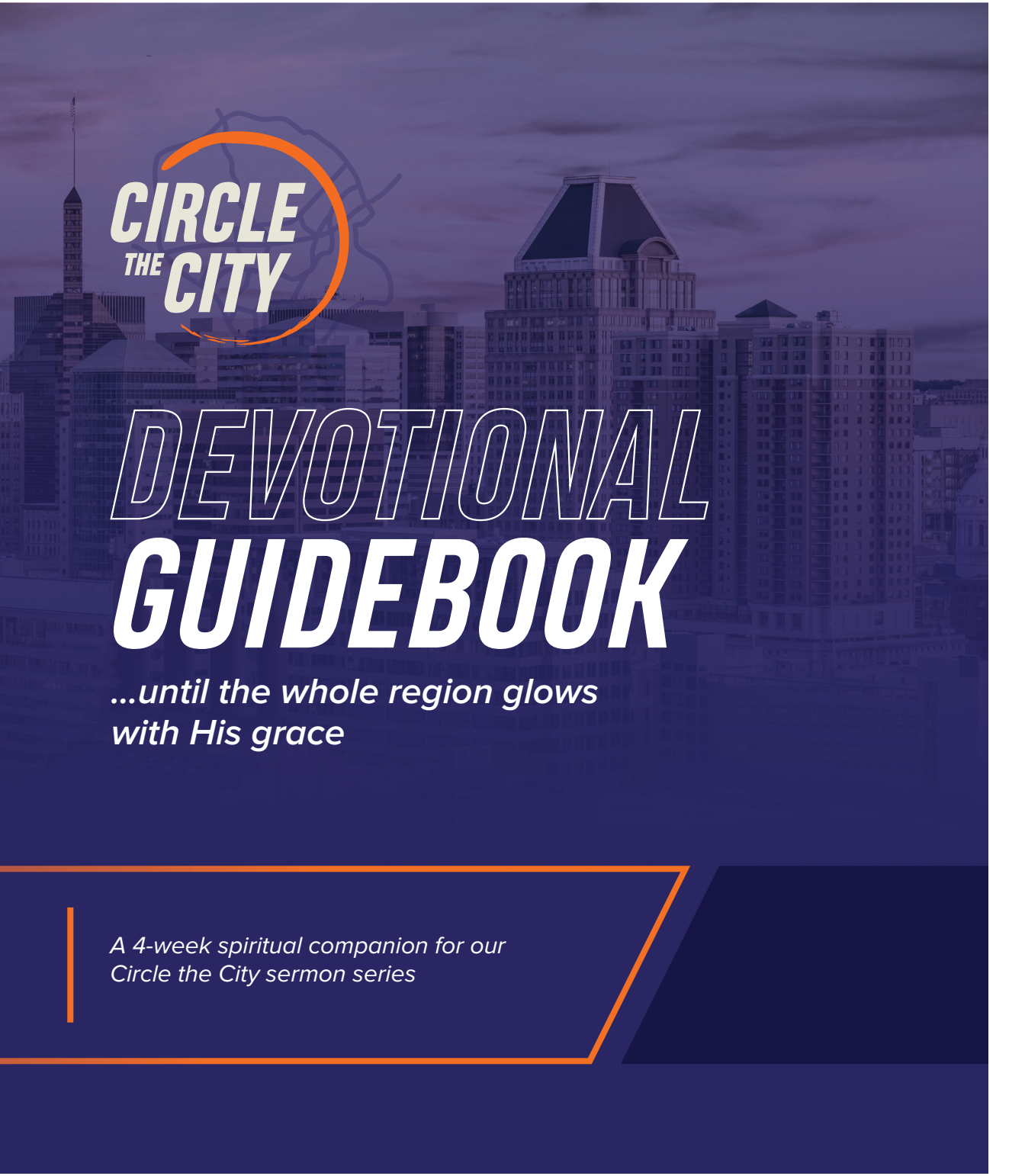

DEVOTIONAL GUIDEBOOK

...until the whole region glows with His grace

A 4-week spiritual companion for our Circle the City sermon series

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REVIVAL BEGINS IN TIMONIUM

This vision can't happen without you. Your life has purpose and your faith has impact. God is inviting us on an adventure to share hope, serve boldly, and transform our city — are you in?

