

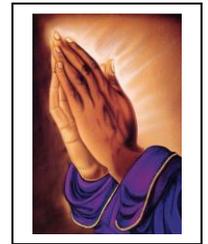
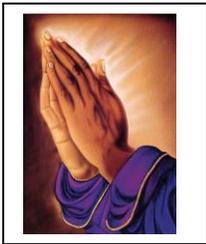
**SPECIAL EDITION
NEWSLETTER**

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Return
On

God's
Investment

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'LIFESTYLE STEWARDSHIP CAPITAL CAMPAIGN'



*a letter
from the pastor*



To the saints at BRBC, the Lord is continuing to shower us with His blessings. As Pastor and people we have been growing together for fifteen years. The Lord has given us an opportunity to expand our territory by preparing us to build a new sanctuary. God has been preparing us for this endeavor through the years. It all started with the vision statement that was given to me by God, "Equipping the saints for such a time as this through transformation by information". From the start, we have been committed to grow in wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. Five years ago, we established a theme for each year to grow our worship, service, and giving. I'm going to reflect on those themes to show you how God used each one to be a building block.

"It begins with me". This states, before I can focus on what others are doing, I must first make sure I'm following the Lord's will for my life. Individually, we must embrace the expansion project before we can share it with excitement to somebody else.

"I'm blessed, to be a blessing". This theme reminds us that God does not bless me just for me to tell someone else how blessed I am. God has been blessing you so that you can be a blessing for the expansion project.

"I'm a difference maker". You are a difference maker, because you are blessed. You serve a God that has called you to shake things up, because people have become complacent. Isn't that why Jesus came to shake up the Israelites to let them know things can't stay the same. The expansion project is the shake up for Broad Rock to show us the need to increase our impact on the community, city, state, country, and the world.

"I have value". You are important to the Lord. There is no question about that statement, because Jesus gave His all for you to be saved. The value God has placed in you is to be used within the ministry of Broad Rock Baptist Church. You are here for such a time as this, because the gifts you have will be utilized in this ministry. Through your value you will see the growth in yourself and within our Church.

Our theme for this year **"I'm God's investment"**. God has invested in you with the expectation you will bring Him profitable returns. The expansion project will be a success not because this is what Pastor wants, but because it is the plan of God.

You can see the building blocks that are in place to bring us to this point in time. Now all we have to do is continue to walk by faith and not by sight. Our mission statement truly expresses our ability to be able to "make it happen!" Now is the time for all the saints of BRBC to be of the same mind.

Be blessed indeed,
Pastor Kevin Cook

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A Message  
From Our Chairman



Broad Rock Baptist Church is embarking upon a tremendous campaign to move on the vision of God which has been expressed by our pastor. Pastor Cook and a group of leaders of our church, with your approval, have recruited the services of Generis, a biblically based life style stewardship program to guide us towards achieving God's vision.

God's vision for our church will be accomplished through a prayerful look at our life styles and our trust in God to redirect our life choices. Through this prayerful reflection we will be able to step out and become better stewards of the blessings that God has entrusted to us. We must follow the example set forth in 2 Samuel 24:24 and not offer unto God that which costs us nothing.

I count it a blessing to have been selected to serve the Lord and you, my church family, as the Campaign Chairperson of the Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign. This task will be challenging. But I trust that God will lead me and those selected in this effort, to accomplish His will. I am looking forward to working with Pastor Cook, Dr. Herman Norman, Mr. Charles Buffington and the steering committee in the implementation and successful completion of this spirit-fill campaign.

The campaign will be a three year commitment and every Saint of Broad Rock can participate. The life style stewardship program focuses on strengthening our faith and trust in God so that we

will be strong enough to allow Him to lead us in making sacrificial changes in our lives. Through sacrifice, we will be able to attain the vision.

"With God, all things are possible". The forefathers of Little Rock, now Broad Rock Baptist Church, successfully achieved their vision through faithfulness, commitment, and hard work. They have passed the torch to us. We must remain faithful and committed and work diligently together to make the goals of our new vision, to build a new edifice and to modify our present structure, a reality. We must be dedicated to accomplish our goals and allow God to lead us as we make humble sacrifices for the Kingdom of God.

As Saints of Broad Rock we realize that we are God's investment and only through us can His purposes be fulfilled. We should have the desire to establish an edifice which will serve the needs of our current and future membership and the community in our outreach programs. Building the edifice will reflect our love for God and for all of the people we touch and are blessed to serve. In order to accomplish our aforementioned goals we all must participate in our Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign. God is blessing every day. The edifice we build will be evidence of our return to Him on the investment He has in us.

