

There is a power for good in the universe that is available to every one of us. Our teaching is a way of life and thinking that helps people realize they are spiritual beings having a human experience.

We believe that the universe is fundamentally spiritual – it has intelligence, purpose, beauty and order. Whether we call it God, Nature, Spirit, Energy or Universal Intelligence, everything emanates from this Spiritual Universe. We believe this Universal Intelligence resides within every one of us and when we are conscious of this gift, we can use it to create a more peaceful, abundant and joy filled life.

It is the goal of SEC to offer a spiritual environment in which all people may more fully enter into the experience of “consciously living” in the awareness of this truth.

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Intentional Giving Program 2008



*“Enriching Lives Through
Spiritual Awakening”*



The Law of Giving and Receiving

by Ernest Holmes

Everything in Nature moves in circles. What goes out must come back. Unless the seed is sown it cannot bear fruit. There must be a planting time for every harvest. Who gives all receives all. Who refuses to give, limits the possibility of the greater good returning to him.

Love and you will be loved. Extend joy and you will become more joyful. The ancient Talmud says, "God will doubly guide the already guided" and Jesus, the greatest of the great, said, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." (Luke 6:38)

We do not give because God needs the gift but because the giving increases, broadens and deepens the life of the giver. Nor shall we give from the standpoint of duty. The universe refuses to bargain with us. It already has given us everything it has. But it also has provided that the gift of life can be received in its fullness only as it flows through us to the fullness of others.

How wonderful is this exact balance which God and nature keep; how perfect is the law of God and how glorious the opportunity to join with the Infinite Giver in the givingness of the self to the joy of life!

Thank You

Thank you for being a unique part of the Spiritual Enrichment Center! We know from our teachings that everyone is always in their right place on their spiritual path. How fortunate we are that our paths intertwine on our individual journeys toward spiritual enlightenment. We embrace the fact that the universe has placed us together, to work together and to support each other on our journeys. The Spiritual Enrichment Center has a unique power unto itself...the power to draw strong, courageous, creative individuals together for individual and collective spiritual growth.

With that power comes the responsibility and the opportunity to sustain and support the life of the Center. A vital and alive Church is able to do much for its members and its community. Each of you, the members and friends of the Church, make our Center vital and alive. This happens through intentional giving of the whole Self. Your loving gifts enable the Spiritual Enrichment Center to continue to be a place where transformation truly *does* happen !

All of us individually make a difference in this world. However, *together* we have the ability to make an even greater difference!

Life is a Joy!

Carolyn J. McKeown

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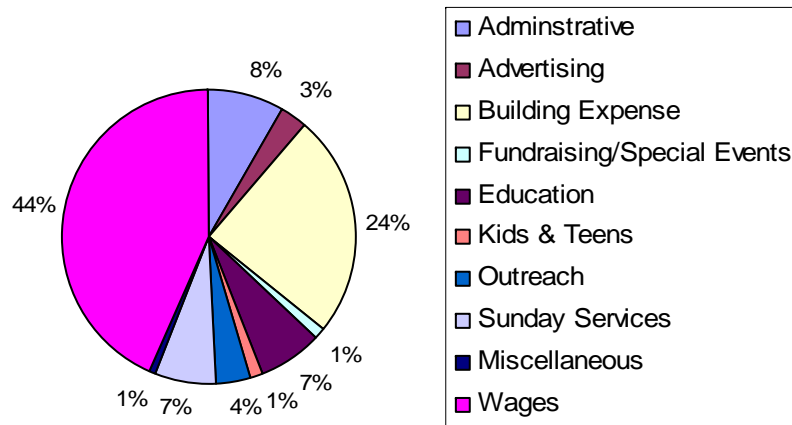
Founding Minister/Director



2007 Budget Categories

Administrative	\$34,220
Advertising	\$12,000
Building Expense	\$100,059
Fundraising/Special Events	\$5,000
Education	\$28,600
Kids & Teens	\$6,000
Outreach	\$15,200
Sunday Services	\$27,040
Miscellaneous	\$3,000
Wages (Ministers, Music Director, Church Coordinator, Pavilion Set-up Person, Janitor, Nursery)	\$178,221

Total Budgeted Expenditures = \$409,340



Intentional Giving

As we introduce our Intentional Giving Program this year, clarity and information are important for success. Intentional giving involves making an annual financial commitment and establishing the frequency with which the gift will be made, weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, annually or whatever you choose. The amount given is completely up to the individual and all that is given is greatly appreciated!

One of our goals for 2008 is to enroll as many of our members in this program as possible. The Spiritual Enrichment Center Board of Trustees, the Ministers and Practitioners have all endorsed this program. Our ongoing commitment to our membership is to practice sound financial stewardship and fiscal responsibility.

Our Intentional Giving Program will help to bring greater order and balance to our finances which will ultimately assist in our ability to resource, grow and share our beautiful teaching with the world. Your commitment and continued support is essential to that effort.

What are the benefits of being a committed giver?

Intentional Giving is an opportunity to deepen your experience of generosity and to practice the Law of Reciprocity. It fully involves you in the Law of Intention - where the attention goes, the energy flows. It also activates the Law of Circulation - whatever you give returns to you. It engages the heart - wherever your treasure be, there be your heart. Intentional giving is an action that moves your heart in alignment with Divine energy; to actually put a portion of your financial resources in support of something bigger than yourself.

Measured Giving

Measured Giving is a form of intentional giving that comes from a spiritual law that proposes what you receive in life is always a measure of what you have given. In other words, whether you're aware of it or not, your giving is the determining factor in your receiving. People who know how to set the law of giving into motion live rich, deep, meaningful lives.

When someone first becomes an intentional giver, they give a fixed amount. As they develop their giving consciousness they increase the fixed amount until it matches their opinion of what they can afford to give. Measured giving can change your fixed opinion about giving and change the way you live your life.

It's simple. Each Sunday measure the flow by picking a percentage on your income. For example, if \$1,000 flowed into your existence this week and you have picked a measure of 6%, you can easily write a check for \$60 (six percent of \$1000). If less flows in next week, you can still calculate 6% and give accordingly. If more flows in it still works the same. In other words, when using the measured giving technique you will always give the proportional right amount. Then each year, if you choose, you can raise your measured giving amount and watch for the results. When completing the Intentional Giving Commitment form the financial commitment would be based on a percentage of your annual income given weekly, monthly, or however you choose.

Remember the advantages of measured giving:

1. You will never give too much or too little.
2. Consciously measuring your income raises your awareness of the Law of Circulation and blessings in your life.
3. When you give, you feel joy, fulfillment, and freedom.
4. Measuring one's good sends a strong signal that he/she is confident in God as the Source of all life.



Can My Giving Be In The Form of Service?

Giving of time and talent to the source of our spiritual inspiration is as beneficial to you and your Church as is the giving of your treasure. However, giving of service helps spiritualize our attitudes toward work, while giving of our treasure helps spiritualize our attitudes toward money. Thus, we should not do one in lieu of the other. It would be like asking if exercising very hard on the right side of the body would strengthen the left side as well.

We see giving of time, talent and treasure as an opportunity to give. However, they are different. Initially, it is often harder for people to give their treasure than to give their time and talent. As often as not, the desire to give service time instead of money can be avoidance in having to make what at first may seem like the larger sacrifice.

Ultimately, the more we give freely of not only our time & talent but our treasure as well, the more joy we experience in all areas of our life. In this way what may have seemed like the larger "sacrifice" becomes the larger source of joy.