#### WAYS TO GIVE

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# THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Last Week Giving \$50,418 Fiscal Year-to-Date Giving - Starts Apr 1 -\$992,857

#### **NEED TO KNOW!**

**#1. Halloween Hot Spots!** Halloween Hot Spots are houses out in the community that are sponsored by Grace. Families stop at these houses on Halloween night while they are out trick or treating. Each house has a bounce house, hot dogs, hot drinks, Teal pumpkin treats, and candy...lots of candy! And we are looking for 15 host homes. So if you live in a neighbor with tons of kids, you should be a host home! We are also looking for candy donations. If you'd like to help, drop off bags of candy in the bins around grace. To learn more or sign up as a host home, head to the website.

**#2. Days For Girls!** A serving opportunity this Monday. This group creates feminine hygiene kits for women in developing countries. We need people willing to cut fabric, trace patterns, assemble kits, and sew. The team will show you all the steps. Come and check it out. The 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30 in room 264.

**#3. Micro Churches!** This is a partnership with the Timothy Initiative that builds tight knit communities of believers that gather to regularly worship, study, pray, and fellowship. To learn more about this, come to the kick off on Sunday Oct 17, at 4pm in the South Commons. You can check out the website or contact Pastor Joe if you have more questions.

OCT 10 - History Makers Week 4

# TAKE NOTES

Why is generosity such a big deal to God?

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need. Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet. - Acts 4:32-37

We Are So Glad You Joined Us

# What difference does my giving make?

I can do all this through Him who gives me strength. Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. - Philippians 4:13-17

#### What are the characteristics of a generous church?

#### Planned

"Now about the collection for God's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made." - 1 Corinthians 16:1-2

#### Proportional

Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints. - 2 Corinthians 8:2-4

#### Intentional

For even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid again and again when I was in need. - Philippians 4:16

#### Sacrificial

They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. - Philippians 4:18

## Motivated by Love and Need

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. - 2 Corinthians 8:9

#### Voluntary

I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others.. - 2 Corinthians 8:8

## Cheerful

"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:7

