



Growing Through Faith

*Now faith is being sure of what we  
hope for and certain of what  
we do not see.*

Hebrews 11:1

Not Equal Gifts,  
But Equal Sacrifice

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Kenly Missionary Baptist Church  
Mission Statement

***To know Christ and to make Him known.***

## Questions and Answers

- Q.** *Will I be able to change my 36-month commitment if I need or want to?*
- A.** Of course! Unforeseen circumstances may cause you to increase or decrease your giving commitment in the future. All you'll need to do is request a new commitment card and return it with your revised commitment. We expect revised cards with increased giving because of God's miracles! Likewise, we understand how financial difficulties may alter a commitment.
- Q.** *What can I do if I cannot commit financially?*
- A.** You can commit to prayer for the next 36 months on a regular basis. If financial circumstances change, you can commit to give at a later date.
- Q.** *How will I designate my Growing Through Faith commitment each week?*
- A.** Separate envelopes will be provided for the *Growing Through Faith* offering. However, if you wish, you may use your regular offering envelope which is printed with separate designations. You can indicate what part of your offering is going toward your *Growing Through Faith* commitment and what part is your regular tithe.
- Q.** *Will my commitment be kept confidential?*
- A.** Absolutely. Your sealed commitment envelope will be given to the financial secretary who will be the only tabulator.

***Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.***

**2 Corinthians 9:6**

# The Commitment Card

Security envelopes will be provided with the commitment cards to keep your gift confidential. To request a commitment card at any time during this *Growing Through Faith* campaign, contact the church office.

**Growing Through Faith**
Kenly Missionary Baptist Church  
**COMMITMENT CARD**

Print Name: (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_ ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_


PRAY: I commit to praying for the "Growing Through Faith" campaign as it works toward serving the Lord.

GIVE: I estimate that I will give the amount listed below in support of the "Growing Through Faith" campaign as an offering to the Lord.

OTHER: Please use the back of this card to describe special gifts other than cash.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly for 156 weeks.  
or  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly for 36 months.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total gift amount over the next three years.

*"Each should give, then, as he has decided, not with regret or out of sense of duty; for God loves the one who gives gladly."*  
2 Corinthians 9:7



Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*This statement of intention may be revised or canceled should circumstances dictate by contacting the church's financial secretary.*

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THIS SECTION TO BE FILLED OUT BY PERSONS  
MAKING A CONTRIBUTION OTHER THAN CASH.

I am interested in making my pledge in the form of:

Appreciated Assets

Other

Description of assets: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate value of assets: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Method of transferring assets: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMITMENT LEVELS

Weekly	Monthly	Annually	3-Year Total
\$1,000	\$4,333	\$52,000	\$156,000
\$750	\$3,250	\$39,000	\$117,000
\$500	\$2,167	\$26,000	\$78,000
\$250	\$1,083	\$13,000	\$39,000
\$200	\$867	\$10,400	\$31,200
\$150	\$650	\$7,800	\$23,400
\$100	\$433	\$5,200	\$15,600
\$90	\$390	\$4,680	\$14,040
\$80	\$347	\$4,160	\$12,480
\$70	\$303	\$3,640	\$10,920
\$60	\$260	\$3,120	\$9,360
\$50	\$217	\$2,600	\$7,800
\$40	\$173	\$2,080	\$6,240
\$30	\$130	\$1,560	\$4,680
\$25	\$108	\$1,300	\$3,900
\$20	\$87	\$1,040	\$3,120
\$15	\$65	\$780	\$2,340
\$10	\$43	\$520	\$1,560
\$5	\$22	\$260	\$780
\$1	\$4	\$52	\$156

BRING THIS COMMITMENT CARD  
WITH YOU TO THE INGATHERING SERVICE ON APRIL 27  
OR  
MAIL IN THE PROVIDED ENVELOPE BY MAY 1

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# A Word From Your Pastor

Friends and Members,

Over the years God has graciously blessed our church in so many ways. God has met “all our needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” God has taken a little faith and multiplied it to accomplish great things. We are presently faced with the need for adequate space to continue the ministries of our church. If we are to continue to grow, we must provide the facilities for our ministries. It is time to move forward. We must consult God in every phase of the move.

The need that is placed before you in this brochure is urgent. I fully believe the people of our church are ready to meet this challenge. I urge you to pray and find God’s will as you seek to respond to this challenge. The scriptures tell us that we are to give cheerfully and not reluctantly or under compulsion. There is no better investment for eternity than through your commitment to join others and me in helping to build a stronger witness for Christ in our community. God has blessed our church with many new births, and I want to see these children and others brought up in the way they should go.

