There are all levels of understanding regarding missions. Not every church has the same philosophy of missions.

**THE WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE**is the most important week of the year.

**Your Baptist Church** should have an impact in reaching people around the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Five choices you can make:**

1. You can choose to do nothing.

2. You can choose to begin if you like.

3. If you have been giving to world missions you can choose to decrease.

4. You can maintain the same amount that you have been giving.

 5. You can increase and move forward.

1. In order for you to go forward it will require you to have a greater, deeper understanding of giving.

2. It is going to take greater faith for you to go forward and to expand in this area of missions.

3. It is going to require greater participation. More people are going to get involved.

I cannot make you participate or increase your faith. Your pastor cannot do it either. **But we can increase your understanding.**

 There are two basic ways a church can participate in giving to missions:

1. Budget giving. Missions is just one part of your budget.

2. Giving above your tithe, money designated for world missions.

We are talking about the **FAITH PROMISE MISSIONS OFFERING.**

Let’s take one word at a time in reverse.

1. **The Offering** - there are two parts to an offering. Mal 3:8-10

 THE TITHE, the first 10% which goes to the local church.

 THE OFFERING, anything over and above the tithe is an offering. It is not an offering unless it over the Tithe, 10%.

 This is where your faith promise offering comes from, from the 90%.

 This is the Biblical approach to **Faith Promise Missions**.

God says, “Tithes and Offerings”.

 2 Cor. 9:8-9 teaches us we ought to give our tithe and offerings willingly, cheerfully.

2. Faith Promise **Mission** Offering. It is to be used for missions only. Not for a new bus or a new air conditioner or a larger building etc.

It is for church planting where there are no gospel preaching churches. Or where there are churches that have died or strayed from the Word of God.

 The great commission is to plant churches.

1. The **Offering.**

2. Faith Promise **Mission** Offering.

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You are only going to make a commitment for one year to give to World Missions.

4. **Faith** Promise Mission Offering.

You need to seek the face of God and ask Him how much you ought to commit yourself to your Faith Promise Mission Offering.

 We are saved by faith and we are to walk by faith and not by sight. Heb. 11:6, 2 Cor. 8:3, 10:14

So, this week you will be deciding what you will be doing about faith mission giving.

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There are 3 ways to give:

1. below our power, less than our ability = we give less than what we can afford.

The truth is, that is the way most of us give.

2. we can give equal to our ability.

3. we can give beyond our ability.

 That is where the sacrifice comes in.

 It is more than we can afford to give.

 That is where we begin to exercise our faith and trust God to give us what we do not have.

I have tried to teach you so you will have a better understanding how you give to missions.
But the participation is up to you.

The exercise of faith is up to you.

You have to make that decision yourself.

And if you decide to participate it will be:

1. below your power

2. equal to your ability.

3. beyond your ability. That is grace giving.

God will give you what you do not have for missions.

God’s grace enables us to give beyond our ability.