

Family Meeting

29 June 2025 / 11:45 AM

Agenda Notes

Church Covenant (11:45am)

Financial Report Presented by Will (11:50am)

Financial Update:

- The church received \$144,000 in offerings this year and has spent \$126,000 to date.
- It was noted that five families contributed approximately one-third of the total offerings.
- Major expenditures included renovations to the parking lot, nursery, and utilities.
- \$306,000 remains allocated for the parking lot project, and it is expected that funds will be left over once the renovations are complete. The leadership team is currently considering options for how to best steward the remaining funds.
- The 2025 financial report was reviewed. No questions were raised by the congregation.
- A recommendation was made to fine-tune the budget allocations in collaboration with other church pastors, as the current structure has not been updated in several years.

Off-Budget and Resources Review:

- The off-budget items and resource summary were reviewed.
- Financial resources as of June 27, 2025, were discussed, including the remaining funds from the parking and nursery projects.
- It was noted that missions funds are not matching up, and Will is working on reconciling the report.

Missions and Giving:

- A question was raised regarding why missions show 57% of the budget, even though its allocated budget is listed as \$0. This is due to missions funds being designated and

distributed as they are received rather than through a fixed budget.

- The church continues to prioritize faithful and consistent giving, with the goal of not being a “top-heavy” giving church.

Special Allocations:

- \$11,000 remains from contributions shared between partnering churches. These funds typically go toward utility costs, but Dave and Luke have been discussing redirecting a portion of this amount to support the Gospel Fellowship church launch. The church was asked to pray about this decision.
- A proposal was brought forward to support Caleb Sturgis as a missionary, using \$3,000 from the unspent missions funds. Caleb has requested a six-year partnership. A motion was made by Alex and Sue and was approved unanimously by the church.
- The Divine Grace Urdu lead pastor’s sister recently passed away, leaving the family without financial resources for the funeral. Dave and Luke proposed designating \$1,000 from the remaining \$11,000 to assist with funeral costs. The motion was made by Jared and Zach and was approved by the church.

Membership Review presented by Pastor Luke (12:00pm)

- The care list was reviewed and discussed.
- Mary and Jose Castillo are planning to join Gospel Hope after relocating to the southern part of the valley.
- Dana Fynbo and Louie Medina are both in the process of finding a church closer to home. **Edit: Donna Fynbo is participating with GLC from home, though we have not been able to talk with her recently—LB 7/1/25**
- Paula Gomez and Laura Montgomery have been unreachable. The church was asked to continue praying for them, and Luke will keep trying to make contact.
- An updated member directory was provided to the church

Serving on Teams presented by Pastor Luke (12:05pm)

- Dave and Luke shared the importance of remembering the right order of priorities when it comes to church events, serving, and activities.

- They've been prayerfully considering what to say "yes" and "no" to as leaders and encouraged the church to do the same.
- As a church, we were asked to pray about our collective priorities to ensure we are pursuing health and sustainability in ministry. The goal is to avoid burnout and cultivate a healthy church culture.
- One example of this intentionality is the decision to take a break from Sunday School during the month of July.
- The church was encouraged to be vocal about their capacity—both in serving on teams and in knowing when to step back for rest.

Outreach presented by Jared and Ben (12:15pm)

- OnGoal: The church was encouraged to pray for greater engagement from the community. While many door hangers have been distributed, there have been no registrations so far.
- Jared shared a recap from Plant Camp, highlighting the blessings that came through their outreach efforts—including door hangers, a block party, a car wash (50 cars washed with intentional gospel conversations), and serving at West High by wiping down tables. Ronny, who manages the school's generator, expressed his gratitude for the support.
- Church in the Park: An upcoming opportunity to serve the community through food, fellowship, evangelism, and hospitality. Volunteers are especially needed for the setup at Riverside Park.
- Ben asked for prayer for the upcoming GLC Kids Week—that the church would love the kids well and that the week would be used for God's glory. Kids ages 3 years to 6th grade are welcome, and registration is still open. More details for volunteers will be shared soon, but additional help is still needed for the camp.

Prayer (12:25pm)

Action Items

1. Steward Remaining Funds Wisely

- Consider best use of remaining funds from the parking lot renovation.
- Await further updates on missions fund reconciliation from Will.

2. Pray for Church Priorities and Health

- Pray for wisdom as leadership evaluates which events and ministries to continue or pause.
- Church members are encouraged to speak up about burnout or needing a break from serving, and to support one another by stepping in and helping when others are feeling overwhelmed.

3. Support Gospel Fellowship Launch

- Pray with the church about allocating part of the remaining \$11,000 to support the launch.

4. Approve and Support New Missionary

- Caleb Sturgis approved for \$3,000 in mission support—pray for his 6-year partnership.

5. Show Compassion in Crisis

- \$1,000 approved to help cover funeral expenses for the Urdu pastor's sister—continue to pray for the family.

6. Continue Caring for Members

- Pray for Mary and Jose Castillo (transitioning to Gospel Hope), Dana Fynbo and Louie Medina (seeking closer churches), and Paula Gomez & Laura Montgomery (currently unreachable).
- Use updated member directory for connection and follow-up.

7. Pray and Participate in Outreach Efforts

- OnGoal: Pray for community response and engagement.
- Church in the Park: Volunteers needed, especially for setup.
- GLC Kids Week: Pray for the children and the community; volunteer help is still needed.

8. Celebrate Gospel Conversations

- Praise God for fruitful outreach during Plant Camp—especially the car wash, door hangers, and service at West High.