

Local Church Budget

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Have you ever experienced being abandoned? Do you sometimes feel forsaken? Dr. Jen Theule, a psychologist of the Canadian Psychological Association, when writing about child attachment describes it as an emotional relationship between two people in which one is dependent on the other to fulfil their needs and provide nurture and protection. In the case of children, they depend on their parents or significant caregiver to provide for their needs over time. When this is not forthcoming, the child experiences several emotional disconnects, which can cause an adverse impact on how they operate in relationships in later years. However, when the process of attachment is successful, children grow up feeling secure. When it is not successful, they grow up experiencing various types of insecurities.

The Scripture assures us in many places that our Creator will never abandon us. One such scripture is Isaiah 49:15, which says, “Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you”. God will never forsake us, and we can trust His word.

So, as we return our tithes and offerings today, let us give with a willing heart to our local church budget, so that our children and youth can be nurtured for the glory of God.

Adventist World Radio

March 14, 2026

Adventist World Radio uses many forms of technology to reach people where they are, in their local dialect. From its shortwave towers in Guam to 2,000 radio stations around the world, these messages are broadcasting in more than 130 languages every day. For those who aren't in range of a radio station, their YouTube videos, ministry app, and tracts are ministering to millions.

In addition, solar-powered Godpods are reaching everyone from prisoners to shepherds! Recently, the head of a gang of thieves in Madagascar stole a Godpod, thinking it was a radio. He was shocked when, deep in their hideout in a cave, this "radio" seemed to get a signal. He and his men started listening to the Bible messages, and after connecting with a local Adventist church and studying the Bible, 33 former thieves were baptized into the Adventist Church.

Over the last year, the ministry has made even more inroads in the Philippines as rebel soldiers continue to put down their guns and pick up Bibles and many are even holding evangelistic meetings after getting baptized!

God predicted that one day we would be "utterly amazed" at what He would do—and we are! Thank you for your support of Adventist World Radio.

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The Scribes and Pharisees tried to trap Jesus. However, they were never successful. At every try, Jesus was able to use their malicious attempts to teach truths and lessons of eternal value.

One such lesson comes from Mark 12:17. “Jesus said to them, ‘Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.’ And they marveled at him.” This response of Christ is an eternal truth that invites all of God’s children, whether by redemption or creation, to recognize His authority. While Jesus’ wisdom and skill freed Him from the entanglement of His attackers, it also points to our obligation to support our government and to honor Him with our gifts.

In the case of our stewardship, we are invited to return to God what belongs to Him. We are to give Him one-seventh of our week in worship. We are to spend time to witness of His saving grace. We are to care for our wellbeing – emotionally and physically. And we are to return one-tenth of our earnings and give a freewill offering, to undertake the cost of ministry and mission. This demonstrates our loyalty to God.

Today as we give, let’s give in commitment because Jesus is deserving of our gifts. Our offering for today is for the local church budget.

Combined Youth Ministries

March 28, 2026

Youth make up a significant part of the church and they represent the present and future of our faith community. The youth bring several God-given qualities to the church, including, but not limited to, vitality, fresh perspectives, creativity, relevancy, renewed energy, and enthusiasm. Engaging them in the operations of the church ensures continuity of our religious distinctions and allows them to develop strength in their moral and spiritual responsibilities. One such spiritual responsibility is to be a faithful steward. Writing to the youth, Ellen G. White points out that young people should be taught that it is their privilege to help out in the cause of Christ and should practice self-denial. *Counsels on Stewardship*, page 292, states, “It is the duty of all who touch the work of God to learn economy in the use of time and money”. This suggests that young people have much to offer to the mission of Christ when it comes to their financial faithfulness, their time, and their talents.

In Proverbs 22:6, Solomon shares an important insight that agrees with the sentiments of Mrs. White. He says, “Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it”. Young people should be given the tools, the encouragement, and the help needed to model Christ-centered stewardship.

May our youth worship God in Spirit and in truth as we faithfully use our gifts to glorify God. Our offering for today is for Combined Youth Ministries.