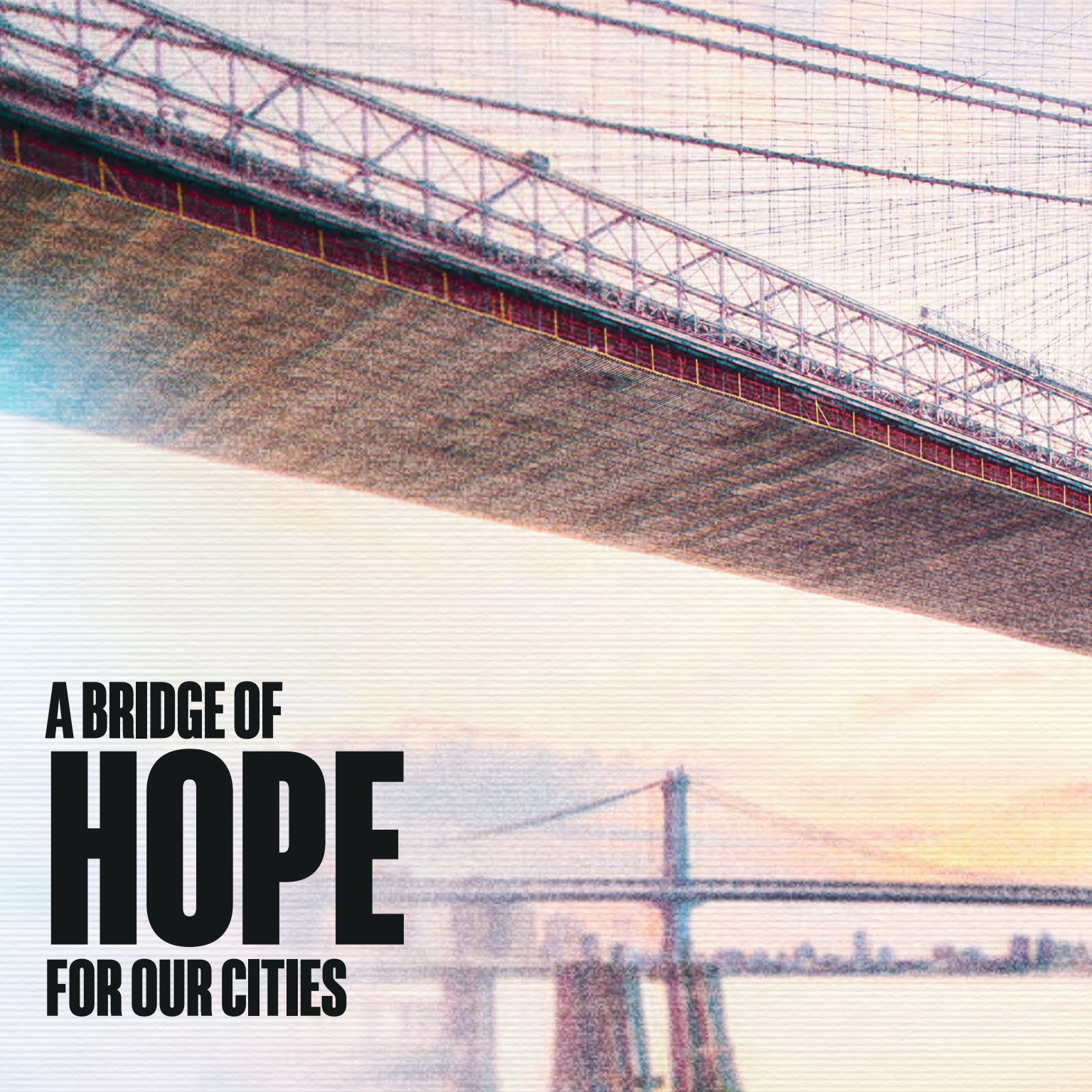
FOR OUR CITIES.

