



## HOW TO DETERMINE A PLEDGE AMOUNT

*And seek the peace of the city, to which I have caused you to be carried away captives; and pray to the Lord for it: for in the peace thereof shall be your peace. Jeremiah 29:7*

### - Pray -

Pray both individually and, if appropriate, as a household. Ask God to help you understand how He would have you, as His steward, financially support this campaign, and that He would give you the faith to do so. Specifically seek His will on your giving, pledge and sacrificial offering on Commitment Sunday, January 13, 2013, and your intended level of ongoing financial support to the campaign.

### - Seek -

Referring to the Gift Profile Guide and Gift Schedule Chart, pray about these questions:

1. What amount of money, over the next three years, do I desire and believe God will provide for me to give? (Philippians 2:12-13, Ephesians 3:16-21)
2. Am I joyous about giving this amount? (2 Corinthians 9:8)
3. Is my gift sacrificial? (2 Samuel 24:21-24)
4. Am I demonstrating an expression of my faith in God with this amount with a motivation of worshiping God and showing my thankfulness? (Jeremiah 7: 22-23, 2 Corinthians 9:6-13)

### - Confirm -

Once you feel the Lord has led you to a decision, discuss it, if applicable, with your spouse. When you are comfortable that God is leading you, offer your prayers of gratitude for the guidance you have received and praise God with joy. If peace about your level of giving eludes you, continue to pray about it and seek counsel from other Godly people in your church.

### - Commit -

Be open to the continued leading of the Holy Spirit, as God may stretch your faith one day at a time as you go through the campaign. Recognizing this may well require adjustments to your lifestyle or budget, make financial arrangements, as necessary, to bring a pledge & a sacrificial offering on Commitment Sunday and your commitment card indicating your intended ongoing support throughout the campaign. (2 Corinthians 9:1-5, 1 Corinthians 16:1-4)

*Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.  
2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

