

## My pledge

Name(s):.....

- I will commit to regularly praying for the King's Meadow Project.

In addition to my regular giving to the life of Peebles Baptist Church, I would like to pledge my support to the King's Meadow Project, in the following ways:

*(please tick as many boxes as you like)*

- I will give a one-off gift of £.....

- I will give a regular gift of £.....  
every ..... *(week/month/etc)*  
until ..... *(date)*

- I will give an interest free loan of £..... for a period of ..... years. If my circumstances change, I may ask for this money to be repaid early.

- I have gifts in kind (such as shares or other assets) that I wish to donate, as follows:.....  
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- I would like more information about leaving a legacy to PBC in my will.

- I'd like to meet to discuss how I can contribute financially in a different way.

- Other: .....  
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As a church, we agreed to tithe 10% of all building monies raised to two projects working in Nepal, supporting our brothers and sisters there who have much less than us. We hope you will support this, but if you do **not** wish your donation to be included in this, please tick here:

## What next?

Please put this pledge form in the offering bag on Sundays, or return it to:

*Lyn Pornaro  
Peebles Baptist Church,  
17 Crossburn Farm Road,  
Peebles, E45 8EG*

by **1 July 2018**.

To ensure complete confidentiality, please place your pledge form in the envelope provided, marked

*"Building Fund Pledges"*

We will be in contact later to ask you how and when you would like to translate your pledge into real cash!

If you have any questions about giving to the project, please contact Lyn Pornaro:

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# How much can we give?



## The King's Meadow Project

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## The story so far...

For 30 years, Peebles Baptist Church has been without a physical home. A church is not a building, and we have met to worship and to witness to Jesus Christ in homes and in halls around the town.

Now, however, we believe that God is calling us to build. We have an exciting vision for what God wants to do with us as a church - being Good News on the South side of Peebles, with a new church and community building on our land at the King's Meadow, alongside our existing community garden.

After a significant amount of prayer, thinking, research, and planning, we have drawn up plans for that building and submitted them for planning approval. God has led us to the point where we have to commit to actually building; but we can't do that without knowing the answer to one simple question: *how much can we give?*

## Why do we need to know?

With some money already in the bank, capital to be raised by sale of the Manse, and the indication of a loan from the Baptist Union, we are on our way to achieving the target for Phase 1 of £425,000. However, significant funds are still required and we are continuing to apply for substantial funding from external organisations. It is essential, to help support these applications, that we know and can demonstrate what finance we are able to raise ourselves.

As well as that, if we are to engage developers we can't make guesses or assumptions. **We now need to know: How much can we give?**

## The Gift Day

Our Gift Day on Sunday June 17<sup>th</sup> is about coming up with answers to that question. We're not looking for actual cash on that day - rather, we want people to prayerfully consider what God is challenging them to do to support this project financially, and commit to that.

## What is a pledge?

A pledge is a promise to give money to help fund the construction of the new building, either via a one-off lump sum gift, or in instalments over a period of time, or with an interest-free loan, or with gifts in kind.

A pledge is an important commitment made in accordance with the resources the Lord has given you. **It is not a contract or a legal commitment**, and if your circumstances change please just come and tell us.

## Will everyone else know what I'm giving?

Absolutely not. Your individual responses will be completely confidential - the only person that will see and process them is the church treasurer. Neither the Pastor nor any of the other deacons will know, just as with normal giving.

## Can I still pledge after July 1<sup>st</sup>?

Yes, of course. We've set a deadline for these pledges so that we can get an accurate idea of how much we can afford now, but our fundraising efforts will continue, and further pledges or gifts will always be welcome.

## It's not all about BIG gifts!

The totals sound almost impossibly large when many of us do not earn very much, and it can feel as if our modest gifts are irrelevant. But the truth is that God cares most about our hearts, and a desire to give sacrificially is more important to him than the amount we give. In God's kingdom, a small gift given cheerfully and sacrificially may work out more important than a big one.

## Is it just about money?

No, absolutely not! There are other things too that we need, which are both more urgent and more fundamental than money. Without these things, this project won't come to fruition:

### - Prayer

It should be no surprise that we need everyone in the church family - and beyond - to actively pray about the project. Prayer is about making sure that God knows whether we're really serious about what we say we want. There are lots of different areas which need prayer support, and you can find out more on the noticeboard, the weekly sheets, and at prayer events.

### - Time

When the building work is finished, the King's Meadow Project will be only just beginning! The point of the building is to allow us to serve God, serve one another, and serve the community - being Good News on the South side of Peebles.

There's a huge range of activities that people need to get involved in - some existing ones, and some that will be new to us. How is God calling you to serve?