Instructions: Use this worksheet with your family, group or mentor to evaluate your monthly charitable giving.



## **Step 1**: Review Your Expenses

>> Start by estilmating your typical monthly expenses in each of the areas below.

# Housing

Monthly rent or mortgage



### **Utilities**

Gas, water, electric, etc.



### Auto

fuel, oil, tires, car payment



## Grocery

Food, toiletries, etc.



# Shopping

Total cost of cell plan(s)



### Phones

Total cost of cell plan(s)



### Fun

Eating out, movies, etc.



### Vacation

Typical yearly expense ÷12



### Other

Misc monthly expenses





## Step 2: Review Your Giving

>> Estimate your typical monthly giving in each of the areas below.

#### Church

Giving through tithes, offerings



#### **Missions**

Giving to Christcentered orgs



#### Other

Giving to friends, strangers, etc.





# Step 3: Talk about it

>> Talk about it with your family, group or mentor.

- 1. Which of the categories are most surprising to you, and why?
- 2. Compare your total expenses from Step 1 with your total monthly income. What is your monthly estimated profit/loss?
- 3. From the 9 categories in Step 1, where do you need to spend less? How will you do it?
- 4. Take the total of the three boxes from Step 2. Divide that number by your monthly income to find your giving percentage. Are you surprised?
- 5. Use the space in Step 4 to make a commitment as a family to step up your giving in the next 12 months.



# Step 4: Pledge

>> Use the space below to make a pledge to step up your giving as a family or individual.

#### Church

With God's help, I pledge to give this amount each month.



### Missions

With God's help, I pledge to give this amount each month.



### Other

With God's help, I pledge to give this amount each month.



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