

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How much money does Chester Road Baptist Church need?

We'd like to do so much more mission and ministry. To run all our activities, employ our staff, and operate our buildings, our total budget is approximately £340,000 a year. That's approx:

- = £28,300 a month
- = £ 6,500 a week (or per Sunday)
- = £ 930 a day

2. Does Chester Road Baptist practise what it preaches about giving?

Yes! We are committed to giving 15% of all our donation income to fund mission & ministry *and beyond* ourselves: BMS World Mission in the Republic of Chad (5%), Baptist Home Mission (5%), and our partner church, Timberley Lane Baptist Church (5%).

3. Can I change the amount I give through Standing Order?

Yes! People's income goes up and down. To increase or decrease your Standing Order simply inform your bank and, ideally, the Church Office.

"As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. "Truly I tell you," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others. All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on."

Luke 21:1-4

Please contact the Church Office if you have any further questions:

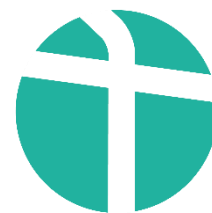
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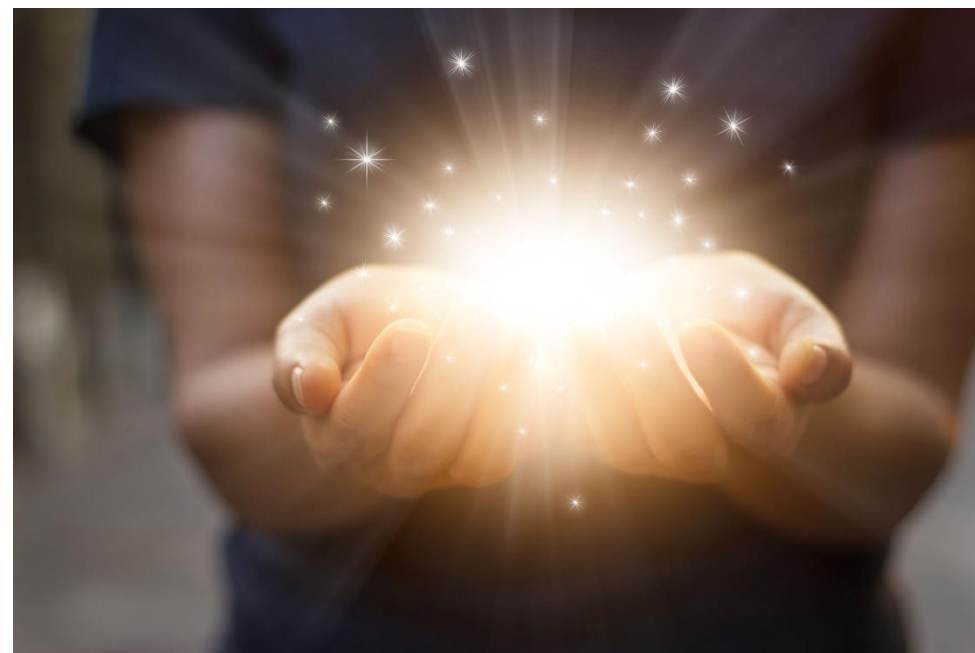
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Regular Giving

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Thank you

Thank you for participating in the life of Chester Road Baptist Church. Together, we make a real difference! Here's how you can give financially to enable our mission and ministry.

How is Chester Road Baptist Church funded?

We rely on the generous giving of all those that count 'Chester Road' as their spiritual home, as well as from those that use our facilities/ services.

Being a Baptist church, we are totally responsible for all our own costs: employing our staff; maintaining our buildings; funding our many church & community activities.

Why might I give?

People give to Chester Road Baptist Church for many different reasons:

- Many give as an act of worship and spiritual discipline. They seek to be disciples of Christ, submitting everything they have to God.
- Others give because the Bible has much to say about living generously, giving and the importance of valuing your church.
- Some give because they especially appreciate our work with young people and children, and in the wider community.
- Others give because it is rewarding to do something good with money. Everyone can experience the joy of giving.

*"Each person should **give** as they have decided in their heart - not out of regret or out of necessity, for God loves a cheerful **giver**."*

2 Corinthians 9:7

How much should I give?

Each person should give according to their means and faith.

A core group of 'Chester Roaders' give 10% of their 'pay slip' income ('tithe') to the mission & ministry of Chester Road Baptist Church. Many others are working towards this level.

They appreciate the difference their giving makes to the lives of people: young and old, Christians and non-religious, in *and beyond* Chester Road.

We encourage responsible giving. No-one should feel under any pressure to give. Any gift, big or small, is wonderful. It is healthy to review your personal finances on a regular basis to ensure your giving is affordable and in proportion to your income. It may need to go up or down.

How well used is my giving?

The Trustees (elected Deacons) ensure strict financial safeguards are in place for good management of the church's finances. Chester Road Baptist Church is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Nº 1201208). Our accounts are independently examined each year and available online at CharityCommission.gov.uk ('Search the charity register')

How can I make my giving go further?

If you pay income tax or capital gains tax, please complete a Gift Aid declaration so the church can reclaim the tax. You only need do this once to cover all present and future gifts (as well as those in the past four years).

For example, if you pay UK tax at 20% and 'Gift Aid' £100 to Chester Road, we will receive £125 in total. What's more, if you pay higher rate tax you can claim extra relief on your giving through Self Assessment - legitimately reducing your own personal tax liability.

How and when can I give?

1. Make a regular gift by Standing Order - it helps us and you plan ahead

Having decided what to give, most give monthly by Standing Order. This is secure, easy to organise, and helps both you and us to budget better.

Simply complete and send the Standing Order form to your bank, or quote:

Bank: Unity Trust Bank
Account name: Chester Road Baptist Church
Account number: 20480053
Sort code: 60-83-01
Amount of gift: £___ __ per month.

*"See that you excel in this grace of **giving**."
2 Corinthians 8:7*

Need help? e: Treasurer@ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk

2. Make a one-off or regular gift online

ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/GiveNow Or use this QR code:

It's secure and simple.



3. Cheque or cash

You can still give by cash or cheque! Either use a Giving Bucket before/after a service, or send your gift to the Church Office. If you pay UK tax, please use a Gift Aid envelope so we can reclaim 25% extra from HMRC.



4. Legacy

Please consider joining others in leaving a gift for Chester Road Baptist Church in your Will. Information on how to do this is available in confidence from our Church Office or website ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Legacy. Please discuss with your family first.

Your bank needs this



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Standing Order

Title:First name:

Last name:

Address:

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Postcode:

Instruction to your Bank/Building society:

Please pay **Chester Road Baptist Church** the amount of £ ____

every **month**, starting on ____ / ____ / 20 ____ until further notice.

Bank: **Unity Trust Bank**

Account name: **Chester Road Baptist Church**

Account number: **20480053**

Sort code: **60-83-01**



Signed: _____ Date: _____

Once completed and signed, please **give to your bank/ building society**
and notify the Church Office for our encouragement. Can you Gift Aid it?

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Gift Aid Declaration

Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts I make to Chester Road Baptist Church:

☐ today

☐ in the past four years

☐ in the future

(✓ tick ALL that apply/ you are happy with)

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do *not* qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 28p of tax on every £1 that I gave up to 5 April 2008 and will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give on or after 6 April 2008. I accept Chester Road Baptist Church has a legitimate interest/ reason to collect and store securely my name, contact details and giving records. I will notify Chester Road Baptist Church if I no longer pay enough tax for Gift Aid.

My details:

Title: First name:

Last name:

Address:

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Postcode:



Signed: _____ Date: _____

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