

echo

WHEN WE EXPERIENCE GOD,
WE **CANNOT BE SILENT**



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- HABAKKUK 3:2



HAVE YOU EVER STOOD AT THE EDGE
OF A CANYON AND LET OUT A SHOUT?

It's amazing how far and wide
one single voice can carry!

When we experience God,
we cannot be silent. Every
Christ-follower has a story
- an **echo** to share with the

world in response to what
God has done. And when our
stories intertwine, they create
an opportunity for God's glory
to echo farther, louder and
longer than ever before.

IT'S AMAZING HOW
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WHAT IF

**GOD USED
YOU AND
YOUR STORY
TO IMPACT
SOMEONE
ELSE?**

When Habakkuk remembers the Lord's fame and stands in awe of His deeds, he's likely recalling how God used people like Noah during the flood, Abraham as the father of a nation, and Moses to free Israel.

Echo is about what God can do in and through us to help others find hope. Are you ready to stand in awe of God's deeds as He repeats them in our day?

“ I believe God is asking us to take a step of faith together to amplify the echoes of His glory. And I trust that as we walk obediently with Him, we will, as Habakkuk prayed, witness more of His awe-inspiring works repeated in our day, in our time. ”



**GOD
STEPS IN**

**WE TELL
SOMEONE
ABOUT IT**

**LIVES ARE
CHANGED**

HOW WILL YOU RESPOND?

We can't help but stand in awe as we consider the incredible things God has done in each of our lives.

So, the question is, how will we echo God's glory in order to help others find the same hope we've found?

One way you can respond is to share your story with the people you're connected with. Visit fairhaven.church/echo or post it on social media using **#MyEcho**.





ECHO IS OUR WAY FORWARD.

We believe God is calling us to prepare for what He will do as we echo His glory to the world around us.

We want our echo to reach **farther**, resonate **louder** and reverberate **longer**.

KEY DATES:

- **Sunday, September 30**
Echo Initiative Launch
- **Friday, October 19**
Advance Commitment Event
- **Sunday, October 28**
Commitment Weekend
- **Sunday, November 18**
Celebration Weekend



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FARTHER

REMEMBERING GOD'S DEEDS

In 1964, twelve families from Burns Avenue Church in Dayton began meeting at the Kettering YMCA under the new name, Fairhaven Church. As God grew the congregation, Fairhaven moved to its first location at the corner of Rahn and Marshall, and then to our current Centerville Campus on Whipp Road. The more recent additions of our

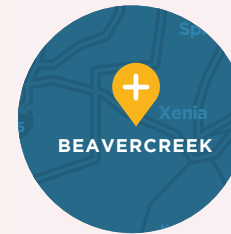
campuses at Northmont, in Springboro, and online have only added to the opportunities we have to share God's love with more people in more places. It's incredible to think of all the lives God has changed - in our church, in our community and around the world - through the obedient steps of faith our founding families took over 50 years ago.



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**WE WANT TO
CREATE NEW
WAYS FOR PEOPLE
TO EXPERIENCE
GOD, CONNECT IN
COMMUNITY AND
FIND HOPE RIGHT
WHERE THEY ARE.**

**ESTABLISH A PERMANENT LOCATION
FOR OUR SPRINGBORO CAMPUS,**
affirming our commitment to the community and
providing a better venue for ministry growth



**LAUNCH OUR
NEXT CAMPUS IN
BEAVERCREEK** to better
serve our hundreds of attendees
from that area, enabling them
to worship in their community
and more easily invite friends
and neighbors

**INVESTMENT:
\$3.8 MILLION**



**INVEST MORE IN
OUR LOCAL AND
GLOBAL PARTNERS,**
empowering life-changing
ministry to under-served
people in the Dayton area
and around the world
through our global staff

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FAQ

MONIQUE'S echo

“IT TOOK HAVING A GROUP OF PEOPLE COME AROUND ME SAYING, ‘YOU ARE IMPORTANT. YOU HAVE GIFTS. AND WE WANT TO HELP YOU USE THEM.’ NOW I FEEL LIKE I’M THE PERSON I WAS MEANT TO BE, AND I’M ABLE TO GIVE BACK AND HELP THOSE IN MY COMMUNITY.”





