

My Life and Financial Goals Worksheet

How would you define or describe your life purpose?

What are three goals that can help you to achieve this life purpose?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What are some financial goals that can help to support your life goals and purpose?

Short-term financial goals (next 12 months):

- 1.
- 2.

Mid-range financial goals (2–5 years):

- 1.
- 2.

Long-term financial goals (5 years to retirement):

- 1.
- 2.

Spending Percentages Worksheet

Item	Actual %	Suggested %*
Housing		25–35%
Transportation		10–15%
Charitable Gifts		10–12%
Food		5–15%
Saving		5–10%
Utilities		5–10%
Medical/Health		5–10%
Debt		5–10%
Clothing		2–7%
Miscellaneous		12–23%

*These percentages are adapted from Dave Ramsey's *The Total Money Makeover* (Thomas Nelson, 2007).

*Over the next few weeks we will explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management. You will go home with some practical tools you can use to assess your financial situation and develop a financial plan with a biblical foundation. **Celebration Sunday is on October 31st** and we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year at the 8:30 & 11:00 am Worship Services. We will center our worship on what God has done through Mount Zion in the past year and casting vision for what he wants us to do in the year ahead.*

October Missions Focus: 20th Annual Yam Jam

The Yam Jam will be held on Saturday, October 9th. You can make a difference by helping glean sweet potatoes for hungry people in Johnston County. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Lisa Blauvelt at 662-1578.

Children's coloring contest sheets are available today. Entries can be turned in to Pastor Kim or to the church office by Sunday, October 24th. Winners of three age groups (0-2, 3-5, 6+) will be announced at Inspiration Station on Sunday, October 31st at our outdoor special event from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. We will have great games with gooey gobs of gross green slim and watch "Where's God When I'm Scared?" on the big screen. Bring your friends and neighbors and show them how fun learning about God can be. No costume is needed, but come dressed in something you can get green slime on. This event is free and everyone is welcome.

If you are interested learning more about Mount Zion or interested in joining the church, **Discovering Church Membership** will be held next Sunday, October 10th, at 12:15 pm. A light lunch will be served. Child Care can be provided upon request. Please contact the Church Office to sign-up by Thursday, October 7th. New Member Sunday will be held on October 24th.

Mount Zion's **Christmas Bazaar** is on Saturday, November 6th, from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm, in the fellowship hall. Vendor tables are available for \$25 each and forms are located on the Family Ministries bulletin board and on our church website.

Children's Ministries has a **Parent's Newsletter** that is emailed weekly. If you would like to sign-up to receive it, please contact Kim Stephenson at pastor.kim@mountzion-umc.org or 772-8415.