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faith
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ATHENS CHURCH



Psalm 78:4-7

We will not hide these truths from our children;
we will tell the next generation
about the glorious deeds of the Lord,
about His power and His mighty wonders.
For He issued His laws to Jacob;
He gave His instructions to Israel.
He commanded our ancestors
to teach them to their children,
so the next generation might know them—
even the children not yet born—
and they in turn will teach their own children.
So each generation should set its hope anew on God,
not forgetting His glorious miracles
and obeying His commands.

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from Pastor Sean Seay

On January 23, 2005, we gathered for the first Athens Church service at Cedar Shoals High School. That night, I shared the heart of the church we hoped to become: **a group of people fully surrendered to Jesus.**

We ended that first service by singing *Take My Life*. One of its central prayers was simple: "Here am I, all of me." More than twenty-one years later, that prayer still captures the kind of church we want to be.

We want Athens Church to be a place where anyone can show up—questions, imperfections and all—and discover that they are valued and loved. We want people to encounter the God who made them, trust Jesus with every part of their lives and learn to live fully surrendered to Him.

But God's work was never intended to stop with us.

Psalm 78 calls God's people to tell the **next generation** about His power and faithfulness so that they, too, will put their hope in Him. We are beneficiaries of people who prayed, served, sacrificed and gave before us. Now it is our turn to build upon what they entrusted to us.

That is the heart behind **For Generations**.

Together, we are trusting God to change thousands of individual lives, expand our impact throughout our city, and equip leaders who will serve the Church long after us. We are praying for people who have not yet walked through our doors, families we have not yet met, and leaders who have not yet discovered their calling.

For Generations is not simply a fundraising campaign. It is a discipleship initiative. Over these six weeks, we are asking every person who calls Athens Church home to seek God honestly and respond obediently—especially in the area of generosity.

Although our giving won't look the same, everyone can take a step of faith. Our prayer is that we would become a church marked by open hands, courageous obedience, and a vision that extends far beyond our own lifetimes.

My wife, Bonnie, and I are praying about the step God is asking us to take. We hope you will join us.

What might God do **For Generations** through our faithfulness today?



Bonnie & Sean Seay



Sean Seay
Lead Pastor



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The Story of Athens Church



North Point Community Church

Sean Seay was a pastor at North Point Community Church, but he had a passion to create a church that unchurched people love to attend in Athens, GA. North Point became a strategic partner in this venture.



Cedar Shoals

In January 2005, Athens Church held its first service at Cedar Shoals High School.



Atlanta Hwy

In 2011, Athens Church opened our doors to our first permanent home in a renovated shopping center off of Atlanta Highway.

1999

2004

2005

2007

2011

2012



Launch Team

The original staff of Athens Church - Tyler Reagin, Sean Seay, Bryson Vogeltanz, and Josh Jones. This team led the way in developing the Athens Church ministry.



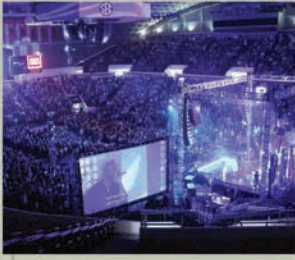
The Classic Center

As the church grew, we needed a larger space to meet, so we continued a portable church model at the Classic Center starting in 2007.



20 Seconds of Courage

On September 30th, we encouraged people to take a bold step in their faith by hosting a spontaneous baptism day. Over 280 people got baptized that Sunday.



10th Anniversary

January 2015 marked the 10-year anniversary of Athens Church. We gathered together at Stegeman Coliseum to celebrate all that God had done over the past decade.



Green Space

As Covid began to impact our world, the Green Space was a bright spot to our 2020. What began as a project to bring beauty to our Atlanta Highway Campus, became a space for us to continue connecting as a church outside. The Green Space continues to be used by all of our ministry environments for gatherings throughout the year and has been a blessing to the people of our city.



For Generations

As we look to the future, our For Generations initiative maps out a plan for deeper faith, broader impact, and creating lasting influence in our community.

