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SEND ME is an annual, month long all-church outreach focus, celebrating and connecting Browncroft to the mission of God.

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is a month-long, all-church outreach emphasis where we celebrate the mission of God and work to take part in that mission ourselves. Open a conversation with God to hear where He is sending you...



Personal

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

— John 21:20

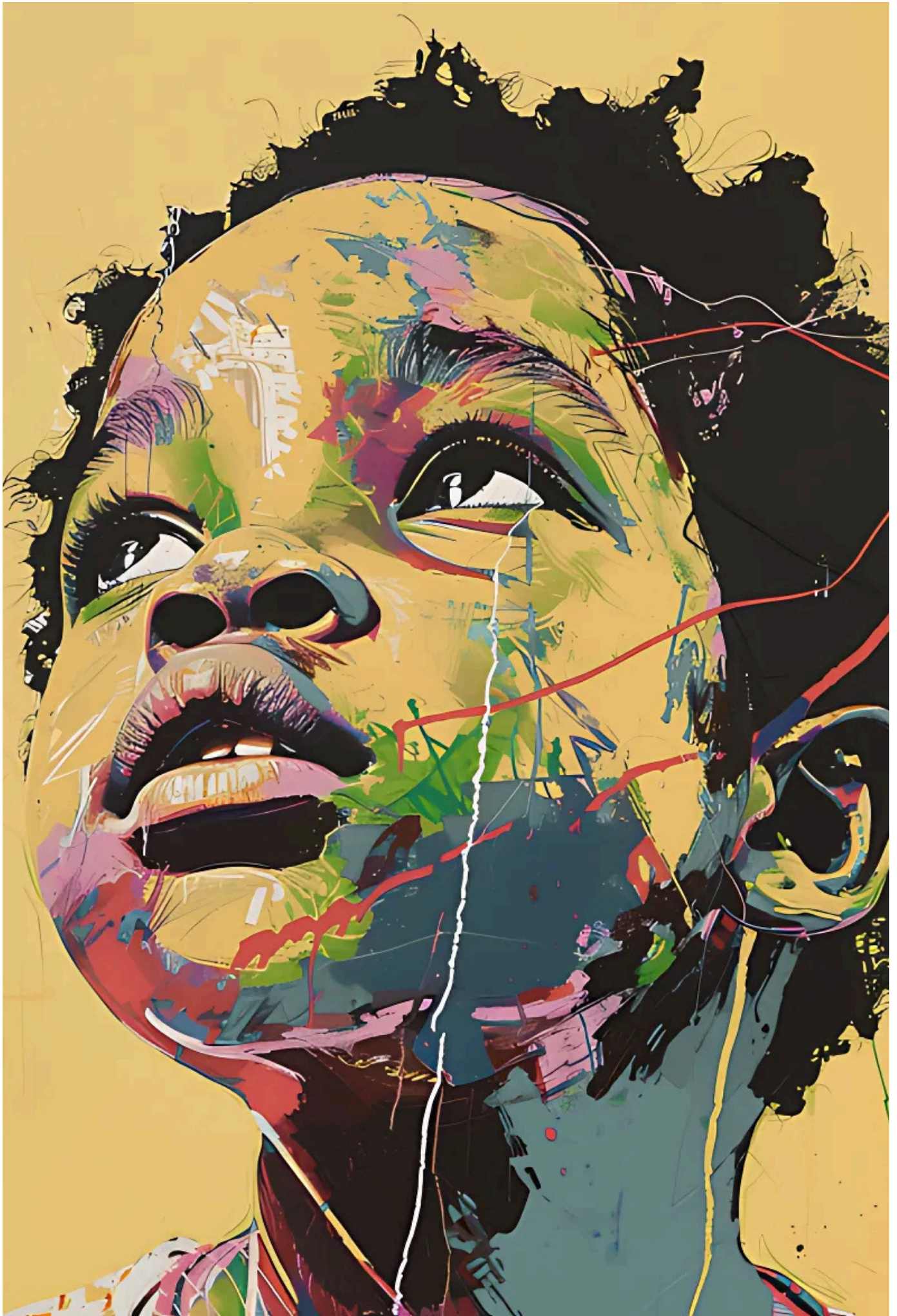
Lord, help me follow your call to be sent.

Open my heart to the needs across the street and around the world.

Open my ears to listen to Your voice.

Open my eyes to see what You call me to see.

Open my mind to the dreams that You have for me.



Small Group

*Often, we read the prayers of scripture as individuals rather than as a local or even global church. One of the foundational passages of the **SEND ME** series comes from Ephesians 3:20–21, which is part of a larger prayer Saint Paul prays in Ephesians 3:14–21.*

*Rather than reading this prayer for yourself, **your small group can use this prayer to consider local and global outreach as Paul did.***

Perhaps, in seeing yourself as part of the story God is writing for the church, you can come to recognize the dreams He has placed in your heart.

Ephesians 3:14–21:

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! **Amen.**

Pray for the following areas with your small group:

- Consider that you are the family of God – your sisters and brothers across the street and around the world (Ephesians 3:15)
- Pray for the power of God to move in Browncroft, locally in Rochester, and globally through our mission partners (Ephesians 3:16–17a)
- Reflect on how the love of God transforms how we dream and see the world around us (Ephesians 3:17b–19)
- Pray for each member of your group and how God might send them in this series (Ephesians 3:20–21)

Psalm 146

1 Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, my soul.

2 I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

3 Do not put your trust in princes,

in human beings, who cannot save.

4 When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;

on that very day their plans come to nothing.

5 Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the Lord their God.

6 He is the Maker of heaven and earth,

the sea, and everything in them—

he remains faithful forever.

7 He upholds the cause of the oppressed

and gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets prisoners free,

8 the Lord gives sight to the blind,

the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,

the Lord loves the righteous.

9 The Lord watches over the foreigner

and sustains the fatherless and the widow,

but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

10 The Lord reigns forever,

your God, O Zion, for all generations.

Close with this historic prayer:

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

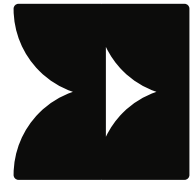
A Corporate Prayer

Pray aloud together --

Ephesians 4:11-12

So Christ Himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, the 12, to equip His people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up. Lord, give us a passion for Your mission. Send us out to our living rooms, neighborhoods, city, nation, and around the world. As a church, may we value what You value. May we prioritize what You prioritize. Let us see our role in Your body. The Good News of the Gospel compels us to good works of service. Lord, send us.

Engaging with the MISSION VISION WALL



The church is called by God to follow in the footsteps of Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit and “go”.

Sometimes this “going” is serving in places far flung, like Senegal or Kosovo. Oftentimes this “going” is living sacrificially in our own living rooms, workplaces, and neighborhoods.

Participate in the work of our church to answer the call and connect to the vision of a church on mission with God.

A GUIDE

- 1** Grab a Vision Card offered by the Mission Vision wall. Spend some time in prayer and contemplation over its prompt:
“I sense God sending me to...”
- 2** Write, draw, or otherwise mark on both sides of the card any vision you have about the card’s question.
- 3** Tear the card in half at the thin point. Keep one half. Pin the other half to the wall alongside others God has inspired, and see the vision of mission at Browncroft.