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A Three Year Journey of Courageous Generosity

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WELCOME

This booklet is your guide through a defining season in the life of The Bridge. Over the next several weeks, our entire church family will walk together through **FOR OUR CITIES, a journey of faith, love, and courageous generosity.**

Together, we will strengthen our church family, serve our neighbors, and carry the gospel to the nations. Inside these pages, you will find vision, stories, Scripture, and space to consider how God is calling you to live generously FOR one another.

Bring this booklet with you each weekend. It will serve as your companion throughout the FOR OUR CITIES message series, with space for sermon notes, reflection, and prayer. Keep it close, mark it up, and allow it to become a record of how God speaks to you during this season. Let it remind you that you are part of something larger than yourself. We are one church extending His love as a bridge TO OUR CITIES.

Because Jesus is FOR us, we can live generously FOR one another.

THIS BOOK BELONGS TO


2026

A WORD FROM PASTOR KENNY

One small word can reveal the posture of an entire church: FOR.

In a world often defined by what people are against, Jesus said His disciples would be recognized by their love **FOR one another.** This kind of love is more than a feeling. It moves toward people. It gives freely, serves humbly, and makes room for others to experience the hope of Jesus. That is the heart of **FOR OUR CITIES.**

Our cities are more than locations on a map. They are people God loves. They are the families gathering across our campuses, the neighbors facing difficult circumstances, and the communities around the world still waiting to hear the Gospel.

Through **FOR OUR FAMILY,** we will invest in ministry at our **Sugar Land, Richmond, and Fulshear locations.** Each project will help us welcome more people, strengthen discipleship, and create environments where every generation can know and follow Jesus.

Through **FOR OUR NEIGHBORS,** we will join trusted **DO GOOD Partners** serving people close to home. We will support prison ministry connected to the Jester Unit and help Abigail's Place provide housing, stability, and hope for single mothers and their children.

Through **FOR THE NATIONS,** we will help plant churches in India and Sri Lanka, translate Scripture for an unreached people group in Peru. We want people we may never meet on this side of eternity to know that God sees them, loves them, and has made a way for them through Jesus.

These opportunities may differ in geography, but they are united by one purpose: ***extending the love of Jesus as a bridge TO OUR CITIES.***

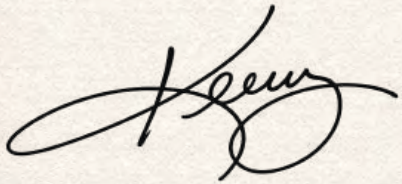
My hope is not simply that we complete a collection of projects. My prayer is that God forms something deeper within us. I pray that we become more attentive to His voice, more open-handed with what He has entrusted to us, and **more committed to living FOR one another.**

As you walk through this booklet, do not begin by asking, "What am I expected to do?" Begin with a better question: **"Lord, what do You want to do in me and through me?"**

Pray with your family. **Listen** for His direction. Then **respond** with faith and obedience.

Because Jesus is FOR us, we can live generously FOR one another.

I'm so proud to walk this road **with you.**



Pastor Kenny Dean
Senior Pastor, The Bridge



OUR STORY



Roots: the first church
The original First Baptist Church of Sugar Land building, with its name visible on the front. It establishes where this story began.



***Growth:** the gymnasium years Scott Rambo preaching during the gymnasium era. It represents the season when the growing church gathered in a multipurpose space.*



A new Sugar Land home
Groundbreaking for the new Sugar Land campus. This marks the move toward a new home; it shows the start of the project, not the finished building.



*The **Palladium Theater** under construction in Richmond.*

Our story began **Sept 14, 1914**, when First Baptist Sugar Land was founded under the leadership of Rev G.H. Williams. Sugar Land was a much smaller community then, but God was already laying the foundation for a church that would one day carry the hope of Jesus into cities near and far.

On **November 5, 1995,** Scott Rambo became Lead Pastor, and the church entered a season of remarkable growth. One service became multiple services, and soon the church was gathering in the gymnasium. As the church grew, so did its burden to reach more people.

After a season of prayer and discernment, the church purchased 40 acres on Brooks Street in **2000,** making room for a future that could not yet be fully seen.

In **2005** First Baptist Sugar Land became The Bridge Fellowship, a name that reflected our growing desire to connect people with Jesus and help them fall more deeply in love with Him.