2015

2016

2020

2024

2025

2026



New Auditorium

Athens Church expanded its Atlanta Highway location in 2016 to grow into a larger auditorium space and build out a much larger space for students to meet.



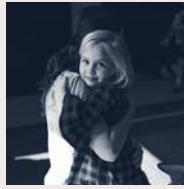
Beechwood

In October 2024, we launched our second location in the Beechwood Shopping Center, right in the heart of Athens.



20th Anniversary

In 2025, we marked the 20th anniversary of the church. We celebrated this significant milestone in a big way by gathering at the new Akins Ford Arena at the Classic Center. It was a special day of looking back and looking forward for the church.



Adults
Currently in
Small Groups
1,384



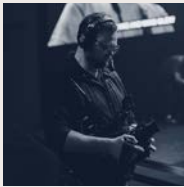
First-Time
Guests
2025-2026
2,303



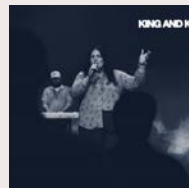
\$5,043,639
Total Given to Nonprofits
through Athens, I Love You®



Group
Leaders
293



College
Nights Avg.
Attendance
1,200





Lifetime Total
Baptisms
2,300+



Current Avg. Number of Kids
in Groups on Sundays

1,000+



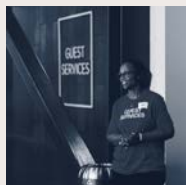
Sunday
Volunteers
1,500+



30
Organizations
Impacted
Through Athens,
I Love You®



College
Students in
Small Groups
805



Future
Leaders
Trained
213

What is For Generations?

For Generations is a discipleship and generosity initiative designed to fuel the vision God has given Athens Church through 2030 and beyond.

Our theme passage, Psalm 78:4–7, reminds us that faith is meant to be passed forward. We tell the next generation what God has done so that they will place their hope in Him, remember His faithfulness, and follow His ways.

We have inherited a legacy built by people who prayed, served and gave sacrificially. **For Generations** is our opportunity to carry that legacy forward.

Primary Goal: 100% Engagement

For Generations is first and foremost a **discipleship** initiative. We want everyone who calls Athens Church home to have a personal encounter with God in the area of **generosity**.

Success is not everyone giving the same amount. Success is every person asking the same question:

God, what are You asking me to do?

We invite you to pray with an open heart, listen for God's direction and respond with courageous obedience.

Secondary Goal: Mission Advancement

Over the next two years, we're praying that our giving as a church would grow to \$50 million to reach more people, impact our city, and raise up the next generation of leaders.

Together we are trusting God to:

- Impact thousands of lives through Starting Point, Baptism, and Growth Trilogy - \$21M
- Establish a new Athens Church location in Oconee County - \$23M
- Expand partnerships through Athens, I Love You® - \$2M
- Develop 100 future leaders through the Residency and Leadership Development Program - \$4M

These goals require resources, but they begin with hearts surrendered to Jesus.

The Goals of For Generations

IMPACTING INDIVIDUALS

people

Each number is a person. Each one is a miracle. We are trusting God for:

- **1000 people** to explore faith through Starting Point
- **1000 people** to publicly express faith through Baptism
- **1000 people** to grow and mature in faith through Growth Trilogy

This is about real people taking real steps toward Jesus — discovering faith, declaring faith, and deepening faith.

IMPACTING OUR CITY

city

We believe Athens and its surrounding communities are worth investing in. By 2030, we aim to:

- Launch a **third church location in Oconee County**
- Expand partnerships through **Athens, I Love You®** and increase our tangible investment in the spiritual and practical needs of our city

We don't just want to attend church in Athens — we want to bless Athens.

IMPACTING THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH

future

We are committed to raising up leaders who will serve the church long after us. By 2030, we will:

- Train **100 college and graduate-level students** through our LDP and Residency programs in order to develop future pastors, ministry leaders, and marketplace leaders
- Equip young leaders with wisdom, courage, and character

This is about multiplication — not just addition.

The Journey of a Giver

We invite everyone to embark on a journey of the heart this season. In God's eyes, our growth in generosity is less about a financial transaction and more about a heart transformation. This is a tool to help you identify where you are currently and where God may be calling you to move in your commitment to generosity.