The Lord will not ask you to do anything that He will not enable you to fulfill! I urge you to join me in making a generous, sacrificial commitment to our building program over the next three years. This will be a private, personal commitment on each person’s part. So, I ask you to dedicate your commitment to the glory of God and pray for our church as we seek to advance God’s kingdom in our community.

Thank you for your faithfulness in this matter.  
In Christ’s love,



George Arant  
Pastor, KMBC

# The Commitment Process

## What?

Prayerfully decide on the amount of your commitment. This commitment is the amount you will give above and beyond the amount of your normal Tithes and Offerings.

## When?

Commitment cards will be distributed on April 24, 2008, at Cottage Prayer Meetings held in members’ homes.

## Where?

Bring your completed commitment cards to the Ingathering Service on April 27, 2008. This service will provide each person with the opportunity to present their personal sacrifice to the Lord as an act of praise and worship.

## How?

If circumstances will prevent you from attending the Ingathering Service, please return your completed commitment card by May 4, 2008.

*Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

**2 Corinthians 9:7**

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Preliminary rendering of proposed new facility

## Our Past

Kenly Missionary Baptist Church has a rich heritage. The following is a brief list of significant events in our church's history.

- 1906** • Organized.
  - Seven people charter members.
  - Reverend R.W. Harrell, Pastor.
  - Admitted to JBA with a membership of seven.
  - Sunday School organized.
  - During the next 5 years membership grew to 60.
- 1947** • Plans were made for alterations and additions to the building.
- 1957** • KMBC became a full-time church with Reverend Earl Crumpler as pastor. Prior to Reverend Crumpler, KMBC shared a pastor with other churches in the area.
- 1961** • The kitchen, social hall, and four classrooms were added.
- 1990** • December 24th the church building was destroyed by fire.
  - For the next 21 months, church services were held in the Coley Funeral Home Chapel and the Presbyterian Annex while the new building was constructed on the site of the original building.
- 1992** • September 20th the first regular service was held in the new structure.
  - The building was dedicated on Sunday, September 27th.
- 1993** • First full-time non-student pastor hired. Previous pastors had been students at a Baptist Seminary.
- 1996** • A time capsule was buried outside the building near the sign on Hwy 222 on June 2nd.
- 1997** • The new church building was paid off.
- 1999** • The Hispanic mission began meeting in our facilities on Saturday evenings.
- 2000** • The Hispanic mission was able to move into its own facility.

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## *Our Past* (continued)

- 2001** • George Arant hired as pastor.
  - Keith Hudson was hired as first youth pastor.
- 2002** • 12 members participated in mission trip to Nome, Alaska.
- 2004** • An 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning worship service was added on April 18 to accommodate growth.
  - The church purchased property at 311 E. 2nd St. The church offices and CARE ministry were moved to this location.
  - The former parsonage and church office became the youth house.
  - The Church purchased 12 plus acres of land on Hwy 222 W to construct a new church facility.
- 2006** • The Church celebrated its 100th anniversary with special services throughout the year.
- 2007** • Glenn Crumpton was hired as full-time associate and youth pastor.

### **Quick Facts:**

- Over the past five years, 148 people have joined our church, bringing our present membership to 370.
- Over the past five years, 74 people have been baptized and made professions of faith.
- In the past three years, 25 new babies have been born into our church family, and we currently have many expectant mothers.
- Our combined Sunday Morning Worship service attendance is now averaging 230.
- Our Sunday Morning Bible Study classes are averaging 146.

### **Blessings Throughout the Years**

God has a purpose that transcends the thoughts of man. He has brought Kenly Missionary Baptist Church through years of storms, stress, and blessings. God has not brought us to this point without a purpose. We trust Him to lead and guide us in the ministries for which He has prepared us. May we always find grace and strength to carry on the work in such a way that it will bring honor and glory to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## *Our Commitment*

Giving to God's work takes many forms. Whatever the offering, it is honorable in God's sight when given in the spirit of love and in gratitude for all God has first given us.

*May my prayer be set before you like incense; may the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice.*

**Psalm 141:2**

### **Pledge to Pray**

First and foremost we can all pledge to pray daily and for God to bless the growing of our ministry for Him.

### **Give a One Time Cash Gift**

Ask God for creative ways to increase your gift. Involve your whole family in raising a specific amount.

### **Make a 36 Month Giving Pledge**

You can give far more when it's spread out over time. Please take a look at the **Commitment Levels Chart** on the following page to see how a small gift each week can grow. Prayerfully consider taking advantage of this option.

