

Dear WORD Participant and Parent,

We are excited that you are continuing to grow in your faith through The WORD Bible Study with FacetoFace Ministries! And thanks for putting the effort into collecting pledges!

## **WE WANT YOU TO SUCCEED! HERE ARE A FEW MOTIVATIONS FOR COLLECTING PLEDGES:**

### **1. SHARING THE IMPORTANCE OF READING SCRIPTURE.**

This can encourage those who care about your faith development, and intrigue those who don't yet see the value of daily reading the Bible.

### **3. HELPING THE WORD STAY FINANCIALLY VIABLE.**

FacetoFace Ministries gives our time and a small prize for the winners, without receiving any income from the event. You are worth it, but we want it to be more sustainable.

### **2. CREATING EVEN GREATER DRIVE AND PURPOSE.**

Knowing others are counting on you to finish will hopefully give you any extra endurance you need to complete the entire study.

### **4. BECOMING ELIGIBLE FOR A LITTLE THANK YOU.**

In addition to the top pledge generator receiving a prize, everyone who collects pledges will have equal chance to win 1 of 3 gift cards.

## **THE PRACTICALS! WHAT SHOULD YOU KNOW ABOUT COLLECTING PLEDGES:**

### **1. Let us know you are collecting pledges.**

- We want to be aware so we can encourage you and let you know when people pledge towards you online.
- Text us at 306-952-5708, or email [jon.courchene@f2f.ca](mailto:jon.courchene@f2f.ca)

### **2. Put in as much effort as you desire.**

- We are happy if get two people to pledge and we are happy if you get 20 people to pledge.
- We are not looking for a specific amount of money.

### **3. FacetoFace Ministries is a registered charity and can issue tax receipts.**

- Be sure to mention this to everyone you ask for a donation.
- We will only issue tax receipts for amounts of \$10 and larger.
- Cheque and cash donations will receive a mailed tax receipt next January. Online donations will received one via email.
- If you have questions regarding finances please contact Dan Brulé, Director of Stewardship & Finances, at 306-518-2228 or [dan.brule@f2f.ca](mailto:dan.brule@f2f.ca)

### **4. Be sure to keep track of all pledges using the Pledge Tracking Form.**

- This ensures that no collected pledges are missed.
- The Pledge Tracking Form is included in this PDF. If you run out of space simply print another form.
- In order to issue tax receipts we need the person's name, full address, and all cheques must be made out to FacetoFace Ministries.

### **5. Pledging online through the FacetoFace website is preferred.**

- Ask people to go to: [www.f2f.ca/WORDpledge](http://www.f2f.ca/WORDpledge)
- The form asks who they are pledging so the money is credited towards your WORD Bible Study.
- We will notify you regularly with any new pledges that come in online so you can complete the form and thank them.

### **6. Please send in any money collected before the end of May.**

- Mail to: 535 - 8th Street East, Saskatoon, SK, S7H 0P9
- Do not mail us cash! Instead deposit any cash given and send an e-Transfer to [dan.brule@f2f.ca](mailto:dan.brule@f2f.ca). In the notes state your name and that it is pledge money for The WORD. Or write a cheque to FacetoFace Ministries for that amount.
- Please remember to write down any cash received on your Pledge Tracking Form.

### **7. Who to ask. Some ideas include:**

- Extended family (grandparents, uncles & aunts, cousins).
- God parents.
- Family friends (mostly likely you want to ask the parents who have the money).
- Your friends.
- At your Parish: KofC, CWL, Priest, Old church ladies, Youth Minister, everyone!
- Ask your parents who they think you should ask.

### **8. How to ask. A few ideas are:**

- Phoning people.
- Emailing, messaging, and/or mailing people. There is an email/letter template that we encourage you to personalize.
- Doing an appeal at the end of Mass. You can use the letter template to make a little spoken ask if you want and your church allows.

### **9. Say thank you to those who pledge!**

- Please say thank you soon after.
- Here are a few ways you could do that: Send them a card; write an affirmation letter; offer to pray for them; send them a couple of your reflections from The WORD.