VISION STATEMENT

Over the next 10 years, we see a bold, Spirit-filled movement igniting across our region that's transformative, multi-cultural, and committed to making disciples. Starting with our Timonium campus, revival will radiate across our region as we launch dynamic, connected campuses throughout the 695 corridor.

Each campus will serve as a kingdom hub—a beacon of light—where thousands encounter Christ, lives are changed, and entire communities are healed and restored. Together, we will see people, neighborhoods, and cities renewed for the glory of God, creating a legacy of faith that endures for generations.

MISSION STATEMENT

We reach the lost, making disciples who make disciples.

VALUES


FRUITFUL MULTIPLICATION
PERSISTENT PRAYER
MULTICULTURAL ONENESS
360° CULTURE OF HONOR
HEART FOR THE LOST

VISION

WHEN GOD GIVES A VISION, HE PROVIDES THE PEOPLE TO CARRY IT FORWARD.

Key Scriptures
Habakkuk 2:1–3
Acts 1:8
Joshua 6:2–5

WEEK 01 FEBRUARY 1-7, 2026

A NOTE
FROM PASTOR SHEA

SCAN TO WATCH THIS WEEK'S DEVOTIONAL!

Hey Grace Family,

This weekend, we took our first step into a God-sized vision. We aren't dreaming small, we're dreaming at the scale of God's heart for our city. Vision begins when God opens our eyes to what He sees.

» **And here's the truth:** God never gives a vision without also calling people to carry it. *That means He's calling you.*

This week, as you journey through these daily devotionals, ask the Holy Spirit to awaken a vision in you. Ask Him to give you eyes to see beyond the familiar and the comfortable. Ask Him to help you sense your part in what He's doing across the 695 corridor.

I believe God will speak clearly to you this week. Lean in. Listen deeply. Expect Him to move.



Much Love,
Pastor Shea

WEEK 01

DAY 01

GOD'S VISION COMES FIRST

Scripture Reading *Habakkuk 2:1–3*

DEVOTIONAL

Habakkuk positions himself on the watchtower — waiting, watching, listening. He isn't rushing. He isn't striving. He is *attentive*. Vision doesn't come to the busy; it comes to the expectant.

God tells him:
"Write the vision down... though it lingers, wait for it."

Vision always involves waiting:
- Waiting for clarity.
- Waiting for timing.
- Waiting for God to *act.*

But waiting doesn't mean passivity. Waiting is preparation. Waiting makes your heart a landing place for God's voice.

PRAYER

"Lord, open my eyes. Help me slow down, watch, and listen for Your voice. Give me clarity of vision."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What stands out to you about Habakkuk's posture of waiting?
2. Where do you struggle with waiting for God's timing?
3. What vision, big or small, might God be stirring in your heart?

WEEK 01

DAY 02

THE HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERS THE VISION

Scripture Reading *Acts 1:6-8*

DEVOTIONAL

The disciples want answers. They ask Jesus, “When will You restore the kingdom?”

Instead of answering their question, Jesus gives them an assignment: “You will receive power... and you will be My witnesses.”

When God calls us to something big, He never asks us to do it in our own strength. Circle the City isn’t powered by strategy; it's fueled by the Holy Spirit.

Your neighborhood... your workplace... your children... your city, these are your circles of influence. The Holy Spirit goes with you into each one.

PRAYER

“Holy Spirit, empower me today. Fill me with boldness, clarity, and compassion as I step into my calling.”

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What areas of your life need the Holy Spirit’s power right now?
2. Where might God be calling you to be a witness?
3. How would your everyday life look different if you walked in the Holy Spirit’s power in your circles of influence?

WEEK 01

DAY 03

MARCHING AROUND WALLS

Scripture Reading *Joshua 6:1–5*

DEVOTIONAL

God tells Joshua to march *before* the walls fall.

Why? Because obedience precedes breakthrough.

Jericho's walls represent the impossible, the unchangeable, the unmovable.
But God asks Joshua to take steps of faith... even when nothing looks different.

You may have walls in your own life:

- financial pressure
- relational tension
- spiritual dryness
- personal barriers

God may be asking you to keep marching, to obey even when you don't understand.

PRAYER

"God, strengthen my steps of obedience. Give me faith to keep walking even when I can't see the outcome."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What "walls" feel impossible in your life or city?
2. What step of obedience might God be asking you to take?
3. Where have you seen God move after you took a step of faith?

