

GIVING PLAN

Use this document to plan your giving

What does God teach us about giving?

1. We should give to the local church. The local church is God's plan for the world. In the book of Matthew, Jesus said, "I will build my church." When you give to the church, you provide for those leading the church (I Timothy 5:17-18) and you support the mission activities of that church (Philippians 4:15-19).
2. Jesus taught that our money is connected to our heart (Matthew 6:21). In other words, Jesus knows that how we leverage our finances is a clue to what is really important to us. In a way, giving is not a financial issue...it is a heart issue.
3. Proverbs challenges us to bring our "first fruits" (Proverbs 3:9) to God. In other words, God is not impressed when we bring him our leftovers...He deserves our best.
4. Giving is really a matter of trust. When we give, we are saying in a very tangible way that we trust God.
5. God loves a cheerful giver. Giving and tithing are not bills to be paid, like your mortgage or utility bill. It's an opportunity to connect your faith with your finances...tangible proof that you truly trust God with what you have been given.

Current Giving Assessment

Organization	Amount
Local Church _____	
Missions _____	
Other _____	
Other _____	
	Total _____
	% of Income _____

Future Giving Plan

In light of your current assessment, what percentage of your income would you like to move toward giving?

	% of Income _____
	Total _____
Local Church _____	
Missions _____	
Other _____	
Other _____	