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Unreasonable

"Someone once said that to follow the path that others have laid before you is a very reasonable course of action, therefore all progress is made by unreasonable men. Steve Jobs was an unreasonable man. He didn't simply give the public what they wanted; he defined entirely new ways of thinking about our lives in the digital space."

~ Adam Savage (from the show Mythbusters)

"Then God said, 'Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.' So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.' Then God said, 'I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts

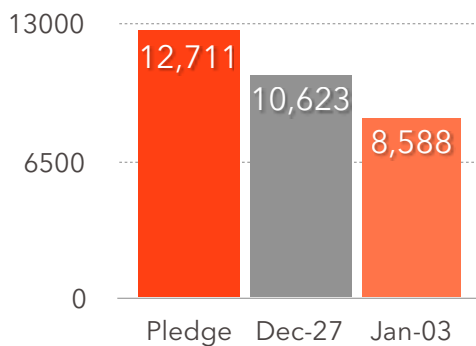


Upcoming Events

Here are some upcoming events and dates to keep in mind.

- **January 13th**, All Men's Midweek
- **January 20th**, All Women's Midweek
- **January 24th**, Parenting Devo
- **February 5-6th**, Teen Lock-In
- **February 28th**, International Sunday
- **March 5-6th**, Marriage Retreat

Our Giving This Month



All services are held at the Chesapeake Arts Center unless otherwise noted.

of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.

~ Genesis 1:26-31 NIV

God is unreasonable. His vision for Adam and Eve irrational, especially given their potential to derail His plan. His plan for them to subdue the whole earth and rule over it assumes a lot of vision and faith in a people with the ability to choose otherwise. But faith is, by definition, unreasonable. It expects a favorable, spiritual outcome, in concert with the will of God. Faith is an unreasonable hope in a certain predicted outcome even while surrounded by unpredictable events. God is both faithful and unreasonable as He expects forward progress, charts new territory and defines a new way of thinking.

God's vision for us today is no less daunting.

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

~ Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

We are tasked with winning the world for Christ. If we are to make progress we must chart the uncharted course, step out on faith and be flat out unreasonable. What can we do better? How can I give greater honor to God? Any methodology stagnate must be moved and what is stale must be refreshed. "If it ain't broke don't fix it" should never be our motto because it does not give Christ His greatest honor. How can I make it better? How many more souls can be saved? How many more saints kept faithful, how many more instilled with a dream to use every spiritual gift for the glory of God?

When people have their own conviction coupled with God's vision, that's when you see transformation. This is when the foundation is not just being laid again but we begin to build upon it. We no longer can settle for the path that others have laid. Forward progress requires that we must be, unreasonable.

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