



Kelley**town**
Baptist Church

THE ADVENT



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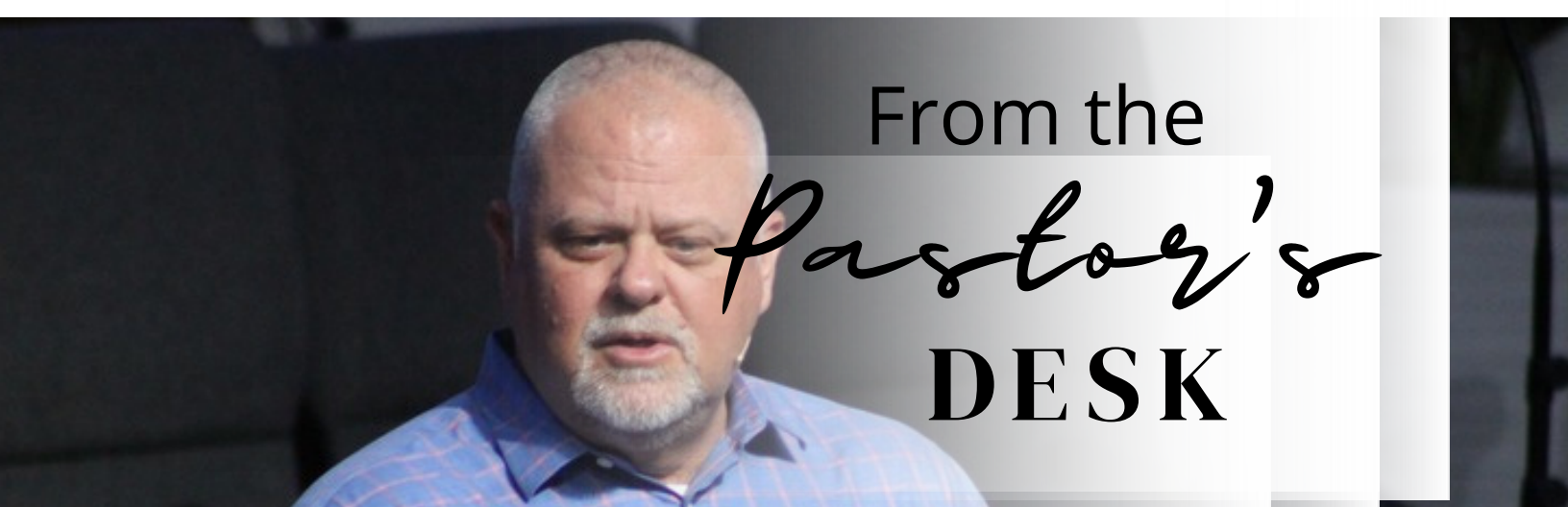
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From the

Pastor's

DESK

Good Morning Kelleytown Church Family,

I'm sure you've heard or even noticed that we are about to break ground on our new youth facility. The location of the building will be behind the FLC. The building will be dropped off this week during WinShape camp. They will begin working on putting in the septic system and foundation in the next few weeks. It's so exciting to see all this begin to come together.

In this month's Advent you will find some additional information about the financial needs we have as we move forward with construction and some ideas on how you can participate in meeting these needs. We have secured a loan through First Citizens Bank, but we are praying that as the Lord Jesus blesses us during this time that will not need to use much of the loan or any at all. Please be in prayer about how King Jesus would lead you to participate in this time of growth.

A suggestion was made about creating a fundraiser for the new youth building by offering brick pavers with an engraved epitaph. The pavers would be laid at the door entrance to the youth building in an area measuring roughly 12x6. This space is estimated to hold roughly 250-300 pavers. Each paver can have 14 characters per line with a three-line maximum.

The suggested minimum contribution for any single paver would be a \$1000.00. This contribution is separate or in addition to any other pledge made for the youth building by individuals or families. The cost to engrave any paver is \$15.00 per paver for orders of 26 pavers or more, and \$25.00 per paver for orders of 25 or less.

Example of contribution:

Brick Paver: \$1015.00 or \$1025.00 (depending on the number of engraved pavers ordered)

Pledge for Youth Building: \$2000.00

Total Contribution: \$3015.00 or \$3025.00

The contractor has requested the pavers be ready for installation in 6 months. The paver engraver needs 6-8 weeks to complete the engraving order. Any individual wishing to participate must pay for their paver in full before going to the engraver.

If you would be interested in doing a paver in honor of someone or in memory of someone, please contact the office, Pastor Mike, or Tony Johnson for further information. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go to furnish the new building once completed.

I want to remind and encourage you to pray for: WinShape Camp this week, pray for your lost Friends, Relatives, Associates, and Neighbors (FRAN evangelism effort), pray for your church family, and pray for sensitivity to the leading of the Holy Spirit concerning giving to our KT Builds project.