WEEK 01

DAY 04

SEEING THE CITY WITH GOD'S EYES

Scripture Reading *Matthew 9:35–38*

DEVOTIONAL

Jesus walked through towns and villages, and He *saw* people.

Not their status. Not their problems. He saw their hearts, and He had compassion.

Baltimore is full of people who are hurting, searching, and longing for hope. Ask God to let you see your city the way Jesus does.

When you look at your city, what do you feel? Are you frustrated or discouraged? Full of compassion or hopeful?

Your vision for our city begins with God breaking your heart for what breaks His.

PRAYER

"Jesus, help me see my city through Your eyes. Give me compassion for the people around me."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What places or people in your life stir compassion in you?
2. Where do you feel God pulling your heart in this city?
3. How might God want to use you in your neighborhood?

WEEK 01

DAY 05

MY PART IN THE VISION

Scripture Reading *Ephesians 3:20–21*

DEVOTIONAL

God can do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, but He chooses to move through *His people*.

The Circle the City vision is too big for one person, one family, or one campus.

But it's not too big for the church united in faith.

Today is about reflection. Today is about asking God, "Where do You want me to join You?"

Your part matters.
Your place in the story matters.
Your obedience matters.

PRAYER

"Lord, I am available. Show me the role You are calling me to play."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What part of the vision most excites or moves you?
2. What role do you sense God inviting you into?
3. What fears or barriers do you need to surrender?

WHEN GOD GIVES A VISION, HE PROVIDES THE PEOPLE TO CARRY IT FORWARD.

PROJECT

WHEN WE UNDERSTAND THE WHAT AND THE HOW, FAITH FINDS ITS FEET.

Key Scriptures
Nehemiah 2:17–18
Luke 14:28–30

WEEK 02 FEBRUARY 8-14, 2026

A NOTE
FROM PASTOR SHEA

SCAN TO WATCH THIS WEEK'S DEVOTIONAL!

Hey Grace Family,

This week, we shift from vision to clarity. Nehemiah shows us a powerful truth: when God invites us into a mission, He also gives structure, strategy, and plans that honor Him.

Clarity is spiritual, understanding is empowering, and alignment prepares us for impact.

My prayer is that as you walk through this week, the Holy Spirit will highlight a specific part of the Circle the City project that burdens your heart. Maybe it's a new campus, the next generation, outreach, or leadership development.

Lean in.
Listen deeply.
Let God show you where He wants to use you.



Much Love,
Pastor Shea

WEEK 02

DAY 01

THE HONEST ASSESSMENT

Scripture Reading *Nehemiah 2:11–15*

DEVOTIONAL

Nehemiah quietly surveys the broken walls. He doesn't look away from the need; he faces it head-on.

Spiritual impact begins with an honest assessment: seeing the broken places in our city, in our church, and even in ourselves.

Circle the City begins with recognizing that there is work to do, and God has positioned *us* to do it.

PRAYER

"God, give me courage to see the real needs around me."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What needs in our region stir your heart the most?
2. What broken places do you feel called to pray for or serve?
3. What emotions surface when you think about reaching our city?

WEEK 02

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LET US REBUILD

Scripture Reading *Nehemiah 2:16–18*

DEVOTIONAL

Nehemiah shares the vision and the plan.

The people respond in unity: “We’re with you. Let’s start rebuilding.”

Unity is not agreement on everything — it is agreement on the mission.

Today, pray for unity in your home, your small group, and our church family.

Unity multiplies impact.

PRAYER

“Lord, unite our hearts around Your mission at Grace Fellowship Church to reach the lost, making disciples who make disciples.”

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. Where do you see unity growing at Grace Fellowship Church?
2. Where is God inviting you to strengthen unity?
3. What part of the project resonates with your heart?

WEEK 02

DAY 03

COUNTING THE COST

Scripture Reading *Luke 14:28–30*

DEVOTIONAL

Jesus teaches us that planning is part of discipleship. The Circle the City plan reflects wisdom in motion, a decade-long roadmap rooted in prayer and stewardship.

Clarity removes confusion. Understanding produces trust. May we seek God's wisdom for His plan in the Circle the City vision.

PRAYER

"God, give me wisdom as I discern my role in this plan."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What stood out to you from the Circle the City vision presentation?
2. What questions do you still have?
3. How does the long-term vision inspire or challenge you?

