



## **Kingdom Builders Week 4: Future Investment & Expansion**

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Kingdom Builders is a new initiative Good News is implementing. As we have learned, it will:

- Simplify our giving process.
- Allow everyone to participate in global, local, and future kingdom work.
- Will remind us that what we do effects eternity and is for the glory of Jesus.

Kingdom Builders will help us be more intentional about how we give, how we pray, and how we go. We all get to participate. When we give to one thing, we give to everything.

**Globally**, a great imbalance exists. A mere 1% of worldwide global giving goes to unreached people groups (UPG) and only 3% of global workers go to a place of unreached people. **It comes down to access:** all unreached are lost, but not all lost are unreached.

**Locally**, our church family is living on mission. We were introduced to three new local partners, in addition to the ministries we have already chosen to partner with. Our new partners are Accepted Food Bank, Letters of Hope, and New Community.

**WHY** are we making this switch to Kingdom Builders?

*We live to see lives transformed through Jesus!*

*We are a family committed to seeing lives changed. We connect people to God and others, make disciples of Jesus, and are Spirit-empowered people who live out the Good News in our world. And we are each determine to fulfill our unique purpose in God's mission to everyone, everywhere, every day.*

**WE ARE KINGDOM BUILDERS AND KINDOM BRINGERS!**

The last category of the Kingdom Builders Initiative: **Future Investment & Expansion**

**Investment:** an act of devoting time, effort, or energy to a particular undertaking with the expectation of a worthwhile result

**Expansion:** the action of becoming larger or more extensive: extension of a state's territory by encroaching on that of other nations, pursued as a political strategy

**Luke 10:1-3** After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves.

- We have been appointed by the Lord for a specific assignment.
- They were sent "two by two" - which shows us that we can't do it alone. YOU can't do it alone. We need EACH OTHER.
- We are forerunners. Our assignment is to prepare the way of the Lord. We go ahead of the King to make the high places low and the crooked places straight. We help usher in the Kingdom of God.
- The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.
  - Who brings the harvest? God! Who sends the workers? God!
- Our responsibility is to ASK and GO!
  - He appoints us, sends us, and brings about the harvest and the workers.

All the components of future investment and expansion through Kingdom Builders reinforce our vision and our mission. These projects will strengthen our pillars (Connect-Disciple-Empower) and make us good stewards of what God has given us.

Good News Future Kingdom Builders endeavors:

#### **4 Purpose Project Platform**

A **discipleship** tool that helps people receive clarity on how God has created them, the gifts they possess, and how to be mobilized with God's purpose in their lives.

- We want to build a digital platform for the 4Purpose Project and make this tool accessible to other churches, global workers, ministries, and business.

#### **Coffee Shop**

Our campus sits empty most of the week. By utilizing our property and being a good steward of what God has given us, we want to develop a space where we can

**connect** people to God and others.

- You can invite a friend or coworker for a cup of coffee that would not normally attend a church for a service.
- We will **empower** some of our young people to work at their church and gain valuable work experience instead of going to Starbucks, Scooters or something similar.

### **Future Church Leaders**

We want to **empower** young leaders who feel God is calling them to full time ministry by providing scholarships for school and seminary.

- We want to develop an internship program or a track/pipeline (similar to the one developed for global workers) to **disciple** those who want to explore their calling and can begin to equip them for the work God has called them to.

### **The Joseph Project**

Our church is a “Joseph Church”. We are called to provide rest for the weary and a light to our community.

- We purchased a house to utilize as a place of safe & secure housing for traveling medical professionals. In the future, this house will be used as a place to **empower** KB partners (global workers and ministries) who will stay, rest, and recharge while itinerating in the United States.

### **Good News Recording Studio**

Our church is a house of storytelling. Storytelling speaks to sharing the transformation of the many people God has brought out of darkness, the minds He has restored, the relationships He has mended, and the bodies He has healed.

- We want to develop a space where these testimonies are captured via audio and video.
- Because the average person comes to church just once every 6 weeks, this will also help us develop a way to digitally **disciple** people.

### **Good News Child Development Center**

Again, we have a beautiful campus and facility that is not being utilized throughout a large majority of the week. Our desire is to **connect, disciple, and empower** others (children and adults) through using our children’s facility as a child development center.

Moving forward:

**Mark 12:41-44** Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.

Jesus highlights a very important principle of the Kingdom of God; the widow gave what she had and the Lord took care of the rest.

We live in an upside-down kingdom.

- We give to receive.
- We lose to gain.
- We die to live.

God is not concerned with the amount of your offering, but rather about the heart from where this offering is coming from.

We all have a part to play. Some of us can bring large amounts, some of us can bring "two very small copper coins" like the widow. As family, what matters is **NOT** the amount, but participation. **We will live ON MISSION together!**

Here is an example of the impact we can make and the breakdown of giving.

# of Givers	Monthly Gift	Individual Giving	Yearly Total (9months)
1	\$2,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00
2	\$1,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$18,000.00
7	\$500.00	\$4,500.00	\$31,500.00
20	\$250.00	\$2,250.00	\$45,000.00
100	\$100.00	\$900.00	\$90,000.00
275	\$50.00	\$450.00	\$123,750.00
200	\$25.00	\$225.00	\$45,000.00
153	\$10.00	\$90.00	\$13,770.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	\$385,020.00

- What did you hear in today's message?
- Have you talked with God about your role in Kingdom Builders?
- Do you understand why we tithe?
- Do you understand the difference between tithing and Kingdom Builders?
- How will you live on mission? What does it look like to live "everyone, everywhere, every day"?

You can find all this information in our Kingdom Builders booklet or on our Good News website under the new Kingdom Builders page: [goodnews.church/kb](http://goodnews.church/kb). There is also a Frequently Asked Questions section for clarification. If you have any other questions or need further understanding, please reach out to the church office.