

Let Your Light Shine

We are blessed with a wonderfully diverse membership at Ebenezer that offers unique and special ways to share the Good News through programs and activities. We know our individual efforts can do great things when we act in unity. Our gifts can combine to make a significant impact. Your covenant is an important, essential, and personal piece needed to complete our shared ministry. Please review the core values and programs listed below and indicate where you will focus your support and interests for the coming year.

● Lively and inspiring worship

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Attend Worship Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Communion Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Usher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> Bread Baker | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama Ensemble |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Talk | <input type="checkbox"/> Reader | <input type="checkbox"/> Liturgical Dance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music and Liturgy Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Assisting Minister | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Care Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Acolyte | Other: _____ |

● Diverse and inclusive community

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Greet Visitors | <input type="checkbox"/> Door Greeter | <input type="checkbox"/> Gay Pride Parade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Events Booth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship/Coffee Hour | Other: _____ |

● Focus on family, children and youth

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Shawl Ministry | <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Wellness Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cradle Roll | <input type="checkbox"/> Meal Makers | Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nursery | <input type="checkbox"/> Communion Ministers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. Youth Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Visitors to Ill & Homebound | |

● Confronting Injustice

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prayer Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Depository Volunteer | <input type="checkbox"/> OneWithUs (Sudan Relief Organization) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tutoring Program | <input type="checkbox"/> ONE (Community Organization) | <input type="checkbox"/> GLOCY (Youth Gay & Lesbian Outreach) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare meal for Tutoring | | Other: _____ |

● Commitment to Education

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Bible Study | <input type="checkbox"/> Communion Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in an educational program |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School | <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Education Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vacation Bible School | <input type="checkbox"/> Crossways (Bible Course) | Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Spirituality Retreat | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Book Group | |

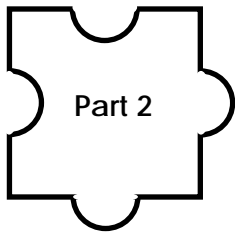
● Facilities and Infrastructure

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Mutual Ministry Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Community House Task Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Property Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Endowment Committee | Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Archives Team | |

So that my/our gratitude and generosity will follow Christ's invitation, I/we covenant with God and the members of this congregation to rejoice in our shared ministries.

Name 1: _____

Name 2: _____



Financial Pledge

So that others may know God's grace and engage in God's work, we hope you will consider committing a percentage of your income to support Christ's mission through and beyond Ebenezer.

A challenge for all members of this congregation is to increase giving through our congregation by 1% of your weekly income and to consider similar growth at least annually, moving toward 10% (a tithe). Please give thoughtful consideration when completing your commitment and, if necessary, use the worksheet below to help you calculate a weekly giving amount.

Your Commitment

Starting _____, I will support the Ebenezer community by:
(Date)

- Giving a total of \$_____ for the coming year.
- Giving \$_____ **weekly / semi-monthly / monthly** for the coming year.
(circle one)
- Using the *Simply Giving* Program.
(If you are not currently enrolled, please complete the *Simply Giving* form available at www.ebenezerchurch.org/stewardship.php. Through *Simply Giving*, your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account or credit card. Your gift is deposited into Ebenezer's bank account on the same day it is withdrawn from your account, at no cost to you.)
- Faithfully providing financial support for the coming year although I am unable to disclose an amount at this time.

Name 1: _____ Name 2: _____

Signature 1: _____ Signature 2: _____

WORKSHEET FOR WEEKLY GIVING:

STEP 1: Divide your Annual Income by 52.

$$\frac{\$ \text{_____ (Annual Income)}}{52} = \$ \text{_____ (Weekly Income)}$$

STEP 2: Multiple the Weekly Income amount and percent.

$$\frac{\$ \text{_____ (Weekly Income)}}{\text{_____ (Percent)}} = \$ \text{_____ (Product)}$$

STEP 3: Divide the Product by 100.

$$\frac{\$ \text{_____ (Product)}}{100} = \$ \text{_____ (Weekly Giving)}$$

EXAMPLE:

$$\$35,000 \div 52 = \$673$$

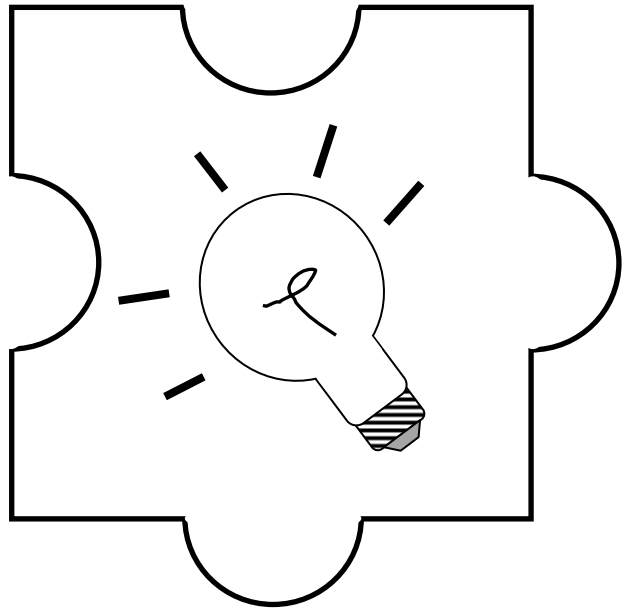
$$\$673 \times 10 = \$6,730$$

$$\$6,730 \div 100 = \$67.30$$

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and for sharing your time and talents to support our shared ministries. Please bring your completed covenant forms to Sunday worship on or before **Covenant Sunday, November 15, 2009.**

The privacy of your commitment and financial information is very important to us. The information you provide may be used for administrative purposes and to estimate a membership giving total for the coming year. Your commitment and financial information will not be published or shared with other members.

This year I will let my
light shine by:



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