



Dear Brother/Sister in the Lord

**This is to acknowledge your payment.
Thanks for giving to the Lord**

Tithing

giving God the *first tenth*
of your income

What is tithing?

Tithing is one way to worship God—to honor Him as your provider and remind yourself that all of your resources belong to Him and are provided through His grace. As you give away that first 10% of your income, you set your course to honor God in the way you handle the rest of your finances.

The practice of **tithing provides a regular reminder of your dependence on God**. In good times, tithing helps you remember that God is the source of all blessings, and it allows you to demonstrate your gratitude for His care. In hard times, tithing motivates you to remember God's faithfulness, and it enables you to demonstrate trust in God to provide for all of your needs.

In Deuteronomy 14:22–23, God instructed the Israelites: *"Thou shalt truly tithes all the increase of thy seed . . . of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest **learn to fear the Lord thy God always.**"* Whatever your current situation, tithing is a key to learning to live in the fear of God.

When to Give

Consider your pay schedule, and **establish a pattern of giving when your resources increase**. This habit allows you to regularly remind yourself of God's faithfulness and to express gratitude to Him by giving to meet the needs of others.

Where to Give

Typically, the **tithe should be given to the local church** where you worship. These gifts support your pastor and ministry staff members who are actively serving you, and they help maintain the work of the church in your community. As God prospers you and directs you, additional gifts can be given to other ministries that are advancing the Gospel.

Thanks for paying your tithe!