



Raising the Consciousness *Unity through Christ*

September 12, 2021

Dear Avondaler,

Once a year, we at Avondale Presbyterian Church come together to make our financial commitments for the coming year. This pledge helps the church to plan, to meet current obligations, and grow. This growth is both spiritual and societal and impacts all ages.

Avondale serves as our spiritual home, allowing us to learn and grow in Christ and the Holy Spirit. It is a source of education for our youth, the ACE Ministry, and people of all ages. It allows each of us to grow in faith, spiritual understanding, and community. We supply support for ministries, both within and outside the church community. And we provide support and comfort to those experiencing life's most trying times.

Early on as an Avondale member, I could not see why it was necessary to make a formal pledge. Our family put a donation in the plate when we attended, and an extra amount at the end of the year. But then it was gently explained to me why an actual pledge was so important. It represented our commitment to the growth and function of the church. Our pledge helped with the planning of ministries, along with mundane things like paying required utilities. Most importantly, it helped with the financial support of our staff, who make this church so special.

Stewardship encompasses all aspects of giving, not just the financial commitment. Though the annual pledge drive does focus on the money aspects, please take this time to consider the other aspects of Stewardship. These may include volunteering, teaching, Sunday School, Taizé, or other aspects of church life.

Enclosed you will find your pledge card. Included will be the amount of last year's pledge, and possible options to increase if you are able. Take your time. Pray. Look for discernment as to what role Avondale plays in your life, and what role it could play in the coming year.

We have also included a graph of where you are as a giving unit compared to the rest of the congregation. There is also a chart showing monthly giving amounts to meet specific annual goals.

One point of clarification, your pledge amount is confidential and handled only by the financial coordinator. None of the members of the Stewardship or Finance Committees will know the amount of your pledge.

Prayerfully consider your pledge for 2022. We appreciate you being a member of the Avondale family. We will plan to dedicate our gifts on Sunday, October 3rd.

Grace and Peace,

Jimmy Flowers and David Hall, Stewardship co-chairs
Ann Gregory, Harry Greyard, John Magee, Laura Meier, Ted Todd

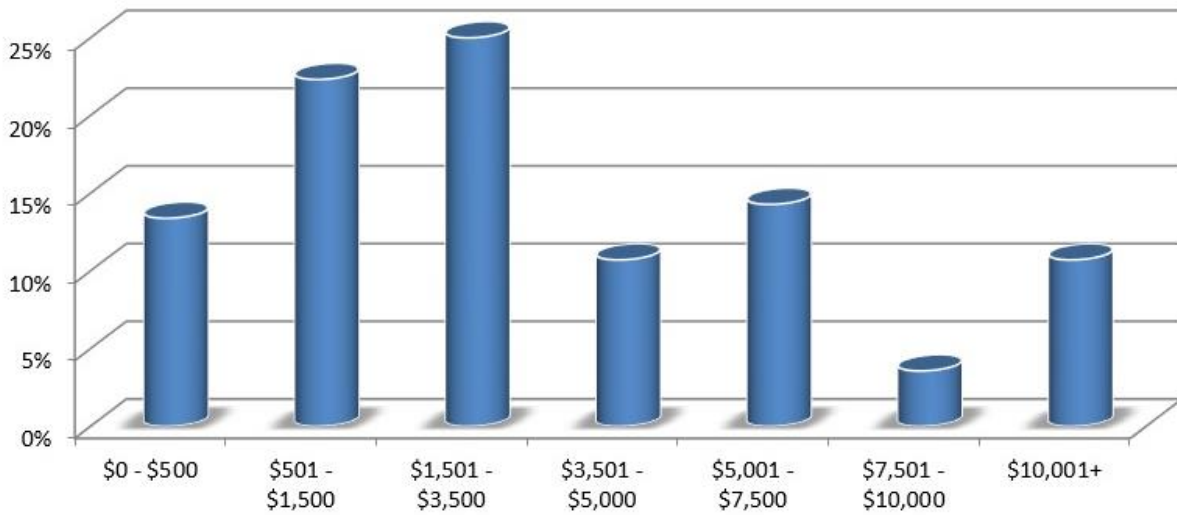
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Avondale Giving Tiers from 2021:



Hoped for Gifts for 2022:

If you are currently giving in these ranges:			Please pray and consider increasing your giving by 10% to these amounts:		
Monthly	=	Yearly	Monthly	=	Yearly
\$40	=	\$480	\$44	=	\$528
\$80	=	\$960	\$88	=	\$1,056
\$120	=	\$1,440	\$132	=	\$1,584
\$160	=	\$1,920	\$176	=	\$2,112
\$200	=	\$2,400	\$220	=	\$2,640
\$240	=	\$2,880	\$264	=	\$3,168
\$280	=	\$3,360	\$308	=	\$3,696
\$320	=	\$3,840	\$352	=	\$4,224
\$360	=	\$4,320	\$396	=	\$4,752
\$400	=	\$4,800	\$440	=	\$5,280
\$440	=	\$5,280	\$484	=	\$5,808
\$480	=	\$5,760	\$528	=	\$6,336
\$520	=	\$6,240	\$575	=	\$6,900
\$560	=	\$6,720	\$616	=	\$7,392
\$600	=	\$7,200	\$660	=	\$7,920
\$640	=	\$7,680	\$704	=	\$8,448
\$800	=	\$9,600	\$880	=	\$10,560

Please note: Any and all gifts are greatly appreciated!

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