

## PARK STREET

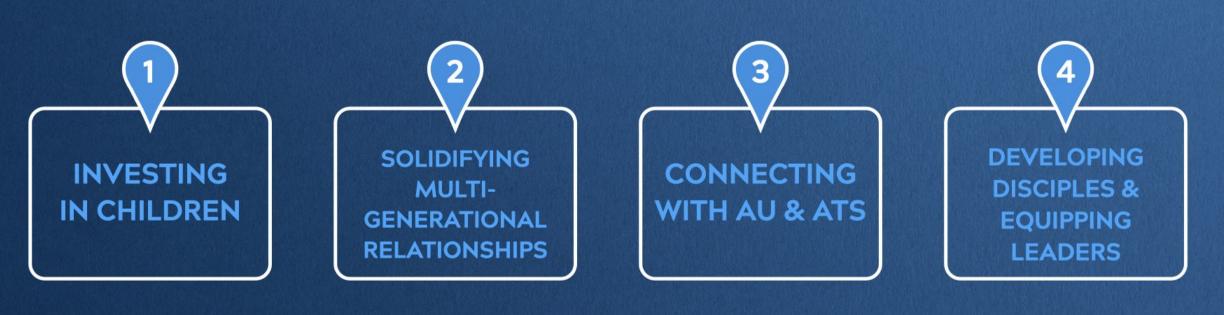
BRETHREN CHURCH

February 7, 2021

Full of Corruption (Matthew 5:8; 23:25-28)



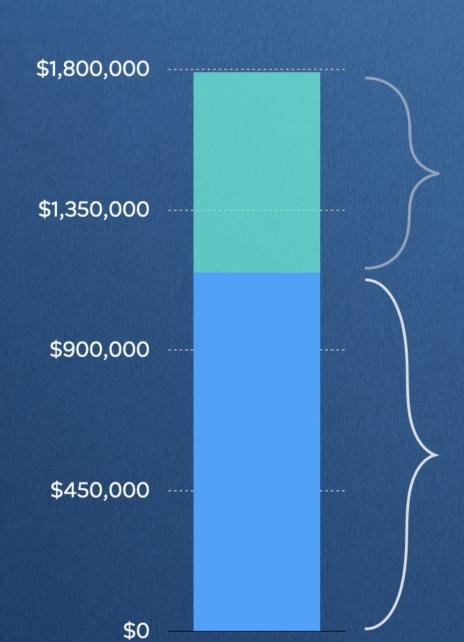
# PARK STREET BRETHREN CHURCH EXISTS TO EMPOWER AUTHENTIC DISCIPLES WHO LIVE LIFE ON MISSION WITH GOD.