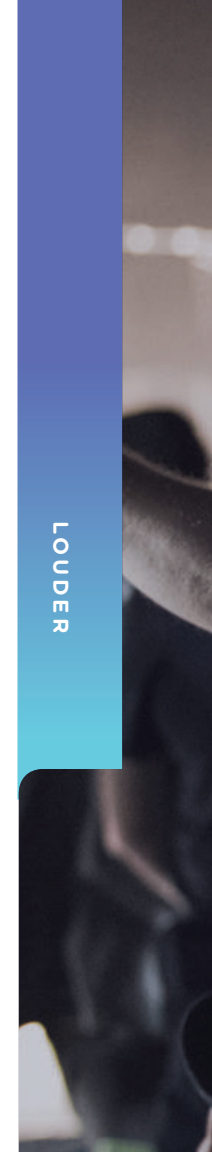
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REMEMBERING GOD'S DEEDS

We're always looking for ways to make our worship and ministry environments welcoming and accommodating for more guests. We understand that people connect with God and with one another in different ways. As we've created new spaces and ways for this to happen,

such as our Online Campus and the play area and chapel at our Centerville Campus, we've witnessed God using these venues to reach people we wouldn't have reached without them. These spaces are drawing people closer to God in worship and closer to one another in community.



LOUDER



WE WANT TO MAINTAIN INVITING AND ENGAGING WORSHIP VENUES, IMPROVE OUR WORSHIP EXPERIENCES AND EXPAND OUR EXISTING ENVIRONMENTS TO ACCOMMODATE MORE PEOPLE.

EXPAND THE CAPACITY OF THE CENTERVILLE CAMPUS WORSHIP CENTER 20% by reconfiguring its layout and transitioning to theater seating



INVEST IN PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY to support our multisite strategy and provide a consistent experience at existing and future campuses



COMPLETE PARKING LOT REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS at our Centerville and Northmont Campuses, improving the guest experience from the moment they arrive

INVESTMENT:
\$2.5 MILLION

WILL ANY OF THESE UPGRADES DISRUPT OUR SERVICES?

We may experience some inconveniences that affect our worship services, but we'll do everything we can to minimize them. We like to think of disruptions as reminders of the exciting work God is doing among us.



MOLLY'S echo

“A COUPLE YEARS AGO, I BECAME SICK WITH A SEVERE CHRONIC ILLNESS THAT LEFT ME UNABLE TO LEAVE MY HOUSE. I HEARD ABOUT FAIRHAVEN'S ONLINE CAMPUS FROM A FRIEND. I DECIDED TO CHECK IT OUT, AND RIGHT AWAY I KNEW THIS WAS WHERE I BELONGED. I FINALLY HAVE HOPE AGAIN.”





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LONGER

REMEMBERING GOD'S DEEDS

Young people aren't just the church of tomorrow; they're an important part of the church today. We have a long history of encouraging and equipping kids, students and young adults. God has used our caring ministries, customized facilities and the engaging activities happening within them as opportunities for our young people to connect

with God and with one another in their own unique ways. In 2016, God made it possible for us to launch our Residency program, a two-year postgraduate training program for young leaders. This program provides hands-on experience, preparing them for a lifetime of impactful ministry.



WE WANT TO DEVELOP THE NEXT GENERATION OF CHURCH LEADERS, EQUIPPING THEM WITH THE WISDOM, EXPERIENCE AND VISION THEY NEED TO HELP PEOPLE FIND HOPE IN JESUS.

INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF OUR RESIDENCY PROGRAM by investing in scholarships and housing, which will allow us to grow more young leaders



UPDATE OUR SPACES FOR KIDS AND STUDENTS at our Centerville and Northmont Campuses to provide engaging venues, consistent with our ministry style, where they can experience God

BEING CONFIDENT OF THIS, THAT HE WHO BEGAN A GOOD WORK IN YOU WILL CARRY IT ON TO COMPLETION UNTIL THE DAY OF CHRIST JESUS.

— *Philippians 1:6*

INVESTMENT:
\$0.7 MILLION

WHAT DOES A RESIDENT DO?

Residents serve on our staff while completing coursework for an accredited masters-level ministry degree. The education, hands-on ministry experience, personal mentoring and leadership training they receive help prepare them for a lifetime of impactful ministry.

FAQ



HOW WILL YOU ECHO?

