

# CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER

EQUAL SACRIFICE, NOT EQUAL GIFTS



# UPCOMING EVENTS

September 23 and 30 October 7 and 14

Sermon and Sunday School Series "Discover"

#### October 14

CVCS High School Gym Celebration Event, 5 p.m. Children's Party, 4:30 p.m. Nursery provided at Park UMC, Sinclairville, 4:30 p.m.

#### October 28

First Fruits Service

## **CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

On Sunday, September 16, we had the pleasure of witnessing the unveiling of God's plan for Park Church with our Project 2020 presentation.

Spearheaded by our Campaign Directors, Darren and Jen Anderson, we saw a video highlighting the history of Park Church, along with a History Board placed on display in the foyer. We learned our "Campaign Song", written by Jim Bailey and were witness to Pastor Joe and his wife, Leslie, share with us the meaning of Stewardship. Lastly, a 3-D model of the building project was unveiled. (Pictured on the following page). It was a great day that will be long remembered.

One of the finest features of the Campaign is the involvement and work of our very own Park Church members. We all have accepted the call to serve with open arms, and we all are playing a significant part in what is happening. We are thankful, and forever grateful, for the effort, skills, and dedication by our members. It has been a joy to see our members work together to accomplish tasks and move this campaign forward, and those efforts, will leave a lasting impact on Park Church.

During our Project 2020 presentation our Campaign Directors had the pleasure to announce our Campaign goals.

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The "Because we Love" Campaign goals were are as follows:

2 MILLION

1.6 MILLION

1.3 MILLION

1 MILLION

Park Church is ready to go the whole way! We are ready to come as close as possible to cover the cost of Project 2020 and carry on our vision. Together, we will stretch to commit to this highest goal, and watch as God's influence over our community grows. As the Campaign progresses, and the commitment time draws near, many of you will be asking, "What is my part?" This is a question that only you can decide. No effort will be made in this Campaign to tell any person what he or she should give.

This Campaign has focused on the concepts of stewardship and

sacrifical giving. Because We Love encourages each of our families to consider giving at a level that is sacrificial for them in their own situation. We have trust that our families will accept God's plan, accept this vision, and together, we will accompish our highest goal.



### A message from Pastor Joe

I want to share a brief testimony with you about a conversation I had with a man who has been in our community for quite some time...

The conversation opened with him asking me to sit with him and another man, who were desperate for some encouragement, because they weren't feeling to good about life at the moment. He then proceeded to tell me that, "I don't go to your church and I don't believe like you do, but....." He then shared this.

"That program you guys do for our community with the kids is the best thing that has ever happened here or anywhere. I don't know how you do it, its practically free and the people are so nice there, I just don't know how or why you do it."
He then proceeded to tell me
that he didn't know what young
mothers would do if we didn't
have it.....

The door cracked open ever so slightly for me to be able to share that we love well, because we have first been loved and that he too was loved. He wasn't feeling really lovable at the moment, probably because his mortality is something that he's thinking about more and more as the reality of it is much closer than ever before in his life.

He also shared that he thought it was a really good idea that we were going to try to make available programs for all day childcare, because there are a lot of poor people in our community who need help with childcare...

What we have been journeying on isn't just about offering childcare, we know that, ultimately its about offering Jesus to anyone and everyone. The space God has revealed to us, equips us to be able to do that for all persons. Not resting until all have known the love of God!

We labor friends not for our glory, but so that others might see His Glorious Self and be drawn unto Him, in the fullness of all Gods' Love.

Phillipians 3:12-14

Live loved, Pastor Joe