

## Contribute

*God gives everyone something to contribute, often many things. We all have time, talent and treasure to put at God's disposal so that the church can fulfill the Great Commission. It is about contributing your life. Contribute to the ministry in our church, our community or our world. We will help you. Join us as we contribute all God has given us for all God is doing to fulfill His mission at The Chapel!*

The Power to Contribute: \_\_\_\_\_

- **God expects us to \_\_\_\_\_ our gifts for His purposes and glory.**

*ROMANS 12:3-8 For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. <sup>4</sup>Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. <sup>6</sup>We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. <sup>7</sup>If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; <sup>8</sup>if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.*

- \_\_\_\_\_ gives us our spiritual gifts.

*1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-7 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. <sup>5</sup>There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. <sup>6</sup>There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men.*

*<sup>7</sup>Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.*

- **Spiritual gifts ought not be denied nor**

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1 THESSALONIANS 5:19-22 *Do not put out the Spirit's fire; <sup>20</sup> do not treat prophecies with contempt. <sup>21</sup> Test everything. Hold on to the good. <sup>22</sup> Avoid every kind of evil.*

- **God distributes spiritual gifts according to**

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HEBREWS 2:4 *God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.*

## The Purpose of Our \_\_\_\_\_

- **Spiritual gifts build up the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ and produce maturity.**

EPEHSIANS 4:11-13 *It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up <sup>13</sup> until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.*

- **God's goal is to make us like Jesus: Maturity**

- **Results of maturity**

We act like Jesus in the \_\_\_\_\_.

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## The Places Where We Contribute

- **In the \_\_\_\_\_**

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MATTHEW 5:14-16 *You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.*

## Personalize Your Contribution: Make The Chapel Your \_\_\_\_\_ in 2013

### How to Become a Christian

Many people believe they are Christians because they were born in a Christian culture, go to church regularly, try to do their best, or live a good life. However, the Bible teaches that these things cannot make you a Christian. You become a Christian by simply taking these two steps:

- Acknowledge that you (along with all people) have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. ROMANS 3:23
- Personally believe that Jesus Christ, who was God in human flesh, died for your sins on the cross and rose again. 1 CORINTHIANS 15:3, 4

You may express your belief through prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving Him as God's gift to you.

JOHN 1:12, ROMANS 6:23, REVELATION 3:20

EPEHSIANS 2:8, 9 *For it is by grace you have been saved through faith...it is the gift of God; not by works, so that no one can boast.*