## **HELPING YOU SUCCEED IN ASKING FOR PLEDGES!**

We encourage you to use the following templates when asking for pledges. You are welcome to personalize them as we want the message to come from you, just with the right information to help them make an informed decision.

### REMEMBER THERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT PEOPLE YOU CAN ASK:

- Family - Parents, adult siblings.
- Extended family - Grandparents, uncles & aunts, cousins).
- God parents.
- Family friends - Most likely you want to ask the parents who have the money.
- Your friends.
- At your Parish - KofC, CWL, Priest, old church ladies, Youth Minister, everyone!
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### EMAIL / MESSAGE / LETTER TEMPLATE:

Hi \_\_\_\_\_!

In May I will be joining a Bible Study called The WORD, where a group of Catholic High School youth from all over BC, AB, SK, and MB are committing to read the entire gospel of Luke in 24 days. We will be put into small groups with an adult leader. Each day we will read one chapter, write a short reflection on what stood out to us, and share with our small group. This is quite the accomplishment and I believe it is a great value for my faith! In addition to growing my own faith, I want it to be possible for others to do the same. That is why I am collecting money pledges so more of these Bible studies can happen.

Your pledge support shows that you care and encourages me to finish my goal of 24 days in a row of reading and reflecting on the gospel of Luke. It also ensures more events like this continue to happen through the organization leading it.

The WORD Bible Study is organized and facilitated through FacetoFace Ministries who foster encounters with Jesus Christ and inspire the response to become saints ([www.f2f.ca](http://www.f2f.ca)). Your pledge money goes directly to them and the *free* programs they offer for youth like me. FacetoFace is also a registered charity so any pledges of \$10 or more will receive a tax receipt.

Would you please support me by giving a pledge?

*IF ITS A MAILED LETTER YOU CAN ADD:* If so, please go to [www.f2f.ca/WORDpledges](http://www.f2f.ca/WORDpledges) Or if you don't feel comfortable giving online you can call me at \_\_\_\_\_ and I will explain what to do.

God Bless,

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### RESPONSE IF THEY SAY YES TO PLEDGING IN AN EMAIL / MESSAGE.

Thanks so much! Your pledge is impacting mine and other's lives.

To give the pledge, please go to [www.f2f.ca/WORDpledges](http://www.f2f.ca/WORDpledges), and be sure to put my name so they can let me know you have pledged.

If you don't feel comfortable donating online then you can give or send me cash or a cheque made out to FacetoFace Ministries. I will forward it along to them along with your full name and mailing address for the tax receipt.

Thanks again for supporting my faith journey and committing to the further work of evangelization.

# PLEDGE TRACKING FORM

PARTICIPANT NAME:	ADDRESS:	CITY:	PROV:	POSTAL:
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<b>PLEDGES THROUGH THE FACETOFACE WEBSITE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW)</b>	<b>AMOUNT COLLECTED</b>	
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<b>PLEDGES GIVEN IN PERSON (FULL ADDRESS IS NEEDED TO GIVE TAX RECEIPTS)</b>	<b>AMOUNT COLLECTED</b>	
NAME: <span style="float:right">TEL:</span>		<input type="checkbox"/> CASH <input type="checkbox"/> CHEQUE
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EMAIL: <span style="float:right">PROV:</span>		
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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Every pledge, tax receipt or not, needs to be recorded on this form.

- Website Pledges: When someone says they will pledge online, simply write their name down. After they have pledged, we will contact you with the amount to write in. At that point you can check the pledged box. If they have not pledged in a week or two, please send them a friendly reminder to do so.
- Donations by cheque are payable to FacetoFace Ministries.

**SUBMITTING PLEDGES SHEETS & DONATIONS:** Before the end of May, please mail this Pledge Tracking Form(s) and cheques (no cash, please send an e-Transfer or cheque for cash donations). Email is fine if there are no cheques to send. Please submit no later than May 28.

TOTAL PLEDGE AMOUNT ON THIS FORM:
<b>BY THE END OF MAY:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> SEND THANK YOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> SEND FORM AND CHEQUES TO F2F