

The Christmas Offering

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John 3:16; 16:33

The Mission of Hope Church...

• To invite people to **<u>DISCOVER</u>** and **<u>EXPERIENCE</u>** God's ways

Isaiah 55:8-9; Proverbs 11:25; Psalm 66:5

Why a Christmas Offering?

God's Mission...

- **RESCUES** us
- · **INCLUDES** us
- Goes <u>BEYOND</u> us

Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8; Romans 1:16

Romans 10:13-15; Ephesians 2:10

♦ Every Christ-follower is called to **LEVERAGE THEIR LIFE** for the Kingdom!

For Maximum Missional Impact...

Deuteronomy 6:5; 3 John 5-8; Matthew 6:21; Romans 2:4

- We team together in two primary ways:
 - ♦ By **<u>GOING</u>** and <u>GIVING</u>, and as we do, we...
 - » Advance God's mission
 - ♦ Grow <u>**CLOSER**</u> to God

Our Opportunity as a Church

2021 Christmas Offering Initiatives...

• **LOCAL**: To support local organizations that practically show the love of Christ to members

of our community who are experiencing pain and are in need.

- **NATIONAL**: To partner with churches and organizations across our nation who boldly share the gospel, start churches, and stand up for what the Bible says about parental rights, religious freedom, and other civil liberties.
- **INTERNATIONAL**: Partner with individuals who are taking the love of Jesus to the Nations.
- Reaching the next generation of college and university students
 - ♦ Locally: CHRISTIAN IMPACT
 - ◊ Nationally & Internationally
- Hope Church Growth and Expansion: Continue to prepare for the <u>NEW SEASON</u> of ministry as we take the life changing message of the gospel to our growing city of Fort Worth.









2021 Christmas Offering Goal: \$160,000

My opportunity to team with Hope Church...

- **PRAY** for the Lord's help in reaching our goal between now and January 31, 2022
- **PRAY** and ask the Lord how He would have my family help reach this year's goal

Memory Verse

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

Ephesians 5:15-16 NIV

My Next Steps:

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- o Today, for the first time, I'll choose to follow Jesus!
- o I'll pray for this year's Christmas Offering.
- o I'll pray and ask God how he wants my family to give generously and sacrificially towards the Christmas Offering.
- o I'll sign up for *Getting Traction with Money* seminar on December 11th.
- o I'll _____

Additional Notes: