



FAITH

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Celebrating the Reconciliation

The following is the section of our membership manual on giving as stewardship.

Stewardship at FCF

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](#)

Now about the collection for God's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made. [1 Corinthians 16:1-2](#)

God's word constantly calls us to worship out of a heart that is responding to His mercy and grace in Christ. Therefore all healthy service to Him of our time, energy, talents and material treasure should flow from a heart of gratitude and not out of guilt or compulsion. In this, the grateful believer seeks to understand God's desires of stewardship. In brief, the scriptures teach us that:

God owns everything and we are stewards (or managers) of His money and possessions.

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand." [1 Chronicles 29:14](#)

God promises to take care of us and has proven faithful beyond our imagination.

He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all— how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? [Romans 8:32](#)

Out of His grace and promise, God calls us to faith and generosity.

But just as you excel in everything— in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. [2 Corinthians 8:7](#)

One expression of such faith is giving to God of our tithes and offerings.

"And blessed be God Most High, who delivered your enemies into your hand." Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything. [Genesis 14:20](#)

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it." [Malachi 3:10](#)

"Freely you have received, freely give." [Matthew 10:8](#)

Our giving should flow from hearts of joy:

Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy. [Psalm 107:22](#)

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. [2 Corinthians 9:7](#)

The ministry and work of Faith Christian Fellowship, both locally and globally, exists through the generous and faithful giving of her members. We realize that for those who may be new to the ideas of Christian stewardship, such giving practices and patterns will be something to grow in. We have leaders trained to assist those interested in biblical stewardship and finances. These services are available upon request.

As an organization, we seek to be responsible and transparent with the resources God provides. If you would like a copy of our annual budget, please contact the church office. All members receive a copy of the upcoming year's budget at our annual congregational meeting each January. We also print the year-to-date giving and the year-to-date budget in a line on the back of the bulletin each week, so that members and regular attenders will be aware of the church's needs in a discreet way.