YOUR GENEROSITY PLAYS A HUGE PART IN SUPPORTING WHAT GOD IS DOING AT FAIRHAVEN, and *Echo* is a distinct opportunity to multiply our impact. Regardless of where your giving is, we challenge you to take the next right step. Would you prayerfully consider making a two-year generosity commitment beyond what you currently give?

REFLECT

on all the things God has accomplished in your life. How will you respond?

TELL YOUR STORY

to the people around you. Share it at [fairhaven.church/echo](https://www.fairhaven.church/echo) or post it on social media using **#MyEcho**. Who will find hope as you share what God has done in your life?

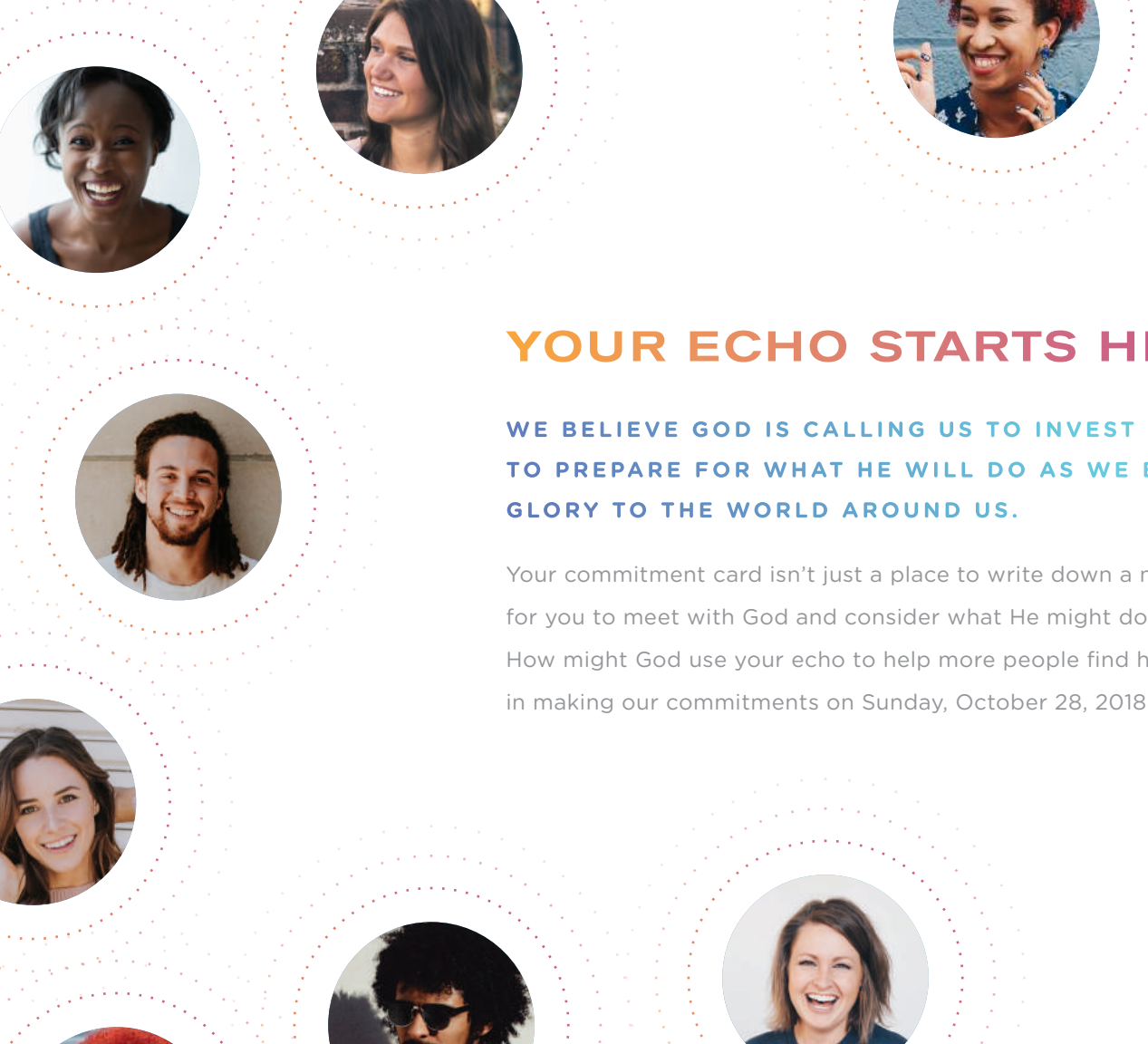
REFLECT ON WHAT GOD'S DONE



TELL SOMEONE YOUR STORY



GIVE GENEROUSLY



YOUR ECHO STARTS HERE.

