



OAKLAND

BAPTIST CHURCH

The presence of Christ at the crossroads of life

October 31, 2019

Dear Friends,

Consider for a moment: Family Promise, disaster relief, mission trips, immigration and refugee assistance, shut-in ministries, Mission Movers, ESL classes, Bible studies, meaningful worship and fellowship. These are just some of the wonderful ways Oakland serves as the hands and feet of Christ! These ministries, as well as the day to day activities of our church, could not take place without the essential generosity so many of you show in your financial giving—Thank you!! As we look toward 2020, we are humbly asking you to continue your generosity as we seek to spread God's love to our community and the world.

Our Finance Committee has been hard at work preparing the 2020 budget. A copy of the proposed budget can be found in this email. Discussion related to next year's budget will take place on Wednesday, November 6 at 6:00PM in the gymnasium. The vote for the 2020 budget will take place on Sunday, November 10 during both services.

Allow me to remind you there are many ways for you to contribute a tithe or gift:

- **Bank Draft:** Fill out a planning card (enclosed) and attach a voided check. Choose to have your account drafted on the 1st or 15th of each month. (If you plan on having your bank account drafted next year, please make sure to complete a planning card with your information listed. We must have an annual record of this information. Drafting your bank account is one of the most inexpensive ways to give (no fees), is efficient in regard to book keeping, and provides consistent income for the entire year which helps us in planning programs, ministries, and missions.) Planning cards can be found in the church office.
- **Online Bill Pay through your Bank:** Set up a recurring check payment to the church for the weekly or monthly amount of your gift.
- **Text Giving:** Text "GIVE" to 803-599-3738. You will receive an immediate reply. Click the link in the reply to set up text giving.
- **Offering Plate:** Place your offering envelope in the offering plate during either worship service. Offering envelopes can be mailed to your home or found in the pew racks in the sanctuary, as well as on the welcome table in the gym.
- **Online Giving:** Click on the "Give" tab at oaklandchurch.com and follow the instructions. You can choose to contribute via checking or savings account or via a credit card (church incurs fees).
- **US Mail:** Mail a check to the church address—1067 Oakland Ave, Rock Hill, SC 29732.

In addition to addressing approval of the proposed 2020 budget, it is also the time of year when we elect servant leaders for each of our committees and name a Trustee. The Nominating Committee has worked diligently over the past months to ensure that each of our committees are functioning properly within the guidelines of the committee portion of our Bylaws. On Sunday, November 10 during both services, we will vote on the Nominating Committee's report and the nominee for Trustee. A copy of the nominating report is included with this email. Thank you for taking this process seriously and prayerfully.

With gratitude and appreciation,

Rev. Dr. Jeffrey C. Hayes