

Dear Cumberland Family,

Once again I would like to apologize for the lateness of the 2021 Pledge Covenant Forms; we have been dealing with something we never thought we would see, but even through this time of uncertainty there is one thing that we can be sure of, and that is our God has sustained us through seen and unseen dangers and has provided all our needs according to his riches. We at Cumberland have been exceedingly blessed because as other houses of worship have been stagnated due to the pandemic, we are able to continue our Sunday mornings worship service. As you are well aware, the financial obligations of the church still have to be met; we need everyone to do what you are able to do. As I stated in my address, neither I nor anyone can tell you how your pocket is fixed, all I ask is that you trust God and do what you are able to do; he knows your heart.

I have tried to come up with a formula to help you make your Pledge consideration easier to understand. There are 39 Sundays left in this year, including today, if you commit to one of these pledges you will see how easy it is to meet your obligation.

The church needs \$200,000 - \$300,000 to meet its financial obligations for the year; this is what I'm proposing. If at least 20 members commit to paying \$3,000 for the year, that would give the church \$60,000. If 20 members commit to paying \$2,000 for the year, that would give the church \$40,000. If 20 members commit to paying \$1,000 for the year, that would give the church \$20,000. If 100 members commit to \$550.00 for the year, that would give the church \$55,000. These pledges would give the church \$175,000 for the year. This is only 160 members of the total congregation.

A pledge of \$3,000 with 39 Sundays is \$76.92 per Sunday.

A pledge of \$2,000 with 39 Sundays is \$51.28 per Sunday.

A pledge of \$1,000 with 39 Sundays is \$25.64 per Sunday.

A pledge of \$550.00 with 39 Sundays is 14.11 per Sunday.

I trust that this information will assist you in making a pledge that fits your budget, but also making your commitment to the church and God. If you are able to pledge more than what these categories suggest, it would be most graciously appreciated.

Your Brother in Christ,

Robert Felder, Stewardship Chairperson