



# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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## Christian Family Finance: Building a Home Based on Stewardship, Faith, and Generosity

Managing money in a Christian home is more than just balancing numbers; it is an act of worship, obedience, and trust. Scripture reminds us that everything we possess belongs to God (Psalm 24:1). Families who handle finances with this truth at the core experience greater unity, purpose, and peace. Ellen G. White affirms this principle, teaching that the home should be “a place where God is honored and obedience to Christian principles is practiced in the small details of life.” Christian family finance goes beyond just earning and spending—it’s about being faithful stewards who utilize God’s blessings to support His work, bless others, and deepen the family’s spiritual journey. Here is a practical, biblical, and Spirit-of-Prophesy-based framework for Christian financial living.

### 1. God Owns Everything—We Manage What He Entrusts

Biblical foundation: “The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it.” —Psalm 24:1  
Every financial decision feels less stressful when we remember that God is the true Owner and we are managers (stewards). This mindset turns ordinary choices—like budgeting, saving, and giving—into acts of faith.

Ellen G. White teaches that God gives resources so His children may develop character and generosity:

All that we possess belongs to the Lord. We are His stewards, and we are to use His gifts for His glory.” (*Counsels on Stewardship*, p. 17)

When families see money as a trust, they begin handling it with prayer, purpose, and gratitude.

### 2. Put God First Through Tithes, Offerings, and Daily Choices

Biblical foundation: “Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your increase.” —Proverbs 3:9

Giving is not an afterthought—it is an act of worship that aligns our hearts with heaven. Returning tithe reveals loyalty; giving offerings reveals love.

Ellen G. White highlights that being consistently faithful leads to spiritual growth and guards the heart against selfishness. “The giving of our means... breaks the hold of selfishness and opens the way for the Lord’s

blessings.” (*Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 3, p. 405)

Families who give first develop resilience, gratitude, and trust—qualities children carry into adulthood.

### 3. Build a Budget That Reflects Faith and Responsibility

A Christian budget is more than a spreadsheet—it is a mission plan for the home. It helps families live intentionally, avoid stress, and stay aligned with God’s priorities.

A simple monthly plan—including giving, saving, essentials, discretionary expenses, and blessing others—teaches discipline and protects the home from financial confusion.

### 4. Avoid Debt—Choose Simplicity and Contentment

Debt places unnecessary stress on families and undermines their financial freedom.

Biblical foundation:

“The borrower is servant to the lender.” —Proverbs 22:7

Contentment involves prioritizing needs over wants, exercising patience, and teaching children that true happiness doesn’t come from possessions.

### 5. Teach Children the Joy of Stewardship Early

A financially wise home grows from intentional teaching. Children learn generosity, gratitude, and responsibility by watching how parents handle money.

Train up a child in the way he should go.” —Proverbs 22:6

Christian family finance isn’t solely about wealth; it’s about wisdom, worship, and walking with God.

With God as the center of financial choices:

- Marriages become more meaningful
- Children develop strong character
- Homes overflow with generosity
- Families discover freedom and joy



“Let children be taught to give... It will cultivate in them unselfishness.”

Ellen G. White (*Child Guidance*, p. 132)

