

Fundraising

New Covenant Baptist Church believes that the tithes and offerings of its members and regular attendees should support its ministries. We desire that our witness to the community be that of a willing servant and not an organization that is seeking funds from them. We believe that God will support through His people those ministries to which He calls us.

However, we realize that there are times when a group or ministry within the church wishes to pursue an activity in which the participant pays part of the cost. We do not wish to exclude those who may not have the financial resources to take part in the activity. Furthermore, to instill a Christian work ethic and provide the participant with a vested interest in the activity, we also do not wish to just have the church pay their way out of the program funds.

Therefore, fundraising activities within the congregation are considered acceptable. Examples include but are not limited to fundraising dinners, bake sales, car washes, work days, and bottle drives. These activities may be organized and run provided that promotion of the activity remains within the congregation (Sunday Morning announcements, church newsletter, bulletins, etc. but no outdoor signs).

In addition, groups within the church may organize fundraising activities for external programs and causes not directly related to or run by the church provided the program, cause and the activity itself have beliefs, goals and means consistent with those of the church. This consistency with the beliefs of this church will be determined by the activity being approved by the Missions Committee. Such activities may be promoted outside the church body provided it is made clear in promotional material that the program or cause is the beneficiary of the fundraising effort. Again, the intent is that New Covenant Baptist Church isn't viewed as seeking funds from the public in any way.

Scheduling of all such fund-raising activities and campaigns must be coordinated through the Church Planning Council.