

## A Note From Matt.

This is a special time in the life of our church. God has given us the opportunity to make a significant impact in our community and world through the Crazy Love Campaign, but it's going to take all of us doing our part to accomplish it. So I want to ask you to consider how you can give, go, and grow to help us raise achieve it.

### What Is My Part?

First, we need you to give generously by faith. We can't all give the same amount, but we can all be generous. Giving by faith happens when you decide to give an amount that will require God's help to fulfill.

Second, we need you to go. Don't just write a check but get personally involved in our student ministry or missions initiatives.

### This Is Our Moment!

From the beginning our vision has been to create a church that unchurched people love to attend. It's not about us but others. Now God has honored us with this incredible opportunity to impact hundreds more lives.

So Jen and I have asked ourselves the question, "What is the wise thing for us to do?" The more we've reflected on how God has blessed our lives through this church, there's only one answer for us. The wise thing is to give generously by faith.

So during this campaign we're going to make our largest faith commitment ever. Would you join us in giving generously by faith? Let's give, go and grow together!

## MY GIVING POTENTIAL

A little consistency adds up to a lot!

Each of us can give far more than we think by giving it over a 15-month period. Here are some examples:

# of Gifts	15-Month Total	Monthly	Weekly
2	\$10,000	\$667	\$154
4	\$8,000	\$533	\$123
6	\$6,000	\$400	\$92
8	\$4,000	\$267	\$62
10	\$2,000	\$133	\$31
10	\$1,000	\$67	\$15



# The Four Purposes of the Crazy Love Campaign

## 1. TO GROW OUR FAITH!

Nothing ignites spiritual growth in your life like trusting God and taking a step of faith. When you give by faith you are putting yourself in a position to depend on God to provide. That's when you'll experience Him in a deeper way than you ever have before!

## 2. TO IMPACT TEENAGERS AND FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY!

The teenage years are the most difficult season of life to navigate wisely. What if someone had come alongside you during those years and helped fuel the passions God had placed within you? This is our opportunity to provide that for this current generation.

## 3. TO MAKE AN IMPACT BOTH LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY!

As followers of Jesus we're called to put others first. This campaign is going to give us an opportunity to do that. Through the local and global missions initiatives, you'll be able to give of your time and money to help people both here in Calloway County and Managua, Nicaragua. These communities will be better places because we model God's generosity towards them.

## 4. TO CHALLENGE US TO BE THE CHURCH GOD HAS CALLED US TO BE!

On Commitment Weekend, March 7, each of us can make a generous cash gift and 15-month giving commitment so our church family can launch a new student ministry and missions initiatives both locally and globally.

# About the Campaign

The Crazy Love campaign is a 15-month initiative designed to make a significant impact both locally and globally. The plan is to raise \$150,000 given by The Journey's members, regular attendees, and friends. This money will go towards impacting the lives of people not yet a part of our church family.

### Student Ministry: \$90,000

This ministry will be launched to reach unchurched middle school and high school students. The money will fund a two-year salary package for a full-time student minister, start-up costs, and first-year operating expenses.

### Compassion Projects: \$60,000

*Caring for Kids:* This fall we will provide a new coat and pair of shoes to over 600 students who will need them. We'll also fund a one-on-one coaching program for parents to help them improve in areas such as financial management, parenting, and job placement.

*Aiding Orphans:* We'll be expanding our involvement with the Casa Havilah and Casa Robles rescue homes in Nicaragua by providing much needed renovations such as a new roof, renovated kitchen, new windows and doors, new flooring, etc.

*Future Initiatives:* This money will be used to further our Nicaragua mission trips as well as fund future mission opportunities.

## COMMITMENT DAY: March 7

On Sunday, March 7, we'll each bring our cash offerings and Pledge Cards to the weekend service. Our campaign commitments are to be what we intend to give over and above our regular tithe during these next fifteen months.

# MY PART IN THE CAMPAIGN

## GIVE

- **Give a Cash Gift:** Ask God for creative ways to increase your gift. You might consider giving from savings, tax refunds, garage sales, or an extra part-time job. Also consider reducing expenses or deferring a major purchase as a gift to God.
- **Make a 15-month Pledge:** The Bible teaches that spiritual maturity includes developing the habit of weekly giving. You can give far more than you thought possible when it's spread out over time. See the *My Giving Potential Chart*.

## GO

- **Student Ministry:** Invest in the lives of teenagers. You can start by volunteering one hour each week at an area high school.
- **Missions Initiatives:** Give your time to help someone right here in our community or take part in a trip this year to serve the kids at the Casa Havilah and Casa Robles homes in Nicaragua.

## GROW

If we will obey God in faith, our greatest accomplishment 15 months from now will not be a successful campaign. It will be the story we tell of how we've come to know God in ways we never knew before and how we grew in our faith!