

## **SPIRITUAL REASONS TO GIVE**

We believe that the main way we give money to God is through the church and so we see giving as an act of...

### **WORSHIP**

- Worship is a question of what is most important to us; where we put our money reveals what we truly value.
- Giving says "God, you are my highest priority."

### **MISSION**

- When we give, we participate in God's mission to help people become passionate followers of Jesus Christ.
- Giving says "God, I want to serve you with my life."

### **FAITH**

- To most of us, money equals provision, security, and comfort; things we are called to seek from God.
- Giving says "God, I trust you with my life."

### **SUBMISSION**

- Scripture teaches that we are managers of what is really God's money. That's tough for most folks.
- Giving says "God, you are in control of my life."

## **PRACTICAL REASONS TO GIVE**

### **CHURCH COSTS MONEY**

Rent, salaries, supplies, and equipment all cost lots of money and no outside organization funds Deep Water. Those of us who call her home just all chip in together.

### **YOUR GIVING IS RECEIPTED**

Deep Water is a CRA registered charity and issues income tax receipts for all contributions over \$50 annually.

## **WAYS TO GIVE**

### **ONE-TIME DONATION**

There are envelopes available on the Offering Box and at the Coffee Bar. Simply fill out the information on the front, put cash or cheque inside, and drop it in the Offering Box.

### **NUMBERED ENVELOPES**

To give regularly by cash or cheque, you can get a box of numbered envelopes at the Coffee Bar, put your money in one of the envelopes and drop it in the Offering Box.

### **PRE-AUTHORIZED ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER**

Fill out the enclosed form, attach a void cheque, and drop it in the Offering Box. We'll take care of the rest and contact you to confirm setup.

## FAQ

### WHO OVERSEES THE FINANCES OF DEEP WATER?

The Leadership Team sets the budget, approves expenditures, and reviews the monthly financial reports. We report annually to The Wesleyan Church and the Canada Revenue Agency.

### DO THE PASTORS GET A “CUT” OF THE DONATIONS?

No. They are on a fixed salary that is in no way tied to increases in giving.

### WHERE IS THE OFFERING BOX LOCATED?

At **Park Lane** it hangs on a railing along the middle aisle of the theatre just as you enter the actual seating area.

At **North Street** it is located on the wall between the auditorium and cafe space.

### SHOULD I GIVE USING CASH OR CHEQUE?

Some like the ease of cash, others like the paper trail of cheques. It's your personal preference and we are happy to accommodate either.

### HOW DO I DECIDE HOW MUCH TO GIVE?

The Bible teaches us to give out of priority, not surplus; as a reflection of what we value, not of how much money we have left over. A helpful benchmark is the biblical concept of the tithe (10% of your income). Most mature followers of Jesus move beyond this, but it's a great first target to move towards.

If you have any questions about the information in this guide, or anything else related to giving or finances at Deep Water, we invite you to contact us.



## FINANCIAL GIVING GUIDE

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