Every-member Mailing, Fall 2019

Overview Letter Announcing GPL funding effort

September 4, 2019

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

Isn’t it awesome that God gives you and me gifts each day? Gifts from our Father come to us even without our asking. What blessings of love from him! God’s people at [name of church] have heard about their heavenly Father’s love for them through Christ Jesus for over \_\_\_ years. We are thankful that our congregation has been able to proclaim this love and that many souls, by faith, have been assured by hearing it. I am so very thankful you know that love as well.

Our Father’s love is part of an important ministry of our church. That ministry is Great Plains Lutheran High School (GPL).

We have some truly exciting and challenging opportunities before us as we, [name of church], along with GPL, begin a unique and exciting funding effort for the benefit of God’s people.

To help share this information, we have arranged for several group presentations over the next two weeks. We are inviting each of our members to attend one to learn more about this special opportunity at Great Plains Lutheran High School.

Group presentations at [name of church] are scheduled for:

 - list date and time - list date and time - list date and time

Please contact church office (phone #) to RSVP for one of these presentations. This will save us from making phone contact by one of our members – thank you in advance!

USE GREEN FONT IF GROUP PRESENTATIONS ARE OFFERED

(In addition,) Our leaders have planned a special presentation after church services on Sunday, March \_\_\_. This presentation will explain more about Great Plains Lutheran High School’s building expansion plans and how we can offer financial support. I endorse this project and invite you to learn more about it with me.

IF NO GROUP PRESENTATIONS, BLUE FONT PARAGRAPH IS INSERTED

To help our members learn more about GPL, enclosed you will find a Q & A for the school. This gives a quick overview of this special youth ministry and GPL’s planned focus. Expect more information sharing during the next three to four Sundays as we communicate and endorse this important ministry effort.

It is a joy to be partnered with you in our ministry at [name of church]. Great Plains Lutheran High School is one of our ministries, serving our youth and families. I encourage you to learn more in the coming days!

In the name of Jesus,

Pastor

**Letter – Sent to those who were not present for the Great Plains Lutheran High School worship presentation or any other group presentation. Enclosed with this letter is a GPL brochure and return envelope.**

Dear <name>:

These really are special times for our congregation and the ministry of Great Plains Lutheran High School (GPL). [name of church] continues to move forward as we proclaim Jesus and his salvation to more and more people. GPL is also an invaluable ministry serving the teens of this area. Gifts given to these ministries are investments in God’s eternal kingdom. What an honor to have such an impact upon precious souls!

This past Sunday our congregation heard a presentation on Great Plains Lutheran High School and the exciting plans they are currently carrying out. It was very informative! At the conclusion of our worship service brochures about GPL’s plans were shared. We wanted to make certain that all of our members received this information. It is enclosed for your reading and consideration.

Thank-offerings involve our heart, mind and will as we give thanks to God for giving us so many blessings, spiritual and physical. The offering of our gifts through a thank-filled faith in Christ Jesus, is actually a way we get to worship God. The Apostle Paul said something similar when he wrote, *“Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship”* (Romans 12:1).

The Great Plains Lutheran High School capital campaign is a thank-offering opportunity for you to ponder. Will you please reflect upon Jesus love for you and consider how you could invest in this ministry? Thank you for your thoughtful attention.

Please pray that God will continue blessing [name of congregation] efforts and those of our Great Plains Lutheran High School.

In Jesus name,

## Pastor or President

**Advance Gift Letter Introduction – Optional Task for Campaign**

Printed on church letterhead

Dear (personalized)

Greetings during this exciting time at [name of church]. God has been so good to us, and we pray for His continued blessings in all that we do in giving Him honor and glory.

We are just beginning a wonderful opportunity for each of our members. Great Plains Lutheran High School (GPL) is in the midst of its campaign to help fund an expansion effort of a fine arts center, chapel, classroom space and auxiliary gym. God has blessed GPL’s efforts and things continue to progress positively!

The reason for this letter is to ask if we may visit you to explain the Great Plains Lutheran High School effort and share information about their campaign. The visit will give opportunity to discuss that when we work together, commitments can be turned into challenges and challenges into miracle opportunities. Several people from our congregation and GPL are making these individual visits to our members. My hope is that you will accept this invitation.

In the next few days, I or another church member will call to set up a time and place most convenient to get together for about 45 minutes. Many of the visits will take place within homes. As always, we appreciate you in taking a leadership role as a partner in our ministry!

Continued blessings in Jesus!

In Christ,