### **Give a Gift of Assets**

Cash gifts are not the only means of financial support. Many Christians may not be aware that donations can include other items of value such as stocks, bonds, mutual funds, or real estate. Just like cash donations, donors receive tax deductions for their charitable giving of such items. When you give this way, you give the full value of the property and avoid all capital gains tax liability. Please call the Church Administrator for details.

*For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have.*

**2 Corinthians 8:12**

# Our Responsibility

Three incremental goals have been adopted for the campaign

**CHALLENGE** ..... \$600,000.00

**VICTORY** ..... \$750,000.00

**HALLELUJAH** ..... \$1,000,000.00

## Not Equal Gifts, But Equal Sacrifice

Obviously, God has not given everyone the ability to give the same amount in dollars. However, God does call us to make the same quality of commitment. *Growing Through Faith* donations are to be over and above what you are currently giving.

*I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.*

**2 Samuel 24:24**

## Can't Out Give God

To meet these goals is impossible for any one of us alone. Even if every family made the largest special gift that they could afford, it still would not be enough. If however, all of us, children, youth, and adults, make a sacrificial gift every week for 156 weeks, the total will be surprising.

Pray and seek God's will as to how much He wishes you to give. Then watch God do wonderful things with your sacrifice to Him. Remember, we are not giving our money away. We are giving back to God what is already His in order that He may further His kingdom through us.

# Our Present

Kenly Missionary Baptist Church has experienced steady growth over the past years. This growth has opened many doors for ministry. These ministries allow us to be the hands and feet of Christ as we seek His will. Our current ministries include:

- Sunday Morning Bible Study for all ages
- Two Sunday Morning Worship services
- Sunday Evening Discipleship meetings
- Children's Church and Nursery
- Wednesday Night Supper
- Wednesday Night Bible Study and Prayer, Small Groups
- Youth Programs: Sunday and Wednesday nights
- (AWANA) *Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed*
- (CARE) *Christians Actively Reaching Everyone*
- Brotherhood / Handyman Ministry
- (WMU) Women's Missionary Union
- Music Ministries: Praise Team, Adult Choir, Handbells
- Audio Visual Ministry to Shut-ins
- Sarah Greene Missionary to Poland
- Vacation Bible School
- Benevolence Ministry
- Operation In-As-Much
- Deacon Family Ministry
- Bereavement Ministry
- Gift bag visits

There are many other areas that God has shown us where we can serve and minister to others; however, we have now come to the point where we are in need of larger facilities. We sense the leadership of the Holy Spirit and are excited in joining God in the work that He has planned for us.

## Our Future

We don't know what the future holds for Kenly Missionary Baptist Church, but we know who holds the future. We see God at work and each of us are joining in. God is increasing His kingdom and He is blessing Kenly Missionary Baptist Church. He is expanding our territory and we are growing in His name.

Future plans for Kenly Missionary Baptist Church include a new facility on Hwy 222. To meet the spiritual needs of our congregation and community, we feel called to provide a physical environment that will enable us to grow in number and faith.

Our present plans are to build in phases on our new property. The first phase will be a building that will house a family life center and enough space for a day care/after-school care ministry. With this facility we will be able to accommodate large social and recreational activities. We will continue to use our present location for all our Sunday morning ministries. At a later date, we will build a new sanctuary and educational space as the second phase of our move.

### **Ministries the new building will allow us to offer:**

- Christian Day Care: including before and after-school care
- Christian Sports and Recreation: programs such as Upward Basketball and Soccer
- Fellowship Hall: to accommodate large numbers
- Additional Bible Study rooms
- Physically Challenged Accessibility
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Addiction Support Groups
- Youth Activity Center
- Safe Parking
- Disaster Relief Shelter

These are only some of the ministries before us. As we make ourselves available, God will open doors where we can serve. The mission field is right here in our backyards. Let's prepare ourselves to grow through faith.

## Our Challenge

We are excited to be *Growing Through Faith* and we pray that all we do will please Him and glorify His name. Our challenge is to make provisions to accommodate His work.

To address the immediate financial requirements of our new endeavor, we have begun a capital stewardship campaign *Growing Through Faith*. This campaign is designed to help us grow spiritually as we trust the Lord to meet our needs as we sacrificially give to Him. We will each be challenged to seek God's direction concerning our involvement and individual level of giving.

*Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do, says the Lord Almighty, I will open the window of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Let me prove it to you!*

**Malachi 3:10**