

## Biblical Reasons for Giving

Creation – Faith – Blessings – Asking  
Needs – Mission and Ministry

### **Needs: Our Reason to Give**

I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need.

Corinthians 8:13-14

Churches do not have needs – people do! As individuals, each of us has basic physiological needs that must be met in order to survive such as air, food, water, and sleep. In addition, we have safety needs. God calls us to seek justice as we strive to address the basic needs of all people, near and far. Some have suggested that on top of these is a hierarchy of additional needs:

- Self Actualization
- Esteem Needs
- Love Needs
- Safety Needs
- Physiological Needs

The good news of the Gospel addresses these additional human needs of love and esteem. Self actualization has been defined as “the desire to become more and more what one is, to become everything one is capable of becoming.” From the perspective of our faith, that occurs through experiencing the love and grace of God through Jesus Christ.

Our gifts will help to further our ministry of sharing this good news and providing for facilities as a place to gather and a tool to further our mission.