01. Initial Giver

An Initial Giver is someone who decides to give for the first time, out of a response to God's Word about giving. This is someone who decides to give something and trust God and the leaders of the Church with this gift. They experience the initial joy of putting Jesus' words into action (Matthew 7:24).

02. Consistent Giver

A Consistent Giver is someone who decides to give something and to give it on a consistent basis to exercise the discipline of giving as a disciple of Jesus. Often, someone who decides to make their gift an online recurring gift will be someone who is learning the joy of consistency. Non-online givers can be consistent givers as well of course; it just requires more discipline. They experience the joy of excelling in this grace of giving (2 Corinthians 8:7).

03. Priority Giver

A Priority Giver is someone who understands the pre-eminence of Christ and that He is before all things – that all things were created by Him, for Him, through Him, and to Him. This giver places such a significant priority on their giving that it drives their spending and their saving, as opposed to their spending and saving driving their giving. They experience the freedom of serving "one master" and declaring Jesus is first (Matthew 6:19-24 and Colossians 1:15-20).

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04. Surrendered Giver

A Surrendered Giver is someone who recognizes that Christ surrendered His whole self for us, and therefore we desire to surrender our whole selves to Him, in love (Ephesians 5:1-2). This giver would say, "My giving is not just changing my spending and saving. It's also changing me!" They also look at what they're not giving away and ask, "Is it surrendered too?" This informs how they use everything they've been blessed and entrusted with – whether that be through direct monetary giving or through a God-honoring use of an existing resource (i.e. honoring God with the use of your home, etc.).

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05. Eternal Giver

An Eternal Giver is someone who sees the eternal impact of their giving – on them and on others – not just the immediate programs and ministries it helps accomplish. This giver has been captivated by the knowledge that the more they are led to "do good, to be generous and ready to share," the more they "take hold of that which is truly life" (1 Timothy 6:19). This encourages them to keep growing! They make all decisions (big purchases, savings, giving, relationships, areas of service) in light of how it will affect their eternal impact.

Advance Commitment
Night is Sunday,
October 25, 2026

Commitment Sunday is
November 8, 2026

Next Steps

How do we get there?

1. Ask God how you can participate financially.
2. If you currently support the church financially, consider what you can give above and beyond to For Generations for the next two years.
3. If you aren't currently supporting the church financially on a regular basis, join us by committing to give a specific dollar amount to For Generations for the next two years.

\$		What I/we would normally give in a year (Regular giving, Athens I Love You®, etc.)
+\$		My/Our expanded annual generosity as part of the For Generations initiative
=\$		x 2 years
		↓
	\$	
Gifts from my/our stored resources (Savings, stock, property, possessions, etc.)	+\$	
Total Two Year Commitment \$ December 2026 - December 2028		

Gift Chart

The following chart is a tool to help you plan your two-year engagement with For Generations. Through the generosity of those who attend Athens Church, we would expect to receive approximately \$25M in contributions over the next two years without For Generations. Through this initiative, we are looking to raise an additional \$25M to fuel this expanded vision.

As you pray about how God would ask you to give during this time, use this chart to inspire and challenge you toward greater generosity.

GIFTS NEEDED	TWO-YEAR GIFT LEVEL	ANNUAL GIFT	MONTHLY GIFT	TOTAL GIFT LEVEL
1	\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$125,000	\$3,000,000
1	\$2,500,000	\$1,250,000	\$104,167	\$2,500,000
2	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	\$62,500	\$3,000,000
3	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	\$41,667	\$3,000,000
5	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$2,500,000
10	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$10,417	\$2,500,000
15	\$150,000	\$75,000	\$6,250	\$2,250,000
18	\$125,000	\$62,500	\$5,208	\$2,250,000
25	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$2,500,000
35	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$3,125	\$2,625,000
50	\$65,000	\$32,500	\$2,708	\$3,250,000
75	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$3,750,000
90	\$35,000	\$17,500	\$1,458	\$3,150,000
105	\$25,000	\$12,500	\$1,042	\$2,625,000
150	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$625	\$2,250,000
200	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$2,000,000
300	\$7,500	\$3,750	\$313	\$2,250,000
450	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$208	\$2,250,000
MANY	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$104	\$2,350,000
TOTAL				\$50,000,000

FAQs

What are you asking me to do?

