

## A LOOK AT ONE FAMILY'S COMMITMENT TO INCREASED GIVING

ACTIVITY	WEEK	YEAR	3 YEARS
Eliminate family meal out	\$25.00	\$1300.00	\$3,900.00
Eliminate 1 movie stream/week	3.00	156.00	468.00
Reduce Christmas budget		250.00	750.00
Reduce Vacation budget		250.00	750.00
Eliminate 4 "dates"		200.00	600.00
Eliminate 1 cup of coffee/day	24.50	1274.00	3822.00
Erik's commitment	1.00	52.00	156.00
Andrew's commitment	.50	26.00	78.00
Two \$10 bills found by Andrew			20.00
<b>THREE YEAR TOTAL:</b>			<b>\$10,544.00</b>

*"In addition, we will continue to support the annual budget and the mission programs"*



## PRAYER NOT PRESSURE

It may be expressed in various ways but the root of the concern is always the same. Some of you may be wondering when the pressure and manipulation to give is going to begin. The very nature of the campaign does not allow for anyone to be pressured into giving. You will never be told what you should give ... not at any point in the program. Your financial involvement is a decision between you and the Lord. Giving is a part of worship, but giving must come from your heart to please God, not from a checkbook just to satisfy a program.

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Continue praying:

**"Lord, what do You want to do through me as it relates to Your will for this church?"**

"Each should give what is decided in the heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

— 2 Corinthians 9:7

NOTE: Any discussion of tax treatment is not intended and should not be considered as tax advice. Consult your personal tax professional for advice on your tax position.



## COMING TOGETHER FOR TRANSFORMATION

## CREATIVE GIVING STRATEGIES

The Campaign Cabinet offers the following thoughts as you continue to prayerfully consider your gift to **"Coming Together for Transformation" Comprehensive Campaign.**

"The Lord will always make you rich enough to be generous at all times, so that many will thank God for your gifts which they receive from us."

— 2 Corinthians 9:11



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## GIFTS-IN-KIND

### Q. What are gifts-in-kind?

**A.** Transferring ownership of an asset, rather than selling the asset and giving the cash, is a gift-in-kind.

### Q. What kind of assets should I give?

**A.** Appreciated investment property held more than one year, such as stock, mutual fund shares, bonds, real estate, collectibles, and other such property have tremendous tax advantages.

Personal property such as automobiles, jewelry, and other items may also be given. There may be no capital gains tax benefits, but the financial and spiritual benefits can be tremendous.

### Q. Why give gifts-in-kind?

**A.** The tax code is very generous toward this form of giving. Giving the asset to the church, then letting the church sell, eliminates potential capital gains taxes and can increase the after tax proceeds.

### Q. How does the tax benefit work?

**A. Itemized Deduction:** The individual or business is allowed to include 100% of the market value of most such assets as charitable contributions for tax purposes if held more than one year.

**Capital Gains:** The transfer of property does not generate a capital gains tax.

The church, as a tax exempt entity, will realize the full market value, less transaction costs, at the time of sale without paying capital gains taxes.

### Q. What if I sell first then give the cash?

**A.** You may be subject to capital gains taxes thereby reducing the after tax proceeds from the sale.

	SELL FIRST	G-I-K
Market Value	20,000	20,000
Cost Basis	-10,000	-10,000
Gain	10,000	10,000
Tax - 20%	-2,000	-0-
After Tax Proceeds	18,000	20,000

### Q. How Do I Give Gifts-In-Kind?

**A.** For stocks, mutual fund shares, and bonds:

#### Transfer Instructions (if held in "Street Name")

- Contact your broker and request the transfer.
- Provide the following to your broker:
  - Firm: **Charles Schwab**
  - Contact: **Meyers Wealth Management**  
**614-442-6787**
  - DTC #: **0164**
  - Acct #: **9664-7550**
  - Acct Name: **King Avenue United Methodist Church**
- Notify King Avenue United Methodist Church in writing via one of the following:
  - Email: **charlene@kingave.org**
  - Direct Mail: **Charlene Dubin, Stewardship Secretary,**  
**299 King Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201**

For shares in your physical possession (paper certificates) or held in a mutual fund, please contact Charlene directly as there are specific steps to follow to complete the transfer.

**Qualified Charitable Distribution:** A person aged 70 ½ or older who has a traditional or ROTH IRA may make charitable contributions (up to \$100,000/yr.) directly from their IRA's to the church. This counts for the purpose of the Required Minimum Distribution, but is not included in calculating the individual taxpayer's limitation on charitable deductions in the year the donation was made.

## OTHER STRATEGIES

**Cash Flow Gifts:** A person can give significantly by giving smaller amounts at higher frequencies. Weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly giving allows large gifts to be reached in smaller steps.

**Diverted Funds Gifts:** Freeing up funds which are currently going to other areas of spending allows a person to increase giving to God's work. Diverting funds from entertainment, dining out, dues, gifts, etc. offers lifestyle adjustments that impact one's giving.

**Delayed Expenditures:** The delaying of purchases allows a person to significantly increase giving. The acquisition of major items such as cars, clothing, or trips, allows substantial giving opportunities.

**Income-Producing Assets:** Interest income, payments from rental properties or monies from other income producing assets provide a source for increased giving.

**Income-Producing Events:** What fundraiser or income-producing event could I organize that would increase my contribution?

**Sale of Assets:** Sale of major assets, such as a house, car, land, or business provide available income for giving.

**Raises / Bonuses:** Dedicating one's forthcoming raises and bonuses is a creative method people have used to increase giving.

**Freedom from Debt:** As a person looks ahead into the next three years, he or she may discover that debt obligations will be fulfilled. This frees up revenue for additional giving.

**Unique Skills Income:** Some people have marketable hobbies or skills, which enable them to give from those new profits.

**Charitable Giving Resources:** Reviewing all of one's charitable donations in light of their impact on God's kingdom affords a resource for significant giving.

**Savings and Annuities:** Savings for special projects, retirement or a "rainy day" may offer a resource for increased giving. Often we realize that a portion of our savings may safely be given to the work of God's kingdom through our church.

**Corporate Gifts:** Those who have used their business as a source for giving can make significant donations.

**Additional Work Income:** Taking a second or parttime job or coming out of retirement are successful strategies people have used to increase giving.