

OUR CHURCH

In the Old Testament the Tent of Meeting was to be rich and impressive, made of the best that the people could bring to declare their faith, trust and worship of God

The main purpose of the Tent of Meeting was to declare the presence of God among the people of God.

So today the money we give to the church is not simply to maintain the 'house of God' by paying the bills, but to declare the presence of God among his people – not just the house but the household of God; and that's us!

Our giving supports people, supports 'ministry' and helps to change lives for the better. Our giving provides the resources needed for the church's ministry to all ages and enables us to declare the presence of God in our community.

"I will not neglect the house of my God"

Nehemiah 10.39

How to decide on lifestyle, challenge, and choices

There is no easy formula - we are commanded to love God and our neighbour as ourselves. It is no great sacrifice to put someone we love first! But it may be to put our neighbour first when they grow our chocolate, or make our trainers.

To put God first in our week means making a priority of our worship, to put God first in our lifestyle means giving, sharing and thinking about how we use that which we are given- however much or little!

Love is generous, love is kind and love is selfless - we see that in all God gives to us; how will we respond?



Please think and pray about your response



Name of Church

Location

Teentalk

A response for Teenagers

OUR LIFE!

OUR FAITH!

OUR CHOICES!

OUR LIFESTYLE

Step 1	My money is a gift.
Step 2	My money belongs to God.
Step 3	I am accountable for how I use it
Step 4	I need to share my good fortune with others
Step 5	Giving and sharing should be a priority
Step 6	I should be content
Step 7	I should decide:- how much to give, how much to spend, how to spend, and how to live

*And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to
walk humbly with your God*

Micah 6 v6-8

OUR CHALLENGE & OUR CHOICES

Step 1	I will give thanks to God for.....
Step 2	I will.....
Step 3	I will.....
Step 4	I need to.....
Step 5	I will budget
Step 6	I will learn contentment in.....
Step 7	I should decide - how much to give, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to my church to give thanks..... • to charity to show God's love to others..... • how much to save..... • how much to spend..... • and how to live.....

*“But just as you excel in everything ... see that you also excel
in this grace of giving”*

2 Cor 8 v7

