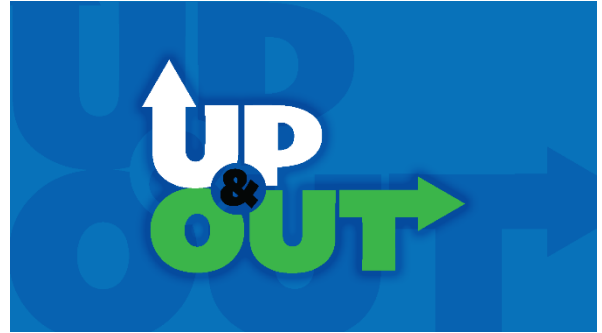






“The Vision”

Open It:



- Who is the most generous person you have ever known?
- What’s the busiest or most “God-sized” vision or dream you’ve ever been a part of?





Read It:

-  Luke 12:48
-  Luke 8:1-3
-  John 20:17-18
-  Matthew 7:7-8

Explore It:

- In what ways have the BPF mission and identity statements led us to the Up & Out campaign?
- BPF has been “entrusted with much.” How has BPF used its’ resources and provided you opportunities to discover, develop, and deploy your faith?
-  Luke 12:48 says, “From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded.” How should this verse shape our perspective on the responsibilities of our BPF church community?
- When you think about what God has entrusted to you personally, what comes to mind?
 - Are you being responsible with your use of them? In what ways can you make steps toward Jesus?
-  In Luke 8:1-3, Mary Magdalene has joined Jesus and supported His work as He proclaims the good news of the kingdom of God. How does her example set the purpose and mission of the church?
 - How does the phrase, “out of their own means” in this passage give us freedom.
- How does Jesus’ inclusion of unexpected people (women, outcasts, tax collectors) challenge the way you think about your role in Jesus’ ministry today?
 - How could you partner with Jesus and serve or support the ministries of BPF?

-  When we consider Mary's life before Jesus (Luke 8:2) and the transformation she experienced in Christ, what role do you think joy and gratitude played in motivating her to serve and give?
 - What has God done in your life that stirs gratitude and joy in you? How have you responded to Him for those blessings?
- The message emphasized that UP&OUT is bigger than a building. What excites you most about the ministry opportunities connected to this vision?
- Why do you think generosity is so closely connected to discipleship?
- This campaign is a "God-Sized" vision. What might we risk when we 'ask small' instead of asking God for big things?
-  What would it look like for our whole church to live out Matthew 7:7-8 during this vision campaign?
 - Will you commit to praying through the prayer guide for these 8 weeks?
- What's one way you've seen God work powerfully when His people prayed together?
- How could this campaign strengthen not only our church but also our wider community?

Do It:

- Out of the joy and gratitude you have for what Jesus has done for you, what will you do this week to serve or support someone else?
- What is one specific way you can step "UP in love" by serving this week?
- Where might God be calling you to step "OUT in faith" right now?
- What resource (time, talent, or treasure) could you use "out of your own means" to support God's work?
- How can you help ensure UP&OUT is not just about a building, but about becoming a church more for our neighbors, nations, and the next generation?
- What commitment will you make about prayer for this vision campaign?