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THE SPIRITUAL TRUTH that launched Multiply

"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness."

2 CORINTHIANS 9:10

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a letter from PASTOR DAVID

In January of 2018 we launched a two-year generosity initiative called Multiply. Our primary goal was to engage the hearts and minds of everyone at CFBC. That's why we spent 18 months in prayer and preparation before we even launched the initiative, and then the first six weeks of the initiative teaching the truths of God's Word. We talked about God's faithfulness to not only supply, but to multiply what he supplies. We explored his kingdom priorities, our trust and the faithfulness of God, and the call to surrender every area of our lives to him. We asked God to speak, and he did!

The discipleship emphasis of Multiply, and a focus on the heart, resulted in many new givers who had never given before, and many who were only occasional givers before, are consistent givers now. Many of our committed givers before are now giving more generously and sacrificially than ever before. God spoke, and his people responded! That explains how we were able to commit together to give more than \$70 million over two years, incredibly, through Multiply. That was our secondary goal, to provide the financial resources to implement the Multiply vision and strategy God has given us.

The Multiply vision is to multiply deeper through discipleship, through the ministries of our church. Since Multiply is a one-fund initiative, it resources who we are and all we do as a church. As we multiply deeper, we multiply wider through our multi-site strategy. In only five years, we have become one church in four locations, enabling us to reach our primary ministry area more effectively for Christ. And finally, we multiply further through the most ambitious mission strategy we have ever attempted, sending and supporting missionaries and planting churches all around the world.

As we approach the midpoint of this two-year initiative, the results are nothing short of amazing! I am confident that God is being honored, his kingdom is advancing, and our hearts and lives are being enriched and blessed. I am excited about the second half of this journey as well, and for the opportunity for more of us to join the rest of us. As we make the turn, please pray about your role in Multiply, whether by expanding your current commitment, or confirming to stay strong in your current commitment, or joining the mission God has given us with a first-time commitment to Multiply.

There is a place for you, and we need you, to cross the Multiply finish line together. As always, we are grateful for your generosity in all ways through Multiply, and through your church, Champion Forest Baptist Church!

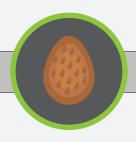
DAVID FLEMING
SENIOR PASTOR

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IT ALL BEGINS



WITH A SEED

How many seeds are there in an apple? Easy. Simply add them up, and you can see. However...how many apples are there in a seed? Only God knows the number of apples in a seed. This is multiplication. This is a different kind of math.

When you start to multiply, the exponential possibilities become staggering. A few seeds eventually turn into a flourishing orchard! This is where we believe Champion Forest can have the greatest impact for Christ, by allowing God to multiply what he has already supplied.









PRIMARY GOAL

100% ENGAGEMENT

The primary goal of multiply is that each of us will be faith challenged and forever changed. Believing that God first wants to do a great work in our hearts, we want every person to have a life-changing experience with Christ that results in a world-changing impact for Christ!



A SEED OF FAITH

We know that "without faith, it is impossible to please Him" (Hebrews 11:6). Our faith is much more than a saving faith, it is a living faith that deepens and grows as we go.



THE FRUIT OF DISCIPLESHIP

Our salvation Is a wonderful event that begins the lifelong process of discipleship. The primary goal of Multiply is to spiritually impact disciples so that we grow our givers, not just our giving.



A GARDEN OF GENEROSITY

True generosity is a response to the generosity of God. The more we grow, the more generous we become. And like seeds in an apple, generosity is a multiplier.

SECONDARY GOAL

\$75 MILLION

The secondary goal of multiply is a demonstration of the faithfulness of God through the generosity of His people. Multiply enables us to accomplish these exciting, kingdom-building initiatives for His glory!



MULTIPLY DEEPER

The ministry component enables us to do what we do. This is the entire general budget of the church. Utilities, printing, personnel, equipment, technology, media... you name it, it all comes from this essential component.