WE BELIEVE GOD IS CALLING US TO INVEST \$7 MILLION TO PREPARE FOR WHAT HE WILL DO AS WE ECHO HIS GLORY TO THE WORLD AROUND US.

Your commitment card isn't just a place to write down a number, it's a place for you to meet with God and consider what He might do in and through you. How might God use your echo to help more people find hope? Please join us in making our commitments on Sunday, October 28, 2018.



I prayerfully commit to give a total of

\$

to the Echo initiative over the next two years*
above and beyond my regular giving.

*December 2018-December 2020

Name

Phone

Email

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GENEROSITY ISN'T ABOUT AN AMOUNT. IT'S ABOUT TAKING YOUR NEXT RIGHT STEP.

MORE THAN A NUMBER

If you aren't currently giving, *Echo* is a great place to start. If you're already giving, this a great opportunity to take the next right step in your generosity.

Giving generously isn't simply about the amount. It's about the sacrifice you're willing to make. As David said in 2 Samuel 24:24, "I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God that cost me nothing."

SPIRITUAL GROWTH DOESN'T CAUSE GIVING, GIVING PRODUCES SPIRITUAL GROWTH

David Smith, Lead Pastor

GROWING IN GENEROSITY

1. When we give, we experience very real spiritual benefits. What difference can your financial commitment to *Echo* make in your heart and life?
2. When we pray for God's guidance in our giving, it demonstrates our trust in God to provide. Is your giving easy and effortless, or are you challenging yourself to be more disciplined and selfless in your commitment to *Echo*?
3. When we think of our giving as an expression of faith, we can discover the true joy of giving. Does your giving reflect your desire to follow God's will in your life?

As we've prayed about *Echo*, we believe it will take gifts of all sizes to make this vision a reality. Your next right step may not be listed in the examples below.

| GIVERS | GIFTS |
|--------|--------------------|
| MANY | \$2,500 |
| 70 | \$5,000 |
| 50 | \$7,500 |
| 40 | \$10,000 |
| 25 | \$25,000 |
| 10 | \$35,000 |
| 8 | \$50,000 |
| 5 | \$75,000 |
| 5 | \$100,000 |
| 4 | \$150,000 |
| 3 | \$250,000 |
| 2 | \$500,000 |
| 1 | \$700,000 |
| | \$7,000,000 |

MATT'S echo

“I MADE SOME BAD DECISIONS THAT ALMOST RUINED MY RELATIONSHIPS WITH MY WIFE AND DAUGHTERS. A CHRISTIAN COWORKER OFFERED ENCOURAGEMENT AND PRAYER, AND INTRODUCED ME TO FAIRHAVEN WHERE I SURRENDERED MY LIFE TO JESUS. GOD HAS RESTORED MY RELATIONSHIPS AND PUT ME ON A NEW PATH IN A MINISTRY MENTORING DISENGAGED YOUNG MEN.”



WHY DO ECHO NOW?

We're always looking for new and better ways to help people find hope in Jesus, and after prayerful consideration, these are the next right steps we believe God is asking us to take to prepare for the amazing things He'll do in the future.

WHAT IF WE DON'T MEET THE GOAL? WILL WE GO INTO DEBT?

We're committed to responding to the resources God provides us in a way that's appropriate, healthy and wise. We will not add any unhealthy debt as a result of *Echo*.

IS THIS PART OF MY REGULAR GIVING? WHAT ARE OTHER WAYS TO GIVE?

Giving to *Echo* is separate from your regular giving to Fairhaven Church. It's an opportunity to trust God and take the next right step in your generosity. To give things like stocks or possessions, contact your campus office.

HOW LONG IS MY COMMITMENT?

Echo is a two-year initiative, which will run through December 2020. We encourage you to fulfill your commitment with gifts of whatever size and frequency make the most sense for you within that time frame.