WEEK 02

DAY 04

THINK GENERATIONALLY

Scripture Reading *Proverbs 21:5*

DEVOTIONAL

Faith-filled planning isn't rushed. God thinks generationally... and calls His people to do the same.

Circle the City isn't about the next three months, or even just the next ten years — it's about the next several decades.

It's about your children, your grandchildren, and the children yet to be born.

PRAYER

"Lord, teach me to think long-term, like You."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What future impact do you hope to see from this project?
2. How does long-term thinking reshape your faith?
3. What legacy do you want your life to leave?

WEEK 02

DAY 05

UNLESS THE LORD BUILDS THE HOUSE

Scripture Reading *Psalm 127:1*

DEVOTIONAL

Every plan must rest on this truth: If God isn't building it, it's not worth building.

We're not building our own vision, we're building God's. And if God is in it — no wall, no barrier, no person, no limit will stop it.

PRAYER

"God, build Your vision through us. Let Your hand be on every part of this journey."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. Where have you recently seen God's hand in your life?
2. What part of the project do you want to pray over regularly?
3. How does trusting God as the Builder reshape your perspective?

WHEN WE UNDERSTAND THE WHAT AND THE HOW, FAITH FINDS ITS FEET.

GENEROSITY

GENEROSITY IS THE PATHWAY TO JOINING GOD'S WORK.

Key Scriptures
2 Corinthians 9:6–11
Matthew 6:19–21

WEEK 03 FEBRUARY 15-21, 2026

A NOTE
FROM PASTOR SHEA

SCAN TO WATCH THIS WEEK'S DEVOTIONAL!

Hey Grace Family,

This past weekend, we entered one of the most sacred and transformational parts of the Circle the City journey: generosity.

Generosity isn't something God wants from you; it's something God wants for you. It's the pathway to deeper faith, deeper freedom, and deeper trust.

This week, you'll explore your Generosity Journey with God. It will stretch you, may challenge you, and will absolutely grow you.

Pray honestly.
Listen deeply.
Obey courageously.



Much Love,
Pastor Shea

WEEK 03

DAY 01

SOWING AND REAPING

Scripture Reading *2 Corinthians 9:6–8*

DEVOTIONAL

Paul teaches a spiritual principle: What you sow determines what you reap.

Generosity is a seed. God multiplies that seed into spiritual abundance in the fruits of joy, peace, impact, and purpose.

The question is not, “How much do I need to give?” The question is, “What seeds am I planting?”

PRAYER

“God, help me sow generously, with joy and faith.”

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What “seeds” have you planted in the past that God multiplied?
2. What areas of your life need spiritual abundance?
3. What might God be asking you to sow in this season?

WEEK 03

DAY 02

THE HEART FOLLOWS THE TREASURE

Scripture Reading *Matthew 6:19–21*

DEVOTIONAL

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Jesus tells us that giving reveals our priorities, our trust, and our worship. Generosity is not about losing money; it’s about relocating your heart toward the kingdom.

PRAYER

“Lord, I want my heart to be aligned with heaven. Lead my treasure where You want my heart to go.”

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. Where has your heart been anchored lately?
2. What competes for your loyalty and attention?
3. How might generosity free you spiritually?

WEEK 03

DAY 03

YOUR GENEROSITY JOURNEY

Scripture Reading *Acts 20:35*

DEVOTIONAL

"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

This truth becomes real as we step into the Generosity Journey.

The journey to becoming a generous follower of Jesus looks like:
First-time Giver → Consistent Giver → Tither → Sacrificial Giver → Legacy Giver

Each step in the Generosity Journey is a step of discipleship.

The goal is not to reach the final step quickly, but to take the *next step* obediently.

PRAYER

"God, reveal the next step You want me to take in my generosity."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. Which step describes your giving today?
2. What step feels like a stretch of faith?
3. What step brings you the most joy?

WEEK 03

DAY 04

TRUST IN THE STRETCH

Scripture Reading *Proverbs 3:5–6*

DEVOTIONAL

When we are challenged and stretched by God, it's uncomfortable. But the stretch is where faith grows.

Generosity challenges you to trust God more than your financial logic.

Trusting God is not reckless; it's obedient.

You can rest in the truth that God promises to make your path straight when you trust Him fully.

PRAYER

"God, I trust You. Help me surrender fear and embrace faith."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What fears surface when you think about giving sacrificially?
2. Where is God challenging you to trust Him more deeply?
3. What might your life look like if you trusted Him fully?