Lastly, put July 19 on your calendar. We will be having a groundbreaking ceremony for the new building. We will start the service at 5pm. Once we are done outside, we will come into the FLC for a time of fellowship, so bring some of your best finger foods and desserts. We will also have a time of prayer and commitment over the pledges being made for our giving program for the next 24 months. There will be some photos of the details of the giving program in the Advent; feel free to contact the office to pick up the hard copies at the office.

God bless you. I love you all.

Serving Him,

Pastor Mike
Rom. 5:8



KT Builds Campaign Letter:

Dear Kelleytown Church Family,

It is with great joy that I come to you today. We have prayerfully considered the future plans of our church together. Our Long-Range Planning Team has done an excellent job of leading our church through this crucial time in the life of our church. You, as a church body, voted unanimously to build our new youth facility. You, as a congregation, have been preparing for this time and this day for several years now, especially by continuing to give and invest in our “Together We Build” fund. Thank you so much for trusting the Lord and the leadership in all these things and in all these ways.

We have been approved to borrow up to one million dollars through First Citizens Bank in Florence, and although we should not need to use that much money to complete the building process and furnish the building, we wanted to have that as a precautionary measure. We currently have over \$1.25 million that has been given and will be used before we touch any borrowed money. We estimate we will need an additional \$800,000.00 to complete and furnish the new facility.

The Long-Range Planning Team and I have been praying and meeting, we all believe that we can raise, in the next 18-24 months, the complete balance needed to finish the building project without having to borrow any money from the lender.

In the coming weeks you will be receiving a more detailed packet of information with our giving strategy to raise these funds, but I want to share the core of it with you now also.

We have over 215 giving units at Kelleytown, which means there over 215 individuals or families who give on a consistent basis to the general fund of our church. If we have 200 of those givers give an additional \$5000.00, beyond your regular tithes and offerings, over the next 24 months, that amount would total \$1 million. If you break it down that means an extra \$50 a week per individual or family.

I know that may seem like too much to ask, but it really is as simple as eating at home once a week rather than going out, for most families to sacrificially give to this building project. It is a sacrifice, but it is a very worthwhile sacrifice to make. I also know that while some can give more than the recommended amount, some are not able to give that amount but can give something on a consistent basis. Please know that as you seek King Jesus concerning this, He will lay on your heart what He wants you to do. If we each do our part, the Lord will multiply our giving for His honor and glory.

It will take all of us trusting the Lord and following Him obediently. I can only imagine the kingdom impact Kelleytown will continue to have at home and to the ends of the earth as we move after all that our Heavenly Father puts before us.

God bless you. I love you all.

Serving Him,

**Pastor Mike
Dr. Michael T. Madaris
Senior Pastor
Kelleytown Baptist Church**

*Remove this section and submit to KT.

Name _____ Signature _____

\$ _____ Weekly for 102 weeks for a total of \$ _____
\$ _____ Monthly for 24 Months for a total of \$ _____
\$ _____ One-Time Lump Sum Gift of \$ _____

Youth Building Fund Challenge COMMITMENT CARD

Not
Equal
Gifts,

But
Equal
Sacrifice.



BUILDS

Youth Building Fund Challenge

THE CHALLENGE

We have been approved to borrow up to one million dollars, and although we should not need to use that much money to complete the building process and furnish the building, we wanted to have that as a precautionary measure. We currently have over \$1.36 million that has been given and will be used before we touch any borrowed money. We estimate we will need an additional \$800,000 to complete and furnish this new Youth facility.

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What's My Part?

Actually, this is a question which each family must decide for itself. No family will be told what is expected to give.

There are several ways a family can arrive at that decision on what to commit.

First, you will want to pray for God's leadership in light of the church's needs and opportunities for ministry outreach. Second, consider and apply the principle, "Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice." This slogan recognizes that everyone cannot give an equal amount but can make an equal sacrifice. In this case, sacrifice likely means a decision to forego something, however worthy, in order to participate generously in the church's building campaign. Third, when you have prayed for God's leadership and made your commitment, remember you will experience great joy.

Tremendous joy always accompanies sacrificial commitment, and this included a commitment to giving.

HOW DO I GIVE AND WHEN DO I START?

Use the "Commitment Card" found in this brochure to indicate your plans to give sacrificially in support of the Youth building fund. Trust God to enable you to fulfill your commitment.

You may give weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually or in a lump sum. Envelopes with a special KT Builds line item will be available upon request. You may also give online through the Subsplash Giving platform or Venmo. Please designate Building Fund.