We ask that you pray and seek God for how He wants you to respond. Prepare your heart to hear Him, and then listen to what He says. Talk with your spouse, family, or friends about what this commitment will mean moving forward. Respond to the generosity of the gospel by giving obediently in a way that can have an impact **For Generations**.

How long is my commitment?

We are asking everyone to make a two-year commitment. The fulfillment period for your commitment will begin with our First Big Give on December 6, 2026, and will culminate in December of 2028.

What if I'm new here?

We're excited that God led you to Athens Church. We believe the local church is God's plan for leading the people of our city into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ. Now is a great time to join our mission and say, "I want people to know and hear the gospel **For Generations**."

I have more questions. Who can I talk with?

We'd love to talk with you, whether that be on the phone, via email, or in person. To begin this conversation, please reach out to our Stewardship Director, Bronson Crawford, at bronson@athenschurch.com.

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WEEK 1

Just Say Yes

Sunday, October 4, 2026

Luke 18:18-30, NLT

The Rich Man

¹⁸ Once a religious leader asked Jesus this question: “Good Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?”

¹⁹ “Why do you call me good?” Jesus asked him. “Only God is truly good.

²⁰ But to answer your question, you know the commandments: ‘You must not commit adultery. You must not murder. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. Honor your father and mother.’ ”

²¹ The man replied, “I’ve obeyed all these commandments since I was young.”

²² When Jesus heard his answer, he said, “There is still one thing you haven’t done. Sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

²³ But when the man heard this he became very sad, for he was very rich.

²⁴ When Jesus saw this, he said, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God! ²⁵ In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!”

²⁶ Those who heard this said, “Then who in the world can be saved?”

²⁷ He replied, “What is impossible for people is possible with God.”

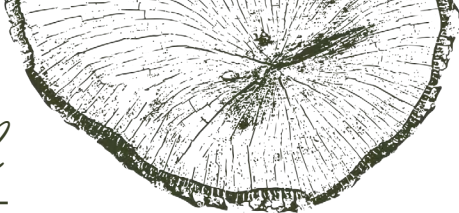
²⁸ Peter said, “We’ve left our homes to follow you.”

²⁹ “Yes,” Jesus replied, “and I assure you that everyone who has given up house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the Kingdom of God, ³⁰ will be repaid many times over in this life, and will have eternal life in the world to come.”

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Week 1 Devotional



Monday

Read: Luke 1:1–38

Pray: Join us in praying that thousands of people would find new life in Christ through Athens Church. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Tuesday

Read: Luke 1:39–80

Pray: Join us in praying that people would take their next step in following Jesus. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Wednesday

Read: Luke 2:1–40

Pray: Join us in praying that God would prepare the community, the property, the leaders, and the timing for the Oconee Campus. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Thursday

Read: Luke 2:41–3:22

Pray: Join us in praying that God would bless every ministry partner and use them to bring hope throughout our city. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Friday

Read: Luke 3:23–4:13

Pray: Join us in praying that God would begin calling and preparing the next generation of pastors and ministry leaders. Lord, show us what You want to do.



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WEEK 2

Give A Little Bit

Sunday, October 11, 2026

Luke 21:1-4, NLT

The Widow's Offering

¹ While Jesus was in the Temple, he watched the rich people dropping their gifts in the collection box. ² Then a poor widow came by and dropped in two small coins.

³ "I tell you the truth," Jesus said, "this poor widow has given more than all the rest of them. ⁴ For they have given a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she has."

Mark 12:41-44, NLT

⁴¹ Jesus sat down near the collection box in the Temple and watched as the crowds dropped in their money.

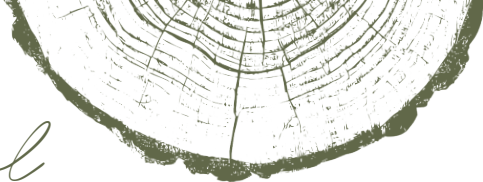
Many rich people put in large amounts. ⁴² Then a poor widow came and dropped in two small coins.