In **2005**, we moved into our new Sugar Land home and embraced the picture of the early church found in Acts 2:42–45: people devoted to Scripture, prayer, worship, fellowship, and sharing life together. That same conviction continues today through our Small Groups.

In **2013**, The Bridge extended into another city. The Richmond Campus began with **85** people meeting at the Palladium Theater on Highway 99 and grew into a thriving church family of more than **1,000.**

When the world changed in **2020**, our methods changed, but our mission did not. Online ministry carried the gospel beyond our buildings and into homes around the world.

A new chapter began in **November 2020** when Kenny Dean became Lead Pastor. Through prayer and discernment, our mission became clear:

INVITE EVERYONE TO KNOW AND FOLLOW JESUS.

In **2024**, DO GOOD became an even more visible expression of that mission. Through trusted partners and the faithful service of Bridgers, families were helped, communities were served, and the love of Jesus reached people in places of real need.

In **2025**, we established three foundational beliefs for every generation at The Bridge:
God is always good.
Jesus paid our debt.
The Holy Spirit lives in us.

In **2026**, the Fulshear Campus launched at Easter. Through the generosity and commitment of Bridgers, a new church family is already taking shape in one of America's fastest-growing communities.



Pastor Kenny at the Palladium
Richmond takes root at the Palladium creating a new place for people to gather, grow, and experience hope together.



Worship at the Palladium
The Richmond community comes together in worship, building relationships and laying the foundation for what's ahead.



Packathon
Volunteers come together to pack meals for people facing hunger around the world, putting our mission to DO GOOD into action.



Fulshear Campus Launch
launches in the spring of 2026 marking the beginning of a growing ministry in that community

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THE BRIDGE TODAY

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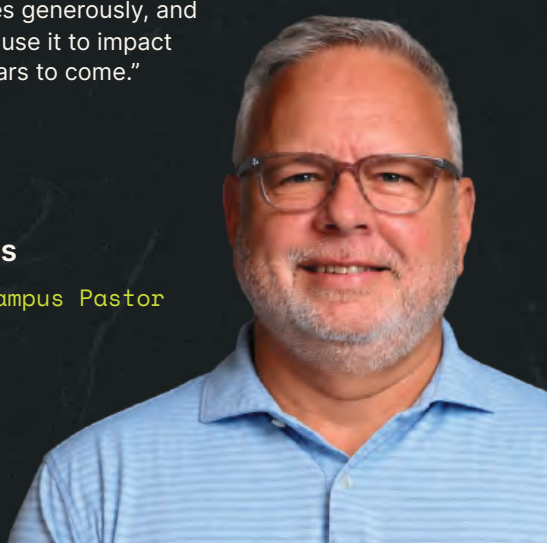
"God is doing amazing things in and through our church! He is changing lives and using us to make an impact locally and all around the world. I am excited to see what He has in store for us as we move into this next season!"



Kurt Lawson

Sugar Land Campus Pastor

"I love that FOR OUR CITIES gives every one of us the opportunity to be part of something bigger than ourselves. I'm excited to see what happens when our whole church comes together, gives generously, and trusts God to use it to impact people for years to come."



