



First Baptist Church of MURFREESBORO

May 27, 2022

To Our Congregation,

PLEDGE TIME IS HERE! Your Budget and Finance Committee (Mark H. Crocker, Treasurer, Gary E. Green, Chris Jackson, Jacquelyn Sandifer, Richard Snyder, Jenni Stinnett, David White, and Andy Womack, Chair) has been working to set a financial guideline for First Baptist Church for the 2022-2023 year. As we adjust to a “new normal” in our personal lives, the same transition is taking place with our church priorities.

Our new budget addresses issues that are present in our near future at FBC:

- 1) Increased commitment for ministries to children, youth and young families.
- 2) Added emphasis on missions with appropriate funding.
- 3) Assuring proper financial budgeting for known and anticipated maintenance needs for our aging facility.
- 4) Inflation and utility rate increase allowances.
- 5) Remaining free of the burden of debt.

We are presenting a budget that we feel, with congregational approval, meets these needs. The budget for 2022 – 2023 represents a 2.16% increase in commitment over our previous year’s budgeted receipts.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the proposed budget, as well as a pledge card which can be returned to the church office or submitted digitally at www.fbcmборо.org/pledge. Digital pledges will be received directly by our financial secretary, Brenda Alexander. Your pledge gives us an estimate of adjustments that may be necessary to ensure that First Baptist Church continues to be fiscally sound as it has been historically. **We ask that you submit your pledge by Friday, June 10th.**

The proposed budget will be presented for a vote by our congregation in a called business meeting during our worship service on Sunday, June 12th. Absentee ballots will be available in the Welcome Center for those unable to attend this service and should be submitted to the church office prior to June 12th.

Thank you for your faithfulness and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Andy Womack'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Andy Womack
Chair of Budget & Finance Committee