KT Build Challenge Commitment Card

“Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven...For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” Matt. 6:20-21

To help provide funds for our building program, we will endeavor to give above and beyond our normal tithe the following:

\$_____ Weekly for 102 weeks for a total of \$_____

\$_____ Monthly for 24 Months for a total of \$_____

\$_____ One-Time Lump Sum Gift of \$_____

Giving Chart

If you Give <u>Weekly</u>	Then you will <u>Give Monthly</u>	Then you will <u>Give Annually</u>
\$500.00	\$2,167.00	\$26,000.00
\$250.00	\$1,083.00	\$13,000.00
\$100.00	\$ 433.00	\$5,200.00
\$ 50.00	\$ 216.00	\$2,600.00
\$ 25.00	\$ 108.00	\$1,300.00

***Please display in a place to remind you to pray.**

★★★ *Kelleytown Baptist* ★★★
Church Cookout

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



Bring your favorite side dish
Hamburgers and hotdogs provided

Sunday, July 5th 5PM-7:30PM

**Games, Food, Icecream, Fellowship
& KT Kidz Water Day!**

2609 Kelleytown Road

Harley Davidson Motorcycle Raffle



We lost a good man and friend when we lost Lloyd "Tiny" Hicks. He loved Kelletown Baptist Church as much as we loved him. As he neared the end of his time on earth, he made some choices of how he wanted his possessions to be distributed and used. He gave this 2004 Harley Davidson FatBoy motorcycle to the church to be sold or raffled off and the proceeds to be given to the building fund for the new youth facility. We are going to raffle this motorcycle off. We are having 400 tickets made. Each ticket will be \$25, and the maximum purchase is 4 tickets. The drawing will be held on or before October 31, 2026. We will hold the drawing as soon as all tickets have been purchased or at our annual Fall Festival on October 31. Tickets may be purchased through the church office or from Tony Marsh.

**PLEASE SEE TONY MARSH
OR THE OFFICE FOR TICKETS**

UPLAND

**FLAG FOOTBALL
& CHEER**

PRACTICES START AUG. 17TH

@KELLEYTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Up to 8th grade!



**Participant
Registration**



**Volunteer
Registration**



From Your KT Safety Team Ministry

Thank you all for your support of the efforts we put forth to make our services safe and secure for the church. We train on a regular and consistent basis to be ready to respond to situations that could occur in our uncertain world today. We have developed procedures to ensure a response in safety and medical alike.

Our ministry mission is the concern for our KT family, both inside the walls and outside. Summer is here and usually brings unpredictable temperatures and weather conditions. After all, God doesn't consult The Weather Channel. With that said, we want to ask everyone, especially our seniors, to protect yourselves from these coming hot and humid days. Hydrate well and limit exposure. Outside activities are best scheduled in morning and late evenings. It doesn't take long for heat exhaustion to set in. BE SMART AND BE SAFE!

Also, on the crime front, remember that scammers will usually be in full force. They prey on our seniors, mostly, however, no one is immune. From claims to selling cooling systems to items to make your home more temperature efficient. Remember if you didn't call them, it's probably a scam. Their goal is to eventually get your personal information and use your name to open credit accounts or steal your money. NEVER give your banking information, social security number, or personal information. Hang up and report these to your local law enforcement. Scams come in all forms and if you need services there are many local, bonded, and licensed providers. Also, someone in your KT family can usually point you to one, if needed.

Have a safe and blessed July and remember to thank Our Lord God for our freedoms. Happy 4th of July everyone!!!

God Bless you all !



Happy Birthday

Rick Conner 7/2

Keith Thompson 7/3

Lynn Lawson 7/5

Kaylee Outlaw 7/5

Emmarie Henderson 7/6

Caleb Watkins 7/7

Robert Steele 7/9

James Ousley 7/16

Lee Wilkerson 7/16

Irene Johnson 7/17

Shirley Wilkes 7/18

Carol Sechrist 7/19

Billy Beasley 7/20

Jenna Cutler 7/20

Danielle Watkins 7/20

Tony Waters 7/20

Monty Latham 7/21

Ramona Rutledge 7/22

Lynn Hall 7/23

Amy Bartlett 7/23

Monica Nelson 7/23

Morgan Madaris 7/24

Gray Williams 7/24

Jean Howard 7/25

Eric Kirkley 7/26

Dawn Kennington 7/27

Gina Wilkerson 7/28

Fred Wint 7/29

Mickey Wilkes 7/29

Phil Anderson 7/29

Hannah Grace Thompson 7/31

Happy Anniversary

Edwin & Vickie Kelley 7/17

Steve & Alesia Christman 7/23

Trey & Danielle Watkins 7/24

Mickey & Shirley Wilkes 7/24

Buster & Sandy Gaskins 7/30

Frank & Jackie Smith 7/31