Joel Owens

Fulshear Campus Pastor





Joe and Grace Chen



Jake Rayburn



Kent Lawson



Don and Debbie Heath



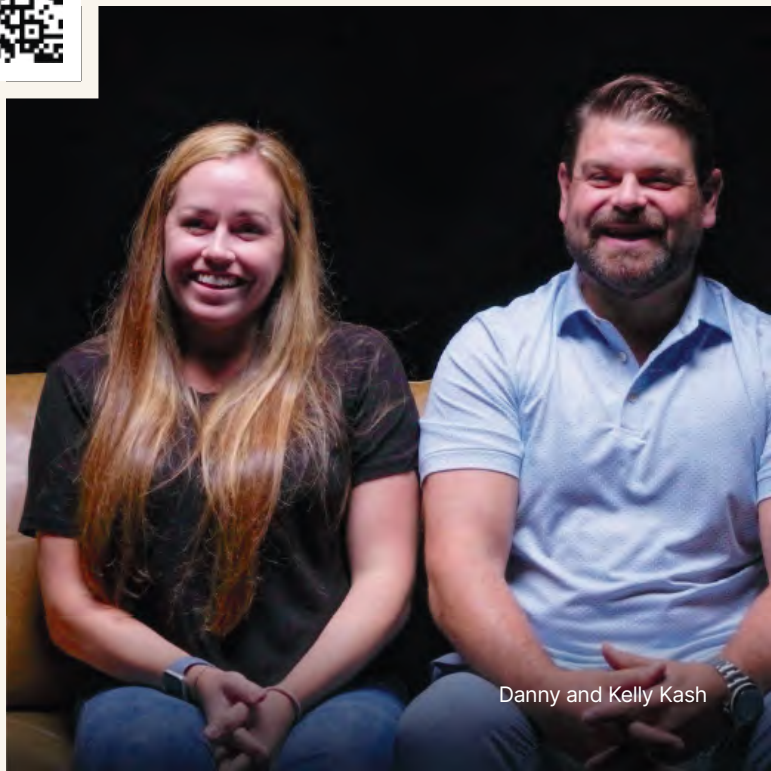
Melisa Campos



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THREE YEAR

Over the next three years, we will take courageous steps together to strengthen our church family, serve our neighbors, and carry the hope of Jesus to the nations. The opportunities are different, but the heart behind them is the same: **Because Jesus is FOR us, we want to live generously FOR others.**

FOR OUR FAMILY

God continues to bring people through the doors of The Bridge. We want to be ready for them. **We will expand our Sugar Land Campus, establish a permanent home for our Richmond Campus, and invest in the next season of ministry at Fulshear.** Together, we are making room for more people to worship, belong, grow, and experience life change through Jesus.

FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Some of the greatest needs are right outside our doors. Through trusted DO GOOD Partners, we will come alongside people in vulnerable circumstances. **We will help Abigail's Place provide housing and stability for single mothers and their children, and strengthen ministry at the Jester Unit, including the vision for a permanent chapel where men can encounter the hope of Jesus.**

FOR THE NATIONS

The love of Jesus was never meant to stop with us. Through trusted ministry partners, **we will help plant churches in India and Sri Lanka, translate Scripture in Peru, and use the Pando app to carry biblical content into places we may never go ourselves.** From our family, to our neighbors, to the nations, we are extending His love as a bridge TO OUR CITIES.

JOURNEY

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When we look back at the story of The Bridge, we see something God has done again and again. He has asked us to **make room**. Room for another person. Room for another family. Room for another campus. Room for another city. And every time God has opened a door, **people at The Bridge have chosen to walk through it with faith.**

Now He has placed another opportunity before us.

FOR OUR CITIES is not simply about funding projects. It is about becoming the **kind of people who hold what God has given us with open hands.**

We have the opportunity to practice courageous generosity together so more people can experience the **hope of Jesus.** We do not all have the same resources, and God will not ask all of us to take the same step. But every one of us can ask the same question: **"God, what are You asking me to do?"**

This is OUR story. And together, we get to write the next chapter.



FOR OUR FAMILY

RICHMOND



NEW RICHMOND FACILITY



NEW RICHMOND WORSHIP CENTER

MAKING ROOM FOR LIFE CHANGE.

What began with 85 people gathering in a movie theater has grown into a thriving church family of more than 1,000. **We will establish a permanent home for Richmond, including a new Worship Center and dedicated environments for Bridge Kids and TAKEOVER Students.**

It will create space to welcome more families, disciple the next generation, and serve the Richmond community for years to come.



RICHMOND TINY TOWN



RICHMOND BRIDGE KIDS



RICHMOND TAKEOVER (STUDENTS)

SUGAR LAND & FULSHEAR



NEW SUGAR LAND WELCOME CENTER



NEW SUGAR LAND WELCOME CENTER (EVENING)

Sugar Land has been home to generations of ministry at The Bridge, and God continues to bring new people through our doors.