MULTIPLY WIDER

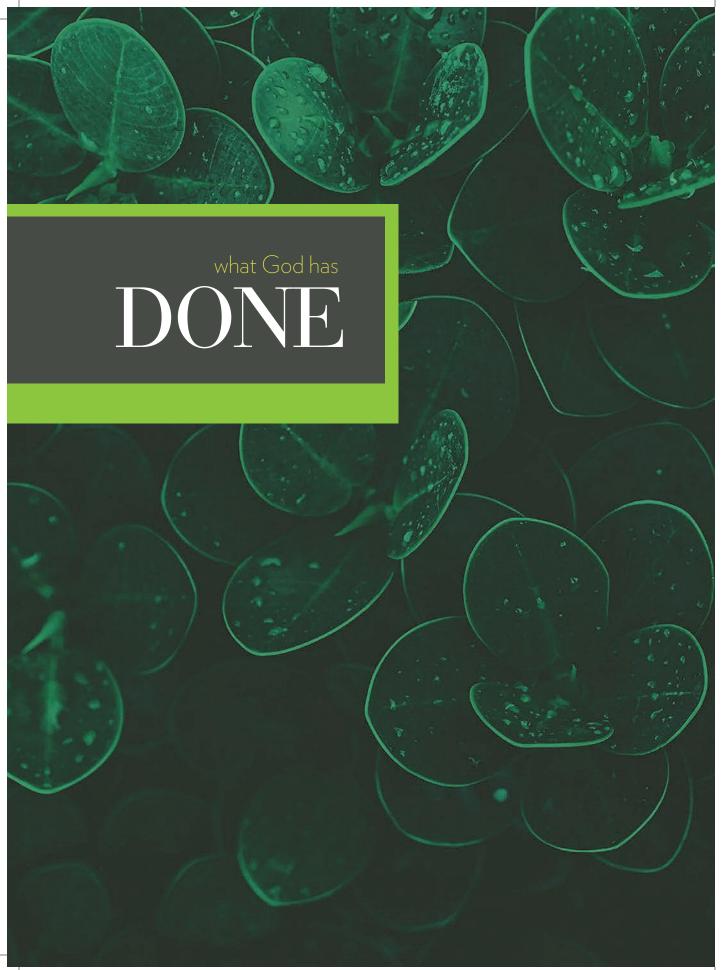
The multi-site component enables us to take the next critical steps in our strategy to reach more people for Jesus around northwest Houston. Multi-site is a fast track for church planting in our Jerusalem.



MULTIPLY FURTHER

The missions component allows us to expand our financial support of gospel-advancing missionaries, mission trips, partnerships, and direct community ministry like never before.

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MULTIPLY DEEPER - Flourishing in Ministry



ACCEPTED CHRIST for FIRST TIME



301 PEOPLE BAPTIZEDSINCE MARCH 25



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

262 KIDS ACCEPTED CHRIST for FIRST TIME



GENEROSITY ENGAGEMENT

1,989 FIRST TIME GIVERS to CHAMPION FOREST



11,515 IN ATTENDANCE ACROSS ALL 4 CAMPUSES



NEW MEMBERS

487 PEOPLE JOINEDCHAMPION FOREST

* ALL FIGURES ABOVE ACCUMULATED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF MULTIPLY



Baptisms at CFBC



Membership Class

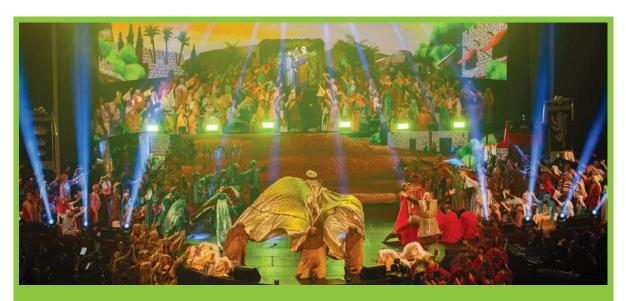
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MULTIPLY WIDER - Flourishing through Multi-site



North Klein Construction

As we've witnessed God do amazing things at each of our 4 locations, we are seeing the church multiplied for God's glory! In just a few months we will open the doors to a new permanent home for our North Klein campus. It's hard to imagine the life-change and eternal impact that will come in the years ahead!



Christmas Spectacular Finale

When all 4 campuses come together to work on large projects, the results are amazing. This has never been more clear than what we saw God do through the Christmas Spectacular. After presenting the gospel, 1,638 people responded "yes" to accepting Christ!

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MULTIPLY FURTHER - Flourishing in Missions



MISSION TRIPS

562 CFBC MEMBERS SENT

on SHORT TERM MISSION TRIPS



PERSONAL VISITS

441 VISITS MADE to CFBC GUESTS



CHURCH PLANTING

\$223,000 INVESTED in CHURCH PLANTING



CONTRIBUTIONS

\$562,500 CONTRIBUTED TO

SOUTHERN BAPTIST COOPERATIVE PROGRAM



MEALS PACKED

101,736 MEALS PACKED and SENT AROUND THE WORLD



SERVE SATURDAY

700+ PARTICIPATED INSERVE SATURDAY

* ALL FIGURES ABOVE ACCUMULATED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF MULTIPLY