WEEK 03

DAY 05

GOD SUPPLIES THE SEED

Scripture Reading *2 Corinthians 9:10-11*

DEVOTIONAL

God doesn't just ask you to give; He supplies what you need in order to give.

Your generosity is not your own doing; it's God working through you.

In your giving, God multiplies His blessings — gratitude abounds, salvation spreads, and glory returns to Him.

PRAYER

"Lord, thank You for providing for me. Use my life to bring You glory."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. How have you seen God provide for you?
2. What gratitude rises in your heart today?
3. What do you hope God will multiply through your gift?

GENEROSITY IS THE PATHWAY TO JOINING GOD'S WORK.

COMMIT

WHEN WE COMMIT TOGETHER, GOD MULTIPLIES OUR FAITH.

Key Scriptures
Joshua 24:14–15
2 Corinthians 8:7–12

WEEK 04 FEBRUARY 22-28, 2026

A NOTE
FROM PASTOR SHEA

SCAN TO WATCH THIS WEEK'S DEVOTIONAL!

Hey Grace Family,

This weekend was holy. Commitment Sunday wasn't about money; it was about obedience, unity, and worship.

Your commitment matters. Your surrender matters. Your obedience matters.

As you finish this journey, let gratitude fill your heart. God sees every step you took, and He honors it.

This week, reflect on what God has done in your heart. Remember His faithfulness, and thank Him that your gift will echo in eternity.



Much Love,
Pastor Shea

WEEK 04

DAY 01

CHOOSE THIS DAY

Scripture Reading *Joshua 24:14–15*

DEVOTIONAL

Joshua stands before the people and calls them to choose. Obedience always involves a decision.

Your commitment to Circle the City is a declaration of faith. It's a line in the sand that says, "My house will serve the Lord."

PRAYER

"Lord, I choose You. Lead my household in faith."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What decision did you make this weekend?
2. How does that decision reflect your faith?
3. What does "as for me and my house" mean for you today?

WEEK 04

DAY 02

EXCEL IN THE GRACE OF GIVING

Scripture Reading *2 Corinthians 8:7*

DEVOTIONAL

Paul calls the church to excel not just in teaching or knowledge, but in the grace of *giving*. Generosity is an opportunity to excel in the grace of giving.

When we are generous, God's grace grows in us, and the life of Jesus flows through us.

PRAYER

"Lord, grow me in generosity. Help me excel in this grace."

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What does "excelling in giving" mean to you?
2. How has God grown you through this journey?
3. What areas of generosity do you want God to shape next?

WEEK 04

DAY 03

A WILLING HEART

Scripture Reading *2 Corinthians 8:11–12*

DEVOTIONAL

Paul reminds us that God values willingness more than the amount.

If the heart is willing, the gift is acceptable. This means your offering is worship, not performance. Is your heart willing? Commit your gift to God.

PRAYER

“Lord, thank You for receiving my offering with joy.”

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What made your heart willing in this season?
2. What hesitations did God help you overcome?
3. What joy have you found in giving?

WEEK 04

DAY 04

A SACRIFICE OF PRAISE

Scripture Reading *Hebrews 13:15–16*

DEVOTIONAL

Sharing what we have is a sacrifice of praise. When you give, you are worshiping God, not with songs, but with trust.

When you give, your gift becomes a declaration: “God is worthy.” Give back to God because He deserves it all!

PRAYER

“God, receive my giving as worship. It belongs to You.”

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. How does giving feel like worship to you?
2. What sacrifice did you offer to God in this commitment?
3. How has God met you in your sacrifice?

WEEK 04

DAY 05

SEEDS OF REVIVAL

Scripture Reading *Psalm 126:5–6*

DEVOTIONAL

The scriptures promise us that those who sow in tears will reap with joy.

Your giving plants seeds of revival, seeds that will grow into salvations, baptisms, restoration stories, and future campuses.

Your commitment is not small. It is not ordinary. It is the beginning of revival.

PRAYER

“Lord, use my gift to bring revival to our city.”

NOTES & JOURNALING

1. What revival do you long to see in your city?
2. What part of the Circle the City vision fills you with hope?
3. What impact do you pray your gift will have on others?

WHEN WE COMMIT TOGETHER, GOD MULTIPLIES OUR FAITH.



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