The addition will create a new Welcome Center and expanded space designed to make our campus easier to enter, navigate, and connect with, giving guests a clear place to be welcomed and take their next step into the life of The Bridge.

Fulshear began with five families who believed God was doing something in their community. They prayed, gave, served, and helped prepare a place where people could encounter Jesus. The campus launched at Easter 2026, and in its first six months has already celebrated 20 baptisms.

Through FOR OUR CITIES, we will provide **three years of ministry and operational support**, allowing this young campus to establish deeper roots and focus on reaching families in one of our region's fastest-growing communities.



THREE YEAR FUNDING OF FULSHEAR



FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

ABIGAIL'S PLACE



HELPING PEOPLE FEEL SEEN, KNOWN, & LOVED.

Abigail's Place comes alongside single mothers and their children facing crisis with **safe housing, practical support, and a path toward stability.** Through our partnership, we can help families move from crisis toward hope and remind them they are seen, known, and loved. Through **FOR OUR CITIES we will build a new home for 2 families.**







JESTER UNIT

Through ministry at the **Jester Unit**, we can bring the hope of Jesus inside prison walls and **help build a permanent chapel for worship, discipleship, prayer, and life change.**

A prison wall may limit where someone can go. It does not limit where the hope of Jesus can reach.









FOR THE NATIONS

PERU & INDIA







CARRYING THE HOPE OF JESUS FARTHER.

We may never walk the streets of every community we serve or meet every person whose life is changed. But through trusted partners, we can plant churches, put Scripture into people's own language, and carry biblical truth into places that are difficult to reach.

Across borders, languages, and even prison walls, we are helping more people know and follow Jesus.

In **Peru**, there are still communities without access to the Bible in the language they know best. Bible translation opens the door for people to encounter Scripture in words that speak clearly to their hearts and culture.

We will help translate Scripture for an unreached people group, giving families and future generations the opportunity to read, hear, and share God's Word.

India is home to thousands of communities and people groups with little access to the gospel. FAMM works among the unreached, sharing Jesus across cultural and religious barriers.

We will help bring the gospel to new communities and establish biblical churches where believers can gather, grow, and reach others.

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SRI LANKA & PANDO APP

In **Sri Lanka**, our partnership with FAMM begins by reaching people with the gospel and equipping new believers to become disciples who make disciples.

FAMM equips indigenous leaders through a reproducible disciple-making process and sends them to reach their own people. As disciples gather and grow, new biblical churches are established and equipped to multiply.

PANDO





The Pando App uses secure technology to deliver biblical teaching and discipleship resources directly to incarcerated men and women through approved correctional-facility devices.

Through FOR OUR CITIES, we can help expand access to gospel-centered content, allowing someone inside a prison to open Scripture, engage biblical teaching, and continue growing in faith even when a pastor, volunteer, or church cannot physically be present.

WEEK ONE NOTES

FOR OUR FAMILY

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JOHN 13:34-35

34 So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. 35 Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”

2 SAMUEL 24:24

24 I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.

WEEK TWO NOTES

FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

MARK 12:30-31

30 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ 31 The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.

1 JOHN 3:16-18

16 We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters. 17 If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion —how can God’s love be in that person? 18 Dear children, let’s not merely say that we love each other; let’s show the truth by our actions.

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WEEK THREE NOTES

FOR THE NATIONS

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PSALM 96: 1-3

1 Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. 2 Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. 3 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

MATTHEW 28:18-20

18 Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

WEEK FOUR NOTES

FOR JESUS

JOHN 12:1-8

1 Six days before the Passover, Jesus
came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived,
whom Jesus had raised from the dead. 2
Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor.
Martha served, while Lazarus was among
those reclining at the table with him. 3
Then Mary took about a pint of pure
nard, an expensive perfume; she poured
it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with
her hair. And the house was filled with
the fragrance of the perfume. 4 But one
of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was
later to betray him, objected, 5 "Why
wasn't this perfume sold and the money
given to the poor? It was worth a year's
wages." 6 He did not say this because he
cared about the poor but because he
was a thief; as keeper of the money bag,
he used to help himself to what was put
into it. 7 "Leave her alone," Jesus replied.
"It was intended that she should save
this perfume for the day of my burial. 8
You will always have the poor among
you, but you will not always have me."