Hand-Packed Meals

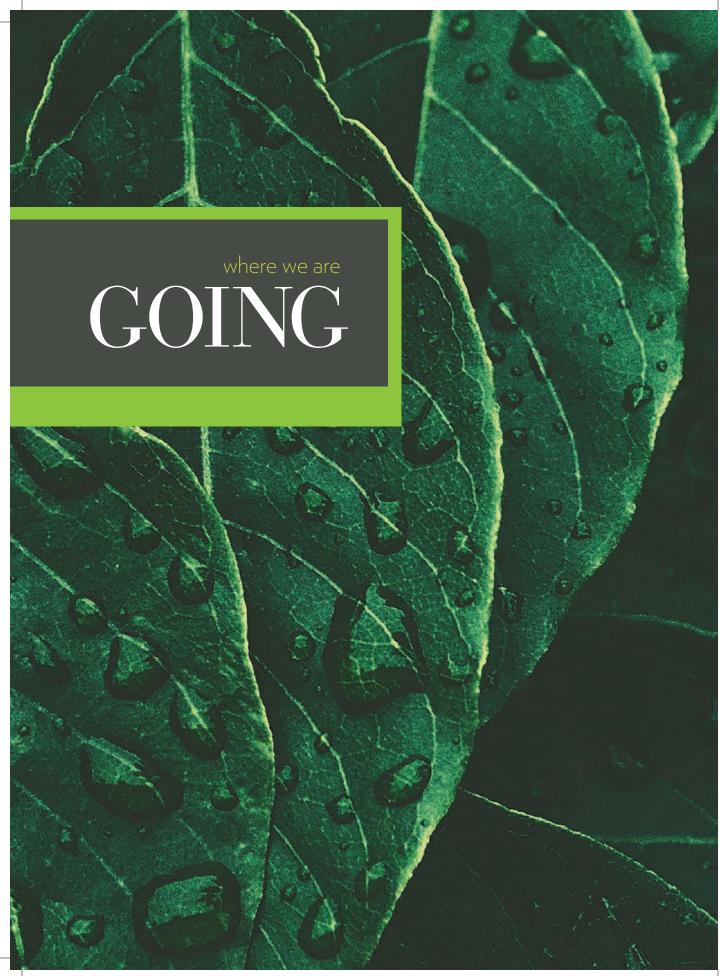


Serve Saturday Volunteers



El Salvador Mission Trip

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The vision God set in our hearts is within reach. He has been so good to us and we believe He is multiplying the seed provided through the generosity of His people. As each of us surrender at a deeper level, we will see His church flourish in ministry and mission!

NEXT STEPS: Mark Your Calendar with These Key Dates



COMMITMENT WEEKEND: March 3rd

As we celebrate what God has done and look to new challenges, we are inviting you to go on this journey of faith and respond in one of the three ways detailed below. Please pray about which of these next steps God might be calling you to as we move together to accomplish God's task for us through Multiply:

IF YOU'RE NEW TO THE MULTIPLY JOURNEY

• Make a 12-month faith commitment

OR, IF YOU'RE ALREADY ON THE MULTIPLY JOURNEY

- Commit to finish strong in your Multiply faith commitment
- Increase your Multiply faith commitment