⁴³ Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has given more than all the others who are making contributions.

⁴⁴ For they gave a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she had to live on."

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Week 2 Devotional



Monday

Read: Luke 4:14–44

Pray: Join us in praying for people who don't yet know Jesus. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Tuesday

Read: Luke 5:1–39

Pray: Join us in praying for people who are curious, skeptical, or returning to church after being away. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Wednesday

Read: Luke 6:1–49

Pray: Join us in praying for the families and neighborhoods that will one day call the Oconee Campus home. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Thursday

Read: Luke 7:1–50

Pray: Join us in praying for the people served through our nonprofit partners. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Friday

Read: Luke 8:1–56

Pray: Join us in praying for the college students, teenagers, and children God is shaping into future leaders. Lord, show us what You want to do.



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WEEK 3

In God We Trust

Sunday, October 18, 2026

Luke 16:1-13, NIV

The Parable of the Shrewd Manager

¹Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ² So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.'

³ "The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg—' ⁴ I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.'

⁵ "So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?'

⁶ "'Nine hundred gallons of olive oil,' he replied.

"The manager told him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.'

⁷ "Then he asked the second, 'And how much do you owe?'

"A thousand bushels of wheat,' he replied.

"He told him, 'Take your bill and make it eight hundred.'

⁸ "The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. ⁹ I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

¹⁰ "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. ¹¹ So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? ¹² And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?

¹³ "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

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Week 3 Devotional

Monday

Read: Luke 9:1–36

Pray: Join us in praying for every conversation, invitation, small group, and relationship that leads someone to faith. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Tuesday

Read: Luke 9:37–62

Pray: Join us in praying for facilitators, group leaders, mentors, and volunteers who disciple others. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Wednesday

Read: Luke 10:1–42

Pray: Join us in praying for the design, construction, fundraising, staffing, and launch teams for the Oconee Campus. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Thursday

Read: Luke 11:1–54

Pray: Join us in praying for the leaders, staff, and volunteers of every ministry partner. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Friday

Read: Luke 12:1–59

Pray: Join us in praying for LDP, Residency, coaching relationships, and leadership development throughout Athens Church. Lord, show us what You want to do.



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WEEK 4

Excuse Me

Sunday, October 25, 2026

Luke 14:15-24, NIV

The Parable of the Great Banquet

¹⁵ When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, "Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God."

¹⁶ Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. ¹⁷ At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'

¹⁸ "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.'

¹⁹ "Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.'

²⁰ "Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.'

²¹ "The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.'

²² "'Sir,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.'

²³ "Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full. ²⁴ I tell you, not one of those who were invited will get a taste of my banquet.'"

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Week 4 Devotional

Monday

Read: Luke 13:1–35

Pray: Join us in praying against fear, shame, pride, and unbelief that keep people from following Jesus. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Tuesday

Read: Luke 14:1–35

Pray: Join us in praying against apathy, distraction, and isolation that prevent spiritual growth. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Wednesday

Read: Luke 15:1–32

Pray: Join us in praying against discouragement, delays, division, and spiritual opposition for the Oconee Campus. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Thursday

Read: Luke 16:1–31

Pray: Join us in praying against poverty, addiction, loneliness, injustice, and hopelessness in our city. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Friday

Read: Luke 17:1–37

Pray: Join us in praying against burnout, temptation, discouragement, and complacency among current and future leaders. Lord, show us what You want to do.



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WEEK 5

Kingdom Investment

Sunday, November 1, 2026

Luke 19:11-26, NLT

Parable of the Ten Servants

¹¹ The crowd was listening to everything Jesus said. And because he was nearing Jerusalem, he told them a story to correct the impression that the Kingdom of God would begin right away. ¹² He said, "A nobleman was called away to a distant empire to be crowned king and then return. ¹³ Before he left, he called together ten of his servants and divided among them ten pounds of silver, saying, 'Invest this for me while I am gone.' ¹⁴ But his people hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We do not want him to be our king.'

