

*....sharing of treasure.*

As a grateful disciple, recognizing and having received blessings from our generous God, we eagerly respond by following His example, and responding to His call to share the first fruits of the treasure He has bestowed upon us.

Let us recognize that our God does not call upon us to give generously because of a need He has for our donations, but rather He calls upon us to give generously because of the consequence of our being generous. When we respond to God's call to tithe of the first fruits of our labor, it is then that we have truly made Him the first priority in our lives. It is then that we are able to experience God as never before. This is His wish for us!  
 "For where your treasure is, there your heart will also be." -Matthew 6:21

An option for your tithe could be to offer 5% to your parish and 5% to other charities you support. Also a consideration could be to look where you currently are and gradually increase your donation to be at the 10% tithe.

As part of your annual commitment renewal, you are asked to submit this form separate from the Prayer/Service form. Your name should **not** be included on this sheet because the wish is that your commitment is truly between you and God. Also, in realizing that each of us is asked to give as God has given to us, if your situation should change during the course of the year, please feel comfortable to adjust your commitment accordingly.

I/we have given prayerful thought to the generous and sacrificial sharing of my/our gifts of treasure.

Accordingly, I/we plan to tithe the following, which is \_\_\_\_\_% of our income:

\$\_\_\_\_\_per week      \$\_\_\_\_\_per every other week      \$\_\_\_\_\_per month

For those striving to tithe, the following guide may be helpful.

**A FINANCIAL GUIDE FOR TITHERS**

Annual Income	WEEKLY			MONTHLY			ANNUALLY		
	8%	5%	3%	8%	5%	3%	8%	5%	3%
\$10,000	\$15.38	\$9.62	\$5.77	\$66.67	\$41.67	\$25.00	\$800.00	\$500.00	\$300.00
\$20,000	\$30.77	\$19.23	\$11.54	\$133.33	\$83.33	\$50.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,000.00	\$600.00
\$30,000	\$46.15	\$28.85	\$17.31	\$200.00	\$125.00	\$75.00	\$2,400.00	\$1,500.00	\$900.00
\$40,000	\$61.54	\$38.46	\$23.08	\$266.67	\$166.67	\$100.00	\$3,200.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,200.00
\$50,000	\$76.92	\$48.08	\$28.85	\$333.33	\$208.33	\$125.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00
\$60,000	\$92.31	\$57.69	\$34.62	\$400.00	\$250.00	\$150.00	\$4,800.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,800.00
\$70,000	\$107.69	\$67.31	\$40.38	\$466.67	\$291.67	\$175.00	\$5,600.00	\$3,500.00	\$2,100.00
\$80,000	\$123.08	\$76.92	\$46.15	\$533.33	\$333.33	\$200.00	\$6,400.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,400.00
\$90,000	\$138.46	\$86.54	\$51.92	\$600.00	\$375.00	\$225.00	\$7,200.00	\$4,500.00	\$2,700.00
\$100,000	\$153.85	\$96.15	\$57.69	\$666.67	\$416.67	\$250.00	\$8,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$3,000.00
\$110,000	\$169.23	\$105.77	\$63.46	\$733.33	\$458.33	\$275.00	\$8,800.00	\$5,500.00	\$3,300.00
\$120,000	\$184.62	\$115.38	\$69.23	\$800.00	\$500.00	\$300.00	\$9,600.00	\$6,000.00	\$3,600.00
\$130,000	\$200.00	\$125.00	\$75.00	\$866.67	\$541.67	\$325.00	\$10,400.00	\$6,500.00	\$3,900.00

After completing, please letter fold and return on Commitment Renewal Weekend, March 21 & 22, 2009.

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