

# A GIVING GUIDE

As Christians, we are encouraged to follow the spirit of the tithe and consider giving to God as an act of worship and thanksgiving.

The foundation of generous giving is found in the Bible.

## GIVE GRATEFULLY

Giving grows out of the joyous recognition that all we have comes from God. It is a response to God's grace.

(2 Chronicles 29:14; 2 Corinthians 9:12)

## GIVE CHEERFULLY

Give, not until it hurts, but until it feels good. Giving is a joyful act.

(2 Corinthians 9:7)

## GIVE FREELY

We give, not because we have to but because we want to.

(2 Corinthians 9:7)

## GIVE INTENTIONALLY AND PROPORTIONALLY

We give a percentage of what we have according to what we have been given.

(2 Corinthians 8:12)

## GIVE OFF THE TOP

As an expression of trust in God, we give off the top of our income instead of what is left.

(Proverbs 3:9)

## GIVE REGULARLY

We grow in generosity when we develop the habit of regular giving.

(1 Corinthians 16:2)

*God's grace touches our hearts and lives – and those around us – as we grow into the image of the greatest giver of all.*

The following giving chart shows weekly offerings as a percentage of income. This may help you decide what you want to give to the church as a proportion of your income.

## WEEKLY PERCENTAGE GIVING GUIDE

Income		Weekly giving					
Annual	Weekly	2%	4%	6%	8%	10%	15%
12,000	231	5	9	14	18	23	35
16,000	308	6	12	18	25	31	46
20,000	385	8	15	23	31	39	58
25,000	481	10	19	29	38	48	72
30,000	577	12	23	35	46	58	87
35,000	673	13	27	40	54	67	101
40,000	769	15	31	46	62	77	115
45,000	865	17	35	52	69	87	130
50,000	962	19	38	58	77	96	144
60,000	1,154	23	46	69	92	115	173
75,000	1,442	29	58	87	115	144	216
100,000	1,923	38	77	115	154	192	288
125,000	2,404	48	96	144	192	240	361
150,000	2,885	58	115	173	231	289	433

For those giving on a monthly basis – by Pre-Authorized Remittance or by post-dated cheques – simply multiply the weekly giving in this chart by 4.33 (there are 4.33 weeks in a month).



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