¹⁵ "After he was crowned king, he returned and called in the servants to whom he had given the money. He wanted to find out what their profits were. ¹⁶ The first servant reported, 'Master, I invested your money and made ten times the original amount!'

¹⁷ "Well done!' the king exclaimed. 'You are a good servant. You have been faithful with the little I entrusted to you, so you will be governor of ten cities as your reward.'

¹⁸ "The next servant reported, 'Master, I invested your money and made five times the original amount.'

¹⁹ "Well done!' the king said. 'You will be governor over five cities.'

²⁰ "But the third servant brought back only the original amount of money and said, 'Master, I hid your money and kept it safe. ²¹ I was afraid because you are a hard man to deal with, taking what isn't yours and harvesting crops you didn't plant.'

²² "You wicked servant!' the king roared. 'Your own words condemn you. If you knew that I'm a hard man who takes what isn't mine and harvests crops I didn't plant, ²³ why didn't you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.'

²⁴ "Then, turning to the others standing nearby, the king ordered, 'Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one who has ten pounds.'

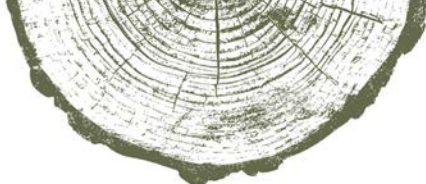
²⁵ "But, master,' they said, 'he already has ten pounds!'

²⁶ "Yes,' the king replied, 'and to those who use well what they are given, even more will be given. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away.'

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Week 5 Devotional



Monday

Read: Luke 18:1–43

Pray: Join us in thanking God for every life already changed through Athens Church. Lord, we are grateful.

Tuesday

Read: Luke 19:1–48

Pray: Join us in celebrating the stories of people who have grown in their faith. Lord, we are grateful.

Wednesday

Read: Luke 20:1–47

Pray: Join us in thanking God for His provision, open doors, and faithful generosity for the Oconee Campus. Lord, we are grateful.

Thursday

Read: Luke 21:1–38

Pray: Join us in thanking God for every partnership and every life impacted throughout the city. Lord, we are grateful.

Friday

Read: Luke 22:1–38

Pray: Join us in thanking God for the leaders who invested in you and for the leaders He is raising up today. Lord, we are grateful.



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WEEK 6

Because You Say So

Sunday, November 8, 2026

Luke 5:1-11, NIV

Jesus Calls His First Disciples

¹One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. ²He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

⁵Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

⁶When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

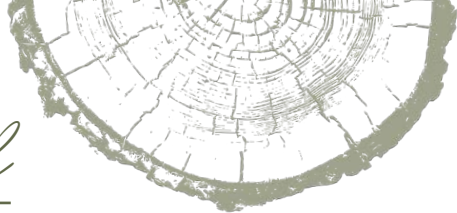
⁸When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, ¹⁰and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." ¹¹So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

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Week 6 Devotional



Monday

Read: Luke 22:39–71

Pray: Join us in praying for people who haven't even been born yet who will one day be baptized because of today's faithfulness. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Tuesday

Read: Luke 23:1–25

Pray: Join us in praying that generations of disciples will continue to grow long after we're gone. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Wednesday

Read: Luke 23:26–56

Pray: Join us in praying that the Oconee Campus will become a lighthouse for generations of families. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Thursday

Read: Luke 24:1–35

Pray: Join us in praying that the church's love for the city will continue to transform Athens for decades to come. Lord, show us what You want to do.

Friday

Read: Luke 24:36–53

Pray: Join us in praying for pastors, elders, missionaries, church planters, worship leaders, and ministry directors who will one day lead because Athens Church invested in them. Lord, show us what You want to do.



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Key Dates

There will be three moments where our whole church responds together. Mark them and pray: *God, what are You asking me to do?*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

Advance Commitment Night

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

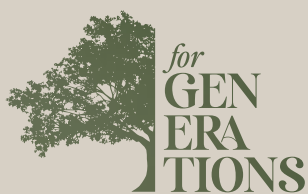
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2026

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