



FAQ's

What is Multiply 2028?

Multiply 2028 is the name we will use to refer to our vision statement. The vision of Blue Valley Baptist is to become a multiplying church that is actively establishing local campuses and planting autonomous churches locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally by 2028.

What is the Multiply 2028 Campaign?

The Multiply 2028 Campaign is the name we will use to refer to our effort to fund initial Multiply 2028 opportunities in the short term, as well as retire debt in order to fund Multiply 2028 opportunities in the long term. This will be accomplished by asking our members to make regular sacrificial gifts above their regular offerings.

When will the Multiply 2028 Campaign Begin?

Our original plan was to conduct the campaign in the spring. However, the pandemic forced us to reschedule. The campaign will now launch publicly on November 8. We will begin our actual giving to the campaign on November 22.

What will happen on Sundays during the Multiply 2028 Campaign?

We will use the messages on November 8, 15, and 22 to learn the biblical basis for the Multiply 2028 Campaign and to introduce our initial Multiply 2028 opportunities.

Will I be asked to pledge my financial commitment to the Multiply 2028 Campaign?

While everyone will be asked to prayerfully make a serious private commitment to the Lord, no pledge cards will be collected.

What will happen to gifts made to the Multiply 2028 Campaign?

The first \$250,000 given will be split equally between the Multiply 2028 Mission Opportunities Fund and the Multiply 2028 Debt Retirement Fund. All gifts beyond the first \$250,000 will go entirely to the Multiply 2028 Debt Retirement Fund.

How long will the Multiply 2028 Campaign last?

The Multiply 2028 Campaign will conclude once all existing debt is retired.

When will the initial Multiply 2028 mission opportunities be launched?

Some of the smaller Multiply 2028 opportunities have already launched. However, the largest opportunities will launch once the funds are available and the preparations for those opportunities are complete.

What are the initial Multiply 2028 mission opportunities?

The elders' plan is for initial opportunities to touch all parts of our vision statement. The elders are actively exploring establishing a Hispanic language mission using our Ridgeview campus on Sunday afternoons, which will have the future option of becoming a campus or an autonomous church. We are also working with NAMB (North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention) to plant Image Fellowship, an autonomous church plant in Leawood, next Spring. Both the Hispanic language mission and Image Fellowship will be funded in part through NAMB. Regionally, we are establishing a partnership with NAMB church planter (and former Blue Valley member) Adam Bailey and his church plant, Multiply Church in West Des Moines, Iowa. Internationally, we will partner with Compassion International to plant a church; likely in Central or South America. Finally, we will make funds available from the Multiply 2028 Mission Opportunities Fund to provide partial scholarships to help offset cost for those taking their first international mission trip.

How will we establish the Hispanic mission at Ridgeview?

The elders are currently finalizing plans that will leverage our existing ministry at Rolling Ridge apartments, lay leaders at the Ridgeview campus with a passion for Hispanic ministry, and a potential partnership with at NAMB Hispanic church planter in our area. If these plans are approved, funding will be sought through NAMB and plans will begin to launch the mission sometime in 2021. It is also possible that ongoing financial support will be provided by Blue Valley from Multiply 2028 funds.

How will our partnership with Image Fellowship in Leawood work?

NAMB church planter and Image Fellowship pastor, Nathan Chang, is currently seeking out a core group of families in our church who feel called to go with him to plant Image Fellowship next Easter. Once those families are identified, they will begin meeting together in their own Sunday School class on the Antioch Campus on Sunday mornings and meet on Sunday evenings for training and planting. The offerings given by the core group will be placed in escrow and held by Blue Valley until the launch of the church, at which point all escrowed monies will be released for their use. Blue Valley will also contribute up to \$500 a month for up to three years from launch using Multiply 2028 funds.

How will our partnership with Multiply Church in West Des Moines work?

For at least the first year, Blue Valley will contribute \$500 a month to the church plant from Multiply 2028 funds. In addition, we are planning opportunities for short term mission trips (once the pandemic threat is past) and we will receive regular updates and guidance on how to pray for the church from it's pastor, Adam Bailey.

How will the partnership with Compassion International work?

Compassion will connect us with an established local church partner (of like faith and practice to Blue Valley) that is implementing Compassion's program and who will serve as a local mentor and guide for the new church staff. Blue Valley then sends a one-time payment (between 77k-80k) to Compassion to provide a facility with a large meeting room, three classrooms, kitchen, restrooms, electricity, and water. Within six months of the church's opening, a Child Development Program will welcome up to 200 children. Many parents who send their children to the program start participating in other Compassion programs and begin attending church regularly. Blue Valley will have the first opportunity to sponsor these children through Compassion. We will then regularly take trips as a church to

minister through the church in the community. Lenexa Baptist has successfully planted a church using this program.

How will the debt be retired?

We will continue to make our regular payment from the budget. All disbursements from the Multiply 2028 Debt Retirement Fund will go directly to pay down principal.

How long will it take to retire the debt?

The length of time it will take to pay it off is entirely dependent upon how much our church commits to the Multiply 2028 Campaign. We currently owe Stanley Bank approximately \$2.175 million. Our budgeted payment is \$21,000 a month, of which approximately \$11,000 goes to principal. If enough is given to pay it off this year, it will save the church \$1,000,000 in interest over the next decade.

How did we acquire our existing debt?

When Pastor Derrick arrived in 2007, Blue Valley held approximately \$1,600,000 in debt from the construction on what is now the Antioch Campus (in 2000/01). Approximately \$5,500,000 in capital projects (in 2009/10 and 2014/15) have taken place during Pastor Derrick's tenure. Our current debt is what remains of that \$7,100,000 total.

What will we do with the money in our budget for our mortgage payment when debt is retired?

Freeing up \$21,000 a month from our budget would allow us to fund future Multiply 2028 mission opportunities, give more to Southern Baptist Convention causes, budget more for local ministry, and pay for needed repairs and maintenance at both of our campuses.

Does Multiply 2028 mean that we will never incur debt again?

No. However, there are no plans for capital projects at the present time and any project undertaken would need to be in accordance with our vision and limited in scope.