### **DEAREST BROTHERS AND SISTERS,**



We are nearing the end of the 2019-2020 budget year, and the Finance Team is now proposing the 2020-2021 Budget. First, let me say "Thank You" for the way you have responded to the financial challenges of this past year. As I write this letter (January 28), our total giving is <sup>\$</sup>2 million greater this year than our total giving the previous year.

AND, our budget receipts are \$900,000 greater than our budget spending. Your fidelity to our Lord is remarkable!

I'm reminded of what Jesus said in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5:16: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Certainly, there are many ways in which we are living proof of a loving God. One of the ways is how we treat the resources the Lord has flowed through our life. Later in the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said in Matthew 6:19, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

These two texts seem to make it obvious that there is a direct correlation between letting our light so shine and rightly using our resources for kingdom purposes. Let me encourage you to "not grow weary in well doing: for in due season, we shall reap if we faint not." Galatians 6:9

Many times, people think because Sagemont is a debt-free church that means it is a need-free church. Brothers and sisters, that is just not true. There are many needs the church body would love to embrace if we could...if we ALL choose to "faint not" and "lay up treasures in heaven."

What a testimony it would be to our community, city, state, and world if, while our church is in transition, they see Sagemont growing, reaching more people than ever before, and building a debt-free student building!

To God be the Glory, Great Things He is Doing at Sagemont Church.

Chuck Schneider, Interim Senior Pastor

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## **THANK YOU!**

Through **your generous giving**, Sagemont Church has been able to minister to our members, serve our community, and reach almost 200 countries with the Gospel. Thank you for sharing in our mission to be **Living Proof of a Loving God to a Watching World**.

#### **AVERAGE MONTHLY GIVING**



## **1%** CHALLENGE

We are passionate about **reaching our community and world for Christ.** Each of us giving more can help accomplish that. Increasing your weekly gift by **1% will make a big impact to the Lord's work** but only require a minimal sacrifice to you. See the examples below for what a **1%** weekly giving increase looks like within a range of household incomes.



**1 MOVIE TICKET & SNACKS** 



#### **1 DINNER AT A RESTAURANT**

## GIVE, AND IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU; GOOD MEASURE, CRUSHED DOWN, FULL AND RUNNING OVER, THEY WILL GIVE TO YOU. FOR IN THE SAME MEASURE AS YOU GIVE, IT WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU AGAIN. LUKE 6:38



**Our gratitude goes to the Finance Team** for their effort in presenting this budget:

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## LEADERS

Sagemont Church embodies seven core values. All of our missions and ministries are fueled by one or more of these values. See how our total \$12.4 million budget distributes funds to each of these core values.

#### LOVE GOD

Through the giving of our time and talents we strive to show our love to God! Individually and corporately, we aim to live lives of worship to God. At the church campus, worship services are a time to explicitly demonstrate our love and adoration of our Savior and God.

#### EACH PERSON MATTERS

God commands us to love our neighbors, whether near or far. As we seek to be living proof of a loving God, we strive to meet the needs of our members at home as well as in our community and around the world with the Gospel.

#### **AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE**

God's Word is the foundation of our faith. Our team of pastors have a passion for studying and teaching the Bible as God's instructions and authority over our lives.

#### **DEBT FREE**

Time and again, we have seen God provide for Sagemont through His people. We are blessed to have the physical resources of a debt-free church campus, and we strive to maintain the integrity of what He has given to us.

#### EXCELLENCE

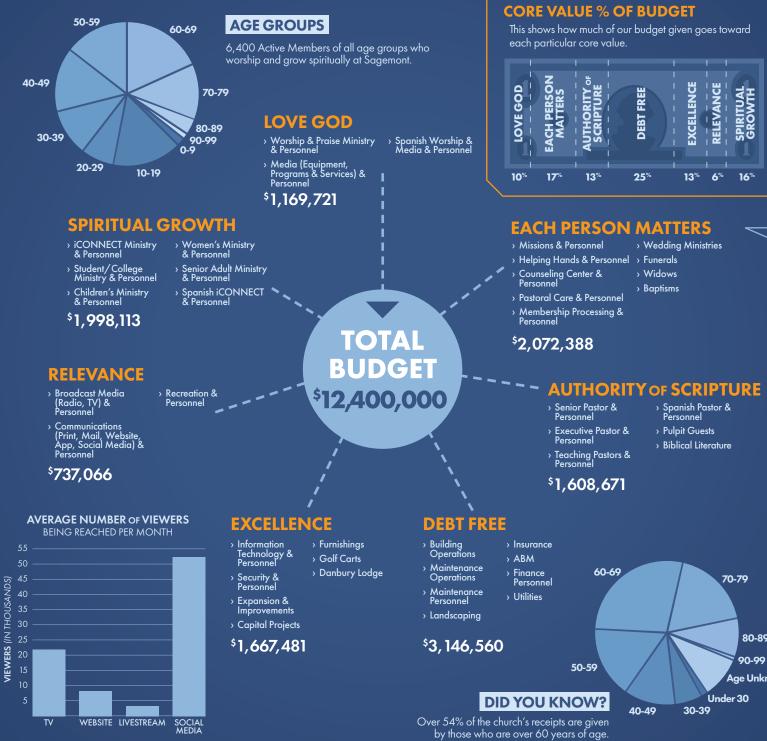
We believe excellence honors God and shows our level of commitment to a watching world. This sense of excellence is attractive to believers and unbelievers alike as they seek the Lord and examine Him through Sagemont Church.

#### RELEVANCE

We make every effort to connect to our changing world with the unchanging message of the Bible. By understanding the needs of our society and utilizing modern methods, we continue to grow and adapt

#### **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

Through our various Bible study ministries, we offer ways for people of all ages to dig deeper into the Word of God, build lasting Christian community, and nurture their spiritual maturity.



#### LOCAL & WORLDWIDE MISSIONS

We support missions and outreach ranging from the 77089 zip code to the uttermost parts of the world. In addition to our own efforts to evangelize, we also work with various organizations to expand our reach.

- > Anchor Point
- > Beltway 8 CPC
- > Border Missions
- Center for Pregnancy Friendswood
- > Chosen People
- > Clothed by Faith
- > Cocama Project
- Community Pregnancy Center Pasadena
- > CRU
- > Darrington Seminary
- > East Mountain
- > FAMM
- > Gideon Bibles
- > Good News Club

- > HellFighters
- > H.O.M.E. (Health Outreach to Middle East) > Movement Network
- > Hope for Israel
- > Houston's Union **Baptist Association**
- Innovative Mission Opportunities
- > Launch Global
- > Less than the Least
- > Lifehouse
- Live Ear Ministry
- > Living Water
- > Macedonian Call Foundation
- > Mars Hill

- > Mission Centers of Houston
- (No Place Left)
- > New Hope Initiative
- > NICS/Oasis
- > North Woods Baptist Church
- > Ripe for Harvest Outreach
- > SBC Cooperative Program
- Southern Baptist Convention
- > Southern Baptists of Texas Convention
- > Union Baptist Association
- > United World Mission

#### **MISSION TRIPS**

In addition to the nearly 200 countries we support through various organizations, Sagemont Church sends members around the world on mission trips to these locations.

Argentina Israel Kenya Mexico Peru Portugal Southeast Asia

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