

"I will show you my faith by what I do." James 1:18

ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER

Capital Stewardship Campaign

Q: What is "Actions Speak Louder"?

A: "Actions Speak Louder" refers to the 2009 Capital Stewardship Campaign that raised the funds for the purchase of the commercial property where our ACTS Church Lakeway headquarters is now located, at R.R. 620 and Debba Drive in Lakeway. This property and facility (officially named "Mountain Top") was purchased and built out through the sacrificial giving of thirty families who, at that time, made up the mission church that would soon be known as ACTS Church. Together these families made three-year financial pledges totaling \$1.1M. All glory to God!

Q: What role does "Actions Speak Louder" play today?

A: The actions of these thirty families certainly continue to speak loudly. If not for the commitments they made in 2009, we would not have a home base for our local church today. Since these families made a three-year commitment to this Campaign, they continue to make regular generous gifts to "Actions Speak Louder," as they fulfill their pledges. These dollars create our Building Fund, from which our monthly mortgage (principal and interest) is being paid.

Q: Do any of my weekly offerings to ACTS Church flow into the ACTS Building Fund?

A: No, these funds are kept separate. Every dollar that is given through the regular offerings goes into our General Fund, which pays for our operating expenses and makes the day-to-day mission of ACTS possible. Our General Fund is used to cover all programming costs, salaries, worship materials, cafe, KidsQuest & Grapple expenses, and so on. The General Fund also covers our facility operating costs (utilities, insurance, landscaping, maintenance, furnishings, etc.) but does not pay for the building itself.

Q: This sounds like something that I'd like to support. Would it be appropriate for me to reduce my General Fund offerings in order to support the "Actions Speak Louder" Building Fund?

A: No, all of our "Actions Speak Louder" gifts have been made *above and beyond* our general offerings. We believe there is some significant Biblical support for this approach. If your financial situation is such that you are not able to increase your overall giving at this time, then it would be better for you to maintain your consistent General Fund gifts to ACTS. If a significant number of families diverted their General Fund giving into the Building Fund, then we would have a beautiful building, but no ministry to fill it!

Q: How long would my commitment to "Actions Speak Louder" last?

A: Since we have already celebrated the second anniversary of the "Actions Speak Louder" Campaign, we anticipate that you would join the other families for only the final year of this effort.

Q: How do I decide what my gift should be when I commit to increase my giving during this period (through June 2012)?

A: Only you can make this decision. No effort will be made to tell anyone what they should or should not give. The best way to determine your commitment is to ask God for guidance through prayer. Your gift should be one of sacrifice and faith made with a willing heart. Below is a chart that shows how regular giving can really add up, if spread out over 12 months. Choose what is right for you.

<u>Weekly commitment:</u>	<u>Total (52 week) commitment:</u>
\$5	\$260
\$10	\$520
\$20	\$2,040
\$50	\$2,600
\$75	\$3,900
\$100	\$5,200
\$250	\$13,000
\$500	\$26,000
\$1,000	\$52,000

As you have been blessed, so may you be a blessing to others!