

January 4, 2013

Dear Friends of THE Redeemer,

Redeemer is kicking off our “**Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together**” capital stewardship campaign on January 20. Preparations for this exciting campaign have been going on for several weeks behind the scenes, and now is the time for everyone to get involved.

The enclosed newsletter introduces the “**Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together**” program and gives you some important dates to mark on your calendar.

Just so you know, the campaign will be divided into two main components – a **spiritual phase** and a **stewardship phase**. For the first half of the campaign, we will look at our spiritual lives and what might we do to strengthen our faith. Once we have made our spiritual commitment on **February 17**, we will move on to the stewardship portion. Our big stewardship commitment event will be on **March 10**.

In the meantime, we need plenty of volunteers to take part in all aspects of “**Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together**.” Look for a volunteer sign-up sheet soon and find a place to plug in.

One of the unique parts of the “**Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together**” campaign is the enclosed **90 Days of Prayer** booklet. This booklet contains a very short prayer for each day of the campaign beginning on the first day, **January 21**. Each prayer was written by different people, including each class of our school. It is my hope that each of you will keep this booklet in a place that will allow us to pray together for the entire length of the campaign. Put it on the nightstand, on your desk at work, in a backpack, in your bathroom, or on your kitchen table – wherever you will see it and be reminded to pray. If you are electronically inclined, call the church office to have the booklet sent via e-mail.

You will begin to hear more and more about “**Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together**” in the days ahead. I hope you will join me in this important effort.

Father, You are the font and source of all things. Shower Redeemer with the Holy Spirit during this time of renewal and commitment so that we may serve You with joyful and faithful hearts and lives. In Jesus' name. Amen

In THE Redeemer's service,

Pastor Dave Albers