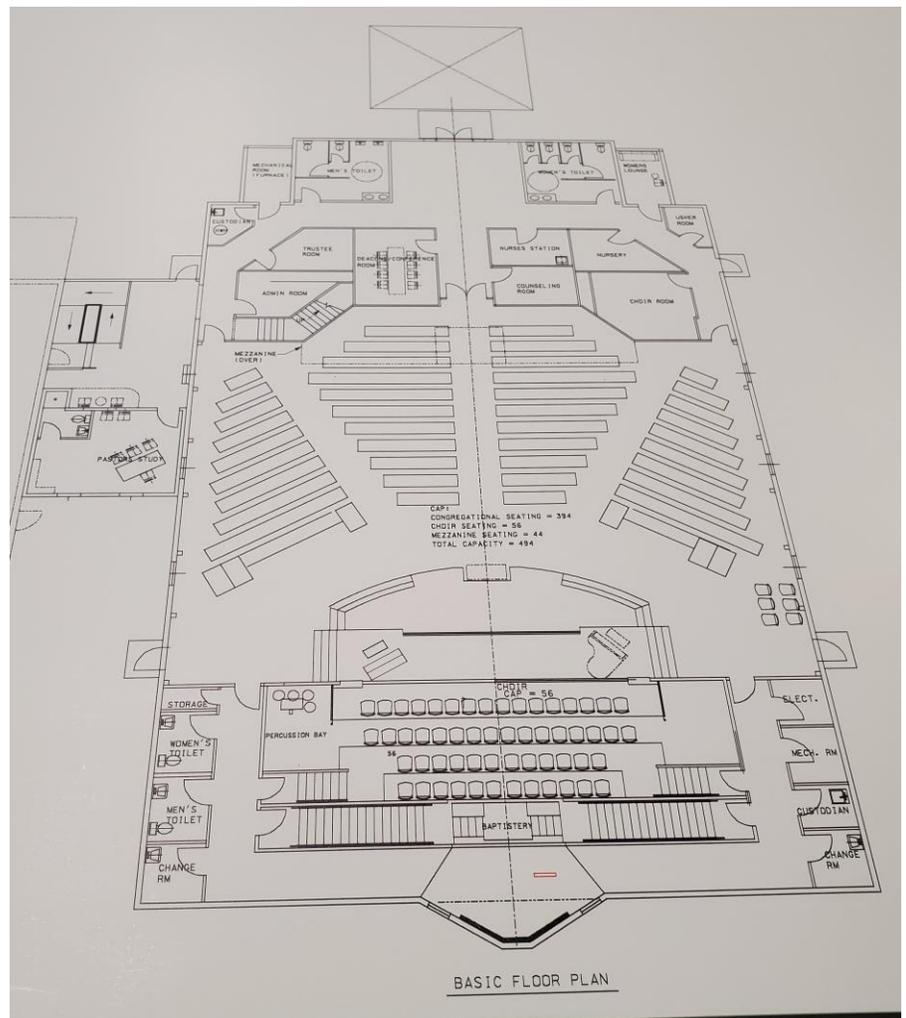
*Alexander L. Mosby*

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COMMUNICATING THE VISION

"And the Lord answered me, and said, "Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, that he may run with it". (Habakkuk 2:2). Pastor Cook penned "Return on God's Investment" as the vision for Broad Rock Baptist Church. Now it is time for us to put our hands to work by participating in the life of our church and community. It will require our talents and skills for the service of the common good, the surrendering of our hearts and spirit, and resources to build God's kingdom. This special edition newsletter is a part of a series of materials created to inform and uplift us throughout this campaign. We look forward to keeping you encouraged during this spiritual journey.



VISION CASTING GATHERING

We are preparing to embark upon the exciting journey as a church Family, to build the kingdom of God through our 'LIFESTYLE STEWARDSHIP CAPITAL CAMPAIGN'. One vital aspect of this campaign will be the 'Vision Casting Gatherings', which will be held at Broad Rock Baptist Church. We will come together as a family to share our ideas and discuss key information regarding the campaign. In addition, these gatherings will equip us to move forward on one accord as we put our hands to work to accomplish our vision of 'RETURN ON GOD'S INVESTMENT'.

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24-Hour Prayer Celebration: Will You Pray For One Hour?

“And pray in the spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.” (Ephesians 6:18). Prayer is a vital part of the believer’s life. It is our source of Communication with God to seek His will, His way, and His Purpose for our lives. As with every assignment set before us By God, we must seek Him for guidance and leadership. We know that we cannot do God’s will without prayer. We thank everyone who came out to pray during our 24-Hour Prayer Celebration. Your participation showed your commitment to God and our commitment to fulfilling His vision.

Mark Your Calendars

March 22-23	24-Hour Prayer Celebration	6 p.m. to 6 p.m.
April 14	Vision Casting Gathering	9:30 a.m.
June 9	Major Event/Commitment Sunday	TBA
June 16	First Fruits Celebration	TBA

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LIFESTYLE STEWARDSHIP A Spiritual Journey

1. REASSESS OUR LIFESTYLE

During this spiritual journey, we are asked to take a close look at the different areas in our lives to discover a path to strengthen our relationship with God through our personal sacrifice.

2. REARRANGE OUR PRIORITIES

As we prayerfully consider our contributions, we are asked to reprioritize our lives in accordance to God’s Will, so that our sacrifice reflects our level of commitment to the growth of His Kingdom.

3. REALLOCATE OUR RESOURCES

As we individually and collectively shift our resources, it is important to remember that although we may be different in our ability to give, our willingness to do our part during this sacrificial giving commitment should be one and the same.

*Lifestyle Stewardship Capital Campaign ~ 3 years
I will not offer to God that which cost me nothing.*

2 Samuel 24:24