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# 2022 GIVING GUIDE



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**A Biblical Guide  
for Giving of Self: Your Time,  
Your God-Given Abilities,  
and Your Financial Resources**

“...for such a time as this.”  
Esther 4:14

Dear Friends,

Often, at the beginning of worship, we say, “We believe the Lord led you here. Nobody is here by accident.”

As we look together to the year 2022, nothing could be more true: the Lord has made us a church family, right here, right now, *for such a time as this*. We are part of this church family for a reason, and God is calling us, stirring us, even challenging us to raise our commitment level for 2022 in serving, giving, and using our talents.

I pray this Giving Guide helps you spend time with God in prayer to determine together what your giving level of self will be for the year 2022.

With Gratitude,

Pastor Tim Housholder, Senior Pastor

**ALLELUIA! FINANCES - DID YOU KNOW?**



- Alleluia! receives no financial support from our parent denomination. All income comes from offerings, preschool, programs, fundraisers, and facility usage donations.
- Our annual mortgage expense is \$372K a year.
- Currently, about 58% of our current annual budget income comes from offerings, and 39% comes from our preschool, which has been deeply impacted by the pandemic. The rest comes from fundraisers, programs, building usage, etc.
- 50 households give more than 60% of our annual offerings. Will you help us add to that number?

## **FOUR STEPS TO GIVING OF TIME AND ABILITIES**

**STEP ONE: Read the Bible!** Discover these Biblical truths:

- a) God has created each of us with different abilities. ***Romans 12:4-11***
- b) Jesus teaches that we are to be servants to all people. ***Mark 9:35***
- c) We use our abilities to build up God's Kingdom. ***Ephesians 4:11-13***



Stewardship

**STEP TWO: Pray!** Ask God to help you discover the talents and abilities He's given you. Listen. He will lead you!

**STEP THREE: Connect the Dots!** Ask yourself & others, "How can my abilities match up with a ministry of Alleluia?"

**STEP FOUR: Live Out Your Calling!** Do the ministry God created you for! Step out in faith! God is with you!

## **FOUR STEPS TO FINANCIAL GIVING**

**STEP ONE: Read the Bible!** Discover these Biblical truths:

- a) Everything is God's, we're stewards of it. ***Genesis 1***
- b) God wants our first portion, not what's left. ***Proverbs 3:9-10***
- c) God has a number in mind: 10% of income! ***Leviticus 27:30***
- d) The Lord loves a cheerful giver! ***2 Corinthians 9:7***

**STEP TWO: Pray!** Ask God what your 2022 giving should be.

**STEP THREE: Listen to God!** Keep asking in prayer until you "hear" God's answer. If you don't get an answer, be patient. God will answer.

**STEP FOUR: Take a Step of Faith!** Trust God enough to do what He calls you to do. He will provide the means & make it happen!



HONOR GOD  
with everything  
you own; give him  
the first and the best.  
PROVERBS 3:9-10



**My/Our Annual Giving Worksheet:**

**My Tithe:**

Annual Income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Multiply by .10 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ - this is your "tithe"

Divide this number by 52 weeks or 12 months & be a cheerful giver!

**...or Steps towards a Tithe:**

Last year, we gave \_\_\_% of our annual income as our offering  
(Divide last year's annual offering by last year's annual income)

Adding 1% to that percentage now brings us to \_\_\_%

Multiply our new % by Annual Income = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Divide this number by 52 weeks or 12 months & be a cheerful giver!

