



SHEETS FROM WEDNESDAY NIGHT OCT. 17 2018

#1. WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT KBC?

Hospitality	Sunday school class
Fellowship	Theology
Progressive	Wednesday nights - gathering, dining
Intellectual stimulation	Priesthood of believers
Love Jesus	All the times other people take care of my kids
Music	I don't have to cook
Sermons	The pastor
Inclusiveness	Welcoming community
Staff	Jesus-based
Sunday school classes	Music
Mission work	Accepting others
Role models	Thought-provoking sessions
Outreach to community	Intergenerational
People	Activities for all ages
Wednesday night dinners	Service-oriented congregation
When we use inclusive language for God	Ministers and ministries for all ages
So much smarts - lots of brilliant people with knowledge	Worship
Children's programming	Music
Lots of teachers and programs	Community
Music	Preaching
Children	Welcome
Transparent governance	Family programs
Preaching	Theology
Inclusivity - not afraid of questions without answers e.g. raising white kids	Openness
Faith Matters	Music and welcoming environment
Theological depth	People
The members	Visitors and new members
My children are here	Thoughtful worship
Inspiring services and music	Crafted worship
It's family	Gym for children to play
A sense of community	Creativity
The people are different from each other and a unity to do things here and in the community	Facilities
Jesus - a lot of Jesus	Community involvement
Everybody gets a chance to be loved	Inclusive community
All the children and young people	Music
The people	Wednesday night dinner
Children's programs	Education program - especially for children
Music program	Ministerial leadership
	KBC pushes me out of my comfort zone
	Ecumenical
	Mission emphasis



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#2. WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE INHIBITS US FROM TALKING ABOUT MONEY AT CHURCH?

Tradition - "It isn't done here."	Remain humble
Private matter	Crass
Because raising it is not a problem	\$= Worthiness?
Donors come forward for specific needs	Uncomfortable
Trouble quantifying faith	Privacy
Comparison guilt	Scare people away
Because it's TACKY	\$ pressure from directions
It's hard to talk about money because unlike a many churches, we have a lot of it	Shame
Wide socio-economic spectrum at KBC	Personal subject
History of guilt and shame about tithing	Intimate - people have different attachments to money and power
Different ideas about what tithing is	Shame and embarrassment
Different levels of giving have different expectations	Class-related differences
Considered too personal	Bad appeals for money from religious leaders
Money is not spiritual	Prosperity Gospel problems
Fear of judgment	If you give, you will receive
Sensitive topic to many	We aren't inhibited
Very personal topic for many	We talk about the obligation but not the joy of giving
Don't have money to give but wishes one could	We don't want to offend or embarrass anyone
Embarrassment	KBC historical component -- anonymous giving;
Privacy to not want to share how dollars are spent	Dr. Noffsinger didn't discuss
Many "asks" from worthy causes - what to do	Conscience - private matter
	Anti-evangelical preaching



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#3. IF WE HAD A SURPLUS BEYOND OUR BUDGET, WHAT ONE THING WOULD YOU HAVE US SPEND A SURPLUS ON?

Missions - local and international
Savings/reserves
Music needs - robes, music
 Sanctuary lighting
Long-term needs
 Live-streaming worship services
Scholarships
Internships paid
Staff raise
Missions -- hurricane victims, long-term rebuilding
 etc.
Expand support of Bolton School
Reunite families immigration separations
Pay down our debt
More mission trips support
Help more underprivileged or underserved
 children
A new sign
Extra staff PTO
More missions
Capital improvements -- kitchen, rainy day fund
Shared space for other Christian worship by
 others

Bolton partnerships
External missions
More to missions
Examine staffing for any needs
Reserve fund for emergency situations like
 hurricanes
Staff benefits and compensation
Missions - diverse groups, local missions that
 show direct results
Save for building maintenance
Pay off debt
Charity
Missions
Reserves
Community outreach workshop (endowed lecture
 series)
Seed money for a project that would have a long-
 term impact on others (college scholarship,
 work-related needs)