 6:19-21)

GateWay is functionally organized to spiritually _____ our members, _____ to our world, _____ for our members, and _____ for future generations.

GateWay income is directed to one of four _____.

1. The _____ fund covers staff salaries, ministry investments, and operating costs.
2. The _____ fund supports GateWay members in financial hardship.
3. The _____ fund covers the construction costs for campus renovations.
4. The _____ fund covers global and local partner support, special projects by our partners, discipleship development, and administration.

Giving to Global Impact is done through a _____.

The total of all Faith Promises makes up our annual Global Impact _____.

Discussion Questions

1. In your own words explain what a faith promise is?
2. What are the pros and cons of a church utilizing a faith promise as compared to simply designating a set amount to global missions?
3. What are your top three reasons to financially support the local church?
4. How would you feel about a first time visitor to church hearing this sermon? Why?
5. Pray as the Holy Spirit leads as you evaluate your level of giving, and about making a faith promise this year.

Supporting Scriptures

1 Corinthians 16:2 On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

2 Corinthians 9:7 Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

1 Chronicles 21:24 But King David replied to Araunah, "No, I insist on paying the full price. I will not take for the Lord what is yours, or sacrifice a burnt offering that costs me nothing."

2 Corinthians 9:6-8, Luke 6:38, Luke 12:16-21, Proverbs 3:9-10, Malachi 3:10