WHAT IF I'M NEW OR HAVE NEVER GIVEN?

Generosity is all about taking the next right step, so if you've never given before, *Echo* is a great place to start. We believe there's no more significant mission than helping people find hope in Jesus, and we invite everyone to live it out with us.

WHY FILL OUT A COMMITMENT CARD?

The card is a place for you to meet with God and consider how He might use you to help more people find hope. It's more than just a number; it's a symbol of your commitment to what God is doing in your life and in the lives of others.

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HOW DOES ECHO IMPACT OUR COMMITMENT TO OUTREACH?

We partner with a number of local organizations serving under-served people in our area, as well as dozens of global staff sharing the gospel around the world. *Echo* will enable us to increase and expand these partnerships.

WHY LAUNCH ANOTHER CAMPUS?

We believe the best way to reach the Dayton area and its surrounding communities is to enable people to attend church – and invite their friends and neighbors to church – in their own community. We want Fairhaven to be a community church, not a commuter church.

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Watch *Echo* videos, hear more stories and read news updates on the *Echo* pages of our website at ***fairhaven.church***, and look for **#MyEcho** content on social media.

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01. The Advertising Rule of Seven says a prospect needs to see or hear a message seven times before they act. Educators emphasize repetition in learning. Reflect on your spiritual journey. How has God repeated spiritual lessons, like an echo, in your life?

02. Every spiritual journey is marked by defining moments. Read Luke 22:54-62; Acts 9:1-6; Genesis 39:6-12. What similarities and differences do you see in these defining moments? How might different decisions have changed the outcomes?

03. Discuss what you think are different characteristics of a spiritually defining moment. Share a spiritually defining moment from your own life. How has the outcome of that moment affected your life?

04. *Repeat them in our day, in our time make them known.* In your mind, is there a difference between repeating something and making it known? If so, discuss what it is and why you think it's significant.

WHEN ALL THE JARS WERE FULL, SHE SAID TO HER SON, “BRING ME ANOTHER ONE.” BUT HE REPLIED, “THERE IS NOT A JAR LEFT.” (2 KINGS 4:6)

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01. Read 2 Kings 4:1-7. What is the difference between wishful thinking and genuine faith?

02. Read James 2:14-18. Can you think of a time when your faith was merely a religious experience? How do you think this passage from James applies?

03. How would you respond to the statement, “God resupplies according to the measure of our faith”?

04. Can you think of a time you responded to God calling you to act, and He proved Himself faithful? Or, you did not respond and missed the opportunity?

I WILL NOT SACRIFICE TO THE LORD MY GOD BURNT OFFERINGS THAT COST ME NOTHING. (2 SAMUEL 24:24)

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01. Share a time you made a choice against your better judgement and suffered the consequences. What did God teach you through that experience?

02. Read 2 Samuel 24:2-25. In this passage you find a bad decision, a consequence and a gift from the heart. Discuss potential alternative choices and outcomes for this story.

03. King David missed God's heart the first time, but found it the next time. What do you think made the difference? Have you ever had a similar experience?

04. What other points from this message impacted or changed your perspective about finding and responding to God's heart?

“TRULY I TELL YOU,” HE SAID, “THIS POOR WIDOW HAS PUT IN MORE THAN ALL THE OTHERS.” (LUKE 21:3)

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01. Read Acts 7:54-8:1. Stephen was the first follower of Jesus to die for his faith. Why was Stephen willing to make the ultimate personal sacrifice?

02. On the flip side, what would prevent you from making a willing, personal sacrifice?

03. Read Luke 21:1-4. Discuss the idea that giving generously isn't about the amount, it's about the sacrifice.

04. Read Acts 2:42-47. How do you see sacrificial giving demonstrated in the passage?

WHATEVER YOU DID FOR ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF MINE, YOU DID FOR ME. (MATTHEW 25:40)

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01. Have you ever “paid it forward”? What motivated you to do so? Is there a difference between a feel-good experience and one that specifically honors God?

02. Read Matthew 25:34-40; Psalm 116:12-13. Discuss the difference between giving and living a generous life.

03. Discuss giving time versus giving money. Is one more important than the other?

04. Why would you say that for most people, their spending influences their giving? What do you think it looks like when it’s the other way around?

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**find
hope.**

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