



January 2018

Dear Midwood Baptist Church,

We have had a wonderful year in 2017 at Midwood as we have traveled on our “significant journeys” together. I want to take a moment to ***Thank you*** for your dedicated and continued partnership in the ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ through Midwood Baptist Church. In the spirit of Malachi 3, which instructs us to “bring the whole tithe into the storehouse” you have brought your tithes and offerings in support of our Lord’s ministry. I commend you for your obedience and pray that God will continue to bless you for your dedication.

In January of 2014 Midwood Baptist Church added the “faith budget” to our regular budget needs as a sign that we would financially support a “Community Minister” who would assist in reaching the Plaza/Midwood neighborhood. We asked the Church members and friends to pray and give a little above their regular “Tithes and Offerings” to support this position and to eventually put us in a place to add this to our regular budget. Since 2014 many have given extra offering gifts and many of you are giving regular and monthly and for that we are all thankful. With our new 2018 budget we are pleased to have now added the faith budget to the regular budget and we are asking everyone to prayerfully start or continue to give a little extra to continue to meet this need. For example, instead of a 10% tithe, you may want to increase it to 11%, which would reflect your dedication to financially support the salary of Midwood’s Community Associate Pastor. Again, thank you for supporting God’s work at Midwood Baptist Church.

***“ I give thanks to my God for every remembrance of you,
always praying with joy for all of you in my every prayer, because of your partnership in
the gospel from the first day until now.” (Philippians 1:3-5)***

With gratitude, I am,
Pastor Garry Baldwin

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