



THE SHEPHERD'S *Grace*

Campaign Messenger: Week of March 18, 2024

Gift Gathering Begins for Children

This week a “Campaign Gift Container” will be going home with your children to collect their financial gifts for “The Shepherd’s Grace” Campaign. For the next three weeks, they will collect money and bring it back to school on the last day of the week to be added to their classroom’s total. At the end of every week, the new total that the children have raised will be displayed and shared. Children who participate will get to add their piece of the puzzle to our donor’s display.

Now you may be thinking, “\$3,600,000 is a lot of money,” and you are right. It really is. So, your next question probably is, “How are we going to raise that?” That’s another good question. And the answer is by EVERYONE doing their PART and by EVERYONE GIVING the very best gift that they possibly can.



Children’s Part in the Campaign

1. Pray to God every day asking Him to bless our campaign and to help make it a success.
2. Volunteer to work on the campaign in various special ways.
3. Give a gift of money to the effort, each according to our ability.



Everyone Has Different Gifts

This week your children will learn how God blesses each person with different financial gifts. What you give to the Lord is not about how big it is, but about the heart in which you give. The widow with the mite did not have much financially, but she gave what she could to the Lord and he saw that she gave all she had and it was great in his sight. Your child may feel like their contribution is not a lot, but in God's eyes, it is much.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 2:9



Children's Part in Giving

1. Find ways to earn money to give.
(Ex. Completing chores or talking with family and friends.)
2. Collect money in your Campaign Commitment Container every week.
3. Bring your Commitment Container to school to be counted.
4. Encourage others to give.



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A Special Message to Families

Dear Good Shepherd Families,

Your children have been asked and would like you to help them do their part to make sure our “The Shepherd’s Grace” Campaign is a success.

Their teacher has sent home with them a special “Campaign Commitment Container” that they have been asked to contribute to daily for the next few weeks to simulate, in a smaller way, the multi-year gift commitments that the adults of our church have been asked to make. A “Contribution Calendar” will also be sent home to track your children’s daily contributions. Please help your children hang this in a visible place so that it reminds them to make and gather gifts each day.

Then on Friday, March 22nd, Thursday, March 28th, and Friday, April 5th your children have been asked to bring their Campaign Commitment Containers back in where their contributions will be combined with the gifts from the other youth and children of our church.

Everyone who makes a gift (including the adults of the church) will receive a special “puzzle piece” cut-out with their name on it, which will become part of a special “Donors-to-Date” wall display showing everybody who has done their part and financially contributed to our campaign.

Please encourage and help your children to do their best in this important task.

In Christ,
Children’s Giving Committee