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HOW I RESPOND.

Over the next three years, we are making room for more people to know and follow Jesus. We are expanding ministry across **Sugar Land, Richmond, and Fulshear.** We are coming alongside our neighbors through **Abigail's Place and ministry at the Jester Unit.** And we are **carrying the hope of Jesus farther through our partners around the world.**

These are opportunities God has placed before us, and each of us has a part to play. **So how do we respond?**

We begin with **prayer.** Not, "What am I expected to give?" but: **"God, what do you want me to release for our city to know and follow Jesus?"**

For some, that may mean giving from resources already available. For others, it may mean changing priorities, postponing something, or giving in a way that requires greater faith. The amount will be different for every person and every family. The invitation is the same:

Listen to God and respond obediently. Everything in our hands was first placed there by Him. As you consider your commitment to FOR OUR CITIES, ask God to show you what courageous generosity looks like for you over the next three years.

Then take your step.
PRAY. PREPARE. PARTNER.

PRAY

You don't have to know everything God will do over the next three years. You simply have to know what He is asking you to do next. Begin by listening. Pray individually and with your family. Ask God to give you an open heart and show you what courageous generosity looks like in this season. Don't begin with an amount. Begin with a willingness to say yes to whatever He asks.

PREPARE

Consider what God has placed in your hands. Look honestly at your resources, priorities, and plans for the next three years. Your step may require rearranging something, postponing something, giving from something God has already provided, or trusting Him in a new way. Make room in your life for generosity before deciding what your commitment will be.

PARTNER

Take your step and become part of what God is doing. Make a three-year commitment to FOR OUR CITIES and begin giving toward it. Every commitment will look different, but together our generosity will make room for more people, serve our neighbors, and carry the hope of Jesus farther.





COURAGEOUS GENEROSITY

As you consider your three-year commitment to FOR OUR CITIES, begin with prayer. Ask God what He has placed in your hands and how He may be asking you to use it for His purposes.

For some, generosity may come from income or savings. For others, God may lead you to rearrange priorities or give from resources beyond cash, such as investments, property, or other assets.

The question is not simply, "What can I afford to give?"

Ask instead: "**God, what do you want me to release for our city to know and follow Jesus?**"

THREE WAYS TO GIVE

1. FIRST & BEST OFFERING
Begin your commitment with a first gift on November 15. This gift is above and beyond your regular giving to The Bridge and will count toward your total FOR OUR CITIES commitment.

2. THREE-YEAR PLEDGE
Make a commitment through 2029 and choose a giving rhythm that works for you: weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually, or another schedule.

3. NON-CASH GIFTS
Generosity can extend beyond cash. Stocks and securities, qualified charitable distributions, real estate, business interests, donor-advised funds, and other assets may provide meaningful ways to participate.

This chart illustrates how gifts of many different sizes can come together toward one shared vision. Find your place, pray about your step, and remember: courageous generosity will look different for every person and every family.

MY GIVING CHART

DONORS NEEDED	AMOUNT	TOTAL
3	$1,000,000	$3,000,000
3	$500,000	$1,500,000
5	$250,000	$1,250,000
5	$100,000	$500,000
7	$75,000	$525,000
8	$50,000	$400,000
15	$40,000	$600,000
20	$30,000	$600,000
55	$20,000	$1,100,000
120	$10,000	$1,200,000
375	$5,000	$1,875,000
275	$1,000	$275,000
Total · 891		$12,825,000

