

Faith Fund is a seed fund to assist in the mobilizing of the Navah family and the multiplication of the gospel of the Kingdom in our neighborhoods, city, nation and the world.

#### WHAT DOES FAITH FUND DO?

## **GROWS OUR INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY FAITH IN GOD:**

You ask God how much he wants you to trust him to give you in the coming year to give as an offering to the Faith Fund (this is not a tithe or regular giving) . As you see the money come in, your/our faith grows.

#### GROWS THE IMPACT OF THE NAVAH FAMILY IN EXPANDING GOD'S KINGDOM:

These offerings are combined in the Faith Fund and then allocated to Kingdom activities to spread the gospel. Instead of individual smaller donations spread widely, a larger combined amount of finances makes a significant impact. Your contribution is distributed to many ministries, making you part of the effectiveness of many endeavors.

# ENABLES THE NAVAH FAMILY TO MORE POWERFULLY ASSIST LOCAL MISSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY MINISTRIES, NATIONAL MINISTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS:

The combined funds are directed strategically to activities, ministries and missions to multiply their impact. Navah missionaries still raise their own personal support, but Faith Fund helps arrange for effective member care and mission support. Reports on progress in these areas also builds our collective faith and brings glory to the Father - we are seeing God at work through us!

## GIVING TO FAITH FUND IS BETWEEN YOU AND GOD - NO PRESSURE!

You fill in a record of what you believe God has asked you to trust him for. The pledged amounts are submitted by card or online and are totaled to assist in planning the distribution of the Faith Fund. If you did not complete your pledge by the end of 12 months you will not be asked to pay it. At the end of the year you are released from that goal, and can make a new goal for the next year. Navah will receive your offering as a tax-deductible gift and will send you an acknowledgement of that during tax season.

DETAILS OF THE FAITH FUND WILL BE SHARED AT THE SUNDAY GATHERING IN OCTOBER - BE READY TO HEAR FROM GOD AND RECORD THE AMOUNT HE TELLS YOU!

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly so that in all things and at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: "They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever." Now he who supplies seed for the sower and bread for the eater will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness."

2 Corinthians 9:7-10

# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

## Q: In what ways could I expect God to provide for my Faith Fund pledge?

A: Faith giving is a total reliance upon God for divine provision. There are various ways that could see God provide for your pledge:

- UNUSUALLY-Portions of an unexpected pay raise or promotion, bonus, overtime pay, inheritance, unexpected gift, income from a hobby.
- DELIBERATELY -The Lord may direct us to change our spending priorities, deny a luxury, delay a purchase, fast a meal.
- SURPRISINGLY -Portions of a tax refund, investment return, insurance refund, repaid debt, coupons, rebates, other surprises.
- INTENTIONALLY -Regular committed budgeting, directed by Him.

## Q: How does the process work?

A: You make a pledge once a year in the Fall, during this time you would individually (or as a family) ask the Lord what He wants you to trust <u>Him to provide</u> to give into the FAITH FUND over the coming year.

- You make a pledge through a written or online record at our Faith Fund Sunday of what you believe the Lord has told you to trust Him for in the coming 12 months, either a one-time annual amount or a monthly amount.
- Our collective pledges are added together so that the FAITH FUND overseers would have some idea of how to budget the fund for distribution throughout the year.
- Navah will not follow up on your pledge or remind you directly throughout the year
- We will send you updates and reports throughout the year of how the money has been distributed.
- The record of what you believe the Lord has told you to trust Him for will hold for one year, and then end.
  If you did not complete your pledge by the end of 12 months you will not be asked to pay it.
- There will be an annual report of income and distribution nothing goes to administration. The Faith Fund will be stewarded by a Faith Fund Team with input and oversight of the Navah Elders and Stewardship Board.

# Q: How and when do I give to the Faith Fund?

A: Most people will give through the APP or Online each month, but some may want to give it in a one off gift. You can get more information on our website under the tab 'give' on ways to give. However you choose to give, please make sure to mark it 'FaithFund'.

## Q: How much am I expected to pledge?

A: Ask God! He will tell you how much your commitment should be. Your active obedience will lead you to make your personal commitment. The decision will be between you and God. Paul said, "Each one should do as he has made up his mind..." (2 Cor 9:7). Commitments can range from \$1 to amounts in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. God grows our faith. There is no failure, just an exercise in Faith.

## Q: Who can make a contribution to the Faith Fund?

A: Every individual or family unit (including children) or businesses can make a pledge. You don't need to be a regular attender or member at Navah - all are welcome to contribute.

# Q: Are faith pledges just for those who have sufficient income?

A: No, it is for everyone. It doesn't matter if the donor is a child with a small allowance, a teen with a week-end job, a single or a growing family trying to stretch a budget or a retired couple living on a limited income. Your faith giving is not based on your bank balance, but on your obedience.