IN 2016 OUR CHURCH IDENTIFIED 4 KEY PRIORITIES
FOR OUR SPACES TO HELP ACCOMPLISH

**AFTER 2 YEARS** OF A 5-YEAR CAMPAIGN, WE HAVE REACHED 64% OF OUR TOTAL GOAL.

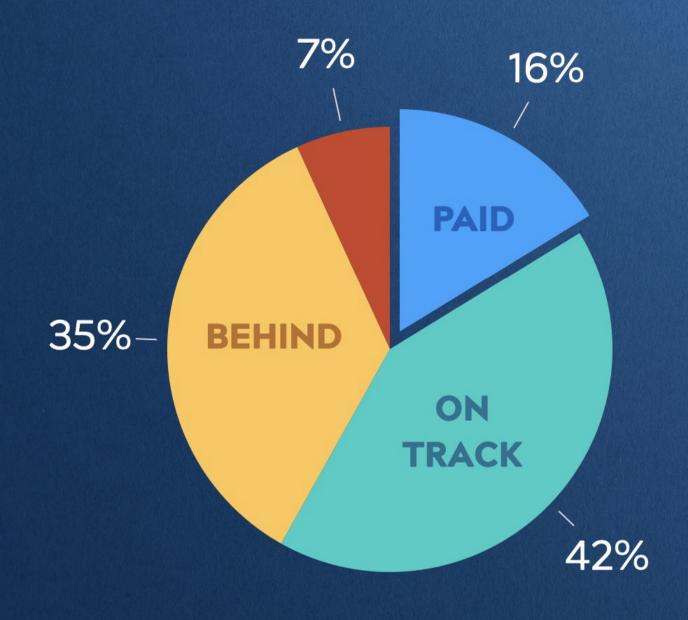




\$640 K PLEDGES REMAINING

\$1.15 M GIFTS RECIEVED

#### AS OF FEBRUARY 2021



OF OUR 117 PLEDGES...

19 FULLY PAID

49 ON TRACK

41 BEHIND SCHEDULE

8 UNCERTAIN



## MATTHEW 5:8

<sup>6</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

## MATTHEW 23:25-28

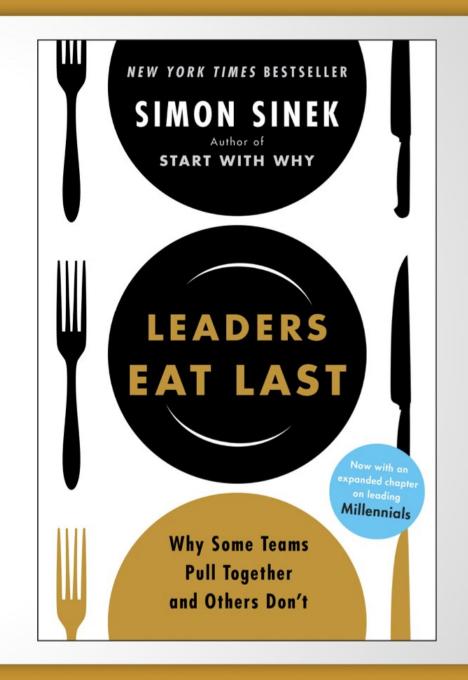
<sup>25</sup> "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. <sup>26</sup> Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean.

## MATTHEW 23:25-28

<sup>27</sup> "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean. 28 In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness.



"[True] Leaders are the ones who are willing to give up something of their own for us. Their time, their energy, their money, maybe even the food off their plate. When it matters, leaders choose to eat last."



## MATTHEW 16:24-26

<sup>24</sup> Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. <sup>26</sup> What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?

#### SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Scripture	Posture	Reward
Matthew <b>5:3</b>	Poor in Spirit	Kingdom of Heaven
Matthew <b>5:4</b>	Those who Mourn	They will be comforted
Matthew <b>5:5</b>	The Meek	They will inherit the Earth

#### SERMON OF SEVEN WOES

Scripture	Action	Consequence
Matthew 23:13	Keep people from the Kingdom	Will not Enter the Kingdom
Matthew 23:14	Scamming the most vulnerable	Greater Condemnation
Matthew 23:15	Successfully recruiting followers	They are "twice the sons of Hell"

#### SERMON ON THE MOUNT

Scripture	Posture	Reward
Matthew <b>5:6</b>	Hungry for Righteousness	They will be Filled
Matthew <b>5:7</b>	Merciful	They will be shown mercy
Matthew <b>5:8</b>	Pure in Heart	They will see God

#### SERMON OF SEVEN WOES

Scripture	Action	Consequence
Matthew <b>23:16-22</b>	Intentionally complicating God's words	"Blind" to God's Power
Matthew <b>23:23-24</b>	Neglected justice, mercy, and faith	They look absurd
Matthew <b>23:25-28</b>	Pretty on the outside, ugly on the inside	They are full of death

You don't have an option to avoid corrupted systems if you want to engage with other human beings. In fact, even if you could live your life in total isolation, you would still have to deal with corruption, because you would still have to put up with yourself.

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## PSALM 139:23-24

- <sup>23</sup> Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.
- <sup>24</sup> See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.



