

1. What is Faith Promise?

“Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek Him.” (Hebrews 11:1, 6)

A Faith Promise is a personal commitment made by a believer both spiritually and financially to the Lord to support the church’s missions work.

1. It requires faith because it is anchored in what you can believe God for. Can you believe Him to meet your needs when you give out of what you have? Certainly! Can you believe Him to provide for what you do not have? Absolutely!
2. It is a promise because of the agreement to provide a certain amount over a specific period of time. When God blesses us, we keep our promise by channelling the promised funds to the church to reach others.
3. It is personal because it is a covenant between God and you.

2. Why should I make a Faith Promise?

“Give and it will be given, a good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” (Luke 6:38)

1. It allows you to expect great things from God. When you give with the motive of love for the lost, the Lord always blesses you in return.
2. It helps you attempt great things for God. When you give with the desire to do His will to save the lost world, the Lord will do mighty works in your midst.
3. It causes you to anticipate great things from God. When you commit to trust God by providing funds for world evangelization, you are making a contribution for the lives of others and the kingdom of God and the Lord will stretch your faith and bring you great joy and fulfilment.

3. How much should I promise?

“Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgement, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.”(Romans 12:3)

1. Make a promise according to the faith that God has given you to trust Him for.
2. Do not look at your monthly income and expenditure. Be obedient to the prompting of the Holy Spirit.
3. Do not compare with others nor feel conscious about what others would say. It is solely between you and God.

4. What does my Faith Promise giving support?

Your Faith Promise giving supports:

1. **Church Planting:** Training, survey and support of outreach churches
2. **Missions & Evangelism:** Evangelistic meetings, evangelistic publication, evangelistic advertising and missions mobilisation
3. **Organisations / Bible Schools & Colleges:** Partner with local and global organizations / Bible schools that are passionately fulfilling the Great Commission
4. **Personnel:** Support of outreach pastors, missions workers, missionary, and department staff
5. **Extended Ministries:** Calvaryland, Calvary Prayer Tower, Calvary Caring Ministry, Calvary Life Ministries, Calvary Sunshine Home, and Calvary Communication Ministry
6. **Equipment:** Equipment and vehicles (2)
7. **Projects:** Outreach property
8. **Calvary Convention Centre:** Amounts beyond the Missions Budget go towards the expansion of our missions potential through the building of the Calvary Convention Centre

5. What are the blessings in fulfilling my Faith Promise?

An example of the blessings of faith can be seen in the life of Hannah, the mother of the great prophet Samuel (1 Samuel 1 – 2). She was barren, but because of her faith, God blessed her with a son who became a great prophet and judge that led and delivered Israel. Hannah herself was blessed with an additional three sons and two daughters (1 Samuel 2:21), more than she could ask or imagine. Because of your faith, great things can be done for the Lord. Many lives can be blessed including your own. The power of prayer and exercise of faith brings us into closer partnership and trust with God.

Since our Faith Promise program began in 1973, the faith giving per head has increased five-fold. This testifies that God has been blessing the partners and the partners in return have not only been fulfilling their promises but increasing their faith!

Here are some testimonies:

1. "Being able to fulfill my Faith Promise has strengthened my faith. I now exercise more faith in God and see answers for other areas of my life."
2. "It's such a joy to bless others through giving! It fosters compassion in me and participation in God's work."
3. "It helps my church in reaching the world with the Gospel by providing the needed finances for this."

6. How does God provide for my Faith Promise?

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord." (Isaiah 55:8)

Here are some testimonies on how God provides for our Faith Promise:

1. "God usually helps me give through expected and unexpected provisions such as commissions, bonus, gifts, and refunds."
2. "I give what I have in hand and trust God to meet the needs for what I have given."
3. "My family and I try to be good stewards by spending wisely. Sometimes we make sacrifices but God has always blessed us back in many different ways."

7. Why should I fill in a Faith Promise card since it is a personal covenant between God and me?

1. It reinforces what is done / promised spiritually. As humans, we need physical signs to strengthen and remind us of the spiritual aspect. Zechariah 9:11; Matthew 26:28.
2. It stresses the importance of keeping the commitment. Breaking a physical act is more obvious than breaking a spiritual covenant. Genesis 17:10-11; Exodus 31:13.
3. It is the only way the church can have a systematic missions budget. Through your indicated Faith Promise, the church will know whether it is able to meet its budget for missions works and projects.

8. Can I participate today?

Faith Promise programme runs half yearly. For regular worshippers, you are encouraged to make and give a monthly promise as it enables your faith to be exercised regularly rather than on a one-time basis. A new faith promise is made / renewed every six months (January and July).

You can be a Faith Promise partner today without waiting for the next Faith Promise Sunday. Just decide what you are believing God for (monthly or one time) and when you come for a service, put your Faith Promise giving in the brown envelope with your particulars. When Faith Promise Sunday comes, you can then fill in the card.