RESPONSE SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 15

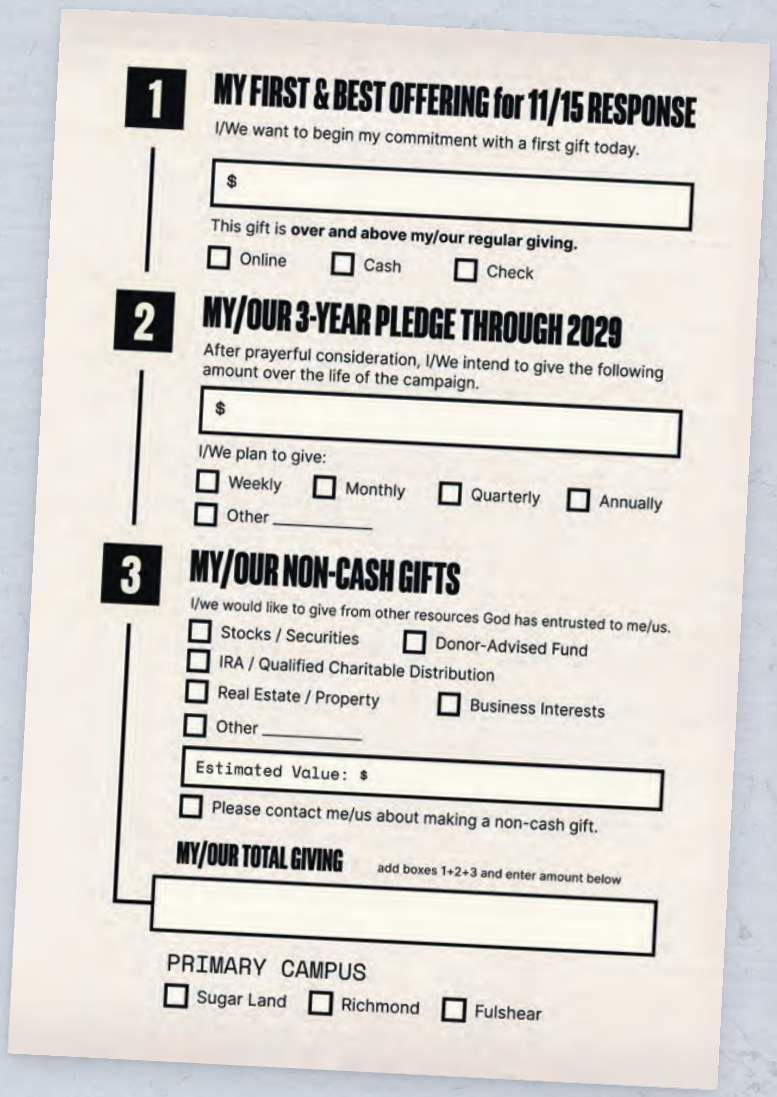
The Response Card shown here is a sample of the card every person at The Bridge will receive as we prepare for Response Sunday. When you receive yours, put it somewhere you will see it throughout the week. Place it on your kitchen counter, beside your Bible, on your desk, or somewhere your family gathers. Let it become a reminder to pray.

Talk about it with your family. Pray together. Consider what God has placed in your hands. Give Him room to shape your response before you ever write down a number.

On Response Sunday, our entire church family will respond together across Sugar Land, Richmond, and Fulshear.

On that day, we will bring our **First & Best Offerings** and **make our three-year commitments to FOR OUR CITIES.** It will be one moment across three campuses as we take a courageous step of generosity together.

Come ready to respond to whatever God has placed on your heart.




Still as good
as You were
2026

GOD IS ALWAYS GOOD. JESUS PAID OUR DEBT. THE HOLY SPIRIT LIVES IN US.

God, thank You for Your faithfulness to The Bridge. You have gone before us in every season and invited us to join You in what You are doing.

As we step into **FOR OUR CITIES**, give us eyes to see the people You see, hearts that reflect Your love, and courage to follow wherever You lead.

Make us a church that is truly **FOR others.** Use us to strengthen our family, love our neighbors, and carry the good news to the nations. May people experience hope and encounter Jesus because we were willing to pray, give, serve, and go.

Lord, place on our hearts what you've called us to do. Help us be courageous. You have been generous to us, and we return to You what was Yours from the beginning.

Teach us to **pray, prepare, and partner** with open hands and willing hearts. Unite all of us around Your mission and multiply what we offer so that lives are changed, cities are impacted, and everything accomplished through **FOR OUR CITIES** brings glory to You.

Amen.


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