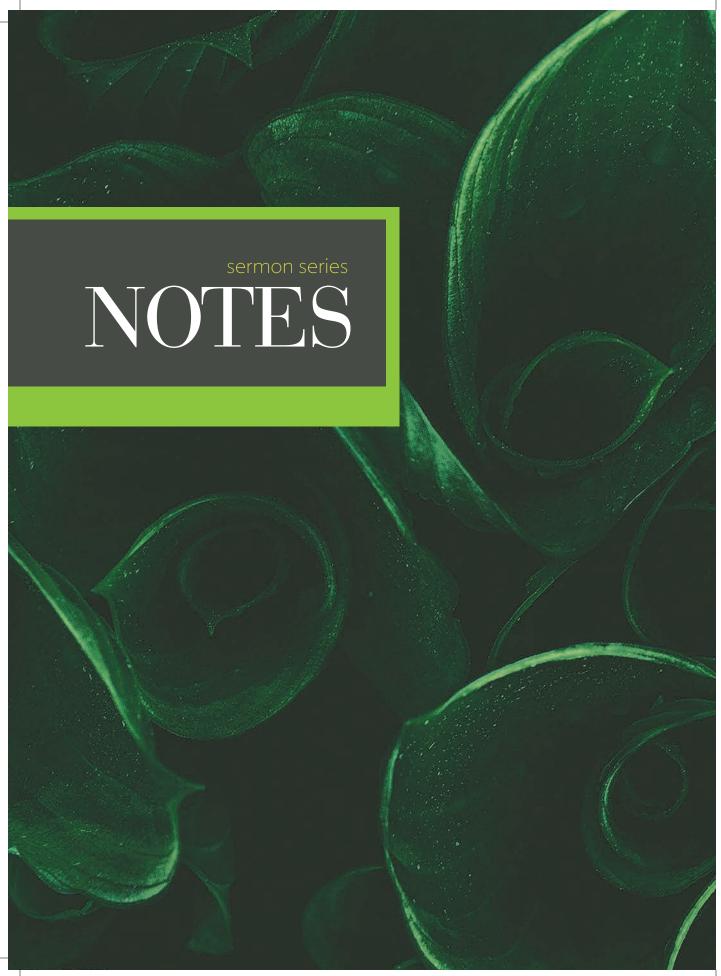


ANNIVERSARY GIVE: March 31st

We are praying that God will cause Champion Forest to flourish more than we could ever imagine! Begin praying now about what the Lord might be calling you to bring for the Anniversary Give as an offering to represent your first and your best.

For those new to the Multiply journey, this is the starting line for giving in faith. For those already on the Multiply journey, this is a chance to renew your commitment and respond to God's faithfulness.

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FLOURISH - Week One

We have been praying boldly about what God wants for us in the coming year. He has been inspiring, encouraging, and challenging us all year long, but just like with Abraham, God did not bless us so we could keep that blessing to ourselves; He blessed us so we could extend and MULTIPLY that blessing to others. Therefore, we must continue to ask God what he has next for us.
Over the next five weeks, let's open God's word and our hearts as we journey through the book of Acts. We encourage you to take notes in your booklet each week. Our prayer is that the seed of faith that has begun in each of us will flourish like never before!
SCRIPTURE REFERENCE
ACTS 1:10-11 (ESV) And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes,11 and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."
ACTS 2:41 (ESV) So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

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FLOURISH - Week One

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FLOURISH - Week Two

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

ACTS 1:10-11 (ESV) And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 And awecame upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. 44 And all who believed were together and had all things in common. 45 And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

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FLOURISH - Week Two

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Flourish means to grow and develop in a healthy way, especially as the result of a particularly favorable environment. In Acts 2:42, we see some crucial elements for the church to flourish!

ACTS 2:42 - And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

THE WORI	: Read Acts 1-2	8 (one chapter p	er day)				
Acts 1 Acts 2 Acts 3 Acts 4	Acts 6 Acts 7 Acts 8 Acts 9	Acts 11 Acts 12 Acts 13 Acts 14	Acts 17 Acts 18 Acts 19 Acts 20	Acts 22 Acts 23 Acts 24 Acts 25	Acts 27 Acts 28		
Acts 5	Acts 10	Acts 15	Acts 21	Acts 26			
COMMUNITY: Three simple steps to flourish in community with others. 1. GET CONNECTED - Join a Life Group at CFBC.							
	2. BE A	CONNECTOR - No	ow that you're in a LG	, help someone else j	oin a Life Group.		
2. GO DEEPER IN RELATIONSHIPS - Work hard to build real friendships.							
PRAYER G	UIDE : Use this	guide to pray dai	ly during Flourish	and beyond!			
1. God, draw me closer to you.							
2. God, teach me through your word.							
	3. God, r	make the Gospel flou	ırish in Houston.				
	4. Please	help	_ trust you as Lord an	d Savior.			
	5. Help me use my resources for your glory.						

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FLOURISH - Week Three

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

ACTS 8:4-8 (ESV) Now those who were scattered went about preaching the word.5 Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. 6 And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. 7 For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. 8 So there was much joy in that city.

ACTS 8:26 (ESV) Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place.

ACTS 10:1-2 (ESV) At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort, 2 a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God.

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FLOURISH - Week Three

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FLOURISH - Week Four

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

ACTS 9:13-16 (ESV) But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. 14 And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." 15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. 16 For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

ACTS 9:26-31 (ESV) And when he had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples. And they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. 27 But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles and declared to them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who spoke to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus. 28 So he went in and out among them at Jerusalem, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord. 29 And he spoke and disputed against the Hellenists. But they were seeking to kill him. 30 And when the brothers learned this, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus. 31 So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.

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FLOURISH - Week Four

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FLOURISH - Week Five

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

ACTS 20:24 (ESV) But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

ACTS 28:30-31 (ESV) He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, 31 proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance.

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FLOURISH - Week Five

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